

# Edinburgh Bookshop is changing hands



The Edinburgh Bookshop, described by Alexander McCall Smith as “the city’s best independent bookseller”, will be changing owners on 1st October 2012.

After a fabulous five years, Malcolm and Vanessa Robertson – founders and owners – have decided to sell the business to allow them time to concentrate on other book-related projects. The business is being taken over by Marie Moser, former Marketing Manager for James Thin and a long-time friend of the shop.

“Malcolm and I are immensely proud of what we’ve achieved at the bookshop”, said Vanessa Robertson. “I would like to thank all the members of the publishing trade, authors, other booksellers and most of all, our customers, who have supported The Edinburgh Bookshop since it opened in 2007. Now that the shop is established as a part of the city’s literary scene we feel the time is right for us to concentrate on other book-related projects – especially our somewhat neglected publishing company, Fidra Books.

“It is difficult to hand over the bookshop after working so hard for the last five years – but we could not be more delighted to be handing over to such an experienced and enthusiastic book lover as Marie.”

The new owner, Marie Moser, said:- “I have long been a customer and admirer of The Edinburgh Bookshop, and I am thrilled to be entrusted to continue the success of this wonderful establishment.”

It was to the Edinburgh Bookshop that one of the mysterious

paper sculptures was delivered for Edinburgh author Ian Rankin. [Read here the full story](#) – and the story about the package sent to Edinburgh Bookshop way down at the bottom... The marvellously intricate sculptures [are on their way round Scotland at the moment.](#)

We wish the Robertsons well!