



The Alderney Literary Trust

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Why Alderney will be a hotspot for crime in June



Kate Rhodes (credit: Johnny Ring), Elly Griffiths (credit: Sara Reeve) & Jane Casey (credit: Jonathan Goldberg)

Hard on the heels of its most successful Literary Festival ever, in June 2023 the tiny island of Alderney is hosting a unique one-day festival exploring the ‘Anatomy of a Crime Thriller’.

Organised by The Alderney Literary Trust and sponsored by Ravenscroft, best-selling authors Kate Rhodes, Elly Griffiths and Jane Casey will talk about their latest books and the crucial ingredients of their gripping stories.

The mini festival will take place on Saturday June 10th in the Island’s newly refurbished Methodist Church, with three hour-long sessions in which the authors will reveal the inspiration for their atmospheric settings, complex characters and twisty plots.

Kate Rhodes' current series is based in the Scilly Isles – a small community setting that will feel familiar to anyone who knows Alderney. She will tell us why location is so critical in 'A perfect place to die'.

Elly Griffiths, author of the internationally successful Ruth Galloway series, explores character in 'The mind of a murderer', and Jane Casey, whose latest thriller *The Close* has been described as 'dangerously addictive' will reveal her golden rules for devising 'A killer plot.'

"What better way to discover why some thrillers have readers captivated, turning the pages long into the night?" commented the Trust's Rachel Abbott who is herself a crime thriller writer. "These writers are at the top of their game, and we're delighted to welcome them to our island."

Each talk is £10pp, or £27pp for all three, and is free to 16-year-olds and under.

Kate Rhodes is also offering a 'Starting to Write Crime Fiction' course on the Saturday morning at nearby La Frette Farm. The course is limited to 20 people. Tickets are £25pp and also free to 16-year-olds and under.

Tickets go on sale locally on April 17th, available from the Alderney Visitor Centre or The Blonde Hedgehog, and online from April 20th. For details visit

<https://www.alderneyliterarytrust.com/crime-thriller-fest>

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