



**14th international book fair and literary festival**

**24 – 27 April 2008**

**Palace of Industry, Prague Exhibition Grounds**

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**GUEST-OF-HONOUR - SPAIN**

Spain will be introducing a collection of books compiled by its Ministry of Culture and ranges of titles produced by individual publishing houses, all of which are members of the Federation of Spanish Publishers. The accompanying programme will address many issues of the literary life and book culture of the country. Fourteen Spanish authors will be in attendance at the fair.

**MAIN THEMES OF THE FAIR**

*Love and Passion in Literature* - displays of books, literary programmes, discussion of topics of enduring interest in the arts

*Lifestyle and the Book* - a special space for the exhibition and sale of books on design and architecture; the book and reading as part of a modern lifestyle

*Egypt – 50 Years of Czech Egyptology* – exhibition of books and other programmes which display the work of leading Czech Egyptologists; to mark a jubilee year for the Czech Institute of Egyptology of the Faculty of Arts of Charles University in Prague

*Literature in Spanish from the countries of Latin America* - books in Spanish, with authors from Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, Mexico and Peru in attendance

### **PRIZES presented at the fair**

*Premia Bohemica* - for the dissemination internationally of a knowledge of Czech literature (Writers' Guild)

*Tourmap* - for maps and guides from all over the world (Tourmap and Avant Promotion Festival)

*Prizes of the Academy of SF, Fantasy and Horror Fiction*

*Rack and Little Rack* (Writers' Guild)

*Dictionary of the Year* - 14th year (Association of Translators and Interpreters)

*Miroslav Ivanov Prize for Non-fiction* (Club of Non-fiction Authors)

*Growing with the Book* – literary prize for children and young people – **This Book is the One** (Svět knihy, s.r.o. [Book World])

*School is the Foundation of Life* - nationwide epigram competition for students (Writers' Guild)

**ACCOMPANYING EVENTS** – theatre plays and films based on works of literature

4th annual theatre festival

***The World of Books on Stage, 1 – 26 April, 19 performances***

Komedie Theatre, Theatre on the Balustrade, Švanda Theatre in Smíchov, Viola, Theatre of the Estates, Studio Rubín, Dejvice Theatre, Strašnice Theatre, Pídivadlo of the VOŠH School of Acting, F.X. Šalda Theatre in Liberec, Ústí Playhouse, HaDivadlo [Haná Theatre, Brno]

7th annual film festival

***The World of Books in Film, 14 – 27 April, 42 screenings***

Ponrepo, Atlas, French Institute, Exhibition Grounds

***International Kafka – Borges Symposium, 22 – 23 April***

For information, please see: [www.kafka-borges.cz](http://www.kafka-borges.cz)

### **THE LITERARY FESTIVAL: STATISTICS**

Participants: 489 (51 from abroad)

Total programmes: 361

Exhibitions: 18

### **THE FAIR: STATISTICS**

Exhibitors: 385

Stands: 206

Surface area: 3260 m<sup>2</sup>

**PARTICIPANTS ARE FROM THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES AND REGIONS (35):**

**Argentina**, Austria, the Basque Country, Belgium (Walloon Brussels, Flanders), Catalonia, Chile, Costa Rica, Egypt, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, **Indie**, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Mexico, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Taipei - Taiwan, United Kingdom, Wales  
(new countries in bold)

**OPENING TIMES AND ADMISSION**

24 April                    9.30 am – 7.00 pm (professional and general public), CZK 120  
25/26 April    9.30 am – 7.00 pm; CZK 100, CZK 50 concessions  
27 April                    9.30 am – 4.00pm; CZK 50 general (all-day) admission

**PRESS CENTRE** (in the foyer by the main entrance)

Thur.                    8.30 am – 7.00 pm (1 hour before fair opens)  
Fri., Sat.                    9.30 am – 7.00 pm  
Sun.                    9.30 am – 4.00 pm

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