



Redruth Book Feast 2024

The Redruth Drapery

19th-21st April 2024



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About the Book Feast

This year we have an impressive three-day event, packed with lively conversations, literary talks, fabulous food, free children's events, a pop-up bookshop, dinner with a keynote speaker, and a panel discussion to finish off the weekend.

Expanding on many of the successful features of last year's festival, this year we have added a Literary Salon, exploring the depths of folklore with Scary Little Girls, a Saturday Brunch panel featuring local chefs and food writers, who will be discussing the future of food and farming, and much more.

The festival's events will be following the theme of the land and our connection to it, from wild swimming, sustainable farming, beautiful secret gardens, walking the coast path, to the mines beneath our feet.

Our writers include Sophie Pierce, Tim Hubbard, Orlando Murrin, Lucy Holland, and Jodie Matthews, and it is set to be a wonderful weekend; Saturday culminates in a delicious feast catered by Rupert Cooper from The Philleigh Way Cookery School in the company of after-dinner speaker and That's Life! star, Bill Buckley, followed by a Q&A.

Alongside the main programme of events in the Redruth Drapery, children's events will take place in the Redruth Library on Saturday morning. Younger children can join illustrator Rebecca Cobb for readings of her latest books, followed by craft activities, and budding writers aged 6-12 can learn some tricks of both the writing and magic trade with Justyn Edwards.

The Book Feast Team

Jan Driver, Claire Marshall, Deb Reeve & Caitlin Marshall



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Events For Children



SCHOOL SESSIONS

This year we are excited to involve children from schools in Redruth who will be participating in workshops with childrens- authors Craig Barr-Green and Emily Barr.

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All Day



WORKSHOP - REBECCA COBB

Please join Rebecca for storytelling and drawing - ages 4-8. Rebecca will be reading her latest books 'There's a Tiger on the Train' and 'Who Lives Here?' This free event will take place in the Redruth Library.

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Starts at
10 AM



WORKSHOP - JUSTYN EDWARDS

Join author Justyn at Redruth Library for a magical event based on his Great Fox series, featuring magic tricks, problem-solving, and creative writing for children aged 6 to 12. This is a free event.

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Starts at
11:30 AM

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Around the Book Feast



COBWEB TOURS

Will, a rather cheeky miner and his companion Hetty, a bal maiden, guide you through the centuries of stories they have been told and the events they have witnessed in this ancient Cornish Town. Book your ticket for an entertaining lunchtime walk through the streets of Redruth.

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Starts at
1 PM



EDGE OF THE WORLD BOOKSHOP

We're delighted to be rejoined by Rachael and James from Edgy Books for the second year as our official bookseller for the Redruth Book Feast – all the books featured during the weekend will be on sale and authors will be signing books after their talks.



OUR VENUE

Stephen and Rachael from The Redruth Drapery have been instrumental in creating the Book Feast atmosphere, so they were the obvious choice for hosting our festival again this year. The bar will be open throughout the Book Feast serving hot and cold beverages, beer, wine and spirits, many from local producers.

Limited tickets available, book yours now!

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Friday Programme

Get ready for an extraordinary start to the Redruth Book Festival 2024! First, join Lucy Holland in conversation with Rebecca Mordan about Lucy's latest book. Then, immerse yourself in a live performance by Scary Little Girls. The bar will be open all evening for further enjoyment and mingling. A Friday evening ticket gives you access to these two events. Full festival passes and individual event tickets are also available. See the back page for full details. Doors open at 5.30 PM.



LUCY HOLLAND

Lucy went from bookseller to a successful full-time writer in Devon. She's written five novels, including 'Sistersong', a bestseller nominated for prestigious awards. Her latest work is 'Song of the Huntress', a historical fantasy novel. Lucy also writes as Lucy Hounsom and co-hosts the feminist podcast 'Breaking the Glass Slipper.'

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6 PM



SCARY LITTLE GIRLS LITERARY SALON

Join a supernatural storytelling salon with themes of witches, ghosts, and wild women. Hosted by Rebecca Mordan, founder of Scary Little Girls Cornish theatre company. Expect stories, songs, humour, and sequins.

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7:30 PM

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Saturday Programme

Experience the essence of Redruth Book Feast 2024, which celebrates nationally renowned writers with ties to the South West. Your Saturday pass grants you entry to all writers' talks and the interactive Saturday Brunch. Separate tickets are required for the Saturday dinner featuring Keynote Speaker Bill Buckley. Enjoy locally sourced refreshments, available for purchase all weekend, including lunch options and hot drinks, alongside a licensed bar. Doors open at 9am.



