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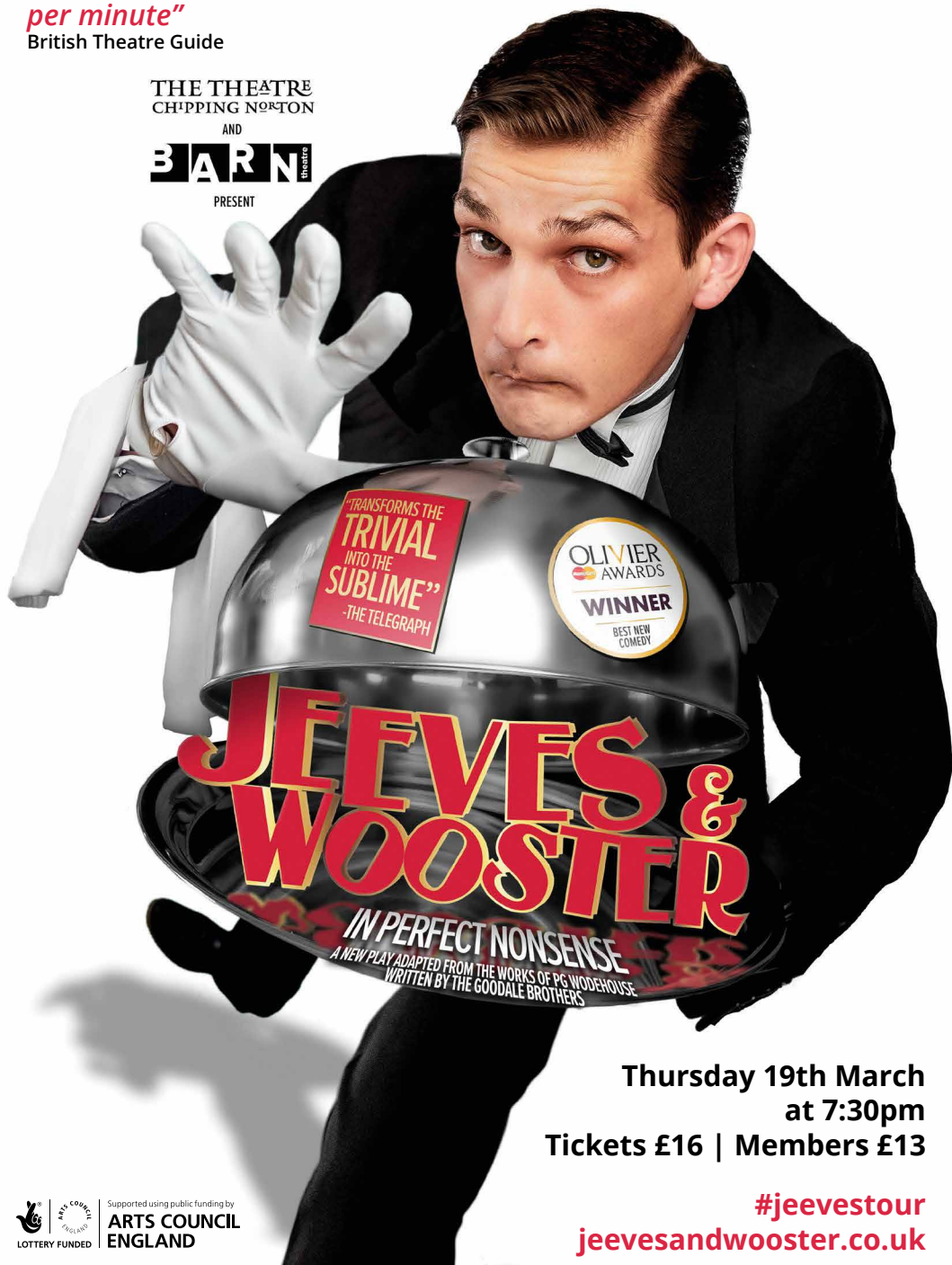
British Theatre Guide

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PRESENT



Thursday 19th March

at 7:30pm

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Welcome & Thank You

On behalf of the team at The Mill I am delighted to welcome you to our first brochure of 2020 and to share our latest season of events and activities.

Before we roll full steam into 2020 it's always a good moment to look back on the year just passed, and what a year it's been! We've seen a fantastic 34% increase in ticket sales with over 20,000 people seeing or taking part in one of our many shows, classes and off-site events in both Banbury and Bicester.

As an independent charity we are reliant on income from ticket sales as well as from fundraising which enables us to offer an ever-broader range of opportunities to encourage everyone in our community to learn and take part, have fun and be inspired. Thank you for your continued support.

Of course, a 'low-light' of 2019 was finding ourselves underwater during the flooding in November, however thanks to a superhuman effort by the staff team here, our contractors and local authority colleagues we were back open again in a matter of days.

But that's enough looking back – there's so much more to look forward to in 2020 with a programme that encapsulates two of our core values: quality and something for all.

We are thrilled to welcome award-winning choreographer Seeta Patel to The Mill in June. Taking the South Indian classical dance form of Bharatanatyam with its intricate rhythmic footwork, Seeta has created a compelling East meets West retelling of the iconic **Rite of Spring**, showcasing some of the finest Indian classical dance talent set against Igor Stravinsky's sumptuous score.

Harry Potter fans young and old will delight in the entirely improvised **Spontaneous Potter** promising a hilarious, magical comedy taking inspiration from audience suggestions.

Meanwhile music fans have so much to choose from; maybe it will be the 'Superb, remarkable and tremendously entertaining' **Soul Train** or renowned 60's sensations **The Three Degrees** that take your fancy?

In fact, with all this to look forward to and so much more, I very much hope to see you back at The Mill very soon.

Andrew Lister
Executive Director & Interim CEO

28th
MAR

© 07:30pm

DANCE

Lost Dog present
JULIET & ROMEO

With Lost Dog's blend of dance, theatre and comedy, this duet reveals the real story of Romeo and Juliet. It turns out they didn't die in a tragic misunderstanding – they grew up and lived happily ever after. Well, they lived at least.

Now they're 40ish, at least one of them is in the grips of a mid-life crisis. They feel constantly mocked by their teenage selves and haunted by the pressures of being the poster couple for romantic love.

They have decided to confront their current struggles by putting on a performance – about themselves. Their therapist told them it was a terrible idea.

Directed by Olivier Award-nominated Ben Duke, *Juliet & Romeo* takes on our cultural obsession with youth and our inevitable issues with longevity.

'Pure pleasure. Smart, subversive and sexy'

★★★★★ **The Guardian**

'Superb. Devastating realism and dark humour' ★★★★★
The Stage

Date & Details

Saturday 28th March

Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£16 / Members £13



Join us for *It's Your Move*, an intergenerational dance project by Spiltmilk Dance celebrating the people of Banbury!

It's Your Move invites 10 people from the local community, at 10 different stages of life, to each create a short dance about absolutely anything, to be performed by two professional dancers.

Spiltmilk Dance have already delivered the project in York and Birmingham, where previous choreographers have gone nutty for Nando's, talked about Tinder, dissected the lifecycle of a dragonfly, created an ode to their favourite Philip Larkin poem, unpicked the wonder of unicorns and reflected on a whole host of personal life experiences.

As you can see, anything can be the starting point for creating a dance!

Once created, all 10 dances are woven together to create one performance celebrating the rich tapestry of the community.

Join us for this performance – a true celebration of 'now' and 'us'.

Date & Details

Wednesday 1st April

Starts: 06:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

£10 / Friends & Family £5



**2nd
APR**
⌚ 07:30pm
COMEDY

**SIMON EVANS:
The Work of the Devil**

Simon Evans' last show, *Genius 2.0* (★★★★★ "A Masterclass" **The Scotsman**) provided an hilarious analysis of the departure of any visible sign of intelligence from modern life. But his new show raises the stakes, with his usual excoriating views of a world on fire given a perspective shift from personal revelations that turned his world upside down this year.

"A gripping and, ultimately heart-warming tale... rich with Evans' wit and caustic observation." (★★★★★ **The Scotsman**)

"You expect a high standard of stand-up from this veteran performer. But in sharing something so deeply personal, he's exceeded what seemed to be his full potential... I'd expect it to get even better when it goes out on tour. Outstanding stuff." (★★★★★ **Chortle**)


Date & Details

Thursday 2nd April
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£18 / Members £16

**3rd
& 4th
APR**
⌚ 02:00pm
& 07:00pm
COMMUNITY



STRICTLY BANBURY

This popular event is now in its 11th year of raising money for local charities, whilst not forgetting the glitz and glamour of this Fab-U-lous ballroom-inspired show.

This year our dancers will be dancing the tango and cha cha, and what promises to be a fun group freestyle.

Come along and support a great night of dancing for great causes.

KEEP DANCING!

Date & Details

Friday 3rd April
Starts: 07:00pm
Saturday 4th April
Starts: 02:00pm & 07:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

Evening Shows £18 /
Martinee £14 with £12 concession

8th
APR

Ⓢ 07:30pm

MUSIC



SOUL TRAIN

Soul Train will soon steam into Banbury and on board will be a fine feast of soulful gems.

Harking back to the wonderful days when the dance floor was king, the show features a fun presentation of 60s and 70s soul classics. From the early days of Tamla Motown, Stax and Atlantic Records though to the disco years and beyond (dig out those flares!).

Featured in this feel-good production are classic hit songs by Stevie Wonder, Isley Brothers, Supremes, Gladys Knight, Marvin Gaye, Aretha Franklin, Donna Summer, Candi Staton, Whitney Houston and many more great artists that still keep us singing and dancing.

The cast of acclaimed performers will be led

by Wayne Kennedy, who has sold well over a million concert tickets around the world.

"Superb – Remarkable – Tremendously Entertaining!" **The Stage**

"MAGNIFICENT!" **BBC**

Wonderful memories and always a fun night out!


