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# FOWEY FESTIVAL

*of Arts and Literature*

6<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> May 2016



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## A VERY WARM WELCOME TO THE 2016 FOWEY FESTIVAL OF ARTS AND LITERATURE

It is with huge pleasure that we present this 2016 programme and we hope to excite and enthuse both residents and visitors to our wonderful town with this year's Festival offering.

Building on last year's innovation of using the Royal Fowey Yacht Club as our Festival Café and bookshop, we have incorporated the Festival Box Office into this vibrant mix. Not only will you be able to meet friends, have something delicious to eat and drink, but you can buy tickets for your next performance, as well as browsing the Waterstones bookshop for the appropriate book.

This year, for the first time, we are holding an event on the evening of Friday 6th May. We are honoured that Lord Waldegrave has agreed to talk about his fascinating life and recently published memoir. The du Maurier lecture and luncheon is this year hosted and delivered by the original Ross Poldark, Robin Ellis. We promise a varied selection of events from a creative writing course to talks and panel discussions to musical evenings. For all budding singers, we have an event just for you! Join our choir workshop to learn musical pieces from scratch and perform the songs later that evening at a concert in St Fimbarrus Church. As ever we have a range of Daphne du Maurier events and workshops.

We are delighted to announce that the very successful Fowey Art Trail is back, bigger and better than before.

You will see that we have made a slight change to our name this year - the Fowey Festival of Arts and Literature. We believe that this better reflects what we stand for. Whilst we will continue to schedule musical evenings for your entertainment, our collaboration with the associated Fowey Valley Music Festival, provides Fowey with an additional classical element. Look out for this (16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> September) with Craig Ogden and Emma Johnson.

Finally, on behalf of the Festival Director, Brenda Daly and all the Festival Trustees we would like to thank our sponsors, advertisers, volunteers, publishers and of course our audiences. Without your on-going support, we wouldn't be able to achieve what we do. Particular thanks go to our Principal sponsor: The Richardson Hotel Group - The Fowey Hotel, who have helped to make this Festival possible.

So... all you have to do now is to try and decide amongst the plethora of events what suits you best. Help us make 2016 the best Festival yet!

*Melissa Hartwell and Paul Staniland*  
*Joint Chairs of the du Maurier Festival Society*



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# FOWEY ART TRAIL

Artists invite you to their studios to see their exciting new work including paintings, ceramics, sculpture and textiles.

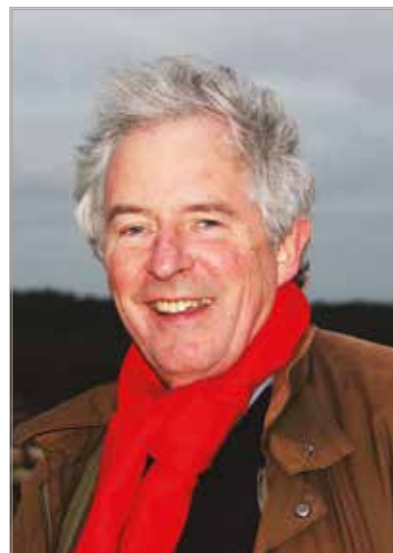
Please pick up a copy of the **Fowey Art Trail** map from the Fowey Tourist Information Office, art galleries or go to the Fowey Festival website, [www.foweyfestival.com](http://www.foweyfestival.com)



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## FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY



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### WILLIAM WALDEGRAVE

*A Different Kind of Weather*

7.30pm – 8.30pm

St Fimbarrus Church, £12.00

Lord Waldegrave's career in politics gave him a close-up view of the fall of Edward Heath and the emergence of Margaret Thatcher; something he recounts in his acclaimed memoir, *A Different Kind of Weather*. The youngest of seven children and the son of an earl, he enjoyed a quintessentially English upbringing. Educated at Eton, Oxford and Harvard, he became an MP in 1979 and served as a Minister from 1981 continuously until 1997, including terms at the Department of the Environment and the Foreign Office. After losing his Commons seat, he entered the House of Lords and is Provost of Eton College. Join us this evening to hear about one of the most exciting and tumultuous periods of modern British history. Wine and soft refreshments available.



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## MEGAN STALLWORTHY

### Bookbinding Workshop

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11.00am – 5.00pm  
Parish Hall, £40.00

Learn bookbinding skills and take home two beautiful handmade books, using handmade and pattern papers and traditional sewing, folding and glueing techniques. On this workshop you will make a small hard cover notebook and a Japanese style binding. All the materials and equipment will be provided, and there will be a £5 charge for materials payable to the tutor on the day. Tutor, Megan Stallworthy is a bookbinder and teacher and a member of the Devon Guild of Craftsmen. She is an associate lecturer in Bookbinding at Falmouth University. [www.perfectbindings.co.uk](http://www.perfectbindings.co.uk). NB numbers limited to 10.

## ROBIN ELLIS DU MAURIER LECTURE

### Drinks reception and luncheon



12.30pm – 3.00pm  
Fowey Hotel, £25.00

This year's du Maurier Lecture will be held in the wonderful surroundings of the Fowey Hotel commencing with a drinks reception followed by a two-course lunch and coffee. Delivering the 2016 lecture is Robin Ellis, best known as the original Captain Ross Poldark in the BBC's adaptation of Winston Graham's novels. After a long and successful career in British television and theatre, including a stint with the Royal Shakespeare Company, he and his American wife moved to southwest France to a village with a pink garlic festival. Inspired by a lifelong passion for cooking plus a diagnosis of Type 2 diabetes, he began writing cookery books. *Mediterranean Cooking for Diabetics: Delicious Dishes to Control or Avoid Diabetes* was published this spring. Music at the reception by *Hands on Harps*. NB This event is reserved for Friends and Patrons only. Please contact the Fowey Hotel on 01726 832 551 with any special dietary requirements.

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SATURDAY  
7<sup>TH</sup> MAY

John Suchet



## PROFESSOR AC GRAYLING

Progress in Troubled Times:  
*The Age of Genius*

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4.00pm – 5.00pm  
Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

A.C. Grayling is Master of the New College of the Humanities. He is a leading philosopher and author of 30 books including *The Good Book*, *Ideas That Matter*, *To Set Prometheus Free* and *The Challenge of Things*. Grayling's latest book, *The Age of Genius*, explores what we can still learn from the greatest ever change in the mental outlook of humanity that took place in the 17th century. For several years Grayling wrote the 'Last Word' column for the Guardian newspaper and a column for the Times. He regularly contributes to literary magazines and papers around the world and is an equally frequent broadcaster on BBC Radio 3 and Radio 4 and the World Service. He has served as a judge for the Man Booker Prize, the Art Fund Prize and the Wellcome Book Prize. He was the chairman of the 2014 Man Booker Prize.

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## JOHN SUCHET

A Tale of Two Composers



6.00pm – 7.00pm  
St Fimbarrus Church, £12.00

One is the greatest composer who ever lived, the other the undisputed Waltz King. They could not be more different. Their music is a world apart. Their lives never touched. Yet there is one thing that they share. The city of Vienna. John Suchet will bring Beethoven and Strauss jr. alive — their life, their loves, and of course their music. He will take you to the city of Vienna, then as now the musical capital of Europe, and home to both men. Wine and soft refreshments available.

