Book Week Scotland is a national celebration of reading which takes place every November, this year it's running from the 18th - 23rd, across various venues in Aberdeenshire. Libraries throughout Scotland will be bringing author talks to readers and communities where audiences can meet their favourite authors, be inspired to read something different, as well as having the opportunity to spend time with others who share a love of reading, books and cultural interests.

This year the theme for Book Week Scotland is "Blether" and we have a fantastic line up of authors that includes LJ Flanders a personal trainer; Colin MacLachlan, Former SAS operator and star of Channel 4's SAS: Who Dares Wins and Channel 5's Secrets of the SAS, and Paul Murton of the BBC's Grand Tour of Scotland will be sharing his knowledge on the history, local traditions and folk lore of Orkney, Shetland and other places in Scotland. All our talks are sure to stimulate a good conversation and blether are detailed in this brochure.

The majority of our events during Book Week Scotland are free and this is only possible due to the funding we have received from the Scottish Book Trust.

If you would like to attend any of our author talks all you have to do is go to our website <u>www.livelifeaberdeenshire.gov.uk</u> and book your place. Alternatively, go into any of our 36 libraries where our staff will be happy to book this for you.

At all of our talks we will have copies of the authors' books for sale at discounted prices. Why not start your Christmas shopping with Live Life Aberdeenshire and purchase a book and get this personalised by the author for a friend or loved one.

We look forward to seeing you at our Book Week Scotland author talks celebrating reading, books and blether.

#### David

David Cook Chair, Culture and Sport Sub-Committee Live Life Aberdeenshire

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AUTHOR'S BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE AT DISCOUNTED PRICES AT MOST EVENTS.

PLEASE NOTE WE ACCEPT CASH PAYMENT ONLY.

## **BOOKBUG SESSIONS**

Monday 18th	<b>Mearns</b> (baby session)	2.00 - 2.30
Tuesday 19th	Kemnay Newmachar Ballater Fraserburgh Newtonhill Aboyne	2.00 - 2.30 10.45 - 11.45 10.30 - 11.00 9.30 - 10.00
Wednesday 20th	Inverurie Stonehaven Alford Huntly Mearns (babies up to pre-school)	10.30 - 11.00 9.30 - 10.00 10.00 - 10.30
Thursday 21st	Banchory	10.30 - 11.00
Friday 22nd	Kintore Stonehaven	

## STORY AND CRAFT SESSION

Saturday 23rd Ellon story and craft...... 10.30 - 11.30 (primary age)

## THE BIG BOOK SWAP

A number of our branches will have book swap tables and sessions. Go to our website and check if there is one happening in your area.

## Aberdeenshire Registrars & Library Local Studies team

## FAMILY AND LOCAL HISTORY DROP-IN (linked to suffragettes)

Tuesday 19th	Banchory Library 7.00 - 8.30pm
Saturday 23rd	Peterhead Library 12.00 - 2.00pm

A family and local history drop-in session with a local registrar and Information Librarian for anyone interested in researching their family tree or local area. The Information Librarian will provide support with researching using British Newspaper Archive and other resources available from the library service. The registrars provide access to parish records and census dating back to 1855 when registreations began.

Free event

## FREE Adult Craft Sessions

## Tuesday 19th • Banchory Library

Feeling crafty? Come along and learn how to make a book at our adult craft session.

# BOOK WEEK SCOTLAND 2019

# 18th - 23rd November





## Margaret Kirk

## Crime (fiction)

## Monday 18th • Aboyne Library • 2.00 - 3.30pm Monday 18th • Huntly • 7.00 - 8.30pm

'Getting Published - Doing it your Way', Crime writer Margaret Kirk encourages anyone who thinks they've got a book in them to get started - and how to get it out there once it's ready.

#### Free - these are Scottish Book Trust Funded events

## LJ Flanders

## Health & Fitness workout session (non fiction)

## Monday 18th • Fraserburgh Sports Centre • 6.00 - 7.00pm

Cell Workout is a bodyweight training session devised from a prison cell but accessible to anyone who wants to get fit in a small space using no specialist equipment. You can see LJ's session at other LLA venues where we will be live streaming his workout. Details of venues coming soon.

#### £5 for workout and author talk

#### Monday 18th • Fraserburgh Sports Centre • 7.15 - 8.15pm

LJ will be talking about his journey devising his workout session from his own cell, to starting his own business as a personal trainer and delivering workout session in prison to help others that are now in the situation he was once in.

