



Friday, 14 April 2017

Margala Hall

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Board Room

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**Inauguration**

**Welcome Speeches** by Ameena Saiyid and Asif Farrukhi

**Speech by ILF Sponsor**

**Keynote Speeches** by A.G. Noorani and Arfa Sayeda Zehra

**Performances** by Amna Mawaz Khan 1) Habib Jalib's poem sung with guitar by Huzaifa Awan, music by Amna & Huzaifa, choreography by Amna. 2) *Tillana*: choreography, bol, manjeera by Indu Mitha, recorded music with Ustad Nazakat Ali Khan (vocals) & Ustad Ajmal Khan (pakhawaj)

4.30 – 6.00 p.m.

**Judiciary and the Common Man**

Challenges facing ordinary people in search of justice

Raza Rabbani, Ayaz Amir, Ashraf Jehangir Qazi, and Bushra Gohar

Moderator: Mujahid Barelvi

**Others Tongues, Other Wonders: The Burden of the Translator**

The translator's dilemmas in searching for the right word when it doesn't exist

Bilal Tanweer and Hoori Noorani

Moderator: Mohammed Hanif

**One-Man Mushaira by Syed Nusrat Ali**

Syed Nusrat Ali recites poets from the 60s, 70s, and 80s in their own voices

6.15 – 7.15 p.m.

**Book Launch:**

***Prison Narratives* by Akhtar Baloch**

Akhtar Baloch's powerful and inspirational story provides a unique insight into life in prison

Sassui Palijo, Naseer Memon, Aitzaz Ahsan, Akhtar Baloch, and Raza Rabbani

Moderator: Farzana Bari

**The Power of the Progressive Pen: A Tribute to Ahmed Nadeem Qasimi**

Reflections and Memories: Qasimi's daughter talks about her father with fellow panellists

Masood Ashar, Naheed Qasimi, and Zehra Nigah

Moderator: Zia ul Hassan

7.30 – 8.30 p.m.

**The Blood-Stained Dawn of Freedom**

Human rights and Partition's continuing legacy of violence and loss

I. A. Rehman, Ilhan Niaz, A.G. Noorani, and Anam Zakaria

Moderator: Rasul Bakhsh Rais



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11.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon	<p><b>Preparing the Citizens of Tomorrow: Are We Succeeding or Failing?</b> A critique of the current education provision in Pakistan Shahnaz Wazir Ali, Nadia Naviwala, Shahid Siddiqui, and Ishrat Husain Moderator: Fasi Zaka</p>	<p><b>Lost Heritage: The Sikh Legacy in Pakistan</b> A nostalgic search for historic monuments and temples eroded by time Amardeep Singh and F.S. Aijazuddin Moderator: Reema Abbasi</p>	<p><b>Fresh Female Voices from Peshawar</b> Young writers from Peshawar present their creative efforts Hira Nazir, Sidra Amin, Spougmai Ali Khattak, Tehreem Hassan, Neelum Afridi, and Ishrat Shaheen Moderator: Faiza Hussain</p>
12.15 – 1.15 p.m.	<p><b>Book Launch:</b> <i>How Pakistan Got Divided</i> by Maj Gen (R) Rao Farman Ali A fresh look at an old tragedy in the light of an eye-witness account Shafiq ur Rahman, Abdul Sattar, Talat Masood, and Ashraf Jahangir Qazi Moderator: Maria Sultan</p>	<p><b>Book Launch:</b> <i>Hayat-e-Shayr and Sur Mandal ka Raja</i> by Ali Akbar Natiq Major works by a remarkable and forceful writer Moderator: Mohammed Hanif</p> <hr/> <p><b>Book Launch:</b> <i>The Arts and Crafts of Hunza Valley in Pakistan: Living Traditions in the Karakoram</i> by Jurgen Wasim Frembgen An insightful and comprehensive guide to the rich arts and crafts of the Hunza Valley Moderator: Samar Minallah Khan</p>	<p><b>Where has all the Water Gone?</b> Experts and concerned citizens debate the water crisis in Pakistan Nisar A. Memon, Kaiser Bengali, and Aaron Mulvany Moderator: Rina Saeed Khan</p>
1.15 p.m. – 1.45 p.m.	<p><b>Break</b></p>		
1.45 – 2.45 p.m.	<p><b>Book Launch:</b> <i>Learning to Live with the Bomb: Pakistan: 1998–2016</i> by Naeem Salik Can Pakistan afford to live with the risks of nuclear power? Naeem Salik, Nasim Zehra, Pervez Hoodbhoy, and Charles Kennedy Moderator: Ehtasham Anwar</p>	<p><b>'Raseedi Ticket':</b> <b>A Performance by Nimra Bucha and Sarmad Khoosat</b> Readings from Amrita Pritam and Sahir Ludhianvi's poetry focusing on their unique vision and elusive, unspoken romance</p>	<p><b>Beyond the Anglo-American Tradition: World Literature in English</b> A discussion on the challenges, trends, influences, and language across continents and cultures Blaine Marchand, David Waterman, Ilona Yusuf, and Mushtaq Bilal Moderator: Muneeza Shamsie</p>

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3.00 – 4.00 p.m.

