Knysna Literary Festival
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17-20 March 2016
Programme

"Reading is like a delicious journey... an escape along secret paths to dimensions beyond our dreams."
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**THURSDAY 17 MARCH**

**Qhawe Children’s Theatre**
Krynysa Primary School
09h00 - 10h00
R10 pp (Booking Reference A)

What does it mean to be the “Hero of the People” in a valley terrorised by a great snake?

The lost son of the chief must find his way back home and reclaim his birthright. Told through a cast of puppets, exquisitely designed by the Masiphumelele Community Theatre group and produced by The Handspring Puppet Company, this production of a traditional Xhosa tale captivates and engages. The production was the winner of an Ovation Award at the 2015 National Arts Festival.

**Young Writers Award Ceremony / Poetry Workshop**
Krynysa Primary School
12h00 - 14h00
Free Entry

With special guest, Finuala Dowling
Join Finuala for an interactive poetry workshop. Finuala is well known for What Poets Need and is an award-winning poet and novelist. The winners of this year’s creative writing competition will be announced and prizes presented to all the category winners.

**Look ‘n Cook with Pete Goffe-Wood**
Gitzer’s Kitchen
18h30 - 21h30
R350 pp (remember to BYOB) (Booking Reference B)

Join Pete (food alchemist, wine quaffer, beer maker, cook, seafood sustainability freak, occasional writer and MasterChef SA judge) for a fun night out.

**FRIDAY 18 MARCH**

**Emma Sadler - Exploring Social Media Risks**
Conrad Pezula Resort and Spa
09h00 - 10h00
R100 pp (Booking Reference C)

The safety, legal, disciplinary and reputational risks of social media; how to protect your children in this digital age.

**Fate of the Nation**
Conrad Pezula Resort and Spa
11h00 - 12h30
R100 pp (Booking Reference D)

Ferial Hafiejee What If There Were No Whites In South Africa chats to RW Johnson How Long Will South Africa Survive. Matthews Phosa Chant of Freedom and Songezo Zibi Raising the Bar about the current political climate.

**Poetry Workshop with Finuala Dowling**
Conrad Pezula Resort and Spa - Shareholder’s Lounge
14h30 - 16h00
R100 pp (Booking Reference E)

Join Finuala for an interactive poetry workshop. Finuala is well known for What Poets Need and is an award-winning poet and novelist.

**Nik Robinowitz Live**
Conrad Pezula Resort and Spa
19h30 - 21h00
R150 pp (Booking Reference F)

As the world’s leading Xhosa speaking Jewish comic, Nik Robinowitz is not only very funny, he also has a list of achievements the likes of which many can only aspire to. Nik comes to the Krynysa Literary Festival to share his thoughts on the smorgasbord of alcoholism and paradoxic magnificence that is South Africa.

**SATURDAY 19 MARCH**

**Still Grazing - The Musical Journey of Hugh Masekela**
The Turbine Hotel and Spa
08h30 - 09h30
R100 pp (Booking Reference G)

Shaka Sisulu Becoming chats to Hugh Masekela the giant of jazz - his hits and moving tale transcends the world of music, Unfolding against one of the most inspiring political transformations of the twentieth century, this is the engraving chronicle of a remarkable, one-of-a-kind musical life.

**Criminalising Investigative Journalism**
The Turbine Hotel and Spa
11h00 - 12h00
R100 pp (Booking Reference H)

Ivo Vegter Extreme Environment chats to Matikazaliwa Afrika Nothing Left to Steal, Songezo Zibi Raising the Bar and Ferial Hafiejee What If There Were No Whites In South Africa about international spy agencies, a rising political correctness, and averetor national laws on information security and cybercrime. Press freedom faces significant threats, both deliberate and unintended. We unpack the issues, how they affect us all, and what we can do about them.

**Delicious Word Journey - Gareth Crocker The Last Road Trip, Lauren Beukes The Shining Girls, Shaka Sisulu Becoming, Emma Sadler Don’t Film Yourself Having Sex, and David Geler India - Lost and Found**
Conrad Pezula Resort and Spa
16h30 - 21h00
R450 pp (Booking Reference I)

The extremely popular Delicious Word Journey returns and gives you an opportunity to experience three exclusive properties on Pezula Private Estate. Enjoy great food, accompanied by some of South Africa’s top wines, whilst chatting to well-known authors.

**SUNDAY 20 MARCH**

**Rob Caskie Race to the Poles**
Conrad Pezula Resort and Spa
10h00 - 11h00
R100 pp (Booking Reference J)

By mid-1910, the race to be first to the South Pole had intensified after Shackleton’s ‘furthest South’ in 1909. Robert Scott (Royal Navy) believed he would be first, but found himself facing supreme polar explorer, Roald Amundsen from Norway. In this presentation, Amundsen’s preparation, previous experience and planning are discussed, along with his expert use of dogs. Amundsen reached the South Pole on 14 December 1911 – Scott followed 54 days later on 17 January 1912. In a fantastic duel, Roald Amundsen, took the prize. The story contrasts Amundsen and Scott, ending starkly with the death of Scott’s entire polar party.