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EVENTS CALENDAR
APRIL 7-14



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7 APRIL 7:30pm European Poetry Festival [More information](#)

The European Camarade

Location: Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Rd, London E1 6LA

Latvian writer participating: [Sergejs Timofejevs](#)

30 poets in 15 pairs presenting brand new collaborations of literary performance made especially for the night. The Camarade is a way to bring together dozens of European poets to London to collaborate, perform and to build connections that will last for decades. **Free entry**

8 APRIL 6pm [More information](#)

Parthian Baltic poetry launch

Location: Wheatsheaf, 25 Rathbone Place, London W1T 1JB

Latvian writers participating: [Madara Gruntmane](#), [Eduards Aivars](#), [Krišjānis Zeļģis](#)

An evening of poetry and beer-tasting to kick off London Book Fair 2018 and celebrate the launch of Parthian Baltic, an exciting series of books showcasing the best writing from Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania. Each country's poetry will be accompanied by a sample of its finest beer for a real Baltic sensory treat!

8 APRIL 7:30pm doors, 8pm start European Poetry Festival [More information](#)

Performance Literature & Sound Poetry

Location: Iklectik, Old Paradise Yard, 20 Carlisle Ln, London SE1 7LG

Latvian writer participating: [Sergejs Timofejevs](#)

European poetry is going through a remarkable renaissance in avant-garde and innovative practise. A series of poets explore the possibilities of performance, liveness, space, time and sound. This event is a unique opportunity to witness first-hand the possibilities of an old art in a new century. **Free entry**

9 APRIL 2:30pm [More information](#)

Reading and a Workshop for Children by Luīze Pastore

Location: Moon Lane Ink, 300 Stanstead Rd, London SE23 1DE

Latvian writer participating: [Luīze Pastore](#)

Award-winning Latvian Author Luīze Pastore will be running a workshop and talking about her new book Dog Town. Dog Town is a charming adventure story, full of surprises, wisdom and humour. It's Pastore's debut in English published by Firefly Press. **For ages 8-12s**

9 APRIL 7:30pm – 9pm [More information](#)

Being Baltic: at the crossroads of influence

Location: Knowledge Centre, British Library, 96 Euston Rd, London NW1 2DB

Latvian writer participating: [Nora Ikstena](#)

Explore the literary influences of European, Russian and Nordic cultures on contemporary Baltic authors! Three leading Baltic writers – Mihkel Mutt (Estonia), Nora Ikstena (Latvia) and Kristina Sabaliauskaitė (Lithuania) – join the discussion!

10 APRIL – 20 MAY 9:30am – 6:30pm daily [More information](#)

Pop Up Creators Exhibition

Location: Royal Over-Sees League, 5 Park Pl, St James's, London SW1A 1LR

Latvian illustrators participating: [Liāna Mihailova](#), [Pauls Rietums](#), [Roberts Rūrāns](#), [Vivianna Marija Staņislavska](#), [Zane Zlemeša](#), [Sanita Muižniece](#)

Pop Up Creators is an international exchange of 18 professional illustrators across the UK, Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania working with multilingual groups of talented emerging artists. Guided by their mentors, the 150 young artists produced illustrated leporellos, published by Nobrow, Pāike Ja Pilv, KUŠ! and the Vilnius Academy of Arts Publishing House.

10 APRIL 7pm [More information](#)

Mythemes: a concert by Latvian indie-rock band "Sigma"

Location: St Ethelburga's, The Nave, 78 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AG

This year, Latvian indie-rock band "Sigma" is releasing its second album Mythologies, especially significant for the fact that all song lyrics are written by well-known Latvian poets – [Kārlis Vērdiņš](#), [Inese Zandere](#), [Marts Pujāts](#), [Anna Auziņa](#), [Jānis Rokpelnis](#), [Inga Gaile](#) and [Uldis Bērziņš](#). Sigma will be performing songs in Latvian and English to celebrate Latvia's participation at The London Book Fair 2018 and Latvia's Centenary. **Free entry**

11 APRIL 4pm – 6pm [More information](#)

Book launch: Classical Modernism by Latvian art historian Dace Lamberga

Location: Calvert 22 Foundation, 22 Calvert Ave, London E2 7JP

"Neputns" Publishers art patrons Dina and Jānis Zuzāni (Latvia) and Calvert 22 Foundation invite you to the launch event of the book Classical Modernism: Early 20th Century Latvian Painting by art historian Dace Lamberga.

11 APRIL 5pm – 6pm [More information](#)

Book launch: children's book Ucipuci by Zane Zuste

Location: London Latvian House, 72 Queensborough Terrace, London W2 3SH

Latvian writer participating: [Zane Zuste](#)

Reading from series of Ucipuci is Looking for Home and Ucipuci Thinks Outside the Box by Latvian author Zane Zusta. After the reading children's workshop.

