

THE  
THIRD

# HALIFAX FESTIVAL OF WORDS

22 - 24 OCTOBER 2021

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**The third Halifax Festival of Words will take place from the 22nd to 24th October 2021. Presented by two local independent businesses, The Grayston Unity and The Book Corner, it will run across the town and feature readings, live music, spoken word and DJ sets.**

Full programme details at [www.halifaxfestivalofwords.com](http://www.halifaxfestivalofwords.com)

## **FRIDAY 22 OCT**

### **11AM HALIFAX 1842, A YEAR OF CRISIS THE BOOK CORNER. FREE EVENT.**

A great strike of all trades took place across England in 1842, reaching it's zenith in the industrial towns of the north. Here there was organised agitation for social reform. Come and join author Catherine Howe to find out what happened in Halifax.

### **1PM OFFICIAL OPENING WITH THE TOWN CRIER & CALDERDALE CHOIR THE ALBANY ARCADE, HALIFAX BOROUGH MARKET. FREE ENTRY.**

### **1.30PM MAP MAKING WORKSHOP WITH CHRISTOPHER GODDARD THE BOOK CORNER. £17.**

Local cartographer and author of The West Yorkshire Woods and The West Yorkshire Moors leads a creative workshop to inspire you to produce your own personal style of maps. Weather allowing, most of the workshop will be outside. Please bring your own notebook, paper, pens or pencils. Approx 90 minutes.

### **2PM DAVID GLOVER - THE CRAGG VALE COINERS: "CLIPPING, FORGING AND RETRIBUTION - MAKING MONEY, DOING MURDER AND HANGING HIGH - THE CALDER VALLEY WAY" THE GRAYSTON UNITY. £5.**

### **3:30PM A HARP & A MONKEY TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT. FREE ENTRY.**

Award-winning northern song and storytelling trio Harp & a Monkey specialise in poignant and melodic short stories (original and traditional) about everyday lives.

### **6PM BRIDGING THE PUBLISHING GAP: FOX AND WINDMILL IN CONVERSATION WITH AWARD WINNING BLUEMOOSE BOOKS THE BOOK CORNER £8.**

The founders of Fox and Windmill Books will be chatting to FESTIVAL PATRONS Kevin and Hetha Duffy, founders of Bluemoose Books about the world of independent publishing. They'll be talking about why they started their indie press and how they will be doing things differently to help bridge the diversity and accessibility gap in publishing. Approx 90 minutes. Tickets available in store.

### **6.30PM WELCOME TO YORKSHIRE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT. FREE ENTRY.**

An evening of multi-lingual poetry and spoken word from local writers and performers, plus special guests. Presented by St. Augustine's Centre in partnership with Platforma 6. Part of a Yorkshire-wide project led by poet Kayo Chingonyi, produced by Counterpoints Arts.

### **7.30PM JULIA BARDO + THE SHORT CAUSEWAY THE ALBANY ARCADE, HALIFAX BOROUGH MARKET.**

### **7.30PM ROGER MCGOUGH 'SAFETY IN NUMBERS' SQUARE CHAPEL ARTS CENTRE.**

Safety in Numbers is a new collection from the nation's favourite poet. Traversing rocky terrain with the assurance of a poetry Rover on Mars, McGough brings down to earth the strangeness of a year that was almost lost. Staycations, ghosts, gamblers, hurricanes in a hurry and small kindnesses. Unexpected voices, a nature trail, adultery in lockdown, time to stand & stare

and how to write verse about Liverpool. This is an evening of poetry and love and intimacies and daffodils. You Have Been Warned.

### **8PM HAPPY HEADS DJ SET THE GRAYSTON UNITY. FREE ENTRY.**

## **SATURDAY 23 OCT**

### **10.15AM STORYTIME WITH GRANDAD WHEELS THE BOOK CORNER. FREE ENTRY.**

Join Brian Abram as he reads from his books and holds a drawing competition to design him a new, futuristic wheelchair. Approx 30 minutes.

