



18 March 2020

THE 2020 FESTIVAL OF LITERARY DIVERSITY (FOLD) ANNOUNCES VIRTUAL FESTIVAL, CANCELLATION OF IN-PERSON EVENTS

The Festival of Literary Diversity (FOLD) will be cancelling its in-person festival events, previously scheduled for April 30 – May 3, 2020.

In its place, the FOLD is thrilled to debut its first virtual festival, which will take place from April 30 – May 3, as per the original festival's plans.

Artistic Director Jael Richardson and the FOLD Board and Planning Team are hard at work on pulling together the new program of events. The virtual festival will include most of the previously announced FOLD 2020 festival participants in a variety of webinar and remote-event formats. All authors will continue to receive their honorariums, and all who've purchased tickets will have their money refunded. All virtual events will be closed-captioned and provided free of charge, making this iteration of FOLD our most accessible festival yet. We hope to have more information to share shortly. Updates will be made available on the FOLD website in the coming days and weeks.

“We feel that it is more important than ever to celebrate and support our storytellers wherever they may be. We believe the work we've done to assemble this group of authors and performers is worthy of the widest possible audience. The Internet and its virtual tools offer an exciting array of possibilities for the FOLD to explore, and we are very excited to pull together this roster of innovative, alternative events.” – Artistic Director Jael Richardson

MEDIA CONTACT:

Amanda Leduc
Communications and Development Coordinator, the FOLD
communications@thefoldcanada.org