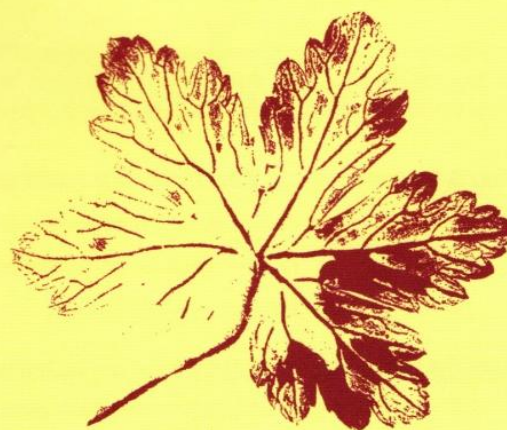
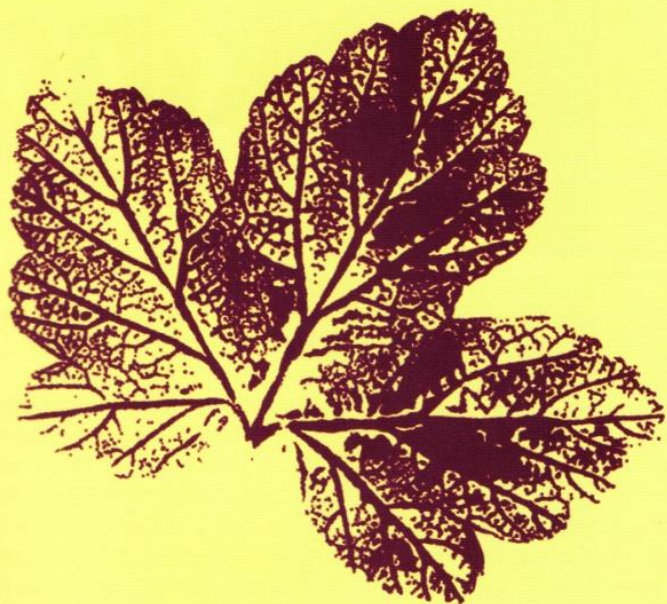


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Kicking Leaves

THE EAST LANCASHIRE CHILDREN'S LITERATURE FESTIVAL

'Giving a voice to young people'

AUTUMN 2004

Kicking Leaves

The 'Kicking Leaves' Children's Literature Festival is managed by a partnership between Mid Pennine Arts and the Lancashire Schools' and Young People's Library Services.

"You are an example of the fact that access to Arts and excellence in Arts can go side by side!" Estelle Morris, Arts Minister, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, after visiting Mid Pennine Arts in June this year.



We are delighted to present a spectacular programme of work for young people, their families and teachers in East Lancashire, this autumn. What makes our Festival different is that it focuses on the creativity of young people supported by professional artists. There are opportunities for pupils and students at all levels from nursery to primary, from special schools to secondary schools and colleges. Do make sure that your school is involved.

The Festival is supported by a strong partnership from the Arts Council of England to the Lancashire Young People's Library Service and the County Museum Service, from local borough councils to organisations like NESTA, the Brighton Festival and the Arvon Foundation.

Courses for Teachers

'Inspiring Boys to Write' with poet David Harmer.

Mid Pennine Arts has been managing a literacy project on the theme of 'Inspiring Boys' to Write' for a cluster of 7 'small' schools across East Lancashire. Each school has been visited by two writers who have targeted Year 4 for the work. The climax of the project is a twilight course for the 60 teachers from the schools in the Great Barn at Gawthorpe Hall, Padiham on September 4th.

'Creative writing in the classroom for Key Stages 2 & 3 with poet John Foster.

When:	Wednesday 20th October	from 9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Where:	Pendle Heritage Centre, Barrowford, Nr. Nelson.	
Cost:	£80	



A very practical one day course to reflect the vital role that creative writing plays in the National Literacy Strategy. The aims of the day will be:

- ✿ to ensure teachers are more confident about using poetry in the classroom
- ✿ to provide practical initiatives to encourage creative writing and reading
- ✿ to explore the development of setting up an e-mail relationship with professional writers

Mid Pennine Arts is delighted to have secured John Foster as leader for this course. He is not only a prolific writer of books and poetry anthologies for children but has also written English course and source books which include Oxford Reading Tree titles. In addition to his writing, John is a former teacher with over 20 years experience who has played an active role in promoting good English teaching in schools. Working with some of the country's top poets, his anthologies present children with original, contemporary poetry. He is currently involved in a national pilot project, together with other high profile writers, developing an e-mail exchange with an East Lancashire primary school. He will be passing on his experience of the project together with teachers from other schools involved.

