

WHAT'S ON

MANSFIELD CENTRAL LIBRARY

EVENTS & EXHIBITIONS **APRIL - JUNE 2018**

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WELCOME TO YOUR APRIL - JUNE SEASON! ARTS AND CULTURE, LIVE AT YOUR LIBRARY

This season includes a free performance by funnyman and poet Henry Normal, more of our dementia-friendly film screenings, and the ever-popular Great Nottinghamshire Local History Fair which offers a lively mix of activities, presentations and displays to make heritage fun.

Families can enjoy a theatre performance from the wonderful Egg Box Theatre, a Craft Bomb finger puppet workshop, a special Rattle, Rhyme and Roll with the Bookstart Bear and a visit from celebrated children's author Steve Skidmore.

Writers won't want to miss our Any Which Way workshop with Julia Bird – which brings the chance to be part of an amazing experiment in group writing. Join Julia to discover how to create lines of poetry which can combine in any order to make many possible versions! Mind-boggling, inspiring, and unlike any other writing workshop you've done before.

We look forward to seeing you at our events over the coming months.

Inspire is registered for the **Family Arts Standards** for family events in our three largest libraries, including Mansfield Central. This means we are working hard to make families feel welcome. Look out for events in our programme and online with this badge:



Find out more: www.familyartsstandards.com

Mansfield Central Library 03

Four Seasons Centre
Westgate
Mansfield NG18 1NH

Ask Inspire: 0115 804 4363

mansfield.library@inspireculture.org.uk

Opening hours

Open seven days a week
Monday to Friday 8.30am – 5.30pm
Saturdays 9am – 4pm
Sundays 11am – 3pm

Contact Inspire

info@inspireculture.org.uk
Ask Inspire: 0115 804 4363

Booking events

Tickets for events can be booked online, in person at the library or by phone during opening hours.

Online www.inspireculture.org.uk

Phone 0115 804 4363 (Ask Inspire)

Tickets are non-refundable unless an event is cancelled.

Programme is subject to change.

Keep up-to-date

Would you like to receive news and information about Inspire, including our events, direct to your inbox? Then visit the website to sign up to our email updates. You'll be able to select from a range of preferences to hear about based on your own interests.

www.inspireculture.org.uk/emails

Access

Mansfield Central Library is accessible for wheelchair users. Please let us know if you require a wheelchair space for ticketed events or have access needs.

A large print version of this brochure is available on the website, and can be made available at the library.

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CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

STEVE SKIDMORE

Wednesday 11 April, 2pm

Free

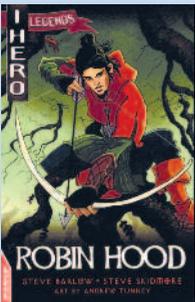
Booking available

Ages 5+ and their families



Join us for an hour of interactive family fun. Meet Steve Skidmore, author of more than 200 titles including the brilliant *Action Dogs* and *I Hero* series of books. Find out more about the books he's written and be prepared to join in the fun as Steve takes you into his world of comedy and adventure!

Steve is in huge demand at schools and libraries across the world, so don't miss the opportunity to see him in Nottinghamshire in this entertaining event for children and adults alike.



PERFORMANCE

POETRY HOUR WITH HENRY NORMAL

Saturday 21 April, 2.30pm

Free

Booking available but not essential

Adults

This April, award-winning screenwriter and producer Henry Normal sets off on a whistle-stop tour of ten Inspire Libraries across Nottinghamshire as part of Nottingham Poetry Festival 2018 (20 – 29 April).

The Nottingham-born BAFTA Special Award-winner is the co-writer of TV and film hits including *The Royle Family* and *The Mrs Merton* show and producer of *Gavin and Stacey*, *Alan Partridge* and *Philomena*.

At Mansfield Central, Henry will be joined by Mansfield-born poet and award-winning playwright Kevin Fegan.



KEVIN FEGAN

Writers in the audience are encouraged to bring along a poem, as Henry will invite three people at each gig to read a piece. Or simply come along to sit back and enjoy the poetry!

Join Henry and Kevin for a perfect afternoon treat of wit, wisdom and wonderful words.

