

Welcome along to experience the brilliant light of literature and theater in the November twilight, at the very first **Espoo Book Festival!**

## CULTURAL CHEER IN ESPOO

**The Espoo Book Festival brings culture to life. Lovers of literature and theater, of all ages, will be treated to a full day's program of diverse events. The festival will be launched by Espoo mayor Kai Mykkänen. The Espoo Book Festival's official patron will be announced at the opening.**

A very versatile group of about fifty authors, either representing a publisher or having self-published a work of literature, will be present at the event, with their books available for purchase. The publishing houses Otava and WSOY will present their new publications, biographies of actor *Seela Sella* and poet *Eeva Kilpi* respectively. Several theater groups and organizations for children and teens will also be introducing their work and activities.

Discussions about books, literature, and plays will take place in the library's Salonki area. Literary professional *Anna-Riikka Carlson* will give a talk on the relationship between printed and audio books, and theater and dance critic *Maria Säkö* will speak about the work of the publisher Theatre's New Base Library. The day's itinerary will also include the announcement of a new poetry competition, a live open mic portion for audience members, and lots more! Kantele musician *Zipora Ogola* will end the festival on a ringing magical note.

See the full program here: [espoonkirjailijat.fi/espoon-kirjafestarit-15-11-2025/](https://espoonkirjailijat.fi/espoon-kirjafestarit-15-11-2025/)



Sat 15 Nov, 12 pm–17 pm Lippulaiva library

Other activities (also some in English) included in the day are presentations by theater actors, a reading corner for children, various intriguing workshops for all ages, and author *Johanna Venho*'s live clinic for text feedback. In the special Meet & Listen area you can hear members of the Espoo Authors' Association read their own work out loud.

The local Book Café is open all day. Come find the perfect gifts for the holiday season, and join us for this enlightening and memorable celebration of culture and creativity!

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