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Welcome to the Derbyshire Literature Festival 2015

Exciting events are taking place in our libraries, as well as in heritage venues, museums, country parks and community care centres across the county. The brochure is packed with activities for all ages and interests.

This year's programme includes writers from around the UK while also featuring many local authors as part of the county's year-long Made in Derbyshire celebrations.

Libraries and Heritage offer a wide variety of services and activities throughout the year; please see page 56 for further details.

We do hope you enjoy the Festival and look forward to seeing you at our events.

Councillor Dave Allen

Cabinet Member, Health and Communities



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Festival Information

For more information about the Festival you can:

- contact any Derbyshire Library
- visit the Festival website: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival
- email the Arts Team at: arts.team@derbyshire.gov.uk or telephone **01773 831385**.

If you reach the Arts Team answerphone please leave a clear message and your contact details and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

The information in this brochure is correct at the time of going to press. We reserve the right to change programmes and artists if circumstances dictate.

Access

Derbyshire County Council supports equality of opportunity for disabled people in Derbyshire, and where possible every attempt is made to ensure venues and events are accessible.

For more information:

Contact **Susan Bradley**, Access and Inclusion Librarian at Chesterfield Library on **01629 533400** or email: susan.bradley@derbyshire.gov.uk

Tickets for essential companions accompanying adults to events are free but please book these through Susan Bradley.

Tickets

Tickets will be on sale from Monday 30 March 2015.

Tickets for all events can be booked online at: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival using a credit or debit card.

You can pay for tickets by cash or by cheque in any Derbyshire Library. Cheques should be made out to 'Derbyshire County Council'.

Tickets for children's events are free. At other events, tickets for children can be booked at parents' discretion and at the full ticket price.

All children under 8 years must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

Refunds and cancellations

Please note tickets are not refundable if you are unable to attend an event.

However, if Derbyshire Literature Festival has to cancel an event due to unforeseen circumstances, we will contact you and arrange reimbursement of ticket price.



Made in Derbyshire 2015 is a year of celebrations and activities exploring the rich cultural life of our county.

We would like to invite people and organisations that have products, events or provide a service born or created in Derbyshire to register free of charge to join in the celebrations and become a member.

As a member you will join many other organisations to help us to promote the rich diversity of talent in the county.

To register or find out about events and activities visit madeinderbyshire.org and we look forward to celebrating with you.

Look out for the Made in Derbyshire symbol at festivals, events, shops and shows throughout the year.



Meet the Author: Kate Williams

Tue 5 May
Ashbourne Library
7.30 – 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Kate Williams will be talking about her latest historical novel *The Storms of War*, set during World War 1, and the first in a new series.

Kate Williams is an author, social historian, popular broadcaster and novelist. She appears regularly on radio and TV as an expert on royal and constitutional matters.

<https://sites.google.com/site/kwilliamsauthor>

www.orionbooks.co.uk

Photo credit: Paul Stewart



The Housekeeper's Tale: Christine Robinson

Fri 8 May
Chesterfield Library
10.30am – 12 noon

Tues 12 May
Long Eaton Library
10.30am – 12 noon

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Christine will be talking about her book *Chatsworth: The Housekeeper's Tale*, the story of her 40 years working at one of Derbyshire's best loved stately homes.

Rising up through the ranks Christine has seen many changes and gives a fascinating insight into how the House is cared for and managed.

She also reflects on her own family's involvement with the Estate which dates back over 200 years.

www.chatsworth.org



Create your own Comic with Brick

Fri 8 May
Bakewell Library
5 – 6.30pm

Sat 9 May
Bakewell Library
10am – 12 noon

FREE, for young people aged under 16 years;
Tickets: £5 for young adults aged 16 years+. Please book places at Bakewell Library on 01629 812267

Graphic novelist and comic writer Brick (John Clark) will take you through the art of creating a comic.

Write and produce your own comic during these two linked workshops.

Friday evening: writing your script.

Saturday morning: producing your comic.

Please note you will need to attend both sessions and book your place at Bakewell Library.

Suitable for anyone aged 12 years and over.

www.brickbats.co.uk



The Lunar Men: Maria Whatton and Sarah Matthews

Fri 8 May
Buxton Museum and Art Gallery
7 - 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from Buxton Museum and Art Gallery, any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join us for a performance of stories and music inspired by the extraordinary characters of the Lunar Society - a group of dynamic eighteenth century inventors, experimenters and philosophers which included Joseph Wright, Erasmus Darwin and John Whitehurst.

Their story is interwoven with exquisite and comic folk tales, combining Maria's eloquent storytelling and Sarah's rich musicianship and singing.

www.seeingstories.com

<https://sarahmatthewsmusic.wordpress.com>



Meet the Author: Cath Staincliffe

Fri 8 May
Glossop Library
7.30 - 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available at any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Best-selling crime writer Cath Staincliffe will be talking about *Ruthless*, her third *Scott and Bailey* book, based on the much loved ITV1 police series.

