



POESI – AN EVENING OF POETRY FROM DENMARK

TO BE THERE OR NOT TO BE THERE?

MONDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2018, 19:00 (7 P.M.)

SLIPSTREAM POETS, HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL, STORRINGTON, WEST SUSSEX RH20 3NG

Preview by presenter Lawrence Long

Danish? Bacon. Cheese. Pastries. Poetry? Less so.

Come for an evening of lesser-known poetry of landscape, seasons and human emotions. A variety of styles, forms and ages will be on offer. Poems are taken from “100 Danish Poems”, possibly the only parallel text Danish-English book of poetry, put together with support from the Danish Ministry.

Any Great Danes? Well, they’re mostly dogs. There might be one – but he is not known for poetry. Anyway the most famous Dane in literature is largely fictional.

Danish poetry is a small art but “small things too can delight us” (Heyse/Wolf). Denmark today is a country of 5.6 million people – fewer than London – and it was fewer still in history. Let’s explore together this quirky backwater of European poetry.

You do not need any knowledge of Danish – I don’t speak it – nor indeed of Denmark to participate. The writing exercise(s) will be theme-based.

Should you be there? Well, there’s one good reason. This will be a unique evening – there won’t be another one!