'Creativity and the Wider Reading Agenda' In partnership with Lancashire Schools' Library Service.

When:	Monday 8th November	from 9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Where:	Pendle Heritage Centre, Barrowford, Nr. Nelson.	
Cost:	£100	
Course Leaders:	Lynn Fenton, Lancashire Schools' Library Service Manager, David Smith, Education Officer for Mid Pennine Arts.	

The sessions aim to:

- ✿ to provide a quality framework to plan and organise a literacy event.
- ✿ to demonstrate how to make the most effective use of an author / artist visit .
- ✿ to show how to seize the opportunity to promote your school library.

The course is suitable for teachers who already have some experience in running literacy events such as Bookweeks, a poetry day and author visits as well as those who are looking to manage an event for the first time.

We will consider realistic timetabling, the role of teamwork, funding and the kind of activities to choose for your event before moving on to planning author visits. Here we look at choosing the most appropriate writer; where to make contact and getting the best value from the visit. Two visiting artists will perform and discuss what they have to offer to the school classroom. Then the focus will naturally turn to effective strategies for promoting your school library to enhance your event!

Theatre for Schools

M6 Theatre in Education Company present: 'Spark'

"Incisive, finely tuned performances" (Times Ed.)

'Spark' is a lively and honest look at conflicts between parents and teenagers. Suitable for KS3 & 4.

When & where: Thursday 21st October at 10.30 a.m. The Burnley Mechanics Theatre
Cost: £2
Contact: Burnley Mechanics Box Office: 01282 664400

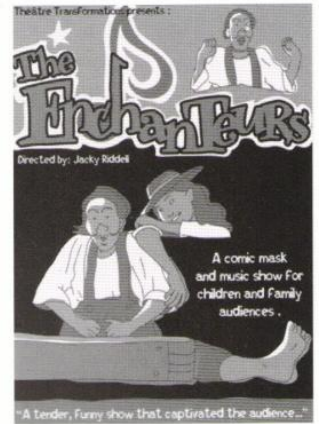


Theatre Transformations presents: 'The Enchanteurs' Suitable for Key Stage 2.

This is a very special opportunity for primary schools to see a visiting theatre company from Chambéry in the Rhône-Alpes region of eastern France.

'The Enchanteurs' uses theatre, mask and music to tell the story of Isabelle who arrives in England, her only luggage, a musical instrument. When she meets Billy, an adventure full of surprises is born! The show is predominantly in English.

When & where: Wednesday 13th October at 1.30 p.m. Oswaldtwistle Civic Theatre
 Thursday 14th October at 10.30 a.m. Padiham Town Hall
Cost: £2 per child; teachers and carers free
Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine



THE SHAKESPEARE SCHOOLS' FESTIVAL



"This Festival shows children all over the country the way to the magic of Shakespeare" Cherie Booth QC

Local schools take part in the UK's largest Drama Festival.

Burnley Mechanics, 12th, 13th October 2004

Romeo & Juliet, Hamlet, Macbeth, Twelfth Night, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Othello, Julius Caesar.

The UK's fastest growing Theatre Festival comes to Burnley this October, as part of a nationwide celebration of Shakespeare in schools. Using scripts from the 12-part series 'Shakespeare - The Animated Tales', 4 local schools will perform on each night.

The Festival offers each secondary school the chance to perform on a professional stage, a workshop day with the Royal Shakespeare Company and an in-school workshop with award winning theatre company Dramarama.

