



# Colombo International Children's Book Fair 2026 (CICBF '26)

**Welcome to a World of Wonder...**

**Step into the heart of enchantment at  
the First-Ever Children's Book Fair, set against the spellbound shores of Sri Lanka  
an island jewel gleaming at the southern tip of the Indian subcontinent.**

**Where golden sands whisper ancient tales and palm-fringed breezes carry  
the scent of stories, this landmark event opens its arms to publishers, creators, and  
exhibitors from around the globe.**

**It's a celebration of childhood, creativity, and the boundless magic of books.**

**Join us in crafting a radiant debut for every child who believes in  
the power of stories to unlock worlds unseen.**

**Showcase your books, engage young minds, and be part of history.**

**Ignite a monumental triumph in children's literature,  
boundless creativity, and transformative learning united with**

## **World Children's Book Day**

**24<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Sri Lanka Exhibition and Convention Centre, Colombo**





### This fair fosters:

- Early literacy and lifelong love of reading
- Emotional and intellectual growth
- Cultural exchange and diversity
- Stronger connections between publishers, educators, and families

### Promotions and Selling

Showcase your offerings to thousands of families:

- Books for ages 0-3
- Picture books for 3-8
- Early readers for 4-8
- Chapter books for 6-9
- Middle grade for 8-12
- Young adult for 12+
- Educational toys & school supplies

### Activities to Engage Children at the CICBF Literary Festival!

- Interactive Reading with Authors**
- DIY Crafts:**  
Bookmarks, character drawings, collaborative tales
- Scavenger Hunts:**  
Story-inspired clue quests for prizes
- Themed Storytelling Events**
- Read-a-Thons:**  
Page-tracking challenges with book rewards

Ignite young imaginations with fun activities, thrilling adventures, and hands-on science labs—showcasing children's products in vibrant style!

## Eligibility to participate in children's book fair

### Publisher Requirements

Publishers need an established track record and publish children's books by their own institution, promotional materials, and complete applications demonstrating industry experience.

**Importers:** Import children's and young adults books from original companies and not pirate copies of any form.

### Event Organizer Requirements

Activity organizers are required to submit proposals featuring engaging, kid-centric ideas such as interactive games (e.g., scavenger hunts and read-a-thons), thrilling adventure zones (e.g., fantasy quests and global story trails), hands-on workshops (e.g., DIY crafts like bookmark-making and character masks), immersive science labs (e.g., story-inspired experiments), and author-led storytelling sessions. Selection prioritizes high-quality concepts that align closely with the fair's mission to spark creativity, literacy, and fun.

### Application Process

Submit applications with criteria included above.

# Apply Now

## Be part of history — join CICBF 2026 !

Submit your application on or before 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

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Payment Deadline by February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
Payment Should be Made Strictly in USD / GBP (Remittance must be done through a bank from your country)  
Banking Charges to be borne by the applicant  
Payments must be made via wire transfer to :

Account Name : Sri Lanka Book Publishers Association  
Bank Name : Sampath Bank (USD Account)  
Branch Name : Maradana  
Branch Address : No. 657, Kularathne Mawatha, Maradhana, Colombo - 10  
A/C No. : 514419000012  
Swift Code. : BSAMLKLX  
Branch Code. : 7278-144

We hereby commit to complying with the overarching terms and conditions stipulated by the book fair, provided that we receive them in advance of the event.

Kindly ensure the completion of this form and its submission via email ([srilankabookpublishers@gmail.com](mailto:srilankabookpublishers@gmail.com)), accompanied by evidence of payment (e.g., Bank Transfer Slip). It is imperative that you retain a copy of both the completed form and proof of payment for your records. The deadline for the receipt of both the completed form and full payment is February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Signed :  
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Position : .....  
Date : .....

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