

Morning workshops

AM1

AM2

AM3

AM4

Afternoon workshops

PM1

PM2

PM3

PM4

Please state your choices of workshop on the booking form

Programme for the day

9.30am – 10am	Registration and coffee
10am – 10.45am	Introduction and discussions
10.45am – 11.15am	Coffee
11.15am – 12.15pm	Morning workshops
12.15pm – 12.30pm	Discussion of day so far
12.30pm – 1.30pm	Lunch *
1.30pm – 2.00pm	Author talk or readers testimonies or who would the authors have paid to come and see
2.00pm – 3.00pm	Afternoon workshops
3.00pm – 3.20pm	Coffee
3.20pm – 4.00 pm	Questions to authors. rounding off
4.00 pm	Finish

There will be lots of opportunities to buy books from the Ottaker's stand using a special discount token in your welcome pack, take part in the prize quiz, and meet the authors.



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Reader's Day

a day for everyone who likes books and reading

Saturday 22nd May 2004
10 am – 4 pm

at the Civic Centre, West St, Oldham

Authors

Talk Books

Oldham and Rochdale Library and Information Services and Time to Read, the North West Libraries Reader Development Partnership present a day of celebrating books and reading.

Meet authors

On Saturday 22nd May, over a hundred readers will join writers Qaisra Shahraz, Trevor Hoyle, Livi Michael, Ray French and Cath Staincliffe for a day of indulging in the love of books.

Have fun

All are welcome to join us for an entertaining and informative day. This is a unique opportunity to take part in workshops, discussions, talks and meet authors in person.

For more information phone or email

Authors

Ray French

A man called French, born in Wales to Irish parents: who now lives in Yorkshire. Who better to discuss "A sense of belonging"? He has written a novel firmly rooted in belonging, family and national ties called "All This Is Mine", which has been translated into Dutch and Italian, and a collection of powerful, witty short stories set in multi-cultural Britain, called The Red Jag and other stories.

Workshop: Feeling connected



Livi Michael



Cath Staincliffe



Qaisra Shahraz



Trevor Hoyle



Livi Michael

When it comes to placing the local scene in novels, Livi Michael is the champion. She has written four novels for adults, Under a Thin Moon, Their Angels Reach, All the Dark Air and Inheritance. Her novels for children feature Frank the hamster. Her new book for children, The Whispering Road has strong links with Saddleworth and Manchester.

Workshop: *Writing the north*

Cath Staincliffe

The creator of the acclaimed Sal Kilkenny mysteries. Looking For Trouble launched private eye Sal: a single parent struggling to juggle work and home, onto Manchester's mean streets. It was short-listed for the CWA best first novel award and serialised on BBC, Radio 4, Woman's Hour. The sixth and latest mystery is Bitter Blue. Cath is also a scriptwriter, creator of Granada Television's hit police series, Blue Murder, starring Caroline Quentin.

Workshop: *Outside looking in*

Qaisra Shahraz

Qaisra Shahraz is a critically acclaimed Novelist and Scriptwriter. Her first novel The Holy woman (2001) and its sequel Typhoon (2003) have been part of major literary festivals including One Book for Coventry and The Birmingham Book Festival". Typhoon has become a leading title in Holland. her 14 episodes drama serial Dil Hee to Hai recently won 2 TV Awards in Pakistan. Her award winning short stories are studied in German schools and colleges.

Workshop:

Trevor Hoyle

Trevor's writing ranges from mainstream novels to science fiction and speculative fiction. He contributed to the cult TV series Blake's Seven for the BBC and wrote the novels based on the scripts. His latest publication is a reissue of his 1975 novel Rule of Night, the compelling, dark look at kinship and culture in a gang of skinheads set in Rochdale in the 70s. Currently he is working on a novel The Kingdom of Darkness and compiling a collection of short stories titled Hard Shoulders/Soft Verges.

Workshop: *My favourite fictional Character*

Booking form

I would like to book a place at the Oldham and Rochdale Readers Day on Saturday 22nd May 2004. I enclose a cheque for £6 made payable to "Rochdale Borough Council" (Is that right?)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime contact number: _____

Email address: _____

Please choose your options for the workshop sessions (eg AM1, PM2, etc). Places are allocated on a first come first served basis so please apply as soon as possible to guarantee your first choice.

My morning workshop preference is:

First choice _____

Second choice _____

My afternoon workshop preference is:

First choice _____

Second choice _____

Price includes a packed lunch.

Please tick for vegetarian lunch

Where did you collect this leaflet

Cut out your completed form and post to:

Janice Brown Readers Day, The Wheatsheaf Library, Bailie Street, Rochdale OL16 1JZ.