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Manchester is a UNESCO City of Literature, a city where diverse voices are celebrated, creative talent and industries are nurtured and where literary activity changes lives.

What makes this UNESCO Designation special?

Manchester is home to four historic libraries, 23 public libraries plus many more independents. There are two Universities in the city centre with a student population of 98,000, plus two writing schools.

Manchester has more than 40 arts and culture festivals, including Manchester Literature Festival.

Manchester is home to more than 10 independent publishers such as Carcanet and Comma Press, plus commercial publishers such as Hachette and Harper North.

This great northern city is the proud home of contemporary and historical iconic writers and radicals such as Anthony Burgess, Emmeline Pankhurst, Lemn Sissay, Carol Ann Duffy, John Cooper Clarke, Elizabeth Gaskell and Jeanette Winterson, to name just few.



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