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FOR BOOKSELLERS AND REVIEWERS

Thank you for taking the time to read through our preview brochure. We enjoyed putting together a sneak peak for you and I hope the covers and descriptions of our 2021 books are enough to whet your appetite!

If you would like any more information about the books we have to offer, then please get in touch at the_team@crowvus.com.

For booksellers, we are interested in supporting as many indie bookshops as we can, and are considering producing special editions of our books that would only be available at independent bookshops. This is subject to demand, however, so let us know if you'd be interested in this.

Our books are available from Ingram. However, if you order direct from the Crowvus, you get the stock on a 'sale or return' basis.



SAVE THE DATE

The calendar tells you when exciting book launches are happening with Crowvus! For more information on the books, flick through this catalogue and find your next favourite read.

Adult Books

The Stealth of Caledon - January 22nd
The Year We Lived - April 10th
5th Ghost Story Anthology -
December 3rd

Young Adult Books

Honour's Rest - October 11th

Middle Grade Books

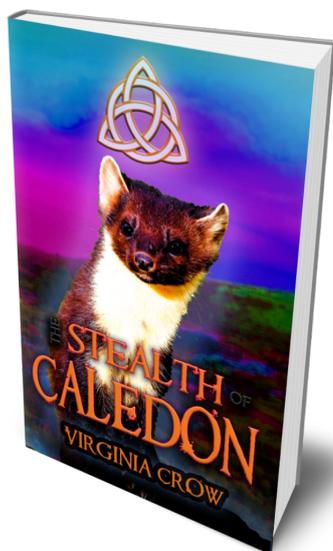
The Tour of the Solar System - February 15th
The Scottish Mythical Bestiary - February 15th
Nutty Nature Notes - February 15th
Unicorns Rule - April 10th
Doorway to the Sunset - July 15th
Heartstone - September 13th

Picture Books

Craggy the Coo - April 23rd
Rosie Jane - November 2nd

FOR ADULTS

At a Glance



THE STEALTH OF CALEDON

by Virginia Crow

Danger haunts the Clan of Caledon again as a stranger arrives in Golspie, with a startling knowledge of the group.

22nd January 2021

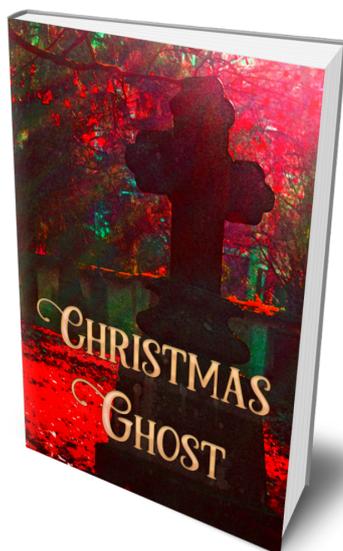


THE YEAR WE LIVED

by Virginia Crow

A Norman lord goes to awful lengths during a blood feud with an Anglo-Saxon family. A gripping tale with a twist that will thrill any reader.

