

Words in Winter

DAYLESFORD | HEPBURN | SURROUNDS

25 - 27 August 2023

Celebrating
20 years

Out of the Shadows

Friday - August 25

U3A-Schools Morning Tea Readings

📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 25.8.23*

🕒 10am-11.30am | FREE

U3A and Schools Morning Tea readings and award presentations. Meeting of old and new writers. A multigenerational gathering with special guest Georgie Rose Puppetry doing an excerpt from *The Little Prince*.

Festival Launch. Wear it Purple Day

📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 25.8.23*

🕒 4pm-8pm | Entry by Donation

Wear it purple for safe, empowering and inclusive environments for LGBT youth.

4pm Special guest **Erin Riley** (they/them) speaks about gender identity and writing.

5pm Welcome to Country and introduction by Mayor. **Daylesford College** readings, music performances, special guest poet **'Alicia Sometimes'**.

6pm Babble Open Mic One piece under three minutes Put your name in the hat & find out if 'you have been chosen' with **DJ Hot Wheels**.

7.30pm **Maia & Petrus** team up to give you an insight into the creative life of the well loved local artist **Petrus Spronk**.

Saturday - August 26

Words in Winter Festival Gala

Guest Speaker Jon Faine

📍 *Palais-Hepburn*

111 Main Rd Hepburn Springs - 26.8.23

🕒 6pm-10pm - \$25 / \$30 (dinner available)

Come support your community event with **Marieke Hardy** in conversation with **Jon Faine**. Music by **Jarrah Olive**, **The Bedridden** - **David M Lewis**, **Alex Miller & Emma Rasmussen**: the world's only muppet punk trio! Poet **Sean M Whelan**.

Gala Tickets: palais-hepburn.com



Words in Winter acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung, the Traditional Owners of Country and custodians of the land. In recognition of their continued connection to land, water and the culture, we pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Saturday - August 26

Women to the Front panel

- 📍 *Frangos - 82 Vincent St Daylesford 26.8.23*
- 🕒 10am-12pm | \$60/ \$50 Includes Breakfast

Discussion 'Out of the Shadows' as a female in this modern climate hosted by Rebecca Lister with Alicia Sometimes, Marieke Hardy, Shalini Kunahalan and Erin Riely (they/them).

Puppetry Workshop - Georgie Rose

- 📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 26.8.22*
- 🕒 10.30am-12.30pm | FREE - Family Event

Sharing a short shadow puppet performance inspired by **The Little Prince**. This interactive workshop explores the diverse artform of storytelling through puppetry.

Oscar Wilde / Dorian Grey

- 📍 *Daylesford Hotel - 2 Burke Square 26.8.23*
- 🕒 11am-12pm | FREE

Toby Sime, local poet laureate, discusses the good the bad and the beautiful. A potboiler, a good read, a masterpiece? A horror story, a crime novel, a metaphor for closeted homosexuality? Dorian Gray is all of the above, and more.

Fireside Funeral Chat hosted by Beverly Risstrom

- 📍 *Daylesford Hotel - 2 Burke Square 26.8.23*
- 🕒 12pm-2pm | \$25/ \$20 concession

Usually stunned, grief-stricken, in shock or exhausted, the friends or family of the dearly departed (i.e., YOU) find they now must make 101 unfamiliar decisions fast. Don't be that guy! Join Beverly for a conversation around planning a funeral in a relaxed and informal atmosphere.

Information & bookings:
www.wordsinwinter.com

Saturday - August 26

Poetry Readings with Anne Gleeson

- 📍 *Paradise Bookshop - 46 Vincent St*
- 🕒 1pm-2pm | FREE - 26.8.23

Poems to make you Laugh Cry and Wonder Join Anne as she reads poetry during an interactive reading. Most of Annes poems stem from her passionate life - the things she cares deeply about. Others stem from her love life, her work life and the life of others.

Stephanie Powell

- 📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 26.8.23*
- 🕒 1.30pm-2.30pm | FREE

Winner of the 2022 Melbourne Poets Union Poetry Prize and published widely in Australia and UK. Gentle Creatures is her second full-length collection. Audience is invited to interact, to ask any questions about the collection & the process of poem making.

Grief Pilgrimage, in the Shadows too Long with Di Percy

- 📍 *Paradise Bookshop - 46 Vincent St 26.8.23*
- 🕒 2pm-3pm | Entry by Donation

Grief can do strange things. I went on a pilgrimage, that was nothing like the quiet nature walk I had in mind, nor what I imagined doing along the way, due to the role of a dice—but it was just the inner and outer pilgrimage needed.

The Art of Co-writing

- 📍 *Daylesford Hotel - 2 Burke Square 26.8.23*
- 🕒 2pm-3.30pm | \$20/ \$15 concession

In 2020 Tony Kelly and Rebecca Lister launched their co-written book '**Growing Pineapples in the Outback**.' The reoccurring question from readers and friends was 'What's it like to co-write a book? Did you argue, fight, agree on everything/nothing?' Join Kelly and Lister as they chat with poet Terence Jaensch about their book and the trials and tribulations of co-writing.