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## THE BOOKSHOP BAND

8.00pm – 10.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

Currently on their UK tour, we are delighted to welcome The Bookshop Band to the Festival. Ben and Beth Porter, write songs inspired by books and folk stories performing in bookshops and at festivals throughout the country. Their performances are inextricably linked to the books themselves, as they take it in turn to describe where the inspiration for each song came from. They have worked with some of the biggest authors in the UK and beyond, including Ian Rankin, Louis De Bernières, David Mitchell, Kate Mosse and Man-Booker winner Ben Okri and Ian Rankin. Wine and soft refreshments available.

*"I was enchanted and enthralled by The Bookshop Band.  
What a great, clever, literate musical night!"*

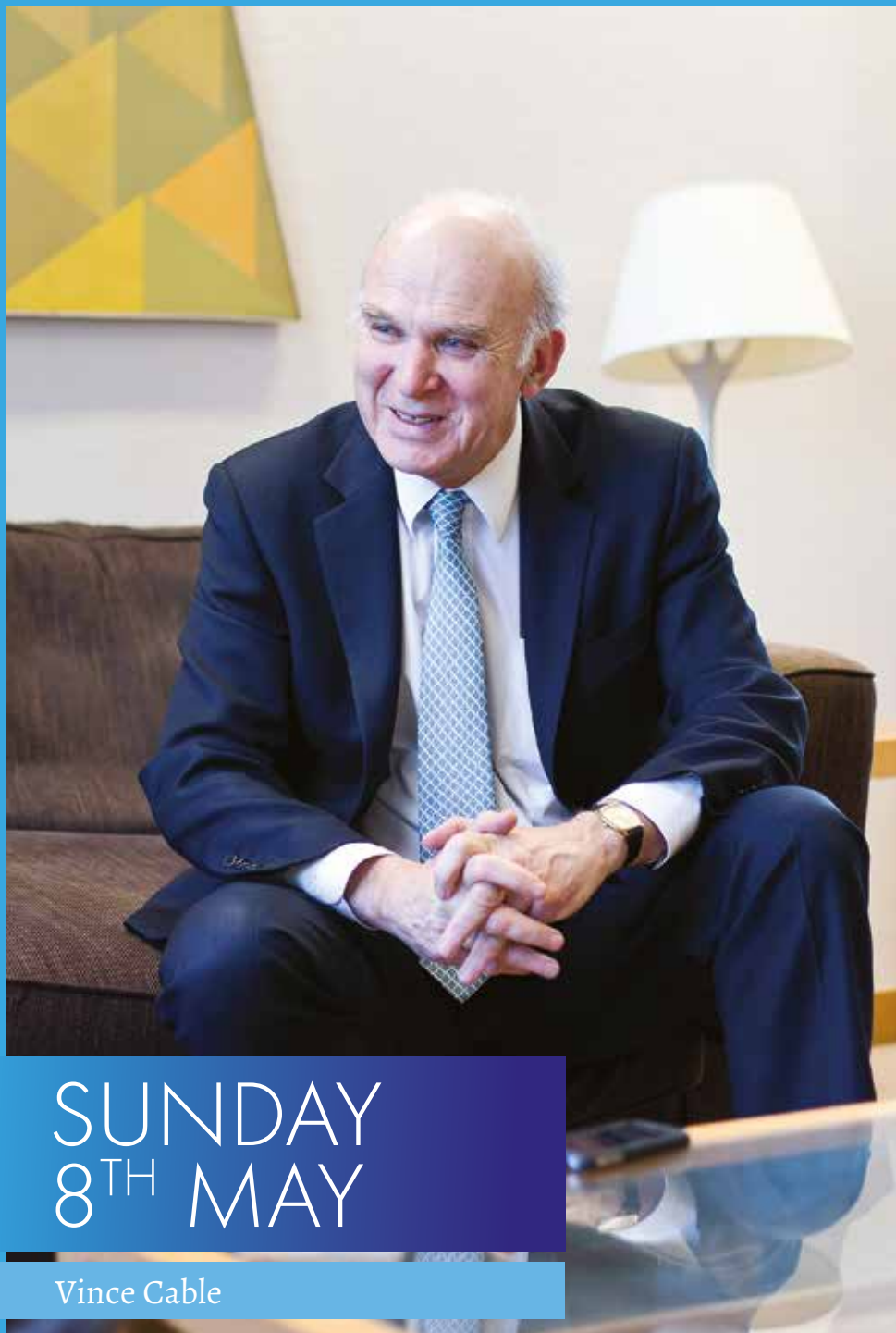
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## OTHER EVENTS SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MAY

Fowey Art Trail Various studios and galleries  
Guided Walks

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SUNDAY  
8<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Vince Cable

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## DR LAURA VARNAM

A Reading Group  
*Julius* by Daphne du Maurier



11.00am – 12.00noon  
Fowey Hotel, £8.00

Come along to the Fowey Hotel for an informal reading group discussion of du Maurier's third novel, *Julius*, with Dr Laura Varnam from University College, Oxford. Laura is a du Maurier enthusiast, researcher, and a regular contributor to the Festival. The reading group will be a relaxed and informal opportunity to discuss this brilliant and at times shocking novel! Please can participants have read the novel; no further preparation is necessary. Just bring yourself, your copy of the novel, and your enthusiasm for du Maurier! NB Numbers limited to 30.

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## HANDS ON HARPS

A Musical Workshop



12.30pm – 1.30pm  
Fowey Hotel, £12.00

We are delighted to welcome back to the Festival the extremely talented husband and wife team, Creag and Morwenna Louttit-Vermaat. Have you ever played a harp? Here's your chance to have a go! Small Gloucestershire based business Hands on Harps, are offering people the chance to try it out in this complete beginner's workshop. No musical experience needed at all, this is a friendly session in a small group. You'll be surprised at how quickly you can play a simple melody on one of our elegant beginner's harps. NB numbers limited to 8.





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## ROBIN ELLIS

### *Mediterranean Cooking for Diabetics*

2.00pm – 3.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £12.00

Robin is best known for his role as Captain Ross Poldark in the original BBC classic series. He then returned to play a cameo in the recent smash hit adaptation of *Poldark* and will be returning for the second series in 2016. As well as his acting career, Robin has always been a passionate cook. *Mediterranean Cooking for Diabetics* is a fully revised edition of his hugely successful *Delicious Dishes for Diabetics*. Based on Mediterranean cuisine - one of the healthiest in the world. Robin shares his lifetime collection of healthy and simple recipes especially selected and adapted for people wishing to control or prevent Type 2 diabetes. Diagnosed with the condition, Robin explains the strategic changes he made in what he eats and how he prepares his food that allowed him to bring his glucose levels down sufficiently to avoid taking medication for six years.



