

Welcome to The Master's House in Spring

This spring, Herefordshire Libraries is launching **Squirrel Club**, a brand new sticker scheme for under-fives. Collect woodland animal stickers for visits to the library to receive a special reward!

Listen to heritage talks on **Ledbury's church bells** and **Lancing College Chapel**, and authors **Lucy Dillon** and **Pete Etchells** discuss their latest books on unexpected lessons in love and research into video games.

See images from the Herefordshire Life Through a Lens photographic exhibition, or work with local artists to try guilding or create sketchbook journals.

There's even an opportunity to enjoy a **ceilidh** to support the library.

Have a look and put some dates in your diary!

The Master's House is a 15th century medieval building at the heart of Ledbury. Restored by Herefordshire Council and Heritage Lottery Fund, it is now home to Ledbury Library, Ledbury Poetry Festival, Age UK, and the Friends of the Master's House. This public building is open to everyone - come in and have a browse.

Event details are correct at time of print. Tickets are available six weeks before the event.

Opening Times

Monday	9.30am - 4.30pm
Tuesday	9.30am - 6pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	9.30am - 4.30pm
Friday	9.30am - 4.30pm
Saturday	9.30am - 12.30pm
Sunday	Closed

Booking & Tickets

Tel: 01432 383499

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For Further Information

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Two gentlemen enjoying the Fownhope Heart of Oak Walk in the 1960s. This photograph is part of Herefordshire Life Through a Lens collection, which is exhibiting at the Master's House. Find out more at herefordshirelifethroughalens.org.uk
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The Master's House Ledbury

Activities & Events

February - May 2020



Library · Culture · Community

Saturday 1 February

10am - 12 noon

£7 per session

Young Writer's Group

Fun and creative writing workshops for young people, led by professional writer Sara-Jane Arbury. Advance booking is essential, visit writingwestmidlands.org to reserve a place. 8-13 years

Monday 3 February - Saturday 15 February

Library opening hours (from 12 noon Monday)

Library DVD sale

A DVD sale of ex-library stock from libraries across the county. Find a bargain for a winter movie night!

Tuesday 4 February

4.45pm - 5.45pm

Free

Ledbury Library Readers' Group

A friendly book group held in Ledbury Library for enthusiastic readers. Read one selected title a month then meet in the library to discuss it. Books are provided.

Wednesday 5 February

10am - 12 noon

Free tickets
(donations welcome)

Master's House Guided Tour

The Friends of the Master's House will be hosting a detailed guided tour of this 15th century timber-frame building. This incredible Grade II* listed building in the centre of Ledbury was once part of the medieval St Katherine's Hospital.

Tuesday 11 February

7pm - 9pm

Tickets £5

An Evening with Lucy Dillon

Best selling author, Lucy Dillon will talk about her writing, and what gives her inspiration for the stories and characters. Her latest book 'Unexpected Lessons

in Love' is the story of what happens when Jeannie changes her mind on the way to her wedding. A Ledbury Library Development Group event.

Friday 14 February

11am - 12.30pm

Free

A Good Read? Readers' Group

Bring along a book you have read, share your thoughts and perhaps a short snippet from the book in this friendly and informal readers' group.

From Monday 17 February

Library opening hours

Free

Join the Squirrel Club

Herefordshire Libraries launches Squirrel Club, a new library reward scheme for under 5s! Get a special woodland animal sticker every time you visit the library and collect all four to receive a personalised storybook to treasure and keep. Under 5s



Monday 17 February - Saturday 28 March

Library opening hours

Free

Nature Trail

Explore the library to find woodland animals and match them to their homes. Complete the trail and enter a prize draw to win a Bug Safari. Under 12s

Tuesday 18 February

4pm - 6pm

Free tickets

Get to Know Your Smartphone

Learn the basics of how to use your smartphone, including learning about apps, using the internet and connecting to the free library Wi-Fi. Bring your own smartphone. Provided by Fastershire. 16+ years

Thursday 20 February

7pm - 8.30pm

Tickets £6

Ringling the Changes with Tim Keyes

A journey with the church bells of Ledbury through 1000 years of history and literature, and accompanied by some very colourful characters, both real and fictional.

