



I am enormously pleased and flattered to be Patron of the Wolds Words Festival. Since, rather strangely, I seem to be the present Lord of the Manor of Tattershall, I hope I might be allowed to claim a connection with the district but, at any rate I do feel strongly that Literature Festivals are a good thing all round and deserve our support. Having won an Oscar at the slightly advanced age of 52, believe me I know all about hidden talent and I sometimes feel that I am the 'spokesman for the overlooked'. I would like to think that I am anyway and in that capacity I would encourage you to participate in Wolds Words and just have a go.

Julian Fellowes Festival Patron

THURSDAY 21 OCTOBER

JULIAN FELLOWES... IN CONVERSATION

3.00pm – 5.00pm
Tickets £5 (concessions £3)

Artistic Director for Louth Playgoers, Dave Morris will interview Julian Fellowes about his recently launched novel 'Snobs', as well as his acting (Lord Kilwillie in Monarch of the Glen) and screenwriting career (Gosford Park & Vanity Fair). Questions also invited from the audience.

AN AUDIENCE WITH BARRY NORMAN... AND WHY NOT?

7.30pm – 9.45pm
Tickets £15 (Theatre patrons and associates £14)
A Louth Playgoers promoted production

A unique opportunity for film lovers to meet the most popular film critic in Britain, as he shares his amusing anecdotes about icons of the silver screen.

FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER

BLACKBIRD FLIES THEATRE GROUP WITH POET PAUL SUTHERLAND

Louth Town Hall, Eastgate, 10.00am – 3.00pm.
Drop in any time. This event is FREE



A special collaboration between the performance group based at Louth Social Education Centre, and well-known local poet Paul Sutherland. Come and see poetry in action and put pen to paper to contribute to the national Big Draw celebration.

WRITING FOR THE BBC – A BBC 'WRITERSROOM' WORKSHOP

Studio Theatre, Riverhead Theatre, Victoria Road, Louth
2.00pm – 4.00pm This event is FREE

Have you ever wondered how budding playwrights or sketch writers get their foot in the door? Jessica Dromgoole, New Writing Co-ordinator at the BBC will explain how the 'Writersroom' nurtures and develops new talent across BBC TV, Radio and Film.

LINDA SMITH: ON HER WRAP UP WARM TOUR

8.00pm – 10.00pm
Tickets £12 (Theatre Patrons and Associates £11)
A Louth Playgoers promoted production

Voted 'Wittiest Person' by Radio 4 listeners, comedian and writer Linda Smith is widely regarded as one of the sharpest comics around. Doyenne of Radio 4's popular quiz shows the 'News Quiz' and TV's 'Have I Got News for You'. This promises to be an evening of sparkling entertainment.

SATURDAY 23 OCTOBER

LOOK OUT TODAY for a historical character from Louth's glorious canal days, wandering the streets to signpost you to the Riverhead Theatre.



TELL THE TRUTH – AND GET PAID FOR IT! A WORKSHOP WITH CASS & JANIE JACKSON

10.00am – 12 noon
Tickets £3

With many years writing experience, this published husband and wife team - professionally known as Flair for Words – will take you on a tour of the pleasures and pitfalls of writing non-fiction for magazines, journals and books.

LUNCHTIME FILM: DREAD, BEAT AN' BLOOD

12 noon - 12.45pm
Arts Council Library. This event is FREE

A chance to take a break from sampling other Wolds Words delights, or from the weekend shopping. Drop into the foyer to see this film profile of nationally acclaimed poet Linton Kwesi Johnson.

LUNCHTIME LINCOLNSHIRE DIALECT: STORYTELLING AT THE WOOLPACK INN

The Restaurant at the Woolpack Inn, Riverhead Road, Louth.
12.30pm – 2.00pm
This event is FREE. Light lunches available

Members of Far Welter'd Dialect Group will once again amuse everyone with their wonderful poems and tales of life in deepest Lincolnshire; a rich tapestry of country voices and heart-warming stories for you to enjoy.

WORLD POETRY – A WORKSHOP WITH PAUL SUTHERLAND

2.00pm – 4.00pm
Tickets £3

As 'Writer in Residence' at the Lincoln Book Festival and the founding editor of 'Dreamcatcher', Paul is a seriously experienced poet; his recently published Seven Earth Odes was critically acclaimed as 'a sustained triumph'. Paul will examine international approaches to poetry, sharing his insights about the techniques and talents of poets around the world.

DERIC LONGDEN (WITH BSL INTERPRETATION FOR PEOPLE WITH HEARING DIFFICULTIES)

7.30pm – 9.30pm
Tickets £7, £5 concessions

Deric's novels about everyday life in Huddersfield have an international following, including a recent TV film adaptation of 'Lost for Words'. His candid sharing of not-so-everyday life experiences in his biographical novel 'Diana's Story', were filmed as 'Wide-Eyed and Legless', starring Julie Walters.

SUNDAY 24 OCTOBER

OPEN MIC SESSION

10.00am – 12.30pm
This event is FREE.
Please pre-book by calling 01507 329437

A chance for budding poets, storytellers and performers to take the stage at the Riverhead Theatre, to perform their work. With just six minutes each to thrill the audience, Chris Kirkwood, Arts Officer for Lincolnshire County Council, will comper what promises to be a lively event.

LUNCHTIME FILM: DAUGHTERS OF DE BEAUVOIR

12.30pm – 1.30pm
Arts Council Library. This event is FREE

A chance to catch your breath from the morning session and see another film from the ACE library. Well-known women writers talk about the sixties impact of the seminal writer Simone de Beauvoir.

WORD WONDERS – AN AFTERNOON OF RICH VARIETY

Between 1.30pm – 4.30pm

IN MY WORDS

1.30pm – 2.30pm

The winners of this competition for East Lindsey secondary schools will perform their winning works and receive their well-earned awards. Coached by Ahren Warner (winner of Foyles Young Poet of the Year), these aspiring scribes will amaze you with their skill and stage presence. Trophies by Lincoln calligrapher Michael Paine.

POETRY PROJECT – BLACKBIRD FLIES THEATRE GROUP

2.45pm – 3.00pm

A chance to see this one-off performance resulting from Friday's Poetry Project at Louth Town Hall.

TENNYSON RAP

3.00pm – 3.15pm



In the run up to the festival, selected poems by local figure Alfred, Lord Tennyson have been transformed into works for contemporary listeners, as part of soundLINC'S Sound 52 project for up and coming young music producers. Here's your chance to listen to the results.

WRITE ACROSS EAST LINDSEY

3.30pm – 4.30pm

This creative writing competition attracts people of all ages and interests to submit their poems and short stories. Judged by professional writers Cass and Janie Jackson (short stories) and Rennie Parker (poetry), the winners will be announced and prizes awarded as a fitting conclusion to Wolds Words 2004.