Cath is also the author of the Sal Kilkenny private eye stories and creator and scriptwriter of ITV's hit detective drama *Blue Murder*.

www.cathstaincliffe.co.uk



Making an Artist's Book with Duncan and Emma Pass

Sat 9 May
Alfreton Library
10am - 12 noon

Tues 12 May
Chesterfield Library
6.30 - 8.30pm

Tickets: £5.00 available at any Derbyshire Library or book online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

In this workshop you'll produce a piece of writing, then create a cover image and illustrations using simple relief print and monoprint techniques.

You'll use these to make an artist's book, perfect as a keepsake or a gift for someone special.

www.duncanpass.com
www.emmapass.com



Wordworms! with Mark Gwynne Jones

Sat 9 May
New Mills Library
10.30 - 11.15am

Buxton Library
1.30 - 2.15pm

FREE, but please book places at any Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join award-winning poet Mark Gwynne Jones for this family show of wild imaginings, exhilarating performance and wordplay.

Mark invites you to meet the boy with the eye on his index finger, learn to escape school by becoming a cat and make friends with a giant toad!

The show is based on Mark's new collection for young readers *Wordworms!*

Suitable for children aged 7 years+. All children must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

<http://markgwynnejones.com>

In association with Renaissance One

www.renaissanceone.co.uk

Photo credit: Phil Richards



Cats and Dogs with Abi Burlingham and Kerstin Morrison

Sat 9 May
Clowne Library
10.30 – 11.30am

Bolsover Library
1.30 – 2.30pm

FREE, but please book places at any
Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join Abi and Kerstin as they read from their
latest children's books *Buttercup Magic* and
It's A Cat's Life.

There will also be drawing activities
including drawing a Pungle and designing a
coat for Buttercup, the big golden dog from
the book.

Suitable for children aged 3-8 years. All
children must be accompanied by a parent
or carer.

<http://abiburlingham.com>

[www.austinmacauley.com/content/
kerstin-morrison](http://www.austinmacauley.com/content/kerstin-morrison)



Mad Hatter's Tea Party

Sat 9 May
Chapel-en-le-Frith Library
11am – 12noon

FREE, but please book places at any
Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Head down the rabbit hole and join Alice and
her friends for stories, games and crafts.

Join us to celebrate the 150th anniversary of
the publication of Lewis Carroll's classic tale
of *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*.

Suitable for children aged 6-12 years.
All children under 8 years must be
accompanied by a parent or carer.



Creating Stories

Sat 9 May
The Green Man Gallery, Hardwick Hall,
Hardwick Square South, Buxton
11.00am – 12.30pm

Tickets: £2.50 per child (adults free). Please
book with Green Man Gallery on **01298
937375**.

Join us in our magical storytelling space
with games and activities to help you create
your own wonderful stories.

Suitable for children aged 5 -11 years.
All children must be accompanied by a
parent or carer.

<http://thegreenmangallery.com>



Love-life in Nature with Jules Howard

Sun 10 May
The Gothic Hall, Elvaston Castle Country
Park
2 – 4pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire
Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Jules Howard will be talking about *Sex on Earth, a Celebration of Animal Reproduction*, his fascinating pop-science account of the lives and loves of creatures in the animal kingdom.

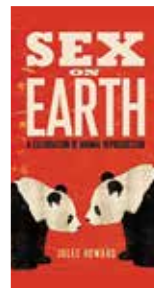
Jules Howard is a zoologist, wildlife correspondent, writer and broadcaster who appears regularly on Radio 4, BBC TV nature programmes and writes in *BBC Wildlife Magazine*.

An opportunity to see inside the unique Gothic Hall, rarely open to the public.

Please note there is a small parking fee at the country park.

www.juleshoward.co.uk

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/elvaston



Kusudama Origami Flower Workshop with Jan Reynolds

Mon 11 May
Eckington Library
10am -12.30pm

Tickets: £5.00 available at any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

These flowers are simple to make and yet very effective. They can be made from many sorts of paper.

The workshop will involve paper folding and unlike many other origami techniques, glue. The process is simpler than many origami techniques and very achievable for all.

By the end of the session participants will have learnt the technique and created their own flowers.



Writing Workshop with Jill Dawson

Mon 11 May
Derbyshire Record Office, Matlock
2 - 4pm

Tickets: £5.00 available at any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join writer Jill Dawson for an opportunity to explore your creativity. A relaxed and informal session for anyone who enjoys putting pen to paper.

Jill Dawson is the author of eight acclaimed novels. She is a highly skilled workshop tutor with 20 years' experience, including for the Arvon Foundation and on the Creative Writing MA at the University of East Anglia.

