Manchester City of Literature

Thu 5 November

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Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
HEX HOUSE: Amy Jane Stewart in conversation with Heidi Hinda Chadwick	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm
Laura Kuenssberg: Pay Attention	Stoller Hall	7.00pm - 9.00pm
An Evening with Jodi Picoult	St Michael and All Angels Bramhall Parish Church	7.30pm - 8.30pm

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Manchester Festival of Philosophy, Arts and Culture: The Poetry of the Embodied Mind	Manchester Buddhist Centre	10.00am - 1.00pm
An Afternoon with Harry Whittaker – Orlando (From the World of Lucinda Riley's Seven Sisters)	Serenity Booksellers	1.00pm - 2.30pm
John Gwynne in conversation with Hannah Kaner	Waterstones Deansgate	6.30pm - 8.00pm

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Manchester Festival of Philosophy, Arts and Culture: Met Amongst Strangers	Kontrast	10.00am - 11.30am
Manchester Festival of Philosophy, Arts and Culture: Come see me in a good light	Cultplex	12.30pm - 3.00pm
Manchester Festival of Philosophy, Arts and Culture: Wisdom Through Tales	Hinterland	7.30pm - 10.00pm

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Hinterland Festival: Caitlin O'Ryan, Griot Gabriel and Skye Lilly	Band On The Wall	12.30pm - 2.00pm
Voices of Resistance at CULTPLEX	Cultplex	12.30pm - 3.00pm
Manchester Festival of Philosophy, Arts and Culture: The Imagination and the World We'll Create	Hinterland	4.00pm - 6.00pm

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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Lunchtime Lecture: Sophie Oliver 'What the Dresses Know'	House of Books and Friends	1.00pm - 2.00pm
Close Writing: Alice Butler in conversation	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm
An Evening with Ella Risbridger	Simply Books	7.30pm - 8.30pm

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Bookbinding: Paper Magic!	The Portico Library	10.00am - 4.00pm

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Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
How NOT to Flee a War	Samuel Alexander Building	4.30pm - 6.00pm
How to Get Your Poetry Published	Manchester Cathedral	6.00pm - 8.00pm
Ice Flower Herbarium: Dzena Andersone in conversation	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm

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Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Northern Publishers' Fair	Manchester Central Library	11.00am - 3.30pm
Crossing the Border: A Little Ireland Place Writing Workshop	Wakefield Street	1.00pm - 3.00pm

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Classic Horror: Online Short Story Course	Online	All day
Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	11.00am - 4.30pm
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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
From Aspiration to Implementation: Rethinking Reading for a New Generation	House of Books and Friends	1.00pm - 3.00pm

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Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
An Evening with Danielle L. Jensen	St. Ann's Church	7.00pm - 8.30pm

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Classic Horror: Online Short Story Course	Online	All day
Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
Work In Publishing Week – Sales and Marketing Q & A	Online	1.00pm - 2.00pm
Book Launch: 'Something Black in the Lentil Soup' by Reshma Ruia	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm
Online Event: Elizabeth Gaskell V George Eliot – The Moorland Cottage V The Mill on the Floss	Online	7.00pm - 8.00pm

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Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
Lunchtime Play: Mirror of Slavery	Lincoln Square	12.00pm - 1.00pm
"I Hate Chocolate" by Jonny Rodgers – Book Launch	Chorlton Library	5.30pm - 7.30pm
Online Reading: "Seeing the Other Side" by Allison Symes	Online	7.00pm - 9.00pm
An Evening with Tahmina Begum	Prologue	7.30pm - 9.00pm

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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
An Evening With Dr Tom Crawford	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm

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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
An Evening with Jonathan Coe	Waterstones Deansgate	6.30pm - 8.00pm
Verbose MCR November	King's Arms Salford	7.30pm - 9.30pm

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Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
The Future of Jokes – An Evening with Robin Ince	Serenity Booksellers	6.30pm - 8.00pm
John McGahern: A Writing Life – Frank Shovlin in conversation	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm
Red River Valley by Ian McMillan: Carcanet Online Launch	Online	7.00pm - 8.00pm
Mind Over Slammer: Manchester Heat	Band On The Wall	7.30pm - 12.00am
A Pair of Bookends: On Air at Simply Books	Simply Books	7.30pm - 8.30pm

