STORIES FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN

# 7–13 NOV 2016

# Hastings Storytelling Festival

FREE Events for Under–10s

Jacqueline Wilson Coulrophobia

Hip Hop, Words & Music

Three Half Pints Children's Parade

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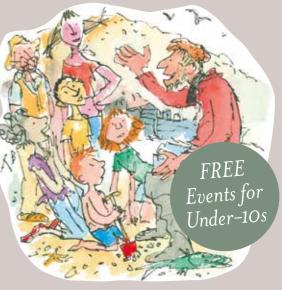
# Welcome to Hastings Storytelling Festival 2016

The fifth annual Hastings Storytelling Festival promises new storytelling experiences for all ages. Our stories are diverse, unexpected and challenging. They'll take you by surprise and change the way you feel.

'Displacement' is this year's theme: Dame Jacqueline Wilson, whose best-selling novels feature displaced children, is joined by Festival Patron Sir Quentin Blake for her talk at the White Rock Theatre; two clowns are displaced into a cardboard world in Coulrophobia, an adult show by Pickled Image; local homeless and displaced people share their stories through the Seaview Project's new book.

Displaced spirits speak from beyond the grave in Shared Space and Light's Talking Lampposts; Audiences traverse the town under cover of darkness in Hastings' Midnight Run; 'The Rockanaurus', a dinosaur, has been created by Sir Quentin Blake especially for Hastings school children.

Plus... Storyteller in Residence Emmanuel the Magnificent enthralls with his Ghanaian stories and there's a medley of magical stories at the Children's Festival Day and Parade... read on to find out more!



# MON 7 – SUN 13 NOV



## TALKING POSTS

A novel twist on the ancient tradition of stories shared around the campfire. Two ornate Victorian street lamps flicker in the dark and eerie projections emerge. Perfectly contained within their glass enclosures and licked by gas flames, disembodied, life-sized talking heads relate accounts of supernatural activities in Hastings.

Talking Posts is the brainchild of Brighton-based company Shared Space and Light, creators of unforgettable collective experiences using a combination of moving image, sound and light. Stories are told by local actors.

5–10pm Near Debenhams, Robertson Street TN34 1HN FREE and suitable for all ages

## MON 7 – TUE 8 NOV

## **Three Half Pints**

Packed with well-executed Monty Python-esque humour, this captivating show from the manic, gag-heavy stars of CBeebies' Spot Bots will entertain adults and children alike with sheer, infectious fun Sandown School TN34 2AA Mon 7 Nov FREE 7pm



**Your cheeks will hurt from smiling so much.'** Broadway Baby

'Comedy legends in the making.'
Timothy Colegate

The Bridge
Community Centre
TN34 3NW
Tues 8 Nov FREE
7pm





## UNCANNY LANDSCAPES

Gareth E Rees is an author, psychogeographer, spoken word performer and editor of UnofficialBritain.com, a website that takes a skewed look at our lesser-explored landscapes. His debut book 'Marshland' was a timetravelling adventure in London's urban wilderness while his latest work explores his home town of Hastings, where he finds unexpected magic in car parks and concrete walls.

7pm University of Brighton in Hastings Havelock Road TN34 1EA FREE



**University of Brighton** 

## THU 10 NOV



## A PLACE TO BE

Workshop with Louise Coigley

Lis 'n Tell, devised by Louise Coigley, is used by teachers, parents, carers and therapists globally to support inclusion in mainstream education of refugee children and children with learning disabilities. The approach uses rhythm, rhyme, repetition and ritual.

Louise runs a speech and language support service for young people, is an associate teacher with the International School of Storytelling and her collaborative children's show was in the top five Hitlist at The Edinburgh Fringe.

4pm Sandown School TN34 2AA FREE



## HASTINGS MIDNIGHT RUN

With IMOGEN BUTLER-COLE

Devised by artist, Inua Ellams, Midnight Run has taken place in Paris, Madrid, Berlin, London and many other towns. Theatre maker and facilitator, Imogen Butler Cole will guide you in this specially designed one-off event for Hastings.

More of a walk, stroll or amble than a run, Midnight Walk is an artsfilled, night time cultural journey. You will traverse through Hastings' urban spaces, gathering strangers and encountering local artists/activists with whom to explore, play and create.

Expect friendly strangers and a new perspective.

6pm – Midnight Starts and ends at The Stade Open Space TN34 3FJ £6 Eventbrite: tinyurl.com/hps6t8a



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## FRI 11 NOV HIP HOP, WORDS AND MUSIC

Three spoken word artists with hip hop interludes from DJ Ize.