SCHOOL	TOWN	PLAY	THEATRE	PERFORMANCE DAY
The Hollins Technology College,	Accrington	Hamlet	Burnley Mechanics	12th October
St. Hilda's RC Girls' High School,	Burnley	Macbeth	Burnley Mechanics	12th October
Gawthorpe High School,	Burnley	Othello	Burnley Mechanics	12th October
Cittheroe Royal Grammar School,	Cittheroe	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Burnley Mechanics	12th October
St. Augustine's RC High School,	Langho	Twelfth Night	Burnley Mechanics	13th October
Mount Carmel RC High School,	Accrington	Romeo and Juliet	Burnley Mechanics	13th October
Burnley Towneley High School,	Burnley	Macbeth	Burnley Mechanics	13th October
Barden High School,	Burnley	Julius Caesar	Burnley Mechanics	13th October

When & where: The Burnley Mechanics Theatre at 7 p.m.
Cost: Adults: £7
 Concessions: £5
 Schools bookings - 20 or more: £4 each
Contact: Burnley Mechanics Box Office: 01282 664400



Theatre for Families

Story Teller Theatre Company presents 'WIND IN THE WILLOWS'

This delightful musical adaptation follows Toad, Ratty, Mole and Badger in their entrancing tale of life on the Riverbank and in the Wild Wood. From Ratty's picnic with Mole to the troublesome Mr Toad and his love for driving Motor Cars, this production is sure to enthral and entertain. A wonderful, magical tale packed to the brim with comedy, music and a great sense of fun. Duration one hour twenty minutes

When & where: The Burnley Mechanics Theatre
Saturday 16th October at 11.00 a.m.

Cost: £2

Contact: Burnley Mechanics Box Office: 01282 664400

For all boroughs



A writing opportunity for secondary schools at the **Ted Hughes Arvon Centre**.

The Arvon Foundation is committed to supporting the development of writing throughout the country and their courses are used by professional writers and those writers aspiring to be professional writers. Usually their courses are targeted at adults because they cost in the region of £350 per person.

Arvon in their support for 'Kicking Leaves', is offering a week long residential course in December for a group of Year 10 students from a single school. FREE

When & where: In December at The Ted Hughes Arvon Centre, Lumb Bank, Heptonstall, near Hebden Bridge.

Cost: Free

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine for further information



M6 Theatre present 'Sonya's Garden' theatrical storytelling without words! Suitable for nursery, reception & KS 1.

When & where: Tues/Wed/Thurs 5/6/7th October
In your school

Cost: £120 + vat for three performances in one venue.
£50 + vat for a single performance.

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Louise Page and Christopher Hawes: Writing a Soap Opera!

We are delighted to have secured the services of Louise whose play 'Golden Girls' was performed at the Royal Shakespeare Company with Kenneth Branagh together with Christopher Hawes. Christopher's plays have been produced by the Dukes Playhouse Lancaster, Manchester's Library Theatre and the Birmingham Rep; he is also a tutor for the Arvon Foundation's script-writing courses. Both are very experienced in working with young people.

Playwright Louise Page and Christopher Hawes will work together to run 2 separate full day workshops for secondary school pupils at KS3 or KS4.

When & where: November, dates to be arranged. In your school

Cost: £150 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Janni Howker - novelist: supported by Heinemann New Windmills

Winner of the Whitbread Children's Book of the Year with 'Nature of the Beast' followed by 'Badger on the Barge' and 'Martin Farrell', Janni Howker offers:

- two half day workshop sessions in a single school for KS2 pupils on the theme of 'Birds, Beasts & Insects'.
- a half day workshop on short storywriting for KS3
- a talk for sixth form students on deep story structure - 'Sex, Death and the Great White Shark'.

When & where: Wednesday/Thursday 27/28th October

Cost: £90 + vat for a full day; £50 + vat per half day.

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Barge Workshops work with illustrators Steve Hutton and Angela Thompson and writer Esther Davis on the British Waterways Barge 'Kennet' which has been converted to provide workshop space for schools. Transport may be available for these workshops; please enquire for details.

When & where: Rosegrove in Burnley
Thursday 14th October with writer Esther Davis
Friday 15th October with writer Esther Davis

Barrowford Locks
Wednesday 20th October with illustrator Angela Thompson
Friday 22nd October with illustrator Steve Hutton

Foulridge Wharf
Wednesday 27th October with illustrator Steve Hutton
Friday 29th October with writer Esther Davis

Cost: £90 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine



For Burnley Schools

Nick Toczec – poet, magician, puppeteer. Nick is happy to offer a whole school performance of up to one hour before leading class poetry workshops.