10th April 2021

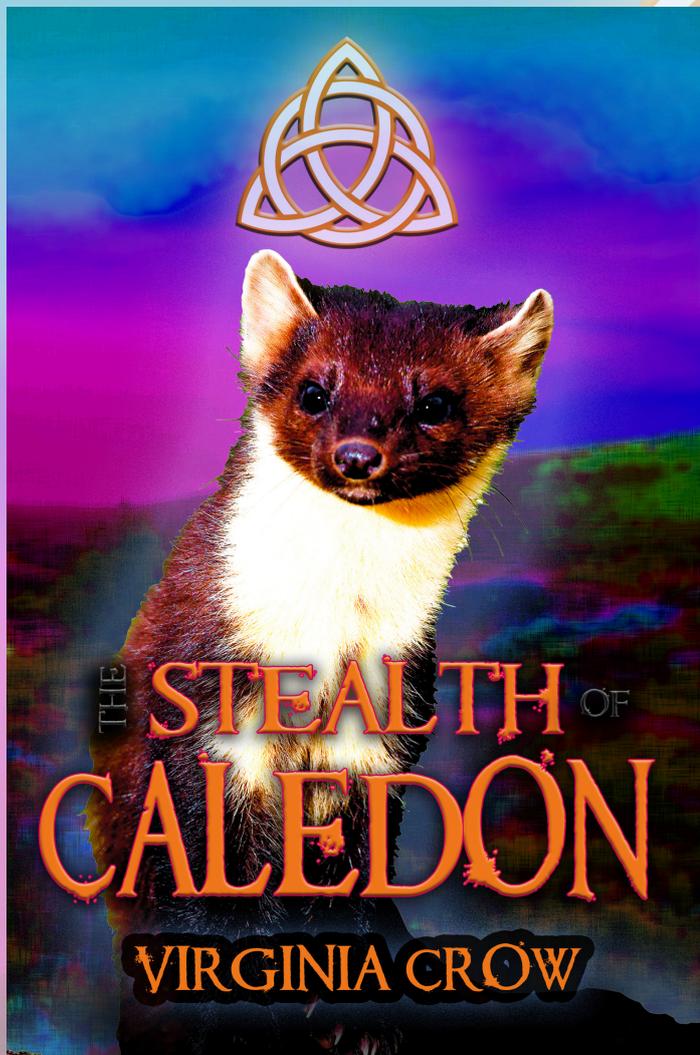


CHRISTMAS GHOST STORIES

by Various Authors

Our 5th annual ghost story anthology is a compilation of the winning stories for our Ghost Story Competition. Will they be scary, sweet or sad? We don't know yet!

4th December 2021



THE STEALTH OF CALEDON

by Virginia Crow

Keywords

*Highlands
Scotland
Spirit
Outlaw
Magic
Rebellion*

Local Interest

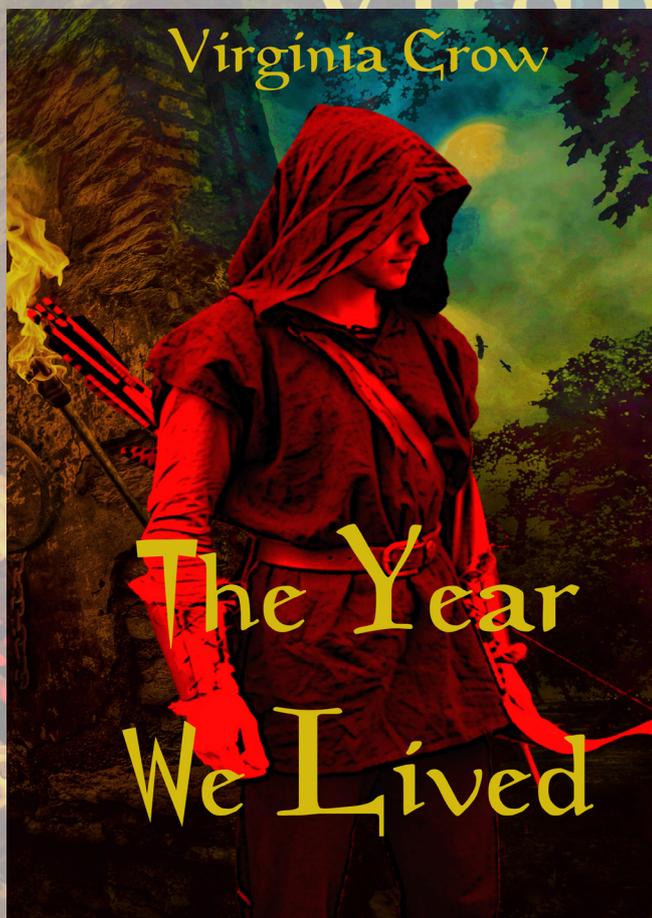
*Author -
Highland
Orkney
North Lincs

Book -
Highland
Sutherland*

After the rollercoaster of events in the first book of Caledon, the clan regroup to find a new strength. However, there is a stranger who has arrived in Golspie...a stranger who has an unnatural knowledge of the Clan of Caledon, and their eile. The clan battle against a new enemy, while trying to always outwit the militia and the witches. But success is far from certain, and one may have to turn against them for the greater good.

