

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

A Talk by Michael Kay

27 May 2026 8pm - 10pm

Venue: The Salvation Army,
Booth Way, Horsham, RH13 5PZ

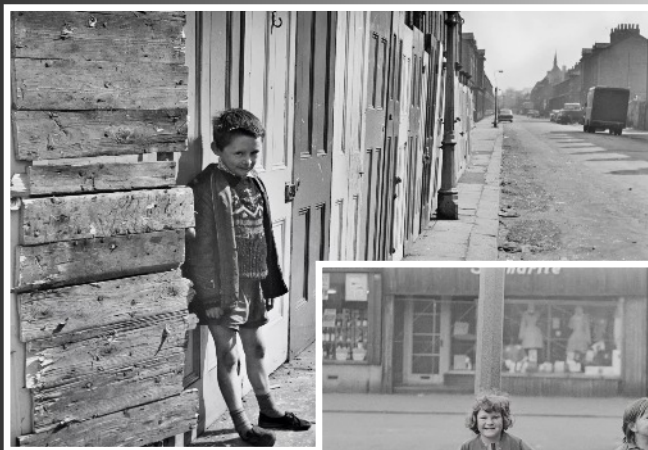
Manchester's slums and rowdy nights in long lost boozers in stunning photos, photographer Michael Kay was a student in the city when he took the photos in the early 1970s.

He has had a keen eye for character portrait photography since he was a student. His new book documenting Manchester in the early 1970s includes many fascinating examples of his art set against the slum clearances and rowdy nights in classic pubs that are no longer around.

Growing up in Snowdonia, Michael moved to Manchester to study at the Polytechnic on a three-year photography course. His prestigious contemporaries on the course included Martin Parr, Daniel Meadows and Brian Griffin.

From 1970 to 1973, as part of his studies, Michael took his camera around the streets of Manchester, taking pictures of everyday life in his adopted city.

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