



Queers and Quills 2025 - Attendee FAQ

Introduction

Welcome to the official Queers and Quills 2025 FAQ document! We will update this document regularly. If your question is not answered here, please email us at [@info@queersandquills.com](mailto:info@queersandquills.com)

General Information

Hotel & Travel Information

Q: Where will the event be held?

A: The event is being held at the [Hyatt Regency Portland at the Oregon Convention Center](#)
Address: 375 NE Holladay St, Portland, OR 97232 Phone: (971) 222-1234

Q: Should I stay at the hotel where the event is being held?

A: We strongly encourage attendees to stay at the event hotel if possible. It is a competitive rate and it is more convenient to stay there so you can go back and forth to the room when needed. You can swap out books and drop off books as needed! Also, the property is amazing and has a great vibe!

Reserving a room at the hotel also helps us fulfill our contract terms, so we appreciate it if you chose the [Hyatt Regency Portland at the Oregon Convention Center](#)!

Q: Is there a hotel block for the hotel venue?

A: There will be a [hotel block](#) for our event. Once you purchase a ticket, you'll receive that information in the confirmation email. The standard room rate is \$239/night plus taxes & fees.

Q: What airports can I fly into?

A: The event venue is closest to [Portland International Airport](#)

Q: Is there a train from the airport to the hotel?

A: Train: the [Portland TriMet](#) runs directly from the Portland airport (PDX) to the hotel. The cost is approximately \$2.80 per ride. It's about a 20-25 minute ride

Q: How much does it cost to park at the hotel/venue?

A: Parking is not included in your event ticket. Parking rates are as follows:

\$28 per day to Park & Stay

\$35 per day to Park & Leave (must inform the front desk)

There is ADA parking on each level of our parking structure closest to the elevators. The parking rates for ADA parking is the same as our standard parking rates.

Q: How will event information be announced?

A: We will post updates on our Facebook group, Instagram, and via email. Follow our social media accounts and sign up for our newsletter to stay informed. Important links are available on our website. We will also use the [Sched](#) platform app for push notifications.

Q: How many authors will be part of the event?

A: Approximately 80 authors will be participating.

Q: Which authors will be part of the event?

A: Our lineup is still being finalized. A list of announced authors will be available on our website and social media. Any cancellations will also be announced on our social channels.

Current Author/ Narrator/Vendor Lists as of 04/01/2025

Abigail Taylor	Bix Barrow	Fay & Karella Stetz-Waters	Keira Andrews	
Addison Beck	Brea Alepoú	Frederick Smith	Kit Grey	N.R. Walker
Adrian J. Smith	Brian D. Kennedy	Garry Michael	Lance Lansdale	Nicole Pyland
Adriana Sargent	Bryce Oakley	Grace Ellis	Laura Piper Lee	Paul Michael Winters
AE Via	C. Rochelle	Hailey Turner	Layla Reyne	Rachel Runya Katz
Aiden Thomas	C.S. Pacat	Haley Cass	Lee Blair	Rebecca Rathe
Alethea Faust	C.P. Harris	Heather Nix	Leslie McAdam	Riley Nash
Alison Cochrun	CE Ricci	Isabel Lucero	Liza James	Ryan Taylor &
Amy Spalding	Christina Lee	J.L. Gribble	Loren Leigh	Joshua Harwood
Ana Ashley	Courtney Kae	J.O. Mantel	M.A. Wardell	S.O. Callahan
Andi Jaxon	Crea Reitan	J.R. Gray	Mandy Muse	Sarah Wallace
Annabeth Albert	Dallas Smith	Jax Calder	Marley Valentine	Shae Ruby
Ariel Marie/Honey Chanel	DC Emerson	Jeffrey K. Davenport	May Archer	Skyler Snow
Ashley Herring Blake	Dianna Roman	Jessica Ann	Maz Maddox	Sloane Kennedy
Ashley Rayne	Dominic Lim	Jessie Walker	Meka James	Vinni George
Ashlynn Mills/Beckett	Ellis Mae	JJ Arias	Meryl Wilsner	
Layne	Emery Lee	Joelle Lynne	Michael Robert	
B. Harmony	Emily Rath	Kate Hawthorne/Nikki Markham		
Bailey Nicole				

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NARRATORS

Amy Hall	Lindsey Dorcus
Caleb Summers	Lori Prince
Carrie Corelli/Louis Ridge	Marisa Calin
Emily Woo Zeller	Mark Sanderlin
Evan Parker/Ron Bulter	Mia Hutchenson-Shaw
Gary Furlong	Quinn Riley
Kirt Graves	

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VENDORS

Official Event Photographer: OnlyTheBestVisuals



Q: What is the event schedule?

A: The 2025 schedule will be available on the [Sched](#) app and our website: <https://www.Queersandquills.com>

Q: Will there be bookish vendors at the event?

A: Yes! We will have a variety of bookish and other relevant vendors who we believe will be a great fit for our event.

Tickets

Q: What is included in the ticket?

