



MAIDENHEAD'S BIG READ

BRINGING THE WORLD OF READING TO LIFE FOR EVERYONE



Free

**Friday 28th February -
Sunday 8th March 2020**

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ABOUT US



Maidenhead's Big Read, organised by the voluntary Maidenhead Community Book Festival, aims to encourage more people to read, improve the attainment of children in our schools, bring families and neighbours together to share books, stories and activities, and increase reading and associated wellbeing in our community.

We want to get everyone in Maidenhead excited about literature, literacy and creativity whilst giving you the tools to create your futures because we believe that you can live your dreams through the power of reading and that the future is yours to write.

BIG READ INSPIRATION THEATRE

Bringing bestselling authors, prominent personalities, influential journalists and stars of the screen to share their stories and lives with the public. Located in the Nicholsons Centre in the unit opposite Dorothy Perkins.

BIG READ STOP

A place to relax, unwind and curl up with a book, magazine or comic, a place to let your imagination run wild! In this space you can enjoy the Big Read bookshop, as well as bring your old books and swap them in our book swap area for a new read! Located in the Nicholsons Centre in the unit next to Dorothy Perkins.

BIG READ ARENA

Open the lid on one of our special chairs and pull out a book. Read to yourself, to your friends, or with one of our volunteer readers. Located in the Nicholsons Shopping Centre in the main square. Running on 29th February, 1st March, and again 7th & 8th March only from 11am - 3pm.

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FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

Pop-up Bookshops

29th Feb - 8th March

Pop into the Big Read Stop and browse the many books available from Usborne Books and The Little Bookshop Cookham.



Bookstart Bear

Sat 29th Feb @ 1.30pm
7th March @ 1pm



Meet Bookstart Bear, give him a hug, get a free book and tell him about your favourite story...

Nicholsons Centre Main Square

Once Upon a Bus Storytelling

29th Feb, 1st, 7th & 8th March

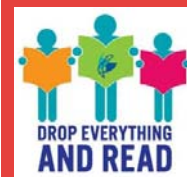
11am - 3pm
Maidenhead High Street



Booking essential

Drop Everything and Read

Thursday 5th March @ 10am
Wherever you are!



Drop everything and pick up a book for just 5 minutes. Let's get all of Maidenhead reading at the same time!

Character Storytelling

Sat 29th Feb & 7th March

Join the Highway Rat (29th) & Zog (7th March), settle down to hear their story.

10.30am @ Maidenhead Library
11.30am @ Big Read Stop



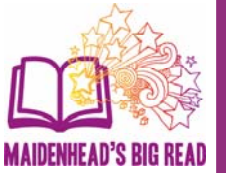
Why I Love Reading Rt Hon Theresa May MP

Friday 28th February
7.30pm - 8.30pm
Cox Green School
Theatre, Highfield Ln

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FESTIVAL EVENTS



MAIDENHEAD'S BIG READ

Friday 28th February



Why I Love Reading:
Rt Hon Theresa May MP
Audience: All ages
Venue: Cox Green School Theatre
Time: 7.30pm

Saturday 29th February



Storytelling & Creative Workshop: **Lisa Buddin**
Audience: 7 - 12 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 10am



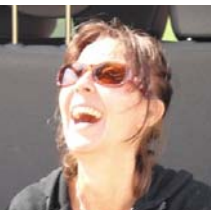
Illustration and Character Design Workshop: **Stephanie Jayne**
Audience: 4 - 7 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 11am



Anyone Can be a Writer!
Patricia Elliott
Audience: Teens & Adults
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 12pm



My Favourite Things!
Coral Rumble
Audience: 4 - 7 year olds
Venue: Maidenhead Library
Time: 1pm



Orang-utan Apes and Rainforests: Global Environmental Issues:
Leysa Henderson
Audience: 8 - 12 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 2pm



Seances, Spooks and Spiritualism – the Supernatural Influences Behind the Lost Ones: **Anita Frank**
Audience: Adults
Venue: Maidenhead Library
Time: 3pm

Sunday 1st March



Illustration with Creative Writing Workshop:
Fiona Craddock
Audience: 4 - 7 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 11am



A Guidance to Build Fantastic Stories... Find Your Story:
Kate Poels
Audience: 7 - 12 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 12pm



Meet 'My Mood Stars':
Wendy Woo
Audience: 4- 7 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 1pm



Demystifying Asian food and Culture: **Pamela Chen**
Audience: Adults
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 2pm



The Place Where You Are Needed Most: **Ric Casale**
Audience: Adults
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 3pm



The Adventures of Charly Holmes:
Tim Walker
Audience: 9+
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 4pm

Tuesday 3rd March



Reading Opens Worlds, and Changes Lives: **Julie Cohen**
Audience: Adults
Venue: Maidenhead Library
Time: 7.30pm

Wednesday 4th March



The Early Dark Ages - Where History Meets Legends: **Tim Walker**
Audience: Teens & Adults
Venue: Cookham Library
Time: 7.30pm



Wrestling with the Octopus... My Journey to Becoming an Author:
Susanna Beard
Audience: Adults
Venue: Bakedd, Maidenhead
Time: 7.30pm

Thursday 5th March



How do you 'Show Up' as a Leader in this Digital Age? **Michelle Carvill**
Audience: Adults
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 1pm



Using our Intuition to Create a Future Worth Living For:
Mary Nondé
Audience: Teens & Adults
Venue: Bakedd
Time: 6.30pm

Friday 6th March



Days Gone By... 150th Anniversary of the Advertiser: Past, Present and Future:
Martin Trepte & James Preston



Audience: Teens & Adults
Venue: Maidenhead Heritage Centre
Time: 6pm

Saturday 7th March



My Favourite Things!
Coral Rumble
Audience: 4 - 7 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 11am



2020 Vision: Collaborative Planning & Placemaking:
Charles Campion
Audience: Teens & Adults
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 12pm



Space Stories - The First Child Astronaut: **Sue Palmer**
Audience: 7 - 12 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 1pm



The Early Dark Ages - Where History Meets Legends: **Tim Walker**
Audience: Teens & Adults
Venue: Maidenhead Heritage Centre
Time: 7.30pm

Sunday 8th March



Rubbish, Plastic and Waste: Global Environmental Issues:
Leysa Henderson
Audience: 8 - 12 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 11am



Magic Carpet Story Telling:
Ruth Humphreys
Audience: 2 - 7 year olds
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 12pm



Chula the Fox:
Tony Perry
Audience: Teens & Adults
Venue: Inspiration Theatre, NC
Time: 2pm

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