Why you'll **love** this book

The Caledon series is packed full of adventure, while still keeping within the historical boundaries of the 18th century. If you're interested in Scottish history, or mythology, then this new take will have you glued to the page.



The Year We Lived

by Virginia Crow

Local Interest

Keywords

Anglo Saxon
Norman England
Revenge
Family
Changeling

Author -

Highland

Orkney

North Lincs

Book -

Norfolk

Hastings

It is 1074, 8 years after the fateful Battle of Hastings. Lord Henry De Bois is determined to find the secret hidden community of Robert, an Anglo-Saxon thane but all of his attempts are met with failure.

When he captures Robert's younger sister, events are set in motion that affects everyone involved. Will Robert ever learn why Henry hates him so much? And who is the mysterious stranger in the reedbed who can disappear at will?

Why you'll love this book

The brutality of the Norman conquest mixed with the feelings of families and lovers. If you want a book you can get your teeth into, then you'll THE YEAR WE LIVED will be right up your street. Not to mention the twist that will blow your socks off!

THE 5TH ANNUAL

GHOST STORY

ANTHOLOGY

by Various Authors

Keywords

Christmas

Supernatural

Short stories

Winning entries

Scary, sweet or sad

The title has yet to be decided, but the working title is currently “Christmas Ghost”

The Crowvus rules for a ghost story are that it should have at least 1 of the 3 Ss. It should be scary, sweet, or sad. A ghost story should move the reader in some way, whether that is to the edge of their seat, or to the tissue box.

We can't know what stories will be shared within this anthology. The competition opens in May and closes at the end of September, so most of the stories probably won't be written yet!

Why you'll love this book

Well, it's a little tricky when we don't know the exact stories that will be in the anthology. However, looking at the previous four ghost story books, we can tell you that they'll be some tear-jerkers and some tales that will have you at the end of your seat.

THE LAUNCH OF CROWVUS CHOUGHS

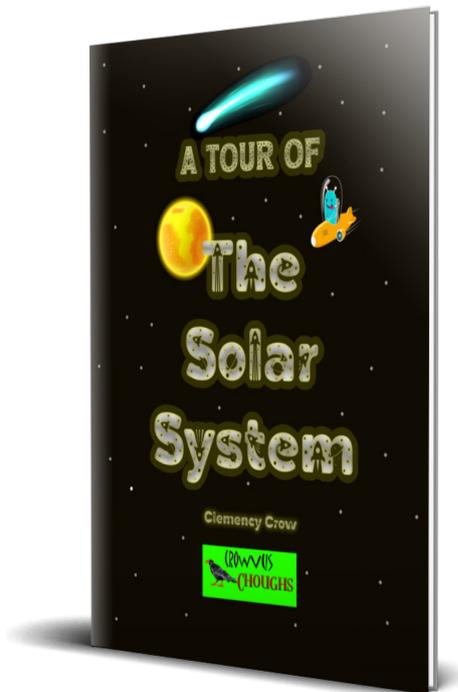


IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE!

Due to the recent successes of Crowvus in book awards and with book reviewers, we decided to take a head-long leap into launching our first imprint. Crowvus Choughs will go live on the **15th February**, and will focus on children's and young adult book.

To celebrate, we are hosting a children's art competition for children to draw their favourite bird. The competition will be open to all school-aged children from around the UK.

We will also be launching 2 special edition hardback books for children. Here is a sneak peek:



