



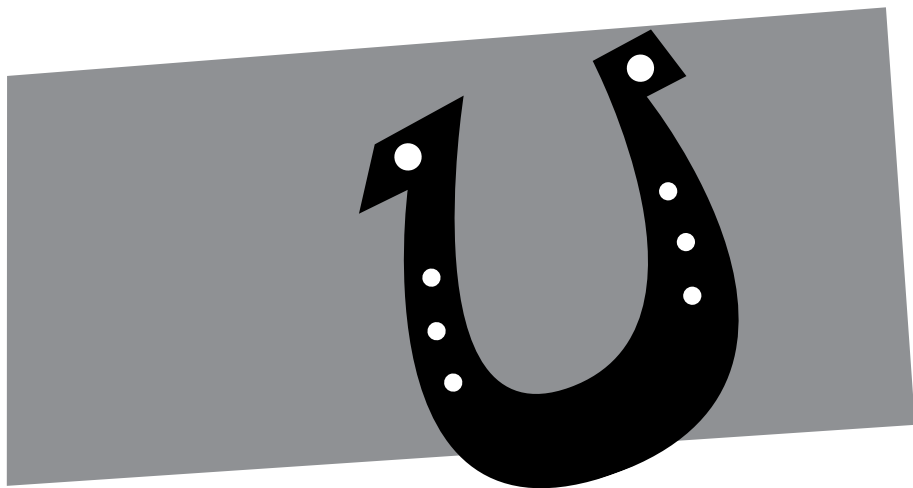
LIGHTHOUSE
WRITERS WORKSHOP

**LIT
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**AT
NIGHT**

Welcome to Lit Fest 2018!



Irrational fears. We've all got them. Spiders. Heights. That folder full of crappy first drafts. One thing you should never, ever be scared of, though? Running out of things to do here.

Once classes finish for the day, we're far from done. Head over to the Book Fair tent to catch some readings or grab a ticket to one of our catered salons. And don't miss our kickoff and closing parties, or our special edition of Making the Mountain.

Worried you're coming down with a mild case of TMLF, or Too Much Lit Fest? Take a break in one of the many restaurants, bars, coffee shops, and bookstores in our neighborhood, all within walking distance.

Whatever you choose to do, this guide has the maps and schedules you need to do it. Happy Lit Festing!

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Friday, June 1

Lit Fest Kickoff Party

6:00 to 9:00 PM

Celebrate Lit Fest's opening night with food from Cuba Cuba, live music, tarot card readings, a photo booth, and more. Plus, visiting author Steve Almond will read from his new book, *Bad Stories: What the Hell Just Happened to Our Country*, before joining Lighthouse Program Director Andrea Dupree for a lively conversation and Q&A. **Tickets:** \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks

Saturday, June 2

Salon: Good Art, Bad People

6:30 to 8:00 PM

Great art is often made by not-so-great people. In this wide-ranging discussion, we'll debate whether a creator's flaws can—or, at least, should?—impact our enjoyment of their work. Panelists include Steve Almond, Alexandre O. Philippe, Erika Krouse, and Thirii Myo Kyaw Myint. **Tickets:** \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks

Lit Fest Participant Reading

8:00 to 9:30 PM

Lit Fest participants will share some of their latest work.
Free

Sunday, June 3

Orientation & Happy Hour for Master Workshop Participants

7:00 to 8:00 PM

Students taking workshops with Min Jin Lee, Emily Rapp Black, Jenny Offill, Lydia Millet, CAConrad, and Halley Feiffer are invited to join us for drinks, snacks, and a quick introduction to your instructor and fellow classmates.
Free for Week 1 Master Workshop participants

Monday, June 4

Book Project Graduate Reading

6:30 to 7:30 PM

Celebrate Book Project graduates Martha Lederer, Rebecca Czarnecki, Nancy Knutson, Anne Randolph, Jan Thomas, Lewis Gibb, and Ellin Rosenthal as they read from their work.
Free

Salon: Writing in a Ruptured World

8 to 9:30 PM

Our panelists—Min Jin Lee, CAConrad, Joanna Luloff, and Poupeh Missaghi—will talk about how they stay focused on their art, even in troubling, chaotic times. **Tickets:** \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks

Tuesday, June 5

The Lighthouse Reading Show

6:30 to 7:30 PM

We'll enjoy short readings from recipients of our Lit Fest Fellowship for Emerging Writers as well as writers from our community outreach programs.

Free

Salon: The Other Half of the Story

8:00 to 9:30 PM

Panelists Emily Rapp Black, Halley Feiffer, Tiffany Q. Tyson, and Erika T. Wurth will discuss the opportunities—and challenges—involved with bringing female-driven narratives into the mainstream.

Tickets: \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks

Wednesday, June 6

Kudos Live Reading

6:30 to 7:30

Kali Fajardo-Anstine, Joanna Luloff, Tiffany Q. Tyson, Jessica Thummel, Lois Levinson, Peter Stenson, Carolina Ebeid, and Cynthia Swanson will share some recently published works.

