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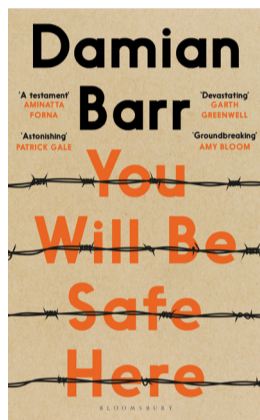
## BOOKS, CAFÉ, DELI & HOME



Spring being a time of clearing out the old and ushering in the new, what better time to restock your bookshelves with the work of three wonderful writers who, although well established in the literary world, may not yet be household names.

# FRESH VOICES

@ Jeff Spicer



## Thurs 11th April - DAMIAN BARR

First up we have Damian Barr, a renowned journalist, author of celebrated memoir, *Maggie & Me*, and eponymous host of the Savoy Hotel's Literary Salon. Damian is introducing his first novel, *You Will be Safe Here*.

Set in South Africa, during the height of the second Boer War in 1901 and then more recently in 2010, the novel depicts the history of this troubled nation whilst also exploring our capacity for cruelty and kindness.

"Nothing more unusual and impressive has appeared for years" Diana Athill

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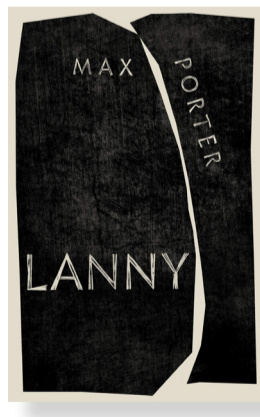


## Thurs 9th May - JESS KIDD

Jess Kidd will bring us her third novel, *Things in Jars*. I've been pushing Jess's first book, *Himself*, into the hands of customers for years with the caveat that Mahony, the delicious central character, sees dead people. Her new novel is set in Victorian London and features Bridie Devine as a female detective searching for a kidnapped child, Christabel Berwick, with the added complication that Christobel is not supposed to exist – what's not to love?

Graham Norton has described her novel as, "Thrilling, mysterious, twisted, but more than anything, beautifully written and filled to bursting with heart."

@ Lucy Dickens



## Thurs 6th June - MAX PORTER

Finally, on Thurs 6th June, we have Max Porter with his new novel, *Lanny*. Formerly a bookseller (hurrah) and editor, I believe Max has recently given up the day job to concentrate on his writing. This is wonderful news because those of us who read *Grief is the Thing with Feathers*, and those who will go on to read *Lanny*, know that Max's writing is sublime, inventive, funny, clever, heart-rending, and, according to Robert MacFarlane, "Dazzlingly good". Please form an orderly queue.

All evnts start at 7.30pm (doors open 7pm)  
**TICKETS: £10** (includes a glass of wine)  
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