

September 14th to 16th 2012

CHISWICK BOOKFESTIVAL

MAKE A WEEKEND OF IT



WELCOME TO THE CHISWICK BOOK FESTIVAL 2012

The Chiswick Book Festival (CBF) brings together top authors and their readers for a weekend of history, poetry, sport, crime, biography, creative writing, fiction, thrillers, gardening, food and children's books. After each event, readers can buy copies of the latest books and meet the authors.

Now in its fourth year, the Chiswick Book Festival raises money for St Michael's and three charities which support reading and literacy:

RNIB Talking Books Service and Books for Children, supporting blind and partially-sighted people. The Festival has sponsored the creation of Talking Books by previous CBF speakers Claire Tomalin and Rosamund Lupton.

InterAct Reading Service, which uses actors to provide a reading service for stroke patients in hospital.

The Letterbox Club, which works with local authorities to send book parcels to children aged 7 to 11 in foster families, to improve their educational outlook. It's part of the Book Trust and one of its patrons is Jacqueline Wilson, who spoke at the first Chiswick Book Festival.

We're grateful for the support of local authors, publishers, businesses, booksellers (including Waterstones and Bookcase), Chiswick Library and ChiswickW4.com.

HOW TO BUY TICKETS AND BOOKS

We have a new booking system this year.

Tickets can be bought ONLINE from: www.chiswickbookfestival.net

Or BY POST. You can pick up an Advance Booking Form from:

- Waterstones, 220-226 Chiswick High Road, London W4 1PD
- St Michael & All Angels Church, Bath Road, London W4 1TX
- Or download one from www.chiswickbookfestival.net

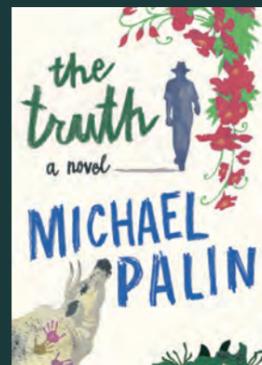
Admission is by Saturday or Sunday Day Pass - £5 per day - excluding:

- Michael Palin at Chiswick House - £10
- Cressida Cowell - £3
- A.N. Wilson, Clare Balding and Antony Beevor - £5 each

Admission is free to the Children's Book Festival and the two poetry workshops - but space is limited. Please book a Children's Day Pass for each person, either online or by post.

Tickets for most events will also be available on the door, unless already sold out. A team from Waterstones' Chiswick branch will be selling copies of the authors' books after each event.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH 2012



6.00pm for 7.00pm start:

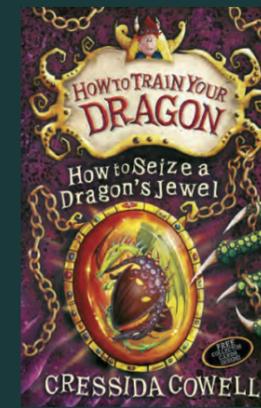
Michael Palin at Chiswick House: From Brazil to The Truth

A special pre-Festival event in the splendid surroundings of the Burlington Pavilion at Chiswick House. Fact and fiction will both feature in this appearance by the much-loved and iconic international star Michael Palin. He talks to the BBC's arts correspondent Rebecca Jones about his second novel, *The Truth*, and his new BBC series and book on Brazil. Refreshments on sale from 6.00pm. Books for sale and signing afterwards.

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The Burlington Pavilion, Chiswick House. £10.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH 2012



3.45pm for 4.15pm: **Cressida Cowell. How to Train Your Dragon: the books, the films and the future**

The 10th book in Cressida Cowell's international bestselling series, *How to Train Your Dragon*, is published this year and Dreamworks is producing a sequel to its hit motion picture based on the series. Cressida Cowell talks about the books and what inspired her to write them as well as her much loved Emily Brown series. Books for sale and signing afterwards.

www.cressidacowell.co.uk

St Michael & All Angels Church. £3.

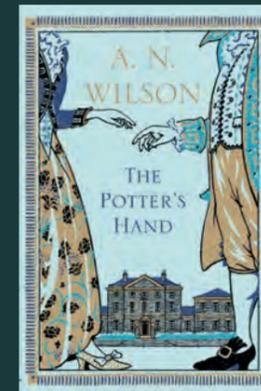
7.00pm for 7.30pm: **A.N.Wilson.**

The Potter's Hand - and why I weep for Wedgwood

Dazzling conversationalist, novelist, biographer and journalist, A.N. Wilson discusses his new novel *The Potter's Hand*, based on the story of the Wedgwood Pottery dynasty. The novel draws on his own family experience, growing up in the shadow of the Wedgwood empire. Books on sale and for signing afterwards. Supported by Savills, Chiswick High Road.

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Refreshments available from 7.00pm.



Michael Palin



Cressida Cowell



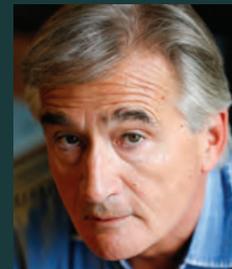
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Jeremy Vine



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*Information correct at time of going to press (10.08.12). Details subject to change.
More events may be added. Watch Festival website, posters and noticeboards for updates.

