StAnza
Scotland's International Poetry Festival

2024 Festival Summary

82 events | **50% of programme available digitally** | **12 languages**

- 18,289 in audience numbers
  - 12,094 in-person; 6,195 online
- 96 artists (56 in-person)
  - from 12 countries

★★★★★ 100% of artists, and 84% of audience members, rated their festival experience as **4 or 5 stars**

with international participants from Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, The Netherlands, Morocco, Pakistan, Poland, Ukraine, and USA

85% of artists agreed that the festival is an **unmissable event** in the calendar

'I think the mix of different types of events, like the walks, meditation and long distance was brilliant- it was something really different than I've attended elsewhere and a great new experience.'
-Audience member

45% of the programme was **performances / readings**	15% of the programme was **workshops**
8% of the programme was **exhibitions**	6% of the programme was **open mics/music events**

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- 25 volunteers
- 571 days of direct employment for 112 freelancers

15 workshops were run throughout the festival with 298 attendees

'From the workshops, I learned a lot about the craft of writing poetry and came away energized, creative and eager to write my own. I also came away with a handful of first drafts I can't wait to polish into finished pieces. I have never felt confident about my writing ability, but after attending I feel more optimistic.'
-Audience member

99% of audience members - and 100% of artists - said they would likely **return to StAnza** in the future

'Everything was great and magical!
I consider the Stanza Festival a milestone in my poetic journey and a real beginning for me as a Performer. Scotland has stolen my heart forever!'
-Artist

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