<http://jilldawson.co.uk>

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Meet the Author: Jill Dawson

Mon 11 May
Ripley Library
7.30 – 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available at any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

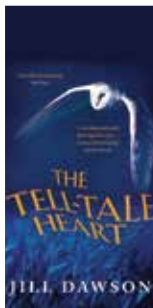
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Jill Dawson will be talking about and reading from her latest novel *The Tell-Tale Heart*, which explores what it's like to live with another person's heart.

Jill Dawson is the acclaimed author of eight novels, including *Fred & Edie*, *Watch Me Disappear* and *The Great Lover*, several of which have been nominated for major book awards.

<http://jilldawson.co.uk>

Photo credit: Tim Allen



Meet the Author: Robert Shore

Tues 12 May
Newbold Library
2.30 – 4pm

Wirksworth Library
7.30 – 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join Robert Shore for an entertaining journey around the Midlands based on his book *Bang in the Middle* as he poses the question: What exactly is the Midlands?

Journalist Robert Shore was brought up in Mansfield. He has made radio programmes for the BBC and edits the arts magazine *Elephant*.

<http://corporate.harpercollins.co.uk/imprints/the-friday-project>



Down the Line: Kevin Fegan Performance and Workshop

Tues 12 May
Staveley Library
10.30am - 12.30pm

FREE, drop in to see the performance but please book places for the playwriting workshop at any Derbyshire Library or book online at: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Performers from the Barrow Hill Roundhouse community play, *Down the Line*, will present characters from the research and development of the show.

It is hosted by playwright Kevin Fegan, who will lead a playwriting workshop in dramatic monologues for the stage following the short performance.

Photo credit: Hannah Fox and Paul Bigland



Down the Line is a site-specific community play for Barrow Hill Railway Roundhouse to be performed in May 2016. The show has been commissioned from Kevin Fegan, who is working as Playwright-in-Residence at Staveley Library while the show is in development.

Kevin would like to meet local people from the Staveley area who are interested in taking part in the community play.

Please contact Kevin Fegan directly for further information:

Email: kev@kevinfegan.co.uk

Tel: 07904 111671

www.kevinfegan.co.uk

www.barrowhill.org



Write Here Open Night

Tues 12 May
Donut Creative Arts Studio (DCAS),
Spring Bank Road, Chesterfield
5 – 7pm

FREE, no need to book – just drop in

Come along and meet other young writers aged 16-25 – find out more about the Write Here group, have a go at some fun and inspiring writing exercises, listen to extracts from the group's recent book *Night Writer* and read your own work if you'd like to.

With cake and snacks.

<http://chesterfieldwriteherewritenow.weebly.com>



Meet the Author: Richard Benson

Tues 12 May
Shirebrook Library
7.30 – 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

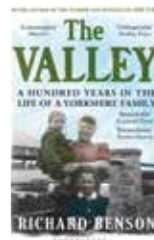
Richard Benson will be talking about *The Valley*, his family history spanning the 20th century in the north of England. Although set largely in South Yorkshire, Richard's grandmother's family came from Shirebrook.

Richard Benson is a writer, journalist and critic whose previous book *The Farm* was a critically acclaimed best-seller.

<http://richardbenson.com>

www.bloomsbury.com

Photo credit: Chris Floyd



Book Quiz at Cromford Mills

Tues 12 May
Cromford Mills, Mill Lane, Cromford
7:30pm (bar opens 7pm)

Tickets: £5 per person. Places are limited so advance booking is recommended. To book please call 01629 825995, or email reception@arkwrightsociety.org.uk or call in at Reception/Shop at Cromford Mills.

As part of the Derbyshire Literature Festival, Cromford Mills is hosting a Book Quiz.

Aimed at being fun for the enthusiastic as well as the more knowledgeable, contestants will be able to demonstrate their literary insight.

Come with friends or on your own and join a team.

Prizes of a literary nature will be up for grabs and there will be a licensed bar serving drinks and snacks.



A Double Helping of Poetry with Sally Goldsmith and River Wolton

Wed 13 May
Oakland Community Care Centre,
Hall Farm Road, Swadlincote
1.30 – 3pm

FREE, but please book places at any Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Sally Goldsmith and River Wolton will read their own work and lead an audience discussion about favourite poems past and present.

Sally is a poet and songwriter who also loves to work as a writer with older people. Her most recent poetry collection is *Are We There Yet?* (Smith/Doorstop 2013).

River is a former Derbyshire Poet Laureate. She works as a writer in the community and her latest collection is *Indoor Skydiving* (Smith/Doorstop 2013).

<https://salgoldsmith.wordpress.com>
www.riverwolton.co.uk

In partnership with Oakland Community Care Centre



Reasons to Stay Alive: Matt Haig

Wed 13 May
Chesterfield Library
7.30 – 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Matt Haig discusses his latest book *Reasons to Stay Alive*, an uplifting account of how reading and writing helped him overcome depression.

