

Exclusive: Saboteur's Best Spoken Word Award Winner LUKE WRIGHT comes to Tunbridge Wells

Exclusive: Slam and open mic opportunities throughout festival fortnight.

Exclusive: Tunbridge Wells Forum hosts Poetry Festival takeover



The Daily Festival

poetry for all, big and small



August 2021

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FULL LISTINGS: Aug 15 - 27

Sun 15: Arrival at Elsewhere. Local poets read from the epic collaborative poem *Arrival At Elsewhere*, a response to the COVID-19 pandemic (Online). 2:30pm

Tues 17: Poets in the Pub. An open mic showcasing poets involved in the wider programme together with new poetry Voices, music and comedy. (Grub & Liquor) from 8:00pm

Wed 18: Forest Poetry Bathing. A writing workshop with Siân Thomas, poet in residence, followed by readings and open mic (Asdown Forest) from 5:00pm

Thurs 19: An Evening with Luke Wright. Award-winning spoken word from a cutting edge performer at the top of his game. A must see. (Salomons estate) 7:30pm

Fri 20: Writing For Our Lives. Four local poets reading from their latest collections. (The Hub, G&H Park) 7:30pm

Sat 21: Poetry for Life. A writing workshop with Charlie Bell exploring themes of emotional wellbeing and self-expression through poetry. (The Hub, G&H Park) 2:30pm

Sat 21: Place and Identity. A writing workshop with Gary Studley followed by readings from five Kent based poets and an open mic. (Online) from 5:00pm

Sun 22: Wordplay Fun Day. Tunbridge Wells Forum plays host to a lineup of events with something for everyone. From children's workshops through to *Word Up!* poetry, open mics, music, panel discussions and more.(TW Forum) from 2:00pm

Sun 22: The Pam Slam. After a brief respite the Forum doors will open again for a packed evening of variety entertainment celebrating humorous verse in popular culture. 7:30pm

Mon 23: Poetry and Consciousness. A workshop exploring the source of our imagination and creativity. Led by Graham Mummery. (The Hub, G&H Park) 7:30pm

Tues 24: From Fibs to Fractals. Mathematical forms and poetry. A workshop led by Marian Christie. (Online) 10:00am

Tues 24: Remember the Earth Whose Skin You Are... A celebration of life on planet earth. With Steve Walter and Roger West. (King Charles the Martyr Church) 8:00pm



FESTIVAL HEADLINER LUKE WRIGHT

Wed 25: Poetry for Those Who Think They Can't. An introductory workshop for newcomers to poetry led by Helen Stockton. (The Hub, G&H Park) 7:30pm

Thurs 26: You Mean I Can Write About *That*? A poetry reading and workshop on finding inspiration. With Suzanne Cleary. (Online) 2:00 BST (international event).

Thurs 26: Hands Held. An Agenda magazine showcase curated by editor, Patricia McCarthy, with four featured readers. (Online) from 7:30pm

Fri 27: Translating and Interpreting Ourselves. Finding beauty in otherness - a workshop on identity and self with Jess Mookherjee. (Online) 4:30pm

Fri 27: Selfie - The Lockdown Edition. An evening of poetry, music and lockdown reflections from Charlie Bell. With special guests The Gastric Band and Natalie Thomas. (Frant Village Hall) from 7:30pm

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