



HEARY^M VOICE

WINTER PROGRAMME 2017/18

Saturday 2nd September

'Wish Ye Were Ere!'
drop-in poetry workshop

12noon-4pm
@ Elsecar Park

Meet our Albert, he's on his jollies and likes nothing more than to write postcards home. Pull up a deck chair and join him waxing lyrical about his holiday capers.

Free – Part of the [Elsecar-By-The-Sea Event](#).

Saturday 23rd September

Storytelling at the Luminarium!

12noon-6pm
@ Market Gate car park

Venture into the dazzling space of winding paths and soaring domes to find the colourful characters that call this extraordinary place their home. Join us for storytelling and pop-up performances.

Limited tickets are available on the day at the door, £3 per person.

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Thursday 28th September

On The Buses
For National Poetry Day 2017

11am onwards

Take your seat for a ride of poetic musing, revolutionary song and live music, from the Merry City to Tarn and back. Jump on board Bus 59 at 11.21am in Wakefield and head to Barnsley with the Ukulele Lady and Her Boy, musician Jacqui Wicks and poet Ralph Dartford, and experience a journey like no other.

Free – All you need is your bus fare!

Thursday 28th September

On The Buses
For National Poetry Day 2017

10am onwards

Travel across Barnsley and the Dearne Valley with poet and songwriter Ray Hearne on Bus 66. Set against the changing landscapes, listen to rootsy folk songs, stories and poems.

Free – All you need is your bus fare!

Monday 9th October

Ancient Egypt Poetry
Workshop with Ian McMillan

6pm-8pm
@ Experience Barnsley Museum

Explore antiquities and stories in this fantastic poetry workshop within the exhibition 'Gods' Land in God's County: Ancient Egypt in Yorkshire'. The treasures on display have fascinated our county's explorers, archaeologists and artists for the last 400 years. Let's see what inspires you, with a little help from Barnsley's Poet Laureate, Ian McMillan.

Tickets are available via Eventbrite, search 'Ancient Egypt Poetry Workshop with Ian McMillan' £5 per person.

Tuesday 10th October

'Not Just Me'
Town Hall Takeover

2pm-9pm

A creative takeover of the Town Hall designed by young people for young people, getting the message out about mental health. There will be music, poetry, dance, information about services and more, all to celebrate the launch of a new "Youth Mental Health First Aid Kit". Poet Mikey Brown of Stray Weather will be around working up new found poems, before performing a set with the band later in the evening. This is a collaborative event working with the Oasis Group and Chilypep.

Free – Booking required, email hearmyvoice@barnsley.gov.uk

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Wednesday 25th October

Egyptian Live Arts Café –
The Egyptian Odyssey

5pm-8pm

Join Stan and StewArt on a theatrical, musical journey through the Ancient Egyptian Tombs on a quest for the Crystal Sphynx or the lost b-side to The Bangle's hit 'Walk Like an Egyptian'. Crystal Maze meets Indiana Jones on this anarchic adventure. Snacks and refreshments included.

This is a 'Creative Recovery' event in partnership with Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council. We create open, relaxed and inclusive events, welcoming all to participate.

Free – Booking required, email hearmyvoice@barnsley.gov.uk

Saturday 18th November

'All the Kings Horses'
Politics and poetry with
Ray Hearne and Matt Abbott

1pm-3pm
Rant, write and rhyme workshop

4pm-5.30pm
Open mic

It's known that many of our most well-loved nursery rhymes contain hidden meanings and dark back stories. These seemingly innocuous children's songs record historic events, expose social injustices and even tell tales of disaster and revolution. In these times of political uncertainty, austerity and change we re-employ the use of rhymes as political comment and satire. Join Matt Abbott and Ray Hearne to chat, rant, write and generally put the world to rights through an upbeat rhyme or two.

