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Announcing Sound Walk September 2022

30 days in which we celebrate the very best and newest **sound walks** created throughout the world, as well as celebrating walking art and the art of walking. Released from the constraints of the pandemic, we are anticipating an exciting celebration of new work.

We open September with a chance to meet the winners of last year's Sound Walk September Awards and learn what challenges they had in making their winning pieces, what the audience reactions were, as well as what advice they can offer to those stepping up to make their first sound walk. The closing date for this year's awards will be the 30th September.

Each week during September there are online cafés where you can discover the works of new and experienced sound walk composers, learn from them how they make their work and the impact it has on the audiences they reach.

Book-ending the month is Sound Walk Stories Sunday, at which there will be a showcase of poetry and writing on the theme of "walking home" with a dozen authors taking part and at which the announcement of who will become poet and writer in residence for walk · listen · create during 2022/23.

Supporting writers is also a priority during September. We are working on the ground with the Gower Walking Festival (3-10th September) to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Welsh coast path, running an online creative writing workshop (7th September) and offering a prize for poetry and prose inspired by the shoreline (closing date 30th September).

As September approaches we will be announcing further events.

Editor's notes:

1. Sound Walk September is a global celebration of sound walks hosted by not-for-profit walk · listen · create with a community of 1000+ contributing artists, composers, performers and writers all including walking in their creative practice. Initiated by Babak Fakhamzadeh (Brazil), Andrew Stuck (UK) and Geert Vermeire (Greece). With over 3500 registered users, it is the largest network of its kind.

<https://walklistencreate.org/sound-walk-september/> <https://walklistencreate.org>

2. What is a sound walk: “A sound walk, or walking piece, is any walk that focuses on listening to the environment, with or without the use of technology, or adds to the experience through the use of sound or voice. This can include a scripted or choreographed score or work that has additional audio elements.”
<https://walklistencreate.org/about/what-is-a-sound-walk/>
3. List of events through the month of September including cafés:
https://walklistencreate.org/sws/sws22/?post_type=walkingevent - events to be added as the month approaches
4. For the Sound Walk September Awards, pieces created between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022 are eligible, as well as all related events during September 2022.

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