

## **Local Author Fair – Author FAQ (Include in email or registration form)**

### **Who can participate as an author?**

Local authors of all genres and experience levels are welcome, including traditionally published, independently published, and first-time authors.

### **Is there a fee to participate?**

There is no fee to participate.

### **Will I have a table to sell my books?**

Yes. Each participating author will be provided with table space to display and sell books, and authors may either bring their own table or use one provided by the library.

### **Do I need to participate in a reading or panel discussion?**

No. Participation in author readings or panel discussions is completely optional.

### **I'm nervous about public speaking—should I still sign up?**

Absolutely! Author readings and panel discussions will be moderated and emceed by Toastmasters of Mebane, who will help guide the conversation, keep sessions running smoothly, and create a supportive environment for all participants.

### **What genres will be represented?**

We welcome a wide range of genres, including fiction, nonfiction, poetry, children's books, memoirs, and more.

### **Can I sell my books at the event?**

Yes. Authors are encouraged to sell their books and interact with readers throughout the day. Please be prepared to handle your own sales.

### **How long will author reads or panels be?**

Session lengths will vary depending on participation, but most readings and panels will be brief and designed to keep the day moving and engaging for attendees.

### **How will authors be selected?**

Space is limited. Authors will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, with consideration for a balance of genres.

### **When will I receive more details?**

All registered authors will receive a follow-up email, whether selected or not. Event logistics, setup times, schedules, and expectations will be sent closer to the event date.

### **Who can I contact with questions?**

Please email [twright@alamancelibraries.org](mailto:twright@alamancelibraries.org) with any questions.