A Tour of the Solar System



A Scottish Mythical Bestiary

A Tour of the Solar System

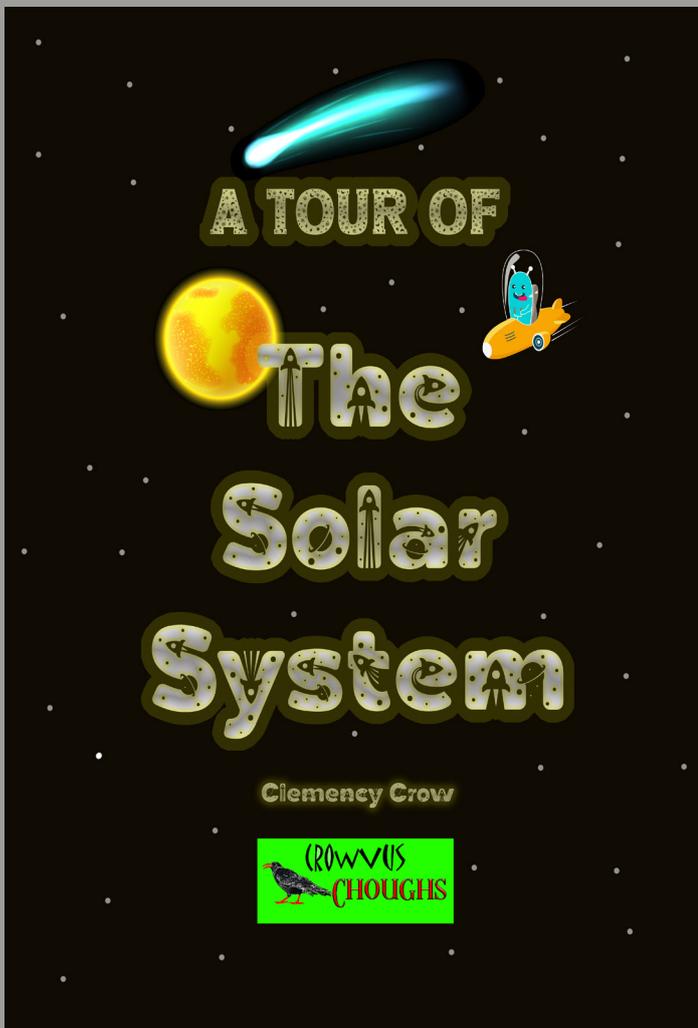
by Clemency Crow

Keywords

*Non-fiction
Fun science
Space and astronomy
Solar System
Planets
Comets
Asteroids*

Local Interest

*Author -
Caithness
Highland
Orkney
North Lincs*



This isn't just a fact book for the 8 main planets of our solar system. No, it takes the reader on a journey starting at the sun and working outwards all the way to the Oort Cloud, and the comets that originate there.

Join the friendly alien as it explores our part of the universe, finding out fun facts about the asteroid belt, planets, the 5 dwarf planets, the Kuiper Belt...everything that makes our Solar System special!

Why you'll love this book

Why are books about the solar system so often just about the planets. Our neighbouring sky holds so much more mystery and thrills than just the 8 well-known sky giants. This book is a brilliant way to introduce kids to our corner of the universe.

A Scottish Mythical Bestiary



Keywords

*Myths
Legends
Folklore
Illustrations
Atmospheric
Culture*

Local Interest

*Author -
Caithness
Highland
Orkney
North Lincs

Book -
Scotland*

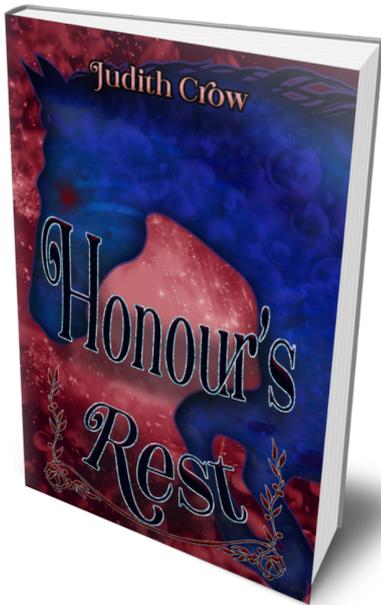
No one can deny that Scotland is rich in myths and legends, often involving strange and wonderful creatures. This bestiary features 16 of these animals, a mixture of well-known ones like the Loch Ness Monster and rarer ones such as the Lavellan. With a picture and a page of description for each animal, you'll certainly recognise the creatures that are not-exactly-ordinary. Keep your eyes peeled - you never know when you might see a cu-sith or a trow. And always be on your guard.

Why you'll **love** this book

Stylish illustrations, stunning descriptions...they are two of the things you'll love about this book. Whether you like scary creatures like the terrifying nuckleavee, or funny ones like shellycoat, there is something for you in this treasure of a book.

FOR YOUNG ADULTS

At a Glance



HONOUR'S REST

by Judith Crow

Pen learns he can use the Rite - a magic-like ability - and must go to live with his dour uncle to learn how to control it.