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## JONATHAN MAYO

### *Rewriting History: Minute by Minute*

4.00pm – 5.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

Jonathan Mayo, producer, director and writer, joined the BBC in 1987, first working in radio and then television, where he won awards for his documentaries. In 2012 he produced a live programme for BBC Radio 2 that told the story of the sinking of the Titanic in real time – exactly 100 years on. From that, came a series of books about the *Assassination of JFK*; *D-Day* and *Hitler's Last Day* all told minute by minute. *Hitler's Last Day*, published in 2015, remained in the *Sunday Times* Top 10 Bestsellers List for several weeks. The format discards political and historical theories for fascinating detail and powerful human stories. Jeremy Vine called *The Assassination of JFK: Minute by Minute*, 'gripping from the first page to the last'. Jonathan finally got around to writing *Titanic: Minute by Minute*, which was published in March. His latest project is about the 1966 World Cup Final, and he is relieved that in that story, nobody dies!



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## SIR VINCE CABLE

### *After the Storm*

6.00pm – 7.00pm, St Fimbarrus Church, £12.00

Vince Cable's skills as an economist were highly respected, even outside of party affiliations during his recent term as Government Business Secretary. His book *After the Storm* provides a unique perspective on the state of the global financial markets and how the British economy has fared since the crash of 2008. This timely book provides a previously unreported inside view of the coalition, and offers a carefully considered perspective on how the British economy should be managed over the next decade and beyond. Vince will no doubt reflect on the state of the Liberal Democrat Party after an election that saw it lose 49 seats, including his own. Cable served as Chief Economist for Shell from 1995-1997, before becoming MP for Twickenham, and eventually to take a leading role in the economic management of this country. Wine and soft refreshments available.

## DRINKS RECEPTION WITH SIR VINCE CABLE

8.00pm – 9.00pm, Royal Fowey Yacht Club, £18.00

Join Sir Vince Cable for a glass of wine and canapés within the beautiful surroundings of the Royal Fowey Yacht Club. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the former Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrats; Government Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills (2010 to 2015) and the Member of Parliament for Twickenham for almost 18 years. NB w Numbers are limited to 50.

### OTHER EVENTS SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MAY

**Fowey Art Trail** Various studios and galleries  
**Guided Walks**

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## JO COLWILL

### Patchwork Quilts and Gifts



11.00am – 12.00noon  
Fowey Town Hall, £8.00

We are delighted to invite back to the Festival, Jo Colwill whose very successful first book *Cushions and Quilts* led her to write a second. Published at the end of last year, *Patchwork Quilts and Gifts* has received great reviews. It includes 20 projects, a big quilt and a small project to match. Jo will talk about her ongoing life with quilts, creating new designs and sewing. She is currently working on two new quilts, due to be finished for this summer. They use many appliqué techniques and continue her story in stitches inspired by the life around her and surrounding beautiful Cornish countryside.



## RACHEL LAMBERT

### Seaweed and Coastal Foraging Walk

12.30pm – 2.00pm, Meet at the Fowey Hotel, £15.00

An amble down to the beach to explore the edible delights that are revealed at low tide. Your guide has a special interest in the diversity of tasty seaweeds available in Cornwall including sustainability and the impact of climate change. She'll also ooze enthusiasm for tried and tested recipes that incorporate these amazing sea vegetables. Filled with tips, facts and an exploratory approach; allow the world of seaweeds to present themselves to you. NB Numbers limited to 20.



## PATRICK GALE, JANE DARKE, JON CLEAVE & BERT BISCO

### A Space to Write



Patrick Gale



Jane Darke



Jon Cleave



Bert Bisco

2.00pm – 3.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

For a year and a half, Steve Tanner (photographer) and Amanda Harris (interviewer) crisscrossed Cornwall meeting writers in the spaces where they choose to write. The result is a book called *A Space to Write*, which is filled with insights and delightful anecdotes along with photographic portraits. At this event best selling author Patrick Gale; writer and artist Jane Darke; novelist, songwriter and member of Fishermen's Friends Jon Cleave and poet Bert Biscoe will discuss with Steve and Amanda how and where they write, influences their work. 50% of the net proceeds from this event will go to the Sir Arthur Quiller Couch Memorial Fund.

## OTHER EVENTS MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY

**Fowey Art Trail** Various studios and galleries  
**Guided Walks**

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## RACHEL LAMBERT

### Hedgerow and Coastal Foraging Walk

4.00pm – 5.30pm, Meet at the Fowey Hotel, £15.00

Discover the spring bounty in the hedgerows; a wild range of flavours, uses, benefits and ingredients at your fingertips. Allow an experienced forager and author to guide you on how to identify and enjoy a wonderful range of edible plants on this introductory walk. Expect to experience a whole new perspective on what nature provides; exploring through your senses and developing new skills regardless of any whether you have previous knowledge in this field or not. NB Numbers limited to 20.



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## ROBERT WAINWRIGHT

### *The Maverick Mountaineer*

6.00pm – 7.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

In the spring of 1901 a teenager stood on top of a hill, gazed out in wonderment at the Australian landscape and decided he wanted to be a mountaineer. Two decades later, the same man stood in a blizzard beneath the summit of Mount Everest, within sight of his goal to be the first to stand on the roof of the world. George Finch was at the highest point ever reached by a human being and only his decision to save the life of his stricken companion stopped him from reaching the summit. He not only became one of the world's greatest alpinists, earning the grudging respect of his rival George Mallory, but pioneered the use of the artificial oxygen that enabled Everest to finally be conquered thirty years after his own attempt. A renowned scientist, a World War I hero and a Fellow of the Royal Society, who was involved in the development of some of the twentieth century's most important inventions. Acclaimed biographer and journalist, Robert Wainwright restores George Finch to his rightful place in history with this remarkable tribute to one of the twentieth century's most eccentric anti-heroes. Wine and soft refreshments available.



## JONATHAN DELBRIDGE

### A MUSICAL EVENING

8.00pm – 10.00pm, St Fimbarrus Church, £15.00

Join us for a wonderful evening with the highly acclaimed, Jonathan Delbridge. He is well known for his exciting and varied concert programmes on both the piano and organ. A versatile musician, he will be performing major classical works, jazz standards and his own improvisations. Interacting with the audience, he will give background information to the pieces performed, injected with humour along the way. Jonathan performs at a wide range of small and large venues, including the Royal Albert Hall, York Minster, Norwich Cathedral and Plymouth University. Wine and soft refreshments available.

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# TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Mitch Tonks & Mat Prowse



## ANDY VIRR SINGING WORKSHOP

10.00am – 12.00noon, St Fimbarrus Church, £15.00

One, two, three, four, breathe, sing....come and try out the joy of a singing unaccompanied in a group. Experience the thrill of hearing your voice beautifully interwoven with the other parts to create the ultimate spine tingling moment to be performed during the concert at the church in the evening. The session will be led by Dr Andy Virr who, in addition to his 'day job' as local A&E Consultant, is a singer, pianist and music director for the Fowey River Singers. Andy has a passion for getting singers of any standard together to share his love of the music and the satisfaction of polishing off a great song.



