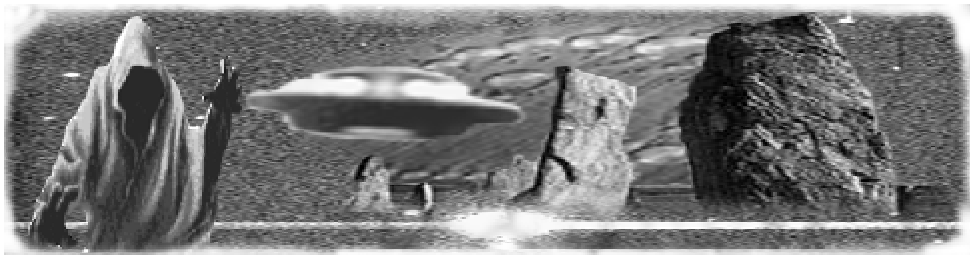


Halton Libraries in association with MARA and Para-Projects
proudly present



Paranormal Week '08

Monday 20th - Thursday 23rd October
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Friday 24th - 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Programme



Welcome

to Paranormal Week 2008

It's back - bigger and better than ever! Paranormal Week 2008 is here!

Like last year, we are pleased to announce that we have some very special guests coming to visit us at Paranormal Week '08. But more about that in a bit. Highlights of this years line up include:

- * Talks on everything from Ghosts & Hauntings to UFOs;
- * Paranormal 'Mindlab' workshop (Tuesday);
- * A 'Ghost walk' around Runcorn - Considered to be a Paranormal Hotspot by Investigators (Thursday)
- * A live experiment to see if plants can read our minds;
- * And, of course, our very special guests:
award winning radio presenter and paranormal investigator Roy Basnett from CityTalk109.5 FM;
Spooky Storyteller and Poet Kevin McCann; and
Rob Bethell, Mark Rosney and Jebby Robinson from the TV series Spook School - as featured on the Paranormal Channel on Sky (Channel 201).

Throughout the week paranormal investigators will be on hand to try to answer any questions you have about the paranormal or to look at any 'spooky' evidence you may have captured on camera, video or audio.

Each night, along with the main talks, we will be screening short paranormal films in the intervals, and on Tuesday we will be running our very popular 'Mindlab' workshop, where you will have a chance to try out a range of psychic tests, such as, ESP, creating a Dowsing Hotspot and Remote Viewing.

As always, there is something for everyone, from UFOs to Ghosts - and everything in between!

Janette Fleming
Reader Development Officer, Halton Libraries

Widnes Library - Monday 20th

7:00 pm Into the Dark with Roy Basnett - Part 1

Widnes born presenter and paranormal investigator Roy Basnett shares with us his spooky encounters with the unknown, including hearing a phantom band at a derelict dance hall and his unsettling experiences at a disused airfield.

7:45 pm Interval - Spooky Screenings

Take a breather, grab a tea or coffee and sit back and watch a short film with a paranormal theme.

8:15 pm Into the Dark with Roy Basnett - Part 2

Widnes born presenter and paranormal investigator Roy Basnett shares with us more of his spooky encounters with the unknown.



Roy Basnett is a Widnes born broadcaster who currently presents a nightly show on Liverpool's newest Talk radio station, CityTalk 105.9 FM. His weekly show, Beyond the Dark, recently won an award at the Spiritual Connexions Acknowledgement Awards ceremony 2008, beating all other nationwide paranormal radio shows.

As well as being a radio presenter, Roy is an active paranormal investigator with many years experience of investigating some of the UK's most haunted locations.

Tuesday 21st - Ditton Library

7:00 pm Can Plants Read Your Mind?

Researchers in the 1960s claimed that they had successfully proved that Plants responded to our thoughts. However, their claims were soon rejected by mainstream science - until now!

Recent discoveries show that plants can, and do, communicate in very remarkable ways. Tonight MARA members Mark Rosney and Michael Hadfield relate the rollercoaster history of Plant to Mind communication research, and invite you to help us conduct a few experiments to see if plants can really read our minds!

7:45 pm Interval - Spooky Screenings

Take a breather, grab a tea or coffee and sit back and watch a short film with a paranormal theme.

8:15 pm Mindlab - Test your Psi Abilities

Come along and join in our fun workshop to see if you possess any latent psi abilities. Hosted by MARA and Para-Projects, this interactive workshop will give you the chance to try out three interesting experiments:

Dowsing Hotspots

Is it possible for people to leave 'energy footprints' behind after visiting a location? And is it possible for others to detect these 'footprints' by using Dowsing Rods alone?

