Tbilisi 3rd International Festival of Literature

May 29 – June 3 2017

MAY 28, SUNDAY

14:00 Isaac Marion's (USA) workshop for young writers. Language: English/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

MAY 29, MONDAY

15:00 Amir Or (Israel) and Diti Ronen (Israel) – meeting with students from Tbilisi State University. (1st building of the University, auditorium 212)

18:00 Official opening of the Festival

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

18:30 Meeting with Katja Lange-Müller (Germany) moderated by Dr. Stephan Wackwitz - director of the Goethe Institute in Tbilisi. Language: German/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

19:30 Meeting with Tomas Venclova (Lithuania) at Ilia State University. The ceremony of granting the writer with Ilia State University Honorary Doctorate status. Language: English/Georgian

20:00 Meeting with Amir Or (Israel) moderated by Nika Jorjaneli. Language: English/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

21:30 Poetry jam and jazz night at the Writers' House garden. (All poets participating)

MAY 30, TUESDAY

12:00 Meeting of Marianna Kiyanovska (Ukraine) with students from Tbilisi State University. (5th building of the University, auditorium 306)

17:00 Givi Margvelashvili prize granting ceremony - awarding Davit Tserediani. Language: German/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

18:00 Meeting of Ibrahim Al-Koni (Libya) with the students of Oriental faculty at Tbilisi State University (First building, Maro Makashvili Library Hall)

19:00 Meeting with Volker Schmidt (Austria) moderated by Davit Gabunia. Language: English/Georgian

Venue: Royal District Theatre

19:00 Poetry evening: Anisur Rahman (Bangladesh) and Gevorg Gilants

(Armenia); translators: Manana Matiashvili and Diana Anphimiadi. Language: English/Russian/Georgian

Venue: Caucasian House

20:00 Meeting with Isaac Marion (USA) moderated by Zaza Koshkadze; presenting the book "Warm Bodies"; Language: English/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

21:30 Meeting with Richard Berengarten (United Kingdom) moderated by Temur Kobakhidze. Language: English/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

MAY 31, WEDNESDAY

15:00 Meeting and lecture on poetry of Anisur Rahman (Bangladesh) with students of Ilia State University, moderated by Manana Matiashvili. Language: English/Georgian.

Venue: Book House Ligamus, Ilia State University

18:00 Panel discussion "Europe as An Idea". Participants: Irma Tavelidze, Ulla Lenze, Volker Schmidt, Nestan-Nene Kvinikadze, Nino Kharatishvili, moderated by Zaal Andronikashvili. Language: German/Georgian

Venue: Goethe Institute

18:30 Poetry evening: Diti Ronen (Israel) and Jaromír Typlt (Czechia), translators: Giorgi Lobzhanidze and Dalila Gogia. Language: English/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

19:00 Meeting with Dimitris Lyacos (Greece) moderated by Davit Gabunia. Language: English/Georgian

Venue: Wine Hall at National Parliamentary Library

19:30 Meeting with Clemens Meyer (Germany) moderated by Irina Beridze. Language: German/Georgian

Venue: Goethe Institute

20:00 Meeting with Tomas Venclova (Lithuania) moderated by Zurab Karumidze. Language: Russian/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

21:30 Poetry evening: Volha Hapeyeva (Belarus) and Jurgen Rooste (Estonia); translators: Shota Iatashvili and Paata Shamugia. Language: English/Russian/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

JUNE 1, THURSDAY

18:30 Meeting with Ibrahim Al-Koni (Libya) moderated by Giorgi Lobzhanidze. Presenting author's books: "Gold Dust" (Intelekti Publishing) and "The Bleeding of the Stone" (Books in Batumi Publishing). Language: Arabic/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

18:30 Panel discussion "Transparency and Simulacra - are they together or apart; how does Literature reflect this duality?". Participants: Richard Berengarten, Volha Hapeyeva, Jaromír Typlt, Diti Ronen. Language: English/Georgian

Venue: Ilia State University

19:00 Meeting with Alekper Aliyev (Azerbaijan) and Tozan Alkan (Turkey); translators: Ana Kordzaia-Samadashvili and Oqtay Kazumov. Language: Russian/Turkish/Georgian

Venue: Caucasian House

19:00 Meeting with Katja Petrowskaja (Germany) moderated by Irina Beridze. Language: German/Georgian

Venue: Literature Museum

20:00 Meeting with Ulla Lenze (Germany) moderated by Irina Beridze. Language: German/Georgian

Venue: Literature Museum

20:00 Poetry evening of Sergey Gandlevsky (Russia) moderated by Zviad Ratiani. Language: Russian/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

21:30 Poetry evening: Dariusz Tomasz Lebioda (Poland) and Marianna Kiyanovska (Ukraine); translators: Gaga Nakhutsrishvili and Shota Iatashvili. Language: English/Russian/Georgian

Venue: Writers' House of Georgia

JUNE 2, FRIDAY

18:00 Panel discussion "Angry White Man"; participants: Katja Petrowskaja, Tamar Tandashvili, Lasha Bugadze, Nino Kharatishvili, Clemens Meyer, Katja Lange-Müller, Olga Grijasnowa. moderated by Zaal Andronikashvili. Language: German/Georgian

Venue: Goethe Institute

19:00 Meeting with Besik Kharanauli (Georgia) moderated by Zviad Ratiani

Venue: Writers House of Georgia

19:30 Meeting with Olga Grjasnowa (Germany), moderated by Irina Beridze, Language: German/Georgian

Venue: Goethe Institute

20:30 Closing evening at Writers' House Garden. Erekle Deisadze and Giorgi Khasaia with invited poets.