KAMPALA WRITES LITFEST

GOETHE-ZENTRUM KOOPERATIONSPARTNER

GOETHE INSTITUT

UGANDAN GERMAN Cultural SOCIETY

28th - 30th
August 2026

Programme Summary

Friday 28th August

Time	Session type	Topic	Speakers / Facilitators	Venue
9:00am–11:00am	MASTERCLASS	Audio Publishing	Ama Dadson	Green room
11:30am–12:30pm	PANEL DISCUSSION	Speculative Futures: Science Fiction as Fantasy and Political Imagination	Dilman Dila, Mirriane Mahn, Philisiwe Twijnstra **Moderator:** Otieno Owino	Main Auditorium
12:30pm–1: 30pm	PANEL DISCUSSION	Where Stories Begin: A cross-genre dialogue between writers & artists	Atwiine Lyn (Fashion), Tramaine Suubi (Literature), Sandra Suubi (Visual Art) **Moderator:** Prof. Dominic Dipio	Main Auditorium
3:00pm–5:00pm	FESTIVAL OPENING	Performances	Anna Grace Awili (Impressionist) and Lloyd Lutara (Storyteller)	Main Auditorium
		In-Conversation Keynote	Prof. Chika Unigwe with Dr. Anna Adima	Main Auditorium
6:00pm–7.00pm	BOOK LAUNCH	Instances of Exceptional Moments of Hunger The Girl Child Has Seen Days	Hadijjah Nabunya Sebunya Ernest Bazanye **Moderator:** Racheal Kizza	Main Auditorium
7:30pm–8:00pm	RESIDENT DJ			Gardens

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12:00pm–1:00pm	ROUNDTABLE CONVERSATION	Beyond Literary Recognition	Zabu Wamara, Yvonne Kusiima, Joshua Lubwama **Moderator:** Juliet Kushaba	Main Auditorium
1:30pm–2:30pm	INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE	Monetizing Streaming Content	Faisal Pyepar, Patricia Kahill, Fiona Kemigisha **Moderator:** Roland Byagaba	Green Room
1:30pm–2:30pm	AUTHOR INTERVIEW	I Am Evelyn Amony: Reclaiming My Life from the Lord's Resistance Army	**Author:** Evelyn Amony **Moderator:** Beatrice Lamwaka	Main Auditorium
2:30pm–3:30pm	PANEL DISCUSSION	Re-imagining the Planet	Deborah Tendo, Dr. Gladys Kalema Zikusoka **Moderator:** TBC	Main Auditorium
4:00pm–5:30pm	PANEL DISCUSSION	The Imagination Gap: Who Gets to Imagine the Future?	Edna Ninsiima, Ama Dadson, Chika Unigwe, Mirrianne Mahn **Moderator:** Wanjiru Koinange	Main Auditorium
6:00pm–7:00pm	BOOK TALK	Stages Born at the End of the World	Tramaine Suubi, Donica Merhazion **Moderator:** Phillip Matogo	Main Auditorium
7:15pm–9:00pm	Music Concert- Doadoa Live	Presented by Bayimba Foundation, Africalia and Live Traces Producing, (Free / Pre-registration Required)		Gardens

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Sunday 30th August

Time	Session type	Topic	Speakers / Facilitators	Venue
11:00am - 12.30 pm	BOOK TALK	Imagination in Poetry	Jane Okot P'Bitek Langoya Michelle Ivy Alwedo **Moderator:** Irene Mutuzo	Green Room
11:00am– 12:30pm	CHILDREN'S SESSION	Children, Stories & Imagination	Murungi Esther Mugisa, Alinaitwe Orianah, Damalie Kisakye **Moderator:** Penelope Nankunda	Main Auditorium
11:00 am – 2:00 pm	WRITING WORKSHOP	Creative Writing	**Facilitator:** Mirriane Mahn	CICP
1:00pm– 2:00pm	BOOK TALK	The Books That Stayed with Me	Florence Baingana Maureen Andinda **Moderator:** David Kangye	Main Auditorium
2:30pm– 3:30pm	ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION	Decoloniality and The Stories That Make Us	Wanjiru Koinange, Yusuf Serunkuma **Moderator:** Bernard Tabaire	Main Auditorium
4:00pm– 5:00pm	PANEL DISCUSSION	Can Machines Imagine? Creativity in the Era of Artificial Intelligence	Felix Kitaka, Bernard Nakireza, Betty Kilonzo. **Moderator:** TBC	Main Auditorium
6:00pm– 7:00pm	INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE	Who Defines African Stories? Writers, Publishers, Media, or Markets.	Philisiwe Twijnstra, Bazil Onen **Moderator:** Goretti Kyomuhendo	Main Auditorium
7:30pm	Spoken word performances		Mitch Isabirye, Tramaine Suubi , Betty Kilonzo	Main Auditorium

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