

PHILIP CAVENEY



Philip Caveney was born in North Wales in 1951, the son of an RAF officer. He spent his childhood travelling around Britain and spent some years in Singapore and Malaysia.

He is the author of many works of fiction and has published 12 adult thrillers

More recently, he has turned his hand to writing children's books. Two **Sebastian Darke** novels, featuring the eponymous failed jester, struggling to make his way in a dangerous medieval world, are currently available - **Prince of Fools** and **Prince of Pirates**. (Prince of Fools has been short-listed for several literary prizes) A third adventure, **Prince of Explorers** is due for publication in Spring 2009. His latest project is the **Alec Devlin** trilogy – book one, **The Eye Of The Serpent**, was released in August 2008. Set in Egypt in 1923, it features Alec, a 15 year old archaeologist, who keeps finding himself caught up in exciting (and sometimes terrifying) adventures.

A second book, **Kingdom of the Skull**, will be published in autumn 2009.

"Dear Mr Caveney. Thanks so much for visiting our school. I really liked listening to your story and I am enjoying the book that you signed to me." *Hannah, Stamford Park Juniors, Altrincham*

"Many thanks for last night's event with the reading group. I thoroughly enjoyed the session and the students were still talking about you this morning!" *Sue Arthur, Priestsmall High School*

EVENTS

AUDIENCE

Philip is happy to handle any size of group up to a maximum of 200 children. The ideal age range is 9-12 years.

Philip is prepared to travel throughout the UK, but distances over two hours travel, may require suitable overnight accommodation.

FORMAT

A book event comprises a talk, a reading, a Q& A and a book signing and each session lasts around 1 hour. Philip is also happy to provide writing workshops to groups of up to 15 children, who have a particular interest in writing.

Philip will also talk to adult audiences about writing for children.

COSTS

Philip charges £200, per half day, £300 per full day, with a maximum number of 4 events per day; plus all travelling expenses.

CONTACTS

If you would like to book an event with Philip please e mail him on

Philip.caveney@ntlworld.com

PUBLICITY MATERIAL

The following material is available for events:

- Posters
- Author Packs

To request this material please contact:

childrenspublicity@randomhouse.co.uk

BOOKS FOR SALE

Most local bookshops are happy to supply books on a sale or return basis, but if there are problems, Philip can arrange to bring a supply to sell on the day. He prefers to use advance order forms in order to gauge how many books will be needed.

LINKS

To find out more about Philip's books, you can visit him at www.philip-caveney.co.uk

You can also visit the Sebastian Darke website at www.sebastiandarke.co.uk

To find out more about Philip's books please visit the kids website: www.kidsatrandomhouse.co.uk

Other useful links:

- <http://www.societyofauthors.org/>
- www.rbooks.co.uk
- <http://www.fcbg.org.uk/>
- www.contactanauthor.co.uk
- www.classactagency.co.uk
- www.booktrust.org.uk
- www.scatteredauthors.org