### **11AM CHRIS DYSON - BEER AND BLOGGING THE GRAYSTON UNITY. FREE ENTRY.**

### **12PM ILLUSTRATION WORKSHOP WITH CHRIS MOULD THE BOOK CORNER. £10.**

If you've never picked up a pen in your life or if you want to pursue an already keen interest in the arts, come along and join in with Chris Mould, scribbler of The Iron Man, The Truth Pixie and many other characters, who will take you through a whole host of handy hints to help you on your creative path. All ages, genders and sizes welcome. Approx 90 minutes. Tickets available in store.

### **12PM DAMIAN MORGAN Q&A, MANAGER OF ORIELLES THE GRAYSTON UNITY. FREE ENTRY.**

### **1PM ST AUGUSTINE'S CENTRE FOR REFUGEES & ASYLUM SEEKERS THE ALBANY ARCADE, HALIFAX BOROUGH MARKET. FREE ENTRY.**

Musicians from around the world, all refugees/asylum seekers...a musical treat.

## Saturday continued...

**1PM THE ORIELLES IN CONVERSATION**  
THE GRAYSTON UNITY.  
FREE ENTRY.

**1:45PM COMMONERS CHOIR (1ST SHOW).**  
THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT (OUTDOOR).  
FREE ENTRY.

**2PM A LIFE IN RECORD SHOPS WITH NICK (REVO RECORDS) & JAMES ENDEACOTT**  
THE GRAYSTON UNITY.  
FREE ENTRY.

**2PM KEIRON HIGGINS 'THE BARD OF HALIFAX ON TOUR'.**  
2PM ALBANY ARCADE.  
FREE ENTRY.

**2.30PM HARVEY'S OF HALIFAX.** FREE ENTRY.  
**3PM DISCO KITCHEN.**  
FREE ENTRY.

**3:30PM THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT.** FREE ENTRY.

**2.30PM ROY OF THE ROVERS WITH TOM PALMER**  
THE BOOK CORNER.  
FREE EVENT.

After a dramatic last season things were looking bleak for Roy and his teammates. A fresh season brings fresh hope, but things aren't about to get any easier both on and off the field. Come and chat football with author Tom Palmer. Approx 45 minutes.

**2:45PM COMMONERS CHOIR (2ND SHOW)**  
THE GRAYSTON UNITY  
(OUTDOOR). FREE ENTRY.

**3PM GARETH SCOTT & BAND**  
THE ALBANY ARCADE  
HALIFAX BOROUGH MARKET.  
FREE ENTRY.

**4PM INDIANA BONES**  
STORYTIME WITH HARRY HEAPE  
THE BOOK CORNER.  
FREE EVENT.

Indiana Bones is a shaggy dog with a difference. He's got superpowers and can sniff out criminals and - with his young friend and owner Aisha - solve mysteries that would flummox the world's more expert detectives! Approx 30 minutes.

**4.30PM YUCATAN LIVE**  
THE ALBANY ARCADE,  
HALIFAX BOROUGH  
MARKET. FREE ENTRY.

**5.30PM AN INTIMATE EVENING WITH JILL LIDDINGTON: ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ANNE LISTER**  
THE BOOK CORNER. £6.  
Come along and ask historian and Anne Lister expert Jill Liddington all your Anne based questions. Approx 60 minutes. Tickets available in store.

**7PM THE ORIELLES + CHEAP TEETH LIVE**  
THE ALBANY ARCADE,  
HALIFAX BOROUGH  
MARKET. **SOLD OUT**

**7.30PM JUDY GARLAND & LIZA MINNELLI 'THE AMAZING BIO MUSICAL'**  
SQUARE CHAPEL ARTS CENTRE.

**10PM TILL LATE: JAMES ENDEACOTT & SYBIL BELL DJ SET & ORIELLES AFTER PARTY**  
MEANDERING BEAR.  
FREE ENTRY

## SUNDAY 24 OCT

**11AM DRAGONS OF WAINHOUSE TOWER**  
STORYTIME  
THE BOOK CORNER.  
FREE EVENT.

Join Sarah Stone and Sue Cordingley for some interactive story telling. Dragons are welcome. Approx 30 minutes.

**1PM DR SIMON WARNER & HEATH COMMON 'BEAT RAPS AND ROCK ROOTS FROM KEROUAC & GINSBERG TO DYLAN & THE BEATLES'**  
THE GRAYSTON UNITY -  
FREE ENTRY.

