

Upstart & Crow Literary Arts Studio Event and Rental Information



Thank you for your interest in hosting an event with Upstart & Crow. Our beautiful literary studio on Granville Island is perfect for accommodating small-to medium-size public events, intimate conversations, dinners, book club gatherings, theatre, private parties and more.

The studio includes a lower floor with a wheelchair-accessible washroom and an upper mezzanine loft space. We have the capacity to accommodate approximately 30 people seated and 50 people standing.

We accept bookings for both public and private events throughout the year. For inquiries, email hellogupstartandcrow.com.





Book launches

We do not charge for book launches, but we ask that the author and publisher guarantee that a certain number of books are sold in order to cover our costs. We are a non-profit that pays our staff a living wage; thank you for your understanding.

For launches, we offer our studio space, a friendly staffer and ample promotion of your event on our website, social media feeds and in our newsletter. We'll also order any needed books for your event. We are open to selling your books offsite, too.

Whether fiction or nonfiction, we seek to launch books that spark conversations, solve problems, or otherwise surprise and delight their readers! We're happy to discuss whether your book is a fit.

Other bookings

For private events, our rental pricing starts at \$150/hour during hours when the studio is closed. Prices are higher when the store is open. The minimum booking time is three hours, which includes at least one hour for set-up and takedown. If further cleanup is required, we add additional hours.

We offer discounted pricing to non-profits, social change organizations and other do-gooders. If you're unsure whether you qualify, just ask. We reserve a limited number of pro-bono rentals for aligned organisations.

Liquor policy

Special event liquor licenses cost approximately \$100. If you'd like to serve liquor at your event, please let us know at least two weeks in advance so we can obtain the permits and find a qualified staff member. We will invoice you for the cost of the permit.