# TOWERS AND TALES

LISMORE STORY FESTIVAL

**APRIL 18 TH 2015** 



# TOWERS AND TALES SATURDAY 18 APRIL 2015 LISMORE, CO WATERFORD

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# CELEBRATE CHILDREN'S LITERATURE WITH US AT TOWERS AND TALES 2015.

Lismore is a magical place in which to celebrate stories and illustration, to spark your imagination and to fall in love with words and pictures. We are so excited to welcome you to Towers and Tales, the inaugural Lismore story festival, which we hope will become one of the most exciting and innovative festivals for young people in Ireland. From toddlers to teens and adults who are young at heart, we hope everyone will find lots to choose from

We have a fantastic line up of writers and illustrators. Make a mad hat or a shark in a bath with Sarah McIntyre, giggle along with Philip Ardagh, be enthralled by newcomer Shane Hegarty's Darkmouth. Feeling brave? Imagine yourself in Gormly-Ghast Hall with Chris Riddell's Goth Girl and be prepared to be spooked by international master of teen horror Darren Shan. For teens who love to write, there is an exciting writing masterclass with award-winning author and illustrator Marie Louise Fitzpatrick.

As well as ticketed events, there are lots of free workshops and activities for families throughout the day: Monster Doodles, the Inspiration Station, book-making workshops with Cork's Glucksman Gallery, the CBI Book Clinic as well as pop up readings. We are also delighted to host a marvelous exhibition from London's Illustration Cupboard, entitled 'Meet the Residents of Lismore'. Meet some of the castle's most interesting creatures and check out our competition at the Summer House Café.

Towers and Tales was born out of our shared vision that every child in Ireland should be gifted a book at a very early age, an initiative that is successfully being delivered in over thirty countries worldwide, but not yet in Ireland. To reflect this wish, and thanks to Children's Books Ireland, all young visitors to the festival who buy a ticket will receive a book as a gift. Reading for pleasure is a powerful thing, and we hope that every young person who comes to Towers and Tales brings home not just a book but some of the joy, excitement and curiosity that we hope to inspire on the day.

So come along – get messy and crafty with your little ones, listen to stories or tell some of your own, meet the Gruffalo, hang out at the Woodshed café, eat cake, eat more cake, don't fall into the chocolate fountain, visit the book swap, learn how to use a letterpress printer and get inspired at the Inspiration Station.

Be there at the start of something really special. We look forward to seeing you at Towers and Tales 2015!

Niamh Sharkey and Elaina Ryan Co-programmers

VENUE: LIBRARY TIME: 11AM, AGE: ALL FREE EVENT, NO BOOKING NECESSARY



VENUE: PUGIN HALL, CASTLE TIME: 12 NOON, AGE: 6+ TICKETS: €5



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## CBI BOOK AWARDS SHADOW PANEL DISCUSSION WITH SARAH MCINTYRE

Joing CBI Director, Elaina Ryan and members of the BCS Book Club as they discuss the short list for this year's Childrens Books Irelands Awards

### THERE'S A SHARK IN THE BATH WITH SARAH MCINTYRE

BIG TEETH! BUBBLES! BATHROOM CHAOS! When a family of sharks pops out of the plughole, Dulcie must figure out a way to keep them from eating her up. Cue utter silliness, sea creatures, music and some crazy cartooning with Sarah McIntyre. Learn how to draw a shark, with the creator of books such as Jampires, You Can't Scare a Princess!, Oliver and the Seawigs and Cakes in Space.

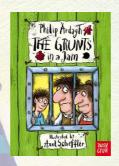
# CHRIS RIDDEIL INTRODUCING ADA GOTH & MISS OTTOLINE BROWN

Ottoline Brown is an exceptionally inquisitive Mistress of Disguise. No puzzle is ever too tricky for her to solve . ... Ada Goth is the only child of Lord Goth of Ghastly-Gorm Hall. Their award winning creator, Chris Riddell is an accomplished illustrator, artist and a political cartoonist for the Observer, the Economist and the Independent.

