

PASS THE POETRY PARCEL

Saturday 4 March

9am-1pm

Barnsley Markets

Barnsley Town Centre

Head to Barnsley Markets between 9am-1pm and pick up your free poetry parcel, it's sure to uplift and inspire you. Look out for the street piano and get involved, let us Hear Your Voice!

FREE Event

Wander by & pick up a parcel

POETRY WORKSHOP WITH THE BARD OF BARNSELY

Monday 6 March

6pm-8pm

The Cooper Gallery

Church Street, Barnsley S70 2AH

Work with Poet Laureate, Ian McMillan, to create poetry surrounded by Picasso's original artwork at the Cooper Gallery on tour from the British Museum.

£5 per person

Tickets available from online shop

<http://shop.barnsley-museums.com>



Ian McMillan (courtesy www.turningimages.co.uk)

LIVE ARTS CAFÉ SPANISH SPECTACULAR

Wednesday 8 March

5pm-8pm

The Cooper Gallery

Church Street, Barnsley S70 2AH

Join us for an evening opening! Enjoy tapas nibbles, live Latin music, and workshops inspired by the current exhibition. 'Build Your Own' cubist sculpture to add to our box installation and try life drawing. Immerse yourself in the exhibition, and enjoy a relaxed social evening in good company.

FREE Drop-In Event

Hosted by Creative Recovery

POEMS IN THE PUB

Thursday 9 March

7-9pm

Arcade Alehouse

Victoria Arcade, Barnsley S70 2QP

Join us for our popular workshops, this month with Brian Lewis. Brian is the founder and editor of Longbarrow Press, a Sheffield-based publisher that supports and develops innovative collaborations between poets and artists. He is also an essayist, curator, sound artist and poet.

FREE event. Pre-booking essential.

Over 18s only.

A FIRM OF POETS

Friday 10 March

6.30pm-8.30pm

The Cooper Gallery

Church Street, Barnsley S70 2AH

The Ted Hughes Poetry Festival in Partnership with Hear My Voice presents the fantastic Firm of Poets. Now a nationally recognised spoken word organisation, A Firm of Poets pride themselves on providing vital, accessible and engaging spoken word for the masses. Join them for a night that will challenge all preconceptions of poetry, and capture hearts and minds from the most hardened of cynics!

£5 Per Person

Tickets available from online shop

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Ages 14+

(under 16's to be accompanied by an adult)

Paid bar at the venue

POETRY WORKSHOP AND DEMENTIA CAFÉ

Sunday 12 March

11am-2pm

Experience Barnsley Cafe

Join Diane Hinchliffe, an independent Emotional Health & Wellbeing Practitioner, at the Barnsley Rockley Rotary Club Memory Café. Diane brings her skills as a therapist into the creative space, providing therapeutic support to individual wellbeing. This will be a social event for people with dementia and their families and carers.

Visitors will be served tea, coffee, sandwiches and scones, along with other tasty treats. Those attending can share information, socialise with friends and even have the opportunity to make new ones.

FREE Drop-In Session

THE EBENEZER ELLIOTT LITERARY & HERITAGE WALK

With Ray Hearne & Steve Ely

Saturday 18 March

Meet at 10.30am

The Maurice Dobson Museum, Darfield
2 Vicar Road, Darfield, Barnsley S73 9JZ

Starting at the Maurice Dobson Museum, walk the paths and fields of Darfield and Brierley Common and retrace the footsteps of Ebenezer Elliot, 'the Corn Law Rhymer' - one of Darfield's most famous sons. Elliott was a poet and political radical with a reputation equal to that of Wordsworth and during the 1840s he made Darfield Parish his home. This activity - part walk, part workshop, part discussion - will be sure to surprise you and get your imagination flowing. Approx. 3-4 hours with a free mini bus to help with the mileage!

FREE event. Pre-booking essential

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THE TRAVELLING STORYTELLER

Saturday 4 March

Saturday 11 March

Saturday 18 March

10am-2pm

Barnsley Town Centre

Join Qdos Creates to see our exciting storyteller who will be in the Barnsley markets and travelling around the town centre sharing her fun, interactive adventures with a story every child in Barnsley will want to hear.

FREE Event



Brian Lewis

BIRDING FOR WORDING

Saturday 25 March

Meet at 10.30am

RSPB Old Moor

Old Moor Lane, Wombwell

Barnsley S73 0YF

A birdwatching walk/poetry workshop with poet and birder Steve Ely. In this workshop you'll go birding at RSPB Old Moor and note the birdlife of the reserve - Lapwings, Bitterns, Golden Plovers, Cormorants, Egrets, Goosanders, Wigeon and dozens more species - just as the breeding season and spring migration are getting into swing. In the follow-up workshop you'll transform your birding experiences into art by writing bird-based poems.

Approximately 3 hrs including an easy 1 hour walk from hide to hide.

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