



2025

Tasting Menu

7:00	_____	VIP TASTING
8:00	_____	GENERAL ADMISSION
10:15	_____	AUCTION CLOSES
10:45	_____	LAST CALL
11:00	_____	EVENT ENDS



*In support of the year-round programming
of the Vancouver Writers Fest*





In Loving Memory

Alma Lee

1940–2025

Tonight we raise a glass to Alma Lee, Founding Artistic Director of the Vancouver Writers Fest. A lifelong advocate for arts and culture who founded multiple pillars of Canada's literary community, Alma was an esteemed leader and friend. Today, the Vancouver Writers Fest is recognized internationally, and thriving thanks in great part to the framework she built. Alma loved a wee dram and a good book.

She passed away peacefully on March 28, 2025.



ALIMENTARIA

Los Danzantes Mezcal Reposado



Ardbeg 5 Year Old Wee Beastie

Ardbeg 10 Year Old

Ardbeg An Oa

Ardbeg Corryvreckan



Glenmorangie Original 12 Year Old

Glenmorangie Quinta Ruban 14 Year Old

Glenmorangie Nectar 16 Year Old

VIP (Available from 7–8 PM)

Ardbeg 17 Year Old

Glenmorangie 18 Year Old

Glenmorangie Signet



CRAFTWORK SPIRITS

Timorous Beastie

The Epicurean

Rock Island

Big Peat

VIP (Available from 7–8 PM)

Douglas Laing - Old Particular - Jura 15

Douglas Laing - Big Peat - Sherry Cask 2023
Release



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ODD SOCIETY SPIRITS

Commodore Single Malt Whisky

Prospector Rye

Burns Bog Smoked Malt Whisky

Community Double IPA Whisky



ROOTS AND WINGS DISTILLERY

Boca - Blended whiskey of barley oat and crab apple

Roberts Reserve - Peated whiskey

Johnny Handsome - Bourbon Style spirit



SHELTER POINT

Classic Single Malt

Ripple Rock

Evans Family Tequila Cask Finish

10 year old Estate Whisky



TOMINTOUL

Tomintoul 10-Year-Old Single Malt Scotch

Tomintoul Seiridh Oloroso Sherry Cask

Finish Single Malt Scotch

Tomintoul Cigar Malt Oloroso Sherry Cask

Single Malt Scotch

Tomintoul Peated Single Malt Scotch



WRITERS' TEARS

Writers' Tears Copper Pot

Writers' Tears Double Oak

Writers' Tears Red Head

Writers' Tears Copper Pot Inniskillin Ice Wine



TS GLOBAL

Craft Scotch Distilleries

Hearach Single Malt Scotch Whisky
Arbikie Single Grain Scotch Whisky
Isle of Raasay Single Malt Scotch Whisky
1770 Single Malt Scotch Whisky Triple
Distilled



Japanese Whiskies

Shinobu Single Malt Small Batch Japanese
Whisky
Shinobu Bourbon Based Blended Whisky
Kujira Ryukyu Whisky Inari
Masahiro Kaijin Blended Whisky



Kilchoman Scotch & Kyo Finnish Whiskies

Kilchoman Machir Bay
Kilchoman Sanaig
Kyro Rye Whisky
Kyro Wood Smoke Rye Whisky



VIP (Available from 7–8 PM)

Hearach Oloroso Single Malt Scotch Whisky
Masahiro Japanese Pure Malt Whisky 12
Years Old Oloroso Finish
Kilchoman Small Batch Single Malt Whisky



Legacy Liquor *Pop-Up Store*

Check out the Legacy Liquor Pop-Up store in the venue lobby to purchase your favourite whiskies from the event!

QUAILS' GATE
Okanagan Valley

Wines for the evening
provided by Quails' Gate.

RED TRUCK BEER
• C O M P A N Y •

Beers for the evening provided
by Red Truck Beer Company.

Thank you to tonight's catering supporters!



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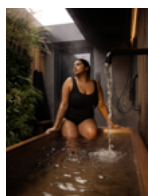
Silent Auction

This year's silent auction is virtual! Browse the items in centre of the room, and place your bids online.



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Bidding closes at 10:15 PT tonight!



The catalogue includes coveted one-of-a-kind items like a private whisky tour led by Ian Rankin, and a secret handwritten note from Margaret Atwood—along with the best of local food, whisky, arts, culture, and luxury.



50/50 Raffle

Get your tickets; winner takes home half!

60 for \$50 | 30 for \$20 | 10 for \$10

<https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/whiskywords2025>



Auction Donors

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auction supporters!*

Alex Mackwood of Chariton Hobbs	Gillian Hurtig	Satomi Okagaki
Alimentaria Mexicana	Granville Island Broom Co.	Search & Rescue Denim Co.
Alison Hart	Granville Island Hotel	Sequoia Company
Anonymous	Granville Island Tea Company	Shadbolt Centre of the Arts
Appetite by Random House	Hachette Canada	Shelter Point Distillery
Artemis Whiskey Bar	Hollyhock	Sonia Wong
Arts Club Theatre Company	Home Island Coffee	Steve Tornes
Bard on the Beach	Ian Rankin	Sunshine Coast Festival of the Written Arts
Benita Loughlin	Jillian Stirk	Terra Breads
Benton Brothers Cheese	JJ Bean	The Chan Centre for the Performing Arts
Bioéthique Spa	Karin Hartner	The Cultch
Bon Macaron	Kasama Chocolate	The Keg
Browns Crafthouse	KITS	Trevor Batty
Central City Brewers	Margaret Atwood	TS Global
Chinatown Storytelling Centre	Odd Society Spirits	Upstart & Crow
Chor Leoni	Pacific Salmon Foundation	Vancouver Art Gallery
Circle Wellness	Pat Cumming	Vancouver Bach Family of Choirs
Colin Harris	Penguin Random House Canada	Vancouver Canadians
Consulate General of Ireland	Peter Stannard	Vancouver Folk Music Festival
Cypress Mountain	Prince of Whales	Vancouver Recital Society
Daniel Getz	Red Truck Brewing	VIFF
Davin de Kergommeaux	Robyn Harding	VSO
Dockside Restaurant	Sandy Jakab and Bob Lesperance	Wayne Sutherland
East India Carpets	Sanika Bhurke	



Event Partners

Thank you to our event partners





Thank you to the
Whisky & Words Team

Sanika Bhurke
Winnie Chan
Leena Desai
Hans Grunwald
Alison Hart

Gillian Hurtig
Darryl Lamb
Jennifer Milley
Ashleigh Withall

*And a special thank you to all of tonight's
extraordinary volunteers!*



All proceeds from Whisky & Words go towards funding the Vancouver Writers Fest's year-round programming. Thank you for supporting our mission of connecting people to exceptional books, ideas, and dialogue.



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