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19–25 OCT 2020

Hastings

Storytelling Festival

Children's
Book
Carnival

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Dan The Hat

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Welcome to Hastings Storytelling Festival 2020

If someone had told us last autumn that a global pandemic would send this year's festival online, we might have accused them of making up stories. Sometimes fact is indeed stranger than fiction.

From the devastation wreaked on the entertainment industry by Covid 19, bright shoots of creativity spring forth. Support from Arts Council England has helped our storytellers adapt for digital audiences.

And for those hungry for real-world (socially distanced) entertainment, there's **Dan The Hat** at Stade Hall.

Local school children are enjoying workshops with Storyteller-in-Residence, **Anna Mudeka** (left) and Artist-in-Residence, **Sarah Evans**.



Schools are busy creating book wagons with **Radiator Arts** for the online parade at our **Children's Book Carnival** on Sunday 25 October. This is supported by **Read Your Way** from **Hastings Opportunity Area**.



We hope you'll
relish our
online
storytelling
feast at



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MON 19 – THU 22 OCTOBER HOW TO BE A KITCHEN GODDESS



A different story each evening from Monday to Thursday, plus conversation.

Suitable for ages 16+

Tired of fasts not food?

Thyme for Kitchen Goddess...

Xanthe's up-beet, keep calm and carrot-on approach will totally transform your relation-chip to food.

Take a dollop of story from Egypt, Greece, Arabia, South America – whatever is fresh and available.

Knead in dates, spices and other choice ingredients.

Flambe with philosophy of the feminine variety.

These new stories are a precursor to Xanthe's new Goddess Festival. They may be a little spicy.

Indulge!

'Lettuce Celerybrate – From Inanna to Banana, from Isis to Piesis, Kitchen Goddess puts the fat back into folktale.'

**PrincessCupcake@
WhereFoodMeetsFable**

'She speaks like a woman spitting jewels.'
Arts Council

Monday 19:

Plum Heavies: The Goddess of Sussex makes Plum Heavies with Wilmington Man

Tuesday 20:

Re-Member: Come back for seconds as The Goddess Isis re-members her beloved Osiris by making herb fritters.

Wednesday 21:

Lashings of Cream: And thirds – Cake Goddess blesses excess – fruity folktales with lashings of cream.

Thursday 22:

Sticky Buns: Going out with a bang – Kitchen Goddess uses Neolithic recipe to make yum yums, sticky buns and coochie cookies.

7.30–8.30pm
ONLINE EVENT
FREE (Over 16s)



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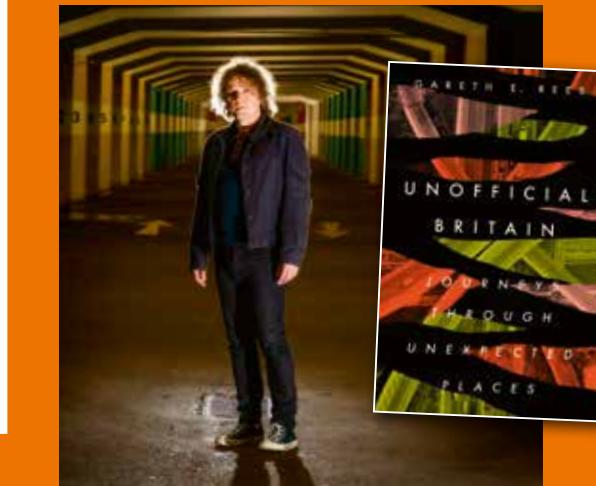
FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER
GARETH E REES: Unofficial Britain

A socially-distanced micro-event at The Pig's Palace, with limited tickets available to pre-book. You can also watch live on our website.

Hastings author and psycho-geographer, Gareth E Rees, reveals the historical echoes and hidden stories that cling to the familiar everyday places explored in his new book, *Unofficial Britain: Journeys through unexpected places*.

Enter a familiar yet alien landscape of industrial estates and electricity

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pylons, motorway service stations and haunted council houses, roundabouts and flyovers.

Enter the competition on our website to win a table for a group of up to six.

