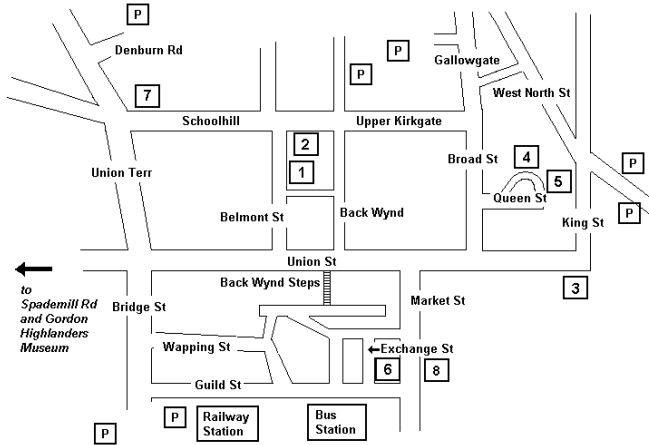


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Now an established part of the festival calendar in Aberdeen and North-East Scotland, **wordfringe** shines a spotlight once again on the incredible range of literary talent we have in our midst, complemented by invited guests from further afield.

The programme features a vibrant mix of new and promising writers at the beginning of their careers appearing alongside established writers working in innovative contexts.

This leaflet lists all the events in **wordfringe 2008**, but please visit the website [www.wordfringe.co.uk](http://www.wordfringe.co.uk) for full details of the events, including photographs and biographies of the authors taking part in the festival.

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Thursday 1 May | 7.15pm | Aberdeen Arts Centre  
**Pushing Out the Boat**

*A celebration of the launch of Issue 7, with readings by the contributors*

Friday 2 May | 7.30pm | Christian Community Hall  
**First Friday Fling: New from Old**

*A great opportunity to tell or listen to stories of all kinds*

Saturday 3 May | 11am | Douglas Hotel  
**Quick as a Flash**

*Flash Fiction with Lemon Tree Writers*

Monday 5 May | 7.30pm | Woodend Barn, Banchory  
**Everything but the Truth**

*New drama from Wordfringe Festival Players*

Tuesday 6 May | 6.30pm | Aberdeen Central Library  
**Granite and Gravel**

*Spring Tides Poetry Group with Sheena Blackhall*

Tuesday 6 May | 8.30pm | Snafu  
**Comedy Capers Showcase I**

*A night of live stand-up comedy featuring a handpicked mix of the North-East's finest comedians*

Wednesday 7 May | 7pm | Duff House, Banff  
**HomeWords**

*Music, poetry and stories from George Gunn, Tom Bryan, Angus Dunn and Magi Gibson*

Friday 9 May - Sunday 11 May | University of Aberdeen  
**Word 08**

*wordfringe takes a break for the University of Aberdeen Writers' Festival*

Monday 12 May | 7.30pm | Aberdeen Arts Centre  
**Shetland Night**

*An evening of words and music from Shetland*

Tuesday 13 May | 6.30pm | Aberdeen Central Library  
**All Said and Dunne**

*The welcome return of Alison Dunne*

Tuesday 13 May | 8.30pm | Enigma  
**Poetic Off Licence**

*2 Alis & a G stretch poetic licence to its limits by reading short stories too! Cripes!*

Wednesday 14 May | 10.30am | Aberdeen Arts Centre  
**Exploring Narrative Voices**  
*A workshop with Alison Flett*

Wednesday 14 May | 7pm | Tarts & Crafts, Balmedie  
**New York Dialogues and Island Blethers**  
*Readings from new works by Alison Flett and Martin Walsh*

Thursday 15 May | 6.30pm | Books and Beans  
**Four Paris Poets**

*Jonathan Wonham, Michelle Noteboom, Joe Ross & Rufo Quintavalle*

Thursday 15 May | 8pm | Archaeolink, Oyne  
**Nick Hennessey**

*Special Guest Teller*

Friday 16 May | 7pm | Better Read Books, Ellon  
**Open Poetry Night**

*Open Mic without the Mic*

Saturday 17 May | 11am | Heugh Hotel, Stonehaven  
**Building a Character through Dialogue**  
*in plays, novels, short stories — a workshop with Chris Hannan*

Saturday 17 May | 2pm | Heugh Hotel, Stonehaven  
**How to move your work forward**

*A workshop for playwrights new and experienced with Julie Ellen of Playwrights' Studio, Scotland*

Monday 19 May | 7.30pm | Aberdeen Arts Centre  
**Ron Butlin with Aberdeen Writers' Circle**

*Readings by the author and a book launch by Aberdeen Writers' Circle*

Tuesday 20 May | 6.30pm | Aberdeen Central Library  
**Poetry Scotland on the Road**  
*Scotland's independent poetry magazine comes to Aberdeen, with Sally Evans and special guests*

Tuesday 20 May | 8.30pm | Snafu  
**Comedy Capers Showcase II**  
*A night of live stand-up comedy featuring a handpicked mix of the North-East's finest comedians*

Wednesday 21 May | 10.30am | Aberdeen Arts Centre  
**Writing and Performing in Practice**  
*Workshop with Sally Evans, Editor of Poetry Scotland*

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Wednesday 21 May | 7pm | Duff House, Banff  
**Spirit of the Deveron**  
*Huntly Writers launch their first anthology*

Thursday 22 May | 6.30pm | Books and Beans  
**Poems of Quality**  
*Anne Ryland and Rhoda Michael, with Haworth Hodgkinson, Olivia McMahon & Judith Taylor*

Thursday 22 May | 8.30pm | St Katherine's Club, Shoe Lane  
**AB24: Poems from a Postcode**  
*Portal Creative Writers launch an exciting anthology, introducing the extraordinary writer Catherine Elmslie*

Friday 23 May | 7pm | Midmar Church, Midmar  
**Poetry and Music of All the Faiths**  
*A meditation upon belief, doubt and disbelief*

Saturday 24 May | 10am | Archaeolink, Oyne  
**Storytelling for Beginners**  
*A workshop with Grampian Association of Storytellers*

Saturday 24 May | 7pm | Lighthouse Museum, Fraserburgh  
**Hooked by Emerald Froth**  
*An evening of poetry, images, music and dance from the Blue Salt Collective*

Monday 26 May | 7pm | Musa  
**Demented Eloquence & Wordcraft Slam**  
*Sharp and comic performance poetry from Ash Dickinson, Milton Balgoni, and Rapunzel Wizard, plus a poetry slam contest*

Tuesday 27 May | 6.30pm | Aberdeen Central Library  
**Banchory Young Writers**  
*Venture into Poetry*

Wednesday 28 May | 10am | Woodend Barn, Banchory  
**Slow Road Home**  
*Poet Sheila Templeton reads and chats about her work*

Wednesday 28 May | 7pm | Gordon Highlanders Museum  
**Family Snaps**  
*A celebration of the family in poetry, music and song with projected photos*

Thursday 29 May | 6.30pm | Books and Beans  
**A Celebration of Childhood**  
*Launching a new anthology of poems, drawings and recipes in aid of CHILDREN 1<sup>ST</sup> (RSSPCC)*