Children's Book Festival – FREE

Admission is free to the Children's Book Festival and the two poetry workshops - but space is limited. Please book a Children's Day Pass for each person, either online or by post using the Advance Booking Form. Books on sale and for signing afterwards. Refreshments on sale.

Supported by Trotters in Turnham Green Terrace**9.45am: Eva Katzler:****Florentine and Pig have a Very Lovely Picnic**

Singer-songwriter Eva Katzler reads her latest story about Florentine and Pig. They love cooking and are full of great ideas for things to do - with craft and recipe extras, and treats for the children to take away. Mumsnet's Book of the Month, July 2012. For ages 3 to 7.

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs.**10.15am: Tracey Corderoy: Whizz Pop! Granny, Stop!**

There is more trouble afoot for the little girl whose Granny is a witch! Don't miss this entertaining reading and crafts session with award-winning author Tracey Corderoy. For ages 3 to 5. **St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs.**

**10.45am – 11.15am: Lyn Gardner: Olivia's Enchanted Summer**

School's out for summer! Olivia and her friends are to spend August in Edinburgh, home to the world-famous Fringe Festival... With such passion, such good friendships and the summer stretching out before them, what could possibly go wrong? The new book about the girls who love performing, by the *Guardian* theatre critic Lyn Gardner. For ages 9+. **St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs.**

Poetry Extravaganza – St Michael & All Angels Church – Admission free**12 Noon: Performance poetry with Chris White**

Author and poet Chris White performs his poetry whilst drawing wild and wacky illustrations. His fusion of humour, illustration and the written word has taken him to schools all around the world. Join him to see how his creative mind works, and how he brings poetry alive for children of all ages. **St Michael & All Angels Church.**

12.35pm: Two Poetry Workshops – for 2 to 7-year-olds and 8 to 13-year-olds

Following the success of last year's Young People's Poetry Competition and Workshop, the Festival has teamed up with Disney Junior and the Poetry Society to run a younger poetry workshop as well. The Junior Workshop, for parents and children from 2 to 7, lasts an hour and will include readings from Disney's 'A Poem Is...' TV series. The Older Workshop will hear this year's Competition results; then children will work in groups to find great ways to spark up their creativity and write their own exciting new poems. Watch website for timing updates. **St Michael & All Angels Church.**

Festival Supporters

Many thanks to the local firms who have sponsored events or given their services free, particularly the overall Festival sponsors Savills (8987 5550) and Waterstones (8995 3559); Disney Junior: the poetry workshops; Sofa Workshop (8742 0159): the marquee and competition; Hubbard Pegman Whitney (8735 9770): Chiswick House event; BCL: online booking. Also to Chiswick House and the Tabard Theatre (8995 6035) for hosting events; Jane Nissen Books, for selling classic children's books in aid of the Festival charities; and Jenny Yen of hammersmithprinting.com (08448 159630), who designed this leaflet. An updated list of Festival supporters can be found on the website. Many thanks to Midas PR who programme the Festival and organise the publicity.

**11.45am: Andy Briggs: Celebrating 100 Years of Tarzan**

This autumn marks the centenary of one of the greatest legends in fiction. With the backing of the Edgar Rice Burroughs estate, Tarzan has been brought into the 21st century! Andy Briggs will talk about the latest episode in his historic revamp *Tarzan: The Jungle Warrior*, and how you update a legend.

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs. Saturday Day Pass**11.45am: Chiswick's History: Bedford Park and Hogarth's House**

Two local historians shed new light on Chiswick's history. *Jonathan Carr's Bedford Park* by David Budworth describes the construction of the first garden suburb. *Hogarth's House* by Val Bott tells the story of the house and its residents from 1713 to 2012. **The Tabard Theatre. Saturday Day Pass**

1.00pm: Julia Gregson & Lucinda Riley: Love in the Second World War

The Second World War has proved an inspiration for a vast range of novels. Bestselling authors Julia Gregson and Lucinda Riley discuss the way that fact blurs with fiction and how the war has inspired their writing. Chaired by Lizzy Buchan, *Sunday Times* reviewer and author of *Daughters*.

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs. Saturday Day Pass**1.00pm: Adam Smith: Beautiful Brutality: Boxing's Family Ties**

Behind every boxer there's a family - the Hattons, Mayweathers, Khans, Klitschkos and Calzaghes. Sky Sports head of boxing Adam Smith knows them well and takes you right to the ringside in this book, exploring an extraordinary private world. **The Tabard Theatre. Saturday Day Pass**

2.15pm: Anne Sebba: That Woman: The Life of Wallis Simpson...

Based on material never before seen, historian Anne Sebba draws a vivid picture of Wallis Simpson, the Duchess of Windsor, at the heart of a key moment in history. Anne will talk of uncovering family members and archives that allowed her to delve into a deep analysis of Wallis Simpson's striking character.