11 APRIL 6:30pm – 8:30pm [More information](#)

Film: Knutification + Q&A with poet Kārlis Vērdiņš and film director Ivars Tontegode

Location: Cine Lumiere, Queensberry Pl 17, London SW72

Documentary film about Latvian writer and poet [Knutu Skujenieks](#) whose works were published, but forbidden until the fall of the Soviet Union. Since then his works are translated into more than 30 languages, but has only made it into English recently. Prior the screening, join a discussion with the poet and translator [Kārlis Vērdiņš](#), along with the director of the film Ivars Tontegode. The discussion will be moderated by visual artist and filmmaker Simons Puriņš.

12 APRIL 7pm – 8pm [More information](#)

Children of History

Location: Free Word Centre, 60 Farringdon Rd, London EC1R 3GA

Latvian writer participating: [Nora Ikstena](#)

Grandparents, mothers, fathers and children – at its heart, the idea of a family should be universal. But in reality, how does a country's history or identity affect its idea of family? Where do different cultures agree on their views of motherhood, fatherhood and childhood, and where do they differ?

12 APRIL 8pm – 9:30pm [More information](#)

World Poets Series

Location: National Poetry Library, Level 5, Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, London SE1 8XX

Latvian writer participating: [Kārlis Vērdiņš](#)

Join this one-off event with visiting Baltic poets. The evening will showcase three of the most celebrated poets from the Baltic states, Maarja Kangro (Estonia), Kārlis Vērdiņš (Latvia) and Tomas Venclova (Lithuania). The poets read from their work and discuss the poetry scene in their countries.

13 APRIL 2pm – 4pm [More information](#)

Story Cafe: Baltic writers

Location: Glasgow Women's Library, 23 Landressy St, Glasgow G40 1BP

Latvian writer participating: [Inga Ābele](#)

Discover the joy of being read at the legendary lunchtime Story Cafe, immerse yourselves in tales of life, love and longing by the best women writers from across the globe.

13 APRIL 6:30pm – 8:30pm [More information](#)

Latvia: Image Music Text

Location: Conway Hall, 25 Red Lion Square, London WC1R 4RL

Latvian participants: writer [Kristīne Ulberga](#), writer and filmmaker [Maira Dobele](#), musician [Anete Graudiņa](#)

Acclaimed author Kristīne Ulberga will be reading from her astonishing new novel The Green Crow, published by Peter Owen, followed by a series of 12 short films created by writer and filmmaker Maira Dobele, and traditional Latvian music from Anete Graudiņa. The event will be followed by reception where guests will have a chance to talk to the artists. **Free entry**

13 APRIL 7pm [More information](#)

The Book of Riga launch at Housmans

Location: Housmans Booksellers, 5 Caledonian Rd, London N1 9DX

Latvian writers participating: [Svens Kuzmins](#), [Dace Rukšāne](#)

In the year in which Latvia celebrates a centenary as an independent state, we bring you stories which demonstrate how Riga has established itself as a vibrant creative centre, attracting artists, performers and writers from across the region and beyond. This rare showcase of contemporary Latvian writing gathers together stories by some of the country's finest writers, chronicling the city's continuing growth and transformation after centuries of foreign rule.

13 APRIL 7pm European Poetry Festival [More information](#)

The European Camarade in Manchester

Location: International Anthony Burgess Foundation, Engine House, Chorlton Mill, 3 Cambridge St, Manchester M1 5BY

Latvian writer participating: [Inga Pizāne](#)

Bringing together some of the finest modern poets of the thriving Manchester scene in collaborative pairs with writers visiting from Norway, Lithuania, Latvia, France, Germany and Italy, this special Camarade event will present dynamic new duets of live literature made especially for the night. **Free entry**

13 APRIL 7:30pm Apples and Snakes presents [More information](#)

Hit the Ode

Latvian writer participating: [Kārlis Vērdiņš](#)

Location: Patrick Centre at Birmingham Hippodrome, Hurst St, Southside, Birmingham B5 4TB

Apples and Snakes presents Hit the Ode, Birmingham's premier poetry night. Every month, Hit the Ode brings the most exciting poets from the region, the country and the world to the heart of Birmingham. Join us at our new home, The Patrick Centre, Birmingham Hippodrome for poems from all across the world. We have poems and lots of them. Poems to ruffle feathers and caress your heart strings. Poems that will challenge your nan to a hip-hop cypher. Poems that taste like hot cocoa. Good poems. Great Poems. Come and get them.

14 APRIL 7pm European Poetry Festival [More information](#)

The European Camarade in Middlesbrough

Location: Middlesbrough Institute of Modern Art, Centre Square, Middlesbrough TS1 2AZ

Latvian writer participating: [Inga Pizāne](#)

Bringing together some of the finest modern poets of the thriving North East scene in collaborative pairs with writers visiting from Norway, Latvia, Germany and Italy, this special Camarade event will present dynamic new duets of live literature made especially for the night. **Free entry**

14 APRIL 7pm – 10pm [More information](#)

Concert of Imants Ziedonis Foundation "Viegli"

Location: 154 Holland Park Ave, London, W11 4UH

Imants Ziedonis Foundation "Viegli" was established in the spring of 2010. The Foundation promotes and implements the ideas and values of Imants Ziedonis, continues to support creative and unusual ideas, and organizes public projects that reveal the beauty of Latvia.