Sophie Lambert



Lucie Cuthbertson



Sophie Jonathan



Megan Bradbury

## HOW TO GET PUBLISHED

Meet the Panel of Publishing Experts

11.00am – 12.00noon, Fowey Town Hall, £12.00

Having the motivation and inspiration to write a book is just the beginning of a long journey. Author Megan Bradbury will be in conversation with her agent Sophie Lambert of Conville & Walsh, Commissioning Editor Sophie Jonathan and Communications Executive Lucie Cuthbertson Twiggs, both from Pan Macmillan. The panel will discuss the entire publishing process from researching and writing a novel to eventually getting the book into readers' hands. They will be sharing their top tips on finding an agent, how to pitch to publishers, the editorial process and delivering an effective promotional campaign. In 2013, Megan won an Escalator Literature Award and a Grant for the Arts to help fund the completion of her debut novel *Everyone is Watching* which has received high acclaim. This is set to be an interesting and informative event, certainly not to be missed by budding authors.

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Mitch Tonks



Mat Prowse

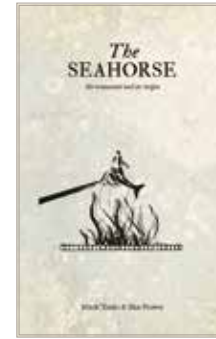
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## FRIENDS & PATRON'S LUNCH

With Chefs Mitch Tonks and Mat Prowse

12.30pm – 2.00pm, Fowey Hotel, £25.00

Join award-winning chefs Mitch Tonks and Mat Prowse, for a fabulous two-course lunch and a glass of wine at a private reception. This is an exclusive event for Friends and Patrons of the Fowey Festival of Arts and Literature. Recipes for the lunch will be taken from their well-reviewed book *The Seahorse*. NB Please contact the Fowey Hotel on 01726 832 551 with any special dietary requirements.

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## MITCH TONKS & MAT PROWSE

*The Seahorse: the restaurant and its recipes*

4.00pm – 5.00pm, Fowey Hotel, £8.00

Voted *Tatler's* Restaurateur of the Year and *The Times Newspaper* hailing him as the 'No 1 Man in Britain for fish', Mitch Tonks is based with chef and co-owner, Mat Prowse at their award winning The Seahorse Restaurant situated on the mouth of the River Dart. Mitch is respected as a credible voice and enthusiastic supporter of the fishing industry, having once been labelled by the *Independent* as 'a fishmonger for the 21st century'. Mitch has published numerous seafood cookbooks and will be talking about his latest book *The Seahorse: the restaurant and its recipes*. He developed the *Eat Fish* iPhone app and created the South Devon Seafood Academy. Mitch is also the owner of the award winning RockFish restaurants.



Avril Horner



Anne Rowe



Helen Taylor

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## AVRIL HORNER & ANNE ROWE

TALK TO HELEN TAYLOR

*Living on Paper: Letters from Iris Murdoch 1934 - 1995*

2.30pm – 3.30pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

The editors of a new collection of the correspondence of one of the 20th-century's greatest writers, Iris Murdoch, discuss the author's life and enduring appeal. In *Living on Paper: Letters from Iris Murdoch 1934-1995*, Professor Avril Horner and Dr Anne Rowe have drawn together Murdoch's most interesting and important letters written over more than 60 years. They reveal a young Murdoch struggling with philosophical issues and how she reflects on the intricacies of human relationship. The letters throw light on a complex personal life and Murdoch's tendency to live life on the edge of what was socially acceptable. Avril is an emeritus professor of English at Kingston University and an expert in women's writing and Gothic fiction. She has also co-authored works on Edith Wharton and Daphne du Maurier. Anne is associate professor in English literature at Kingston University and director of its Iris Murdoch Archive Project. She has published widely on Murdoch, whilst Professor Helen Taylor, former head of English at Exeter University, has written widely on American and English literature.

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## DAVID HEWSON IN CONVERSATION WITH DAPHNE SKINNARD

*Little Sister*

6.00pm – 7.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £8.00

Formerly a journalist working for *The Sunday Times*, *The Times* and *The Independent*, David Hewson is the international bestselling author of nearly twenty crime thrillers set in various European cities, including a critically acclaimed literary interpretation of the BAFTA winning TV series *The Killing* and the Nic Costa series set in Rome. His latest book *Little Sister* is the third in his Pieter Vos series set in Amsterdam, and tells the story of two young women who have spent ten years in an institution for murdering a man they mistakenly believed killed their family. But now they are being released and are determined to unravel the mystery of their family's deaths – no matter what. This evening, David is in conversation with Daphne Skinnard, Assistant Managing Editor, BBC Radio Cornwall, discussing his career, life as an author and his latest book. Wine and soft refreshments available.



## ST AUSTELL TOWN BRASS BAND & THE FOWEY RIVER SINGERS IN CONCERT

8.00pm – 10.00pm, St Fimbarrus Church, £10.00

A unique opportunity to hear one of Cornwall's premier brass bands performing with the local choir, the Fowey River Singers. Each will perform from their own varied repertoires and then join for songs including 'Sing' by Webber / Barlow and 'I was glad' by Parry. Expect the roof to be raised and the hairs on the back of your neck to stand up. Music will range from bold, sumptuous, brassy numbers to delicate close harmony a capella singing. There will also be an opportunity to hear the scratch choir from the morning's singing workshop perform their chosen pieces. Wide music tastes will be thoroughly satisfied. Come and feast at this wonderful musical opportunity! Wine and soft drinks available.



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**Guided Walks**

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## WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY

### DR LAURA VARNAM BY DAPHNE DU MAURIER

A Reading Group  
*The Parasites* by Daphne du Maurier



10.00am – 11.00am  
Fowey Hotel, £8.00

Come along to the Fowey Hotel for an informal reading group discussion of du Maurier's *The Parasites*, with Dr Laura Varnam from University College, Oxford. Laura is a du Maurier enthusiast, researcher, and a regular contributor to the Festival. The reading group will be a relaxed and informal opportunity to discuss and share ideas about this fascinating and unusual du Maurier novel. Please can participants have read the novel; no further preparation is necessary. Just bring yourself, your copy of the novel, and your enthusiasm for du Maurier! NB Numbers limited to 30.



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### "MY DAPHNE DU MAURIER"

A Workshop led by  
Prof Helen Taylor, Editor,  
*The Daphne du Maurier Companion*



11.30am – 12.30pm  
Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

Are you a Daphne du Maurier fan? This informal workshop will bring together du Maurier enthusiasts to share ideas about cherished works and personal associations you have with the writings. All participants to bring along one favourite passage from any of Daphne's works. You will read the passage to the group, telling us a little about the work itself and why you chose your extract. Everyone will then describe what Daphne du Maurier's work means to them. Finally, we'll decide which two works by the author we'd recommend to a first-time Daphne reader.



