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BEST-SELLING AUSTRALIAN AUTHOR DARRY FRASER VISITS MORGAN TO MENTOR WRITERS

Acclaimed historical women's fiction author Darry Fraser has made a name for herself writing best-selling stories that showcase Australia's rural heritage – and in July she will share some of her secrets with local writers in Morgan.

Author of 12 books – including the popular *The Murray* series – Darry will visit Morgan for an Author Talk on 6 July and a writing workshop on 7 July.

Hosted through the Morgan Public Library, Ms Fraser's visit will give locals a chance to hear – and learn – from one of Australia's most-loved historical fiction authors.

While in Morgan, Ms Fraser will also be researching for an upcoming novel, due for release in 2025.

Mid Murray Mayor Simone Bailey said the event was a win for the local community.

"Often our local readers have to travel long distances to larger towns or to the city to attend an author talk or take a writing class," Mayor Bailey says.

"Darry's visit will allow readers to hear from a popular writer closer to home. It will also provide a rare opportunity for our budding authors to learn from one of the best when it comes to writing historical fiction.

"It's also exciting to hear that Darry will be using her time in Morgan and the Mid Murray for research that will shape one of her future novels – and hopefully we'll see Morgan in the spotlight again when it hits the shelves in two years' time."

Ms Fraser's *The Murray* series centres on life in colonial times and the paddle steamer era along the Murray River and has featured towns including Renmark and Echuca. Her other novels have been set in rural South Australia and Victoria.

With stories that take the reader on a journey through Australia's unique history – from the majestic paddle steamers of the Murray River to the chaotic gold fields of Victoria and the isolated wilds of the South East – Darry Fraser has made a name for herself in bringing the nation's heritage to life. Her appearance in Morgan is one not to be missed for readers, those interested in history and anyone looking for an entertaining evening.

The Author Talk will be held at the Morgan Activity Centre on Thursday, 6 July at 6pm, with a light supper provided.

The Writing Workshop will also run at the Morgan Activity Centre, from 10.30am on Friday, 7 July. Writers should bring a notebook, pen and their creativity. Spaces are limited and bookings are essential.

To find out more, or to book for either event, visit <https://www.trybooking.com/CHOHJ>.

Learn more about Darry Fraser and her books here: <https://www.darryfraser.com/>.

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