

LAUNCH

of

LOVE'S COLD RETURNING



*John Clare's 1841 Odyssey
from Essex to Northamptonshire*

by

Ellis Hall & Bridget Somekh

Friday, November 15th 2019, 19.00

at

THE POETRY CAFE

22 Betterton St, London WC2H 9BX

You are invited to

the launch of

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(Nearest tube stations Covent Garden and Holborn)

The book

consists of 420 pages with 220 drawings and colour photographs, exploring in verse, prose and images the world of John Clare's epic journey, and featuring maps by Mr Jon Harris and illustrations by Ms Pam Smy.

The event

begins at 19.00 in the café basement. Mr John Gallas (Carcenet) will give the introduction and welcome. The authors will read verse and prose from *Love's Cold Returning* assisted by Mr Tony Lanfranchi of the John Clare Society, who will also give readings from Clare's poetry. Mr Gallas will present his poem 'The Heartsease', recently published in the *John Clare Society Journal*, before inviting the audience to ask questions and share their cherished works by Clare. Please bring along some Clare poems - or your own poems about him - to read to the assembly. Wine and refreshments will be available in the Café upstairs.

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