



DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: February 9, 2022

Open Call for the Sixth Annual Gathering of the Literary Industry

The next *Annual Gathering of the Literary Industry*, organized by the literature house Lettrétage, is taking place from **May 6 to 8, 2022!**

As in previous years, we want to make sure that the schedule of events is not only made up of our own ideas for programming and concepts but instead also remains open for the proposals of others as long as they correspond to the topic above in the broadest sense possible and are intended for freelance writers, translators, editors and producers of literary events.

The title of this year's event, ***Team Spirit. Networks, Collectives, Groups***, refers to something that, especially in uncertain times like these, can make a big contribution to a solid professional foundation: the collegial exchange of knowledge, collaboration and the promotion of shared cultural policy and social policy interests.

In doing so, we always consider our topics as broadly as possible. Proposals that may not seem to completely correspond to the title of the event at first glance are also warmly welcomed - as long as they offer an added value to the freelancers who make up the literary community. Two-hour workshops, presentations and panel discussions are all possibilities. The Annual Gathering will take place both as a live event with physical attendance at the literature house Lettrétage as well as, in part, digitally on the internet.

Are you a facilitator and you have an idea for a workshop?

Are you working with a topic and would like to discuss it with a larger group or present it in the form of a presentation?

Would you like to offer a cooperation event as an advocacy group, association or collective?

Then please send an email by midnight on February 9, 2022 to info@literaturszene.berlin and include a brief concept including information about the format you have selected as well as information about your qualifications or provide us with your résumé.

Formats and compensation (one event per person):

Presentation (60 minutes, input presentation incl. Q&A): 200 €

Facilitating a workshop (120 minutes): 400 €

Discussion panel (90 minutes, incl. Q&A): 300 € (gross) for moderation, 150 € (gross) for panel participants

We will make our decision based on: the relevance of the topic for our target groups, professional suitability of the speaker (please details their qualifications in the application)

You are welcome to share your requests and suggestions for the schedule of events as part of this Open Call, but please understand that we can make no guarantee that they will be realized.

Please see page 2 for the announcement text regarding this year's Annual Gathering of the Literary Industry



**Sixth Annual Gathering of the Literary Industry
Team Spirit. Networks, Collectives, Groups
May 6 to 8, 2022, Lettrétage e. V., Veteranenstr. 21, 10119 Berlin**

So-called solo self-employment is neither guaranteed to be a sure-fire success nor is it a solo to be danced all by yourself. Without discussions and networking, it comes up against its limits very quickly. And, in doing so, there is often a very thin line between cooperation and competition. What is the best way, then, to keep things in balance and maintain an overview of the situation? During this year's Annual Gathering of the Literary Industry, we would like to explore all of the possibilities that working together within the literary industry have to offer. What forms exist? What situations are **networks, collectives** or **groups** suitable for? And when is perhaps the best strategy nevertheless to make your own individual way? As the title *Team Spirit* suggests, we will look at all of these questions from an international perspective. And, of course, there will also be a great deal of practical topics. How to initiate and maintain a dialogue with your own readers is as much an aspect of networking as the question of whether and to what extent working collectively can provide an added value in the field of editing, or how you can systematically organize updates for your professional qualifications via networks.

As always, in addition to work groups and rounds of discussions, we also want to offer once again this year many practical presentations and workshops that are directly applicable to professional literary practice.

The Annual Gathering of the Literary Industry is part of the project *schreiben & leben* of the literature house Lettrétage e. V. and is funded by Berlin's Senate Department for Culture and Europe as well as the European Fund for Regional Development (EFRE).

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For more information about the Annual Gathering of the Literary Industry, please visit:

<https://www.literaturszene.berlin/branchentreff>

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