Date & Details

Wednesday 8th April

Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£23



**17th
APR**
⌚ 07:30pm

MUSIC

EDWINA HAYES

Edwina's beautifully written songs, charming stage presence, and voice of an angel have won her a reputation as a true natural talent of gentle folk-Americana. She has opened numerous shows for Jools Holland and Van Morrison as well as her own gigs, playing stages everywhere from Glastonbury Festival to The Royal Albert Hall.

The title track of her album *'Pour Me A Drink'* was covered by Nanci Griffith who calls her 'the sweetest voice in England,' and her cover of the Randy Newman song *'Feels Like Home'* was featured in the Cameron Diaz film *'My Sister's Keeper'* and has since had over eight million plays on You Tube.

"Edwina is a haunting honeyed solo songwriter" **The Guardian**

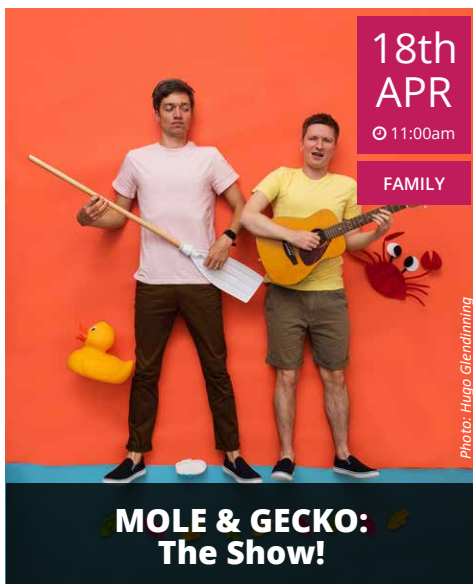
"Sweet-voiced songwriter who has a fine line in gentle, country-tinged material" **Time Out**

Date & Details

Friday 17th April
Starts: 7:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£13



**18th
APR**
⌚ 11:00am

FAMILY

**MOLE & GECKO:
The Show!**

Photo: Hugo Glendinning

Mole and Gecko is an interactive rap musical that you (the audience) help create. There are live songs, rap stories, instant poems and a weasel with a serious biscuit problem. Join our unlikely pair as they discover that what they thought they were searching for might be less important than what they find along the way.

A rapper and a singer. A mole and a gecko.
A river. A boat with no name.
A quest for adventure.
A quest with a duck!

★★★★ "Gecko is a gifted young comic songwriter with charm and style to spare"
Broadway Baby, Edinburgh Fringe 2016


★★★★ "Simon Mole engages with the audience from the outset and keeps the young audience enthralled" **Upstaged Manchester, 2018 on Friends For**

Date & Details

Saturday 18th April
Starts: 11:00am Age Guidance: 5+

Tickets & Pricing

£10 / Family of 4 £35



**24th
APR**
Ⓞ 07:30pm
COMEDY

**LUKE KEMPNER
& SOPHIE DUKER**

Enjoy a comedy double bill with sets from Luke Kempner and Sophie Duker!

Comedian and impressionist Luke Kempner garnered global attention in 2012 with his hit viral video *Downstairs At Downton* and has since gone from strength to strength with one-man hit shows *The Only Way Is Downton* and *House Of Faces*.

"A blumin' genius!" **Dawn French**

2019 *Best Newcomer* nominee Sophie Duker describes herself as a "sexy-cerebral comedy underdog" and is quickly establishing herself as one of the most exciting new acts on the circuit. Star of Channel 4's *Riot Girls* and Comedy Central UK's *What I Wish I'd Said*, she is also a comedy writer with credits including BBC Radio 4's *The News Quiz* and *The Now Show*.

"A sparky proposition... intelligent jokes"
The Independent

Date & Details

Friday 24th April
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£13



**25th
APR**
Ⓞ 08:00pm
DANCE

Camino del Flamenco present
SPANISH NIGHT

Since 2009 Camino del Flamenco's *Spanish Night* shows have been an incredibly popular fixture on the Oxfordshire arts scene.

Created to ensure that top quality Flamenco could be seen locally, every *Spanish Night* features a different professional company, some from Spain and some Spanish companies currently in the UK, and every show is unique, powerful and memorable.

This show features Ramon Ruiz's group "*Fiesta Flamenca*". Ramon Ruiz is regarded as one of the finest Flamenco guitarists. He's performed at past *Spanish Night* shows accompanying visiting dancers from Spain but for this show he will be bringing his own company to perform for the first time.

From Granada, Ramon has put together an all-star line-up to unleash the power and passion of Flamenco in an intimate setting.

Date & Details

Saturday 25th April
Starts: 08:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

£19

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**25th
APR**

Ⓞ 07:30pm

MUSIC

WOMEN IN ROCK

Women in Rock return to The Mill Arts Centre this spring!

Since their fantastic debut here in 2018, they have been busy wowing audiences up and down the UK in theatres with their sell-out show.

Having been invited twice to Europe to perform for Harley Davidson to audiences of up to 120,000 in Prague and Portugal, their show goes from strength to strength.

With new songs, costume changes and a fully choreographed two-hour set, *Women in Rock* has something for everyone.

From Joplin to Quatro, Turner to Cher, Blondie to Joan Jett, this is a must-see show that will leave you cheering for more.

Book your tickets now as this is guaranteed to be a busy one!

Date & Details

Saturday 25th April

Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£23



1st
MAY

Ⓞ 04:00pm
& 07:00pm

DANCE

Vienna Festival Ballet present **SWAN LAKE**

Join Vienna Festival Ballet as they celebrate their 40th Anniversary with one of ballet's most powerful and beautiful love stories. Lavish costumes, stunning scenery, international stars, and the glorious music from Tchaikovsky make this a night not to be missed.

Swan Lake is the most popular ballet in the world. It's the ballet that captures like no other the full range of human emotions – from hope to despair, from terror to tenderness, from melancholy to ecstasy.

Don't miss this magical evening.

"The entire show was captivating from start to finish" **Welwyn Hatfield Times**

"A truly spellbinding performance"

Burnley Express

"This production looks and feels absolutely right"

Worthing Herald

"The whole evening was a delight"

Lichfield Live

Date & Details

Friday 1st May

Starts: 04:00pm / 07:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

£24 / Children (U14) £22



2nd
MAY

⦿ 08:00pm

COMEDY

SUZI RUFFELL: Dance Like Everyone's Watching

Suzi Ruffell has made a name for herself by turning tragedy and anxiety into big laughs. This year she is actually happy. This show answers the question: are all stand-ups at their best when they are miserable? Fingers crossed no!

Don't worry, it won't be too joyous. A mix of storytelling, observations, a dash of social politics and a lovely routine about a smear test. This show has everything.

The last twelve months have been massive for Ruffell; a smash hit UK tour, heaps of television appearances including; *Live At The Apollo*, *Hypothetical*, *8 Out Of 10 Cats* and she has learnt how to make the perfect lemon cake.

"Ruffell's new show could hardly be any better"
The Guardian

Come and see what all the fuss is about!

Date & Details

Saturday 2nd May
Starts: 08:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

£17 / Members £15



7th
MAY

⦿ 11:00am
& 06:00pm

FAMILY

MORGAN & WEST: Unbelievable Science

Morgan & West present captivating chemistry, phenomenal physics, and bonkers biology in this fun for all the family science extravaganza!

Magicians, time travellers and all-round spiffing chaps Morgan & West have a secret past – they are genuine, bona fide, legitimately qualified scientists, and now are bringing their love of enlightenment to the stage!

Expect explosive thrills, chemical spills and a risk assessment that gives their stage manager chills, all backed up by the daring duo's trademark wit, charm and detailed knowledge of the scientific method. Leave your lab coats at the door, it's time for *Unbelievable Science*!

Please note: Morgan & West take full responsibility for any horizons broadened, passions enflamed or minds blown during the course of the show.


★★★★★ *"Put quite simply... great science with hilarious hosts!"* **Primary Times**

Date & Details

Thursday 7th May
Starts: 11:00am / 06:00pm
Age Guidance: 7+

Tickets & Pricing

£10 / Family of 4 £35



9th MAY
⌚ 07:30pm
MUSIC

THE GIRL FROM TIGER BAY: The Dame Shirley Bassey Story

The Girl from Tiger Bay tells the unique story of Dame Shirley Bassey's incredible rise to stardom and her magical career spanning 65 years.

The ultimate 'rags to riches' tale, you will be dazzled by this epic musical show, chronicling this remarkable artiste's journey from the back streets of Cardiff's Tiger Bay, to the glitz and glamour of Monte Carlo Bay.

The Girl from Tiger Bay features stunning dancers, spectacular replica costumes and a sensational saxophonist. Using powerful live performance, narrative and footage, this is a truly unmissable show.

International tribute artist/vocal impersonator Joanne Copeman has been performing globally as Dame Shirley Bassey since 2002. During the last 2 decades, she has maintained her recognised status, as the most respected and sought-after Dame Shirley Bassey impersonator in the business.

"...the best tribute to the Welsh singer!"

The Sun

Date & Details

Saturday 9th May

Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£22



13th -16th MAY
⌚ 07:30pm
LOCAL AMATEUR

BCP present
THE WOMAN WHO COOKED HER HUSBAND

Banbury's leading local theatre company present a dark, culinary comedy serving up greed and revenge aplenty.

Hilary and Kenneth have been married for nearly 20 years. Middle-age approaches and Kenneth finds himself in the arms of another woman. Laura embodies all that is missing from his married life, but Kenneth's fling gets out of hand and his world spirals into deceit and lies.

The only problem is Laura can't cook and Kenneth mourns the loss of his Sunday Roasts. When Hilary invites them both for dinner, Kenneth has no idea what delicacies Hilary has planned.

Played out against an Elvis soundscape – with beehives, brothel creepers, jiving and lots of food – the play will be performed cabaret-style and we encourage our audience to dress in 1950s costume and join in with the jiving.