11th October 2021

WOULD YOU LIKE AN AUTHOR EVENT?

Each one of our authors would be delighted to participate in any online event. Would you like to organise something through your bookshop, school or library?

Get in touch if this is something that you would love, and we will do everything we can to accomodate you!

Is there a particular book that catches your eye? Would you like to participate in the book launch?



Honour's Rest

by Judith Crow

Keywords

Magical realism
Coming of age
Scotland
Highlands
Kelpie
Castles

Local Interest

Author - Caithness
Highland
Orkney
North Lincs

Story -
Aviemore
Caithness

The Rite is not exactly magic, but it certainly seems like that to Pen when he unwittingly pushes the school bully into a pond... while he was really studying in the library.

When Pen's family realise he has the Rite, they send him to live with his uncle who can help him control his ability. But his uncle has other duties. He is the Rendelf, in charge of the Rite in the UK, and he has gathered many enemies over the years - enemies who would be delighted to use Pen against him.

Why you'll love this book

Oh my goodness! Years of persuasion has finally led the author to let us publish HONOUR'S REST. Magic, myths and danger mix with heart-stopping clarity in this book which will have you questioning whether it's real.

FOR MIDDLE GRADE

At a Glance

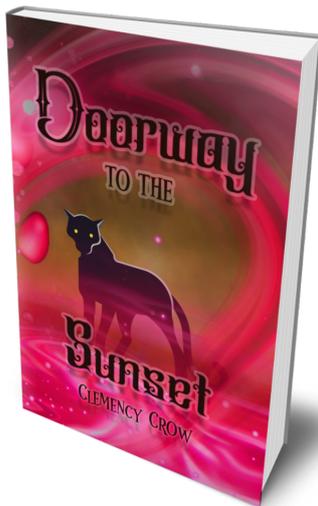


UNICORNS RULE

by Clemency Crow

Mindheim is ruled by whatever children love best. When the elf queen refuses to give her throne to the queen of the unicorns, elves and gnomes must seek help from a human child.

10th April 2021

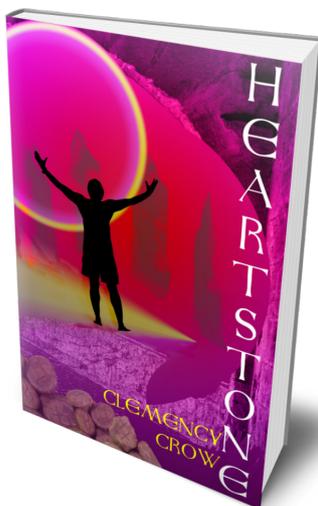


DOORWAY TO THE SUNSET

by Clemency Crow

Freya finds herself thrown into the dangerous world of the Guardians again as a terrifying creature causes panic among the tribes.

15th July 2021



HEARTSTONE

by Clemency Crow

Jeremy finds an unusual friend who needs his help to stop an ancient evil destroying the country. The key lies within the heartstones, hidden within four castle ruins.

13th September 2021

Clemency Crow

Unicorns Rule

by Clemency Crow

Keywords

Fantasy
Parallel world
Magic
Unicorns
Mythical creatures
Quest
Adventure

Local Interest

Author -
Highland
Orkney
North Lincs

Unicorns Rule

When Sarah is woken up in the middle of the night, she finds a young elf and two gnomes who ask her for help in saving Mindheim, a world created by the dreams of children.

The elf queen has taken over Mindheim and locked away all the unicorns. But, with the unicorns gone, all the goodness is fading from the world.

Can Sarah save Mindheim from the queen? And, in a world made of dreams, where do the nightmares go?

Why you'll love this book

Unicorns. Need I say any more? And these aren't fluffy rainbow unicorns either. These are the graceful, magical creatures of myths and legends. That, coupled with children saving the day...what's not to love!



Doorway to the Sunset

by Clemency Crow

Keywords

*Fantasy
Magic
Adventure
Sequel
Danger*

Local Interest

*Author -
Highland
Orkney
North Lincs*

Freya hasn't seen her crow friends for several months, but when she is attacked by a cat-like creature, she is thrust into the dangerous world of the Guardians again.