SATURDAY BRUNCH SESSION

Join us for brunch, tucking into breakfast in a bap, while you enjoy an informed debate about food and food production, with our guest panel (Fliss Freeborn, Graham Harvey & The Bearded Farmers), chaired by Orlando Murrin.

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**Starts at
9:30 AM**



SASHA SWIRE

Sasha Swire, a journalist and political researcher, wrote 'Edgeland' after walking the Southwest Coast Path over a decade. The book explores the coastline from Minehead to Land's End, reflecting on its history and resilience. Sasha will be in conversation with Tim Hannigan.

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12 PM**

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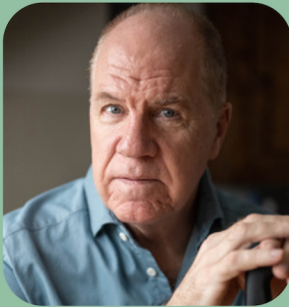


JODIE MATTHEWS

A poet and writer from Bodmin, Jodie studied at Falmouth University, and now lives in Manchester. Her debut novel, 'Meet Me At The Surface', is a horror-tinged mystery set on the Cornish moors, shortlisted for the Bath Novel Award and the Blue Pencil First Novel Award 2021. Jodie will be in conversation with Emily Barr.

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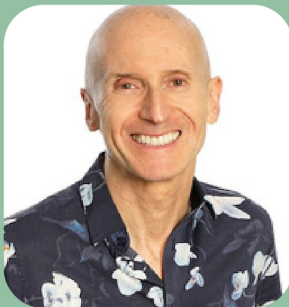


ORLANDO MURRIN

Orlando will be in conversation with Tim Hubbard, exploring Orlando's first novel, a culinary crime story, 'Knife Skills For Beginners'. A semi-finalist on MasterChef, Orlando was a magazine editor before switching track to become a chef-hotelier. He has written six cookbooks and is President of the Guild of Food Writers. He presents the BBC Good Food Podcast with Tom Kerridge.

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Starts at
3.30 PM



EVENING DINNER WITH BILL BUCKLEY

Enjoy a delicious three course seasonal meal from local chef Rupert Cooper, accompanied by live music from Jumping Out Duo. After dinner there will be an entertaining talk from Bill Buckley, a seasoned TV and radio presenter, who brings a wealth of experience to the table. From anchoring BBC TV's 'That's Life!' to culinary adventures, he's a versatile writer and food critic.

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LINE-UP

FRIDAY

6:00PM - 7:00PM

LUCY HOLLAND

7:30PM - 8:30PM

SCARY LITTLE GIRLS LITERARY SALON

SATURDAY

9:30AM - 11:30AM

BRUNCH SESSION

(ORLANDO MURRIN, FLISS FREEBORN,
GRAHAM HARVEY, THE BEARDED FARMERS)

12:00PM - 1:00PM

SASHA SWIRE

2:00PM - 3:00PM

JODIE MATTHEWS

3:30PM - 4:30PM

ORLANDO MURRIN

6:00PM - LATE

BILL BUCKLEY



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LINE-UP

SATURDAY CHILDREN'S SESSIONS

10:00AM - 11:00AM

REBECCA COBB

11:30AM - 12:30PM

JUSTYN EDWARDS

SUNDAY

10:00AM - 11:00AM

SOPHIE PIERCE

11:30AM - 12:30PM

TIM HUBBARD

2:00PM - 3:00PM

PANEL DISCUSSION

(JULIAN GERMAN, GILLIAN BURKE, TIM HANNIGAN, PHILIP MARSDEN, LUCY CRANE - CORNISH LITHIUM)



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Sunday Programme

Immerse yourself in the final day of Redruth Book Feast 2024, where nationally acclaimed writers with local roots take centre stage. Sunday passes give access to all writers' talks and the lively panel discussion to round off the weekend.. Refreshments will be available, including breakfast, lunch options, and hot drinks, alongside a fully stocked licensed bar. Doors open at 9.30am.



SOPHIE PIERCE

Sophie Pierce, author of 'The Green Hill: Letters to a Son', shares her poignant journey through grief and healing in conversation with Sarah Connors on Sunday morning. Her memoir, composed amidst walks near her son's grave, celebrates the profound connection between nature and our emotions.

