

# SARAH WEBB

Writer in Residence 2016-2017

**EVENTS PROGRAMME UP TO DEC 2016** 

Sarah Webb is the new dlr Writer in Residence for 2016/2017. Her residency will have a particular focus on children and young people for the coming year.

Sarah is an award winning writer for both children and adults. Her 'Ask Amy Green' series has been shortlisted for the Queen of Teen Awards in the UK and the Irish Book Awards. Her latest series for age 8+ is called The Songbird Café Girls.

Sarah worked in the book trade for many years as a children's bookseller and buyer. She now combines writing with visiting schools, teaching creative writing and reviewing children's books. She is the Children's Curator of the Mountains to Sea dlr Book Festival and in 2015 was awarded the Children's Books Ireland Award for Outstanding Contribution to Children's Books.

During her term as writer in residence, Sarah will work on a new novel for children, a picture book and a children's theatre script. She will produce a monthly video blog with recommendations and tips for young readers and writers, and will run book clubs, writing clubs and writing clinics. For further details, see below.

You can see Sarah Webb at work in her residency room on level 5, dlr LexIcon

If you would like to keep up to date with her activities, read her dlr Writer blog on her website: www.sarahwebb.ie

# Ask Sarah ....

Children can pin up questions about reading, writing and books on the special writer in residence notice board in the Children's Library, Level 4, dlr LexIcon. Information on events, book clubs, writing clubs and teen creatives will also be on this board.

Sarah will also be selecting recommended books every month: picture book of the month, early reader (age 6+) book of the month, Age 9+ book of the month, Teen Book of the Month.

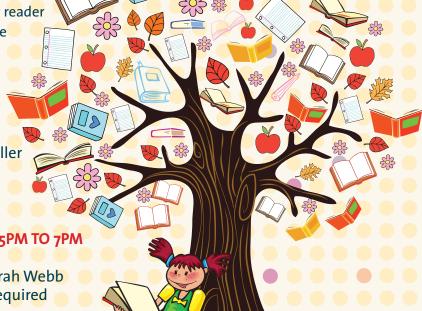
#### **EVENTS**

#### **ROALD DAHL DAY 13TH SEPTEMBER**

- Celebrating 100 Years of a Master Storyteller Events and workshops for local schools inspired by the work of Roald Dahl! Enquiries: dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

#### CULTURE NIGHT: FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 5PM TO 7PM

Smashing Stories and Dashing doodles:
Story and art fun for all the family with Sarah Webb and Alan Nolan All welcome, no booking required



#### Lexicon Children's Book Club

Do you love reading? Would you like to chat about stories and characters with fellow young book lovers? Whether you're a Harry Potter fan, or eat up Judi Curtin or David Walliams books, this is the club for you! For our first meeting we'll be talking about our favourite Roald Dahl book, in honour of his centenary on 13<sup>th</sup> September.

AGE 9+ Max 15

DATE 1st Wed of every month: 7th Sept, 5th Oct, 9th Nov, 7th Dec

TIME 3.15PM to 4.30PM LOCATION Level 3 meeting room 1

BOOKING dlrlexlconlib@dlrcoco.ie

#### Lexicon Children's Writing Club

Do you love writing stories and poems? Would you like to find out more about creating fantastic characters and gripping plots? Then this is the club for you!

AGE 9+ Max 15

DATE Thursday 15th Sept, 29th Sept, 13th Oct, 10th Nov, 24th Nov, 8th Dec (last of the year)

TIME 3.15PM to 4.30PM LOCATION Level 3 meeting room 1

BOOKING dlrlexIconlib@dlrcoco.ie

#### Teen Creatives

'TO LIVE A CREATIVE LIFE, WE MUST LOSE OUR FEAR OF BEING WRONG.' JOSEPH CHILTON PEARCE

Teen Creatives is for all teenagers who love to write, draw, create! We will be talking about how stories work, writing, drawing, cartooning, making short movies and vlogs, and exploring the practical, behind the scenes side of the arts world, from hanging an art exhibition to curating a book festival.

Artists, writers and arts curators will be invited to talk to the group about their work, such as writer and cartoonist, Alan Nolan and award winning writer, Sheena Wilkinson.

AGE Age 13+ Max: 15

DATE Saturdays 17th Sept, 1st Oct, 22nd Oct, 12th Nov, 26th Nov, 10th Dec (last of the year)

TIME 10am to 12pm LOCATION Lexicon Lab, level 3

BOOKING dlrlexlconlib@dlrcoco.ie

## Drop in Writing Clinic for Children and Teenagers

Are you a young writer? Would you like our writer in residence, Sarah Webb to read your work and offer advice? Drop in to her writing clinic. No need to book. Please bring a copy of your work for Sarah to read. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

AGE 8-18yrs

DATE Wednesday 28th Sept, 2nd Nov, 3oth Nov

TIME 3pm - 4pm LOCATION Writer in Residence Room, level 5

## Drop in Writing Clinic for Adults

Are you an adult who is writing for children or teenagers? Would you like some help and advice? Our writer in residence, Sarah Webb is hosting writing clinics for emerging children's writers. No need to book. Sarah is happy to read short extracts from manuscripts – 500 words or less - during the clinic but cannot read work outside clinic hours. Please bring a print out of your work.

DATE Wednesday 28th Sept, 2nd Nov, 3oth Nov

TIME 4pm - 5pm LOCATION Writer in Residence Room, level 5

