

Sam Blake



Vanessa Fox O'Loughlin is the founder of Writing.ie, the national online writing resources website and is Ireland's leading literary scout.

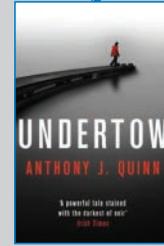
Vanessa writes crime as Sam Blake and has been writing fiction since her husband set sail across the Atlantic for eight weeks and she had an idea for a book. The first of her Cat Connolly thriller trilogy *LITTLE BONES* was published in May 2016 and hit the bestseller list, spending 8 weeks in the Top 10 with 4 weeks at No. 1. *IN DEEP WATER*, book 2 of the trilogy came out in April 2017 and book 3 *NO TURNING BACK* hit the bestseller list in May 2018. The trilogy is available in audio and Film/TV rights have been sold.

Catherine Ryan Howard



Catherine Ryan Howard is from Cork, Ireland and now lives in Dublin. Her debut novel, *DISTRESS SIGNALS*, was an Irish Times and USA Today bestseller, shortlisted for both the IBA Crime Novel of the Year and the CWA John Creasey/New Blood Dagger Award, and was optioned for TV by Jet Stone Media prior to publication. Her second novel, *THE LIAR'S GIRL*, was released in 2018. Along with fellow authors Hazel Gaynor and Carmel Harrington, she is a founding member of The Inspiration Project, a series of writing retreats and workshops that encourage writers to dream, dare and do. Catherine has just completed a BA in English Literature at Trinity College Dublin as a mature student and is currently working on her third novel.

Anthony J Quinn



Anthony J Quinn is the author of seven novels, including *Undertow*, his latest. His debut *Disappeared* was picked by the Sunday Times as one of their Best Books of the Year. It was also a Daily Mail Crime Novel of the Year, and was longlisted for the Theakston Crime Novel of the Year. On its US publication, it was shortlisted for a Strand Literary Award, and picked by Kirkus Reviews as one of the top ten thrillers of the year. He lives in Co Tyrone with his wife, Clare, and their four children.

Join Us

The Market House, Monaghan Town
Friday 12th & Saturday 13th October 2017
Registration & Refreshments on Friday, 12th at 6.30pm
Registration & Refreshments on Saturday, 13th at 9.30am

To book your FREE place

You can book your FREE ticket on Eventbrite - 'Behind the Typewriter' or get your free ticket through one of the Branch Libraries in Monaghan. Places are limited and **BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL**.

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an aspiring writer or
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Market House, Monaghan Town
12th & 13th October 2018

Behind the Typewriter

Monaghan County Libraries invite you to our third annual 'Behind the Typewriter' event - to promote and celebrate the joy of reading and the authors who fill our days and nights with colour, characters and challenge.

If you are an avid reader, an aspiring writer or interested in current affairs then book your ticket for this gathering of minds.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Monaghan, itself a literary hub for this entertaining and insightful event, but be warned tickets are limited, so get yours today.

Friday 12th: Sam Blake, Catherine Ryan Howard and A. J. Quinn

Saturday 13th: Anna McPartlin, Andrew O'Connor, Terence Dooley, John Connell and Claire Allan

Hailing from Monaghan,

Seán Rocks

is the presenter of Arena, RTÉ Radio One's flagship arts, culture and entertainment programme. In that role, Seán has interviewed many major writers, actors, musicians and artists.

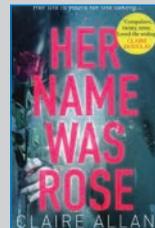


Frank McNally

Also hailing from Co Monaghan we have National Media Awards Winner Frank McNally. As a journalist with The Irish Times, Frank has covered sport, politics and literature. His Irishman's Diary Column is the reason many of us buy the newspaper.

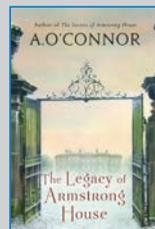
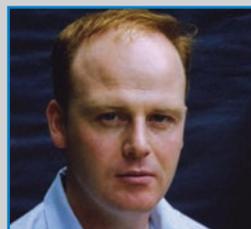


Claire Allan



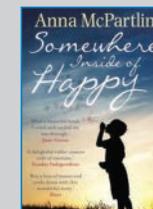
Claire Allan is a Northern Irish bestselling author of nine novels. Having spent 17 years working as a journalist for the Derry Journal, she made the leap to writing full time in 2016. Claire's first eight novels, all women's fiction, were published by Poolbeg Press in Ireland. Her debut thriller, Her Name Was Rose, was published by Avon Books in June of this year. Her second thriller, Apple of My Eye, will be published in January 2019. She lives in Derry with her husband and two children.

Andrew O'Connor



Andrew O'Connor is the bestselling author of twelve novels, including the hugely popular Armstrong House series. His first novels were contemporary novels set in modern Ireland, but a change of direction in 2012 brought The House, Andrew's first foray into historical fiction. The House, a bestseller in Ireland was also an Amazon top ten bestseller. A graduate in History, Historical fiction proved to be Andrew's natural home as a writer. The House has been followed by The Secrets of Armstrong House and The Legacy of Armstrong House becoming one of Ireland's most favourite book series. Andrew has also written three children's novels. Andrew's new novel By Royal Appointment is due out this Autumn.

Anna McPartlin



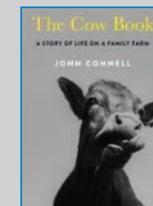
Anna is a novelist and scriptwriter from Dublin. She is the author of the international best-selling titles: Pack Up The Moon, No Way To Say Goodbye, The Truth Will Out, The One I Love, The Space Between Us, and Somewhere Inside of Happy. Her sixth novel, The Last Days of Rabbit Hayes was a Richard and Judy Book Club pick. For screen she has written for BBC's Holby City and RTE's Striking Out. Anna is currently in development with Hot Drop Films for the film adaptation of 'Rabbit Hayes' and Noho Film & TV for an original TV script.

Terence Dooley



Professor Terence Dooley lectures in the History Department at Maynooth University where he is also Director of the Centre for the Study of Historic Irish Houses and Estates. A native of Killanny, he has written extensively on various aspects of Monaghan History. His most recent book is The Irish Revolution 1912-23: Monaghan (2017). He is an expert on the history of the country house and the land question in Ireland and amongst his books in these areas are The Decline of the Big House in Ireland (2001) and The Land for the people: the land question in independent Ireland (2003).

John Connell



John Connell is an award winning journalist, filmmaker, author and farmer. His memoir The Cow Book is an International no 1 bestseller. He lives and farms on his family farm in rural County Longford.