

## Slipstream Poets

1st October  
~~3rd~~ September 2018

Venue: Trinity Centre, Methodist Church, Storrington RH20 3NG

fee: £5.00 for annual members; £7.50 for occasional members

7.p.m. for a prompt start at 7.15 please

## Modern Takes ON ANCIENT FORMS

### A WORKSHOP LED BY JOHN DAVIES

#### Walsingham

'As you came from the holy land  
Of Walsingham  
Met you not with my true love  
By the way as you came?'  
*Sir Walter Raleigh 1552 – 1618*

*To His Coy Mistress*  
*Had we but world enough, and time...*  
or..

**An Horation Ode  
upon Cromwell's Return from  
Ireland, 1650**  
*Andrew Marvell 1621- 1678*

#### Epithalamion

Ye learned sisters which have oftentimes  
Beene to me ayding, others to adorne: ...  
Help me my owne loves praises to resound...  
*Edmund Spenser 1552 - 1599*

#### Ode to a Skylark

Hail to thee, blithe spirit!  
Bird thou never wort –  
*Percy Bysshe Shelley 1792 – 1822*

#### Clerihew

What I like about Clive  
Is that he's no longer alive.  
There's a great deal to be said  
For being dead.  
*Edward Clerihew Bentley 1875 - 1956*

John's suggestion:

Before the workshop read two long-dead poets you would normally never touch with a barge pole. What is it about their work you dislike or thought you disliked?

Are their forms still viable today?

Choose one of their forms to work with and bring ideas or even an early draft to the session for discussion.

(John will challenge himself with Spenser and Pope or Byron, poets he has avoided for years...)

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