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# BOOK WEEK SCOTLAND

27 November–3 December 2017

## Argyll & Bute



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### 'Caring Creatively' - I Know Where I'm Going

**Monday, 27 November 2017**

13:30–15:30

Kiloran Room

Western Isles Hotel

Tobermory

Isle of Mull

PA75 6PR

An afternoon workshop looking at how we can care for ourselves. Often afflicted by wanderlust and a desire to live in (and out) of other cultures, writer Nick Brooks will guide participants to Nourish themselves: exploring that daring-to-be-selfish moment, be it fantastical, profane, or simply what you'd do in your spare time (if you had any!) Together we'll answer the question: 'how would you care for yourself?', as well as enjoying tea and cake in the lovely Western Isles Hotel, Tobermory. The event is open to both the North Argyll Carers and members of the public.

**Suitable for:** Adults

**Ticket type:** Free, drop in

**Accessible:** Yes

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### Scent of the Wildwoods

**Tuesday, 28 November 2017**

13:30–15:30

Wild Glen Lonan

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Outdoor author Linda Cracknell will be taking us, quite literally, on a different path to creative writing. Leading participants around the Glen, Linda will prompt you to use the unique and wild landscapes of Argyll as writing inspiration, adding her own excerpts as the journey continues. This promises to be a unique event!

**Suitable for:** Adults

**Ticket type:** Free, ticketed

**Accessible:** No

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### Crime and Cupcakes

**Monday, 27 November 2017**

19:00–20:30

Rothsay Library

Stuart Street

Rothsay

Isle of Bute

PA20 0BX

Caro Ramsay, Douglas Skelton and Michael J. Malone discuss all things crime from their latest novels: The Suffering of Strangers, Tag - You're Dead and House of Spines. There will be a chance to ask questions and get signed copies of their books after the event.....oh, and there will be cupcakes! Tickets are £4.

**Suitable for:** Adults

**Ticket type:** Paid, ticketed

**Accessible:** Yes

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### Writing on the dark side of life, with Michael J Malone (Dunoon)

**Tuesday, 28 November 2017**

19:00–21:00

Dunoon Library

Argyll Street

Dunoon

PA23 7LT

Prize-winning poet and author Michael J Malone discusses his career in writing about the dark side of human nature, including his latest novel, House of Spines. A terrifying psychological thriller with more than a hint of the Gothic, it is a love letter to the power of books, and an exploration of how lust and betrayal can be deadly... Copies will be available for sale and signing.

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### Skelton's Skeletons (Campbeltown)

**Tuesday, 28 November 2017**

19:00–21:00

Campbeltown Library

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Kinloch Road

Campbeltown

PA28 6EG

A former journalist and investigator (and tax officer, taxi driver and wine waiter), Douglas Skelton produced almost a dozen true crime and Scottish criminal history books, before venturing into fiction - very successfully. In *The Writing Life For Me* he talks about the life of a full-time writer - the inspiration, perspiration and aggravation of making stuff up for a living. Copies will be available for sale and signing.

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### Skelton's Skeletons (Helensburgh)

**Wednesday, 29 November 2017**

19:00–21:00

Helensburgh Library

West King Street

Helensburgh

G84 8EB

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### To Boldy Go - with Chris Brookmyre (Lochgilphead)

**Wednesday, 29 November 2017**

19:30–21:30

Lochgilphead Library

Manse Brae

Lochgilphead

PA31 8QZ

A consummate entertainer both on and off the page, Christopher Brookmyre is back, to chat writing, the impact of the internet, and creating a crime novel set in space. A departure from the incredibly popular Jack Parlabane series, Christopher's latest, *Places in the Darkness*, take place in a city that orbits the earth. The most recent Parlabane installment, *Want You Gone*, will also be up for discussion, never fear! As well as a chance for the audience to ask questions, and have their books signed.

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**Ticket type:** Free, drop in

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### To Boldy Go - with Chris Brookmyre (Oban)

**Thursday, 30 November 2017**

19:00–21:00

Corran Halls

54 Corran Esplanade

Oban

PA34 5AB

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### Writing on the dark side of life, with Michael J Malone (Tobermory)

**Thursday, 30 November 2017**

19:00–21:00

Tobermory Library

Tobermory High School

Tobermory

PA75 6PX

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### Storytime and Singalong Fun with Alan Windram

**Saturday, 02 December 2017**

10:00–11:00

Waterstones

12 George St

Oban

PA34 5SB

Oban's very own Alan Windram of Little Door Books will be joining us for stories, songs and lots of fun. Alan is the author of several beautifully illustrated books for children including *One Button Benny*, *A Puppy's Tale* and the *Mac and Bob* books. Bring the wee ones along for heaps of booky fun, and don't forget to bring your voices as singing along is compulsory!

**Suitable for:** Children

**Ticket type:** Free, drop in

**Accessible:** Yes

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### Graeme Macrae Burnet: In Conversation

**Friday, 01 December 2017**

19:00–20:30

Waterstones

12 George St

Oban

PA34 5SB

Join us for an evening in conversation with Man Booker Prize shortlisted author Graeme Macrae Burnet. Graeme is one of Scotland's brightest literary talents, his books including the wonderful literary mystery *The Disappearance of Adèle Bedeau* and of course the stunning why-dunnit, set in a remote 19th century crofting community, *His Bloody Project*. His new book *The Accident on the A35* is darkly humorous, subtle and sophisticated, burrowing deep into the psyches of its characters and exploring the forgotten corners of small-town life.

**Suitable for:** Adults

**Ticket type:** Free, drop in

**Accessible:** Yes

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### Cakes and Stories with Sue Lawrence

**Saturday, 02 December 2017**

11:00–12:30

Atlantic Islands Centre

15 Cullipool Village

Luing

Oban

PA34 4UB

Sue Lawrence is a Scottish cookery and food writer, noted for her promotion of traditional Scottish recipes and regional produce. Sue joins us on the beautiful Island of Luing, to talk about her latest cookbook *Scottish Baking*, as well as chatting to Mary Whitmore about her latest novel, *The Night He Left*. Sue will be on hand to answer questions, sign books and discuss all things cake.

Tea, coffee and a selection of bakes made by Isle of Luing Bakers will be on sale and entry is by donation.

**Suitable for:** Adults

**Ticket type:** Free, ticketed

**Accessible:** Yes

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### Non Stop Hip-Hop

**Saturday, 02 December 2017**

14:00–19:30

Hope Kitchen

Soraba Lane

Oban

PA34 5SG

Non Stop Hip-Hop gives you the chance to spark your ideas for raps, into reality, and make beats to bring them out sharp. You will learn different techniques including tone, flow, simile and structure and get the chance to record your work before the day is done. Mon then.

**Suitable for:** Young Adult

**Ticket type:** Free, drop in

**Accessible:** Yes

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**New events are being added to our website all the time—check out the live listings for the most up to date info.**

**You can also check out our new virtual festival, vote for your favourite song inspired by books, or read some of the stories appearing in our eBook this year—all inspired by our theme of Nourish.**

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