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Crime author's new book signing



Author Kia Abdulla outside Richmond's Castle Hill Bookshop

CRIME writer <u>Kia Abdullah</u> will be signing copies of her new novel, Truth Be Told, at Castle Hill Bookshop, Richmond, next month

Ms Abdullah will be at the store between 11am and noon, on Saturday, September 5.

She relocated to Richmond from London in September 2018 and has since developed an avid local readership. Earlier this year, she spoke at the Richmond Rotary Club and was due to speak at the Richmond Walking & Book Festival in September, which was cancelled due to Covid-19.

Not to be defeated, Castle Hill Bookshop have invited her to launch her new novel with a signing at the shop. Truth Be Told is a courtroom drama that follows the case of a 17-yearold boy who is assaulted at his boarding school after a night of drunken revelry. The novel examines consent, shame and the pressure on young men to act hyper-masculine.

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She said: "I'm delighted to
be launching Truth Be Told at
Castle Hill Bookshop. These
are extraordinary times but
I'm really looking forward to
meeting some local readers."

Ms Abdullah also stressed the importance of supporting local bookshops.