To see details of the full library tour of The Poetry Hour visit www.inspireculture.org.uk/poetryhour

NOTTINGHAM POETRY FESTIVAL



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HENRY NORMAL

"Without Henry Normal, you would live in a less funny world". Daily Telegraph



**EXHIBITION
ZINES**

**Saturday 28 April
– Thursday 7 June
Free**



Come and see the results of an exciting series of workshops involving people working with artists in libraries across the county.

Members of the public and school pupils turned their ideas into ink and published their own printed and bound zines. Some are anthologies of poems developed in workshops led by poet Andrew Graves. All participants experimented to great effect with image, layout, design and editing in Risograph printing workshops with Dizzy Ink.

We hope you'll agree the resulting exhibition of highly original Zines is stunning!

What is a Zine?

A Zine is a self-published magazine, often used to simply and creatively reproduce images, ideas and writing.



**HERITAGE
GREAT
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
LOCAL HISTORY FAIR**

**Sunday 13 May, 11am – 3pm
Free
Just drop by
Suitable for all**

This fabulous free day out for all the family returns for the sixth time to showcase Nottinghamshire's heritage. Explore local history displays, enjoy craft demonstrations and activities, browse the books for sale, hear songs from across the decades performed by local singing group Sempre, and even learn a few traditional circus skills!



**FAMILY ARTS WORKSHOP
FINGER PUPPET
FUN CRAFT BOMB**

**Sunday 13 May, 11am – 3pm
Free
Just drop by
Suitable for all**



Get creative at an artist-led Craft Bomb workshop taking place during the Great Nottinghamshire Local History Fair. Come along and make finger puppets from lots of different recycled and craft materials. It's sure to be a fun workshop – why not put on your own puppet show afterwards with the results!

Get Creative



FILMS

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SCREENINGS



Enjoy an afternoon film on the big screen in the welcoming setting of the library's auditorium. While open to the general public, these screenings are particularly suitable for people living with dementia, their families and friends. Lighting and volume are sensitively set, and the audience is free to talk, sing and move around. Doors open 20 minutes before the screenings, and there will be a 20-minute interval.

Free tea and coffee available.

Due to popularity of these screenings, booking is essential.

Access notes

The auditorium is on the second floor, and there is lift access. There is tiered seating in the auditorium, with steps. Wheelchair spaces are limited. Please arrive in plenty of time to take your places. If you have any additional requirements or questions before booking, please contact arts@inspireculture.org.uk and let us know. Visit the website for more details.



HIGH SOCIETY (U)

Thursday 10 May, 2 – 4.30pm

£1

Adults

A spoiled heiress must choose between three suitors: her jazz musician ex-husband, a stuffy businessman and an undercover tabloid reporter.



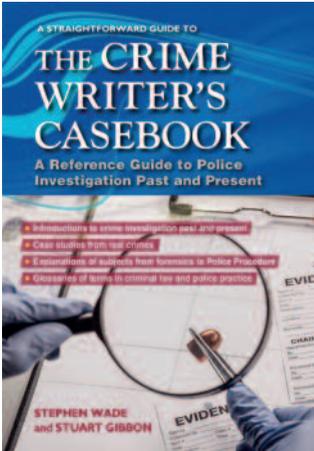
THE ODD COUPLE (PG)

Thursday 21 June, 2 – 4.30pm

£1

Adults

Two friends try sharing an apartment, but their ideas of housekeeping and lifestyles are as different as night and day.



BOOKS AND READING FATAL ATTRACTION: WHY WE LOVE CRIME FICTION

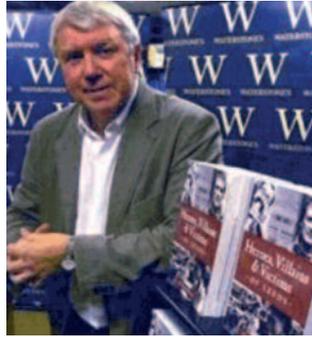
Tuesday 15 May, 1.30 – 3.30pm

£3

Booking advised
Adults

Crime fiction fans won't want to miss this special event taking place during National Crime Reading Month.

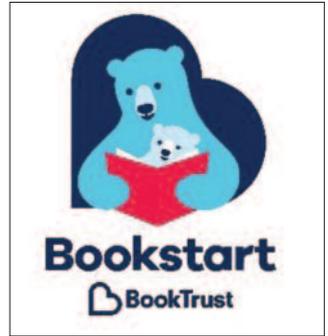
The authors of *The Crime Writer's Casebook* discuss the reasons why crime is such a popular genre and why writers and readers are so interested in the subject. The talk will include reference to true crime case studies and how criminal investigation has evolved throughout the years.