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The Story of Lancing College Chapel with Ian Beer

Lancing College Chapel is one of the tallest interior vaulted churches in the country and contains the largest rose window in the UK. Standing at 150 feet high, this remarkable chapel has taken over 150 years to build and will be finished this coming year. Ian Beer CBE, past headmaster of the college, will discuss its history and how it was built in this illustrated talk.

Monday 16 March

10am – 4pm

Tickets £55
(materials included)

An Introduction to Guilding with Caroline Owen-Thomas

A day with calligrapher Caroline Owen-Thomas learning how to use gold leaf for lettering and other artwork. The workshop will trial various mordants or glues on paper and move on to techniques of laying gold leaf and burnishing to a shine. All materials supplied.

Tuesday 17 March

4pm – 6pm

Free tickets

Introduction to Emails

Learn how to set-up an email account, send and receive emails and attachments. Laptops will be provided for the workshop. 16+ years

Wednesday 18 March

9.30am – 1pm

Free (booking required)

Ledbury Poetry Festival Event Managers' Training Day

Learn what it takes to be an event manager for the Festival, with fun and light hearted activities. This is a great day for both new and experienced event managers. Come along even if you are just interested to see what it entails. Places are limited. Book by 11 March with any dietary requirements to manager@poetry-festival.co.uk

Saturday 21 March

7.30pm – 11pm (doors open 7pm) Tickets £10

Library Live Ceilidh with Cotswold Ceilidh Band @Royal Hall

Come and join the fun with this well-known ceilidh band. All dances will be 'called' and we won't go in for any 'fancy steps' just easy dances to get everyone on their feet. A Ledbury Library Development Group event.

Monday 23 March, 30 March & 6 April

10am – 1pm Tickets £65 (materials included)

Creating Your Sketchbook Journal

Keeping a sketchbook or journal can be daunting, so this three week course with Jeanette McCulloch will explore practical and creative possibilities on these themes: colour and texture, image, and words and text. Bring an A4 ring bound sketchbook of your choice or use one provided. All materials supplied.

Tuesday 24 March – Saturday 4 April

Library opening hours

Free

Herefordshire Life Through a Lens: The Photos

Following a multi-venue retrospective of Derek Evans' photographic archive across the city of Hereford, Catcher Media now brings a 'bite-sized' exhibition to Ledbury. Enjoy a rare chance to get up close and personal with these fantastic photographs capturing 1940s - 1970s life.

Tuesday 31 March

7pm – 9pm

£5 (on the door)

Ledbury Poetry Salon with Jacqueline Saphra @Ledbury Books and Maps

Do you want to discover more about poetry? Have you been looking for a place to perform your own poetry? Why not come along to a Ledbury Poetry Salon, which includes an open mic and featured poets reading and chatting about their work. poetry-festival.co.uk

Wednesday 1 April

10am – 12 noon

Free tickets
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Saturday 4 April – 18 April

Library opening hours

Free

Easter Competition

Take part in our easter egg colouring competition this Easter. The very best entry in each category will win a fabulous prize! Pop in and pick up a competition entry form. Under 12s.

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Monday 27 April

7pm – 9pm

Tickets £7

Should We Be Worried About Video Games? @John Masefield High School

The media often claims that video games are bad for us, but what does scientific research actually say about this issue? Dr Pete Etchells is a reader in psychology and science communication at Bath Spa University. He will explore the science behind the headlines, revealing that playing, studying and living through games can show us what it means to be human. A Ledbury Library Development Group event.



Tuesday 28 April

7pm – 9pm

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Ledbury Poetry Salon with Philip Gross and Lesley Saunders @Ledbury Books and Maps

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Tuesday 12 May

7pm – 9pm

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Ledbury Poetry Salon with Richard O'Brien @Ledbury Books and Maps

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Tuesday 19 May

4pm – 6pm

Free tickets

Introduction to the Internet

Learn how to look around websites and have a go at searching for information. Laptops will be provided for the workshop. 16+ years

BOOK A GROUP TOUR OF THE MASTER'S HOUSE

The Friends of the Master's House volunteers welcome requests for private tours for groups of 10 or more people on Wednesdays, 10am to 3pm. Tours last 90 minutes. Contact Ledbury Library to arrange a booking. All the Friends ask is for a donation to go towards funding future heritage events in the building.

If you would like to receive this events programme by email, the Friends of the Master's House have started a supporters group. Joining is free and members will receive news about the building and its heritage, and opportunities for volunteering to help with activities. Pick up an application form from Ledbury Library.