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Edible Book Festival

■ DO I HAVE TO SUBMIT AN EDIBLE BOOK TO ATTEND THE EVENT?

No—everyone is welcome to attend the event whether they've submitted an edible book or not. But we certainly encourage you participate by entering an edible book—it's easier than you might think!

■ WHAT IS AN EDIBLE BOOK?

An edible book is a "book"—or often a pun on a book—that you make out of food. Some people choose to create a character, scene, or memorable theme from a book out of food. Other people choose to recreate a memorable book cover out of food. Still others choose to make a food pun from the title or content of a book. Edible books can also represent books as a form: an accounting ledger, or a spiral notebook "bound" by spiral-shaped pasta.

■ WHAT BOOKS CAN I USE FOR INSPIRATION?

You can use any book you like! Your favorite book from childhood, your favorite mystery novel, a famous book you haven't read, a book with a food reference in the title—the catalog's the limit! You can also base your edible book on a famous character or author.

■ WHERE DO I LOOK FOR IDEAS?

Search Google Images for: edible books. Or, check out this GoodReads list of books with foods in the titles.

■ WHAT KIND OF FOOD CAN I USE TO CREATE IT?

If it's edible, you can use it! Fruits, veggies, grains, meat, sweets, processed foods—anything goes.

■ CAN I USE INEDIBLE ITEMS IN MY ENTRY?

Inedible items should be kept to a minimum. Overuse might affect qualifying for prizes.

■ DOES MY ENTRY NEED TO TASTE GOOD?

No. Feel free to use commercial cake mixes, purchased food, or edible but yucky items.

■ WHO IS MAKING THE EDIBLE BOOKS?

Participation is open to all! Members of the community make the edible books, including (but not limited to) UJ STH students, faculty, and staff, librarians, book lovers, and foodies.

■ DO I HAVE TO BE AN ARTIST?

Absolutely not! Your edible book can be as simple or complex as you choose to make it. Just have fun!

■ HOW DO I SIGN UP TO MAKE AN EDIBLE BOOK?

Register on our website by 12 June (preferably by Noon). You can also contact Theodora Modise (theodoram@uj.ac.za) to forward the registration form to you.

■ WHEN/WHERE DO I CREATE MY EDIBLE BOOK?

We do not provide space for making edible books, only displaying them during the event on 23 July. When and where (and with whom) you create your edible book(s) is up to you! If you need to do some assembling at the event, that's fine.

■ CAN OTHER PEOPLE HELP ME?

Absolutely! Group-created edible books are always welcome.

■ WHERE / WHEN DO I DROP OFF MY EDIBLE BOOK FOR THE FESTIVAL?

Edible books can be dropped off at the APK Campus Library on Thursday 23 July from 7:00 – 09:00. More details will be emailed to you when you register for the event. If dropping your edible book off on the morning of 23 July is not possible, simply contact us and we can make other arrangements.

■ WHAT IF MY EDIBLE BOOK TURNS OUT HORRIBLE?

A mishap will make the entry all the more interesting!. Please still bring your edible book(s) to the festival! There is a special "judges' choice" award category that could be bestowed upon the most, er, noble attempt.

■ DO I NEED TO BRING A COPY OF THE ACTUAL BOOK TO FEATURE NEXT TO MY CREATION?

Yes please - though if you do not have the book please let us know and we will try to find a copy. Seeing the book that inspired your edible book is helpful for understanding your work of edible art!

■ WILL MY CREATION BE JUDGED?

Yes, but only in a fun and friendly way. There is also a People's Choice award, but no public critique.

■ WHAT ARE THE PRIZE CATEGORIES?

There will be prizes for the best entries in the following categories:

- Most creative
- Funniest/Punniest
- Best student entry

Special judges' award, which could be one of the following (or something else)...

- Most mouthwatering
- Best failed attempt
- Most elaborate
- Most minimalistic
- People's Choice (Based on attendees' votes)

■ HOW MANY EDIBLE BOOKS CAN ONE PERSON BRING?

As many as you like! The more the merrier!

■ CAN I TAKE MY EDIBLE BOOK BACK AFTER THE EVENT?

Yes. Please just indicate on the entry form that it is not available for eating after the judging. Please also be sure to collect it before the end of the event on 23 July. All edible books not claimed by the end of the event will be disposed of (unless you make prior arrangements with us).

■ CAN I TAKE PICTURES DURING THE EVENT?

Yes, please! If you have any memorable photos, please email them to us