

# Dumfries Author Plots Novel from Shed and Launches at Scotland's Oldest Working Theatre

## Press release

Dumfries author, Lucy Cameron, moved to Scotland four years ago to pursue her career as a crime fiction writer. To make this happen she has lived in her dad's shed, where she both wrote by, and huddled around, a candle for warmth. Working through the long winter nights Lucy penned her debut novel, a supernatural thriller. To buy her candles she currently works in the Theatre Royal in Dumfries, where the launch of her debut novel '*Night Is Watching*' will take place on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7pm.

International crime author, Matt Hilton, will be chatting to Lucy about her work at the launch and Mostly Ghostly, an award-winning team of paranormal researchers, will also be present to add a ghoulish element to the event.

"*Night is Watching* was inspired by those long dark cold nights in the shed, but it gave me the quiet I needed to get the atmosphere and characters right for the book." Lucy said.

While the shed was the perfect place to write the book, Lucy is opting for a much bigger stage to launch it. The Theatre Royal is Scotland's oldest working theatre and works with local writers and playwrights.

*Night is Watching* is published in paperback and eBook formats and is available from April 6<sup>th</sup>.

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## Editors notes

To interview Lucy please contact Darren on 01463 681432 or 07958 304375, or email: [info@caffeinenights.com](mailto:info@caffeinenights.com)

Watch Lucy talk about *Night Is Watching*: <https://youtu.be/zHKFfDYjGBY>

## Night Is Watching – synopsis

Couples are being slaughtered in their homes; women drained of blood, men violently beaten. There are no clues to track the killer, no explanation as to why an increasing amount of blood is being removed from the crime scenes.

Detective Sergeant Rhys Morgan is seconded to the 'Couples Killer' investigation. Tormented by vivid nightmares, he hasn't slept soundly for

weeks becoming convinced a creature from these nightmares poses a threat to him and his family. His behaviour becomes increasingly erratic causing his bosses to wonder if he's the right man for the job.

As clues to the killer's identity are uncovered, the line between what is real and what cannot be starts to blur and Rhys discovers the answer to catching the killer and exorcizing his own demons, may be as irrational as he fears.

### **About Lucy Cameron**

Born in London and having lived in South Wales, Liverpool, York and Nottingham, Lucy currently lives in a shed in her Dad's garden in Scotland where she wears thermals for warmth and writes by candlelight.

Lucy's interest in writing stems from her love of film and theatre and she is a keen script writer who hopes to see her plays onstage following her scriptwriting debut as part of the National Theatre Scotland's 'Five Minute Theatre Show' project in 2014.

Lucy studied Fine Art at university which allowed her to get a glittering career in... food retail. Working sixty hours a week in retail management hampered Lucy's writing until a career-break took her to Scotland and the rest, as they say in history... Or should that be (crime) fiction?

### **About Matt Hilton**

Matt Hilton quit his career as a police officer to pursue his love of writing tight, cinematic American-style thrillers. He is the author of the high-octane Joe Hunter thriller series. As well as the Joe Hunter series, Matt published novels in the supernatural/horror genre, namely 'Preternatural', 'Dominion', 'Darkest Hour' and 'The Shadows Call'.

### **About Mostly Ghostly**

Mostly Ghostly, is an award-winning team of four paranormal researchers and history enthusiasts, who have created a range of unique tours. Based in Dumfries and Galloway, they feel passionate about highlighting the region, and Scotland as whole, as a must-visit tourist destination. Mostly Ghostly aim to highlight the lesser-known, the unusual and unique aspects of our fascinating home, including the stranger side of Scotland's oldest working theatre - the Theatre Royal, Dumfries. In 2011, they launched their Haunted Theatre Tour and ever since, have enjoyed guiding guests around this incredible historic gem.