Matt Haig is the author of five novels, including the bestselling *The Last Family in England*, *The Radleys* and *The Humans*, and is an award-winning children's writer.

This event celebrates Mental Health Awareness Week and wellbeing reading and writing in Derbyshire Libraries.

www.matthaig.com

For more information about reading and writing for wellbeing visit:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/wellbeingreading

Photo credit: Clive Doyle



Wonderful Well Dressing

Thurs 14 May
Brimington Library
10.30 – 11.30am

Gamesley Library
10.30 – 11.30am

FREE, but please book places at any Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join us for a fun session of stories and crafts inspired by the Derbyshire tradition of Well Dressing. Create your own individual tile using clay, spices, dried pasta and pulses. Or help contribute to a larger Well Dressing for the library made of tissue paper.

Suitable for children aged under 5 years.
All children must be accompanied by a parent or carer.



Mad Hatter's Tea Party

Thurs 14 May
Holmewood Library
10.30am – 11.30am

FREE, no need to book – just drop in
Come and celebrate 150 years of the classic story *Alice in Wonderland*.

Dress-up as your favourite character, listen to the story and take part in the activities.

Suitable for children under 5 years.
All children must be accompanied by a parent or carer.



A Sense of Place: Derbyshire in Fiction with Lisa Langley-Fogg

Thurs 14 May
Duffield Library
2 – 3.30pm

FREE, but please book places at Derbyshire Record Office, any Derbyshire Library or online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

There is nothing like a good storyteller to bring the past to life and to interpret the feel as well as the look of the Derbyshire landscape and its communities.

Take a tour of the county in fiction, seen through the eyes of the many writers for whom Derbyshire has been an inspiration.

Lisa Langley-Fogg is Local Studies Librarian at Derbyshire Record Office.

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/local_studies



Girl Rising: Derbyshire

Thurs 14 May
The Long Eaton School Main Hall,
Thoresby Road, Long Eaton
4 – 5pm

FREE, but please book a place by contacting Sue Raybould on 0115 973 2438 ext: 431 or email: sraybould@longeaton.derbyshire.sch.uk

Girl Rising is a global campaign for girls' education and a documentary about nine girls in the developing world who confront tremendous challenges to pursue their dreams.

Students from The Long Eaton School worked with artist/film-maker Fi Burke, writer River Wolton, and film students Kirsty Turner and Maria Stefoni to make a film in response to *Girl Rising*, charting their own creative challenges and aspirations.

At this première of their film, the school students will present their work and talk about the film-making process.

The project is supported by the University of Derby BA (Hons) Film Production Programme, Derbyshire County Council and is part of Made in Derbyshire.

<http://girlrising.com>



Derwent Valley Mills Through Time: Book Launch with Adrian Farmer

Thurs 14 May
Number 28 Community Hall,
Market Place, Belper
7 – 8.30pm

FREE, but please book places from Belper Library on 01629 533192

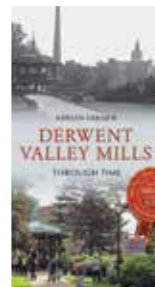
Join Belper enthusiast Adrian Farmer as he unveils his fifth book of historic photographs from the Belper area. This time Adrian has included the other communities along the Derwent from Cromford to Derby, although the emphasis remains on Belper, home to the Strutt Mills and an historic, award-winning High Street.

Adrian will be giving a 45-minute presentation on the then-and-now format of this latest book, and showing some of the 100+ images that didn't make it owing to space restrictions. Copies of the book will be on sale for the first time, and can be signed.

Plus a display by Belper Library.

In partnership with Belper Arts Festival

www.belperartsfestival.org



Meet the Author: Sathnam Sanghera

Thurs 14 May
Ilkeston Library
7.30 – 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

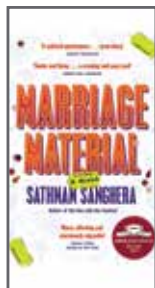
Sathnam Sanghera discusses *Marriage Material*. A comic re-telling of Arnold Bennett's classic novel *The Old Wives' Tale*, it is set in an Asian corner-shop in Wolverhampton.

Writer and journalist Sathnam Sanghera's first book was the memoir *The Boy with the Topknot*, named 2009 Mind Book of the Year. *Marriage Material* was shortlisted for the 2013 Costa First Novel Award.

www.sathnam.com

www.windmill-books.co.uk

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Time to Read

Thurs 14 May
Bakewell Old House Museum,
Cunningham Place, Bakewell
7.30pm

Tickets: £7.50 please book in advance from the Museum on **01629 813 642**, or email: bakewellmuseum@gmail.com

Move around the museum and experience a range of literary performances inspired by the High Peak, including a dramatised reading of the gothic play *The Good Lady Duayne* and performance pieces by local poet Dave Siddons.