Date & Details

Wednesday 13th to Saturday 16th May

Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£13.50 / Concession £12.50
(no concession Fri & Sat)



DAPHNE'S FLIGHT

Five of the finest singer-songwriters of their generation, *Daphne's Flight* is a unique and magical blend of individual styles that captivate audiences with complex harmony arrangements, unbridled energy and the infectious joy of performing together.

In 1995, Christine Collister, Melanie Harrold, Julie Matthews, Helen Watson and Chris While, acclaimed and appreciated for their individual talents as folk, blues, rock and soul singers, decided to sing some songs together... magic happened, and *Daphne's Flight* took off. A widely acclaimed eponymous studio album and UK tour followed with a prestigious date at London's Union Chapel.

In 2017, after a 21-year hiatus, *Daphne's Flight* re-emerged with their second critically acclaimed studio album "*Knows Time, Knows Change*". 2020 sees the release of their third and most ambitious studio album to date. There's no holding back now!

'Utterly sublime' **FRUK**

Date & Details

Tuesday 19th May
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£21 / Members £19



RBM present LAST OF THE SUMMER WINE

After his hit sell-out UK tour of *DO YOU THINK THAT'S WISE? – the Life & Times of John Le Mesurier*, acclaimed impressionist Julian Dutton brings the classic sitcom *Last of the Summer Wine* to the stage in a brand-new tour.

Last of the Summer Wine is officially the longest-running and one of the best-loved sitcoms in the world, still shown on UK Gold.

BAFTA-winning impressionist Julian Dutton – co-creator, writer and star of BBC1's *The Big Impression*, BBC 2's *Pompidou* with Matt Lucas, and Radio Academy Gold Award-winning series *The Secret World* – takes to the stage in an astonishing new recreation, bringing to life the sublime characters, the anarchic fun, and the wry wisdom of those three hilarious Yorkshire men who ramble the hills and meadows around Holmfirth and whose adventures lit up our TV screens every Sunday evening for more than thirty years.

Date & Details

Friday 22nd May
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£16 / Members £13



**23rd
MAY**

⌚ 07:30pm

MUSIC

Andante Live presents
BLOWIN' IN THE WIND

Join us as we take you back to the era of peace, protest and love with reimagined classic songs such as *Mr Tambourine Man*, *Imagine*, *The Night They Drove Ol' Dixie Down*, *Big Yellow Taxi*, *The Sound of Silence*, *All You Need is Love* and many more.

Combining the vocal harmonies of Vee Sweeney and Mark Rowson, 16 instruments between them and outstanding musicianship, they perform an uplifting and inspiring show to give you a fabulous evening of unforgettable music.

When Dylan, Baez and friends sang songs of love, times certainly were a-changin'...

Date & Details

Saturday 23rd May
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£18 / Members £15



**28th
MAY**

⌚ 07:30pm

COMEDY

**GEORGE EGG:
Movable Feast**

Brand new comedy from the stand-up who cooks on stage. In this show he's on the road! It's time for Planes, Trains and Automob-meals (sorry).

George demonstrates how to cook with an engine, procure items from the train buffet trolley and turn unexpected roadworks into a picnic. Three plates of gourmet food cooked live in the most unconventional ways and with the opportunity to taste the results at the end, provided you can stop laughing.

"Brilliantly funny" **Jay Rayner, The Observer**

"Trust us, you won't believe how good the food tastes" **The Scotsman**

Date & Details

Thursday 28th May
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£16 / Members £13



**29th
MAY**
Ⓞ 11:00am
& 02:00pm

**FAMILY /
DANCE**

**ATMA Dance presents
SPY MONKEY**

Join Hanuman, our brave and intrepid Monkey Intelligence Officer, on his most important secret mission to date!

He will need to use all his extraordinary superpowers to find and rescue the captured Princess Sita from Ravana, a wicked ten-headed demon King, and could do with your help!

Full of daring and wit, *Spy Monkey* brings a contemporary twist to a classic Indian tale from the Ramayana, perfect for family audiences.

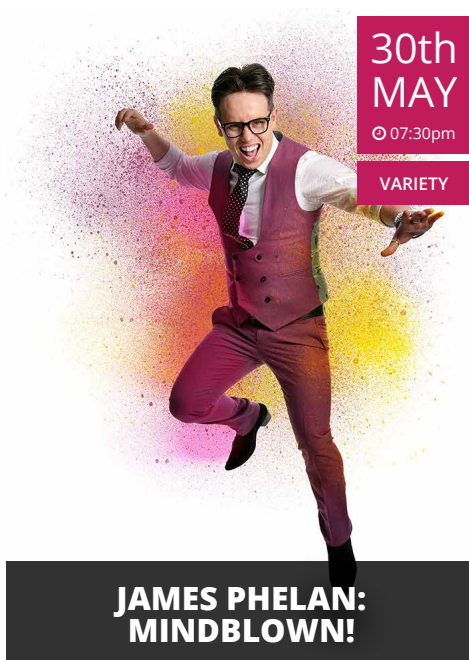
Three incredible performers use hip-hop and Bharatanatyam dance, music and story-telling to excite and engage young audiences and adults alike.

Date & Details

Friday 29th May
Starts: 11:00am / 02:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

£10 / Family of 4 £35



**30th
MAY**
Ⓞ 07:30pm

VARIETY

**JAMES PHELAN:
MINDBLOWN!**

Viral sensation, and renowned Troublemaker, James Phelan is back on the road with his new show rated ★★★★★ by the critics.

MINDBLOWN! is a hilarious, rip-roaring magic show that will make you laugh so hard you nearly wet yourself and leave you lost for words with wonder.

From making audience members forget their own name, to cutting iPhones out of watermelons, this irreverent show is one you won't want to miss.

Now approaching 10 million views on social media, and with his first Amazon Prime Special dropping in the Summer, you'll see why James was described by *The List* as "one to watch in the world of magic".

Date & Details

Saturday 30th May
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£15 / Members £13



THE RITE OF SPRING

1st
JUNE

07:30pm

DANCE

Seeta Patel presents
THE RITE OF SPRING

Award winning Choreographer, Seeta Patel reimagines this iconic ballet in the powerful classical Indian dance style Bharatanatyam.

Igor Stravinsky's avant-garde score stunned Paris audiences when it debuted in 1913 and has been hugely influential ever since. Discover a transformative re-telling of this pagan folk story through intricate rhythmic footwork, expressive

prowess, geometric and dynamic movements, delivered by world-class performers.

Set to be one of the most exciting flirtations between East and West in current times, the production looks beyond notions of the exotic and orientalist perceptions of Eastern classical arts.

The evening will showcase some of the finest Indian classical dance talent across

the globe in an exciting bridge between two very technical, powerful and evocative art forms (Western classical music and Indian classical dance).

Date & Details

Monday 1st June

Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£16 / Members £13

5th
JUN

© 07:30pm

THEATRE
/ MUSIC



THESE HILLS ARE OURS

Do you ever want to run away from it all?

Dan and Boff did exactly that: they ran a series of routes from the centre of the city in which they found themselves, to the top of the peak overlooking that city. But what are we really running from?

In story and in song, *These Hills Are Ours* is the story of what they found out on those journeys. It's about escaping it all by running to wild places. Escaping the city, escaping your past, escaping the restrictions of upbringing or class or politics.

It's a celebration of wild places and our freedom to roam them by award-winning

Daniel Bye, and Chumbawamba founder member, Boff Whalley.

Co-commissioned by Beaford Arts, Eden Project, Lancaster Arts, Leeds Playhouse and Shoreditch Town Hall with support from artsdepot.

Date & Details

Friday 5th June

Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£16 / Members £13

NIGHT OWL PRESENTS
SHOWS

THE NASHVILLE STORY

6th JUN
⌚ 07:30pm
MUSIC



THE NASHVILLE STORY

This five-star show takes you on a journey through time in Nashville to experience how music influenced the bible belt city and in turn how 'Music City' influenced the world of music.

A fascinating insight into the history of Country music delivered in the Night Owl trademark 'show-umentary' format, this show is beautifully performed by the highly talented Hannah Richards and Alex Beharrell who have enjoyed sold-out shows and standing ovations around the world.

Includes hits by Kenny Rogers, Dolly Parton, Patsy Cline, Tammy Wynette, Kris Kristofferson and more.

"Highly talented singers ... certainly sound like the real deal" ★★★★★ **Edinburgh Southside Advertiser**

Date & Details

Saturday 6th June
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£18.50 / Members £16.50

7th JUN
⌚ 07:30pm
VARIETY



**TREVOR EVE:
Lomita For Ever**

Trevor Eve is one of Britain's greatest actors.

The two-time *Olivier Award* winner became a household name as BBC TV detective *Shoestring* and has enjoyed an enormously successful stage, TV and film career. More recently as Detective Superintendent Peter Boyd in BBC's *Waking The Dead* he has dazzled.

Trevor's debut novel, *Lomita And Me*, was published last year and in a rare stage appearance he will reflect on the critically acclaimed noir thriller. Joined by his wife, the actress Sharon Maughan, he will also reflect on a glittering career that has included working with Sir Laurence Olivier and performing for The Queen.

Trevor will sign copies of *Lomita For Ever* and there will be readings, conversation and audience questions.

Date & Details

Sunday 7th June
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£25



13th JUN
⌚ 07:30pm

MUSIC

THE BOHEMIANS

Internationally renowned Queen tribute band *The Bohemians* take you on a high-energy rollercoaster ride of a concert, featuring the back catalogue of one of the world's most popular and iconic rock acts of all time.

So many fabulous hits to be covered but they're all here, from the early piano and harmony heavy masterpieces, to the later, catchy pop of the eighties and rock anthems of the early nineties.

Whether it's *Killer Queen*, *Crazy Little Thing Called Love* or *The Show Must Go On*, *Bohemian Rhapsody*, *We Will Rock You* or *We Are the Champions*, *The Bohemians* will have you on your feet, singing, dancing and clapping along in a truly memorable live re-enactment of the world's greatest rock band.