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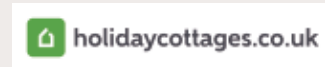
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## FESTIVAL PLANNER



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FRI 6	7.30pm-8.30pm	William Waldegrave	St Fimbarrus Church
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SAT 7	11am-5pm	Megan Stallworthy - <i>Bookbinding Workshop</i>	Parish Hall
	12.30pm-3pm	Robin Ellis - <i>du Maurier Lecture</i>	Fowey Hotel
	4pm-5pm	Professor AC Grayling	Fowey Town Hall
	6pm-7pm	John Suchet	St Fimbarrus Church
	8pm-10pm	The Bookshop Band	Fowey Town Hall

SUN 8	11am- 12noon	Dr Laura Varnam - <i>Reading Group</i>	Fowey Hotel
	12.30pm- 1.30pm	Hands on Harps - <i>Workshop</i>	Fowey Hotel
	2pm-3pm	Robin Ellis	Fowey Town Hall
	4pm-5pm	Jonathan Mayo	Fowey Town Hall
	6pm-7pm	Sir Vince Cable	St Fimbarrus Church
	8pm-9pm	Drinks Reception with Sir Vince Cable	Royal Fowey Yacht Club

MON 9	9.30am-10.30am	Hands on Harps - <i>Workshop</i>	Fowey Hotel
	11.00am-12noon	Jo Colwill	Fowey Town Hall
	12.30pm-2pm	Rachel Lambert	Meet at the Fowey Hotel
	2pm-3pm	Patrick Gale, Jane Drake, Jon Cleave & Bert Bisco	Fowey Town Hall
	4pm-5.30pm	Rachel Lambert	Meet at the Fowey Hotel
	6pm-7pm	Robert Wainwright	Fowey Town Hall
	8pm- 10pm	Jonathan Delbridge	St Fimbarrus Church

TUES 10	10am-12noon	Andy Virr - <i>Singing Workshop</i>	St Fimbarrus Church
	11am-12noon	How to Get Published	Fowey Town Hall
	12.30-2pm	Mitch Tonks & Mat Prowse - <i>Friends &amp; Patrons Lunch</i>	Fowey Hotel
	2.30pm-3.30pm	Prof Avril Horner & Dr Anne Rowe	Fowey Town Hall
	4pm-5pm	Mitch Tonks & Mat Prowse	Fowey Hotel
	6pm-7pm	David Hewson	Fowey Town Hall
	8pm-10pm	St Austell Town Brass Band	St Fimbarrus Church

6<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> May 2016

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WED 11	10am-11am	Dr Laura Varnam - <i>Reading Group</i>	Fowey Hotel
	11.30am-12.30	Prof Helen Taylor - <i>Workshop</i>	Fowey Town Hall
	2pm-3pm	European du Maurier	Fowey Town Hall
	4pm-5pm	Du Maurier Story Time	Fowey Hotel
	6pm-7pm	Lu Spinney	Fowey Town Hall
	8pm-10pm	Maggie Reeday	St Fimbarrus Church

THURS 12	10am-4pm	Celia Lister - <i>Calligraphy Workshop</i>	Parish Hall
	11am-12noon	Dr Laura Varnam	Fowey Hotel
	12.30pm-1.30pm	In and Around St Fimbarrus Church	St Fimbarrus Church
	2pm-4pm	Katie Fforde - <i>Fiction Writing Workshop</i>	Fowey Hall Hotel
	4pm-5pm	Roger Ryman	Fowey Town Hall
	6pm-7pm	Veronica Henry	Fowey Town Hall
	8pm-10pm	Mitch Benn	Fowey Town Hall

FRI 13	11am-12noon	Katie Fforde	Fowey Hotel
	12.30pm-1.30pm	In and Around St Fimbarrus Church	St Fimbarrus Church
	2pm-3pm	Prue Leith	Fowey Town Hall
	4pm-5pm	Virginia Baily	Fowey Town Hall
	6pm-7pm	Martin Bell OBE	St Fimbarrus Church
	8pm-9pm	Drinks Reception with Martin Bell OBE	Royal Fowey Yacht Club

SAT 14	11am-1pm	Virginia Baily - <i>Writing Workshop</i>	Fowey Hotel
	11am-12noon	Rosie Millard	Fowey Town Hall
	2pm-3pm	Cathy Rentzenbrink	Fowey Town Hall
	4pm-5pm	John Crace and John Sutherland	Fowey Town Hall
	6pm-7pm	Ann Widdecombe	St Fimbarrus Church

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Prof Avril Horner



Prof Sue Zlosnik

## EUROPEAN DU MAURIER

With Prof Avril Horner and Prof Sue Zlosnik

2.00pm – 3.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

Daphne du Maurier's novels are often discussed in relation to Cornwall and their author's love for the region. However, du Maurier also loved France and identified strongly with her French ancestors and her francophile artistic and literary grandfather, George du Maurier. France finds its way into several of her novels, most famously *The Scapegoat*. However, other European countries, such as Italy, Greece and Switzerland also provide settings for her fiction. Avril Horner and Sue Zlosnik will talk about what Europe meant to du Maurier and how she used it in her work. Would she have voted for Brexit? Or not?



## DU MAURIER STORY TIME

With Dr Laura Varnam

4.00pm – 5.00pm, Fowey Hotel, £8.00

Settle down and make yourself comfortable as Dr Laura Varnam reads you a story! As adults, listening to a story read aloud is a rare pleasure and after the success of the du Maurier Big Read at the 2015 Festival (a 24 hour reading relay of du Maurier's novels), this year we wanted to showcase du Maurier's skill as a writer of short stories. So sit back and relax while Laura, du Maurier enthusiast and regular contributor to the festival, reads two of du Maurier's enchanting and atmospheric short stories aloud. The ticket price includes coffee/tea and biscuits.

*European du Maurier and du Maurier Story Time are sponsored by Jamaica Inn*



## OTHER EVENTS WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> MAY

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## LU SPINNEY *Beyond the High Blue Air*

6.00pm – 7.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

Aged just 29, gifted, athletic and loved, Lu Spinney's son Miles was on the brink of a brilliant future. Then a snowboarding accident changed everything. He suffered a devastating head injury and was left in a coma. With unflinching honesty, Lu has written a passionate, urgent account of the years following Miles's accident, revealing his existence imprisoned in a limbo of fluctuating consciousness, at times agonizingly aware of his predicament. Published at the beginning of May, *Beyond the High Blue Air* explores the nature of self when all means of communication are lost, the anguish of witnessing Miles's suffering and the slow-dawning recognition by his family that, though Miles had been prevented from dying, he had not been brought back to a meaningful life. *Beyond the High Blue Air* is a bold, raw, courageous memoir: a testament to the fierce power of maternal love and the debate surrounding the right to live, or to die. Wine and soft refreshments available.

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## MAGGIE REEDAY & THE CRAIG MILVERTON TRIO A JAZZ & BLUES EVENING

8.00pm – 10.00pm, St Fimbarrus Church, £15.00

Maggie has performed all over the world, gaining rave reviews wherever she performs. From the Royal Command Performance in front of the Queen to performing at all the top Jazz Festivals across the UK. She is a regular singer at Ronnie Scott's Jazz club in London and her Jazz CD *World On A String*, was highly reviewed in *The Jazz Journal*, and *Jazz Wise*. Blessed with a rich bluesy voice, her repertoire includes classic standards, blues and soulful classics. Tonight she performs with the award winning Craig Milverton Trio, hailed as one of the best Jazz trios outside London. Join us for what promises to be a wonderful evening. Wine and soft refreshments available.

