



AGATHA CHRISTIE'S
MYSTERY WEEKEND
WALLINGFORD

12 - 14 September 2025
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FRIDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

AGATHA CHRISTIE THEMED QUIZ Wallingford Library, 3.30pm

Test your knowledge of Agatha Christie in this fun-filled quiz. Tickets are free but must be booked in advance. Refreshments provided, donations welcome. Tel: **01865 815193** or email **wallingford.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk**

AGATHA CHRISTIE, POIROT AND ME WITH SOPHIE HANNAH The Corn Exchange, 8pm - 10pm

Join us as we welcome Sophie Hannah to Wallingford. Sophie is an internationally bestselling and award-winning author who was awarded the Crime Writers Association's *Dagger in the Library Award* for her body of work in 2023...

Sophie will discuss her experiences writing the new Poirot series at the request of Agatha Christie's family and estate; how Agatha has influenced her writing, and how her latest psychological thriller *No One Would Do What The Lambert's Have Done*, has both Agatha Christie and her pseudonym Mary Westmacott at its very heart.

Wallingford Bookshop will be selling a selection of Sophie's books after the event, which Sophie will be happy to sign.

Tickets £16 bookable via
www.cornexchange.org.uk/whats-on/

AGATHA CHRISTIE GUIDED WALKS IN WALLINGFORD Wallingford Museum from 10am (Saturday and Sunday)

Depart from Wallingford Museum. Discover the Wallingford that Agatha Christie would have known and loved (plus the original 'Causton' of *Midsomer Murders!*)
Approx 90 mins. £10 (includes Museum entry)
(Advise reserving place at
www.wallingfordmuseum.org.uk
Pay on the day at the museum (from 9.30am).

SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

JUNIOR DETECTIVES NEEDED! Cholsey Library, 9.30am - 12.30pm

Hunt the clues and solve the crime. Solve the mystery in the Library to win a small prize. (detective notebooks). Ages 5-16.

'AGATHA CHRISTIE IN ART' Wallingford Museum

A special event at Wallingford Museum: Saturday 2.30 - 4.30pm (included in Museum entrance fee). Meet Ben Twiston-Davies (sculptor of the Wallingford Agatha Christie statue) & Laura Hope (local artist and illustrator of the Folio Society edition of 'Ordeal by Innocence').

During the afternoon they will present an insight into their work and discuss their varied creative approaches.

MYSTERY SPYCATCHERS FAMILY EVENT Cholsey and Wallingford Heritage Railway, 2pm and 3.30pm

Join us for an exciting family adventure on the railway! Two special mystery trains will depart at 2pm and 3.30pm; please arrive at least 30 minutes before departure to discover clues to help you find out the identity of a deadly spy!

Families and children will team up to tackle the mystery; actors from local group *Dead Herring* will be on hand to help find the crucial clues but be warned; you will have to work for them!

This event is perfect for families and costs an additional £5 per family on top of the regular fare. Pre-booking essential at
www.cholsey-wallingford-railway.com/tickets

AGATHA CHRISTIE MYSTERY TRAIL Wallingford Town

Discover clues, solve riddles, and explore the town's links to Agatha Christie's mysteries in this engaging walking adventure. Join the trail and uncover the secrets behind Wallingford's mysterious past. Pick up a trail from the Library, The Tourist Information Centre, The Corn Exchange, Wallingford Museum and Wallingford Bookshop. £1/- per trail/sheet (cash only)

MURDER ON THE WALLINGFORD EXPRESS! Cholsey and Wallingford Heritage Railway, 7pm

Immerse yourself in a Murder Mystery event complete with a meal served on the train. Book a table for two, three, or four people and arrive by 7pm to enjoy a glass of Prosecco while our characters introduce you to the evening's activities, but what surprises lie in store...?

You'll have the opportunity to question suspects, solve a murder and by the time we get back all will be revealed in a dramatic dénouement; will your team unmask the killer and end up victorious? The event has a 1930s and 1940s theme, so feel free to dress the part.

