



BUDLEIGH SALTERTON  
LITERARY FESTIVAL

CELEBRATING BOOKS BY THE SEA



# Events for Families

## 21<sup>st</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023

Packed with fun and activities  
for everyone aged 3 to 100

Join us for...

- Axel Scheffler
- Sir Charlie Stinky Socks Show
- Martin Brown and Horrible Histories
- Beetles for Breakfast
- Comic Art Workshop
- Music and Storytelling Workshops
- FREE Horrible Histories
- 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary activities



Book online at [budlitfest.org.uk](http://budlitfest.org.uk)  
or call 0333 666 3366



Thursday 21st September

## Poetry Slam

where: Public Hall  
time: 3-5pm  
ticket: **FREE**

Come along and support local secondary school students as they go head to head after a day refining their slam poetry with poet John Paul O'Neill of Farrago Poetry.



Friday 22nd September

## Bounce 'n' Rhyme

where: Mini Marquee  
time: 2pm | ticket: **FREE**

Budleigh Library's weekly music and book session for toddlers and pre-schoolers comes to the Festival tent.



Saturday 23rd September

## Horrible Histories Free Activities

where: Mini Marquee  
time: 10am-4pm  
ticket: **FREE**  
All ages

Celebrate 30 years of the hilarious and iconic books with lots of activities, interactive fun and craft all set around the themes of these best-selling books.



## Kristina Stephenson *Sir Charlie Stinky Socks*

where: Playhouse  
time: 10.30am  
tickets: **£6** | 3-7 years

Come on a fun-filled journey with Sir Charlie Stinky Socks and his creator Kristina Stephenson as you follow a mystical map through all nine of the bold brave little knight's adventures through deep dark forests, over pirate-infested seas, across the deserts of Egypt and into the world of imagination. An interactive event with puppets, music and dressing up.



## *Sir Charlie Stinky Socks Puppet Workshop*

where: Church on the Green | time: 12.30pm  
ticket: **£6** | 3-7 years

Follow the Sir Charlie Stinky Socks - Mystical Maps and Magical Monsters show with a special, sustainable puppet making workshop. Create your own paper bag monster, pirate, mermaid, dragon, fairy or any marvellous creature you can imagine. You can make some scenery and props too. Then perform your own puppet show in Sir Charlie's cardboard puppet theatre. Take away a signed 'Knighted by Sir Charlie' certificate too.



## Madeleine Finlay *Beetles for Breakfast*

where: Church on the Green  
time: 3.30pm | ticket: **£6** | 7-11 years

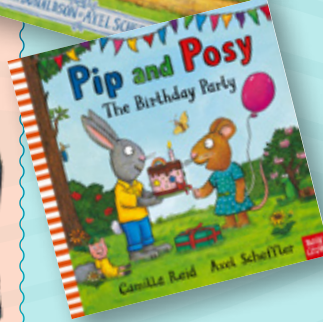
Discover how you could be eating insects, taking inspiration from slime mould, and even using poo for power. Writer and presenter of the *Guardian's* science podcast, Madeleine will show you some of the weird, wacky and wonderful ideas scientists are coming up with to tackle some of our toughest environmental challenges. You'll get the chance to taste some bugs and design your own futuristic invention to help us lead greener lives!



## Axel Scheffler *Pictures & Stories*

where: **St Peter's Church**  
time: **2pm**  
ticket: **£8**  
**3-8 years**

We are very excited to welcome the enormously popular illustrator who created the image of the world-famous *Gruffalo*, and is behind so many much-loved children's books. A long-time collaborator with Julia Donaldson, Axel will be drawing and sharing his favourite stories.



## Megan McCubbin *An Atlas of Endangered Species*

where: **Temple Church**  
time: **5.30pm**  
ticket: **£12/£10**  
**12-100 years**

The diversity of life on earth is astounding, with each species perfectly adapted to its environment. *Springwatch* presenter and zoologist, Megan McCubbin reveals the stories of the scientists, rangers and conservationists who are fighting to save these extraordinary creatures from extinction - and we can all play our part.



## Wren Music *Music and Stories Workshop*

where: **Church on the Green**  
time: **10-11am**  
ticket: **£5 (Adults free)**  
**0-8 years**

After last year's huge success, join us again for a sing-along, the chance to play strange and wonderful instruments, and use the stories we know to make new songs.

