

'The Question of Genre: What is Crime Fiction?

*The 23rd Mystery & Crime Weekend
at St Hilda's College, Oxford*

19th-21st August 2016

**Lee Child is the conference Guest of Honour and
Natasha Cooper will be chairing the conference**

Friday 19th August

6.45pm **RECEPTION**

7.30pm **THE CONFERENCE DINNER**
Speaker: Ted Childs, the creator of ITV's Inspector Morse

Saturday 20th August

8.00 - 9.00am **BREAKFAST**

9.15am **Welcome: Kate Charles**

9.30 – 11.00am **Elly Griffiths**
A Gimlet Hole bored in a Chair Leg: how Crowded Rooms led to Murder

Jane Finniss
Once Upon a Crime

11.00 - 11.30am **COFFEE BREAK**

11. 40 - 12.40pm	Lee Child, our Guest of Honour, gives the Conference Lecture <i>Seven Million Years of Thriller Fiction</i>
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12.50 - 1.50pm **LUNCH**

Saturday 20th August (Continued)

- 2.00 - 3.30pm** **Martin Edwards**
Trending: why is Golden Age Fiction fashionable again?
Carol Westron
No Servants Need Apply
- 3.30 – 4.00pm** **TEA BREAK**
- 4.10 - 5.40pm** **Andrew Taylor**
Pistols at Dawn: How Crime Fiction Waylaid the Historical Novel
Shona MacLean
You couldn't make it up: Rules and Compromises in Historical Crime Fiction
- 5.45 – 6.30pm** **SIGNING SESSION FOR ALL AUTHORS**
- 7.15pm** **DRINKS: followed by the DINNER at 7.45pm**
Speaker: tbc

Sunday 21st August

- 8.30 - 9.30am** **BREAKFAST**
- 9.30 - 11.00pm** **Kate Charles**
From Father Brown to Sidney Chambers: the Clerical Detective
Chris Ewan
What's So Funny? Humour in Crime Fiction
- 11.00 – 11.30** **COFFEE**
- 11.30 – 1.00pm** **Sarah Weinman**
The Originators of Domestic Suspense
Marcia Talley
Murder Least Foul: Teapots and Craft Shops and Cats. Oh My
- 1.00pm** **CLOSING REMARKS**
- 1.15pm** **LUNCH**

THE BOOKSTORE

The bookstore, provided by Blackwell's and situated in the Foyer of the JdP Building, will be open continuously throughout the weekend. It will have all the speakers' available books and also books of other crime-writers attending the conference. (They are listed in bold on the Attendance Sheet.)