## flamstead book festival

2016

books in the belfry

St Leonard's Church and the Village Hall, Flamstead, Hertfordshire

## $20^{th}$ & $21^{st}$ May 2016

## Programme

	FESTIVAL EVENTS	FOOD & DRINK		
Friday May 20 <sup>th</sup>				
<b>19.30 – 20.30</b> drinks from 7pm	Renée Knight DISCLAIMER			
	RENEE KNIGHT will be in conversation about her debut novel "Disclaimer". Likened to psychological thrillers "Gone Girl" and "Girl on a Train" it has been in the best-selling fiction lists all year with the film rights snapped up.	glass of wine or soft drink included in the ticket price		
	Gripping and full of intrigue it is a masterclass in thriller writing with top crime-writers Lee Child and Val McDermid already fans of her work. Any resemblance to actual persons, living or dead, is of course purely coincidental.	(available from 7:00pm)		
	Asking the questions - and trying not to reveal the twist in the tale - will be journalist Vikki Orvice.			
venue: Church	tickets: £10.00 with glass of wine			
Saturday May 21 <sup>st</sup>				
10.30-11.00	Clive Hayward			
Story-time	START THE DAY WITH A STORY			
	Back by popular demand, Flamstead's very own actor-in-residence CLIVE HAYWARD will read from some of our best-loved children's books. Some are classics, others are more recent. But we can't think of a better way to start Saturday's <i>Books in the Belfry</i> .	children's refreshments available in the Village Hall for a donation		
	Aimed at the age 8s and under but all welcome including parents and carers.			
	There will also be a special guest appearance from 8-year-old Flamstead author Finley Froome, who is donating all the proceeds from his book for the church repair fund.			
	This session is free, with a minimum suggested donation of £2 per child.			
venue: Village Hall	tickets: FREE (no need to book); suggested age: 8 and under			
<b>11.30-12.30</b> Workshop	<b>Debi Alper</b> BOOK WRITING BOOT CAMP			
·	DEBI ALPER is an author, freelance editor and creative writing tutor.			
	She will host a creative writing workshop for young adults and adults aimed at beginners upwards.			
	Pens at the ready. Just bring along your imagination for an interactive and engaging session. You never know. You could go on to write the next best-seller.			
venue: Village Hall	tickets: £6.00; suggested age: 14 upwards			

All the proceeds of the Book Festival are for the benefit of the Friends of St Leonard's, Flamstead (Registered Charity No. 1074485) and will be used for conservation and repairs to the church fabric including the roof, which requires urgent attention.



13.00-14.00	Alan Fraser THE HITLER TROPHY - GOLF AND THE OLYMPIC GAMES		
	ALAN FRASER's extraordinary story tells how British duo Tommy Thirsk and Arnold Bentley clinched Olympic golf victory against the odds to incur the wrath of Adolf Hitler at the 1936 Games and how the silver salver they won lay hidden for decades.		
	Out just in time for <i>Books In The Belfry</i> , golf legend Sam Torrance describes it as "intriguing and fascinating". There will also be the chance to ask sports writer Fraser - who has covered all four Majors during his career - about the controversial return of golf to the Olympic programme in Rio this summer for the first time since Berlin 60 years ago.		
	Fraser will be in conversation with award-winning journalist IAN RIDLEY.		
venue: Church	tickets: £7.00		
14.30-15.30	Edd Kimber THE BOY WHO BAKES		
	EDD KIMBER won the first series of the hit BBC show The Great British Bake-off back in 2010. Dubbed "The Boy Who Bakes" he has since written three books, the latest being "Patisserie Made Simple".	tea or coffee and scone during the session included	
	Boys, girls, men and women are all welcome and we're sure Edd can be persuaded to spill the beans on Mary Berry, Paul Hollywood and life in the bake-off tent as well as giving tips on how to avoid that all important soggy bottom.	in the ticket price	
	Talking to him over the tea and scones will be BBC Radio Four broadcaster SYBIL RUSCOE.		
venue: Village Hall	tickets: £10.00 with cream tea		
16.00-17.00	Dermot Turing ALAN TURING: DECODED		
	DERMOT TURING is the nephew of legendary mathematician and code-breaker Alan Turing. As a family member and also a trustee of Bletchley Park, Dermot had access to many previously unpublished papers and photographs for his recent biography "Prof: Alan Turing Decoded" including Alan's own notebook and diaries.	cup of tea or coffee in Village Hall before or after the session	
	Dermot will discuss the impact of his uncle's work from a personal perspective as well as exploring the tragedy of his early death to help shed light on the enigma that was Alan Turing.	included	
venue: Church	tickets: £10.00 with voucher for tea/coffee before or after the session		
15.30-17.30	AFTERNOON TEA	refreshments in	
venue: Village Hall		the Village Hall	
<b>20.00-21.30</b> (approx) drinks from 7:30pm	Clive Hayward WITH GREAT PLEASURE		
	WEST END actor, writer and director CLIVE HAYWARD performs some of his favourite poetry, prose and songs from a professional career spent treading the boards for almost 30 years.	first glass of wine or soft drink included	
	From the Bard to Bart: Clive will entertain us with readings, anecdotes and music including Shakespeare - marking the 400th anniversary of his death; Lionel Bart; PG Wodehouse; Flanders & Swann; T.S. Eliot; Tolkien; Kenneth Grahame; Gilbert & Sullivan; Wilfred Owen; Thomas Hardy and Dylan Thomas.	(available from 7:30pm and during the interval)	
	Accompanying Clive on the piano will be CLAIRE HAYWARD.	torvarj	
venue: Church	tickets: £10.00 with glass of wine		

At each session, typically you can listen to the author, have a chance to ask questions, and, if you would like a copy of the featured book, buy it there and then from Waterstones and have it signed by the author.

Tickets can be bought in advance as follows: (1) online, (2) in person at our Advanced Box Office at fixed times from 27th April 2016, or (3) ordered at the Coffee Dog in Flamstead High Street. For details visit flamsteadbookfestival.com.

The programme is believed correct at time of publication, but please check the website for any further information.