A: There are two ticket options available:

Premium Ticket:

- Access to Kickoff and Keynote event.
- Priority access to panels (subject to capacity limits).
- Friday night social event.
- 1-hour early exclusive access to the Signing Session on Saturday.
- Premium tote bag.
- Saturday night afterparty.
- Sunday brunch with remaining authors.

General Ticket:

- Access to Kickoff and Keynote event.
- Access to panels (subject to capacity limits).
- Friday night social event.
- Access to Signing Session on Saturday.
- General tote bag.
- Saturday night afterparty.

Q: How many tickets will be sold?

A: We have sold a total of 500 tickets for the event.

Q: Are there age restrictions for the event?

A: Yes, this event is for ages 18 and up.

Q: Do I need to download my ticket for the event?

A: Yes, you must register with [Sched](#). This registration will provide you with a QR code that our team will scan during your check-in. While the app is not required, it is highly recommended for the best event experience.

Q: Will there be a waitlist or resale opportunities for tickets?

A: The timeframe for ticket resale has passed.

Q: Can I get a refund if I can't attend the event?

A: Tickets to this event are non-refundable.

Q: Can I sell my ticket if I can't attend?

A: The deadline for ticket transfers has passed.

Q: Can someone else pick up my swag bag if I can't attend?

A: Yes. Please email info@Queersandquills.com by May 1, 2025 to authorize someone to pick up your swag bag. The authorized person can collect the swag bag from the Registration area on Saturday, May 24th, between 10 AM - 4 PM.

Note: We will not ship swag bags. The authorized person will need to arrange to give or ship the swag bag to you if you cannot attend.

Q: When and Where is registration?

A: We will have registration hours:

9 am-5 pm on Friday

9 am-12 pm on Saturday

Premium Ticket Holders: Registration will be on the first floor on Friday & Saturday.

General Ticket Holders: Registration will be on the second floor on Friday & Saturday.

Panels

Q: Do I have to register or sign up for panels I want to attend?

A: Yes. You must register for panels via the [Sched](#) App.

- Premium ticket holders will have first access to panel registration.
- Remaining panel spots will be available for General ticket holders to claim.
- There will be a waitlist for panels. If a spot becomes available, ticket holders will be automatically added from the waitlist.

Q: What is the capacity for panels?

A: Panel room capacity varies, but our smallest panel room can accommodate 125 attendees.

Q: Will panels be recorded?

A: No, panels will not be recorded.

Q: What if I don't get into the panel I want to attend?

A: We encourage you to explore other panels. This is a great opportunity to discover new-to-you authors and topics!

Q: Can I live stream panels from my phone?

A: You may record panels/keynotes for personal use only, but live streaming is not allowed.

Q: How far ahead of time can I line up for panels and signing sessions?

A: Registered attendees can begin lining up for panels and signing sessions 30 minutes before the session starts.

Please do not attempt to join a panel you haven't registered for. Attendees trying to line up without proper registration will be redirected to other areas.

Q: What are Untucked Sessions?

A: Untucked Sessions are intimate, behind-the-scenes conversations among authors, inspired by Drag Race: Untucked. These casual discussions are designed to provide a personal and direct approach to various topics.

- These sessions will occur on Friday evening and will last approximately 1.5 hours.
- Attendance is limited to 50-70 readers on a first-come, first-served basis.

Q: Can I register for the Untucked Sessions?

A: Yes, preregistration for Untucked Sessions will be open to all ticket holders at the same time.

- Spaces are limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Ticket holders will be automatically added from the waitlist if spots become available.

Q: Can I record or stream the Untucked Sessions?

A: No. These sessions are designed to be intimate and personal conversations between

authors. Recording is strictly prohibited.

Social Evening Events

Q: Can someone who doesn't have a ticket attend the night events or signing sessions?

A: No. Only those with an attendee badge will have access to event programming spaces, including the signing room and evening events. We are not selling separate tickets for these parts of the event.

Q: Will food be served at the night events?

A: No. Food will not be provided, so we recommend eating dinner beforehand. There will be a cash bar at the Saturday night event.

Q: Do I have to dress up for the night events?

A: Wear whatever makes you feel comfortable and expresses your true self! The only themed event is our Saturday night READ Dress party. While not required, the theme is red, and you can be as formal or casual as you like.

Pre-orders & Purchasing Books & Merchandise

Q: Will pre-orders be available from authors and vendors?

A: Yes, some authors may offer pre-orders. You can find their pre-order links on our website: <https://www.Queersandquills.com/attending-authors>.

If an author is offering pre-orders, their links will be hyperlinked on the website. Pre-orders are for attendees to order books or merchandise from authors ahead of time to be picked up during the event.

Q: What if the author I want to purchase from isn't offering pre-orders?

A: If an author is not offering pre-orders, you can order books through Always Here Bookstore, our on-site bookstore. Indicate "Pick up at Queers and Quills" when checking out. The last day to place a pre-order with Always Here Bookstore is April 30th. The last day to cancel a pre-order is also April 30th.

Q: Where do I pick up pre-orders?

A: You will collect pre-orders from the author or vendor directly during the event.

