

2018 Media Kit

The Mississippi Book Festival will hold its annual "literary lawn party" on the shaded grounds of the historic Mississippi State Capitol Building in downtown Jackson, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on Saturday August 18, 2018. Free and open to the public, the festival presents author panel discussions and interviews, book signings, young adult and children's activities, as well as exhibitors from across the state and nation. The stately rooms of the Capitol, as well as nearby Galloway Church, will become venues for distinguished panelists and the Capitol Rotunda will transform into a national exhibit showcase. The surrounding streets will feature children's activities, booksellers and food trucks. The entire event site is handicap accessible and free parking is available to all.

The mission of the festival is: to recognize authors and the books they produce; to celebrate writing, reading, and our literary heritage; and to connect readers with contemporary authors.

FESTIVAL IMPACT

By its third year, the festival's attendance reached 6,400 with 45 official panel discussions and activities at 10 different venues.

6,400 attendees plus 200+ volunteers

152 authors showcased in **45** panel discussions

63 self-published authors and 28 exhibitors/booksellers

8 hours of live coverage were nationally broadcast by C-SPAN Book TV

65 funders gave \$275,000 and 20 in-kind contributors valued at \$70,000



150+ Contemporary Authors / 40+ Panel Discussions

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