

# HAWKESBURY UPTON LITERATURE FESTIVAL 2018

## PROGRAMME

*21<sup>ST</sup> April 2018 (10am-5.30pm)*

The 2018 Hawkesbury Upton Literature Festival will be officially opened by special guest **Caroline Sanderson**, Associate Editor of *The Bookseller* and author of many books including *A Rambling Fancy: In the Footsteps of Jane Austen*.

Her welcome address will be followed the launch of several new books, including festival founder **Debbie Young's** novel *Murder by the Book*, fourth in her popular Sophie Sayers Village Mystery series.

## BOOKSHOP AND REFRESHMENTS

- The Wonderland Bookshop Café sold delicious home-made will be selling soups, cakes and drinks with a literary twist and books by festival authors in the School Hall.
- Italian Nespresso coffee and herbal teas in the Methodist Hall alongside the Festival Art Exhibition (11am-5pm)

**\*NEW FOR 2018\***

Art Exhibition – in the Methodist Hall

- A display of calligraphy with a literary twist, portrait photography, architectural drawings, paintings and book illustrations by Festival authors and friends of the Festival, curated by Chris Gooding, formerly of the Royal West of England Academy

## TALKS, READINGS, WORKSHOPS & CHILDREN'S EVENTS

- Talks and Readings start every hour, on the hour and will last 50 minutes.
- Children's events will run all day in the Bookery.
- Workshop at 2pm and 3pm.
- More details of all these events are on the following pages.

## TALKS

### 10am **Launch Event**

#### 11am **Crime Writing: From Cosy to Chilling**

*with a psychologist and four crime writers: Rosalind Minett (chair), Angela Buckley, Barry Faulkner, JJ Franklin & Debbie Young*

#### 12pm **Preserving Words**

*with a linguist, a lexicographer, a librarian & a book conservator: Dan Holloway (chair), Dan Gooding, Edmund Weiner & two speakers to be confirmed*

#### 1pm **Six Ways to be a Writer**

*with six authors with very different approaches to the writing life: Debbie Young (chair), A A Abbott, Joy Kenward, David Penny, Katharine E Smith & Stella Wilkinson*

#### 2pm **The Legacies of the First World War**

*with three historians who share their research: Michael MacMahon (chair), Simon Bendry, Lucienne Boyce & Suzie Grogan*

#### 3pm **Writing for Children**

*Six authors discuss the motion: "There's no such thing as children's stories – just great stories" – Thomas Shepherd (chair), Jo Allmond, Kate Frost, Jess Hiles, Betty Salthouse, Trevor Stubbs & Miranda Walker*

#### 4pm **Writing Your Passion**

*Six writers share their passion for writing about unusual subjects – Caroline Sanderson (chair), Bill Fairney, Jacqui Gooding, Peter Lay, Lynne Pardoe & Jann Tracy*

### 5pm **Closing Ceremony**

## CHILDREN'S EVENTS

(All day)

Meet authors who write for children and young adults throughout the day  
– *with Jo Allmond & Jess Hiles, Kate Frost, James Minter, Betty Salthouse, Trevor Stubbs, Miranda Walker*

Plus fun activities and storytelling all day long

## READINGS

### 11am **Contemporary Fiction**

– with *Kate Frost (chair), Rod Griffiths, Nicola Horton, Mari Howard, Josephine Lay, Thomas Shepherd, Katharine E Smith, & Stella Wilkinson*

### 12pm **Historical Fiction**

– with *Celia Boyd (chair), Jean Burnett, Lucienne Boyce, Mary Flood, David Penny & Margaret Taylor*

### 1pm **Poetry**

– with *Dan Holloway (chair), David Beveridge, Bobbi Coelho, Jason Conway, Jacci Gooding & Shirley Wright*

### 2pm **Short Stories**

– with *John Holland (chair), Ali Bacon, Martin Brown, Mel Golding, Jenny Heap, Deborah Jones, Nastasya Parker, Mark Rutterford & Ellie Stevenson*

### 3pm **Mysteries, Crimes & Thrillers**

– with *Debbie Young (chair), AA Abbott, Angela Buckley, Barry Faulkner, JJ Franklin & Jo Ullah*

4pm **Poetry Please!** – for this final session, members of the audience are invited to bring their favourite poems, or poems they have written themselves, to read aloud

## WRITING WORKSHOPS

(open to adults and teens)

2pm Mindful Writing – with *coach Joy Kenward, author of Mindful Writing*

3pm Writing Poetry – with *poet Shirley Wright*