#### £3 for author talk only

## **Eric Davidson**

#### Crime (fiction)

## Monday 18th • Meldrum Library • 7.00 - 8.30pm

Local author Eric Davidson will be talking about his Inspector Fraser series which is set in his home town of Aberdeen in the early 1900's. Eric will also be talking about his journey into self publishing.

£3

## **Rosemary Goring**

#### History (non fiction)

## Tuesday 19th • Banchory Library • 7.00 - 8.30pm

Rosemary will be talking about her new book Scotland Her Story. This book takes a unique perspective on dramatic national events as well as ordinary life, as experienced by women down throughout the centuries.

## £3

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## Gillian Galbraith

## Crime (fiction)

## Tuesday 19th • Westhill Library • 7.00 - 8.30pm

Gillian Galbraith is an author based in Perthshire who, prior to becoming a novelist, was an advocate specialising in medical negligence and agricultural law cases. Her debut novel Blood in the Water was published in 2007. Gillian will be talking about her work as an author and her new book The End of The Line.

## Free - this is a Scottish Book Trust Funded event

## **Pauline Cordiner**

## Fiction, myths, legends

## Wednesday 20th • Portlethen Library • 7.00 - 8.00pm

Join local storyteller Pauline Cordiner for some local myths, legends, humorous stories and terrifying tales and perhaps even a wee song to celebrate Book Week Scotland.

Free - this is a Scottish Book Trust Funded event

## Philosophy Café

## Wednesday 20th • Stonehaven Library • 7.00 - 8.30pm

Come along to our philosophy café and join in with our philosophical blether.

£3 pay at the venue on the night

## Paul Murton

Travel, Scotland (non fiction)

## Thursday 21st • Acorn Centre • 7.00 - 8.30pm

Join acclaimed documentary film maker Paul Murton for a personal account of his travels in the Viking north as he paints a vivid picture of these lands and their people and explores their extraordinary rich heritage. Paul will be interviewed by Dr. Hannah Burrows, senior lecturer in Scandinavian Studies at Aberdeen University.

## Free - this is a Scottish Book Trust Funded event

## Andrew Murray Scott

## Crime (fiction)

## Thursday 21st • Banff Library • 7.00 - 8.30pm

Andrew Murray Scott is the author of sixteen books, including four novels, and, as Andrew Scott, writes the Willie Morton mystery thriller series. He will read extracts from the first two titles in the series, Deadly Secrecy and Scotched Nation, and discuss the pitfalls and pains of creating a contemporary thriller series set mainly in locations around Scotland.

#### Free - this is a Scottish Book Trust Funded event

## Mike Cawthorne

Hillwalking (non fiction)

## Thursday 21st • Alford Library • 7.00 - 8.30pm

Mike will be talking about his love of hillwalking and his new book Walking Through Shadows: a journey of loss and renewal.

£3

## Colin MacLachlan

## SAS, services, resiliance (non fiction)

#### Friday 22nd • Banchory British Legion • 7.30 - 8.30pm

Former SAS operator and star of Channel 4's **SAS: Who Dares Wins** and Channel 5's **Secrets of the SAS** talks mental resilience, teamwork and leadership as he recounts high profile SAS missions. You can see Colin's session at other LLA venues where we will be live streaming his talk. Details of venues coming soon.

£5

## Sandra Ireland

## Crime/Mystery (fiction)

## Saturday 23rd • Ellon Library • 2.00 - 3.30pm

Sandra Ireland is an Edinburgh based author and former news correspondant who will be talking about her new book, The Unmaking of Ellie Rook. Sandra's work has appeared in various publications and women's magazines.

## Free - this is a Scottish Book Trust Funded event

## Sarah Pederson

Suffragettes (non fiction)

#### Saturday 23rd • Peterhead Library • 2.00 - 3.30pm

Who were the Scottish suffragettes and what did they do? This talk investigates the Scottish dimension of women's fight for the vote, and explains the contribution of the women of North-East Scotland. Professor Sarah Pedersen is author of The Scottish Suffragettes and the Press and Caroline Phillips: Aberdeen Suffragette and Journalist.

Free

## **Pauline Cordiner**

#### **Family Story and Song Session**

#### Saturday 23rd • Westhill Library • 10.30 - 11.15am

We are delighted to welcome Scottish storyteller Pauline Cordiner, a member of Grampian Association of Storytellers. Come along and listen to Scottish tales, fairy tales, folk tales and myths and join in with the rhymes and songs.

Free