Members of Writers in the Peak will also be reading stories from *Peak Echoes*, their new anthology. There will be a licensed bar and refreshments available.

www.writersinthepeak.wordpress.com

www.oldhousemuseum.org.uk



Archives Aloud: Voices from the Front

Fri 15 May
Spondon Library, Sitwell Street, Derby
2 - 4pm

FREE, but please a book place at Spondon Library on **01332 662708** or email **spondon.library@derby.gov.uk**

Tales of enemy attacks, life in the trenches and thoughts of home all feature as part of the *Voices from the Front* event.

This session is a unique opportunity to handle original letters, diaries and poems written by those serving on the front line during the First World War, taken from Derbyshire Record Office collections.

Read, discuss or choose a letter/diary entry to read aloud or bring along your own family papers and share your story.

The library is located in the grounds of Spondon Community Centre and parking is available.

In partnership with Derby City Council
www.derby.gov.uk/libraries



The Real Sherlock Holmes with Angela Buckley

Fri 15 May
Dronfield Library
2 - 4pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

In the crime-infested rookeries of nineteenth century Manchester, Detective Jerome Caminada pursued all kinds of criminals from pickpockets and thieves to ruthless con artists and even cold blooded killers. A master of disguise and an expert in deduction - is he the real Sherlock Holmes?

Meet historian Angela Buckley to hear more about *The Hidden Story of Jerome Caminada*, her biography of this real-life Victorian supersleuth.

<http://victoriansupersleuth.com>
www.angelabuckleywriter.com



Mills and Chimneys: songs of Derbyshire


Fri 15 May
Chesterfield Library
7.30pm; doors open at 7pm

Tickets: £10.00 available from any
Derbyshire Library or book online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

We're delighted to welcome Mills and Chimneys back to the Festival. They will be performing some fantastic new songs as they launch their latest CD inspired by the landscape and stories of Derbyshire.

Mills and Chimneys is a Derbyshire based collective of musicians featuring Julian Butt, David Gibb, Ellie Lucas, Sarah Matthews, Mike Smith and Lucy Ward

Licensed bar provided by Brampton Brewery real ale.

 Mills and Chimneys



Sailing Close to the Wind: An Audience with Dennis Skinner MP

Fri 15 May
Bolsover Library
7.30 – 9pm

FREE, but please book places at any
Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Labour MP Dennis Skinner is adored by legions of supporters and respected as well as feared by admiring enemies.

Fiery and forthright he is one of the best-known politicians in Britain. His new memoir, *Sailing Close to the Wind*, contains reminiscences of his life in politics and the many Prime Ministers he has worked with.

www.quercusbooks.co.uk



Derbyshire Women: Emma Bamford, Tracy Bloom, Joanna Courtney

Fri 15 May
Melbourne Assembly Rooms, High Street,
Melbourne
7.30 – 9pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join Emma Bamford, Tracy Bloom and Joanna Courtney as they read from their latest books and spill the beans on how they became published authors.

Casting Off tells of Emma's adventures when she followed her dream of running away to a desert island.

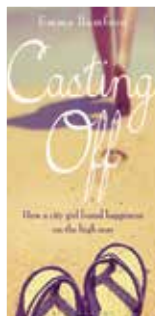
Single Woman Seeks Revenge is the latest novel from Tracy Bloom, bestselling author of *No-One Ever Has Sex on a Tuesday*.

Joanna Courtney's new novel *The Chosen Queen* is the first in *The Queens of the Conquest* a historical fiction trilogy, set in 1066.

www.joannabarnden.co.uk

<http://tracybloom.com>

www.emmabamford.com



The Clockwork Dragon with Jonathan Emmett

Sat 16 May
Clay Cross Library
10.30 – 11.30am
Dronfield Library
1.30 – 2.30pm

FREE, but please book places at any Derbyshire Library or online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

A man-eating dragon is terrorising the Kingdom of Rodney. Luckily, Max and Lizzie have a cunning plan to scare it away. Join author Jonathan Emmett for a tale of daring deeds and one awfully clever contraption.

Discover how the story came about and make your own 3D dragon mask.

Suitable for children aged 4-8 years.
All children must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

Book illustration by Elys Dolan



JONATHAN EMMETT
scribblestreet.co.uk



Wild Times and Brave Adventures with Gordon MacLellan

Sat 16 May
South Normanton Library
10.30 – 11.30am

Alfreton Library
1.30 – 2.30pm

FREE, but please book places at any
Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join artist and storyteller Gordon for some
strange Derbyshire stories, tales of monsters,
mermaids, angry devils, lost children and
smuggling.

Storytelling turns to story-making as we
work together to create stories of our own
homes and the adventures no-one has ever
heard or told before.

