

THE GATEHOUSE BULLETIN

NEWS FROM OXFORD'S FREE CAFE

Spring 2019

STREET CHOIR REHEARSALS

The Street Choir is back, with rehearsals every Monday in St Giles Church from 3.30pm to 4.45pm. Everybody is welcome, so come along and give it a try!

BIKE OXFORD

Bike Oxford will be back in town on Sunday 19th May, so if you are a keen cyclist here's the ideal opportunity to help raise some money for the Gatehouse.

The event is open to both adults and children, and there are three courses of 25, 50 and 80 miles to choose from. The Gatehouse will pay your registration fees, so all you need to do is e-mail your name, date of birth and postal address to katrina@oxfordgatehouse.org.

Get on your bike to raise money for the Gatehouse!

Bike Oxford: Sunday 19th May 2019



25,50 or 80 mile routes from Oxford University Rugby Club, Iffley Road. For adults and children.

www.bikeoxford.co.uk

FILMING AT THE GATEHOUSE

This year filming will be taking place at the Gatehouse from time to time to produce a short video about the services and activities we offer for placing on the website. You could become a video star, but don't worry, only willing individuals will be filmed.

SUPPORT FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

A massive thank you to a number of schools that have been carrying out fundraising activities on our behalf. These include St Edwards School raising over £4,000 through an Iron Man event, and Wychwood School providing us with a mountain of top notch sleeping bags and mats.



WE'VE LAUNCHED OUR LOTTERY PAGE

Buy Your Tickets From Our Page - We Get 50%

- We now have an Oxford City Lottery page!
- Support the Gatehouse (Reg. Charity No. 1002741) and win prizes of up to £25,000!
- 50% of all tickets sold from our page go to us!
- PLUS 10% goes to other local good causes!
- Tickets only cost £1 per week!
- Support us and win prizes - WIN WIN!

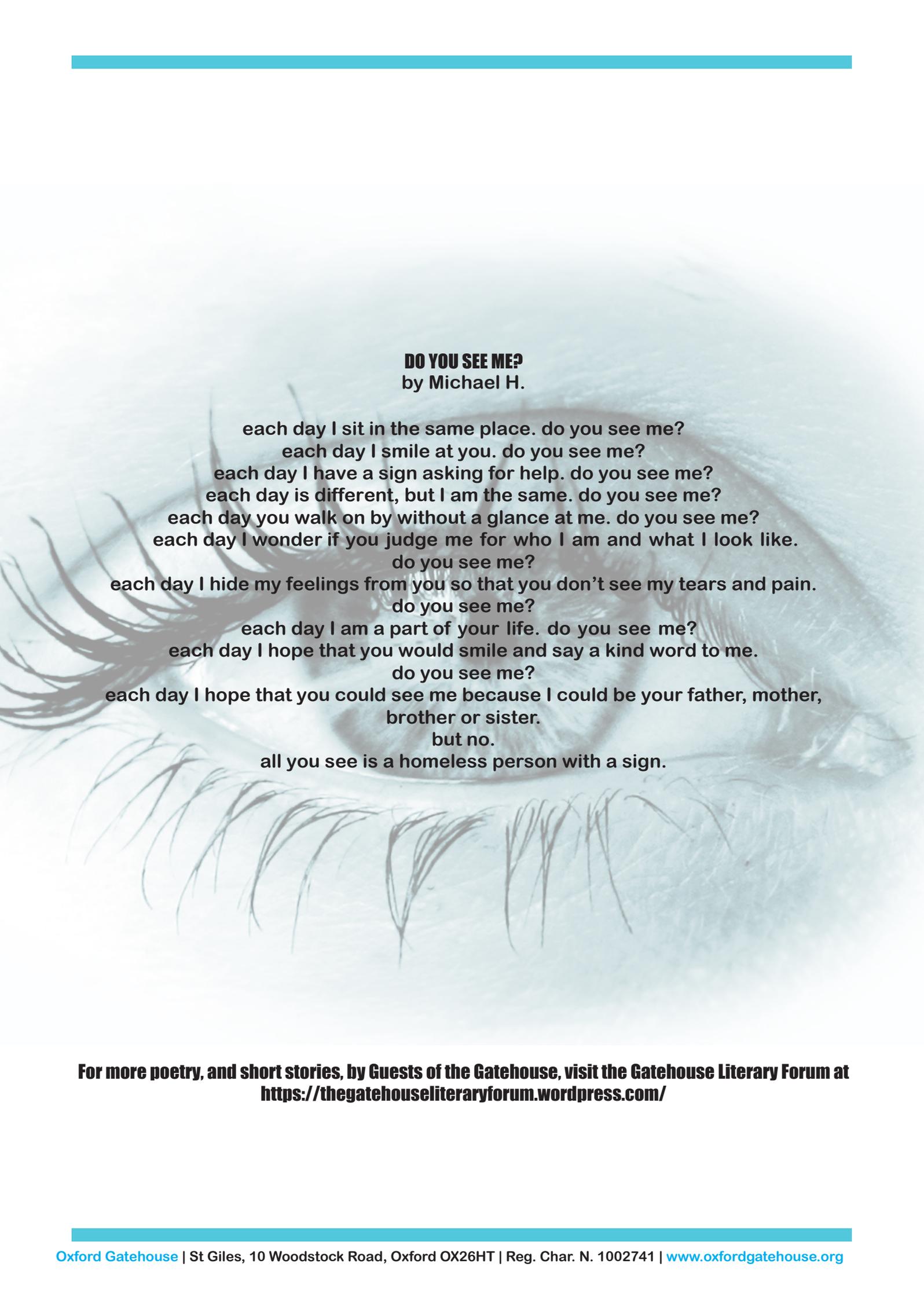
Click here to **SUPPORT NOW!**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

CLOTHES STORE DONATIONS

The Gatehouse would appreciate men's trousers size 28, 32 inches; men's trainers and boots that are waterproof and sturdy; men's boxer shorts, small to medium; men's fleeces and hoodies; very large clothing items (XL, and greater); sleeping bags; camping mats; rucksacks and holdall bags.

DO YOU SEE ME?
by Michael H.



each day I sit in the same place. do you see me?
each day I smile at you. do you see me?
each day I have a sign asking for help. do you see me?
each day is different, but I am the same. do you see me?
each day you walk on by without a glance at me. do you see me?
each day I wonder if you judge me for who I am and what I look like.
do you see me?
each day I hide my feelings from you so that you don't see my tears and pain.
do you see me?
each day I am a part of your life. do you see me?
each day I hope that you would smile and say a kind word to me.
do you see me?
each day I hope that you could see me because I could be your father, mother,
brother or sister.
but no.
all you see is a homeless person with a sign.

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