Free – Booking required, email hearmyvoice@barnsley.gov.uk

Wednesday 8th November

Heritage Walk and Pub Poetry

7pm-9.30pm

Meet outside Maison Du Biere, Elsecar Heritage Centre

As darkness develops and the familiar sounds of day diminish, a new way of apprehending the world becomes possible in which imagination becomes the sixth sense. During this poetic night-walk with poet Steve Ely, participants will encounter the landscape around Elsecar Heritage Centre (including the Beam Engine which will be lit and working exclusively for you). We will enter into the natural and psychogeographical dimensions of this unique environment, aided by readings of Steve's own poems and the work of other writers. Although the night-walk is not a conventional poetry workshop and can be enjoyed by poets and non-poets alike, participants might want to bring a notebook and pen in order to record some of their experiences and responses during the walk, which we can share after the walk over a pint.

***Free** – Booking required, email hearmyvoice@barnsley.gov.uk

NIGHT OWL SERIES

Friday 24th November

'Sonnets and Stargazing'
With James Nash

6.30pm
@ Hooper Observatory
Bus leaves Eldon Street, Barnsley at 6.30pm (outside cinema) returning at 9.30pm

Your 'Sonnets and Stargazing' experience starts while in transit with light-hearted readings and musings from Poet James. The evening includes a presentation from Mexborough & Swinton Astronomical Society and observing time on the telescopes. James will lead a relaxed writing session contemplating the enormity of the universe and all that is within it, with opportunities to share thoughts and words throughout.

***Free** – Booking required, email hearmyvoice@barnsley.gov.uk

Thursday 30th November

Urban Walk and
Pub Poetry

7pm

Meet at Arcade Alehouse, Victorian Arcade, Barnsley

Charles Dickens, William Blake and more recently Will Self are notorious for their night-time wandering. A habit used by so many writers to awaken inspiration, observe the unusual characters that inhabit the streets and wrestle with poetic endings. Sheffield poet Suzannah Evans invites you to venture out on to the familiar cobbles to encounter the streets anew. Explore the town through the nocturnal lens before heading back to the Arcade Alehouse to get warm, slurp ale and write about all the things that night-time brings.

***Free** – Booking required, email hearmyvoice@barnsley.gov.uk

Wednesday 6th December

Christmas Bake,
Babble and Bauble

6pm-9pm
@ Cannon Hall Museum

A Hygge inspired huddle around the hearth in the Victorian Ballroom. Indulge in festive home bakes and Glogg (Scandinavian Spiced Wine) with a serenade of jazz-infused Yuletide tunes. Make a willow 'Poetree' Lantern with warming words to light your hearth this Christmas.

Tickets are available via Eventbrite, search 'Christmas Bake, Babble and Bauble' £17.50 per person.

2018

Monday 15th January 2018

C'Mon Kes!
Workshop with Ian McMillan

6pm-8pm
@ Elsecar Heritage Centre

"They beat him. They deprived him. They ridiculed him. They broke his heart. But they couldn't break his spirit." The strapline for the 1969 film Kes, shot in and around Barnsley, is known throughout the world and the themes in it are still very resonant today. To celebrate its 50th birthday, we're starting our Kes series of events with a special poetry workshop with Barnsley's Poet Laureate, Ian McMillan, delving into the language and themes which have inspired a generation of writers.

***Free** – Booking required, email hearmyvoice@barnsley.gov.uk

*Tickets are free for these events, as they are funded by the Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership. Donations to Barnsley Museums and Heritage Trust (charity no.1164496) are gratefully received.

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HEAR MY VOICE

Hear My Voice is a three year project co-ordinated by Barnsley Museums for the people of Barnsley to express themselves through poetry, the written and spoken word.

Bus Timetables

Bus timetables are available at www.barnsley.gov.uk/bus-timetables

Booking

To book onto FREE workshops or for more information please email hearmyvoice@barnsley.gov.uk

Ticket sales

To buy tickets for events, please search Hear My Voice on Eventbrite.

Contact

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- discoverdearne.org.uk/hear-voice-literacy-festival
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BARNSELY MUSEUMS



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