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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
Word Central	Manchester Central Library	6.00pm - 7.45pm
The Sun Inn Poets – Reading & Open Mic	Manchester Cathedral	6.30pm - 8.30pm
The Age of Hitler – Alec Ryrie in conversation	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm
An Evening with Richard Coles	St Michael and All Angels Bramhall Parish Church	7.00pm - 8.00pm
An Evening with Jamie Bartlett	Prologue	8.00pm - 9.30pm

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Creative Lab	Bridge 5 Mill	7.00pm - 10.00pm

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PlotFest27 Playwriting Competition		Until 12.00am
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
Classic Horror: Online Short Story Course	Online	All day
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Dave Haslam – Creative Journeys: Intimate conversations with artists, actors, writers and musicians	Serenity Booksellers	6.30pm - 8.00pm

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Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
Slow Reading Group: The Manchester Man	SEESAW	6.00pm - 7.30pm
The Battles to Save the NHS – Piyush Pushkar in conversation	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm
Online Event: A Victorian Christmas with Lucinda Dickens Hawksley	Online	7.00pm - 8.00pm
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Classic Horror: Online Short Story Course	Online	All day
Wythenshawe Forum Workshops	Forum Library	Until 7.30pm
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
The Christmas Clue – An Evening with Nicola Upson	Serenity Booksellers	6.30pm - 8.00pm

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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
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National Creative Writing Industry Day 2026	Grosvenor East	9.00am - 5.00pm

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The White North Has Thy Bones: Dorian Ravenscroft in conversation	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.30pm - 8.00pm

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A Festive Evening with Cathy Bramley and Suzan Holder	Simply Books	7.30pm - 8.30pm

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Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell’s House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
A Festive Gathering	The Salutation	6.00pm - 8.00pm

Fri 11 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People’s History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell’s House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day

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Sat 12 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People’s History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell’s House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
A Victorian Christmas Literary Salon: Dickens, Gaskell & Mulled Wine	The Woodstock	4.30pm - 6.30pm

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Sun 13 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People’s History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell’s House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day

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Mon 14 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People’s History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell’s House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day
Verbose December 2026	King's Arms Salford	7.30pm - 9.30pm

Tue 15 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day

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Wed 16 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day

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Thu 17 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day

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Fri 18 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day

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Sat 19 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	All day

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Sun 20 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Victorian Christmas Experience at Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Elizabeth Gaskell's House	Until 4.30pm

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Mon 21 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Tue 22 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Wed 23 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Thu 24 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Fri 25 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Sat 26 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Sun 27 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Mon 28 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Tue 29 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Wed 30 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	All day
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Thu 31 December

Holding Space: Poetry Workshop Series	Online	Until 12.00am
New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Fri 1 January

New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Sat 2 January

New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	All day
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Sun 3 January

New Storytelling Zone at People's History Museum	People's History Museum	Until 5.00pm
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Mon 4 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Tue 5 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Wed 6 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Thu 7 January

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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Fri 8 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Sat 9 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Sun 10 January

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The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Mon 11 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Tue 12 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Wed 13 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Thu 14 January

Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	All day
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Fri 15 January		
Worldbuilding Short Story Course	Levenshulme Old Library	Until 8.00pm
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Sat 16 January		
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Tue 19 January		
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
An Evening With J.M. Dalgliesh	Simply Books	7.00pm - 9.00pm
Wed 20 January		
The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
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Fri 29 January

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
Milk, Bread, Teeth: Amy Twigg in conversation with Lara Williams	Blackwell's Bookshop	6.45pm - 8.00pm

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Sat 30 January

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Sun 31 January

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Mon 1 February

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Tue 2 February

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day
An Evening with Eloise Rodger	Prologue	7.30pm - 9.00pm

Wed 3 February

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Thu 4 February

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Fri 5 February

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

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An Evening with Alice Feeney	Prologue	7.30pm - 9.00pm
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Wed 31 March

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Thu 1 April

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Fri 2 April

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day

Sat 3 April

The Portico Sadie Massey Awards	The Portico Library	All day