

INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE

Literature, City, Nature

October 24, 2025,
National Art Gallery



Conference Programme

9:00–9:30 Registration

9:30–10:00 Opening Remarks

Simona Bieliūnė, Vice Mayor of Vilnius City

Rūta Elijošaitytė-Kaikarė, Director of Vilnius UNESCO City of Literature

SESSION I

Urban Ecosystem: Interdisciplinary Perspectives

Moderated by Tina Popovič, Ljubljana. Head of Ljubljana UNESCO City of Literature

10:00 Markus Artur Fuchs, Heidelberg. Transformation Designer

10:25 Andrew McDonnell, Norwich. Writer and Creative Writing Lecturer

10:50 Rasa Antanavičiūtė, Vilnius. Director of Vilnius City Museum

11:15 Discussion of Session I participants

12:00–13:00 Lunch Break

SESSION II

Literature in the City: A Practical Perspective

Moderated by Rūta Elijošaitytė-Kaikarė

13:00 Hannah Trevarthen and Nature Poet Laureate Cara Thompson, Nottingham.

„Nature Poet Laureate“ Programme and Poet's Presentation

13:20 Angelina Cabré i Ametllé, Barcelona. „Litrnatura“ Festival

13:40 Ivan Wadeson, Manchester. Head of Manchester UNESCO City of Literature

14:00 Discussion of Session II participants

14:40–15:10 Coffee Break

SESSION III

Nature, City, and Literature Through the Writer's Eyes

Moderated by Aistė Kučinskienė

15:10 Nataša Kramberger, author and farmer, Slovenia

15:35 Vaiva Grainytė, author, Vilnius

16:00 Ieva Toleikytė, author, Vilnius

16:25–17:10 Discussion „Can Literature Save the Planet?

The Role of Writers During the Ecological Crisis“

17:10–17:30 Conference Summary and Future Perspectives,
featuring conference moderators.