

2025-2026 Mentor Series Schedule

JANUARY 2025

Saturday, January 18th 1 -3 pm	Mentor Series Orientation (fellows only) Room 208, located on the 3rd floor of Open Book
Friday, January 24th 6 - 8 pm	Potluck Dinner with Taiyon J. Coleman Hosted by a fellow Location TBD (Room 303 if not a fellow's home)
Saturday, January 25th 11-2 pm	Full Group Seminar with Taiyon J. Coleman (1 of 3) Room 208, located on the 3rd floor of Open
Wednesday, January 29th 6-9 pm	CNF fellows only meet with Taiyon J. Coleman (1 of 4) Room 304, located on the 3rd floor of Open Book

FEBRUARY 2025

Friday, February 21st 6 - 8 pm	Potluck Dinner with Chris Stark Hosted by a fellow Location TBD (Room 303 if not a fellow's home)
Saturday,	Full Group Seminar with Chris Stark (1 of 3)
February 22nd	Room TBD
11-2 pm	

Wednesday,	Fiction fellows only meet with Chris Stark (1 of 4)
February 26th	Location TBD (JMC Room or 305)
6-9 pm	

MARCH 2025

Friday, March 21st 6-8 pm	Potluck Dinner with Molly Beth Griffin Hosted by a fellow Location TBD
Saturday, March 22nd 11–2 pm	Full Group Seminar with Molly Beth Griffin (1 of 3) Room TBD
Tuesday, March 25th 6 - 9 pm	Children's literature fellows only meet with Molly Beth Griffin (1 of 4) Room TBD

APRIL 2025

Friday, April 25th 6-8 pm	Potluck Dinner with Sarah Ghazal Ali Hosted by a fellow Location TBD
Saturday, April 26th, 11 – 2 pm	Full Group Seminar with Sarah Ghazal Ali (1 of 3) Room TBD
Wednesday, April 30th 6 – 9 pm	Poetry fellows only meet with Sarah Ghazal Ali (1 of 4) Room TBD

MAY 2025

Saturday,	Full Group Seminar with Taiyon J. Coleman (2 of 3)

May 10th, 11 – 2 pm	Room TBD
Wednesday, May 14th 6–9 pm	CNF fellows only meet with Taiyon J. Coleman (2 of 4) Room TBD

JUNE 2025

Thursday, June 26th 6–8 pm	Potluck Dinner with Anaïs Duplan Hosted by a fellow Location TBD
Friday, June 27th 10 – 1 pm	Full Group Seminar with Anaïs Duplan (1 of 1) Room TBD
2 – 5 pm	Individual Conferences for CNF fellows with Anaïs Duplan Room TBD
7 pm	Public Reading with Anaïs Duplan, a local mentor, and 3 fellows Open Book Performance Hall, located on the 2nd floor of Open Book
Saturday, June 28th 10 - 12 pm	Craft Talk with Anaïs Duplan Room TBD
1 – 4 pm	Individual Conferences for CNF fellows with Anaïs Duplan Room TBD

JULY 2025

Saturday,	Full Group Seminar with Chris Stark (2 of 3)
July 26th	Room TBD

11– 2 pm	
Wednesday, July 30th 6 - 9 pm	Fiction fellows only meet with Chris Stark (2 of 4) Room TBD

AUGUST 2025

Saturday, August 23rd 11 – 2 pm	Full Group Seminar with Sarah Ghazal Ali (2 of 3) Room TBD
Wednesday, August 27th 6 – 9 pm	Poetry fellows only meet with Sarah Ghazal Ali (2 of 4) Room TBD

SEPTEMBER 2025

Saturday,	Full Group Seminar with Molly Beth Griffin (2 of 3)
September 27th	Room TBD
11 – 2 pm	