**Sunday 24th September**

## *Horrible Histories* *Free Activities*

where: **Mini Marquee**  
time: **10-11.15am and 12.30-2pm**  
ticket: **FREE | All ages**

Celebrate 30 years of the hilarious and iconic books with lots of activities, interactive fun and craft all set around the themes of these bestselling book



## What's Your Favourite Book?

This year we're celebrating the best children's stories and asking everyone - whatever their age - what is their favourite children's book.

Write it on a label and hang it from our special story tree in the Festival Marquee.

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**Turn over for more...**

# MORE Events for Families

Sunday 24th September

Martin Brown

## *Illustrating Horrible Histories*

where: Public Hall

time: 10am

ticket: £8

6-13 years

Martin has illustrated many of the bestselling *Horrible History* books and his funny drawings are synonymous with this brilliant series. Come along to hear how he comes up with his ideas and learn to draw some of the favourite characters. He'll also be introducing *Nell the Cave Bear* which he has written and illustrated.



Kev F

## *Comic Art Masterclass*

where:

Mini Marquee

time: 2-4pm

ticket: £12

7-14 years\*

Kev F Sutherland writes and draws for *Beano*, *Doctor Who* and *Marvel* comics, and makes graphic novels adapted from Shakespeare, and now he'll teach you how easy it is. After the end of this Comic Art Masterclass, everyone leaves with a comic containing a strip by everyone in the class plus an individual caricature by Kev F. Learn everything he knows, so you could leave school and steal his job!



Martin Maudsley

## *Wild Tales*

where: Mini Marquee

time: 11.30am-12.15pm

ticket: £5 | 6-12 years

Join storyteller Martin Maudsley as he weaves together a tapestry of spellbinding stories about all creatures great and small. Who is King of the Birds? What happens when trees talk? How does a little duck get the better of a bear? Find out more through these fabulous folktales and magical myths that celebrate our imaginative connections with the wide, wild world. Martin animates the stories with music and song, as well as plentiful playful audience participation.



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\*Children can be left at your own risk, but we will request a contact number.

## Please note all ticket prices include VAT.

In addition to the ticket price, there is a booking fee charged by Ticketsource, the Festival's ticketing agents, which is the cost of running the booking system (not income for the Festival).

## You can buy tickets:

- Online at [budlitfest.org.uk](http://budlitfest.org.uk)
- By phone: **0333 666 3366** (open Mon-Fri, 9am-7pm excluding bank holidays, Sat 9am-5pm)
- Telephone bookings are subject to a booking telephone service fee of £2.00 which includes postage of your ticket and covers all methods of ticket delivery. Tickets can be posted up to 96 hours before an event.
- During the Festival, tickets are also available at the Festival Hub Marquee on the Green subject to availability. Cash or cards accepted.

## Booking and Festival Information:

### TICKETS

Seating is unreserved. Tickets cannot be transferred or exchanged and are non-refundable unless we have to cancel a particular event, in which case your ticket will be refunded. Please note that we cannot refund postal charges, telephone service fees, ticket delivery fees and "Refund Protection" charges (where it falls outside of the 14-day cooling-off period).

### ONLINE EVENTS

Some events in St Peter's Church will be available to watch later online. Find them in Events on our website by selecting the "Online" option.

## OTHER INFORMATION

- All events are an hour long unless stated otherwise. The event end time will be shown on your ticket. We endeavour to start all events on time. Please note that doors will be open 30 minutes before each event. If there is an event following immediately afterwards, it will be necessary for the venue to be fully vacated before individuals can take their seats for the next event.
- Programmes and performers may be subject to change. We reserve the right to substitute a speaker if circumstances dictate. Please go to [budlitfest.org.uk](http://budlitfest.org.uk) for updates and information before you travel, or follow us on [Twitter @budleighlitfest](https://twitter.com/budleighlitfest).
- All information in this programme is correct at the time of going to press.

**Please note: children under 14 must be accompanied by a responsible adult and adults are expected to buy a ticket unless otherwise specified.**

### ACCESSIBILITY

The Festival welcomes visitors with disabilities.

Tickets are available for persons with a disability who require the help of a personal assistant who can attend free of charge.

All our venues offer step-free access.

Please advise our stewards if you have sight or hearing impairment on arrival and we will do our best to seat you in a suitable place.

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