



Thursday 20 March @ 7.30pm
Aphra Behn (1640-1689)
Bridge Village Hall



Portrait of Aphra Behn by the Dutch painter Peter Lely

Jenny Watson Bore, a blue badge guide, will tell the story of Mrs Aphra Behn who was born in Canterbury. This working class girl grew up to become a poet, the first ever professional female writer, an anti-slavery novelist, a playwright and a spy !

Aphra Behn, through her sheer hard work and talent, broke down the social barriers for the generations of women who came after her.

She was buried in the cloisters of Westminster Abbey and is now commemorated with a statue outside The Beaney in Canterbury (unveiled 27th February 2025).

Admission £4 (including refreshments)