### **PROGRAMME**



VENUE: CASTLE STABLEYARD TIME 12NOON (DURATION 2HRS APPROX) AGE: 13-16, FREE EVENT



VENUE: HERITAGE CENTRE TIME: 3PM, AGE: 7+ TICKETS: €5



VENUE: HERITAGE CENTRE
TIME 2PM, AGE: 9+
TICKETS: €5 - LIMITED NUMBERS

### THE STORY OF OBJECTS

The Story of Objects. Led by the LCA education team this workshop is designed for teens who are excited by interpreting, critiquing and evaluating the stories behind works of art. Participants are invited to question and propose alternative artistic descriptions for everyday objects such as stable doors, the old fountain and Jacobs Ladder. Join Norton Virgien, director of RUGRAT

### PHILIP ARDAGH MEET MR AND MRS GRUNT.

Oh, go on. They're not that bad. No, actually, they ARE. Maybe worse, even. But Sunny, their sort-of son, is okay.

Prepare for gales of laughter and showers of merriment as Philip Ardagh brings his legendary humour, style, panache (and beard!) to Lismore to enchant and entertain with tales of the gloriously grubby Grunts.

### NORTON VIRGIEN BROWN BAG FILMS ANIMATION WORKSHOP

Join Norton Virgien, director of RUGRATS, HENRY HUGGLEMONSTER & DOC McSTUFFINS for a hands on storyboard and character design workshop.

VENUE: PUGIN HALL. TIME: 2PM. AGE: 12+. TICKETS: €5

### DARREN SHAN VAMPIRES & VILLAINS IN GOTHIC HALLS

International master of teen horror Darren Shan, brings his gruesome tales to life in the apt surrounds of Lismore Castle's neo-gothic Pugin Hall. Prepare to be terrified, enthralled & entertained by the master of zombie gore! Darren Shan is the author of the hugely successful Zom-B & Cirque du Freak series and has sold over 25 million copies of his books worldwide.

ADULTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE TEENAGER!



VENUE: EAST WING TOWER, CASTLE TIME: 2PM. AGE: 9+. TICKETS: €10 (INCL HAT & CAKE). LIMITED NUMBERS

### JAMPIRES HAT-MAKING TEA PARTY

WHAT DO YOU GET if you mix together a sprinkler attachment from the pound shop, a children's ball, a foam pizza base, the plastic lid from a Christmas pudding, some felt, lace, fabric and glitter...?? Why, a wonderful Sarah McIntyre hat of course!

Have tea with Sarah and learn how to make spectacular cake hat creations.

### **PROGRAMME**

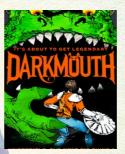


VENUE: ARCADE, MAIN ST. TIME: 4PM, AGE: FAMILY. FREE EVENT\* NO BOOKING NECESSARY

### NIAMH SHARKEY MONSTER DOODLE

Grab an oil pastel in your favourite colour and help former Children's Laureate and awardwinning picture book maker Niamh Sharkey create a whole new universe of scary monsters!

For families who love books, art and fun



VENUE: PUGIN HALL, CASTLE. TIME: 4PM, AGE: 9+ TICKETS: €5.



**VENUE: LIBRARY** TIME: 4PM, APPROX 90 MINS. AGE: 13+ TICKETS: €5

### SHANE HEGARTY DARKMOUTH

THEY'RE COMING! PANIC NOW!

Shane Hegarty brings his monstrously funny debut novel to Lismore Castle's darkened halls. Join him and the legend hunters and find out if Finn really can save the universe!

# MARIE-LOUISE FITZPATRICK WRITING MASTERCLASS FOR TEENAGERS

Have you ever thought about writing a book? Do you have a poem or short story tucked away in your desk drawer, or ideas just waiting to be written down? This is a unique opportunity for young writers to work with an award-winning and much-loved Irish author and illustrator.