Date & Details

Saturday 13th June
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£25



14th JUN
⌚ 07:30pm

COMEDY

SIMON BRODKIN & ELEANOR TIERNAN

You may know him as 'comedy legend' (*The Sun*) Lee Nelson or as the 'unfunny pillock' (Ex-Deputy Prime Minister Damian Green) who gave Theresa May a P45, but you won't know him as 'tiny Jew' (Twitter): Simon Brodtkin.

After three hugely successful series of Lee Nelson on the BBC, multiple TV appearances (*Live at the Apollo*, *Sunday Night at the Palladium*, *C4's Comedy Gala*), Simon unveils his funniest persona yet: himself.

Stand-up comedian Eleanor Tiernan is known for her uniquely oblique world view, with appearances on BBC Radio 4's *News Quiz* and *Where's the F in News?* as well as BBC NI on *The Blame Game*. Her stand-up has featured on Comedy Central's *The Alternative Comedy Experience* and led her to be chosen as support act for top stand-up comics including Stewart Lee and Ardal O'Hanlon among others.

Date & Details

Sunday 14th June
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£13



19th
JUN

Ⓢ 07:30pm

MUSIC

THE CHRISTIANS

Renowned for an endless string of soulful yet socially aware hits: *Forgotten Town*, *Ideal World*, *Born Again*, *Harvest for the World*, *What's in a Word*, *Hoooverville*, *Words*, *Father*, *The Bottle* and many more.

The Christians enjoyed huge acclaim in the late 80s and early 90s both in the UK and Europe and often confused people with their band name (in fact just the brothers' surname with absolutely no religious connotation!).

Still headed by enigmatic lead singer Garry Christian (who very much deserves the Daily Mirror's description of him as having 'one of the finest voices in pop') who has only gained in vocal stature (and wit) over the years.

Catch them at The Mill and find out why Chris Evans said, 'it was the best gig I've ever been to.'

Date & Details

Friday 19th June
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£28



23rd
JUN

Ⓢ 07:30pm

THEATRE

THE COMEDY
OF ERRORS

The HandleBards present
THE COMEDY OF ERRORS

Pedalling from venue to venue with all their set, props and costumes on the back of their bikes, the HandleBards are a four-strong troupe of actors who are spending the summer bringing environmentally sustainable Shakespeare to venues across the UK.

Join the all-male troupe at The Mill Arts Centre for a bicycle-powered production of Shakespeare's *The Comedy of Errors* like you've never seen before.

When two sets of estranged twins are brought together on the same island, this classic comedy takes hold, with mistaken identity, music and manic costume changes aplenty.

"Explodes with energy and is a genuine treat from start to finish" ★★★★★ **The Stage**, on the HandleBards' *Twelfth Night*

Date & Details

Tuesday 23rd June
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

Early Bird £13 / Adult Standard £16 / On the Door £18 / Under 18s £10 / Under 10s FREE

20th
JUN

⦿ 07:30pm

DANCE /
THEATRE



Rhiannon Faith presents
DROWNTOWN

Six strangers, weighed down by individual darkness, come to a coastal land. Seemingly abandoned, there is no one to help but themselves. Stuck between the remains of a broken community and the vast bleakness of the sea, they struggle with isolation, shame and failed support systems.

Gritty dance theatre, with autobiographical testimonials and text, this timely performance gives voice to the vulnerable and unheard. With tenderness and honesty, *DROWNTOWN* holds up a mirror to a society at tipping point.

Choreographer Rhiannon Faith makes socially conscious work that raises awareness and

lobbies for change. She asks here how we can champion authentic belonging for every person and save them from drowning.

DROWNTOWN was named in the *Evening Standard's* eight 'Best dance shows to see in 2020'.

Date & Details

Saturday 20th June

Starts: 07:30pm / **Age Guidance:** 16+

Tickets & Pricing

£16 / Members £13



26th JUN
 07:30pm
 MUSIC

ALMOST THE BEE GEES

One of the top Bee Gees tribute bands in Europe, *Almost the Bee Gees* have played all over the world, performing in theatres, festivals, and on national television (*Channel 4* and *Sky1*), thrilling crowds with their amazing recreation of the look and sound of the Brothers Gibb.

All the greatest hits are featured in the show, from the seventies sounds of *Night Fever*, *Stayin' Alive* and *You Should Be Dancing*, to sixties classics like *Words*, *Massachusetts* and *To Love Somebody*, and amazing eighties tunes like *Islands in the Stream*.

You will have a disco night to remember with *Almost the Bee Gees*!

Date & Details

Friday 26th June
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£22 / Members 19



3rd JUL
 07:30pm
 COMEDY

SHAZIA MIRZA: Coconut

When Shazia was left to starve to death on a deserted Island by Bear Grylls, with nine other 'celebrities' she didn't know, the Island became a microcosm for the world and everything going on outside.

"What's going on? Why is everyone fighting? What is a strong woman and does she really exist? And why are there no women left with real eyebrows?"

Shazia explores loyalty and what makes the best leader, masking our dislike for other people and why there is no such thing as an alpha male.

Following the success of her critically acclaimed recent shows; *With Love From St. Tropez*, *a riot of Brexit, buquas and butt-plugs through the lens of The Periodic Table*, and *The Kardashians Made Me Do It*, a searing and urgent exploration of life, love and Jihadi brides, Shazia is taking on the burning issues of our time in her latest show for 2020.

Date & Details

Friday 3rd July
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£16 / Members £13



4th
JUL

⌚ 02:00pm
& 07:30pm

COMEDY

SPONTANEOUS POTTER & SPONTANEOUS POTTER KIDZ

Grab your wands, don your house robes, and apparate yourselves to the box office!

A very magical improv show awaits...

The smash hit *Spontaneous Potter* is an entirely improvised Harry Potter comedy play, based on audience suggestions. Hilarity ensues as an entirely new Potter adventure is magically improvised on the spot – with live musical accompaniment!

Spontaneous Potter Kidz (2pm) is based on suggestions from our young witches, wizards and their families, while *Spontaneous Potter* (7:30pm) takes inspiration from an audience suggestion of a fanfiction title.

Previous titles performed include:

- *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Commerce*
- *Harry Potter and the Neville Wears Prada*
- *Harry Potter and the Rise of the Planet of the Snapes*
- *Harry Potter and the Struggle for a Decent Mortgage in This Economy*

★★★★★ “Flawlessly executed improv comedy... pure, unadulterated hilarity”
EdFringeReview

★★★★★ “An ingenious, laugh out loud show... perfect for Potterheads and muggles alike”
Edinburgh Guide 2018

★★★★★ “Totally jaw-dropping... improv at its very best” **Broadway Baby**

Note: Spontaneous Potter is an unofficial show that is not endorsed by or affiliated with Warner Bros., JK Rowling or her publishers. All rights to the Harry Potter books and associated trademarks are the property of JK Rowling/her publishers. All film/image rights associated with the film series are property of Warner Bros.

Date & Details

Saturday 4th July

Starts: 02:00pm (Kidz) / 07:30pm

Age recommendation:
16+ (7:30pm performance)

Audience guidance:
Mild language and scenes of an adult nature
(7:30pm performance).

Tickets & Pricing

£18 / Members £16 / Under 16s £14



10th JUL
 07:30pm
MUSIC

COUNTRY SUPERSTARS

Performed in over 30 countries around the world and on London's West End, Europe's number one multi-tribute country show comes to Banbury!

This truly unique show is hosted by Sarah Jayne, Europe's leading tribute to the Queen of Country – Dolly Parton. Sarah Jayne has been performing as Dolly Parton for over 25 years.

Sarah Jayne and award-winning vocal impersonator Andy Crust take us on a journey back through time, meeting some of the most influential icons who shaped country music history. The show features Patsy Cline, Johnny Cash, Kenny Rogers, Garth Brooks and now Canadian Country Superstar Shania Twain. The show also includes The Tennessee Allstars Band.

This tour is proud to support the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Children's Charity Dollywood Foundation Charity.

Country music will live on forever – a must-see for any fans of country music!

Date & Details

Friday 10th July
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£25



11th JUL
 07:30pm
VARIETY

HUNDRED WATT CLUB

Gorgeously ravishing, deliciously risqué and just a little bit ridiculous, travelling vaudeville show *Hundred Watt Club* bring a glittering, sizzling line-up of burlesque showgirls, comedy, circus and cabaret acts to The Mill for the very first time!

Expect the unexpected, but be ready for a beautiful, brash and bawdy night of very grown up entertainment!

"Old school mischief & timeless raunchiness collide at the Hundred Watt Club. Hats - and corsets - off to Lena Mae for an excellent night of entertainment"

[Sussex Express](#)

"Harking back to the gin drenched halcyon days of a grimy Berlin nightclub in the 1930s, The Hundred Watt Club sparkles, fizzles, and shines brightly on a dark night"

fringereview.co.uk

"Righteous, radical...an absolute riot!"

mardisgrasmag.co.uk

Date & Details

Saturday 11th July
Starts: 07:30pm **Age Guidance:** 18+

Tickets & Pricing

£18 / Members £15 / £20 on the door



15th
-18th
JUL
07:00pm
THEATRE

BANBURY CROSS PLAYERS 75th Anniversary Festival

Banbury Cross Players (BCP) have decided to share their 75th Anniversary with the entire theatrical community by holding their own One Act Drama Festival!

Discussions about how best to celebrate BCP's 75th Anniversary season were many and varied.

In a change to the usual Posh Frocks and Entertainment Dinner, BCP decided to share their delight at reaching 75 years young with the entire theatrical community by holding their own One Act Drama Festival – having had such a good time in local festivals over the years.