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## TYWARDREATH TO FOWEY

### Guided walk led by Lynn

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May - 2.15pm – 4.30pm  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May - 10.15am – 12.30pm  
£6.50

*House on the Strand*, *Kings General* and *Rule Britannia* are just three of du Maurier's novels that take in the landscape of Tywardreath and Par. If you have read the novels, now you can visit the area Daphne was describing. If you have not read the novels come and be inspired! *Comprises: Circular walk of about 2½ miles, mostly easy walking with one hill. Meet: Front gate of St Andrews Parish Church, Tywardreath. Accessible by bus.*

## DU MAURIER'S FOWEY

### Guided walk with morning coffee led by Dawn

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May - 10.15am – 1.00pm  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May - 2.00pm – 4.45pm  
£7.50

Having lived in the area around Fowey for much of her life Daphne used the town in many of her novels, albeit in various guises. Your guide will show you some of the places where she lived and the sights, which inspired her as well as illustrating her fictional use of the town.

*Comprises: Linear walk of approximately 1½ miles of easy downhill walking. Meet: Town Bus Stop, Main Car Park, Hanson Drive, Fowey. (Finishes in Town centre).*

## MARITIME CHARLESTOWN

### Guided walk led by Helen

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May - 10.30am – 12.30pm  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May - 10.30am – 12.30pm  
£6.00

The picturesque port of Charlestown, once the home of a fleet of tall ships, was purpose built in 1799 as a mineral port. It has been the backdrop for many big and small screen films, including *The Eagle has Landed*, *Frenchman's Creek*, a *Dr Who* episode and now *Poldark*. This walk explores the history of the village, from its early days, as a small shipbuilding base, its sea-faring connections and its use as a popular film location. *Comprises: Linear walk of about a mile, mostly easy downhill walking. Meet: Front gate of St Paul's Parish Church, Charlestown.*

## REBECCA

### Guided walk led by Lynn

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May - 10.00am – 3.30pm  
£10.00

The walk starts by visiting Polridmouth Cove, the setting for the shipwreck scene in Rebecca. The reward for the climb up to Gribbin Head is stunning views from the coast path over St Austell Bay. We stop for lunch at the delightful village of Polkerris and return past Tregaminion Chapel. This is du Maurier country! Bring a packed lunch or dine at the pub. *Comprises: Circular walk of approx. 5 miles, strenuous in places with some stiles. Meet: Hamblands Car Park, Menabilly (Map ref: SX095511) - not accessible by public transport.*

## WALK WITH SMUGGLERS

### Guided walk led by Mark

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May - 2.00pm – 5.00pm  
£7.00

Follow in the footsteps of those who made a living by avoiding the law. Descend sunken footpaths to hidden coves whilst unravelling the fact from the fiction. *Comprises: Circular walk of 4 miles strenuous in places Meet: Lansallos NT car park (charges apply).*

## A SHORT HISTORY OF FOWEY

### Guided walk led by Lynn

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May - 10.30am – 11.45am  
£5.00

A short walk through the ancient streets and alleys of Fowey a chance to discover its colourful and varied past. Tales of pilgrims, smugglers and much more. *Comprises: Circular town walk of approximately 1 mile, some steps and inclines. Meet: Town Quay, Fowey.*

### Please note the following conditions apply to all walks:

- ▶ The guide reserves the right to alter or cancel the walk due to inclement weather, poor ground conditions or any other circumstances which might endanger the safety of the group.
- ▶ Most walks include some hills, steps or stiles and maybe unsuitable for those with mobility impairment.
- ▶ No dogs please.
- ▶ Guides subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.
- ▶ Booking essential at [www.foweyfestival.com](http://www.foweyfestival.com) or Tel: 01726 879500



THURSDAY  
12<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Katie Fforde

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## CELIA LISTER FCLAS



### Calligraphy Workshop The Art of Beautiful Writing

10.00am – 4.00pm  
Parish Hall, £40.00

Calligraphy - the art of beautiful writing. Italic is a beautiful, versatile, flowing calligraphy and probably the most often used style in contemporary lettering. With over 20 years' experience, calligraphy and lettering artist Celia Lister will introduce beginners to Italic calligraphy, and those with some knowledge to help them improve. The aim will be to design and complete a calligraphy greetings card. There will be individual tuition, with demonstrations and discussions. Please bring with you: pencil and sharpener, ruler, eraser, scissors and any calligraphy equipment, inks, watercolours or gouache that you own. Please also bring any favourite sayings or prose that you want to use in your card. Calligraphy nib and holder available from Celia approx. £3.00. As we are working with ink and paint, an apron or comfortable dark clothing would be ideal. NB Numbers are limited to 14.

## DR LAURA VARNAM



### Introducing *Beowulf*: Heroes, Kings, and Monsters in an Anglo-Saxon Epic

11.00am – 12.00noon  
Fowey Hotel, £10.00

Dr Laura Varnam is known at the Festival as a du Maurier expert but in her day job she teaches Medieval Literature at University College, Oxford. In this lecture, Laura will introduce you to her favourite medieval poem, the Anglo-Saxon epic *Beowulf*. The story of the mighty hero who slays the monster Grendel and his mother, before facing his doom against the dragon, *Beowulf* is a compelling and exciting tale of courage and bravery. Laura will introduce the poem, its language and Anglo-Saxon context, and show how important *Beowulf* was to the twentieth century's most influential fantasy writer, JRR Tolkien.





## IN & AROUND ST FIMBARRUS CHURCH FROM 696 - 2016

A History Talk and Tour with Al Trenary

12.30pm – 1.30pm, St Fimbarrus Church, £5.00

Find out about the influence of the Irish, the French, the Spanish and the Normans on this medieval church. Learn about help from the richest commoner in England, Gallants, privateers, molten lead, the English Civil War, Hugh Peter, a scriptorium, Mary Bryant, an escutcheon, and what happened to Kenneth Grahame. The talk will be given by Cornishman Al Trenary, an accredited local guide and past churchwarden. Coffee will be available.

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## KATIE FFORDE

Fiction Writing Workshop

2.00pm – 4.00pm, Fowey Hall Hotel, £20.00

Award winning and bestselling author Katie Fforde is currently the President of the Romantic Novelists Association and has written over twenty bestselling novels. Katie's workshop is aimed at writers of any ability. She aims to cover character, plot, viewpoint and importantly, the market. There will be plenty of exercises, reading out loud and general discussion. Katie aims to increase confidence and ability with participants feeling they have learnt something valuable. Katie has taught on many writing courses, including a week-long course for Arvon at Lumb Bank, with illustrator and author Judy Astley. NB numbers limited to 20.



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## ROGER RYMAN

Master Brewer - St Austell Brewery

4.00pm – 5.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

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## VERONICA HENRY

How to Find Love in a Bookshop

6.00pm – 7.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £12.00

Ever since she can remember, bestselling author Veronica Henry has been addicted to bookshops. From the day she began her Laura Ingalls Wilder collection at the age of 7, they have been an escape, an adventure and now, an inspiration, with the publication of her latest novel *How to Find Love in a Bookshop*. Veronica talks about her love of books, the authors who have inspired her writing and her own time behind the counter. Wine and soft refreshments available.