### AT A GLANCE

	LIBRARY	HERITAGE CENTRE	COURTYARD
ALL DAY		Animation screenings	BOOK DOCTORS HOT CHOC FACTORY BOOKSHOP
			POP-UP STORIES FOOD STALLS BOOKSWAPS
11AM	CBI AWARDS SHADOWPANEL DISCUSSION		
12 NOON		SARAH MCINTYRE 'SHARK IN THE BATH'	
1PM			
2PM		Animation W/s	MAD HATTERS TEA-PARTY / QUEEN OF HEARTS CROQUET
ЗРМ		PHiLIP ARDAGH	
ЧРМ	Marie Louise Fitzpatrick Writing W/S		

	STABLEYARD	PUGIN HALL	ARCADE	SUMMERHOUSE	RED HALL
	INSPIRATION STATION BOOK PRESS GLUCKSMAN POP-UP			I <u>Ll</u> USTRATION EXHIBITION	
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		CHRIS RIDDELL			
\					PANEL Discussion
		DARREN SHAN			
					CHRIS RIDDELL ADULT W/S
		SHANE HEGARTY	MONSTER DOODLE		

### **BOOKING INFORMATION**

Advance booking for all ticketed events - telephone : 058 54975

In person: Lismore Heritage Centre, Main Street, Lismore Eason, Unit 4, Dungarvan, County Waterford

All events are approximately 50 mins unless otherwise stated.

FREE BOOK WITH EVERY TICKET PURCHASE – present ticket on the day at the BOOK CLINIC

SPECIAL GROUP RATE: 4 tickets for the price of 3 (cheapest event free)

### **ALLDAY EVENTS**



### CBI BOOK DOCTORS

Are you a young reader? Looking for a new series to delve into? Feeling uninspired by your bookshelves at home? Do you need a prescription for an exciting new read? Then pop along to the Book Doctors special Lismore clinic!

VENUE: WEST WING CLOCK OFFICE TIME: 11AM- 4PM. AGE FREE EVENT\* DROP-IN CLINIC \*NO ADVANCE BOOKING REQUIRED



#### INSPIRATION STATION

Write & draw your own stories with help from our facilitators and festival artists. Led by Sarah Webb (Mountains to Sea Book Festival) and members of the Illustrators Gulid of Ireland, the Inspiration Station will be a hub for creativity – Free notebooks, pencils & ideas!

VENUE: CASTIE STABIEYARD TIME: 12N00N-4PM AGF: ALI

FREE EVENT\* DROP-IN STATION \*NO BOOKING REQUIRED



### **BOOK SWAP**

Bring a book(make sure its in good condition) to swop with other festival-goers. The Waterford Library team will be on hand to facilitate and will also be offering free library membership on the day.

VENUE: CASTLE COURTYARD TIME: 11AM-4PM, AGE: ALL

### **ALLDAY EVENTS**

### TOWERS AND TALES: MEET THE RESIDENTS

It is little known is that the sprawling pile of Lismore Castle is home to far more than a well respected family – over the aeons a far more mystical, fantastic and even grotesquely dark pantheon of lurid inhabitants have come to inhabit his picturesque corner of Ireland. So if you look carefully you might just see behind the airy corridors, hallways and courtyards an underworld on which the light of day rarely shines...

This bespoke exhibition focuses on some of the characters created by our favourite authors and illustrators in the many best-selling books they have published. Featuring twenty five original paintings and drawings in all manners of media from pen and ink, watercolour and to oil paint that will fascinate and delight both young and old.

#### The Lismore Story Exhibition Competition: Draw Your Own Resident

To complement this exhibition we invite visitors to turn their own hand on the day at creating a Lismore Resident of their very own. With paper and materials supplied draw your very own personality, monster or anything that comes to mind that you might think lives and lurks in the dungeons and doorways of Lismore Castle.

This competition is eligible for those under 16, and at the end of the day Chris Riddell will select his three winning artworks of inspiringly ghoulish residents. The lucky winners will receive prizes as below.