When & where: Mon/Wed/Thurs; 22/24/25th November
Mon/Tues; 29/30th November

Cost: £90 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

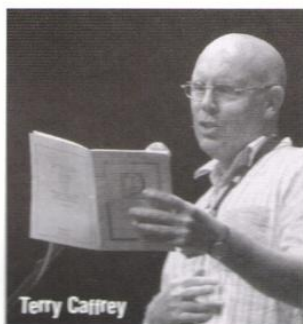
Steve Hutton – illustrator: children's illustration workshop

When & where: Saturday 23rd. October from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
at the Mid Pennine Gallery

Cost: £1

Contact: Emma Midgley at Mid Pennine

Terry Caffrey – poet. Terry will be working with a single class at KS 2 to explore the memories of school-life with two Age Concern groups of older members of the community. The children will explore interviewing techniques before talking to the older groups about their experiences. The children will then work with Terry Caffrey to develop a series of poems and readings for performance.



When & where: 4 days: 30th November 6/7/10th December
In your school

Cost: £180 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Esther Davis – writer. Esther is part of an experienced writing trio: 3DV who have established a formidable reputation for their work at the Lancaster LitFest. Esther will be offering writing workshops tailored to the needs of individual primary schools.

When & where: Wed/Thurs; 17/18/24/25th November.
In your school

Cost: £90 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Meet Jeremy Strong reading and talking about his lively and funny books. His latest 'Chicken School' was published in August. (see www.jeremyststrong.co.uk) Perfect for a family audience.

When & where: Monday evening 4th October at 6.30 p.m.
Burnley Central Library

Cost: Free

Contact: Alison Turner Senior Librarian for Young People's Library Services on 01282 449582

Meet Michael Coleman reading and talking about his football books. Excellent for inspiring boys to read! Suitable for KS 2/3.

When & where: Monday 18th October at 9.30 a.m. & 10.45 a.m.
Coal Clough Library

Cost: Free

Contact: Alison Turner Senior Librarian for Young People's Library Services on 01282 449582



For Hyndburn Schools

Craig Harris – drama worker. Craig will work with KS 2 pupils for full day workshops to recreate the text of a story through improvisation.

When & where: Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs; 15/16/17/18th November
In your school

Cost: £90 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Meet Jeremy Strong reading and talking about his lively and funny books. His latest: 'Chicken School' was published in August. (see www.jeremyststrong.co.uk)

When & where: Tuesday 5th October
Accrington Library at 9.30 a.m. & 10.45 a.m.
Great Harwood Library at 1.30 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood Senior Librarian for Young People's Library Services 01254 306915

'Poetry for all ages'

When & where: Tuesday 5th October
Church Library from 2-4 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood Senior Librarian for Young People's Library Services 01254 306915

'Words on biscuits!' A poetry activity which allows children to create poems on biscuits before eating them!

When & where: Thursday 7th October
Church Library from 3 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood Senior Librarian for Young People's Library Services 01254 306915

Storython

When & where: Saturday 16th October
Accrington Library from 10 a.m. to 12 a.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood Senior Librarian for Young People's Library Services 01254 306915

Premier League Reading Stars – stories and activities for children on a footballing theme.

When & where: Saturday 16th October
Rishton Library from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
Haslingden Library from 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood Senior Librarian for Young People's Library Services 01254 306915

For Pendle Schools

Illustrator Steve Hutton

When & where: Mon/Tues/Thurs; 25/26/28th October
In your School

Cost: £90 per day + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Writer Maureen Fenton Maureen's two day workshops for primary school pupils will be based at Pepper Hill Barn in the Wycolter Country Park. From here children will explore the history and respond to the natural environment of Wycolter in their writing. Transport may be available for this project; please enquire for details.

When & where: Mon/Tues; 25/26th October
Tues/Wed; 9/10th November

Cost: £90 per day + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Poet David Harmer will be offering a half day writing workshop

When & where: In your school p.m. Monday 8th November

Cost: £50 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Meet Michael Coleman reading and talking about his football books. Excellent for inspiring boys to read! Suitable for KS 2/3.

