

# Manchester City of Literature

## Listings for: **Sun 1 August - Mon 1 August**

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### **Tue 3 August**

Book Launch: Pig's Ear, Dog's Dinner by  
Paul Cookson

7.30pm - 8.30pm

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### **Wed 4 August**

Henry Normal in conversation with Anna  
Percy

12.00pm - 1.00pm

Romance and Reality: Elizabeth Gaskell's  
debt to Sir Walter Scott **Online**

7.00pm - 8.00pm

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### **Thu 5 August**

Word Central with special guest Kate Fox

7.30pm - 9.00pm

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### **Tue 10 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

10.00am

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### **Wed 11 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Henry Normal in conversation with Tony  
Curry

12.00pm - 1.00pm

Charlotte Brontë and Elizabeth Gaskell –  
A Friendship with Libby Tempest **Elizabeth Gaskell's  
House**

7.00pm - 8.00pm

Forty Names by Parwana Fayyaz:  
Carcanet Book Launch

7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 12 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Fri 13 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Sat 14 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Sun 15 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Verbose x Levenshulme Pride with Louis [Fred's Ale House](#)  
Glazzard and Alicia Fitton

7.00pm - 9.30pm

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**Mon 16 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Tue 17 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Wed 18 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Henry Normal in conversation with  
Dominic Berry

12.00pm - 1.00pm

Year of Plagues by Fred D'Aguiar:  
Carcenet Book Launch

7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 19 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Fri 20 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Sat 21 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Storytime with Bush Baby Books at Home, **HOME**  
Manchester

11.00am - 3.00pm

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**Sun 22 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Mon 23 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Tue 24 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

12.00am

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**Wed 25 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

All day

Henry Normal in conversation with Rose  
Condo

12.00pm - 1.00pm

'This unlucky book': Fact, Fiction and  
Mythmaking in Elizabeth Gaskell's 'The  
Life of Charlotte Brontë' – Panel  
discussion

**Elizabeth Gaskell's  
House**

7.00pm - 8.00pm

Take us the Little Foxes by Miles  
Burrows: Book Launch

7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 26 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

All day

NorthBound Book Award Panel with John  
D. Rutter, J.A. Mensah & Adam Farrer

7.00pm - 8.30pm

Young Identity Words First Digital  
Showcase

7.30pm - 9.00pm

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**Fri 27 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

All day

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**Sat 28 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

All day

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**Sun 29 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

All day

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**Mon 30 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

All day

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**Tue 31 August**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day

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**Wed 1 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day
Henry Normal in conversation with Paul Cookson	12.00pm - 1.00pm
The Book of Reykjavik online launch <span style="color: red;">Online</span>	6.30pm - 7.30pm
Mother Muse by Lorna Goodison: Carcanet Book Launch	7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 2 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day

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**Fri 3 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day
Breaking Boundaries: Reimagining Borders in Postcolonial and Migrant Studies <span style="color: red;">Online</span>	All day

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**Sat 4 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day

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**Sun 5 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day

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**Mon 6 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day
BUNNYMAN – Will Sergeant in conversation with Dave Haslam.	International Anthony Burgess Foundation 6.30pm - 9.00pm

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**Tue 7 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day

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**Wed 8 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day
The Hidden Life of Anthony Burgess (Weds)	International Anthony Burgess Foundation 6.00pm - 7.30pm
Victorian Children's Literature: An Introduction by Prof Kim Reynolds	Online 7.00pm - 8.00pm
POWERS AND THRONES – An evening with Dan Jones	Blackwell's Bookshop 7.00pm - 8.30pm
Midnight in the Kant Hotel by Rod Mengham: Carcanet Book Launch	7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 9 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day

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**Fri 10 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day

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**Sat 11 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day
The Hidden Life of Anthony Burgess (Sat) <a href="#">International Anthony Burgess Foundation</a>	2.00pm - 3.30pm

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**Sun 12 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day

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**Mon 13 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day
Ben Aaronovitch in Conversation: 10th Anniversary Rivers of London. <a href="#">Blackwell's Bookshop</a>	6.30pm - 8.30pm

