

# Dawn French

## Writer / Performer

Dawn's latest novel, a Richard and Judy Book Club pick, **BECAUSE OF YOU,** was published in October 2020.

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**ME. YOU. A DIARY.**, a No.1 *Sunday Times* bestseller, was published in October 2017.

Dawn's new novel **ACCORDING TO YES** is published in October 2015.

Her second novel **OH DEAR SILVIA** was published in October 2012 and was in the bestsellers chart for months.

A TINY BIT MARVELLOUS was the best selling debut novel of 2011 and is out now.



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### Me. You. A Diary.

2017

This is Dawn French's fabulous new non-fiction book and it's totally interactive: take a lovely ramble through the year together with Dawn. Think of it as Dawn's diary, personalized by you . . . perfection.

Michael Joseph I can't count the amount of diaries I have crammed full with entries in January, that then fizzle out as the other months pile in. One of my teenage diaries has fulsome fizzing reports of every single conversation, thought and feeling about every friend, every crush, every meal, every argument until mid-March, when the entry on the 18th simply reads,

'Washed hair.'

Thank god, this isn't that. This book is a way for us to tell the story of a year together. Feel free to write your appointments in it, lists, thoughts and reminders of, say, who to kill, and when, and in what order. But I've also written about age and life as I see it, through the seasons and the months, and I've added some places for you to join me in some fun and some thinking. By the end of the year, I am hoping you will have a fatter, scruffier book that is written by me but totally personalized by you.

Come on in. The paper is lovely . . .

#### **Dear Fatty**

2008 Century t's become a cliché in Britain to call somebody in the entertainment field a national institution -- but that's exactly what Dawn French is. As both comedienne and actress (the latter in both comedy and straight parts), she has become one of the best loved entertainers in the country. Her range is not wide (unlike her dimensions -- and that's the sort of joke she'd crack), but she is utterly winning in everything he does. And that quality continues in Dear Fatty, a truly entertaining memoir of an event-packed life.

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#### BECAUSE OF YOU

THE EAGERLY AWAITED, LIFE-AFFIRMING AND MOVING SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

FROM NUMBER-ONE BESTSELLING AUTHOR DAWN FRENCH

2020

LONGLISTED FOR THE WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION

Michael Joseph 'I absolutely loved Because of You. Fantastic, passionate, compassionate, so much wisdom, a lot of humour, very real and credible' BERNARDINE EVARISTO, Booker

Prize-winning author of Girl, Woman, Other

'Gorgeous . . . wise and full of love' MARIAN KEYES

Tick-tock, tick-tock, tick-tock . . . midnight.

The old millennium turns into the new.

In the same hospital, two very different women give birth to two very similar daughters.

Hope leaves with a beautiful baby girl.

Anna leaves with empty arms.

Seventeen years later, the gods who keep watch over broken-hearted mothers wreak mighty revenge, and the truth starts rolling, terrible and deep, toward them all.

The power of mother-love will be tested to its limits.

Perhaps beyond . . .

Because of You is the remarkably poignant story perfect for every Dawn French fan, told with her signature humour, warmth and so much love.

# According to Yes

The Foreign Land of the Very Wealthy - otherwise known as Manhattan's Upper East Side - has its own rigid code of behaviour. It's a code strictly adhered to by the

2015 Wilder-Bingham family.

Michael Emotional displays - unacceptable.

Joseph Unruly behaviour - definitely not welcome.

Fun - no thanks.

This is Glenn Wilder-Bingham's kingdom. A beautifully displayed impeccably edited fortress of restraint.

So when Rosie Kitto, an eccentric thirty-eight-year-old primary school teacher from England, bounces into their lives with a secret sorrow and a heart as big as the city, nobody realises that she hasn't read the rule book.

For the Wilder-Bingham family, whose lives begin to unravel thread by thread, the consequences are explosive. Because after a lifetime of saying no, what happens when everyone starts saying . . . yes?

#### Oh Dear Silvia

2012

Dawn French, number one bestelling author of A Tiny Bit Marvellous and one of Britain's best loved comic writers, returns with Oh Dear Silvia, a darkly comic pageturner that will have you hanging on her every word.

Michael Who is in Coma Suite Number 5?

Joseph A matchless lover? A supreme egotist? A selfless martyr? A bad mother? A

cherished sister? A selfish wife? All of these. For this is Silvia Shute who has always done exactly what she wants.

All of these. For this is Silvia Shute who has always done exactly what she wants. Until now, when her life suddenly, shockingly stops.

Her past holds a dark and terrible secret, and now that she is unconscious in a hospital bed, her constant stream of visitors are set to uncover the mystery of her broken life. And she must lie there, victim of the beloveds, the borings, the babblings and the plain bonkers.

Like it or not, the truth is about to pay Silvia a visit. Again, and again and again...

#### A Tiny Bit Marvellous 2010

2010 Michael Joseph Everyone hates the perfect family. So you'll love the Battles. Mo is about to hit the big 50, and some uncomfortable truths are becoming quite apparent: She doesn't understand either of her teenage kids, which as a child psychologist, is fairly embarrassing. She has become entirely grey. Inside, and out. Her face has surrendered and is frightening children. Dora is about to hit the big 18 . . . and about to hit anyone who annoys her, especially her precocious younger brother Peter who has a chronic Oscar Wilde fixation. Then there's Dad . . . who's just, well, dad. A TINY BIT MARVELLOUS is the story of a modern family all living in their own separate bubbles lurching towards meltdown. It is for anyone who has ever shared a home with that weird group of strangers we call relations. Oh and there's a dog. Called Poo.