# **Representing Wales 2025-2026 – Call-Out**

This document includes information about the content of the course, eligibility, accessibility, and details of how to apply. Our website includes further information, including answers to Frequently Asked Questions and downloadable versions of the application form. You can find everything here: [Representing Wales 2025-2026](https://www.literaturewales.org/our-projects/representing-wales/representing-wales-2025-2026/rw5-downloads/)

**Applications for the 2025/26 Representing Wales programme are now open!**

Representing Wales is a 12-month programme which provides development opportunities for writers currently underrepresented in the literature sector in Wales.

**Important Dates**

**Deadline to apply for the 2025/26 programme:** 12.00 pm midday, Thursday 10 October 2024.

**Informal drop-in sessions:** Literature Wales staff will be available to answer your questions during two informal drop-in sessions between 6.00 pm -7.00 pm on [**Thursday 29 August**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/944976198247?aff=oddtdtcreator) and [**Tuesday 10 September 2024**.](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/944986348607?aff=oddtdtcreator) Click on the dates highlighted to book your free ticket through Eventbrite.

**Programme dates:**April 2025- March 2026

The programme, now in its fifth year, welcomes applications from individuals from under-represented backgrounds who practice in a variety of creative genres including fiction, creative non-fiction, graphic novels, poetry and performance poetry.

Over the course of the year, Literature Wales will support a cohort of 14 writers by offering the following:

* A bursary of £3,000
* A travel and ticket fund
* An intense training programme on craft and on professional career development featuring world-renowned writers as tutors and guest speakers including online writing rooms and writing masterclasses, one of which will be a residential weekend at Tŷ Newydd Writing Centre
* A personal mentor
* Regular opportunities for the cohort to share creative work and feedback
* Networking opportunities throughout the year, online and in person
* Dedicated support from Literature Wales including advice, signposting and identifying opportunities
* A bespoke aftercare programme
* The successful writers will be assessed and selected by a specialist independent panel.

The successful writers will be assessed and selected by a specialist independent panel. Representing Wales is a bilingual programme, and Literature Wales welcomes applications from writers who write in Welsh and/or English. Sessions will be delivered in both Welsh and English, with simultaneous translation offered where required.

Representing Wales is funded by the National Lottery through the Arts Council of Wales and The Foyle Foundation.

## **How to apply**

To apply, please fill out this application form on [SurveyMonkey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V6XDLCN).

Our application form will ask you questions on eligibility and how the Representing Wales programme would help you at this stage of your career. We will also invite you to upload a short example (1,000 words or 4-6 poems) of your unpublished creative writing.

For additional information on eligibility, and if you are submitting a graphic novel or spoken word poetry, please refer to the [FAQs](https://www.literaturewales.org/our-projects/representing-wales/representing-wales-2025-2026/rw5-frequently-asked-questions/), or download an accessible version from the [downloads page](https://www.literaturewales.org/our-projects/representing-wales/representing-wales-2025-2026/rw5-downloads/).

To help you prepare your application, you can download the [application form](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.literaturewales.org%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2F2024%2F08%2FApplication-Form-Representing-Wales-5-Clean-version-Accessible-doc-version.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) to read through the questions beforehand. [Dyslexia Friendly](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.literaturewales.org%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2F2024%2F08%2FApplication-form-RW-5_Dyslexia-friendly.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) and a [Large Print Version](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.literaturewales.org%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2F2024%2F08%2FApplication-form-RW-5_Large-Print.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) are also available. If you would rather fill out one of these forms rather than the application form on SurveyMonkey, please return your form to post@literaturewales.org along with your example of creative work and an [Equality and Diversity Monitoring Form](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.literaturewales.org%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2F2024%2F08%2FEquality-and-Diversity-Monitoring-Form-Dyslexia-Friendly-Format.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK).

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Alternatively, please e-mail Literature Wales on post@literaturewales.org or call us for a chat: 01766 522 811 (Tŷ Newydd Office) or 02920 472266 (Cardiff Office).