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## MITCH BENN

Don't Believe a Word  
An Evening of Comedy and Music

8.00pm – 10.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £12.00

"I'm a sceptic. But don't take my word for it. Or indeed anybody's. For anything...." This is the basic premise of Mitch's new critically acclaimed show. It's a show that will make you laugh a lot and think a bit as Mitch debunks myths, exposes nonsense and grapples with the very nature of knowledge itself extolling the virtues of an evidence-based approach to life.... with amusing consequences and of course a few songs along the way. Mitch is an acclaimed musician, comedian and author known for his comedy rock songs performed on BBC radio. He is a regular contributor to BBC Radio 4's satirical programme *The Now Show*, and regularly hosts other radio shows. Described by the *Times Newspaper* as 'Britain's leading musical satirist', Mitch is currently touring the UK with his *Don't Believe a Word* tour. Wine and soft refreshments available.

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FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> MAYKATIE FFORDE  
IN CONVERSATION  
WITH VERONICA HENRY

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11.00am – 12.00noon  
Fowey Hotel, £12.00

If anyone knows the meaning of happy ever after, it must be Katie Fforde. With her 26th novel, *A Summer At Sea*, just published, Fowey seems to be the perfect place for her to talk to bestselling author Veronica Henry about her writing, her presidency of the Romantic Novelists' Association and where she finds the inspiration for her loveable heroines: each one follows a different career path with ensuing adventures.

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PRUE LEITH IN CONVERSATION  
WITH DAPHNE SKINNARD

*The Food of Love*

2.00pm – 3.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £12.00

World renowned cook, Prue Leith, will host a talk about food and love, and her eventful and highly successful work as a writer and businesswoman. To say that Prue Leith has had a varied career would be an understatement. Cook, caterer, restaurateur, food writer, journalist, novelist, businesswoman, teacher, television presenter, charity worker and family woman. Prue's life has been anything but dull. Her novels reflect her charm, humour and energy. Prue's novel, *The Food Of Love* is her sixth novel and the first in a trilogy detailing the change in food, farming, cooking and the restaurant trade since World War Two. Prue will be in conversation with Daphne Skinnard, Assistant Managing Editor, BBC Radio Cornwall.



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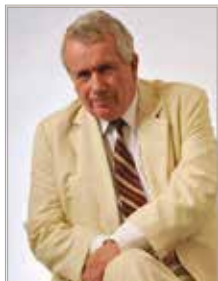
## VIRGINIA BAILY

*How to Turn Ideas into Stories*

4.00pm – 5.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £8.00

Virginia Baily's new novel *Early One Morning* begins in occupied Rome in 1943 when a young woman locks eyes with a stranger about to be deported and claims the stranger's child as her own. Winner of the McKitterick Prize, awarded by the Society of Authors for her first novel *Africa Junction*, Virginia will trace the pathways between ideas and stories and look at the importance of music, solid objects and a sense of place in translating the abstract into the concrete and bringing a story to life. This event promises to be not just interesting for fans of Virginia's writing, but also for budding writers.

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## MARTIN BELL OBE

*The End Of An Empire – The Cyprus Emergency:  
A Soldier's Story*

6.00pm – 7.00pm, St Fimbarrus Church, £12.00

Long before he was a war correspondent or MP, Martin Bell was a soldier in the ranks of the Suffolk Regiment on active service in Cyprus from 1957 to 1959. Recently in a chocolate box in his attic he found 100 letters that he had sent home. They describe the life of a national serviceman and the operations of an infantry battalion in the campaign to defeat the EOKA rebels. He has also drawn on Top Secret documents of the time, recently declassified, to provide a vivid account of a little-known episode of British history. Wine and soft refreshments available.

## DRINKS RECEPTION WITH MARTIN BELL OBE

8.00pm – 9.00pm, Royal Fowey Yacht Club, £18.00

Join Martin Bell OBE for a glass of wine and canapés within the beautiful surroundings of the Royal Fowey Yacht Club. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the former BBC diplomatic correspondent, chief Washington correspondent and Berlin correspondent. As an independent politician, he was the Member of Parliament for Tatton from 1997 to 2001. He is a British UNICEF Ambassador and affectionately known as “the man in the white suit”. NB This event is reserved for Friends and Patrons of the Fowey Festival of Arts and Literature. Numbers are limited to 50.

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SATURDAY  
14<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Ann Widdecombe

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## VIRGINIA BAILY



Writing Workshop  
Prose Fiction: Keeping it Real  
with Virginia Baily

11.00am – 1.00pm  
Fowey Hotel, £15.00

Following on from Virginia's event on Friday, this creative writing workshop will use solid objects, whether real or imagined, as a way into the creation of character and plot. Bring one or two small objects (or pictures of them) along on the day for inspiration. NB Numbers limited to 15.

## ROSIE MILLARD



A Leap into the  
World of Fiction

11.00am – 12.00noon  
Fowey Town Hall, £12.00

Rosie Millard is a journalist, writer and broadcaster. She was the BBC Arts Correspondent for ten years, since then she has been a profile writer at *The Sunday Times*, columnist for *The Independent*, arts editor of *The New Statesman*, theatre critic and feature writer. She makes TV and radio documentaries and appears as a commentator for a number of national TV shows. She is Chair of Hull City of Culture 2017. Rosie talks about her leap into the world of fiction and introduces her sharply observed exposé of London life in her debut novel, *The Square*, a comic romp featuring the bored, over-privileged and vain London bourgeoisie.

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## CATHY RENTZENBRINK IN CONVERSATION WITH VERONICA HENRY

*The Last Act of Love*

2.00pm – 3.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £8.00

Cathy Rentzenbrink has written a heartbreaking yet life-affirming memoir about the life and death of her beloved younger brother Matty: knocked down by a car at the age of 16, he was left in a persistent vegetative state. After eight years of hope alternating with despair, Matty's family made the difficult decision to switch off his life support machine. Cathy talks to bestselling author Veronica Henry about her brother, her family, her grief and how she eventually came to write *The Last Act of Love*.



John Crace



John Sutherland

## JOHN CRACE & JOHN SUTHERLAND

*The Incomplete Shakespeare*

4.00pm – 5.00pm, Fowey Town Hall, £10.00

Lady Macbeth: 'Give me the daggers and I'll pin the blame/on Duncan's grooms who both are also slain. A little water clears us of this deed/though a large scotch might also do the trick.' With a new abbreviated text by Guardian parliamentary sketch-writer, John Crace, and footnotes from Professor John Sutherland, join the two Johnnie's for a funny and clever knock-about. Delving into their recently published book, this interesting and entertaining event is ideal for those who know their Shakespeare well and those just desperate to pass their English exams!

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## ANN WIDDECOMBE

*Inspiration for Fiction – Dancing and Dartmoor*

6.00pm – 7.00pm, St Fimbarrus Church, £12.00

Ann Widdecombe was at the centre of Conservative politics for over 20 years. The nation's attention was focussed on her in BBC1's 2010 'Strictly Come Dancing'. Now she has written her first detective novel 'The Dancing Detective' which is set against the backdrop of a prime-time TV celebrity dance show and the wilds of Dartmoor. Join us for what promises to be a very entertaining evening. Wine and soft refreshments available.

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### HERITAGE WALKS IN LOSTWITHIEL, MEDIEVAL CAPITAL OF CORNWALL TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup>, WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> & FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Lostwithiel was founded by the Normans, became a major port and centre for administration of the Duchy. It endured a bitter month-long siege in the Civil War and survived. Explore with us the riverside lanes and Georgian buildings of the town.

