

Berwick Literary Festival

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WOULD YOU BE A PATRON?

The Berwick Literary Festival (first held in 2014) is an established part of the town's cultural life, taking place each October. The Festival promotes the written and spoken word in all forms, through an extensive free programme of workshops and writing competitions in all the town's schools; even (when possible) by poetry reading in care homes; and through a four-day Festival of talks and workshops by well-known authors and speakers.

Following the pandemic, which caused us to go online for two years, in 2022 and 2023 we returned to live events, with great success. The programmes of previous Festivals can be seen on our website, where there are links to our YouTube channel that hosts recordings of most of the Zoom talks from previous years.

The financial support of our 140 Patrons is crucial in enabling the Festival to run. It is a charity attracting grants and sponsorship but it is run by volunteers and is deliberately not profit-making. Whilst we are now looking in a disciplined way to raise funds both from regional trusts and foundations and from commercial sponsorship, we still value our Patrons enormously and would love to recruit more both to help provide our core income and to deepen the personal links with local residents. The cost is £30 (more if you wish!) per individual Patron with your name included on our website: see [Patrons - Berwick Literary Festival](#)

Currently, there is at least one Patrons-only event in the Summer, at which we launch the October programme, and Patrons have priority booking for all Festival events, and regular updates from the Director about developments as they happen. We hope to expand this programme..

I very much hope that you can support the Festival by becoming a Patron: if so, please contact me by email or using the reply slip below, and I will look forward to welcoming you at events. Thank you.

Andrew Deuchar

Festival Director

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I/We would like to become a Patron(s) of the Berwick Literary Festival. I/we enclose a cheque or cash for £30 per person (£) payable to 'Berwick Literary Festival' (or preferably I have paid to TSB 77-20-05 a/c 04563368, a/c name Berwick Literary Festival).

Name(s):

Address:

E-mail:

(Please use BLOCK letters for legibility)

I/we are/are not willing to have my/our name(s) included in the Festival website.

The Festival is a registered charity and can reclaim income tax on your donation through Gift Aid. If appropriate we would be grateful if you could sign this declaration: I wish to Gift Aid my donation and any future donations I make. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less income or capital gains tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Signed: _____ Date: _____