

'Start of the Year' News from The Hungerford Bookshop

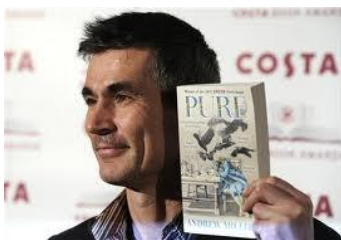


COSTA BOOK AWARDS

Emma was on the judging panel for the 'novel' category of the 2012 Costa Book Awards. After reading over 50 books in less than three months, and attending a posh ceremony a few weeks ago at Quaglinos in Mayfair (where she drank far too much Champagne) she is delighted that Andrew Miller's novel 'Pure' beat the other category finalists to win 'Costa Book of the Year'.

The chairman of the awards said: '**Pure is a rich and evocative historical novel which engrosses with its vivid portrait of pre-revolutionary France. 'The qualities of Pure stood out for its memorable gothic tale of morality and mortality.'**

Emma was asked to write about her experience as a judge for a trade magazine. If you would like to read the article please see the attached document.



Are You a Member of a Reading Group?

At The Hungerford Bookshop most of our events are non-fiction. This is because we find it much harder to get a good turn-out for authors who want to talk about their new novel (with some exceptions, notably Robert Harris!). If you are a member of a bookclub (and most tend to read predominantly fiction) and would like to be kept up to date with talks for novels, then please let us know your name and which reading group you belong to (and preferably an email address). I'm also considering including the novel (if paperback) with the ticket price enabling you to read the book beforehand. Any suggestions/feedback welcome!

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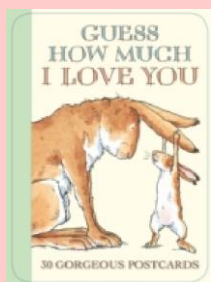
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The New Faber Book of Love Poems £9.99



Love Letters: 2000 Years of Romance by Andrea Clarke £10

Over the ages handwritten letters have facilitated some of the most intimate exchanges between people. The words of love letters allow us insights into the private relationships of people across centuries, cultures and continents. While many anthologies of love letters exist a book reproducing love letters in the author's own hand has not previously been published.



Penguin Clothbound Classics. £14.99
Give a timeless love story, exquisitely bound.
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Shapely Ankle Preferred: A History of the Lonely Hearts Advertisement £8.99 The ads have been running for over 300 years. From the first ad in

1695 from a young gentleman who 'would willingly Match himself to some Good Young Gentlewoman, that has a Fortune of GBP3000 or thereabouts' to the GSOH, WLTM and online dating of more recent years, each ad is a snapshot of its age.

What the Dickens?

Charles Dickens would have been 200 years old last week. To find out more about the remarkable writer try these newly published books:

Charles Dickens and the Great Theatre of the World

By Simon Callow £16.99 A sparkling biography that explores the central importance of the theatre to the life of the greatest storyteller in the English language

Charles: Dickens: A Life by Claire Tomalin £30

An unforgettable portrait of Dickens, capturing brilliantly the complex character of this great genius.

Dickens' England: An A-Z Tour of the Real and Imagined Locations £14.99

Perfect for tourists and armchair travellers!

Dickens' Victorian London £25

Over 200 stunning archive photographs, most of which have never been published before, illustrate this mesmerising guide to Victorian London



Charles Dickens: A Life of Storytelling; a Legacy of Change £14.99.

Templar publish beautifully produced, highly illustrated books for older Children. This contains extracts from his novels, plays and correspondence. Difficult to resist once you look inside!

Charles Dickens: Scenes from an Early Life £12.99

Respectfully borrowing from Dickens' own work, and using fun illustrations, authors Manning and Granstrom, bring this writer to life – a great book for Children (8-12 years)

Children's Books:

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Books for Bedtime (tested by Hattie)

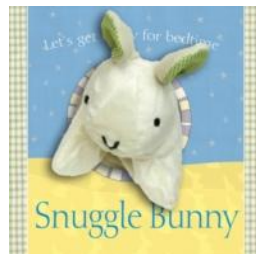


Goodnight Moon by Margaret

Brown £4.99. Say goodnight to all the things in the bedroom – this book has lulled generations of children to sleep

Snuggle Bunny by Emma Goldhawk

Help Snuggle Bunny get ready for bed. The book includes a puppet. Customers who would like me to recite this from memory can pay me in chocolate. £10.99



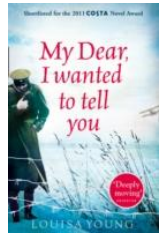
Say Goodnight to the Sleepy Animals by Ian Whybrow

Join ginger cat as she says goodnight to all her friends. Warning: requires parent to make lots of animal noises. £5.99

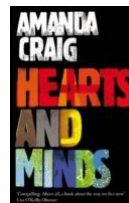
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January's "You Must Read This!" was 'My Dear I Wanted to Tell You' by Louisa Young £7.99 Chosen by Emma:

This book is for anyone who loves historical fiction that is authentic in its detail and utterly captivating in its storytelling. The main character is (arguably) Riley Purefoy who we first meet as a working class man with an interest in Art. He is introduced to the 'Waveney's', an upper class bohemian family living in Bayswater. When the First World War breaks out Purefoy's life is changed forever. This book gives equal weight to the experience of women during the war (what they had to sacrifice, but also what they gained) and also reveals in fascinating (and at times excruciating detail) the techniques being developed for facial reconstruction. I came to care immensely for the characters in this book - I hope you enjoy it as much as I did!



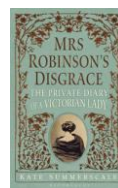
February's "You Must Read This" is 'Hearts and Minds' by Amanda Craig. £8.99 Chosen by Mary.



When this book was chosen as our book club read I was slightly horrified! I thought the title was so slushy and indicative of an uninteresting read. How wrong I was! - I really loved it. It is very contemporary and thought-provoking. It is partly a thriller but mainly it's a view of how life is for the diverse types of people living in our capital today. In a way it wasn't a brilliant choice for a book club because we all agreed how good it was! It is entertaining, riveting and humane and makes me think about the way we live.

Every month we try to have a new 'You Must Read This' title which can be found on our counter. For more written recommendations see our bay at the front of the shop.

SAVE THE DATE! TUES MAY 15TH 7PM



Kate Summerscale's forthcoming book, *Mrs Robinson's Disgrace*, is one of the most anticipated books of 2012. Her previous book, *The Suspicions of Mr Whicher*, became a

bestseller and won the Samuel Johnson prize for non-fiction in 2008. The book was later dramatised on TV.

Kate will be giving a talk, followed by questions and a signing in Hungerford (details tbc) about *Mrs Robinson's Disgrace: The Private Diary of a Victorian Lady* (due to be published in May).

****MORE EVENTS ARE WAITING TO BE CONFIRMED. DETAILS OF THIS ONE AND OTHERS TO FOLLOW!****