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**Starts at
10 AM**



TIM HUBBARD

Tim Hubbard, renowned BBC Radio Cornwall personality, went from teaching to journalism, winning prestigious awards. His latest book, 'Secret Gardens of Cornwall', explores hidden treasures. Join his session as reveals these exclusive sanctuaries, sharing his unique insight.

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11.30 AM**

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PANEL DISCUSSION

This year, Redruth Book Feast is closing with a panel discussion exploring the impact of Cornwall's unique identity and landscape on its past, present and future. This promises to be a lively session, featuring Gillian Burke, Tim Hannigan, Philip Marsden and Lucy Crane from Cornish Lithium. The session is chaired by Cornwall Councillor and trustee of the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site Partnership Board, Julian German.

APRIL

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Starts at
2 PM

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

We are committed to making our event as accessible as possible. The Drapery is a historic and very beautiful building. Although it is not yet fully accessible, the ground floor has a wide door, no steps, a good surface for walking and wheelchairs, and an accessible toilet.

There is a bar on the ground floor and a cloakroom for storage. Food will be served from the first floor and arrangements are in place to bring food and hot drinks to those who are unable to negotiate the stairs. Unfortunately, there is no lift at the present time.

If you have specific requirements relating to accessibility, please contact us and we will do everything possible to accommodate your individual needs.

Please note for information: Guide Dogs are welcome but although we love them, there is no general admission for dogs.

SPECIAL THANKS

To Joy Salisbury for her original vision and programming, to Ally Reeve & Manny Hernandez for design/ website/ social media and to all the volunteers that have helped to make this festival possible.



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Food at the Festival

We wouldn't be a Book Feast without some cracking food and after the enthusiasm with which everyone enjoyed last year's offerings, we're expanding this year's menu to include brunch, lunch and cake crafted by The Grow Box. We are also excited that Rupert Cooper from The Philleigh Way Cookery School is bringing his culinary expertise to our Saturday evening dinner.



THE GROW BOX

Fran and Martin from Redruth's high street greengrocers, butcher and deli bring their background in Michelin-starred hospitality to prepare the daytime food offering at the festival this year. Vegetarian, vegan, gluten free and even omnivores are catered for, with good things to feed the body, soul and mind.



RUPERT COOPER

Rupert Cooper founded Philleigh Way, a cookery school based in The Roseland that also offers unique dining experiences. Their Farmhouse Cookery style is inspired by recipes handed down over the generations, fantastic local produce and experience gained working in some of the top kitchens in Cornwall and around the globe. Rupert also runs the Cove Cafe on Riviere Towans in Hayle.

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Funders and Partners

We are grateful for the support given to us by our partners and funders. Their significant financial assistance and in-kind support allows us to keep ticket prices low and pay our writers and performers a fair fee. It is our mission to be fair in our dealings with all the people who enable us to put on this book festival.



CORNISH LITHIUM

Headline sponsor for this year's Book Feast, Cornish Lithium is an innovative mineral exploration and development company providing the raw materials for the Green Industrial Revolution. Cornish Lithium is revisiting the land around Redruth, once celebrated as the Mining Capital of the world, with the aim of harvesting lithium, a mineral essential in the fight to help limit climate change.



GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY

Great Western Railway is one of the largest train companies in Britain, more than 100 million customers a year join them on board. When it was built, it opened the West and Wales to trade and tourism. Today, it continues to provide a vital link across the South West, South Wales, Southern England and into London. As sustainable transport partner, they are supporting us by providing train travel for our writers, enabling us to reduce our carbon footprint.



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FEAST



A programme to make great art happen across Cornwall. It harnesses the talents and energy of Cornwall's artists and communities, generating new opportunities for everyone to enjoy the arts. The focus is on bringing people together to share experiences as audiences or participants, and on animating local celebrations and cultural life. The programme is managed by Creative Kernow. www.feastcornwall.org



REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Redruth Town Council supports events and festivals across the town. www.discoverredruth.co.uk @discoverredruth on Facebook and Instagram



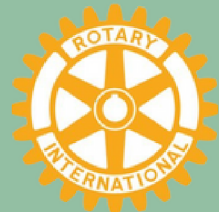
REDRUTH LIBRARY

We are fortunate to have an excellent library in Redruth. The library is in Alma Place and is open Monday – Friday, 9:30 – 5:00 and Saturday 10:00 - 1:00. There is a wide selection of books on site, and an online ordering service.



REDRUTH REVIVAL CIC

Redruth Revival is committed to a wide range of initiatives within Redruth which are aimed at reviving Redruth town centre. The Directors are delighted to be the presenters of this Book Feast for a second year and look forward to seeing it continue to grow and develop across the town as an annual event.