Remote Viewing

Everyone taking part will be split into two groups - Senders and Receivers. The task is for the Senders to pass sensory impressions to the Receivers who then record their impressions. Everyone taking part will get a chance to be a Sender and Receiver. The most accurate description, either drawn or written, will win a prize.

Extra Sensory Perception (ESP) Zener Card Test

See if you have any ESP (Extra Sensory Perception) abilities by having a go at our fun Zenner Card test.

Widnes Library - Wednesday 22nd

7:00 pm The Entity Files - Part 1

In recent months there has been a worldwide spate of sightings of strange unearthly beings that resemble creatures from myth and legend:- gnomes, elves and fairies!

In part 1, Rob, Mark and Jebby from Para-Projects discuss recent entity sightings, both worldwide and local - including an amazing spate of sightings that occurred in and around Runcorn in the mid 90s.

7:45 pm Interval - Spooky Screenings

Take a breather, grab a tea or coffee and sit back and watch a short film with a paranormal theme.

8:15 pm The Entity Files - Part 2

In part 2, Rob, Mark and Jebby from Para-Projects discuss more recent sightings - including their findings from two very recent cases from Widnes and Bidston Hill (on the Wirral).

Para-Projects is a team of 3 highly experienced Paranormal Investigators, based in the North West of England, who investigate, advise, research and give presentations on all aspects of the Paranormal. The team have over 30 years' experience of science based paranormal investigation, ranging from UFO cases to 'hauntings' - and everything else in-between.

The team, and their work, feature on the TV series 'Spook School' which is currently airing on the Paranormal Channel on Sky - Channel 201.

To find out more, please visit: www.para-projects.com

Thursday 23rd - Runcorn Library - Egerton Street

7:00 pm Runcorn ghost Walk

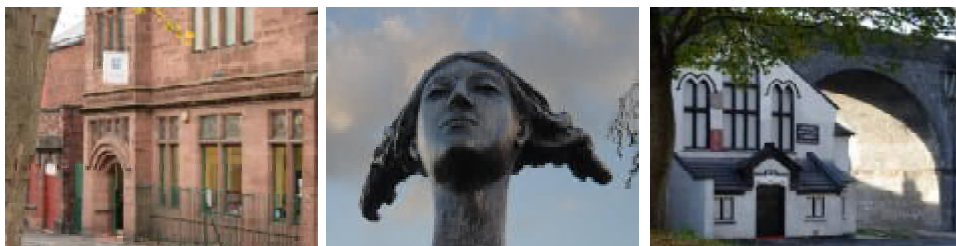
Halton has always been a mysterious place which is considered by many people who investigate the paranormal to be a 'window area' for all manner of paranormal activity.

However within window areas there are often 'hotspots', where unusually high concentrations of phenomena are experienced and reported. The areas around Egerton Street and Mersey Road in Runcorn are good examples of this.

Join members of Para-Projects and MARA as they take you on a spooky guided tour around the paranormal hotspots of Runcorn, where you will hear tales of ghosts, poltergeists, spook lights, strange noises, UFOs and frightening apparitions.

Meet us outside Egerton Street Library at 7:00 pm. Please wear sensible shoes and warm clothing, and if possible bring along a torch.

The route will take us approximately 90 minutes to complete.



Ditton Library - Friday 24th

2:00 pm An Afternoon of Ghost Stories
with Kevin McCann - Part 1

Hosted by poet and storyteller Kevin McCann - we invite you to come along to listen and to and share stories to make you shiver.

2:45 pm Interval - Spooky Screenings

Take a breather, grab a tea or coffee and sit back and watch a short film with a paranormal theme.

3:15 - 4:00 pm An Afternoon of Ghost Stories
with Kevin McCann - Part 2

Poet and storyteller Kevin McCann continues to share supernatural stories to make you shiver.



Kevin McCann is a former teacher who is now a full-time poet. He has led workshops for both adults and children for: Arts Council England; Creative Partnerships; Fylde Libraries; Liverpool Housing Action Trust; Liverpool Libraries; Sefton Libraries; Poetry Society; Windows Project. To date he has published five collections of poems for adults, edited three anthologies, appeared as a character in a novel, had a poem featured in *The Lakes* by Jimmy McGovern and been published (in translation) in Armenia.

Speakers at PW 08
(In Order of Appearance)



Roy Basnett



Mark Rosney



Michael Hadfield



Jebby Robinson



Rob Bethell



Kevin McCann

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