



«Science without borders»

Athens Science Festival 2018
Technopolis City of Athens

24th – 29th April 2018

#asf2018: The relationship between science and books is inspiring exciting events that broaden our way of thinking.

Athens was proclaimed World Book Capital 2018 by UNESCO at the suggestion of the City of Athens. The Athens Science Festival 2018 could not miss out from this great honour for the city. Within the framework Book Capital events, the ASF2018 will present a series of activities that highlight the close relationship of books with science and of written narratives with the great scientific achievements:

Rachel McCarthy, an ingenious environmentalist, a poet, an essayist and a radio producer, will present an interactive performance starring the 118, known so far in science, chemical elements, as well as the audience in Technopolis.

Title: The Alphabet of our Universe: Society through the periodic table || Date & Time: 29th of April, 19:00

With the support of the British Council.

Dr. **Suzanne O'Sullivan**, a writer and a neuroscientist, shows some exciting cases of people with symptoms that can surprise even their doctors—a man who sees cartoons running around him, a girl whose world turns all Alice in Wonderland. **Dimitris Papadimitriadis**, a psychiatrist and psychotherapist is co-ordinating Dr. O'Sullivan's talk.

Title: Brainstorm: Detective stories from the world of neurology ||

Date & Time: 28th of April, 19:00
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A round table with renowned writers and mathematicians; **Katerina Kalfopoulou**, **Andreas Likos**, **Tefkros Michaelides** and **Stamos Tsitsonis** will discuss the relationship between scripts and science, emphasizing on the fruitful and creative connections between science and fiction. The discussion is coordinated by the journalist **Ioanna Soufleri**.

Title: Science and Fiction || Date & Time: 29th of April, 18:00
Organisation: THALES + FRIENDS

The writer **Vangelis Provias** explores how the science and the art of written narration inspire one another and shares wonderful stories with us. Starting from emblematic science fiction projects, and ending in non-fiction, scientific documents that astound us with their strictness and their integrity, it shows that the boundaries between written narratives and science are not set.

Title: From Dr. Frankenstein to Dr. Oliver Sacks || Date & Time: 28th of April, 18:00

Why recent discoveries from the LIGO and Virgo antennae are considered by many scientists to be comparable to Galileo's thought of turning his telescope towards the starry sky? **Stavros Katsanevas**, professor at Paris-Diderot VII and director of the European Gravity Observatory (EGO), will present the fascinating history of his research on gravitational waves.

Title: Ripples in the Ocean of Cosmos || Date & Time: 28th of April, 17:00
Organisation: Crete University Press

Ioannis Manetas, Professor at the University of Patras, and writer of two well-known simplified science books, will shed light on the interdependence between life and light, and will reveal how essential to life the phenomenon of photosynthesis is.

Title: The route of Life and Light || Date & Time: 29th of April, 17:00
Organisation: Crete University Press

Lida Tsene, director of the Comicdom Press training programs, and the narrator **Vassilia Vaxevas** are helping little buddies of science to make up their own stories in a very original experiential workshop with many comics, superheroes and obviously, with science.

Workshop title: Superhero Science || Date & Time: 29th of April, 15:00
Organised by: Athens Comics Library, Comicdom

Scientific books are full of exciting chapters that fill us with both pleasure and knowledge! Come and read along with us at the Athens Science Festival 2018.

Days & Hours of Operation:

Tuesday 24th of April: Opening Ceremony at 18:15

Wednesday 25th to Friday 27th of April: 09:00 to 23:00

Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th of April: 11:00 to 23:00

Information:

<http://www.athens-science-festival.gr/>

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