**2nd Annual Storytellers’ Conference (22/23 November 2019, Bangalore, India)**

Open Call for Workshop Presenters

After the success of our inaugural Storytellers Conference in Singapore (November 2018) which drew 102 participants, FEAST is now planning its second Conference to be held in conjunction with the Bengaluru Storytelling Festival. The conference will be on 22 & 23 November and will be followed by the Bengaluru Storytelling Festival (BeSt Festival) on 24 November 2019).

We are seeking proposals for 8 – 10 workshops of 1.5 to 2-hrs duration. Most of our members are professional storytellers, or community tellers who use story in their work (e.g. as librarians, teachers, therapists, community workers etc). We are looking for workshops which will offer them practical skills or approaches to using storytelling. The areas which we think will prove of most interest relate to:

* Storytelling skills – e.g. with music, puppets, props, higher level performance skills.
* Telling to a particular audience – e.g. preschool junior, teens, adults or seniors)
* Telling for a particular purpose – e.g. cultural heritage, healing, environmental conservation, female empowerment, language learning, bi-lingual telling.

This is not an exhaustive list so please feel free to suggest other topics to us.

This is a very practical conference, so we are not looking for research papers.

Most of our members live and work in Asia (see <https://feast.wildapricot.org/join-us> for our definition of countries in Asia) but we also have non-resident members. Anyone is welcome at the Conference, regardless of nationality, religion or place of abode. The focus is on Asian folktales, but not exclusively so.

As FEAST is only in its second year, our budget is limited. We are highly conscious of the considerable income differences in countries throughout the region, and we work hard to make the Conference fee as affordable as practically possible; the Directors and the team in Bangalore organising the Conference, are all working on a voluntary basis. Therefore, we are unable to pay travel or accommodation costs, but all workshop presenters will receive free admission to the Conference as well as a complimentary copy of FEAST’s second collection of Asian folktales which we plan to publish in association with the Conference.

For anyone thinking of taking an extended trip in the region, the Jakarta Storytelling Festival in Indonesia is on the 2 & 3 November and the 398.2 Storytelling Festival in Singapore is on the 1st December and both festivals will consider requests to perform at them by storytellers who are confirmed as FEAST conference workshop presenters.

If you have any question please contact Sheila Wee on [feaststory@gmail.com](mailto:feaststory@gmail.com)

**Please submit your proposals below. (Up to three alternatives please).**

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| **Name** | **Country of Residence** |
| **Are you a member of FEAST?**  Yes/No | **Email** |
| **Workshop proposal #1**  Title:  Where have you conducted this previously | **Workshop Objectives**  **Workshop Outline**  **Methodology**  *(How will you make the workshop engaging and interactive).* |
| **Workshop proposal #2**  Title:  Where have you conducted this previously | **Workshop Objectives**  **Workshop Outline**  ***Methodology***  *(How will you make the workshop engaging and interactive).* |
| **Workshop proposal #3**  Title:  Where have you conducted this previously | **Workshop Objectives**  **Workshop Outline**  ***Methodology***  ***(How will you make the workshop engaging and interactive).*** |
| **References:** We would be grateful for the contact details of two people who have hired you as a workshop presenter, or have attended your workshops. | |
| Video links to you in action as a storyteller (preferably with a live audience).  1.  2.  3. | |
| I understand that I am responsible for making my travel and accommodation arrangements to/from Bangalore. Lunch will be provided on both days of the conference.  **Name:**  **Date:** | |