



Lunenburg Lit Festival COVID- 19 Protocols

The Lunenburg Lit Festival is an annual Celebration of storytelling hosted by South Shore Public Libraries in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia.

This document has been prepared to comply with the document “Communities, Culture and Heritage COVID-19 Prevention Guide for Event Organizers, Theatres and Performance Venues”¹ and the public health measures contained in the Nova Scotia Health Protection Order² as of September 1, 2020.

South Shore Public Libraries will host the Lunenburg Lit Festival using the following protocol:

- There will be a maximum of 50 guests permitted in the venue not including performing artists or staff.
- Every person attending the Festival will be required to wear a mask. If they do not have one, a mask will be provided. During the performance, audience members will be permitted to lower their masks for comfort should they wish to do so; masks must be worn at all other times including during any intermissions and following the performance until they leave the facility.
- The seating in the venue will be arranged in such a way as to ensure physical distancing requirements can be kept, with one empty seat space between each audience member or 6 feet between social bubbles.
- Only one bathroom will be available for public use during the performance. Should the bathroom be occupied, people waiting will line-up in the antechamber and not in the narrow hallway leading to that bathroom. Bathroom will be wiped down after each use.
- There will be a distance of 4 metres (12 feet) between the presenter and the first row of audience members.
- Contact information for contact tracing purposes and will be collected.
- Guests will be asked at the door if they have traveled outside of the Atlantic bubble within 14 days of the Festival.
- Guests, volunteers and staff will also be asked if they are feeling well the day of the event and will not be admitted if they identify unwell.
- All presenters at the Lunenburg Lit Festival reside within the Atlantic bubble.
- All Festival venues will be cleaned before and after each event, or more if required.
- All shared items such as the podium and microphones will be disinfected between presenters.
- Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the venue.
- Self-screening, Physical distancing, Handwashing and Hand Sanitizer posters will be posted throughout the venue.
- Lines will be formed for book purchase, book signing, merchandise, etc. and will be monitored for correct social distancing by Festival staff.

¹ <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/docs/Events-theatres-and-venues-COVID-19-prevention-guidelines.pdf>

² <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/docs/health-protection-act-order-by-the-medical-officer-of-health.pdf>