**Gender Violence, Law, and Power in Pakistan**  
Pakistani feminists' struggle for justice and equal rights  
Nafisa Shah, Sherry Rehman, and Ijaz Shafi Gilani  
Moderator: Samar Minallah Khan

**'Rail Kahaani' by Zambeel Dramatic Readings**  
Short stories based on railway journeys written by different authors  
Shama Askari, Asma Mundrawala, Saife Hasan, and Fawad Khan


**Book Launch:**  
***Pakistan ki Tehzeeb o Saqafat* by Kishwar Naheed**  
Kishwar Naheed's view of Pakistan's culture and traditions  
Kishwar Naheed and Hameed Shahid  
Moderator: Ashfaq Saleem Mirza

4.15 – 5.15 p.m.

**Book Launch:**  
***Hybrid Tapestries: The Development of Pakistani Literature in English* by Muneeza Shamsie**  
A comprehensive guide to the contribution of Pakistani authors to English Literature  
Navid Shahzad, Aroosa Kanwal, Muneeza Shamsie, and Waqas Khwaja  
Moderator: Tariq Rahman

**Mohabbat aur Dehshat Gardi: Aaj ka Urdu Adab**  
Themes and patterns in recent writing  
Hameed Shahid, Irfan Urfi, and Ravish Nadim  
Moderator: Qasim Yaqoob

**Women and Excluded Groups in Political Parties and Legislative Bodies**  
Discussion on how the representation of these groups can be improved at all levels  
Marvi Sirmed, Zafarullah Khan, and Bushra Gohar  
Moderator: Shirin Gul

**Presented by:**  **Alfa**  
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5.30 – 6.30 p.m.

**Living through Seasons of Fear: Iftikhar Arif**  
Life and poetry of a leading writer  
Harris Khalique and Asif Farrukhi in conversation with Iftikhar Arif  
Chair: Zehra Nigah

**Sufism: Legacies of Assimilation in our Times**  
Zulfiqar Ali Kalhoro, Jurgen Wasim Frembgen, and Sarwat Mohiuddin  
Moderator: Reema Abbasi

**Skewing the Narrative and Murdering History**  
Parallel Histories: A search for the truth  
Qasim Aslam, Anam Zakaria, Arfa Sayeda Zehra, and Yaqoob Bangash  
Moderator: Baela Raza Jamil

7.00 – 8.30 p.m.

**Mushaira**  
Recitation of poetry by some of the leading poets  
**Nizamat:** Shakeel Jazib  
Kishwar Naheed, Iftikhar Arif, Imran Aami, Saeed Shaariq, Saeed Ahmad, Qamar Raza Shahzad, Harris Khalique, Ali Akbar Natiq, Manzar Naqvi, Zia ul Hassan, Akhtar Usman, Sarwat Mohiuddin, Qasim Yaqoob, Rehman Faris, and Nasira Zuberi

**English Poetry**  
**Mixed Voices: Poets from Home and Abroad**  
Blaine Marchand, Harris Khalique, Waqas Khwaja, Azka Khan, Orooj e Zafar, Waqas Naeem, and Risham Amjad  
Moderator: Ilona Yusuf