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs. Saturday Day Pass**2.15pm: Criminal Minds: Mike Marshall, Sophie Hannah, Stav Sheraz**

Three critically acclaimed crime novelists debate the thin line that separates good and evil, happiness and misery, luck and fate. Stav Sherez, Sophie Hannah and Mike Marshall have all had books optioned or adapted for the big screen. Chaired by *Daily Telegraph* crime critic Jake Kerridge.

The Tabard Theatre. Saturday Day Pass**2.45pm: Poetry Workshop: James Priestman**

From Beowulf's banquets to Walt Whitman's breakfasts, food has inspired poetry. Ahead of The Pocket Bakery session, James Priestman, chair of the Pitshanger Poets, will facilitate this workshop on food and poetry, with poems that encourage discussion. All are welcome to join in or listen.

St Michael & All Angels Church. Saturday Day Pass**3.30pm: 20 Years of Agatha Raisin – M.C. Beaton talks to Simon Brett**

Bestselling author M.C. Beaton created the much-loved books about Agatha Raisin - the feisty private detective based in the Cotswolds. With acclaimed writer Simon Brett, she discusses their writing, their humour and the endearing characters that have captivated millions of readers worldwide.

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs. Saturday Day Pass**4.45pm: The Pocket Bakery: Teatime with Rose Prince**

Bestselling food writer, Rose Prince discusses everything from creating canapés to making moussaka. Exploring her many cookery books, Rose will take her audience on a voyage of tantalising taste, with food and drink critic, Carolyn Hart. And after the launch of The Pocket Bakery, there'll be samples to try!

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs. Saturday Day Pass**5.45pm: My Animals and Other Family – Clare Balding talks to India Knight**

Award winning broadcaster Clare Balding talks about her childhood as the daughter of a champion trainer, sharing her life with more than 100 thoroughbred racehorses and a pack of boxers and lurchers. In conversation with journalist and author, India Knight. **St Michael & All Angels Church. £5**

6.30pm Festival Drinks Reception, followed by:**7.00pm The Second World War: Antony Beevor**

The Second World War is a magisterial, single-volume history of the greatest conflict the world has ever known. Using the most up-to-date scholarship, our foremost military historian Antony Beevor assembles the whole picture in a gripping narrative. **St Michael & All Angels Church. £5**

11.30am: David Shreeve: Sharing Eden

Leading UK Jewish, Christian and Muslim environmentalists have launched *Sharing Eden* – a handbook to encourage a greener lifestyle for all, using the teachings of their faiths. David Shreeve is director of the Conservation Foundation.

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs. Sunday Day Pass. Followed immediately by**11.45am: Judith Flanders: The Victorian City: Everyday Life In Dickens' London**

Author of *The Victorian House*, and *The Invention of Murder*, Judith Flanders has written a fascinatingly detailed recreation of life on the streets of Victorian London. **The Tabard Theatre. Sunday Day Pass**

12 Noon: Laetitia Maklouf: How to Create a Garden in a Year

After the success of her first book, *The Virgin Gardener*, about falling in love with plants, Laetitia Maklouf describes how she's created her own garden, in her new book *Sweet Peas for Summer*. Proof that a life full of plants is the only one worth living! **St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall upstairs. Sunday Day Pass**

1.15pm: Lunch session. Call The Midwife: from Book to Screen, Behind the Scenes

After the BBC adaption of Jennifer Worth's memoirs, *Call the Midwife*, Jennifer's husband, Philip Worth, and daughter, Suzannah Hart, describe the journey from book to TV, and their feelings on seeing Jennifer depicted on screen. One of the cast will talk about the pressures of acting out a real life story.

St Michael & All Angels Church. Sunday Day Pass. Refreshments**1.15pm: History, Food and Fiction: Lawrence Norfolk and Kate Colquhoun**

John Saturnall's Feast, a dazzling novel, tells a rich, complex story of 17th Century life - about an orphan who becomes a kitchen boy and rises to become the greatest cook of his generation. Laurence Norfolk will be interviewed by Kate Colquhoun, bestselling author of *Mr Briggs' Hat*, whose work inspired his book.

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall Upstairs. Sunday Day Pass**2.30pm - 4.00pm: Creative Writing and Getting Published In Association with the National Academy of Writing**

Director of the NAW, Richard Beard will lead the panel for a practical guide on how to write and get published in the fast-changing digital age. Insights will be given by a publisher, literary agent, creative writing lecturer, and authors.

St Michael & All Angels Parish Hall Upstairs. Sunday Day Pass**2.45pm Jeremy Vine: It's All News To Me**

25 years after radio and TV presenter Jeremy Vine joined the BBC, he has written a warm, witty and self-deprecating memoir, with great anecdotes about Peter Mandelson, Jeremy Paxman, John Sergeant and others. Andrew Marr calls it "the ultimate insider's account" and says "Jeremy Vine is as good a writer as he is a broadcaster". **St Michael & All Angels Church. Admission by Sunday Day Pass**