Anthony Anaxagorou: 'Bright and stained, raw and ragged and beautiful and so, so moving.' Josh Idenhen

Zena Edwards: 'Zena Edwards takes storytelling into the twentyfirst century.' Pure Poetry

Solomon O.B.: 'His stage presence is magnetic.' Hammer and Tongue President Steve Larkin

7pm
St Mary in the Castle TN34 3AF
£8 from Tourist Information Centre /
Eventbrite: tinyurl.com/j6fo92g



## SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER



Festival Patron, Sir Quentin Blake, joins best-selling children's author. Dame Jacqueline Wilson at the White Rock Theatre. Dame Jacqueline,

famous for her Tracy Beaker stories, often writes about children who are displaced and seeking better lives. In this talk, she discusses her new book, Clover Moon,

> which features a Victorian waif in search of her mother.

### 2pm

White Rock Theatre TN34\_11X Price: Adult aged 17+ (comes with one free child aged 0-10, on request): £10 Children aged 11-16 and/ or additional children aged 0-10: £5

Tickets are available from the White Rock Theatre whiterocktheatre.org.uk

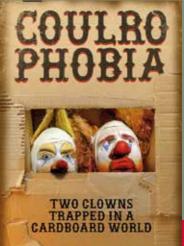


# THE VELVET CURTAIN PRESENTS... COULROPHOBIA BY PICKLED IMAGE

Dik and Adam: Traditional clowns who find themselves in a frightening cardboard world where their actions are controlled by the diminutive yet terrifying Poco the Clown. Outrageous sketches, slapstick, mime, nudity and much hilarity ensue as they plot their escape... which all depends on how persuasive they can be.



8pm St Mary in the Castle TN34 3AF Ages 18+ Contains nudity £10 from Tourist Information Centre / Eventbrite: tinyurl.com/zzqp7vu



# SUNDAY 13 NOV: CHILDREN'S



# The Ugly Duckling by Thingamajig Theatre Stade Hall FREE Suitable for ages 5+ Created and performed by Kathy and Andrew Kim, directed by Mark Whitaker. Life isn't much fun in the farmyard for

Hans Christian Andersen's little misfit duckling. Teased and tormented, he dreams of kindlier places beyond the farm gates. But will he survive out there?



Meet **Isabella Bicycle** who travels the globe on her Story Bicycle, sharing tales from her incredible adventures with whosoever she meets.



# DAY & PARADE

Climb inside **Circo Rumbaba's**giant fifty foot whale for a
meeting with a mysterious
mermaid in The Pirate's
Misadventure.

Richard Storybeard weaves enchanting tales inside his yurt.



Be mesmerised by **Wild Tapestry's** mysterious tales for adults and older children.





Children's Parade at 3pm

12–4pm The Stade FREE

Get ready for the Parade Make something special to wear in the parade!



The parade will include Dende, Open Door and Sambalanco drummers

**Emmanuel the Magnificent and his UK African Acrobats** will juggle hats and perform stunts.

**Plus:** Drumming workshop with Dende for over-10s.

Stade Open Space TN34 3FJ

If it's wet
don't fret!
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are under
cover



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# **Storytelling Hub**

Because we love stories as much as you do, we are creating a 'story hub' on our website. Here are just a few links and suggestions to feed your appetite for splendid tales:

## The Story Museum:

www.storymuseum.org.uk

## **New Writing South:**

www.newwritingsouth.com

## **Forest Row School of Storytelling:**

www.schoolofstorytelling.com

### White Rock Theatre:

www.whiterocktheatre.org.uk

## Meet of the Tongue:

First Friday of the month, 7.30 for 8pm The Ostrich, Robertsbridge: meetofthetongue@hotmail.com

## **Society for Storytelling:**

www.sfs.org.uk

#### Mad about stories?

Want to tell a story next year?
Want to ask a question? email us at:
info@hastingsstoryfest.org.uk
Visit our hub online

www.hastingsstoryfest.org.uk



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#### Robertson Street, Hastings Town Centre TN34 1HN Mon 7 THREE HALF PINTS as seen on CBeebies 7pm Sandown School TN34 2AA FREE Tues 8 THREE HALF PINTS as seen on CBeebies 7pm The Bridge Community Centre TN35 5EE FREE GARETH E. REES 7pm FREE University of Brighton, L4, Havelock Road TN34 1EA Thu 10 LOUISE COIGLEY: LIS 'N TELL 4pm Professional Development, Sandown School TN34 2AA FREE Thu 10 HASTINGS MIDNIGHT RUN WITH IMOGEN BUTLER COLE 6pm-12 From Stade Hall TN34 3FJ £6 HIP HOP, WORDS AND MUSIC 7.30pm St Mary in the Castle TN34 3AF f.8JACQUELINE WILSON & QUENTIN BLAKE 2pm £10 / £5 / FREE\* White Rock Theatre TN34 IJX THE VELVET CURTAIN PRESENTS: COULROPHOBIA 8pm St Mary in the Castle TN34 3AF £10

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE Programme subject to change



CHILDREN'S DAY FESTIVAL & PARADE



7-13

Nov

Wed 9

Fri 11

**Sat 12** 

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**Sun 13** 



The Stade TN34 3FI

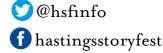
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