*Meet at the Community Centre, Lostwithiel PL22 0HA . 10.30am-12noon £4.50*

### FLOWER FESTIVAL - MAY 12<sup>TH</sup> - 15<sup>TH</sup>

St Saviour Church, Fore Street, Polruan. Light refreshments available.

*9.00am (10.30am on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May) – 4.00pm*

### A HISTORY OF ST. WINNOW CHURCH - FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY

St. Winnow - PL22 0LF (off the Lostwithiel to Lerryn Road)

Frances Stephens will give a talk on the church History, Medieval Carvings and Stained Glass. Angela du Maurier worshipped here and is buried in the churchyard. A serene, beautiful spot.

*10.00am – 11.30am. Donations welcome for the Church.*

### 'THE POLPERRO FISHERMEN'S CHOIR' - WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY

St Winnow Church - PL22 0LF

The Choir are keeping alive the songs of the sea, sung by fishermen as they tended their nets and boats. This annual concert is always a huge success and raises vital funds for this lovely church. Refreshments available.

*7.30pm. £7.00. Pre-booking essential with Festival Booking Office.*

## MEET THE TEAM

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There is a chance to win a £25 voucher towards Festival tickets in the quarterly draw and there are regular newsletters.

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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## Car parking

Please park in one of the long stay car parks around the town. See car park information on the map in the programme or visit [www.cornwall.gov.uk](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk). From most car parks it is about a 5–10 minute walk into town. Please allow extra time as car parks will be busy.

## Bus service

A minibus service runs around the town calling at the Main Car Park and the town centre between 10am and 7pm about every 15 minutes.

A further service will operate from the town centre to the main car park from 10 – 11pm after the evening performances.

Regular bus services run between St Austell and Fowey. **Enquiries 0871 2002233 or see [www.travelinsw.com](http://www.travelinsw.com) or [www.transportdirect.info](http://www.transportdirect.info).** Timetables can be picked up from the Tourist Information Centre.

## Ferries

### Fowey to Polruan Passenger and Cycle Ferry

**Tel: 01726 870232**

Service starts at 7.15am Monday - Friday, 7.30am on Saturday and 9am on Sunday until 9.00pm. Service operates between Polruan Quay and Town Quay.

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From 5.30 pm service operates between Polruan Quay and Town Quay. Later ferries for performances will be advertised locally at the time. Please check times locally for up to date information.

## How to make a booking

**Online:** [www.foweyfestival.com](http://www.foweyfestival.com)

**By phone, in person or by post: (payment by card, cheque or cash)**

(CRBO) Cornish Riviera Box Office: Southbourne Road, St Austell, Cornwall, PL25 4RS.

**Tel: 01726 879 500**

**Local Box Offices:**

Bookends of Fowey (up to May 7th): 4, South Street, Fowey, PL23 1AR. **Tel: 01726 833 361**

During the Festival, May 7th and May 14th, tickets will be available from the Festival Box Office located in the Royal Fowey Yacht Club off Lostwithiel Street, Fowey.

**Tourist Information Centres:** Looe, Bodmin, Liskeard, Launceston, Truro, St Austell, St Mawes, Falmouth, St Ives & Penzance

**Visitor Information Centres:** St Mawes, Falmouth, St Ives and Penzance.

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## Further information

**Discounts:** Please note that the offers below only apply to those events organised directly by the Festival. Those marked with an asterisk\* next to the ticket price are not included.

**Concessions:** 10% discount for those in full-time education or registered unemployed. Proof of entitlement may be required when purchasing tickets.

**Groups Bookings:** Buy 10 for the same event for the price of 9. For larger group bookings, please contact CRBO-01726-879500.

**Booking Fees:** Usual booking fees apply.

**Postage and dispatch:** 50p per order. Ticket orders will be despatched by second class post on the day that they are processed. Please check your tickets as soon as you receive them.

**Seating Plan:** First few rows in the Fowey Town Hall and St Fimbarrus Church will be reserved for Friends and Patrons of the Festival.

**Disabled/reduced mobility:** Please inform us if a member of your party has a disability when booking so that we can reserve suitable seats or advise about access. Fowey Parish Church has access for people with disabilities. Fowey Town Hall is a listed building and unfortunately does not have suitable access. (NB there is only one disabled car parking space on town quay car park).

**Hearing loop:** There is a hearing loop at St Fimbarrus Church, Fowey.

**Contact details:** When you order your tickets please give your contact details over the Festival period so that you can be easily contacted if necessary.

**Waiting lists:** If an event is fully booked, a waiting list will be kept by CRBO.

**Cancellation and refunds:** Tickets are sold on a non-refundable or exchange basis. If however, an event organised by the DMFS has to be cancelled, you will be notified as soon as possible and a refund of the ticket value will be made by post, from the CRBO in St Austell.

**Ticket Plan Service:** CRBO offers you a TicketPlan protection service. This enables you to obtain a refund if you are unable to attend an event as a result of unforeseen circumstances. See [www.foweyfestival.com](http://www.foweyfestival.com) for details or contact CRBO on 01727 879 500.

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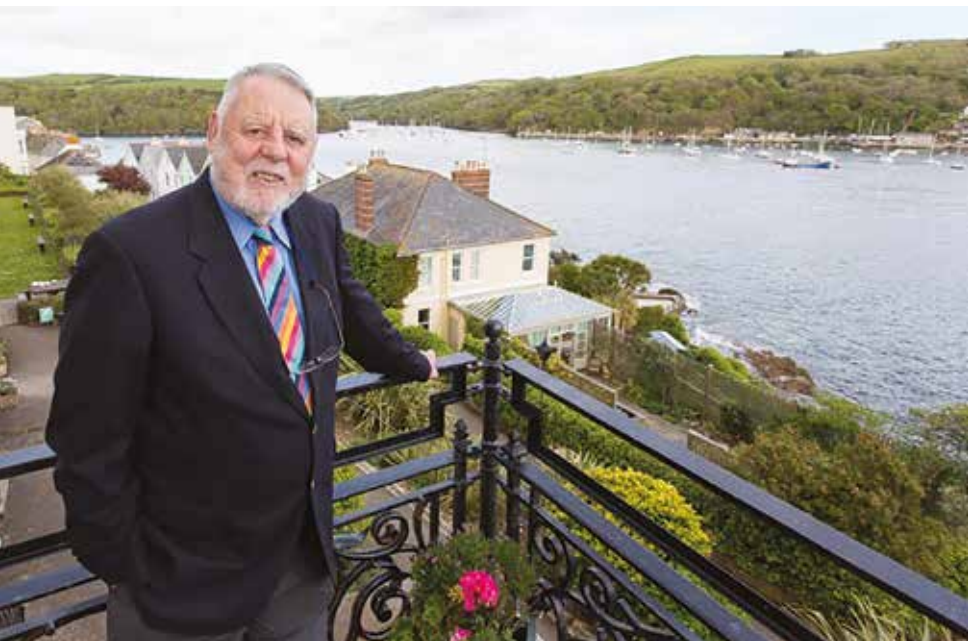




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