**1:30PM BESS, WHAT A MESS! STORYTIME**  
THE BOOK CORNER.  
FREE EVENT.  
Come and meet Cathy Oakley Calvert and the star of her book Bess. Bess likes to help

her brother, Ned, but can she find his favourite fluffy yellow duck without getting too messy? If you are lucky you might also get to meet Ned, star of Ned, Go to Bed! Approx 30 minutes.

**2PM THE LANDLUBBERS**  
SQUARE CHAPEL ARTS CENTRE. FREE ENTRY.

**2:30PM THE LANDLUBBERS**  
MEANDERING BEAR.  
FREE ENTRY.

**2:30PM BOB STANLEY & TESSA NORTON**  
THE GRAYSTON UNITY.  
FREE ENTRY.

Bob Stanley & Tessa Norton talking about his new book about The Fall.

**3PM THE LOVELY EGGS + SUPPORT**  
THE ALBANY ARCADE,  
HALIFAX BOROUGH  
MARKET.

Tickets available from See Tickets & Revo Records.

**3 - 4.30PM THE ALCHEMIST'S KITCHEN: A WRITING WORKSHOP WITH GAIA HOLMES**  
THE BOOK CORNER. £17.

The alchemist's kitchen is full of bottles containing strange, glittering, whispering potions. Join Gaia Holmes as she explores the art of transforming the mundanity of the everyday into something magical with the power of your pen. Tickets available in store.

**3.30PM BEN GRAHAM 'FOGBOUND IN PARIS, THE STORY OF THE KRUMLIN MUSIC FESTIVAL'**  
THE GRAYSTON UNITY.  
FREE ENTRY.

**4.30PM DAVE SIMPSON - NORTHERN MUSIC EDITOR FOR THE GUARDIAN**  
THE GRAYSTON UNITY.  
FREE ENTRY.

The life & times of a northern music journalist.

Sunday continued...

**6PM FESTIVAL MUSIC FINALE KALYNA RAKEL & DAN GURMAN ON TOUR FROM CANADA THE GRAYSTON UNITY. FREE ENTRY.**

**6 - 7.30PM READING THE HEEDING WITH ROB COWEN THE BOOK CORNER. £10.**

A year of looking, listening and noticing across four unique seasons and thirty-five beautifully illustrated poems. Come along and hear Rob Cowen #readingtheheeding or possibly read one of his poems yourself. Tickets available in store.

**7PM TURN THE PAGE 'OPEN MIC' POETRY NIGHT THE VILLAGE LGBT BAR. FREE.**

**7.30PM AN EVENING WITH REECE DINSDALE SQUARE CHAPEL ARTS CENTRE.**

## FESTIVAL PATRONS

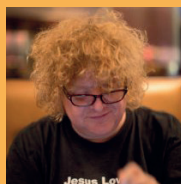
We are honoured to have BBC broadcaster Elizabeth Alker, founder of Independent Venue Week Sybil Bell, music business legend James Endeacott and owners of Bluemoose Publishing Kevin Duffy & Hetha Duffy and children's author Tom Palmer as our festival patrons.



Elizabeth Alker



Sybil Bell



James Endeacott



Kevin Duffy & Hetha Duffy



Tom Palmer

## VENUES

**THE GRAYSTON UNITY**  
1-3 Wesley Court, Halifax,  
HX1 1UH

**HARVEY'S OF HALIFAX**  
Commercial St, HX1 1LJ

**TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT**  
17/21 Market St, Russell St,  
HX1 1NX

**THE ALBANY ARCADE (HALIFAX BOROUGH MARKET)**  
31-32 Market St, Halifax  
HX1 1DZ

**THE BOOK CORNER**  
The Piece Hall, Halifax,  
HX1 1RE

**DISCO KITCHEN**  
2 George Square, Halifax,  
HX1 1HA

**SQUARE CHAPEL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**  
10 Square Road, HX1 1QG

**MEANDERING BEAR**  
21-23 Union Street, Halifax  
HX1 1PR

**THE VILLAGE LGBT BAR**  
10 Princess Street, Halifax  
HX1 1ST

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