

RAF Author Application Frequently Asked Questions

- How will my application information be used?
 - Author & book information is used in various promotional content for the Festival. Participating authors are listed on our website, and brief descriptions are included in the author Festival brochure. Author and/or book photos may be promoted on social media or Festival-related signage as well.
- I am assisting an author. Can I list myself as the main point of contact?
 - No.
- Can I send in a paper application?
 - Paper forms are not accepted. Please submit an application through Massanutten Regional Library's website at www.mrlib.org/raf. The form is best submitted through a browser like Firefox, Google Chrome, or Safari. If you are unable to submit the form, please email abrueckner@mrlib.org. You must have an active email account, as most festival communication is sent via email.
- Is it ok to list publications older than two years?
 - Yes. As long as they are still in print.
- I never received a copy of my application form via email.
 - Check your spam/junk folders. The message will come from "info@mrlib.org." Please add this email address to your safe senders list within your email platform so that any Rocktown Author Festival messages will be added directly to your email inbox. Please do not reply to info@mrlib.org, as it is not monitored.
- If I am accepted, do I need to provide my own books to sell at the event?
 - Yes, it is encouraged and expected for authors to sell their own books. You are responsible for handling all sales and money.
- I never received a notification as to whether my application was accepted. What should I do?
 - If you have not received an email or letter in response to your application by January 1, 2025, please send an email to abrueckner@mrlib.org. *Please note: all Festival Committee decisions on selected authors are final.*
- What does the day look like at Rocktown Author Festival?
 - The Rocktown Author Festival runs from 10AM – 3PM. Arrival and set up starts at 9:30. There is the Author's Room where participating authors have their tables and attendees can visit with the authors, purchase books, and get them signed or personalized. The Panel Room seats 150 and is set up for panels during the day, each are 45 minutes, including audience Q&A. At 3PM – 3:30PM, breakdown and leave.
- How do I know if I have been selected for a program or presentation?
 - You will be contacted directly by the Festival Committee. The schedule typically comes together early spring and is subject to change. Please note that application submission does not guarantee festival selection. Author selections are at the sole discretion of the Festival Committee, and all Committee decisions on author selection and Festival program format are final.
- I still have a question!
 - Please send a message to abrueckner@mrlib.org and we will be in touch.