Sunday, 16 April 2017

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11.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon	<p><b>Book Launch:</b> <i>Crimson Papers: Reflections on Struggle, Suffering, and Creativity in Pakistan</i> by Harris Khaliq</p> <p>A poetic and prophetic map of Pakistan's changing cultural, political, and religious landscapes</p> <p>Navid Shahzad, Afrasiab Khattak, Harris Khaliq, and Rasul Bakhsh Rais</p> <p>Moderator: Khayyam Mushir</p>	<p><b>Murder between the Covers: Crime Fiction</b></p> <p>Two crime writers discuss their creative journey</p> <p>Omar Shahid Hamid and Sabyan Javeri</p> <p>Moderator: Shehryar Fazli</p>	<p><b>Book Launch:</b> <i>Intikhab: Khalida Hussain</i> compiled by Asif Farrukhi</p> <p>Symbols, shadows, and silence define the rich, complex fiction of the renowned writer Khalida Hussain and Asif Farrukhi</p> <p>Moderator: Hameed Shahid</p>
12.15 – 1.15 p.m.	<p><b>Uljhay Suljhay Anwar</b></p> <p>The face that launched a thousand laughs was not without a struggle</p> <p>Anwar Maqsood, Imrana Maqsood, and Hoori Noorani</p> <p>Moderator: Sarmad Khoosat</p>	<p><b>Social Media: The New Power of Words</b></p> <p>New strategies for creativity and change</p> <p>Adnan Khan Kakar, Leena Hashir, Moeed Pirzada, and Slimane Zeghidour</p> <p>Moderator: Wajahat Masood</p>	<p><b>70 Years of Pakistan:</b> <b>A Reflection on Pakistan's History</b></p> <p>Ishrat Husain and Charles Kennedy in conversation</p>
1.15 p.m. – 1.45 p.m.	<b>Break</b>		
1.45 – 2.45 p.m.	<p><b>Kashmir: Two Sides to a Question</b></p> <p>The future of a dispute: Is a solution possible?</p> <p>Sardar Mohammad Masood Khan, A.G. Noorani, and Riaz H. Khokhar</p> <p>Moderator: Harris Khaliq</p>	<p><b>Dastangoi:</b> <b>Ismat Aapa aur Unki Kahanian</b></p> <p>Performance from Ismat Chughtai's <i>Kaghazi hai Pairahan</i> and her short stories 'Chirri ki Dukki' and 'Amar Bail'</p> <p>Fawad Khan, Syed Meesum Naqvi, and Bakhtawar Mazhar</p>	<p><b>Book Launch:</b> <i>The Aleph Review-Taufiq Rafat: Defining the Pakistani Idiom</i></p> <p>Unveiling the introductory issue of the yearly literary anthology featuring a cover story on the late Pakistani poet, Taufiq Rafat</p> <p>Ilona Yusuf and Mehvash Amin</p> <p>Moderator: David Waterman</p>
			<p><b>Book Launch:</b> <i>Teesra Qadam</i> by Nasira Zuberi</p> <p>New work by a well-known poet</p> <p>Nasira Zuberi and Hameed Shahid</p> <p>Moderator: Mahboob Zafar</p> <p>Chair: Ataul Haq Qasmi</p>

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**Music and Today's Technology**

Will technology influence the direction of music? A debate among musicians, producers, and music publishers

Ali Noor, Rakae Jamil, and Akbar Yezdani

Moderator: Taimur Rahman

**Riaz H. Khokhar in conversation with Sherry Rehman**

Can politicians and media be on the same side?

**Book Launch:**

***The Corporate Governance Landscape of Pakistan* by Sadia Khan**

A historical anthology and reference book of corporate governance

Ishrat Husain, Sadia Khan, Asad Hayauddin, Neil Buhne, and Zafar Hijazi

Moderator: Rahat Kaunain Hassan

4.15 – 5.15 p.m.

**The Glitter of a Superstar**

A director explores the career and legacy of a star

Sarmad Khoosat in conversation with **Shabnam**

**Shikwa/Jawab-e-Shikwa: Recitation and Musical Performance by Sohail Malik**

**The Big Karachi Novel: Sneak Preview of *The Selected Works of Abdullah the Cossack* by H.M. Naqvi**

Readings and a conversation

H.M. Naqvi

Moderator: Fasi Zaka

5.30 – 6.30 p.m.

**Small Screen Intimacy and Big Screen Splendour**

Samina Ahmed, Rehan Sheikh, Seema Taher Khan, and Sultana Siddiqui

Moderator: Nimra Bucha

**Zara Hut Kay**

Zarrar Khuhro, Wusatullah Khan, and Mubashir Zaidi

**Book Launch:**

***Kalaam e Aarifaan: Poetry of Mystics and Sufis* compiled by Hasan Aziz**

Poetry and music from the realm of the mystical

Hasan Aziz

Moderator: Sarwat Mohiuddin

**Book Launch:**

***Uss ko Ik Shakhs Samajhna tou Munasib hi Nahin* by Nasir Abbas Nayyar**

A critical perspective on the major modernist poet Meeraji

Nasir Abbas Nayyar

Moderator: Asif Farrukhi

6.45 – 8.45 p.m.

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**Closing Ceremony**

**Speeches by:** Ameena Saiyid and Asif Farrukhi

**Keynote Speakers:** Iftikhar Arif, Omar Shahid Hamid, and Nafisa Shah

**Classical Kathak** by Shayma Saiyid. Recorded music composed / directed by Joy Prakash Medhi, bol by Marami Medhi, choreography by Meghranjani Medhi

**Concert by Overload**