Stephen Wade is a historical crime writer from Yorkshire who has written more than 60 books. His most recent works, including *The Justice Women* and *No More Soldiering*, address legal issues from history.



Stuart Gibbon is a former Senior Police Detective with 30 years' experience in crime investigation with the Metropolitan and Lincolnshire forces. As a DCI he was in charge of murder cases and was a Senior Investigating Officer on the East Midlands Special Operations Unit. Stuart is now a writing consultant, advising authors on police actions and procedures.



UNDER FIVES RATTLE, RHYME AND ROLL WITH BOOKSTART BEAR



Thursday 7 June, 10 – 10.30am
Free

Under 5s and their families

Meet the loveable Bookstart Bear at this very special Rattle, Rhyme and Roll session to celebrate National Bookstart Week. Join in with rhymes and songs with your little ones and say hello to the friendly, book-loving bear!

ABOUT NATIONAL BOOKSTART WEEK

National Bookstart Week is an annual celebration of BookTrust's flagship reading programme Bookstart. Bookstart gives every child in England and Wales a free reading pack in the first year of their life and again when they are 3 - 4 years old.

In Nottinghamshire, Inspire works with health professionals and early years settings to make sure every child receives their book packs.



FAMILY THEATRE
EGG BOX THEATRE
PRESENTS:
THE MOON & ME

Saturday 9 June, 11am, 1pm and 2.30pm

Library members: £3 per child, accompanying adult free

Non-library members: £5 per adult or child

Booking advised

Ages 2 – 5 and their families

Hello, my name is Roux and I am a space cadet! I'm recruiting some new cadets to join me and hear all about my adventures on the moon. What do you think the moon is like? Does anyone live there and is it really made of cheese? Please say you'll come!

The Moon and Me is an interactive, intimate theatre experience about friendship and sharing for young children, with lots of sights, sounds and play!

Running time: 45 minutes



HERITAGE
THE TOP TEN
SCANDALS OF
SHERWOOD FOREST

Tuesday 19 June, 2pm

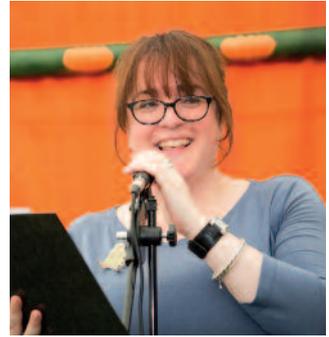
£3

Booking advised

Adults

In this fully illustrated talk, local author and historian Adrian Gray takes an unconventional approach to telling the story of Sherwood Forest and the Dukeries.

Join him as he examines the tale through ten scandalous events, involving money, sex and politics, that define the history of Sherwood and its great houses.



JULIA BIRD

CREATIVE WRITING
ANY WHICH WAY:
A POETRY MYRIORAMA

Saturday 23 June, 2 – 4pm

£5

Booking essential

Adults (16+)

Myriorama originally referred to a set of 19th century illustrated cards which could be reordered to create a myriad of different images. In this experimental writing workshop, rather than images, we'll look to create a 'myriad of words'.

Join poet Julia Bird for this workshop where you'll play with words and the patterns they make to create a poetic version of a myriorama – whose parts can be arranged and rearranged to make an ever-changing poem with many possible combinations.

Poets at all levels of experience will enjoy this innovative session and the chance to contribute to a collaborative piece in an exciting group writing experiment.

REGULAR FREE EVENTS

AN HOUR TO KILL CRIME CAFÉ

**Last Tuesday of the month,
2pm**

Love crime fiction? Come along and chat to other readers about the books you love.

READING GROUP

**Third Wednesday of the month,
2pm**

Talk about books and discover new reads.

KNIT AND NATTER

**Third Saturday of the month,
10am - 12pm**

Get the knitting bug. All welcome!

CRAFT, CREATE AND DONATE

**Every fourth Saturday
of the month, 10am - 12pm**

Enjoy mixed crafts and giving. Anything goes. All welcome!

CHILDREN'S CRAFT

**Second Saturday of
the month, 11am - 1pm**

Drop by with the children to enjoy simple craft activities.

