

*Writers Alliance of Gainesville*



## **The Sixth Annual Sunshine State Book Festival**

*Featuring*

Sunshine State Teen Lit Awards  
Sponsored by Steve Spurrier's HBC Foundation.

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### **Dates and Location**

Saturday February 1, 2025  
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Best Western Gateway Grand  
4200 NW 97th Blvd. Gainesville, Florida



## **2025 Highlights**

The Sunshine State Book Festival, now in its sixth year, has been a resounding success, expanding with each edition!

### **Regional Author Showcase and Expo**

Meet 200 authors for book signings, purchasing books and fun conversations.

### **Forum**

Terry Harpold, Panel Moderator

*"Perspectives of Climate Change in Literature"*

### **Children's Storytime**

Six children's book authors will read and entertain the little ones in half-hour intervals. Free activity worksheets to take home.

### **Keynote speaker**

Cynthia Barnett is a fifth-generation Floridian and the director of Climate and Environment Reporting Initiatives at the University of Florida's College of Journalism and Communications in Gainesville.



***This year's festival promises to be the most exciting one yet!***

# Meet Our Team



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# Community Partnership Benefits

## **PLATINUM**

- Recognition in printed program
- Promotional materials in goody bags
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## **GOLD**

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## **COMMUNITY**

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Follow the QR code to the Book Festival website where you can easily donate by PayPal.

# Community Partnership Opportunities

## Donation Levels

Sunshine State Book Festival is presented by the Writers Alliance of Gainesville, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, so your donations are tax deductible.

Level	Donation
Platinum	\$3000+
Diamond	\$1500-2999
Gold	\$500-1499
Community	\$200-499

- **Ask about other ways to contribute. We will also accept in-kind donations and encourage employee donation matching.**
- **We are currently seeking funding to expand scholarships for the Sunshine State Teen Lit Awards.**

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