Date & Details

Wednesday 15th to Saturday 18th July
Starts: 07:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

£10 Single Performance
/ £27 Four Performances



23rd
JUL
07:30pm
COMEDY

MATT FORDE & CHLOE PETTS

Ultra-topical comedy and presenter of Unspun, Matt Forde has appeared on *The Royal Variety Performance*, *Mock the Week*, *The One Show* and *Question Time*. Now with added Trump.

"Possibly the best political comedy show on the Fringe" **The Telegraph** ★★★★★

"A first-class comic" **The Guardian**

Chloe Petts' 'inexhaustibly funny mind' (**Diva Magazine**) and 'compelling presence' (**Steve Bennett, Chortle**) has established her as one of the most exciting new acts on the circuit.

Chloe is an alumna of the prestigious Pleasance Comedy Reserve, has been shortlisted for the *BBC Comedy Award*, was a finalist in the most recent *Leicester Square New Comedian of the Year Awards* and came runner-up in the *Funny Women Awards 2017*. She has appeared on Channel 4's *Random Acts* and BBC 3's *Quickies*.

Date & Details

Thursday 23rd July
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£13



24th
JUL

⌚ 07:30pm

MUSIC

THE VOODOO ROOMS

Be part of an incredible homage to three legends in music: Jimi Hendrix, Eric Clapton and Cream!

Packed with an incredible high energy, this explosive new production is performed by some of the UK's finest musicians.

This powerhouse performance will transport you back in time to the original concerts, delivering the true spirit of these legendary superstars. This is the true fans' production, a collection of outstanding musicians who have not only performed the songs – they have lived the life!

No wigs, no pantomime – just great music played by great musicians!

Individual credits include: Steve Winwood, Massive Attack, Ben E. King, Fish, Thunder, Jo Harman, Thea Gilmore, Lulu, and many more.

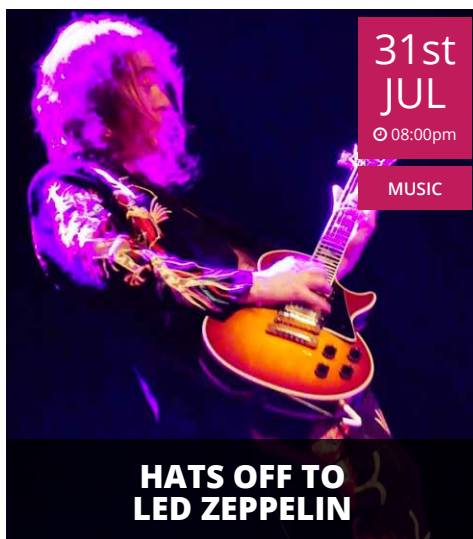
Date & Details

Friday 24th July

Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£21 / Members £18



31st
JUL

⌚ 08:00pm

MUSIC

HATS OFF TO LED ZEPPELIN

WINNER - BEST TRIBUTE ACT IN THE UK 2019

Hats Off to Led Zeppelin have received many accolades over the years, most recently winning *Best Led Zeppelin Tribute* for the seventh year running at the *National Tribute Awards* and *Best Tribute Band in the UK 2019* as voted for by the *Agents Association of Great Britain*.

They are managed by Warren Grant, son of Led Zeppelin's legendary manager Peter Grant - the connection to the original band is unsurpassed.

Guaranteed to give you a night that you won't forget in a hurry!

"An amazingly accomplished tribute"
Scottish Daily Record

"Best tribute I have ever seen"
Jersey Evening Post

"The ultimate tribute band" **Hereford Times**

Date & Details

Friday 31st July

Starts: 08:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

£18

25th
JUL

11:00am

FAMILY



THE ADVENTURES OF BO PEEP

Little Bo Peep has lost her sheep,
And can't fall asleep without them!

Watch the adventures of Bo Peep unravel as
she tries to rescue her woolly friends!

Counting her sheep always sends Bo Peep off
to sleep by bedtime, but with no sign of them
yet she'll be up all night searching.

Bo Peep needs you and your family's help to
save her little lambkins from danger in time
for bed!

"a truly magical performance"

**Praise for Knuckle and Joint's previous
children's production, The International
Story Quest**

Award winning, Knuckle and Joint and
Churchill Theatre have teamed up to bring

you a brand new and magical adaptation of
well-loved nursery rhyme, Little Bo Peep, to
The Mill.

It is a perfect theatre introduction for your
little ones with an interactive story and
sensory learning.

Look out for a flock of woollen puppets,
original music and sheep themed silliness.

Date & Details

Saturday 25th July

Starts: 11:00am

Age Guidance: Recommended for ages 2-6

Tickets & Pricing

£10 / Family of 4 £35



**1st
AUG**
07:30pm
MUSIC

BEACH BOYS SMILE

Immerse yourself in vocal bliss, with the smooth harmonies and classic songs of a group that will never be forgotten. In an all new production – *The Beach Boys Smile*, touring the UK throughout 2020.

Love of music, vocal harmony and Brian Wilson's composition are what brings five young and incredibly talented musicians together to form *Beach Boys Smile* (aka BBS). Their roots can be traced as far back as the 80s when three brothers sang along to the classic surf tunes of the Beach Boys in the car on their way to the sunny beach, radio cranked up high!

Every time BBS put on a show, all these memories flood back and put a smile on audiences faces the world over. All the greatest songs and feel of The Beach Boys!

Date & Details

Saturday 1st August
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£22



**28th
AUG**
07:30pm
MUSIC

THE ANIMALS & FRIENDS

Featuring from the original Animals: John Steel and Mick Gallagher (The Blockheads), plus Danny Handley and Roberto Ruiz.

In 1964 a wave of new energetic rock and roll swept over the youth of the world. On the crest of this wave was The Beatles, The Rolling Stones and of course The Animals. From the banks of the River Tyne came the North East's offering; a brand of rhythm 'n blues that the whole world seemed to grasp greedily.

The Animals were the second British band to top the American charts after The Beatles with the now multi-million selling and legendary anthem, House of the Rising Sun. The band subsequently achieved over twenty global Top Ten hit records, many of which gained the Number One slot in various parts of the world. In Britain alone, the band had no less than twelve chart entries.

After 60 years, the legend still grows...

Date & Details

Friday 28th August
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£25

Coming Soon...



**the
THREE
DEGREES**

**3rd
OCT**
⌚ 07:30pm

MUSIC

THE THREE DEGREES

All the way from the USA, *The Three Degrees* celebrate their 50th Anniversary Tour!

With original members Helen Scott and Valerie Holiday, *The Three Degrees* are an American female vocal group, formed in 1963 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The group has remained a trio with two original members since Sheila Ferguson left many moons ago, replaced by Freddie Pool.

The Three Degrees are well known for their soulful voices, beautiful gowns, and fabulous stage shows.

They are known all around the world for songs like *When Will I See You Again*, *Dirty Ol' Man* and *Take Good Care Of Yourself*. They have been continuously touring for more than 40 years and still touring to this day.

Date & Details

Saturday 3rd October
Starts: 07:30pm

Tickets & Pricing

£28



**4th
OCT**
⌚ 07:00pm

COMEDY

The Make-Em Ups present
BUMPER BLYTON

A riotous improvised parody chock full of innuendo and lashings of puns, in the style of the Nation's favourite author, Enid Blyton.

Cast yourself back to your childhood in a show that's utterly unique and spontaneous with this a satirical take childhood favourite books like *The Famous Five* and *Mallory Towers*.

A cast of the UK's best-known and award winning improvisers (as seen in; *Austentatious*, *Showstoppers!* and TV's *Doctor Who*) invent an hilarious improvised adventure live on the hoof based on audience suggestions.

Performed in vintage costume with music and songs, the show offers an hilarious tongue-in-cheek homage. It's Enid Blyton... For grown-ups!

Date & Details

Sunday 4th October
Starts: 07:00pm

Tickets & Pricing

£16 / Members £13

Weekly Classes

If you are in receipt of means tested benefits you may be entitled to discounts on course fees for weekly classes.



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MONDAY



DRAWING & SKETCHING

with Ruth Broadbent

This course, which is suitable for both beginners and those looking to further their skills, is packed with information and techniques to help develop drawing skills and individual styles.

There are opportunities to try out different approaches to varied subject matter and look at work by other artists. New themes and techniques are explored each term in this challenging and lively course.

Dates & Details

FOR BOTH OPTIONS		OPTION 1
Starts	20th April	Time 10am-12.30pm
Day Held	Monday	OPTION 2
Duration	11 weeks	Time 7pm-9pm

Fees

OPTION 1	OPTION 2
£140 / £130 Members	£130 / £120 Members



PAINTING & DRAWING

with Chrissie Borland

Mixed ability class in which students are encouraged to find their own style through experimenting with different media.

Full of creative entertainment, these classes are supported and guided by tutor Chrissie Borland.

Dates & Details

FOR ALL OPTIONS		OPTION 2
Duration	11 weeks	Starts 21st April
OPTION 1		Day Held Tuesday
Starts	20th April	Time 10am-12.30pm
Day Held	Monday	OPTION 3
Time	2.30pm-5pm	Starts 21st April
		Day Held Tuesday
		Time 2pm-4.30pm

Fees

FOR ALL OPTIONS
£140 / £130 Members

MONDAY



MONDAY
MAKERS

Every Monday we run crafty sessions in our gallery space. Come along and enjoy some gentle activities, meet like-minded people and perhaps even inspire a new hobby!

All materials are supplied.

Dates & Details	
Starts	20th April
Day Held	Monday
Time	3pm-4.30pm
Duration	11 weeks
Fees	
£6 per session	

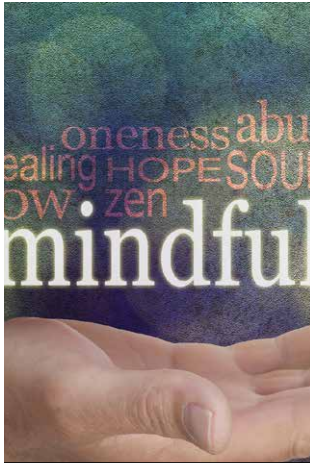


INTRODUCTION
TO ACTING

with Benjamin Archer

These weekly classes allow you to establish and develop your own 'toolkit' for creating a performance. Actors have a wide and varied range of techniques and practices to choose from when it comes to creating a performance. Most modern actors do not just use one methodology to develop character and deliver an engaging performance, most build their own toolkit of techniques that work for them. In these weekly classes you will learn a range of different acting practices to build your own toolkit, discovering what techniques and practices work best to channel your creativity. Classes are suitable for all levels of experience and will be tailored to ensure you get the most from them.