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**Tue 14 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Welcome to Greater Manchester	All day
John Darwin's Happy Hour	7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Wed 15 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

All day

On the Way to Jerusalem Farm by Carola  
Luther: Carcanet Book Launch

7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 16 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Welcome to Greater Manchester

Until 12.00am

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**Fri 17 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Sat 18 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Sun 19 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Mon 20 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

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**Tue 21 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

6.30pm - 8.30pm



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**Wed 22 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley	All day
the clarity of distant things by Jane Duran: Carcanet Book Launch	7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 23 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley	All day

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**Fri 24 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley	All day

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**Sat 25 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley	All day
Northern Lights Writers' Conference 2021	10.30am - 5.00pm

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**Sun 26 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley	All day

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**Mon 27 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing	All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley	All day

One-to-One Writers' Advice Sessions		1.00pm - 5.00pm
Word Central	Manchester Central Library	6.00pm - 8.00pm
Writing Short Stories Online Workshop		6.30pm - 8.00pm

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### **Tue 28 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing		All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley		All day
One-to-One Writers' Advice Sessions		All day
An Evening with Tony Redmond OBE	Didsbury Baptist Church	7.30pm - 8.30pm

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### **Wed 29 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing		All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley		All day
One-to-One Writers' Advice Sessions		All day
Writing Workshop: Developing Believable Characters		6.30pm - 8.00pm
Field Requiem by Sheri Benning: Carcanet Book Launch		7.00pm - 8.00pm

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### **Thu 30 September**

Out and About with Seven Arches Publishing		All day
Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley		All day
One-to-One Writers' Advice Sessions		Until 5.00pm
One Mic Stand: Slam-O-Vision Special with guests Esther Koch and Shoa	Manchester Central Library	7.00pm - 9.00pm

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**Fri 1 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley All day

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**Sat 2 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley All day

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**Sun 3 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley All day

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**Mon 4 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley All day

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**Tue 5 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley All day

A Night of Crime: Will Dean and Joseph  
Knox **Blackwell's Bookshop** 7.00pm - 9.00pm

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**Wed 6 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley All day

Frank Palmeri talk 'Thomas Spence:  
satirist, utopian, socialist' 2.00pm - 3.00pm

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**Thu 7 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Fri 8 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Robin Ince – The Importance of Being  
Interested

International Anthony  
Burgess Foundation

7.00pm - 9.30pm

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**Sat 9 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

From Manchester with Love: Paul Morley  
in Conversation

HOME

3.00pm - 4.15pm

Jeanette Winterson & Mark O'Connell

Manchester Central  
Library

6.00pm - 7.15pm

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**Sun 10 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

All day

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Anita Sethi

Manchester Museum

2.00pm - 3.15pm

Monique Roffey & Ingrid Persaud

Manchester Central  
Library

2.00pm - 3.15pm

Mona Arshi, Alycia Pirmohamed & Nidhi  
Zak / Aria Eipe

Manchester Museum

4.00pm - 5.15pm

Elif Shafak in Conversation

Manchester Central  
Library

4.30pm - 5.45pm

An Evening with Alan Johnson

Manchester Central  
Library

7.30pm - 8.45pm

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**Mon 11 October**

Out and About with Seven Arches  
Publishing

Until 10.00am

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

An Evening with Bernardine Evaristo

HOME

8.00pm - 9.30pm

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**Tue 12 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Black Britain Writing Back: Bernardine  
Evaristo

Manchester Central  
Library

7.00pm - 8.11pm

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**Wed 13 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Amy Todd talk 'The Peckham Publishing  
Project'

Working Class  
Movement Library

2.00pm - 3.00pm

Bob Stanley & Tessa Norton: Excavate!  
The Wonderful and Frightening World of  
The Fall

HOME

6.30pm - 7.45pm

Beyond Uncle Tom's Cabin; Harriet  
Beecher Stowe, Frances E.W. Harper and  
Harriet Jacobs with Bonnets at Dawn

Online

7.00pm - 8.00pm

Short Stories: Lucie McKnight Hardy,  
Vanessa Onwuemezi & Sarah Schofield.

