



## THE TEXAS BOOK FESTIVAL TO HOST LIT CRAWL ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

*Annual Night of Literary Mayhem to Include Trivia, Literary Death Match, Cards Against Humanity Spin-Off, Karaoke, and More*

**AUSTIN, TEXAS (October 26, 2016)** – Lit Crawl Austin returns to the Texas Book Festival in East Austin on Saturday, November 5 starting at 7 p.m. The annual literary pub-crawl, co-hosted by TBF and the Litquake Foundation, features some of the country's best writers onstage at various East Austin venues in a series of offbeat readings, literary games, and performances, including appearances by R. L. Stine, Yuyi Morales, Sarah Bird, Eileen Myles, and more.

Inspired by San Francisco's long-running Lit Crawl and produced with their participation, the 2016 Lit Crawl Austin will take place at North Door, the Terrazas Branch of the Austin Public Library, Austin Toy Museum, Lewis Carnegie, Weather Up, and GrayDUCK Gallery.

Highlights include an epic round of Literary Death Match featuring authors Amy Gentry and Teddy Wayne, a trivia round inspired by all things '80s, a *How to Be a Texan* game show hosted by author Andrea Valdez, a literary take on Balderdash, and Lit Crawl Against Humanity, based on the hit card game.

The full schedule including detailed times and descriptions can be found at [www.texasbookfestival.org/lit-crawl/](http://www.texasbookfestival.org/lit-crawl/). Lit Crawl Austin is a project of the Texas Book Festival and the Litquake Foundation. Affiliated Lit Crawl events take place in San Francisco, Brooklyn, Miami, Austin, Los Angeles, Iowa City, Seattle, London, and Helsinki.

The 2016 Texas Book Festival is co-presented by H-E-B and AT&T. Other major sponsors include Brigid Cockrum and family, *Kirkus Reviews*, *Texas Monthly*, the Tocker Foundation, C-SPAN2 Book TV, St. David's HealthCare, Buena Vista Foundation, Pentagram, Central Market, and the *Austin American-Statesman*.

The complete schedule for the 2016 Texas Book Festival, taking place November 5 and 6, is available at [www.texasbookfestival.org](http://www.texasbookfestival.org).

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### **ABOUT TEXAS BOOK FESTIVAL**

The Texas Book Festival connects authors and readers through experiences that celebrate the culture of literacy, ideas, and imagination. Founded in 1995 by former First Lady Laura Bush, Mary Margaret Farabee, and a group of volunteers, the nonprofit Texas Book Festival promotes the joys of reading and writing through its annual Festival Weekend, the one-day Texas Teen Book Festival, the Reading Rock Stars program, grants to Texas libraries, youth fiction writing contest, and year-round literary programming. The Festival is held on the grounds of the Texas Capitol each fall and features more than 280 renowned authors, panels, book signings, live music, cooking demonstrations, and children's activities. The 2016 Texas Book Festival Weekend will take place on November 5 and 6, and the 2016 Texas Teen Book Festival was held on October 1. Thanks to generous donors, sponsors, and 1,000 volunteers, the Festival remains free and open to the public. Visit [www.texasbookfestival.org](http://www.texasbookfestival.org) for more information, and join the conversation using the hashtag #txbookfest on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @texasbookfest.