OCTOBER 2025

Wednesday, October 1st 6 – 9 pm	Children's literature fellows only meet with Molly Beth Griffin (2 of 4) Room TBD
Thursday, October 23rd 6–8 pm	Potluck Dinner with Vanessa Hua Hosted by a fellow Location TBD
Friday, October 24th 10 – 1 pm	Full Group Seminar with Vanessa Hua (1 of 1) Room TBD

2 – 5 pm	Individual Conferences for Fiction fellows with Vanessa Hua Room TBD
7 pm	Public Reading with Vanessa Hua, a local mentor, and 3 fellows Open Book Performance Hall, located on the 2nd floor of Open Book
Saturday, October 25th 10 - 12 pm	Craft Talk with Vanessa Hua Room TBD

NOVEMBER 2025

Saturday, November 22nd, 11 – 2 pm	Full Group Seminar with Taiyon J. Coleman (3 of 3) Room TBD
Tuesday, November 25th 6–9 pm	CNF fellows only meet with Taiyon J. Coleman (3 of 4) Room TBD

DECEMBER 2025

Saturday, December 13th 11–2 pm	Full Group Seminar with Chris Stark (3 of 3) Room TBD
Wednesday, December 17th 6 - 9 pm	Fiction fellows only meet with Chris Stark (3 of 4) Room TBD

JANUARY 2026

Tuesday, January 6th 6-9 pm	CNF fellows only meet with Taiyon J. Coleman (4 of 4) Room TBD
Tuesday, January 13th 6 - 9 pm	Fiction fellows only meet with Chris Stark (4 of 4) Room TBD
Saturday, January 24th 11-2 pm	Full Group Seminar with Sarah Ghazal Ali (3 of 3) Room TBD
Wednesday, January 28th <i>6-9 pm</i>	Poetry fellows only meet with Sarah Ghazal Ali (3 of 4) Room TBD

FEBRUARY 2026

Tuesday, February 24th 6-9 pm	Poetry fellows only meet with Sarah Ghazal Ali (4 of 4) Room TBD
Saturday, February 28th 11 – 2 pm	Full Group Seminar with Molly Beth Griffin (3 of 3) Room TBD

MARCH 2026

Wednesday, March 4th 6 - 9 pm	Children's literature fellows only meet with Molly Beth Griffin (3 of 4) Room TBD
Sunday, March 15th <i>1–3 pm</i>	Lateral Mentoring Panel Room TBD

Thursday, March 26th 6–8 pm	Potluck Dinner with Aida Salazar Hosted by a fellow Location TBD
Friday, March 27th 10 – 1 pm	Full Group Seminar with Aida Salazar (1 of 1) Room TBD
2 – 5 pm	Individual Conferences for children's literature fellows with Aida Salazar Room TBD
Saturday, March 28th 10 - 12 pm	Craft Talk with Aida Salazar Room TBD
2 pm	Public Reading with Aida Salazar, a local mentor, and 3 fellows Open Book Performance Hall, located on the 2nd floor of Open Book

APRIL 2026

Tuesday, April 7th 6 – 9 pm	Children's literature fellows only meet with Molly Beth Griffin (4 of 4) Room TBD
Thursday, April 23rd 6–8 pm	Potluck Dinner with Julian Talamantez Brolaski Hosted by a fellow Location TBD
Friday, April 24th 10 – 1 pm	Full Group Seminar with Julian Talamantez Brolaski (1 of 1) Room TBD
2 – 5 pm	Individual Conferences for Poetry fellows with Julian Talamantez Brolaski

	Room TBD
7 pm	Public Reading with Julian Talamantez Brolaski, a local mentor, and 3 fellows Open Book Performance Hall, located on the 2nd floor of Open Book
Saturday, April 25th 10 – 12 pm	Craft Talk with Julian Talamantez Brolaski Room TBD
1 – 4 pm	Individual Conferences for Poetry fellows with Julian Talamantez Brolaski Room TBD

MAY 2026

Thursday, May 7th, 6 – 8 pm	End of year wrap-up party/celebration Location TBD