

Travel the seas and far away lands; hear candid voices and read insightful journalism in this year's **Nonfiction** highlights.



2:15 PM (Canada Writes Tent)

Arno Kopecky

The Oil Man and the Sea

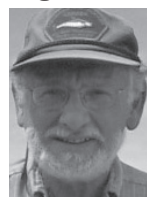


The Oil Man and the Sea takes readers to British Columbia's Great Bear Rainforest, an amphibious labyrinth of fjords, straits, and evergreen islands—and the heart of Enbridge Inc.'s Northern Gateway pipeline project. If approved, some of the world's largest oil tankers will enter these treacherous waters, but the people who live here are determined to stop them. Arno Kopecky sails into the controversy aboard a 41-foot cutter, exploring a legendary region with a knife at its throat. **Arno Kopecky** is a travel writer and environmental journalist whose dispatches have spanned five continents.

2:30 PM (Canada Writes Tent)

George Szanto

Bog Tender: Coming Home to Nature and Memory

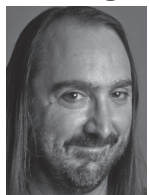


A tribute to nature's influence on the creative process, *Bog Tender* is an enchanting memoir that explores the intersection of nature and writing. With humour and an acute sense of awareness, Szanto writes about the bog that cuts his property in two, his parents' escape from Hitler's Vienna, his time spent studying in Germany, his first meeting with his future wife, becoming a parent, and his adventures in Mexico. **George Szanto** is the author of several books of essays and half a dozen novels.

4:00 PM (Canada Writes Tent)

Mark Leiren-Young

Free Magic Secrets Revealed: A Memoir



Free Magic Secrets Revealed is a hilarious coming-of-age memoir from Mark Leiren-Young that follows his teenage escapades as he chases fame, fortune, and the girl of his dreams. It's 1980, and thanks to Doug Henning, magic is hip, so Mark hooks up with Randy, a stoner magician, and Kyle, an ambitious young actor, to create a rock-and-roll magic show they know will be like *Star Wars* on stage. **Mark Leiren-Young** is a journalist, screenwriter, playwright, and comedian.

11:30 AM (Word Talks)

Cameron MacDonald

The Endangered Species Road Trip



A wildlife adventure and family holiday like no other, *The Endangered Species Road Trip* documents the hilarious and thought-provoking journey of natural biologist Cameron MacDonald as he tracks down North America's endangered species with his young family. Along the way, MacDonald offers fascinating details about the natural history of the animals he seeks and offers insight into the threats that are driving them towards extinction, including overpopulation, commercial fishing, and climate change. **Cameron MacDonald** has worked as a wildlife biologist across North America. His writing has appeared in *The Globe and Mail*, *The Georgia Straight*, and elsewhere.

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