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**IFOA WEEKLY PRESENTS DANILA BOTHA, KAREN CONNELLY, IVAN COYOTE AND SARAH DE LEEUW**

**TORONTO, April 3, 2017** ---- In April, **IFOA Weekly** hosts three exciting events: In Conversation with Ivan Coyote (April 5), In Conversation with Sarah de Leeuw (April 12) and a reading and book presentation with Danila Botha and Karen Connelly (April 20).

**April 5:** IFOA Weekly is thrilled to present **Ivan Coyote** and their newest novel *Tomboy Survival Guide*. Coyote will be interviewed by award-winning Toronto journalist **Rachel Giese**. **Bert Archer** will host.

**April 12:** **Sarah de Leeuw**, award-winning researcher and creative writer whose work focuses broadly on marginalized peoples and geographies, will discuss her new book *Where It Hurts* with filmmaker, video artist, writer and cultural worker, **Ariel Smith**. Join Sarah and Ariel for an in-depth conversation about a book which shines a spotlight on lost geographies and people. **Sheniz Janmohamed** will host.

**April 20:** Award-winning author **Danila Botha** and best-selling author **Karen Connelly** share the IFOA stage to read from and talk about their new books. Join them as they present their inspiration and what they have learned from writing their stories. **Catherine Graham** will host.

These events take place in the Brigantine Room, located in the Harbourfront Centre Main Building at 235 Queens Quay West, at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$10 for the general public and free for supporters, students and youth 25 and under with ID. Box Office/Information: 416-973-4000 or [ifoa.org](http://ifoa.org).

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