Dates & Details	
OPTION 1	OPTION 2
Starts 20th April	Starts 1st June
Duration 5 weeks	Duration 6 weeks
FOR BOTH OPTIONS	
Day Held Monday	
Time 7pm-9pm	
Fees	
OPTION 1	
£60 / £55 Members	
OPTION 2	
£70 / £65 Members	



MINDFULNESS

with David Holloway

This course is aimed at anyone who is interested in improving their mental and emotional wellbeing. Throughout the course we will address the normal ups and downs that we face in life, and to teach both the theory and practice of mindfulness using a specific set of mental tools suitable for all situations.

Participants will improve their self-confidence, ability to break habits and to self-manage their own practice after the course.

Date & Details

Starts 21st April
Day Held Tuesday
Time 12pm- 1pm
Duration 5 weeks

Fee

£35 / £30 Members



WATERCOLOUR EXPLORATIONS

with Rachel Cronin

This evening course is for both beginners and those with some experience of this fascinating medium. The classes will take you through tone, composition, colour theory and how to build up a watercolour painting in a structured, demonstration-led setting. We tackle lots of different subject matter alongside both traditional and modern techniques.

Date & Details

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

Day Held Tuesday
Time 7pm-9pm

OPTION 1

Starts 21st April
Duration 5 weeks

OPTION 2

Starts 2nd June
Duration 6 weeks

Fees

OPTION 1
 £60 / £55 Members

OPTION 2
 £70 / £65 Members



WATERCOLOUR PROJECTS

with Rachel Cronin

Famous for its difficulty and unpredictability, watercolour is one of the most exciting mediums to paint with. This class explores several different approaches both traditional and modern. We tackle a wide variety of subject matter including still life and landscape, but the emphasis is on the student developing their own style and preferences as the classes progress. Students are guided through demonstration and structured sessions towards a portfolio of watercolour paintings. Some experience of watercolour is advantage but not necessary. All materials are provided in this class but having your own brushes would be an advantage.

Date & Details

Starts 22nd April
Day Held Wednesday
Time 10am-12.30pm
Duration 11 weeks

Fee

£140 / £130 Members



PRINTMAKING TECHNIQUES: Collograph print making

with Rachel Cronin

Using a whole host of recycled household goods these sessions explore landscapes using collograph printmaking. Students will begin by creating a small collograph print to establish the tones and textures that can be made with different materials.

We will then use cardboard, old yarn, cardboard from cereal packets, foil, tissue paper, lace, sandpaper and fabric offcuts to create expressive landscapes utilising an intaglio printing press and oil-based printing inks.

Date & Details

Starts 22nd April
Day Held Wednesday
Time 1.30pm-3.30pm
Duration 5 weeks

Fee

£60 / £55 Members



WATERCOLOUR TECHNIQUES: Earth, Sea & Sky

with Rachel Cronin

Using experimental watercolour techniques as well as ink and dry media spend six weeks painting landscapes and seascapes with professional artist Rachel Cronin.

These sessions will explore less traditional watercolour techniques allowing students to experiment with colour, paint application and mark making using a contemporary and dynamic approach.

These sessions are suitable for both beginners and more experienced students. All materials are supplied but please bring your own brushes.

Date & Details

Starts 3rd June
Day Held Wednesday
Time 1.30pm-3.30pm
Duration 6 weeks

Fee

£70 / £65 Members



CREATING WRITING

with Gabrielle Mullarkey

In this five-week course, we'll continue to explore themes and forms that will help you to find and develop an individual writing 'voice'.

You will have opportunities to read and share your work, practising techniques that will enable you to start – and keep – writing.

You don't need to have attended previous courses – we will recap principles at key points.

Date & Details

Starts 22nd April
Day Held Wednesday
Time 1.00pm-3.30pm
Duration 5 weeks

Fee

£65 / £60 Members



GUITAR LESSONS

with Matthew Sullivan

Always wanted to learn to play guitar?

This is your chance to learn theory, technique and sight reading with experienced jazz/flamenco musician and tutor Matt Sullivan. Students will need to bring their own guitars.

Date & Details

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

Starts 22nd April

Day Held Wednesday

Duration 11 weeks

BEGINNERS

Time 6.45pm-7.45pm

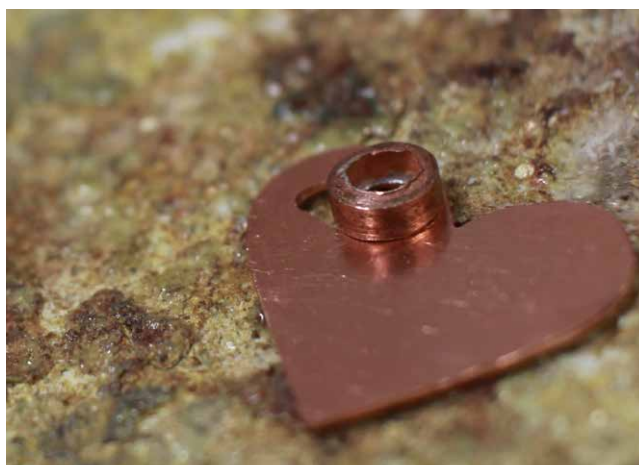
INTERMEDIATES

Time 8pm-9pm

Fees

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

£60 / £55 Members



JEWELLERY MAKING

with Sue Collins

This course is open to anyone interested in learning how to make silver jewellery using traditional techniques. Beginners will learn a variety of techniques such as cutting, sawing, annealing, texturing, soldering and polishing, whilst more experienced students will develop their skills and work on more advanced pieces.

This is a relaxed, friendly and informal class where students work on their own designs at a pace appropriate to their skill level. Student receive individual tutor guidance within a group of 10 students.

All tools are supplied but you will need to pay for the silver for your design. Your tutor will discuss this with you during the first class. Spaces are limited to 10 so book early to avoid disappointment.

Date & Details

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

Duration 11 weeks

OPTION 1

Starts 22nd April

Day Held Wednesday

Time 7pm-9pm

OPTION 2

Starts 24th April

Day Held Friday

Time 1.30pm-3.30pm

Fees

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

£115 / £105 Members



TEXTILE EXPLORATIONS

with Sue Green

Using a whole host of recycled household goods these sessions explore landscapes using collograph printmaking.

Students will begin by creating a small collograph print to establish the tones and textures that can be made with different materials.

We will then use cardboard, old yarn, carboard from cereal packets, foil, tissue paper, lace, sandpaper and fabric offcuts to create expressive landscapes utilising an intaglio printing press and oil-based printing inks.

Dates & Details

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

Starts 23rd April

Day Held Thursday

Duration 11 weeks

OPTION 1

Time 10am-3pm

OPTION 2

Time 10am-12noon

Fees

OPTION 1

£230 / £220
Members

OPTION 2

£130 / £120
Members



EXPERIMENTAL TEXTILES

with Sue Green

These short courses offer you the chance to discover the fascinating world of experimental textiles. Blend fabric, paper and plastic to create wonderful mixed media effects and experiment with dyes, paints, slash work and couching to create interesting textures. All materials provided.

Dates & Details

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

Day Held Thursday

Time 6pm-8pm

Duration 5 weeks

OPTION 1

Starts 23rd April

OPTION 2

Starts 4th June

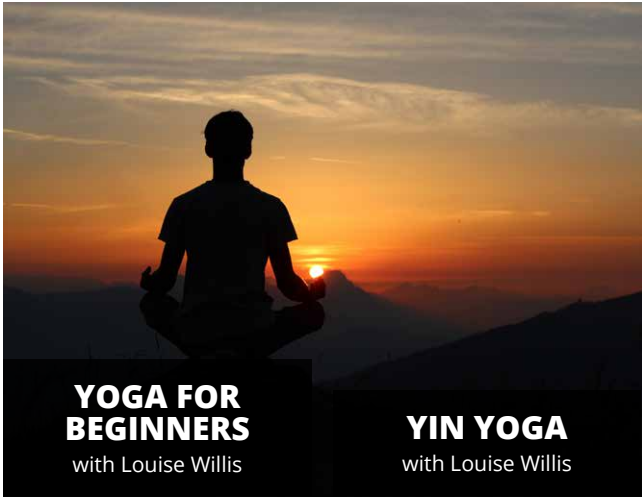
Fees

OPTION 1

£65 / £60 Members

OPTION 2

£75 / £70 Members



YOGA FOR BEGINNERS

with Louise Willis

YIN YOGA

with Louise Willis

Move your body and mobilise back, neck and shoulders in your lunch break in this 45-minute session.

A perfect way to break up your busy working day.

Yin Yoga. A slow paced, largely mat based yoga practice where postures are held for longer periods of time. The practice has a meditative quality and will be paired with restorative poses to encourage deep relaxation at the end of practice.

Date & Details

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

Day Held Thursday

Time 6.30pm-7.15pm

OPTION 1

Starts 23rd April

Duration 5 weeks

OPTION 2

Starts 4th June

Duration 6 weeks

Fees

OPTION 1

£33 / £28 Members

OPTION 2

£38 / £33 Members

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

£8 single session

Date & Details

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

Day Held Thursday

Time 7.30pm-8.30pm

OPTION 1

Starts 23rd April

Duration 5 weeks

OPTION 2

Starts 4th June

Duration 6 weeks

Fees

OPTION 1

£33 / £28 Members

OPTION 2

£38 / £33 Members

FOR BOTH OPTIONS

£8 single session



CREATIVE CRAFTS

with Sue Collins

A perfect mixed arts and crafts class for those who want to experiment with different techniques without committing to a longer course. This is a drop-in course where you can come as often as you like.

