

Storymoja takes book show to Nakuru

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School children at a past Story Moja Festival event. PHOTO | MARGARETTA WA GACHERU

In Summary

- Kiswahili authors Ken Walibora and Wallah bin Wallah and 12-year-old author

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After seven years of celebrating literature, creativity and East African culture

Joseph B. Bokea among those expected to attend the festival.

- Storymoja will unveil *Careerpedia*, a career encyclopaedia and mentorship resource that includes job descriptions of 120 careers, interviews with professionals, a directory of institutions and essays by career professionals.

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with Nairobi audiences, the Storymoja Festival will make its first regional stopover in Nakuru from May 28 to 30 at the Nakuru branch of the Kenya National Library Services.

The annual Nairobi Storymoja Festival will still be held as usual from September 16 to 20.

The Storymoja Festival is Kenya's biggest book party, which attracts thousands of children and adults. During the festival, books are brought to life through poetry, storytelling, discussions with local and international artists, music, workshops and film.

In addition, topical issues such as health, careers, politics, technology, human rights and youth empowerment are presented.

CAREER ENCYCLOPAEDIA

The Nakuru festival is unique because Storymoja's latest venture, *Careerpedia*, will be unveiled. *Careerpedia* is a career encyclopaedia and mentorship resource that empowers young people to plan their future. It includes job descriptions of 120 careers, interviews with professionals, a directory of institutions and essays by career professionals.

Some of the writers and artists expected at the Nakuru festival are festival patron and author Auma Obama, Kiswahili authors Ken Walibora and Wallah

bin Wallah, American HR professional Brendan Molly, author and poet Simon J. Harris, performing act Sarakasi, music judge singer and dancer Joanne Ball-Burgess, Joseph B. Bokea, a 12-year-old author, poet Stephen D. Partington, social media expert Kennedy Kachwanya and author Kinyanjui Kombani.