

Readers and Writers Alive!

Invercargill City Libraries & Dan Davin Literary Foundation

24 April – 2 May

Southern Poetry Wall

Poetry Writers attach your work and share it with others.

2 May – 9 May

Vote for your favourite poem from the Southern Poetry Wall to ensure your favourite gets published.

Thursday 15 May 7pm

Readers & Writers Alive! Launch

Including the opening of the Southern Poetry Exhibition, the launch of the Southern Poetry Booklet and a tribute to poets Ruth Dallas and Hone Tuwhare. Guest speaker: Bill O'Brien.

Friday 16 May 7pm

Writers Chat

Gavin Bishop and Bill O'Brien talk with Hamesh Wyatt about books and takes questions from the audience. Entry \$2.

Saturday 17 May 10 – 1pm

Creative Writing Workshop with Gavin Bishop

Cost \$20 per person, limit 20.

Saturday 17 May 2pm – 4pm

Living Space - Open Mic

An opportunity for local poets to read for the Otago Poetry Collective for their comment.

NZEPIC Tributes to Ruth Dallas

Southlanders are invited to make poetic tributes to Ruth Dallas to be recorded and launched on the NZEPIC website later in the year.

Saturday 17 May 7pm

Collective Readings

Members of the Otago Poetry Collective will read their poetry. Entry \$2.

Members of the Otago Poetry Collective participating in the Readers & Writers Alive! events include: Richard Reeve, Cilla McQueen, Kay McKenzie Cooke, Emma Neale, Michael Harlow, Peter Olds, Jeanne Bernhardt, Jenny Powell-Chalmers and David Howard.

Sunday 18 May 10.30 – Noon

The Sycamore Print Poetry Panel

The Otago Poetry Collective discusses Otago/Southland Poetry and their work and experience. Entry \$2.

Book Launch In Continents

Launch of Richard Reeve's new book published by the Auckland University Press.

Sunday 18 May 2 – 4pm

Poetry Workshop with Cilla McQueen & Kay McKenzie Cooke

Cost \$15 per person, limit 15.

Sunday 18 May 7pm

Cilla & 'Impressions'

The launch of the Dan Davin Literary Foundation Poetry Writing Competition with guest speaker Cilla McQueen. Competition open to students and adults.

Monday 19 May 7pm

Southern Writers Gathering

Casual opportunity for Southern Writers to gather to discuss writing and socialize.



**Wednesday 21, Thurs 22,
Fri 23 May 10am – Noon**

Travelling Tuataras Story Theatre Adventure

Activities linking reading and story for children 0-8 years. All welcome.

1 – 3pm

Travelling Tuataras Banner Art

Engaging school students in language and art.

Wednesday 21 May 7 – 9pm Big Book Workshop

Jill Walker holds a workshop on constructing a Big Book.

Thursday 22 May 7 – 9pm

Writing Your First Book

Ella West runs a workshop for budding authors. Entry \$5.

Friday 23 May 9 – 11.30

Ella West Student Writing Workshop Y7 and 8

A creative writing workshop for students.

Friday 23 May 1 – 3pm

Ella West Student Writing Workshop Y9 – 11

A creative writing workshop for students.

Saturday 24 May 10am – 12 noon

Writing Family History

A public workshop working with genealogy experts. Cost \$10 per person, limit 30.



Saturday 24 May 12 – 1pm

Reading the Big Book & Children's Finale

The Travelling Tuataras and local identities unveil and read the Big Book created by Southland children.

Saturday 24 May 7pm

Place & Its Affect

Southland writers and guest authors, Ella West, Alison Balance and Brian Potiki discuss the affect of Southland and other geographical areas on their writing. Entry \$2.

**Friday 16, Tues 20, Wed 21, Thurs 22,
Fri 23 May 12.10 – 1pm**

Readers' Raves @ Lunch

Well known and not so well known readers from the community share their favourite reads and inspirations.

Southern Poetry Exhibition

The exhibition will be open to the public at the following times:

Friday 16	1 – 4pm	Friday 23	1 – 4pm
Tuesday 20	1 – 4pm	Saturday 24	10 – 1pm
Wednesday 21	1 – 4pm	Sunday 25	1 – 4pm
Thursday 22	1 – 4pm		

The exhibition will also be open during most of the Readers and Writers Alive! events.

Registration forms for adult workshops will be available from 1 May from the Invercargill Public Library or by emailing Rebecca at phil.becs@xtra.co.nz

For more information about the Travelling Tuatara events or events for students contact Helen Pannett at the Invercargill Public Library by phone 2111 444 or by email helen.pannett@ilibrary.co.nz

For more information about any other events contact Rebecca at phil.becs@xtra.co.nz or Helen at helen.pannett@ilibrary.co.nz