

## TALES Membership Form

Type (Check)    New \_\_\_\_\_    Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter (Check)    Calgary \_\_\_\_\_    Edmonton \_\_\_\_\_

Strathcona \_\_\_\_\_    Unaffiliated \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to be listed in our directory?

(Check)    Yes \_\_\_\_\_    No \_\_\_\_\_

### Annual Membership Rates

Individual (\$40.00)    \_\_\_\_\_

Student (\$15.00)    \_\_\_\_\_

Organization\*(\$40.00)    \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Includes one discounted admission /event*

TOTAL Enclosed    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Make cheque payable to TALES*

Today's date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (dd/mm/yyyy)

Detach form and mail with cheque to:

TALES Membership – Anne Cowling

2308, 34 Avenue NW

Calgary, AB T2L 0V2

Membership Secretary – Anne Cowling  
cowlinga@telus.net

## What is Storytelling?

The ancients gathered around the fire, listening to stories of daily events, stories that taught about culture, explained traditions, or simply entertained. These stories were passed down from generation to generation. Today, storytellers continue this ancient tradition. They put new energy into the old traditional tales, but they also tell personal, family and historical stories. Their approach is a great way to bring this wonderful art into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Storytellers deliver stories learned by heart! They don't read them. The story comes alive through the use of the voice, facial expression and gesture. The storyteller is not just the narrator, but actually becomes all the characters in the story. The listeners actively create the images of the story in their imaginations.

As in times of old, storytellers share their tales with audiences of all ages: adults, children and families. They tell wherever people gather: festivals, schools, libraries, museums, hospitals, seniors' lodges and churches. They present workshops, professional development sessions and key note presentations on a full range of storytelling topics.

The Alberta League Encouraging Storytelling



### Information

TALES Website  
[www.talesstorytelling.com](http://www.talesstorytelling.com)

TALES Fort Edmonton  
Storytelling Festival Website  
[storyfestalberta.ca](http://storyfestalberta.ca)

## About TALES

**TALES - The Alberta League Encouraging Storytelling** has operated since 1982 as a non-profit organization promoting the tradition of oral storytelling. In 2007, TALES was awarded charitable status (#84585 8273 RR0001) for its work, *“which advances education by raising the aesthetic taste of the community through public performances, presentations, and workshops in the art of storytelling.”*

- **TELLAROUNDS** – monthly story circles where tellers share stories and works in progress. First timers, professional tellers and listeners are welcome!
- **STORY CAFES** – casual, monthly presentations based on a theme and featuring guest storytellers
- **CONCERTS** – special event storytelling performances
- **WORKSHOPS** – offered by chapters to develop storytelling skills
- **RETREAT** – 2014 Sylvan Lake Storytelling Retreat featuring storytelling, tellarounds and an opportunity to meet fellow storytellers Sept. 12 - 14
- **FESTIVAL** – 2014 TALES Fort Edmonton Storytelling Festival May 24 - 25 at Fort Edmonton Park  
Contact: Renee Englot  
780.884.1715  
info@storyfestalberta.ca

## INFORMATION

**Contact:** TALES President, Caroline Stuart  
780.424.9678 caroline@arcsol.ca

## CHAPTERS

### Edmonton

**Tellarounds:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month (Sept. to June) 7 pm Parkallen Community Hall  
6510 – 111 Street Edmonton Free

**Contact:** Marie Anne McLean  
mamclean@shaw.ca  
780.437.7736 talesedmonton@hotmail.com

### Calgary

**Contact:** Cassy Welburn 403.283.9489  
catherine\_welburn@hotmail.com  
**Tellarounds:** Free on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month (Sept. to May) Story host will open with a story and then it's your turn to tell a story!  
Listeners welcome. 7:00 – 8:45 p.m.

Nose Hill Library - 1530 Northmount Dr. N.W.  
**Storytelling Cafés:** October 24, November 27,  
February 26 (2014) 7:00 p.m., \$10.00

Location – Shelf Life Books,  
100-1302 4th Street SW, Calgary  
**World Storytelling Day Concerts** “Dragons  
Among Us!” March 14 (professional tellers from  
near and far, 7 pm, \$20.00) and March 16  
(Youth tellers, 2 pm) Chinese Cultural Centre –  
197, 1 St SW Calgary  
**Story Slams** – monthly, check the website

### Strathcona

**Tellarounds:** 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month  
(Sept. to May) Strathcona County Library  
2nd floor - 401 Festival Lane, Sherwood Park.  
7:00 p.m. Free

**Contact:** Mary Ann Lippiatt  
780.941.3843 lippiatt@airsurfer.ca

## Membership in TALES

**Membership in TALES is available to storytellers, people wanting to learn storytelling, and people who are interested in listening and want to participate in events that foster the modern art of storytelling. Members receive:**

- An invitation to attend all TALES events: tellarounds, cafes, retreats, concerts, workshops and AGM mtg
- Reduced membership rates for workshops, retreats and other special events
- A TALES and Festival website directory listing
- TALEteller Newsletter



A portion of your membership fee goes to support the work of your local TALES Chapter.

To join TALES, detach this portion of the brochure, fill in the membership form and mail it to the Membership Secretary, Anne Cowling.

*Event photos of members may be displayed on the TALES website. Member's names may be printed in the membership directory unless otherwise requested. Brochure update 09/23 hays*

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