When & where: Monday 18th October Nelson Library at 1-30p.m.
Colne Library at 6.30 p.m. for families.

Cost: Free

Contact: Alison Turner Senior Librarian for Young People's
Library Services on 01282 449582

For Todmorden Schools

Tony Langham - poet.

Tony offers a whole school performance before leading workshops for individual classes.

When & where: Tues/Fri; 23/26th November
Monday; 29th November
Wed/Thurs; 1/2nd December

Cost: £90 + vat per day

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine



For Rossendale Schools

Writer Alan Brown will be working with 2 schools in workshops based at Helmshore Textile Mill. Children will be guided to explore the rich heritage of the Mill, exploring the lives of people who have worked in the Mill through creative writing since its foundation.

When & where: Tues/Wed; 2/3rd November, Helmshore Textile Mill.
Tues/Wed; 9/10th November, Helmshore Textile Mill.

Cost: £180 + vat for 2 days

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Poet David Harmer will be offering full day writing workshops

When & where: Monday 1st Nov / Tues 2nd Nov / Fri 5th November
In your school

Cost: £90 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Novelist Robert Crowther writer and illustrator will be demonstrating and talking about his work as a 'pop-up' book creator.

When & where: Wednesday 6th October
Bacup Library for school groups at 1.30 p.m.
suitable for KS 2.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood Senior Librarian for Young People's
Library Services 01254 306915



Shaggy Dog Storytellers

When & where: Monday 18th October
Rawtenstall Library at 9.30 a.m. & 10.45 a.m.
Crawshawbooth Community Centre at 1.30 p.m.

Cost: Free

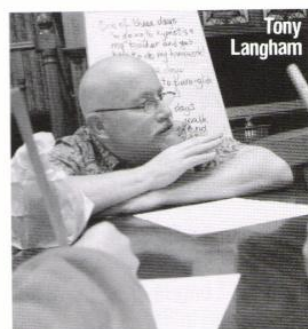
Contact: Jane Wood Senior Librarian for Young People's
Library Services 01254 306915

Meet poet Andrew Collet performing his exciting whacky poetry which will please everyone. Suitable for KS 2.

When & where: Wednesday 20th October
Waterfoot Library at 1.30 p.m.
Rawtenstall Library at 6.30 p.m. for families.

Cost: Free

Contact: Jane Wood Senior Librarian for Young People's
Library Services 01254 306915



For Ribble Valley Schools

Angela Thompson – illustrator. Full day family workshop on the theme of: 'My Family and Other Strange Creatures' illustrating Poetry & Verse for children.

When & where: The Platform Gallery, Clitheroe.
Saturday 13th November. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: £5 includes all materials.

Contact: The Platform Gallery, 01200 414556

Angela Thompson – illustrator.

When & where: Tues/Wed; 2/3rd November
Wed/Fri; 10/12th November
In your school

Cost: £90 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine

Kjartan Poskitt – suitable for KS 2

When & where: Newton Village Hall
Thursday 21st October at 10.15 a.m. & 1.30 p.m.

Cost: Free

Contact: Alison Turner Senior Librarian for Young People's
Library Services on 01282 449582

ART

Course for teachers: "Creative Approaches to Drawing and Painting at Key Stages 1 & 2" with artist Maria Hayes.

Maria Hayes is an acclaimed artist, based in Snowdonia, with a growing national reputation. Her exhibition "Telling Tales" will be on show at the Mid Pennine Gallery throughout October. She is an experienced artist who is also in demand to run practical courses for both teachers and artists.

This practical hands-on full day course will use as its starting point her Gallery exhibition before moving on to explore creative approaches to drawing and painting. Maria will develop exercises during the day which can be delivered in the classroom.

When & where: Mid Pennine Gallery
Tuesday 19th October

Cost: £80 inc. lunch and refreshments.

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine for further details

Art workshops for secondary schools with Maria Hayes.

Maria is offering 2 two day workshops for KS 4, sixth form or college groups. Each group will spend a half day in the Mid Pennine Gallery before returning to work with Maria in school. Maria is particularly interested in the idea of the way in which a journey can tell a tale. Students will record a journey through sketches before developing their sketches into more substantial pieces of work.

