



A FESTIVAL OF STORIES, BOOKS AND WRITING

PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 2 - SUNDAY 12 MAY

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BELVOIR SHOPPING CENTRE | CENTURY THEATRE
COALVILLE LIBRARY | HERMITAGE PARK HOTEL
INSOMNIA COFFEE COMPANY



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EXHIBITION

THE BIRTH OF A BOOK COVER

Coalville Library

Thursday 18 April - Saturday 11

May, 8am - 5pm

FREE

Mantle Arts works with visual artists on book cover design for all the books they publish as Mantle Lane Press. This exhibition showcases the work of some amazing artists, and looks at the birth of a book cover from initial ideas, through rough sketches, the final cover layout and the printed book.

THURS 2 MAY

BOOK LAUNCH

FIFTY GOOD MEN AND TRUE - BOOK LAUNCH

Insomnia Coffee Company

7pm - 8pm

FREE

Mantle Lane Press is republishing Michael Kendrick's fascinating and painstakingly researched book about the first fifty WW1 volunteers from North West Leicestershire. This launch will give you a chance to hear more about the book, hear some poignant readings and get a copy of the book signed.

MON 6 MAY

EVENT

BELVOIR SHOPPING CENTRE

10.30am - 3pm | FREE

STORY DAY

A day of amazing performances and stories taking place in the Belvoir Shopping Centre. Street performers, storytellers, book stalls and our roving poet will keep you entertained and entranced through the day.

BOOK FAIR

Stalls from local writers, booksellers, and independent publishers. A chance to buy fantastic books that you won't see anywhere else.

KIT AND CABOODLE

11.35am and 1.05pm

30 minute performances

A pack mule with its beautiful burden of tales is joined by two well-travelled companions.

Bags

and cases open to reveal stories and songs of remarkable journeys.



Kit and Caboodle

MON 6 MAY

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10.30am - 3pm | FREE

BOOKWORMS

10am, 11am, 12.35pm and 2pm
30 minute performances

With a rickety handcart library and some novel ideas, surprises leap off the page wherever they roam. Join our funny guides as they worm their way into twisty and fantastic adventures through imaginative worlds.



Bookworms

ADAMBARA AND ZHIM

11.15am, 12.15pm, 1.15pm and 2.30pm
20 minute performances

This whimsical show tells the Indian story of the Elephant and the Mouse, through enchanting puppetry and storytelling we see how the tiny mice helped the elephants to survive.

THERE BE MONSTERS

10.30am and 1.35pm
45 minute performances

Join the cranky but noble knight Don Quixote and his long suffering, fortune-seeking side-kick Sancho Panza on their epic quest to revive chivalry, confront monsters and seek to right what is wrong or accidentally wrong what is right. 'There be Monsters' is the brand spanking new outdoor heroic romp around from acclaimed outdoor performers The Fabularium.

THE RETURN OF DR RHYME

The return of last year's popular street writer. Dave Wood is Dr Rhyme is it vice versa? Oh it's very confusing! Whichever it is, he'll be wearing a white laboratory coat and creating your very own poem to suit your very own needs.



Dave Wood

TUES 7 MAY

WORKSHOP

BRINGING DREAMS TO THE PAGE

Hermitage Park Hotel

11am - 1pm

FREE

Age: 12 years to adults

Are you a lucid dreamer? Ever seen apparitions or strange images as you settle off to sleep? Do you have a repetitive dream or nightmare? Or maybe you're just interested in dreams, sleep and writing? In this workshop, local author Adriana Polito will introduce a discussion on various sleep phenomena, its inspiration to writers over the ages and how it influenced her own debut novel, 'The World Within'. The workshop includes a practical writing session where you can turn one of your own personal dreams into a three-part plot outline and mini storyboard.



Adriana Polito

READING

SHARED READING

Coalville Library

1pm - 2.30pm

FREE

Age: Adult

Listen to short stories and poems and share your enjoyment in brief discussions. Connect with others while listening to great literature.

TALK

THE TRUTH INSIDE THE LIE: FACT AND FICTION

Coalville Library

2pm - 3.30pm

£3

Age: Adult

Author Laura Wilkinson explores the inspiration behind her latest novel, *Crossing the Line* – one woman's story of self-discovery set against the back drop of the 1984/85 miners' strike.

'Encapsulates the feeling and sense of the early 80s with flair and poise'
- JA Corrigan, *Falling Suns*



WED 8 MAY

READING

WISE WORDS AND THE WIRELESS

Coalville Library

9am - 11am

FREE

Age: Adult

A drop in session with Terri Eynon, local poet and broadcaster. Learn how to make an audio-recording of your favourite poems, classic or self-penned. Bring your poems and, if you have one, a smart-phone (not essential).

TALK

LIFE AFTER BAKE OFF

Coalville Library

3pm - 5pm

£3

Leicestershire-based Frances Quinn won The Great British Bake Off in 2013. She talks about the show, about writing her cookery book 'Quinntessential Baking', and what she has been up to since her win.