Suitable for children aged 4–8 years.
All children must be accompanied by a
parent or carer.

www.creepingtoad.blogspot.co.uk



The Mad Hatter's Workshop

Sat 16 May
Swadlincote Library
10am – 10.45am
11am – 11.45am

FREE, but please book places at any
Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Don't be late for this very important date!
Jump down the rabbit hole to Swadlincote
Library and get creative by making your own
Mad Hatter hat.

Join us to celebrate the 150th anniversary
of the publication of Lewis Carroll's classic
tale of *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*.

Suitable for children aged 3 years+.
All children must be accompanied by a
parent or carer.

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Paper Filigree Workshop with Penny Kill

Sat 16 May
Glossop Library
1 – 3pm

Tickets: £5.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Come and learn one of the paper craft techniques Penny uses in her work. The ancient craft of paper filigree or quilling was a genteel art practised by Jane Austen's ladies in *Sense and Sensibility*. Bringing it up to date, you will have fun learning this simple, effective craft and produce at least one card or picture to take home. Spend two hours playing with paper.



'If walls could talk': workshop with Helen Mort, Derbyshire Poet Laureate

Sat 16 May
Renishaw Hall, The Rex Whistler Room,
Renishaw
10.30am – 1.30pm

Tickets: £10.00 available from any Derbyshire Library or book online at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Join Derbyshire Poet Laureate Helen Mort for a writing workshop in the historic home of the Sitwell family.

You will have an opportunity to explore the gardens and museum and put your findings into words. Helen will give you prompts for writing about objects and with different voices.

www.helenmort.com

www.renishaw-hall.co.uk

This event is kindly supported by Renishaw Hall and Gardens



Bangles and Beads with Penny Kill

Sun 17 May
Buxton Museum and Art Gallery
2 – 4pm

FREE, but please book places at Buxton Museum, any Derbyshire Library or online at:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Get creative with paper and glue and make some paper jewellery. You can learn some of Penny Kill's techniques and take away some unique pieces for yourself or to give to someone you love.

Suitable for children aged 7 years+.
All children under 8 years must be accompanied by a parent or carer.



Poetry at the Hall – featuring Helen Mort, Derbyshire Poet Laureate

Sun 17 May
Shottle Hall, White Lane, Shottle
10am – 4pm
Gates will open at 10am

FREE

Join Helen Mort at 11am to hear a selection of her poems followed by other poets and performers throughout the day.

Poetry at the Hall is part of the *Belper Arts Festival Free Family Fun Day* which takes place in the grounds of Shottle Hall.

Inspired by the setting in the beautiful Derbyshire countryside, poets and writers are invited to perform, attend workshops and spend time creating a poem for Shottle Hall.

For full details visit the Belper Arts Festival website.

www.belperartsfestival.org

Organised by Belper Arts Festival in partnership with Shottle Hall



Renishaw Hall Literary Tour

Sun 17 May
Renishaw Hall
2.30 – 4pm

Tickets: £16.00 please book in advance from Renishaw Hall on **01246 432310** or email: **enquiries@renishaw-hall.co.uk**

Led by archivist and tour guide Christine Beevers, Renishaw Hall's literary tour will unveil the rich literary connections of the Sitwell family who has resided there for almost 400 years.

The tour has been developed following Alexandra Sitwell's recent audit of all the literary collection belonging to Renishaw Hall; some 30,000 books and numerous manuscripts and letters.

As rare editions of books, fascinating letters and other exciting documents were unveiled Alexandra decided she would share this rich cultural heritage with visitors to her home.

The tour will intertwine with the original tours which touch on the art and other historical objects that have been put together by generations of Sitwells.

www.renishaw-hall.co.uk



Tales of the Canal Bank

Cromford Canal – from Cromford to High Peak Junction

Sun 10 May – with Gordon MacLellan
10am – 12 noon and 1– 3pm

Sun 17 May – with Christine McMahon
10am – 12 noon and 1– 3pm

Join our storyteller for a free stroll along the newly restored canal towpath from Cromford towards High Peak Junction.

Especially for families with young children, this short, slow walk will be interspersed with tales and stories that bring to life the history and wildlife along the canal.

All children must be accompanied by a parent or carer. Dogs welcome on leads.

Part of DerwentWISE a project to manage and restore the canal, hosted by the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust.

For more information visit:

www.derwentwise.com or contact **derwentwise@derbyshirewt.co.uk**



Made in Derbyshire: Exhibitions in Libraries

All the exhibitions are free and will be on display from 1 April to 30 June during normal library opening hours.

Another Chapter: Penny Kill Chapel-en-le-Frith Library Glossop Library

Using a variety of papercraft techniques including quilling, origami, weaving and paper sculpture Penny makes jewellery and decorative objects using old books at the end of their use. Look closely to discover the origins of the materials used, with tantalising glimpses of words creating suggestions of stories.