We will be serving quiche and salad during the journey. Please make sure you choose which type of quiche you would like when booking; you can also pre-order wine or beer to ensure we have what you require but we will have a bar open on the train. Pre-booking essential at
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WHERE IS MRS CHRISTIE? STARRING LIZ GRAND The Corn Exchange, 8pm

In 1926, Agatha Christie was at the centre of a mystery when she disappeared for twelve days, sparking one of the biggest hunts in history. She was found in a hotel in Harrogate, she said she couldn't remember anything.

Did Agatha Christie lie? Did she suffer from amnesia? Was it a publicity stunt? Or was there a darker secret involved in this disappearance which was to affect her for the rest of her life?

Tickets: £16 Bookable via:
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MURDER AT MOLLIE'S Mollie's Cafe, 7pm

Join us for a murder mystery evening and delicious food. Featuring experienced actors in full costume to create an immersive murder mystery dinner that will make your evening truly memorable.

Expect a sparkling welcome drink upon arrival and indulge in a fabulous three-course menu as the evening of drama and suspense unfolds and see if you can solve the ultimate "who dunnit".

Tickets: £80 (only 20 tickets available)
Doors open 7pm for 7.30 start

SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

RUN TO AGATHA **Runwize Sport, 9am**

Join the team at Run Wallingford in a 5k or 10k run to either the Agatha Christie statue or St Mary's Church, Cholsey. Meet outside Runwize Sports in St Mary's Street.

CHOLSEY AND WALLINGFORD **HERITAGE RAILWAY** **9.30am - 4pm**

A shuttle will be operating between Wallingford and Cholsey on the hour from 10am. Come and ride the bubble train! Book your ticket at www.cholsey-wallingford-railway.com/tickets/

MURDER IN THE BOOKSHOP ESCAPE ROOM **Wallingford Bookshop, 10am - 3pm**

Find the clues, solve the puzzles, find the culprit! Join us for our first escape room experience at the bookshop. Pre-booking is essential. Pop in to book your 60 minute slot. £10 entry per family (max 6 people) with all profits going to future community events.

AFTERNOON TEA AT **THE WALLINGFORD TEAROOM** **Sittings at 2pm and 5pm**

Step into a bygone era and enjoy a delicious afternoon tea at The Wallingford Tearoom, located within the thriving Lamb Arcade. Then why not browse the antiques? You may find something thrilling!

THE ABSENCE OF AUNT GRETA **BY THE ENTITY ENSEMBLE** **The Corn Exchange, 8pm**

A year after the funeral of their founder, nine members of a high society club gather for their annual dinner. Arriving at her grand mansion, not one of them can envisage how the evening will unravel. As past discretions return to haunt them, witness the downfall of the most abhorrent people humanity has to offer.

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STORY WRITING COMPETITION **Wallingford Bookshop**

Calling budding mystery writers (ages 5-17) Write a short mystery (can be a story or graphic novel, max 1 page of A4) and enter our competition to win a Wallingford Bookshop book token! There are three age related categories and there will be two winners per category:

Mini Mysteries - age 5-7

Murderous Middle Grade - ages 8-12

Teenage Thrillers - ages 13-17

Entries must be handed in to The Wallingford Bookshop by 3pm on 14th September. Winners will be announced and published in the October edition of Window on Wallingford.

ST MARY'S CHURCH **St Mary's Church, Cholsey**

10.00 - 16.00 (Saturday and Sunday)

Visit Agatha Christie's grave and discover the beautiful ancient church where she and Max Mallowan worshipped. The church is situated a three-mile country walk along the Agatha Christie trail from Wallingford, a pleasant 10 minute walk from the Cholsey Station, or come by car or bus.

WALLINGFORD MUSEUM **Open Friday: 2pm-5pm**

Saturday and Sunday: 10.30am-5pm

AT HOME WITH THE 'QUEEN OF CRIME'

Featuring Agatha Christie's life with archaeologist husband Max Mallowan in Winterbrook House, Wallingford, from 1934 till her death in 1976. Photographs, local memories, personal hand-written letters and memorabilia.

'ORDEAL BY INNOCENCE'

Fascinating exhibit of original artwork by local artist Laura Hope, commissioned to illustrate the Folio Society's special edition of this classic Agatha Christie murder tale.

THE KINECROFT MYSTERY CHALLENGE

44 Agatha Christie titles hidden in a cunning painting by local artist Susan Ray. Can you find them all?



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