And she may even bring something for you to taste...



Frances Quinn

THURS 9 MAY

WORKSHOP

ANOTHER WALK IN THE WOODS

Nature Alive / Coalville Library

12.30pm - 1.30pm

2.40pm - 4.40pm

£3

Age: Adult

The return of last year's successful event, with a new twist. An inspiring walk through Coalville's Nature Alive site with a new writer and tutor. In the morning participants will walk through the reclaimed nature reserve in Coalville, taking photographs, and collecting material and impressions of the natural world hidden under our noses. This will be followed in the afternoon by a workshop, using the morning's walk as inspiration for poetry and creative writing.



Nature Alive

SAT 11 MAY

TALK

MURDER ANCIENT AND MODERN

Coalville Library

12 noon - 2pm

£3

Age: Adult

Edward Marston, author of sixty crime novels set in seven distinct periods of history, and Judith Cutler, author of twenty crime novels with a contemporary setting, compare techniques for writing about crime in the past and in the present.



Edward Marston and Judith Cutler



Rhubarb Theatre

SUN 12 MAY

PERFORMANCE

THE BOY WHO WANTED TO FLY - CHILDREN'S SHOW

Century Theatre

2.30pm

£5 per person

or £18 family ticket

Age: 5 years plus

Billy is fed-up, and perhaps just a tiny bit scared. He's stuck in a hospital room with drab white walls, nasty tasting medicine and lots of busy grown-ups with not enough patience for this little patient. It's miserable. But all that's about to change...

A mysterious lady pushing a trolley of toys trundles through the ward and leaves an old tattered book on Billy's bed. Little does Billy know that the book is his ticket to a whole world of adventure! Pulled into the pages, he'll be transported far from his bed into strange new worlds and make the journey of a lifetime. Join Billy, and family performance specialists Rhubarb Theatre, on their latest quest, as they discover the healing power of stories and try to prove that laughter is the best medicine!

OTHER ACTIVITIES

As well as the events in this brochure Mantle Arts has been running other 'Coalville Writes' activities in the local area.

SCHOOLS WORKSHOPS

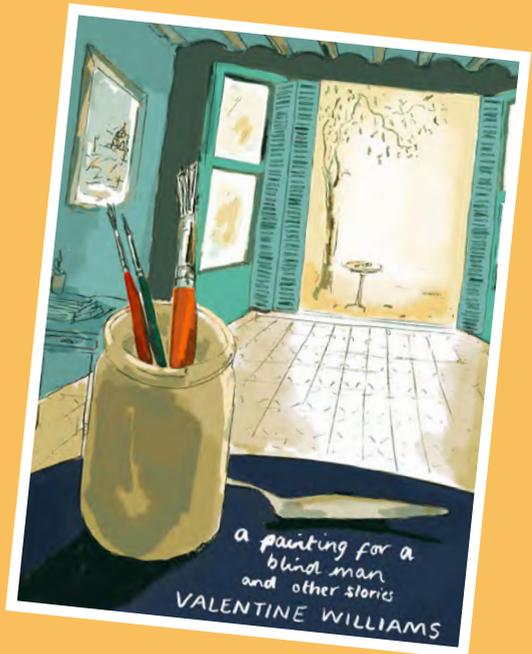
Local schools have been offered workshops from professional writers, enabling local young people to improve their writing skills and creativity.

TRAINING

Mantle Arts has been running 'Write On', a training programme for Leicester and Leicestershire writers interested in developing workshop skills. Writers Asma Dassu, Lynda Baugh, Steve Katon, Emma J. Lannie and Mandy Ward have attended training seminars and some of the group will pilot their workshops during Coalville Writes, with local groups, schools and library users.

MANTLE LANE PRESS

Mantle Arts publishes fiction and local interest books under their Mantle Lane Press imprint. See the range and order books at:
www.mantlelanepress.co.uk



LOCATIONS AND VENUES

Century Theatre

Ashby Road
Coalville
Leicestershire
LE67 3LN

Coalville Library

High Street
Coalville
Leicestershire
LE67 3EA

Belvoir Shopping Centre

Coalville
Leicestershire
LE67 3XA

Hermitage Park Hotel

Whitwick Rd
Coalville
LE67 3FA

Insomnia Coffee Company

The Belvoir Shopping Centre
Unit 1G
Coalville
LE67 3XA

Nature Alive

Thornborough Rd
Coalville
LE67 3TN

BOOKINGS

To book for *The Boy Who Wanted to Fly* at the Century Theatre visit:
www.centurytheatre.co.uk

All other events can be booked at
www.coalvillewrites.co.uk

Places are limited, advance booking recommended. Unsold places will be available at the venues on the day.

Credits:

'Ink blots designed by kjpargeter.

Brush stroke designed by Omelapics / Freepik'