

News Release

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North West authors promoted in new event at Weaver Words Literature festival

Calling all book groups, libraries and book lovers – please come and support your local authors at a special new free event at Weaver Words Literature Festival in Frodsham on Friday 8th April.

This is the plea from festival organisers who are hoping to showcase the work of around 25 writers from all over the North West and the Isle of Man in a new *Meet the Authors* event at Frodsham Community Centre.

The showcase event, in association with the Society of Authors, will take place 6pm – 8pm, just before the Roger McGough performance. Featured writers cover a wide range of literary genres from romance and children's books to fantasy, poetry and history.

Each writer will have a stall to display their books. Many also offer talks and events which will appeal to organisers of social groups, such as WI and Probus, on the lookout for new speakers.

Festival manager Lynn Pegler said: "For every J K Rowling success story, there are hundreds of other talented writers struggling to get noticed. If all local book clubs came and chose a locally-written book for their next annual book club list or selected a speaker from the authors, what a fantastic difference that would make.

"The North West is home to some amazing creative talent. 'Buy local' is a marketing message which works for literature too. We just hope lots of people will come and discover what exceptional authors we have on our doorstep."

Featured writers at the free drop-in event include: Katharine Norbury, Julia McGuinness, Sarah Jasmon, Alison Layland, Elaine Walker, Rhona Whiteford, Phil Allcock, Annie Burrows, Alicia Wright, Jacqueline Farrell, David Chadwick, Muriel Maufroy, Ruth Sutton, Margaret Holbrook, Diana Shaw, June Francis, Sarah Ward, Margaret Murphy, Katharine Ann Angel, Jenny Martin, Judith Davis, Barbara M Challenger, Maureen Weldon, Judy Ford, Hilary Green.

For a full list of authors and contact details, please go to the festival website <u>www.weaverwords.org.uk</u>.

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