Blackwell's Bookshop

7.00pm - 9.00pm

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**Thu 14 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Spanish-Language Stories: Mateo García  
Elizondo, Valerie Miles & Cristina Morales

Manchester Central  
Library

6.00pm - 7.15pm

The 2021 Anthony Burgess Lecture:  
Beethoven and Burgess

International Anthony  
Burgess Foundation

7.00pm - 8.30pm

Luke Wright's The Ballad Seller

The Edge Theatre

7.30pm - 8.40pm

An Evening with Colm Tóibín

8.00pm - 9.15pm

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**Fri 15 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley		All day
Leo Boix, Kayo Chingonyi & Andrew McMillan	Manchester Central Library	6.00pm - 7.15pm
Sylvia Pankhurst: Natural Born Rebel with Rachel Holmes & Lemn Sissay	Manchester Museum	7.00pm - 8.15pm

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**Sat 16 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley		All day
Little Reads Family Day with Chris Haughton & Daishu Ma	Manchester Central Library	10.00am - 12.15pm
Comma Press x The Northern Short Story Festival	Online	2.00pm - 8.30pm
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Superheroes: Inspiring Stories of Secret Strength	Manchester Central Library	2.00pm - 4.00pm
Cabaret for Freedom With Tolu Agbelusi, Yomi Sode & Young Identity	St John's Church	7.00pm - 9.00pm
Tenement Kid: Bobby Gillespie in Conversation	HOME	8.00pm - 9.15pm

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**Sun 17 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley		All day
Wild Spaces with Clare Shaw	HOME	11.30am - 1.00pm
Malika Booker, Vahni Capildeo & Jason Allen-Paisant	Manchester Central Library	2.00pm - 3.15pm
Vona Groarke, John McAuliffe & Victoria Kennefick	Manchester Central Library	4.00pm - 5.15pm

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**Mon 18 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course with SJ Bradley		All day
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**Tue 19 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Jenn Ashworth and Kylie Whitehead in  
conversation with Naomi Booth

**Blackwell's Bookshop**

7.00pm - 9.00pm

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**Wed 20 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

A Cartoon History of Here by Ian McMillan  
and Tony Husband

**The Edge Theatre**

7.30pm - 8.40pm

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**Thu 21 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Fri 22 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

creative:connection

**Manchester Central  
Library**

1.00pm - 2.15pm

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**Sat 23 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

J B Barrington – Lacking Poetential

**The Edge Theatre**

7.30pm - 8.40pm

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**Sun 24 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Mon 25 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Tue 26 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Wed 27 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Online Talk: Lois the Witch and Other  
Tales

7.00pm - 8.00pm

100 Days by Gabriel Josipovici: Carcanet **Online**  
Book Launch

7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 28 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Fri 29 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sat 30 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sun 31 October**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Mon 1 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day



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**Tue 2 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Wed 3 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Thu 4 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Fri 5 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sat 6 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sun 7 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Mon 8 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Tue 9 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Wed 10 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Thu 11 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

LIVEwire by Nymphs & Thugs

The Edge Theatre

7.30pm - 9.30pm

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**Fri 12 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sat 13 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sun 14 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Mon 15 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Tue 16 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Wed 17 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Vindication of the Rights of Woman –  
Mary Wollstonecraft's Influence in the  
Writings of Elizabeth Gaskell

Online

7.00pm - 8.00pm

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**Thu 18 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Fri 19 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sat 20 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sun 21 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Mon 22 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Tue 23 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Wed 24 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

Deaglán Ó Donghaile talk, 'Oscar Wilde:  
Art, Socialism, and the Working Class'

Working Class  
Movement Library

2.00pm - 3.00pm

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**Thu 25 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Fri 26 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sat 27 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Sun 28 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Mon 29 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

All day

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**Tue 30 November**

Comma Press Online Short Story Course  
with SJ Bradley

Until 8.30pm

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**Wed 1 December**

Michael Sanders talk 'From Luddism to  
Chartism: John Stafford and the creation  
of radical memory'

Working Class  
Movement Library

2.00pm - 3.00pm

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**Wed 8 December**

Online Talk: Christmas Customs

Online

7.30pm - 8.30pm