The cat is an Ennedi, a creature that can only be summoned by a powerful being - more powerful than any of the Guardians. But who has that power? And why have they sent the Ennedi after Freya?

This is Book 2 in the Feather Down trilogy.

Why you'll love this book

Friendship and adventure. Following the bestseller TAKING WING, this book develops all of the characters and their friendships. It also answers some exciting questions that were posed in the 1st book.

Heartstone

by Clemency Crow

Keywords

*Fantasy
Magic
Adventure
Castles
Myths
Friendship*

Local Interest

*Author -
Highland
Orkney
North Lincs

Book -
Cumbria*

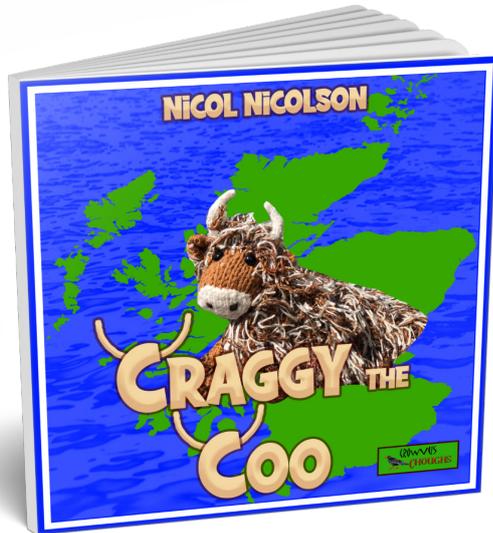
When Jeremy's estranged grandfather dies, he travels with his parents to Cumbria to sort out his things. Although Jeremy is unsure about the temporary move, he soon finds his place when he meets an unusual boy in the ruins of the castle. Jeremy's new friend is looking for the heartstone of the castle - a gateway which stops an evil witch entering the world. But these stones need recharging every 100 years if they are to succeed, and time is running out. Can Jeremy and his friend find all the stones in time?

Why you'll love this book

Heartstone has two completely different but relatable characters. You will find yourself rooting for one of them all the way through! That, and a terrific setting, just makes this book a necessary addition to any bookshelf.

PICTURE BOOKS

At a Glance



CRAGGY THE COO

by Nicol Nicolson

Craggy is desperate for a home and wanders all over Scotland, searching. Will he find the perfect place to settle?

23rd April 2021



ROSIE JANE AND THE PERSIAN CAT

by Susan Crow

What will naughty Rosie Jane get up to in this 3rd book about her and her best friend, Jessica.

The cover shown is for book 2, as the illustrations have not been completed yet.

2nd November 2021



CRAGGY THE COO

WANTS A PLACE
TO CALL HOME

by Nicol Nicolson

Keywords

*Pictures
Photographs
Rhyme
Belonging
Hospitality
Travel*

Local Interest

Author - Dumfries & Galloway, Skye, London

*Book - Scotland, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Assynt, Skye,
Dumfries & Galloway, Treshnish Isles, Isle of Mull,
Loch Ness, Sutherland, Highland*

Craggy wants nothing more than his own place but, as he wanders around Bonnie Scotland, he struggles to find somewhere to settle. Will Craggy find the perfect place for his forever home?

Why you'll love this book

Coupled with an adorable hieland coo called Craggy, this gem of a book takes the reader around some of Scotland's most beautiful scenery. This book will appeal to children and adults alike - a truly remarkable piece!



ROSIE JANE AND THE PERSIAN CAT

by Susan Crow

Illustrated by Virginia Crow



Keywords

Illustrations
Friendship
Animal
Personalities
Caring
Rhyme

Local Interest

Author -
Highland
Orkney
North Lincs

These illustrations are taken from Book 2: Rosie Jane's Christmas

In the 3rd Rosie Jane book, the two best friends team up again in this adorable picture book in rhyme. When they find a cat in their garden, they search for its owner and realise a new girl has moved into the village. Moving's a little lonely, but the friends soon make things better.

Why you'll love this book

Rosie Jane, although a little mischievous, is a character that everyone will identify with! The book centres around friendship and kindness so will appeal to parents and teachers, as well as their children.