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Ticket Information



Tickets are on sale online at

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/redruth-book-feast>

All adult events are at The Redruth Drapery, and children's events are at the Redruth Library.

Full Festival Pass

Gives access to ALL events on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, including Saturday Brunch, but does not include Saturday evening dinner and talk.

- Advance booking: £45.00 plus booking fee

Weekend Pass

Gives access to ALL daytime events on Saturday and Sunday but does not include Saturday evening dinner and talk.

- Advance booking: £35.00 plus booking fee
- On the Door (subject to availability): £37.00

Saturday Brunch

This ticket is for a two hour session and includes brunch and a hot drink.

- Advance Booking: £15.00 plus booking fee
- On the Door (subject to availability): £17.00

Saturday Evening

Join us for a feast of good things, and afterwards Bill Buckley will be our after dinner speaker.

- Advance Booking: £35.00 plus booking fee

Friday Pass

- Advance Booking: £10.00 plus booking fee
- On the Door (subject to availability): £12.00

Saturday Day Pass

- Advance Booking: £25.00 plus booking fee
- On the Door (subject to availability): £27.00

Sunday Day Pass

- Advance Booking: £15.00 plus booking fee
- On the Door (subject to availability): £17.00

Individual Events (Excluding Saturday Brunch and Saturday Evening)

- Advance booking £5.00 plus booking fee
- On the Door (subject to availability): £6.00

Events for Children are free but please book your place online or in person at the library.



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Travelling to Redruth

Redruth is easily accessible by train, bus and car.

Coming by car? 🚗

Nearest car parks are St Rumons (TR15 2SP), Fair Meadow (TR15 2BT), West End (TR15 3BS) and New Cut Redruth (TR15 1AF)

Coming by Train? 🚆

The main line stops in Redruth. It is a 10-minute walk to The Redruth Drapery.

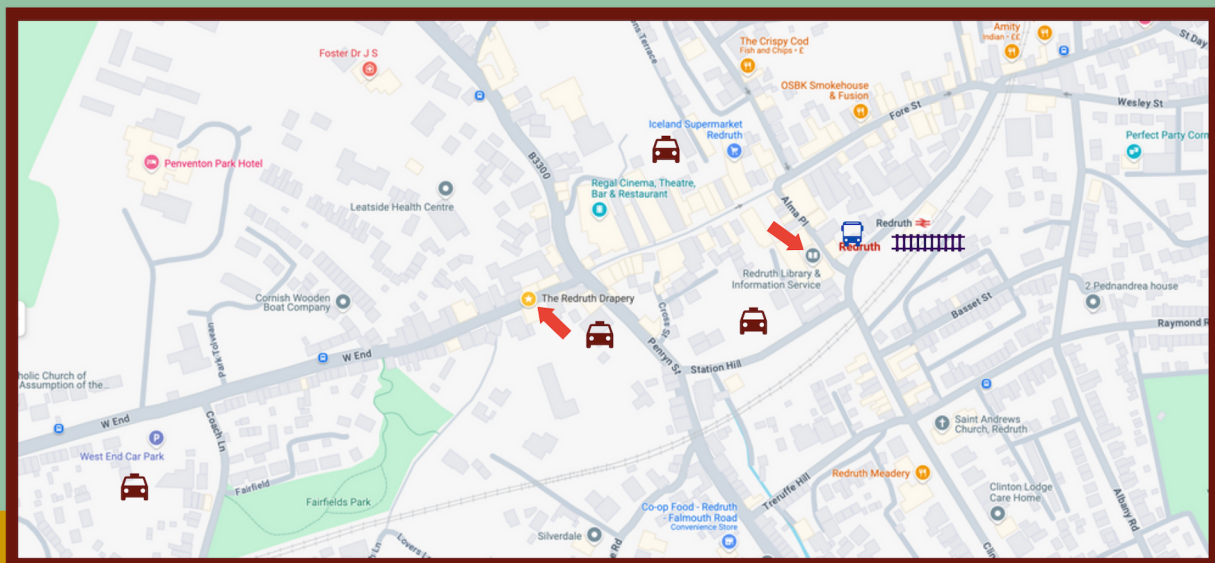
Coming by bus? 🚌

The bus station is opposite the train station

Walking from the train and bus:

From the bus stop turn right into Alma Place, turn right down Fore St. Cross on to West End. The Redruth Drapery event venue is on the left hand side walking out of town.

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