Date & Details

Starts 24th April

Day Held Friday

Time 10am-12pm

Duration 11 weeks

Fee

£10 per session

Summer Courses



PAINTING & DRAWING

with Chrissie Borland

Mixed ability class in which students are encouraged to find their own style through experimenting with different media. Full of creative entertainment, these classes are supported and guided by tutor Chrissie Borland.

Date & Details

Starts 4th August
Day Held Tuesday
Time 10am- 12.30pm
Duration 4 weeks

Fee

£55 / £50 Members



TEXTILE EXPLORATIONS: Lino Cut for Stitch

with Sue Green

Be inspired by nature, using a lino cut for stitch (different from normal lino cutting)

Print onto calico and decorate with hemstitching and embellishments, adding coloured nets to build up colour change and shading.

So, from one print you can produce several different looks to make a collection of individual pieces which we can turn into a handmade book or wall hanging.

Bring an apron and fabric scissors.

Date & Details

Starts 6th August
Day Held Thursday
Time 10am- 3pm
Duration 4 weeks

Fee

£100 / £95 Members



FLORAL TEAPOT

with Kate Ladd

Create a relaxed centrepiece for al fresco summer tea party. Arrange seasonal British-grown flowers and foliage, such as Achillea, Cosmos, Dahlia and Scabious, learning some key floristry tips and eco-friendly mechanics which will allow you to create further designs at home. Please bring along a teapot, also available to purchase from the tutor.

Date & Details

Date 16th August
Day Held Sunday
Time 10am- 1pm
Duration 1 day

Fee

£40



EXTREME WATERCOLOUR: Landscape Edition

with Rachel Cronin

One day, loads of techniques. Join artist Rachel Cronin for a day exploring the unlimited possibilities of watercolour. The day will begin with a demonstration on colour mixing and paint application, allowing you to try out wet in to wet technique to create dramatic skies. As the day progresses you will explore different types of watercolour painting from formal landscapes to fast and loose interpretations. This workshop is ideal if you are considering a weekly class and would like a taster! All materials are included.

Date & Details

Starts 29th August
Day Held Saturday
Time 10.30am- 4pm
Duration 1 day

Fee

£50

Workshops



ECO-SILVER SPINNER BANGLES

with Sue Collins

In line with our theme of recycling and the environment, this workshop will focus on using eco-friendly materials to create a stunning spinner bangle. This bangle will match the spinner ring of our Eco-Silver Spinner Ring Workshop. Using eco-silver, which is certified as 100% reclaimed and recycled, you will create your bangle using the traditional silversmithing techniques of sawing, texturing, forming, and soldering. Each bangle will have three outer bangles constructed from recycled

silver, recycled copper and recycled brass, which will spin free around the inner bangle.

All tools are provided, but you will need to purchase silver from the tutor. Students can expect to spend approximately £38 - £40.

Date & Details	
Date	Saturday 18th April
Time	10.30am-5pm
Fee	£50



TEXTILE BEE'S WAX WRAPS

with Sue Green

Spend the day, using Indian wood blocks and combined with making your own quick and easy foam print block. Print your design onto a calico base, treat with bee's wax, an eco-friendly answer to wrapping your sandwiches in cling film. Bring an apron and baby wipes for cleaning blocks.

Date & Details	
Date	Saturday 2nd May
Time	10.30am-4pm
Fee	£50



TREE OF LIFE

with Chrissie Borland

The Tree of Life is a symbol of growth, strength and renewal. These beautiful images can be found in many cultures old and new. Come and enjoy some beautiful examples and create a contemplative or dramatic piece made from your choice of supplied materials. Suitable for all abilities.

Date & Details

Date Saturday 9th May
Time 10.30am-4pm

Fee

£50



CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP

with Gabrielle Mullarkey

From Keats' nightingale to Mary Oliver's wild geese, writers have long written to and about birds. Taking inspiration from famous examples in poetry and prose, we'll consider the bird as both metaphor and iconic presence in varied forms of creative writing. Spread your wings – the sky's the limit!

Date & Details

Date Saturday 16th May
Time 10.30am-1.30pm

Fee

£35



ECO - SILVER SPINNER RING

with Sue Collins

In line with our theme of recycling and the environment, this workshop will focus on using eco-friendly materials to create a stunning spinner ring. Using eco-silver, which is certified as 100% reclaimed and recycled, you will create your ring using the traditional silversmithing techniques of sawing, texturing, forming, and soldering. Each ring will have three outer rings constructed from recycled silver, recycled copper and recycled brass, which will spin free around the inner ring.

All tools are provided, but you will need to purchase silver from the tutor. Students can expect to spend approximately £16 - £18.

Date & Details

Date Saturday 16th May
Time 10.30am-5pm

Fee

£50



PUNCH NEEDLE EMBROIDERY

with Hannah Johnson

Join Hannah, Fibre Artist and Creative Tutor and learn everything there is to know about the art of punch needle embroidery in this fun Earth and Environment themed workshop.

You will learn everything from the basics of materials all the way through to how to finish a piece, as well as how to create a range of textures in your work.

You will be able to personalise and embroider your own 8" hoop and bring your visions to life through this creative medium, using both gorgeous punch needle and traditional embroidery techniques, and using a variety of embroidery threads, beads and embellishments.

Hannah will have a variety of reference images to work from, however these can be personalised to your own visions when transferring them onto fabric.

Date & Details

Date Saturday 6th June
Time 10.30am-4pm

Fee

£50



BOLLYWOOD DANCE WORKSHOP

with Ranjini Mohan

Bollywood Dance workshop is your chance to learn some groovy Bollywood moves, designed for all abilities.

The steps range from classic to contemporary, set to rollicking Bollywood beats and an Indian remix of Ed Sheeran. It will be taught by Ranjini and her group Desi Beats. Ranjini is a trained Kathak dancer – a classical dance from north India, known for its rhythm and twirls and has done various Kathak and Bollywood performances in local events.

The workshop aims at fun, at teaching you to 'change lightbulbs', an introduction to the colour and vibrancy and light-heartedness of Bollywood movies and their crazy dance moves.

It is suitable for anyone with an interest and a desire to dance, even if you have never ever tried before. This will culminate with a performance for friends and family.

Date & Details

Date Sunday 7th June
Time 10.30am-1.30pm

Fee

£15



BUILDING IN THE LANDSCAPE: A Contemporary Mixed Media Approach

with Rachel Cronin

Using acrylic paint on board, students will spend the day experimenting with a collaged textured surface, creating beautiful atmospheric paintings of lonely cottages and distance homesteads. The tutor will guide students through composition as well as paint application, colour mixing and creating atmosphere with different techniques.

Suitable for all levels and ideal for students who wish to move away from representational painting and work more from their imagination.

Date & Details

Date Saturday 13th
June
Time 10.30am-4pm

Fee

£50



DRAWING DAY: Earth & Environment

with Ruth Broadbent

Spend the day drawing, inspired by the theme of Earth and Environment, and drawing in the age of the Anthropocene. We will draw both small and large, responding to a variety of subject matter, using a range of techniques, drawing media, and artist references. An opportunity to experiment, and learn some new drawing techniques, or a chance to extend your existing drawing skills and think more about how you can visually express your ideas through drawing.

Open to all abilities. Materials will be provided (although please feel free to bring a sketchbook and any drawing materials that you already have).

Date & Details

Date Saturday 20th
June
Time 10.30am-4pm

Fee

£50



BRITISH FLOWERS

with Kate Ladd

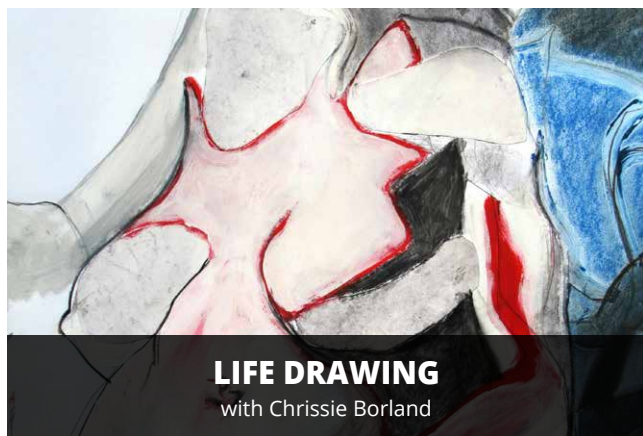
Seasonal hand-tied bouquet in a vase. With a bucket of British-grown flowers and foliage, and an introduction to key floristry skills, create a light and airy meadow-style display to go in your favourite vase. Varieties likely to include Cornflowers, Clary, Nigella, Laceflower, Lady's Mantle, Sweet Williams. Suggested dimensions 20cm tall, opening 10cm. Vases available from the tutor on the day.

Date & Details

Date Saturday 21st
June
Time 10.00am-1pm

Fee

£40



LIFE DRAWING

with Chrissie Borland

This extremely popular one day workshop is a perfect opportunity to draw from a model. Taking a themed experimental look at life drawing, exploring exciting methods of capturing the human form in a way that is accessible to all. All abilities welcome and materials provided.

Date & Details	
Date	Saturday 27th June
Time	10.30am-4pm
Fee	£50

DANCE AUDIENCE CLUB

Are you curious about watching dance? Do you enjoy talking about what you've seen? Join our new Dance Audience Club – a bit like a Book Club for dance!

If you are curious about watching dance, but sometimes feel a bit stumped about how to process it or talk about it, this is for you. It's a friendly, informal invitation to give language to an art experience that can sometimes feel difficult to pin down.

