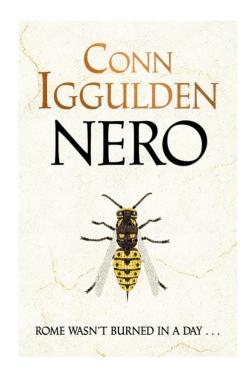


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Bestselling historical fiction author chooses Alderney for book launch





Superstar historical fiction author Conn Iggulden is coming to Alderney on June 1st as part of his book launch tour.

He's chosen the island as his Channel Islands launchpad for his latest novel 'Nero', published on May 23rd, because he has been unable to attend the Alderney Literary Festival as a speaker due to prior commitments.

Alderney Literary Trust founder Isabel Picornell said:

"I've been a fan of Conn's since before he became famous. I've asked him to come to the festival several times but he's never been able to make the date. He couldn't make it for this year's festival either but suggested a date to coincide with the book launch. We're delighted he's coming here which demonstrates the recognition the Alderney Literary Festival now has."

Conn Iggulden is one of the most successful authors of historical fiction writing today. A former English teacher and a passionate advocate for the power of stories, he has written bestselling series on Julius Caesar, Genghis Khan and the Wars of the Roses, as well as two stand-alone novels: *Dunstan*, set in the red-blooded world of tenth-century England, and *The Falcon of Sparta*, in which he returned to Ancient World themes.

Both instalments of his Athenian series, *The Gates of Athens* and *Protector*, and his recent Golden Age series, *Lion* and *Empire*, are *Sunday Times* bestsellers. He has been described as 'one of our finest historical novelists' by the *Daily Express*.

He also co-authored The Dangerous Book for Boys with his brother Hal.

He will be speaking at The Georgian House orangery in Victoria Street, Alderney, on Saturday June 1st (2.30-4pm).

Tickets are £10, free to 16s and under. Tickets will be available from the Visitor Centre in Alderney in due course but in the meantime historical fiction enthusiasts can email info@alderneyliterarytrust.com to register their interest.

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