RATTLE, RHYME AND ROLL

**Tuesdays & Thursdays,
10 - 10.30am (Under 5s)
Wednesdays, 10 - 10.30am
(Under 1s)**

Enjoy rhyme times with your little ones.



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COMING SOON!

**Arts Council England have awarded Inspire
£1million to spend over the next four years!**

We'll be delivering an exciting programme of arts and cultural activities for children, families, and young people with disabilities, set to inspire and delight.

Find out about all the events and activities we have coming up at inspireculture.org.uk/npo



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INSPIRE YOUTH ARTS

SUMMER MUSIC AND DANCE PROJECTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE!

Young people can get involved in music and dance this summer at the Old Library in Mansfield – our fantastic arts and media centre, complete with theatre and pro-spec recording studio.

For more details contact
iya@inspireculture.org.uk, and check the Inspire website for updates.
www.inspireculture.org.uk



Gallery hire

Are you an artist or a creative group looking to show your work to local audiences? Inspire library art galleries offer professional, affordable exhibition spaces that bring great art to local communities in the vibrant, creative and welcoming setting of libraries.

Our galleries feature exhibitions by amateur, semi-professional and professional artists, alongside our own programmed exhibitions throughout the year.

Six of our libraries have galleries that you can apply to hire: Mansfield Central, Worksop, West Bridgford, Arnold, Retford and Beeston.

For full details and application forms visit the website. All galleries are suitable for wall-based works. Small installations and sculpture collections will also be considered.

www.inspireculture.org.uk/galleries

Gift shop

Looking for the perfect present for a book lover? Then visit our library shop where you'll find a selection of quirky book-related gifts, fun items for young creatives and other unusual finds.

Venue hire

Mansfield Central Library is a great place to hold meetings and events. With a range of creative spaces including our 192 capacity auditorium, it's a great setting for corporate, community and cultural events.

Visit our web page or call the library direct for more details.

www.inspireculture.org.uk/venuehire

Email: library.venuehire@inspireculture.org.uk

Discounts are available for community groups.

About Inspire

Inspire is an innovative cultural organisation launched by Nottinghamshire County Council. We are a Community Benefit Society that is dedicated to inspiring people to read, learn and enjoy culture with the help of our services.

Join us!

It's free to join Inspire and becoming a member will allow you to help shape the way our services are managed. Visit the website to find out more.

inspireculture.org.uk

New service from April Get help using a computer when applying for a visa

From April, Mansfield Central Library can help people applying for a visa online who need support using a computer. Our staff can help you with:

- Getting access to a computer
- Getting access to the internet
- Searching on Gov.uk

Ask a member of staff for more information. We can't help you with:

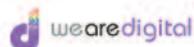
- which visa to apply for
- what information to put in your application
- an application you have already made

To get help to apply for a VISA online contact We are Digital, who will put you in touch with the right support for you:

Phone: 03333 445 675
Text message: text the word "VISA" to 0753 741 6944
Email: visa@we-are-digital.co.uk (include a telephone number you can be contacted on).



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WHAT'S ON AT A GLANCE...

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Sat 21 April, 2.30pm	Poetry Hour with Henry Normal	Live Performance	Free	4
Sat 28 April – Thu 7 June	Zines	Exhibition	Free	5
Thu 10 May, 2 – 4.30pm	High Society	Dementia Friendly Film Screening	£1	6
Sun 13 May, 11am – 3pm	The Great Nottinghamshire Mansfield Local History Fair	Heritage	Free	5
Sun 13 May, 11am – 3pm	Finger Puppet Fun Craft Bomb	Family Arts Workshop	Free	5
Tue 15 May, 1.30 – 3.30pm	Fatal Attraction – Why We Love Crime Fiction	Books and Reading	£3	7
Thu 7 June, 10am	Rattle, Rhyme and Roll with Bookstart Bear	Under Fives	Free	7
Sat 9 June, 11am, 1pm & 2.30pm	Egg Box Theatre presents <i>The Moon & Me</i>	Family Theatre	£5/£3/Free	8
Tue 19 June, 2pm	The Top Ten Scandals of Sherwood Forest	Heritage	£3	8
Thu 21 June, 2 – 4.30pm	The Odd Couple	Dementia Friendly Film Screening	£1	6
Sat 23 June, 2 – 4pm	Any Which Way: A Poetry Myriorama	Creative Writing	£5	8

REGULAR EVENTS For details of our regular, free events see page 09.