Gareth's books include:

Marshland – 'Essential reading – a psychedelic trip into London's secret wilderness.' John Rogers

The Stone Tide – 'A work of breathtaking originality.' Psychogeographic Review

Car Park Life – 'A retail park Heart of Darkness.' John Grindrod, author of *Outskirts*

Unofficial Britain (released 17 September 2020)

7.30–9pm
The Pigs Palace, 37 White Rock, Hastings TN34 1JL
Limited pre-booking available following the 'Rule of Six'*
... or watch live on our website.
FREE

* Subject to changes in Covid restrictions



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SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER DAN THE HAT

Socially-distanced fifteen minute live performances at Stade Hall for pre-booked groups following the 'Rule of Six.'*

Comedian, juggler and stupid stuntman, Dan the Hat sounds like just the man we all need right now – a funny guy that gets an audience laughing.

Tonnes of skills, an abundance of audience interaction (whether you like it or not) and a whole heap of improvised silliness.

You will not be disappointed.

12 noon–4pm
Stade Hall, 20 Rock-a-Nore Rd,
Hastings TN34 3DW

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SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER CHILDREN'S BOOK CARNIVAL

All the wonder without the weather.
Enter our online world of funny,
fantastical and very fine
live storytelling and
performance from the
UK's best storytellers.



Meet your
hosts Ben
and Loulou.



12 noon: Long Nose Puppets presents Arthur's Dream Boat
Based on the book by Polly Dunbar with music by Tom Gray, of the Mercury Award winning band Gomez. A magical playful children's show with breath-taking puppets.

12.45: Kevin Graal: Nursery Rhymes

A musical and visual treat featuring two lesser-known traditional songs. For pre-school children and their grown-ups.

1pm: Richard Storybeard

Live storytelling from a Hastings Storytelling Festival favourite.

1.15pm: Alia Alzougbi

Funny and wise stories from different cultures with clues about how we can live together.



1.30pm: Kevin Graal: Lazy Jack

A silly boy who does the right thing... at the wrong time!

1.45pm: Out of the Bag Theatre presents Lizzy Likes Lizards

Lizzy is a little bit little and the world is a tall place: all up, up, up... 'If only the world would come down to me!' ... and then it does...

Tell a story and make some theatre in your own home. You'll need paper, pens, tape, boxes, card, a sheet or scarf...or join in with just your imagination.



Build your own Book Wagon!

Join the online Parade!
It's simple:

- 1 Choose your favourite book
- 2 Find some wheels (skateboard, scooter, bike, wheelchair, trolley etc)
- 3 Create a wagon of your favourite book (you can dress up as characters from the book too!)*



HASHTAG US ON THE DAY WITH YOUR COSTUMES AND WAGONS AT HOME! #HSF2020

2.15pm: Richard Storybeard

Live storytelling from a Hastings Storytelling Festival favourite.



2.30pm: Alia Alzougbi

Funny and wise stories from different cultures with clues about how we can live together.

2.45pm: Kevin Graal – Last Tiger

A stunning and thought-provoking picture book by award-winning author and illustrator Petr Horáček.

4 Send us a 30 second clip of your wagon on the move via facebook, Instagram or email it to: office@hastingsstoryfest.org.uk by Thursday 22 October.

Your wagon will be shown at the online parade. Prizes for best wagons include books signed by our Patron, Sir Quentin Blake.

* You'll find Radiator Arts' wagon-making guide on our website.

2.55pm: Children's Book Parade with Loulou and Ben, local schools, Circo Rum Baba and Dolly Delicious

Children from local schools parade their book wagons, joined by Radiator Arts, Circo Rum Baba's giant Octopus (Ophelia) and stilt walker Dolly Delicious.

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SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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FREE

Sat 24

DAN THE HAT
Stade Hall *Pre-book a (socially distanced) session**12 noon–4pm
FREE

Sun 25

CHILDREN'S BOOK CARNIVAL
& BOOK WAGON PARADE
Online event12 noon–4pm
Parade at 3pm
FREE

* 'Rule of Six' applies to 'Real World' events at time of printing. These events are subject to changes in Covid 19 rules.



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