Free

Visiting Author Reading

8:00 to 9:30 PM

Guest faculty Min Jin Lee, Emily Rapp Black, Jenny Offill, Lydia Millet, CAConrad, and Halley Feiffer will read from their work and sign books after.

Free

Thursday, June 7

Book Project Graduate Reading

6:30 to 7:30 PM

Celebrate the work of Book Project grads Andrea Ray, Daniel Webster, Stacy Allen, Caitlin Plante, Mary Catherine La Mar, Greg Tally, Mary Ellen Gallagher, and Noelle Nicholson.

Free

Salon: It Takes Two—The Art of Literary Partnership

8:00 to 9:30 PM

Visiting authors Lydia Millet and Jenny Offill will talk about how they became writing friends—and why it's made a difference.

Tickets: \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks

Friday, June 8

Tales of the Weird and Wonderful

6:30 to 7:30 PM

Speculative writers Ben Loory, Brandi Homan, Diana Khoi Nguyen, Jessica Comola, and Courtney E. Morgan will join James O'Neill, head of the Denver Obscura Society, for a special reading.

Free

Making the Mountain

8:00 to 9:30 PM

This installment of Making the Mountain—our recurring artist talk featuring Colorado creatives—will feature Brenton Weyi, Molly Bounds, Ben Loory, and Playback Theatre West.

Tickets: \$20

CASINO NIGHT 2018



August 17,
6-10 PM

Join us for a night of casino games, food, and drinks in support of Lighthouse's community outreach programs!

**Tickets on sale now
at lighthousewriters.org.**

Saturday, June 9

I Married a Writer

6:30 to 8:00 PM

Join literary power couple Leslie Jamison and Charles Bock as they discuss how they co-exist as writers, spouses, parents, and professionals.

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Sunday, June 10

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Free

Salon: Conventional vs. Unconventional Smackdown!

8:00 to 9:30 PM

Someone could get lightly bruised as our panelists—Benjamin Alire Sáenz, Alexander Lumans, Diane Bell, and Eleanor Brown—tackle the question: Do rules help or hinder when it comes to getting creative?

Tickets: \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks

Tuesday, June 12

Book Project Graduate Reading

6:30 to 7:30 PM

We'll listen to readings from graduates of our two-year Book Project program: Christine Smith, Jo Harkins, Eric Peterson, Martha Scherzer, Philip Van Hoevenberg, Lindsey Griffin, and Barbara Cocks.

Free

Salon: Genre Jumpers—A Path to Literary Breakthrough

8:00 to 9:30 PM

Panelists Rachel Cusk, Charles D'Ambrosio, Emily Sinclair, and Khadijah Queen will talk about the forms they've chosen—or mixed together, or jumped between—during their careers and why.

Tickets: \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks

Wednesday, June 13

Kudos Live Reading

6:30 to 7:30 PM

Lighthouseers Amanda Rea, Nick Arvin, Jenny Itell, Helen Thorpe, Jennifer Wortman, Sara Alan, Thirii Myo Kyaw Myint, and Steven Dunn will read from pieces recently selected for publication.

Free

Visiting Author Reading

8:00 to 9:30 PM

Guest faculty Terrance Hayes, Robin Black, Rachel Cusk, Charles D'Ambrosio, Maggie Shipstead, and Benjamin Alire Sáenz will read from their work and sign their books.

Free

Thursday, June 14

Poetry Collective Reading

6:30 to 7:30 PM

Join us as we celebrate our 2017-2018 Poetry Collective graduates: Jane Adair, Joan Manheimer, Kelleen Zubick, Shana Montrose, Michelle Cantwell, Kathleen Madril, Susan Friberg, Wendy Scher, Elle Echo, and Ben Keesee.

Free

Salon: Just Add Aliens—How to Learn from Bad Advice

8:00 to 9:30 PM

You know all that bad advice you're received? Our panel—Maggie Shipstead, Amanda Rea, Elisa Gabbert, and Mark Mayer—will talk about what to do with it.

Tickets: \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks

Friday, June 15

Closing Party

6:30 to 9:30 PM

Send off Lit Fest 2018 with a fun night of food, drinks, giant Jenga, and dancing, with a live performance from Jane Thatcher Band.

Tickets: \$20/members, \$30/non-members, includes food and drinks



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LIGHTHOUSE WRITERS WORKSHOP

What's in Our Hood

We're located in the bustling and highly walkable City Park West neighborhood, which borders Cap Hill and Cheesman Park. There's plenty within walking distance, and you'll also have access to B-Cycle (bicycle rental program), bus lines, and Lyft/Uber. Let us know if you have any questions!

COFFEE SHOPS



KEY

Mulberries: The closest coffee shop to Lighthouse with espresso, smoothies, and sweets.

St. Mark's: Coffee shop, always crowded, with pastries and a limited menu.

Weathervane: Eclectic coffee shop good for conversation and eats.