Saturday - August 26

Australian Outback Noir

📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 26.8.23*
🕒 2.45pm-3.45pm | \$20 / \$15

Gabriel Bergmoser, Melbourne based award winning author & playwright, discusses the current popularity of Australian crime thrillers and what it is that makes them so compelling. He draws on recent hits like *The Dry*, *Scrublands*, *The Hunted*, *The Inheritance* and his own novel *The Hitchhiker*.

Dead Poets Society

📍 *Cliffy's - 30 Raglan St Daylesford - 26.8.23*
🕒 4-5pm | \$30 incl. glass of wine & antipasto

Hosted by Sean M Whelan Melbourne Performance Poet. Each person encouraged to bring a poem by a favourite Dead Poet as we take turns in reading them together in honour of the poets lost but not forgotten.



The Spirit of the Books

📍 *Radius (Side Show / Media Room)*
76 Main Rd Hepburn - 26th & 27th
🕒 All weekend | FREE

This installation is a larger than life piece formed by 3 books. A sturdy artwork at the height of people's eyes, this piece will disclose to the viewers the soul of each book. Exhibiton by Jean-Marc Dupré.

Sunday - August 27

Good Storytelling: Write Under Your Nose - with Mark Dickenson

📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 27.8.22*
🕒 10am-12pm | \$15/ \$10 concession

Have a story stuck in your head? Mark Dickenson discusses ways of getting it out, with tips on structure, character, archetypes and other crafty tools for aspiring and emerging writers. Writing a good story requires more than just your brilliant idea - these tips and insights will help make your story truly soar. Mark Dickenson (Swinburne B/A Lit/Media. RMIT Dip Screen Writing).

Social Justice workshop with Jade Rosina McCutcheon

📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 27.8.23*
🕒 12.30pm-2pm | FREE

This workshop is all about writing for Social Justice. How do we articulate our concerns around fairness and equitable treatment in our community through the Form of Poetry.

Stories & Music Around the Hearth

📍 *Yandoit Cultural Centre (Old Church) - 27.8.23 - Family Event*
🕒 2pm-3.30pm | Entry by Donation

A Words in Winter Open Mic event- with stories, song, poetry and music around the theme of 'Hearth'. Yandoit Cultural is at the old church in the bush, Uniting Church Rd (off High St) Yandoit.

Daylesford Writers - Live & Reading

📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 27.8.23*
🕒 2pm-3pm | FREE

Let Anna Irwin-Schutze, Shelley Sandow & Mark Dickenson & guests take you on a journey through the worlds of their imaginations. May contain tales.

Sunday - August 27

On the couch with Beck Lister

📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 28.8.23*
🕒 3.30pm-5pm | \$25 / \$20

Anvil Productions presents the inaugural show of 'On the couch with Beck Lister - part chat show, part therapy!' Join Beck as she chats with Harmony Byrne, Adam Fawcett and Alexandra Collier about their work, inspirations, motivations and doubts. And introducing 'On the couch' resident musician Douglas Lee Robertson.

Venie Holmgren Environmental Poetry Prize announcement & closing drinks

📍 *Radius - 76 Main Rd Hepburn - 27.8.23*
🕒 5pm | FREE

Winning poem announced and read. Come share a drink, a story and relax as the festival comes to a close. Join us for a de-brief.

www.holmgren.com.au



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Across the Weekend

Bird songs & Stories / Kids Event

📍 *Local Hepburn Shire Libraries*
Fri: Creswick 11am & Clunes 2pm
Sat: Daylesford 9.30am Trentham 1.30pm
🕒 FREE ENTRY (45 mins per session)

Vanessa I.R. Craven performs from her book "Birds In My Tree". Perfect for children aged 4-8. The book is a tool to encourage appreciation of local birds via song. Vanessa sings, plays guitar & teaches songs. She also explores the process of self-publishing.

Shadow Puppetry Performances

📍 *Local Hepburn Shire Libraries*
Fri: 1pm Daylesford and 3pm Trentham
🕒 FREE ENTRY - ALL AGES

Georgie Rose is a puppeteer & storyteller. She shares a shadow puppet performance inspired by the classic and much loved story of 'Le Petit Prince' by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, followed by an interactive workshop about storytelling through puppetry.

Poetry Pop-Ups

📍 *Paradise Bookshop 46 Vincent St Fri + Sat*
🕒 Midday til 3pm

Poetry pop-ups from writers involved in this years festival drop in for a meet and greet.

Ordinary Objects, Extraordinary Stories @ Creswick Courthouse

📍 *4A Raglan St, Creswick*
🕒 Times & Info: creswicktheatre.com.au

Share a story behind your cherished object; a worn-out teddy bear, a treasured piece of jewellery, a tattered book, or a garden fork, every object has a story to tell.

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