This will be a great opportunity if you like to watch dance but don't

necessarily have anyone to go with; if you would like an opportunity to share your experiences of watching dance with other like-minded people; if you are unsure about whether you like dance but are interested in giving it a go!

Dance Audience Club will be taking place as part of the following performances:

THE RITE OF SPRING
– Monday 1st June

DROWNTOWN
– Saturday 20th June

BOOK ONLINE NOW OR CONTACT THE BOX OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION.



TALK ABOUT DANCE

with Miranda Laurence

Join us for a unique new course where we will explore Seeta Patel's 'Rite of Spring'. We'll learn about aspects of the making of the work and prepare our own questions about it, and how we might experience it as audiences.

Led by independent dance dramaturg Miranda Laurence, this will be a fun, discursive session giving an insight into the creative process of making dance. No specialist dance knowledge is needed. Each session will have some commonalities, but will focus on a different theme so you can attend both or just one.

Date & Details	
Date	Sunday 17th May & Friday 22nd May
Time	10.30am-1.30pm
Fee	£35

MY Projects

Our weekly youth provision for ages 6-15 offers young people the opportunity to participate in a range of visual and performance art projects and to showcase their work in a professional environment. Courses will re-start in September.

For more information please contact the Creative Learning Team on 01295 227177.



LITTLE ARTISTS

Bringing together mums, dads, babies and toddlers in a wide range of activities including painting, collage, junk modelling, sticking and gluing. Ages 0-5.

Date & Details

Starts 23rd April
Day Held Every Thursday
Time 10.30am-11.30am

Fee

£5 per child, adults go free



MOVING TALES

Join us for a sensory and interactive session as we tell stories through movement and song. Ages 0-5.

To sign up or for more information please contact Bicester Library at bicester.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk.

Date & Details

Date Last Friday of the month (dates may vary during the holidays)
Time 10.30am-11.15am

Fee

FREE

Venue

Bicester Library



BABY & PARENT YOGA

Classes for parents and babies up to 18 months.

Parent and Baby Yoga classes give you the perfect opportunity to have time-out to strengthen and flex your body, calm your mind, spend quality time with your young one, relax and play!

After the session feel free to stay after the session to meet other parents and babies over a hot drink from the Mill Café.

Date & Details

Day Held Wednesday
Time 12.30pm-1.30pm

OPTION 1

Starts 22nd April
Duration 5 weeks

OPTION 2

Starts 3rd June
Duration 6 weeks

Fee

OPTION 1

£33 / £28 Members

OPTION 2

£38 / £33 Members

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Exhibitions



ARTWEEKS

The Mill is excited to be showcasing work created by the Banbury Artists Cooperative. An array of exciting, eclectic mix - paintings, felt-art, glassware and more from Church Lane Gallery.

Image: 'Fine Lady' by Emma Wilkinson

Date

27th April - 25th May



NORTH OXFORDSHIRE ACADEMY

We are pleased to present work created by the students of North Oxfordshire Academy.

Date

8th June - 6th July



STUDENT SHOWCASE

Watercolours, acrylics and pencil drawings sit side by side with the work of mixed media artists and jewellery makers in this vibrant and varied display. A must-see show. Join us on Thursday 2nd July from 6pm where you can talk to students about their work on display and see the performance and creative writing students in the main auditorium.

Date

6th July - 3rd August



TEXTILES SHOWCASE

The Mill is proud to present a diverse showcase of work by students of our popular Textile classes. Come and see the wonderful work students have produced over the past year in this diverse and exciting exhibition.

Date

3rd August - 28th September

Are you an artist and interested in displaying your work in our gallery? For more information, please contact emma.nooney@themillartscentre.co.uk



Café Bar

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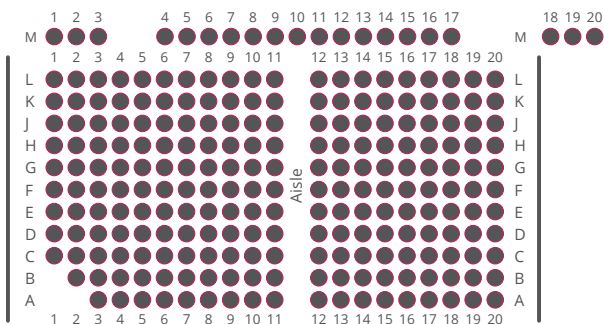
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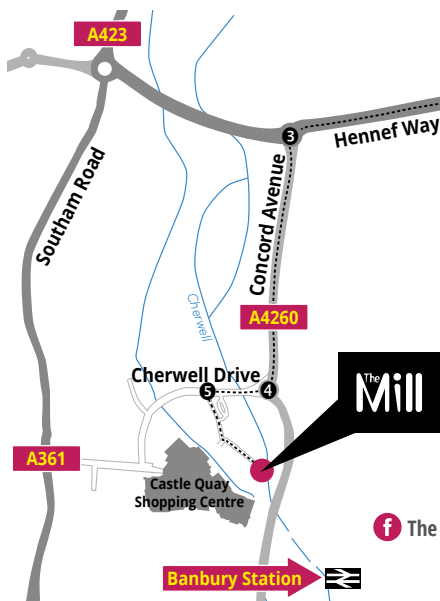
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Getting Here



PARKING

Council operated parking is available in the adjacent Mill car park and at Chamberlain Court to the rear of the building.

Please note these car parks have a 3 hour maximum stay during the day, free after 7pm.

Due to ongoing construction work at Castle Quay we recommend that you allow additional time for parking. Postcode for SatNav: OX16 5QE

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Creative Learning Diary

Weekly Classes

Monday

10am	Drawing & Sketching
2.30pm	Painting & Drawing
3pm	Monday Makers
7pm	Introduction to Acting
7pm	Drawing & Sketching

Tuesday

10am	Painting & Drawing
12noon	Mindfulness
2pm	Painting & Drawing
4pm	MY Dance (6-10)
5.30pm	MY Dance (11-15)
7pm	Watercolour Explorations

Wednesday

10am	Watercolour Projects
1.30pm	Printmaking Techniques: Collograph Print Making
1.30pm	Watercolour Techniques: Earth, Sea & Sky
1pm	Creative Writing
4.30pm	MY Guitar (6-13 Beginners)
5.30pm	MY Guitar (6-13 Intermediates)
6.45pm	Learn Guitar for Beginners
7pm	Jewellery Making
8pm	Learn Guitar for Intermediates

Thursday

10am	Textile Explorations
4pm	MY Art (6-10)
6pm	MY Art (11-15)
6pm	Experimental Textiles
6.30pm	Yoga for Beginners
7.30pm	Yin Yoga

Friday

10am	Creative Crafts
1.30pm	Jewellery Making

Workshops

April

Sat 18	Eco Silver Spinner Bangles
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May

Sat 02	Textile Bee's Wax Wraps
Sat 09	Tree of Life
Sat 16	Creative Writing
Sat 16	Eco Silver Spinner Ring

June

Sat 06	Punch Needle Embroidery
Sat 13	Building in the Landscapes
Sat 20	Drawing Day
Sun 21	British Flowers
Sat 27	Life Drawing

Summer Courses

August

Tue 04	Painting & Drawing
Thu 06	Textile Exploration: Lino Cut from Stitch
Sun 16	Floral Teapot
Sat 29	Extreme Watercolour: Landscape Edition

Exhibitions

27th April - 25th May	Artweeks
8th June - 6th July	NOA
6th July - 3rd August	Student Showcase
3rd August - 28th September	Textiles Showcase

Live Events Diary

April		
Wed	01	It's Your Move
Thu	02	Simon Evans
Fri-Sat	03-04	Strictly Banbury
Tue	07	FILM: Judy and Punch (15)
Wed	08	Soul Train
Wed	15	FILM: Official Secrets (15)
Fri	17	Edwina Hayes
Sat	18	Mole and Gecko
Wed	22	FILM: The Public (15)
Fri	24	Luke Kempner & Sophie Duker
Sat	25	Women in Rock
Sat	25	Spanish Night
May		
Fri	01	Swan Lake
Sat	02	Suzi Ruffell
Wed	06	FILM: Little Women (U)
Thu	07	Morgan & West: 'Unbelievable Science'
Sat	09	The Girl from Tiger Bay
Wed-Sat	13-16	The Woman Who Cooked Her Husband
Tue	19	Daphne's Flight
Wed	20	FILM: Little Women (U)
Fri	22	Julian Dutton: Last of the Summer Wine
Sat	23	Blowin' in the Wind
Thu	28	George Egg: Movable Feast
Fri	29	Spy Monkey
Sat	30	James Phelan: MINDBLOWN!
June		
Mon	01	The Rite of Spring
Fri	05	These Hills Are Ours

Sat	06	The Nashville Story
Sun	07	Trevor Eve: In Lomita For Ever
Sat	13	The Bohemians
Sun	14	Simon Brodtkin & Eleanor Tiernan
Fri	19	The Christians
Sat	20	Downtown
Tue	23	The Comedy of Errors
Fri	26	Almost the Bee Gees
July		
Fri	03	Shazia Mirza: Coconut
Sat	04	Spontaneous Potter Kidz
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Fri	10	Country Superstars
Sat	11	Hundred Watt Club
Wed-Sat	15-18	Banbury Cross Players 75th Anniversary
Thu	23	Matt Forde & Chloe Petts
Fri	24	The Voodoo Rooms
Sat	25	The Adventures of Bo Peep
Fri	31	Hats Off to Led Zeppelin
August		
Sat	01	Beach Boys Smile
Fri	28	The Animals

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March - May

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Wed 25th March at 2pm
Wed 15th April at 7:30pm
Tickets: £8 | Members £6



Judy & Punch

Tue 7th April at 7:30pm



Tickets: £8 | Members £6



The Public

Tue 7th April at 10:30am*
Wed 22nd April at 7:30pm
Tickets: £8 | Members £6



Little Women

Wed 6th May at 2pm
Wed 20th May at 7:30pm
Tickets: £8 | Members £6



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