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All things Knowlton Literary Festival

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We are getting ready!

Welcome to year 16 of the Knowlton Literary Festival (KLF)! Planning for the 2026 festival is in full swing and our shortlist of potential authors is almost ready. Stay tuned for the announcement of our author lineup, their latest books, a preliminary program, and ticket release details. For now, mark your calendars:



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If you are reading the **KLF** newsletter for the first time, welcome! At the start of each festival year we like to begin by highlighting our honorary patron, **Louise Penny**, sharing a little about the dedicated volunteers behind the Knowlton Literary Festival, and recounting the story of how the KLF first came to be.

As for this year's program, we have another wonderful lineup in store. Each year the KLF sponsors authors to visit two local schools—Massey Vanier High School and Knowlton Academy Elementary School—bringing the joy of reading and writing directly to students in our community.

On **Thursday evening**, the festival will showcase local authors at Brome Lake Books in Knowlton. **Friday evening** begins with a wine and canapés reception, followed by an engaging author presentation. On **Saturday morning and afternoon**, the festival continues with a featured author in the morning and three authors in the afternoon. Books by each of the visiting authors will be available for purchase, with opportunities to have them personally signed. And to close the day on **Saturday evening**, we will present a special joint literary–musical event.

There truly will be something for everyone. Stay tuned to our website for the latest updates and full details of the 2026 Knowlton Literary Festival program.

WE ARE VOLUNTEERS

There is a saying: "It takes a village..." And this certainly applies when talking about the volunteers, who work tirelessly each year, to bring the Knowlton Literary Festival to life! This festival could not happen without a great deal of passion, energy, enthusiasm, and a love of English literature. We strive for excellence, rather than perfection. And if on occasion we get things muddled, we try very hard to resolve things with a Three Pines spirit.

Louise Penny

Our honorary patron

Since its birth, more than a decade ago, the Knowlton Literary Festival has attracted hundreds of great writers, from poets, to playwrights, from writers of fiction and non-fiction, crime fiction (Yes!!)

and books for youth. Thousands have travelled to Quebec, to enjoy the beautiful setting and stimulating conversations. It is where geography and culture meet. I am so very pleased to once again be the Honorary Patron of this great festival, and to welcome you all to the place we choose to call home.



A bit about us ...

The Knowlton Literary Festival is a three-day celebration of the English language held each October in the village of Knowlton in Quebec's Eastern Townships.

Founded in 2010 and presented by the Knowlton Literary Association (**L'Association littéraire de Knowlton**), this not-for-profit festival brings together published writers from across Canada and beyond for readings, conversations, and community events. Authors also visit local schools to inspire young readers and encourage self-expression. The program highlights both nationally recognized authors and writers from our own region.

Since its beginning, the festival has enjoyed the guidance of Honorary Patron Louise Penny, the internationally acclaimed crime novelist whose books are set in the Eastern Townships.

Set against the beautiful countryside of Brome Lake, the festival offers a warm and stimulating setting for readers, writers, and visitors alike. Come and join us, and see for yourself how creative inspiration truly abounds in every direction.