Norse East Derbyshire: Duncan Pass Alfreton Library

Preparatory work for a series of engravings based on the Norse sagas, and inspired by the Viking history of North East Derbyshire.

www.duncanpass.com



Fold: Jo John Creswell Library Long Eaton Library

Jo has been working with recycled and found objects for several years. Most recently she has been experimenting with folding books, altering the sculptural form whilst leaving the book intact, perhaps to be read again.

Making Artist's Books; Process and Print: Peter Knight Bolsover Library Wirksworth Library

This exhibit by Derbyshire based artist and printmaker Peter Knight, shows the craft of printmaking. His artistic books highlight print processes and their relationship with the allusions of art.



Made in Derbyshire: Exhibitions in Libraries

Derby and Derbyshire School Library Service is celebrating **Made in Derbyshire** with a range of exhibits representing Derbyshire's manufacturing industries.

Discover Cotton
Ashbourne Library

Admire Silk
Brimington Library

Learn about Steel
Dronfield Library

Explore Coal
Shirebrook Library

All the exhibitions will be on display from 1 May to 31 July during normal library opening hours.

Derby and Derbyshire School Library Service (SLS) loan books, DVDs and artefacts to schools. The artefacts range from original artworks, Roman pottery and Egyptian statues to replica historic clothing and models.

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/services



My Wonderful Life: exhibition by the Winster and Elton Luncheon Club

Tues 5 – Sat 30 May 2015
Derbyshire Record Office, Matlock
Open Mon–Fri 9.30am – 5pm
Sat 9.30am – 1pm

Using traditional Japanese folding techniques and beautiful textured papers, members of the group worked with artist Jane Wells to create their own book.

Decorated with lino print borders the books are filled with photographs and recollections about key moments and memorable events in each participant's life

The completed journals are on display in the reception area alongside related artefacts from the Record Office archive and some original posters for the Winster Wakes designed by local artist Ros Forster.

For more information about the My Wonderful Life project please contact Junction Arts on **01246 290219** or email: info@junctionarts.org

The project was funded by Derbyshire Dales District Council.



Rocks and Water

Sat 21 March to Sun 31 May
Buxton Museum and Art Gallery

Mon: Closed (except summer Bank Holidays)

Tues to Fri: 9.30am to 5.30pm

Sat: 9.30am to 5pm

**Sun and Bank Holidays from Easter to
30 September: 10.30am to 5pm**

FREE

Geological formations and flowing or still water have often been taken as a subject by artists. This exhibition showcases works in the collections of Buxton Museum and Art Gallery from the 18th to 21st centuries, including engravings, oil paintings and watercolours, all accompanied by prose and poetry.

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/buxtonmuseum

Stepping Stones beneath Castle Rocks on the River Wye

Early 19th century

Unknown Artist

Entrance to Peak Cavern, c.1800

Unknown Artist



Derbyshire Libraries Readers' and Writers' Groups

If you enjoy creative writing and would like to meet up with other writers to share ideas and talk through your work, why not join a writers' group? Groups meet across the county in a range of venues, including libraries. Find out more at:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/literature

There are over 250 readers' groups in our Book Chat network, meeting in libraries, pubs, community centres and schools, with groups for all ages and interests. To find out more visit www.derbyshire.gov.uk/libraries/services/books_and_reading

If you'd like to receive our free writers' and Book Chat readers' newsletters please email:
arts.team@derbyshire.gov.uk

We also support reading and writing for health and wellbeing:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/wellbeingreading

For information about children's reading activities visit:

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/services/children_young_people/



Derbyshire Libraries and Heritage

A wide range of services and resources is available through our Libraries and Heritage Division

There is plenty on offer from our libraries:

- ▶ A wide choice of books by a variety of authors; many are available in large print or as audio books.
- ▶ A range of eBooks, eMagazines and eAudiobooks are available to download free of charge
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/ebooks
- ▶ DVDs for hire
- ▶ Links to Readers' and Writers' Groups
- ▶ Story times and other activities for children
- ▶ Free use of computers with broadband Internet access and office software
- ▶ A free information service hotline on **01629 533444** or asklibrary@derbyshire.gov.uk
- ▶ 24 hour online access to our virtual library
- ▶ A Home Library Service for anyone unable to access a branch or mobile library
- ▶ 45 libraries across Derbyshire, plus a mobile library service visiting 150 communities where there is no library building

It is easy and free to join the library, just bring along proof of your address to become a member.

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/libraries

Arts Team

Supports a wide range of arts and literature development opportunities and activities.

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/arts

Buxton Museum & Art Gallery

Collections include geology, archaeology (mostly of the Peak District), fine and decorative art, photographs, archives; and a changing programme of exhibitions, events and activities.