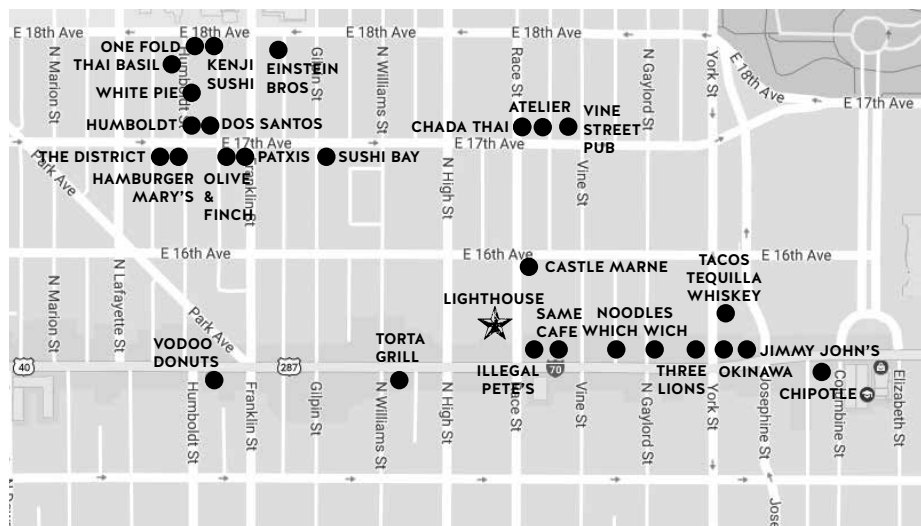
Starbucks: Fast coffee drinks and a small selection of pastries.

Denver Bicycle Cafe (DBC): Great coffee shop for working. Turns into a taphouse after 5:00 PM.

Tattered Cover: Local bookstore with a small coffee shop inside.

Also nearby: Hooked on Colfax, Thump Coffee, Under the Umbrella Cafe

RESTAURANTS



KEY

Illegal Pete's: Local chain for tacos, burritos, and quesadillas with a full bar. Open early and late.

SAME Cafe: Donation-based cafe with local ingredients and a seasonal menu.

Noodles: Chain offering fast noodle-based dishes. Gluten-free options available.

Which Wich: Fast sandwiches.

Three Lions: Sports pub with burgers and bar food.

Tacos Tequila Whiskey (formerly Pinche Tacos): Upscale tacos and margaritas. Crowded for dinner.

Okinawa: Sushi with a great two-for-one happy hour.

Jimmy John's: Fast sandwiches.

Chipotle: Fast tacos and burritos.

Vine Street Pub: Local cash-only favorite for burgers and craft beer.

Atelier: High-end French restaurant with a small patio.

Chada Thai: Excellent pad Thai and curry dishes at a low cost.

Sushi Bay: Low-cost sushi with a private karaoke room.

Einstein Bros: Bagels and coffee.

Kenji Sushi: Low-cost sushi.

One Fold: Excellent global brunch and lunch options, plus cocktails.

Patxi's: Upscale pizza and salads, including gluten-free options.

Olive & Finch: Local spot for quality sandwiches and salads.

Dos Santos: Upscale tacos and drinks.

Humboldt: Local farm-to-table restaurant for fine meats and specialty cocktails.

White Pie: Oak-fired pizza and Italian dishes.

The District: American bar and grill popular for brunch.

Hamburger Mary's: American bar and grill with drag performances.

Thai Basil: Fast-food Thai chain restaurant.

Voodoo Doughnuts: Novelty doughnut chain from Portland.

Torta Grill: Cafe for Mexican sandwiches and tamales.

RECREATION



KEY

Soul Haus: Shop for eclectic clothing and gifts.

The District: Local spot for late-night drinks.

Next Door Lounge: Neighborhood bar with games and appetizers.

Whole Yoga: Affordable yoga spot with a relaxing vibe.

Botanica Wellness Sanctuary: Acupuncture, massage, and facials.

The Thin Man: Local bar specializing in infused vodkas.

Vine Street Pub: Local brewery with a huge beer selection and full bar.

City Park: Large park with a fountain, zoo, golf course, and Nature & Science Museum—great for running.

Recreation Center: Low-cost gym with multiple swimming pools, fitness classes, and weights/equipment.

Sie Film Center: Excellent local independent movie theater with a full bar inside.

Studio Colfax: Shop for local art, jewelry, perfumes, clothing, and more.

Bar Max: Small bar with specialty cocktails and wine—great atmosphere for conversation.

Three Lions: Sports bar with trivia on Thursday nights.

High Level Health: Recreational marijuana dispensary.

Lion's Lair: Bar and music venue for punk rock shows (mostly).

Satire Lounge: Dive bar with cheap drinks.

Squire Lounge: Dive bar with cheap beer and laid-back atmosphere.

Blush & Blu: Quirky LGBTQ-friendly lounge for coffee and cocktails.

Also nearby: Twist & Shout (music store), Talulah Jones (eclectic shop), Cheesman Park, Botanic Gardens, Argonauts Liquor, Bluebird Theater, Ogden Theater, Fillmore Auditorium, 1up Barcade



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Carmen Maria Machado

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Adam Johnson, author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning
The Orphan Master's Son and National Book Award
winner *Fortune Smiles*

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