



HAWKESBURY UPTON LITERATURE FESTIVAL

Saturday 27 April 2019 10am-5.30pm

*Admission free ~ No booking required ~ Everyone welcome
At various village venues ~ Satnav GL9 1AU*

**Welcome to the fifth Hawkesbury Upton Literature Festival.
New events start on the hour every hour between 10am until 5pm
at five venues around the village. (*Map available on day.*)
Use this programme to plan the best way to spend YOUR day here.**

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## **10am Opening Ceremony in the School Hall**

*With special guest Brad Borkan, Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society,  
award-winning poet Shirley Wright, & the children of Hawkesbury Primary School,  
led by Debbie Young, Festival Founder*

## **5pm Closing Ceremony in the School Hall**

*Featuring Michael MacMahon's now traditional Shakespearean finale*

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Wonderland Bookshop Café (all day in the School Hall)

*Delicious home-made soups, cakes and drinks with a literary twist
Books by Festival authors*

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## **Art Exhibition (11am-4pm in the Methodist Chapel)**

*A display of artwork in various media by artists, & illustrators,  
including members of the local community  
Curator: Chris Gooding, formerly of the Royal West of England Academy*

## Talks (Village Hall)

### **11am Lessons Learned from the Early Antarctic Explorers**

*With Brad Borkan, motivational speaker & co-author of "When Your Life Depends On It: Extreme Decision-Making Lessons from the Antarctic"*

### **12noon Why New Zealand's Greatest Author Katherine Mansfield (1888-1923) is Still So Important Today**

*With Dr Gerri Kimber, Chair of the International Katherine Mansfield Society*

### **1pm Five Things You Didn't Know About the Spanish Civil War**

*With David Ebsworth, author of the Jack Telford historical thriller series*

### **2pm Voicing Dementia, Sharing Empathy – in story and film**

*With Rod Griffiths, author, & Lois Parker, film-maker*

### **3pm Make More Noise! – Suffragettes in Silent Film from the BFI National Archive - historic newsreels & vintage feminist comedies**

*Introduced by Lucienne Boyce, historian & historical novelist*

### **4pm The Life of Mercedes Gleitze (1900-81), First British Woman to Swim English Channel, Pioneering Sportswoman & Philanthropist**

*With Doloranda Pember (her daughter) in conversation with Lucienne Boyce & Sallie Anderson*

## **Adult Workshops (Primary School – Meeting Room)**

**11am How to Write for Magazines** – *with writing coach Ellie Stevenson*

**12noon Free Writing** – *with novelist Jo Ullah*

**1pm Writing Poetry** – *with award-winning poet Shirley Wright*

**2pm Pastel Drawing** – *with artist & illustrator Linda Alvis*

**3pm How to Live a Happier Life** – *with Mark Peckett, Aikido teacher*

# Panel Conversations (Bethesda Chapel)

*Listen to our lively panels in conversation then have your say in the Q&A*

## **12noon Novels Inspired by the Day Job**

*With novelists AA Abbott (chair), accountant; Dawn Brookes, nurse; Wendy H Jones, military officer; & Susan Grossey, anti-money-laundering advisor*

## **1pm Novels Inspired by the Arts**

*With novelists Ali Bacon (chair), on photography; Jean Burnett on church music, dance and painting; David Penny on architecture; & T E Shepherd on music*

## **2pm Novels about the Impact of WWII on Civilians**

*With Rosalind Minett (chair), Maureen Armstrong, Gillian Morton & Richard Vaughan-Davies*

## **3pm Beware of the Ghost(writer) & Other Publishing Trade Secrets**

*with John Lynch (chair), Rachel Amphlett, authorpreneur; Katharine E Smith, author & publisher; & Edmund Weiner, lexicographer*

## **4pm Around the World in 8ish Books**

*Let Caroline Sanderson (chair) be your guide on a lightning tour of the world through the pages of eight novels or thereabouts – with Hugh Arthur, Anita Davison, Glynn Holloway, Edward James, Nima Lee, Jan Turk Petrie, & Debbie Young*

## **Guided Tour of the Historic Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin (2pm)**

*Travel back in time to the age of the Domesday Book! Free transport provided from The Plain (the green around the War Memorial) to the ancient hamlet of Hawkesbury, just down the hill from Hawkesbury Upton, where members of the Friends of St Mary will take you on a guided tour of our beautiful grade 1 listed parish church of St Mary the Virgin and its picturesque setting.*

## **Outreach to Beaufort House Care Home**

*Festival poets will read to residents of Beaufort House Care Home*

# Readings & Performances (Methodist Chapel)

*Sit back and enjoy a selection of three-minute readings & performances  
An easy way to sample the works of the Festival authors and poets*

## **11am Best of British Authors**

*With Barry Faulkner (chair), Ali Bacon, Lucienne Boyce, JJ Franklin, Melanie Golding, Nicola Kelsall, Alice Jolly & Jo Ullah*

## **12noon Non-fiction Writing**

*With Caroline Sanderson (chair), Brad Borkan, William Fairney, Alice Jolly, Michael MacMahon, Mark Peckett & Jann Tracy*

## **1pm Short Stories**

*With John Holland (chair), Kate O'Grady, Nastasya Parker, Mark Rutterford, Chloe Turner, Steve Wheeler & Katie Witcombe*

**3pm Poetry Slam** – *with Dan Holloway (chair), Linda Alvis, Chris Burleigh, Jason Conway, Bobbie Coelho, William Fairney, Mari Howard, Josephine Lay, Peter Lay, Gef Lucena, David Williams, Shirley Wright – plus entries welcome on the day (this session has been allowed a double time-slot so can run until 4.50pm)*

## **Events for Children & Teens (Hawkesbury Primary School)**

### **10am School Poetry Book Launch** *(in the School Hall)*

*As part of Opening Ceremony, award-winning poet Shirley Wright will launch Hawkesbury Primary School's new poetry book*

### **11am Art Workshop** *(in the Bookworm Tent)*

*With artists & illustrators Linda Alvis*

### **12noon & 2pm Meet the Authors** *(in the Bookworm Tent)*

*With Linda Alvis, Dawn Brookes, J M Forster, Kate Frost, Jak Harrison, Wendy H Jones, James Minter, Betty Salthouse & Trevor Stubbs, who write books for children and teens*