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/buxtonmuseum

Derbyshire Record Office

Provides access to the historical records of Derbyshire its people and places

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/recordoffice

Local Studies Libraries

Have a range of local history books and reference collections including local newspapers, census returns, maps and photographs

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/local_studies

Picture the Past

View thousands of historic images of Derby, Derbyshire, Nottingham, and Nottinghamshire

www.picturethepast.org.uk/

Summer Reading Challenge 2015

Encourage your children and grandchildren to take part in this year's Summer Reading Challenge, running at a library near you from 9 July - 19 September.

This year's theme of 'Record Breakers' celebrates 60 years of *The Guinness Book of Records*.

Collecting stickers as they go, young readers will discover the weird, wonderful and wacky records from around the world as they read six books from different categories: Cool Tech, Way to Go! The Big Stuff, Animal Magic, Human Touch and Action! Adventure!

Complete the challenge and they will gain a certificate of achievement and a medal.

For further information contact:

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Festivity

DERBYSHIRE FESTIVALS

Festivity celebrates all the excitement and diversity of Derbyshire's arts festivals.

Go to www.artsderbyshire.org.uk/festivals to find out about all the festivals happening over the next few months.

There's lots to experience, from poetry, opera and crafts to indie music and contemporary visual arts.

Festival Acknowledgements

Derbyshire Literature Festival could not have happened without the help and support of writers, artists, publishers and many community groups and organisations throughout the county.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed by giving their time, hosting events, or in any other way.



Other literature events taking place in Derbyshire over the summer

Belper Arts Festival

2 -25 May

Music, performances, exhibitions, Arts Trail, literature events and more. Visit the website for details:

www.belperartsfestival.org

Chesterfield College Open Day

Sat 16 May, 10am - 1pm

Main Campus, Infirmary Road, Chesterfield College

People of all ages are welcome as we have courses to suit everyone

www.chesterfield.ac.uk/open-days-events

Holymoorside and Walton

Visit the website for details of events including: **Wunderlust on Sat 16 May, 7.30pm at Holymoorside Village Hall.**

www.holymoorsidearts.co.uk

A Live and Local event - to see details of more shows in the Derbyshire area visit: www.liveandlocal.org.uk

Derby Book Festival

1-7 June

Visit the website for more details:

www.derbybookfestival.co.uk

Poetry with Punch featuring Three Soundwrite Poets:

Karin Koller, Maxine Linnell and Jayne Stanton

Wed 3 June at 7.30pm

Codnor Methodist Church, Mill Lane

Tickets: £5 including refreshments

To book tickets ring **01773 742046**

Ashbourne Festival

19 June - 5 July

Visit the website for more news on this year's exciting line-up:

www.ashbournefestival.org

Edge-Lit 4

Sat 11 July, 11am -10pm

QUAD, Market Place, Derby

Tickets: £30 including access to all sessions on the day and a goodie bag. To book a place call the QUAD Box Office on 01332 290606 or visit:

www.derbyquad.co.uk/special-event/edge-lit-4

Buxton Festival

10 to 26 July

A happy marriage of opera, music and books

www.buxtonfestival.co.uk

For the latest news about arts events and other Derbyshire Festivals visit:

www.artsderbyshire.org.uk

Derbyshire Food and Drink Fair

Sat 16 and Sun 17 May
Kedleston Hall, near Quarndon, Derby
10am – 5pm

Tickets: Adults £6; children £2; under 5s free.
 Available on the day at the gate.
 Free parking.

The Derbyshire Food and Drink Fair will include demonstrations and talks by celebrity chefs, stalls with produce from throughout the county, a crafts marquee, live music and a children's play area.

It also sees the launch of *The Derbyshire Cook Book*, a celebration of the amazing food and drink on our doorstep, featuring the very best recipes from the county, which will be on sale at the Made in Derbyshire stall over the weekend.

<http://derbyshirefoodanddrinkfair.co.uk>

<http://mezepublishing.co.uk>



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Ashbourne	01629 – 533950	Matlock	01629 – 533837
Bakewell	01629 – 812267	Melbourne	01332 – 863893
Belper	01629 – 533192	Newbold	01246 – 277328
Bolsover	01246 – 823179	New Mills	01629 – 533195
Borrowash	01332 – 663440	Old Whittington	01246 – 454412
Brimington	01246 – 271547	Pinxton	01773 – 812317
Buxton	01629 – 533460	Ripley	01773 – 743321
Chapel-en-le-Frith		Sandiacre	01159 – 396805
	01298 – 812212	Shirebrook	01623 – 742425
Chesterfield	01629 – 533400	Somercotes	01773 – 540514
Clay Cross	01246 – 862592	South Normanton	
Clowne	01246 – 810675		01629 – 535000
Creswell	01909 – 721606	Staveley	01246 – 472448
Dronfield	01629 – 533450	Swadlincote	01629 – 533013
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