#### First Prize:

Satoshi Kitamura's **Me and My Cat** A special artist's giclée edition print, Signed and numbered by the artist. Mounted, framed and glazed.

#### Second Prize:

Gift Set of three books, each signed by the artist.

Drat That Cat by Tony Ross

I'm A Happy Hugglewug by Niamh Sharkey Cake Girl by David Lucas

#### Third Prize:

Mr Benn - Red Knight.

Signed by David McKee with a unique drawing on the title page.

VENUE: SUMMERHOUSE CAFÉ, MAIN STREET. TIME: 11AM-5PM AGE:ALL FREE

### **ALLDAY EVENTS**



### GLUCKSMAN POP-UP FAMILY WORKSHOPS THAT EXPLORE DIFFERENT WAYS OF MAKING STORIES IN ART.

Led by experienced art facilitators, this workshop invites participants to create their own comic book story as they track an art detective's journey through modern art history. Stopping off in Rene Magritte's dreams, David Hockney's Swimming Pool, and Edward Hopper's café, participants will design their own detective and answer questions about artworks they find along the way.

Will we find out what is making Edvard Munch's character scream?

VENUE: CASTLE STABLEYARD
TIME: 11AM- 4PM,
AGE:ALL, FREE EVENT\*
DROP-IN SESSIONS \*NO ADVANCE BOOKING REQUIRED



### ARDANA SHED PRESS LETTERPRESS DEMONSTRATION

ENJOY letterpress printing and bookbinding demonstrations – and get to try your hand at it too! The Adana press was first introduced in 1922, and Shed Press Publications continue to use this 5x3 model to make beautiful handcrafted books.

VENUE: CASTLE STABLEYARD
TIME: 11AM- 4PM
AGE: ALL
FREE EVENT\*
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### CAFÉ CUITURE

Relax and enjoy the ambience in the two festival cafes.

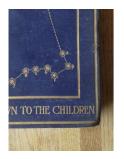
In The Summerhouse Café on Main Street has great coffee & scrumptious home baked cakes with great lunchtime fare & The Woodshed Café in the castle courtyard is our pop-up offering for the day featuring Lolo's crepes, Mochuda Hot-Dogs, wood fired pizzas from PizzaBase, great coffee from The Golden Bean and delicious cakes from the delectable La Cocina and lots more food stalls, as well as Eason's bookstall.



PLUS

POP-UP STORIES
CROQUET WITH THE QUEEN OF HEARTS
HOT CHOCOLATE FACTORY
FOOD STALLS
FACE-PAINTING
ANIMATION SCREENINGS

### ADULTS ONLY



VENUE: RED HALL, XXST TIME: 1PM TICKETS: €10

### PANEL DISCUSSION: WRITING FOR CHILDREN -HOW TO GET PUBLISHED

CHAIRED by Elaina Ryan (Director of Children's Books Ireland) and featuring Venetia Gosling (MacMillan). Marie-Louise Fitzpatrick, Philip Ardagh and Vanessa O'Loughlin



VENUE: RED HALL TIME: 3PM, 90 Mins AGE: ADULTS TICKETS: €15

### CHRIS RIDDELL WORKSHOP

Award-winning author, illustrator and artist, Chris Riddell will discuss his cartoons, satire and working in children's books and newspapers.

Chris is well known for his Goth Girl and Ottoline books as well as illustrating the work of everyone from Neil Gaiman to Paul Stewart, and now Russell Brand. He is also an accomplished artist and a political cartoonist for the Observer, the Economist and the Independent. He has won many awards for his work, including the Nestlé Gold Award and the rare honour of two Kate Greenaway Medals.

A must for professionals and aspiring illustrators & cartoonists.

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### PROGRAMMING TEAM

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#### FESTIVAL TEAM

Festival Co-Ordinator Maura O'Keeffe Graphic Design Paul McAree Dressing Design Emma Davies Festival Intern Ellen McCloskey

### SPECIAL THANKS TO

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#### PROGRAMME PARTNERS

