When & where: Thurs/Fri; 14/15th October
Wed/Thurs; 3/4th November

Cost: £180 + vat

Contact: David Smith at Mid Pennine Arts

Horse and Bamboo Theatre workshops: 'Hobo' Suitable for KS 3 / 4

Work with the UK's leading mask and puppet theatre to explore the life and work of Carlotte Soloman through visual art, mask work and performance. Students will investigate issues of migration, discrimination and tolerance in relation to the Holocaust and to life in modern Britain.

When & where: Dates can be negotiated. In your school.

Cost: £50 + vat per half day
£100 + vat per full day

Contact: Frances Rogan on 01706 220241

Adopt an Author



Mid Pennine is delighted to have been selected to be a part of a national pilot programme to link pupils with a professional writer by e-mail. The programme, inspired by an idea from the Brighton Festival, involves a single class of pupils corresponding with the writer through a weekly e-mail over a half term. At the end of the exchanges the writer visits the school to give a reading and talk to the children followed by a 'tea-party'. Other members of this national pilot include the Belfast Festival, the Cambridge Literature Festival, the Wordplay Children's Literature Festival in Swansea, and Sampad in Birmingham.

Berlie Doherty, based in Edale in Derbyshire, is an award winning writer who writes for the whole age range of school-age pupils, both poetry and prose. She will be working with Sacred Heart Primary School in Colne

John Foster, based in Oxford, is a prolific writer of poetry for children and closely associated with the Oxford Reading Tree series for schools. He will be working with Haslingden Primary School

Julia Donaldson, based in Glasgow, is an award winning writer for children from picture books to young fiction with an interest in music and the dramatisation of her stories. Julia will be working with Wheatley Lane Primary School in Fence.

Kjartan Poskitt, inspirational creator of maths puzzles for children in the 'Murderous Maths' series published by Scholastic will be working with Brunshaw Primary School, Burnley.

Jean Sprackland has been nominated for both the Whitbread and the T.S. Eliot Poetry Prizes this year for her new collection: 'Hard Water' published by Cape. She will be working with an out of school hours writers group at Habergham High School in Burnley

Malorie Blackman, has won a number of children's book awards including The Lancashire Children's Book Award – one of the few awards chosen by children for their peers for her book 'Noughts & Crosses'. She recently featured in Alan Yentob's 'Imagine' series on Children's Literature for the BBC. Malorie will be working with Key Stage 3 pupils at St. Hilda's High School in Burnley

Inspiring Creativity in the Primary School

A one-day conference for Primary headteachers and teachers

Monday 4th October 2004

The Macdonald Dunkenhalgh Hotel, near Blackburn



This inspirational (and participatory) day will be led by artists and teachers who, between them, demonstrate a breadth and depth in enhancing the curriculum through arts-related projects working in the primary school classroom. The theme is extended to explore creativity through partnerships between primary schools and the local community.

The aims of the conference are:

to access new approaches to teaching and learning, using artists, arts companies and arts agencies

to demonstrate how the arts can be used to aid personal development in young children and enhance cross-curricular work

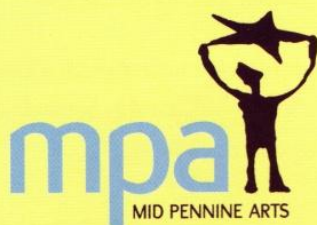
to offer practical advice on how schools might access the resources offered by the arts industry on a local and regional level

Keynote speakers include Sue Mulvany, Director of Education & Cultural Services for Lancashire, and Becky Swain, Learning Manager of Creative Partnerships.

Presentations and performances include: John Bishop (Architecture), Terry Caffrey (Performance Poetry), Steve Hutton (Illustration), Gordon MacLellan (Environmental Arts), Hugh Nankivell (Music), Kjartan Poskitt (Author of the 'Murderous Maths' series), Balbir Singh (Dance), Jackie Smith (Textiles), Pat Southern (Visual Arts).

Fee: £80, including lunch and refreshments

For further information and booking, contact David Smith (Mid Pennine Arts Education Officer), tel 01282 421986 email david@midpenninearts.org.uk



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