- If you pre-ordered from an author, pick up your order at their table during the signing session.
- If you pre-ordered from Always Here Bookstore, collect your order from the on-site bookstore during event hours.
- Vendor pre-orders can be picked up from their tables during vendor hours.

Q: Does pre-ordering from an author guarantee I'll meet them during the signing sessions?

A: Not necessarily. If you wish to meet an author, you will still need to get in line during the signing session.

If you don't want to or cannot wait in line, check with the author's assistant or a volunteer managing the line to see if you can pick up your pre-order without waiting.

Q: Will books from participating authors be available for purchase at the event?

A: Yes, the Always Here Bookstore will be on-site with a selection of books for sale. Stock will be limited, so pre-ordering is recommended. Some authors may also sell books or items at their own tables during signing sessions.

Q: What forms of payment can I use to purchase books or merchandise?

A: Payment methods depend on the seller. We recommend bringing both credit cards and cash to have options.

Accessibility

Q: Will you be providing accessibility accommodations for attendees who need them?

A: Yes. We will reach out to anyone who requested accessibility accommodations during the ticket purchasing process to arrange appropriate support.

Q: What if I didn't request accessibility accommodations during ticket registration or have new needs?

A: Please email us at info@Queersandquills.com to discuss your accessibility needs.

Q: Will there be ASL interpretation or captioning for panels?

A: If you require ASL interpretation, we will provide that service. Please email info@Queersandquills.com to schedule this in advance.

Q: Will there be wheelchairs available for use during the event?

A: We will not provide wheelchairs. Please contact the hotel directly to arrange wheelchair rentals. The hotel may have wheelchairs available or be able to recommend rental vendors.

Signing Sessions

Q: What is a signing session?

A: Signing sessions are blocks of time during which authors will be available at their tables to meet attendees and sign items.

Q: How many signing rooms will there be?

A: There is one signing room for all authors.

Q: What can I have authors sign?

A: You can have authors sign books, journals, book sleeves, bookplates, or commemorative

items. Items you bring, pre-order, or purchase on-site from authors or the bookstore are all acceptable.

Q: Is there a limit to how many items an author will sign?

A: Yes. Authors will sign up to five (5) items per attendee per line. If you have more than five items, you will need to get back in line. If the line requires wristbands, you will need to get another wristband to rejoin the line.

Q: Will wristbands be used for authors with long lines?

A: Yes, we will use a wristband system for authors with long lines.

Q: What does it mean if an author has wristbands?

A: Wristbands are a way to control lines and maintain organization. Once a certain number of people are in line, wristbands will be distributed by a volunteer managing the line. Wristbands will have numbers. As groups of numbers are called (e.g., 1-50), attendees will be allowed to line up.

Q: Will only attendees with wristbands be able to get in line?

A: It depends on the demand for a particular author. Once all wristbands have been processed, remaining time may allow for other attendees to join the line.

Q: What if my wristband number is called while I am in another line?

A: As long as your wristband number has been called, you may join the line at any time afterward.

Q: How many authors can I meet during the signing session?

A: This depends on line lengths and time availability. We encourage you to explore other authors during wait times—you may discover some new favorites!

Q: Can I take photos with authors?

A: This will be up to the author. Please be courteous and follow their guidelines.

Q: Will only attendees who have wristbands for authors be able to get in the author's line?

A: This will depend on how many wristbands were given out and how fast the authors get through the wristbands distributed. If all people who were given wristbands were given an opportunity to get in line and there is still time in the signing session, the line will be opened up for people without wristbands to stand in line.

Q: How many authors can I see during the signing session?

A: This will depend on how long the lines are for the authors you want to see. We suggest that if you are waiting on some lines to get shorter, introduce yourself to new-to-you authors and find some new authors to add to your TBR list!

Q: Can I bring a cart or roller bag to carry around books?

A: Yes! One cart/roller bag per person is allowed. Please keep carts/bags to 20"W x 20"L or less (any height allowed). Large wagons will not be allowed.

Here is an example of a cart you can use



Volunteer Information

Q: Will you be accepting volunteers for the event?

A: Yes! Volunteers have already been selected for the event. If you're still interested in volunteering, please reach out to [Q&Q Volunteers](#)

Q: What responsibilities will volunteers have?

A: Responsibilities will vary depending on their assigned shifts. Tasks may include assisting with registration, setting up for activities, managing lines for signing sessions, monitoring doors, and helping with panel coordination.

Q: Are all volunteers who apply selected to volunteer?

A: No, submission of a volunteer interest form does not guarantee acceptance. Selection is based on availability, skills, and experience.

Q: When will volunteers be notified if they have been selected?

A: Volunteers have already been selected and notified.

Q: Will volunteering impact my ability to see authors during the signing sessions?

A: Yes, volunteers scheduled to work during the signing session may not be able to visit authors at their tables.

Q: Can volunteers get items signed if they are working during the signing session?

A: Yes, volunteers working during the signing session may bring up to five (5) items to be signed. Our staff will make arrangements for authors to sign them. Please write your name on a post-it note and place it inside the book if you would like it personalized.