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# What's On

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#### Discover what's on at your local theatre!

In the heart of Banbury town centre, The Mill Arts Centre is a thriving hub of the best creative and cultural things to see and do.

Whether it's thrilling live performance, fantastic family days out, or our rich variety of creative classes and workshops – you're sure to discover the perfect activity! Plus, don't forget to check out our charming canalside Café Bar where you can indulge in a cup of coffee and a slice of cake.

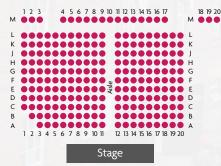
#### How to book

For all the latest information on shows and classes, or to book tickets, please visit our website **themillartscentre.co.uk**, drop by in person or call the Box Office on **01295 279002**.



Scan me to find out more!





#### Find us

We're located in Banbury town centre, just opposite Castle Quay Shopping Centre.

- 5-minute walk from Banbury train station
- 2-minute walk from Banbury bus station
- 1-minute walk from Mill and Chamberlaine Court car parks











## OUT OF THE MILL

We're working with partners across Oxfordshire to bring creativity and culture right to your doorstep.

**Out of The Mill** is our programme of activities taking place outside of our walls, from magical live performances to exciting hands-on workshops.

Read on for highlights, and keep an eye out for more fantastic events to be announced soon!



# WINNIE + WILBUR A CHRISTMAS ADVENTURE

- Venue: OYAP Trust, Former St Edburg's School, Cemetery Road, Bicester OX26 6BB
- 2nd 6th December 2023
- 💋 £10 Adult | £8 Children | U2s go free

Join Winnie, everyone's favourite accident-prone, adventure-loving witch, as she tries to give Wilbur, her long-suffering cat, a Christmas to remember.



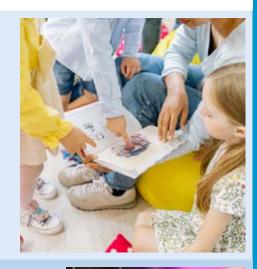
#### LITTLE CREATIVES

- iii 10th January 13th March (excluding Feb half term)
- 9:45am 10:30am at Whiteland Sports Ground
  11:15am 12pm at Bicester Library
- Pay What You Think

Come and get cosy with us for our magical Little Stories adventures!

Each week we will nestle up together and go on a different story journey. Using songs, storytelling, and sensory play we will explore the world and characters of the stories, in a session full of fun and excitement for you and your little ones.

Aimed at 2-5 year olds, these sessions are a lovely way to play creatively together.



#### FAM JAM

- Venue: Whitelands Sports Ground
- Saturday 27th January and 9th March

11am-12:30pm and 1:30pm-3pm (Both Dates)

opportunity to do your own thing. All welcome!

Fam Jam is a famous family disco party for under 5s and their grown-ups. Join us for games, dancing, face painting and adventures and lots of

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**£5** Per Person



# TAKING PART

There's a fantastic programme of creative courses here at The Mill, with weekly classes and one-off workshops for children and adults. As these classes are very popular, make sure to book in advance to secure your space!

Payment by instalment is available for many of our longer courses - please contact the Box Office for more information.







# YOUTH CLASSES

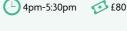
Develop your creative flair in our fun weekly sessions! From arts and crafts to guitar, there's something for everyone. Suitable for ages 6-13.



MY	Arts	&	Crafts			
with Emma WIlkinson						

Mon 8th Jan 8 Weeks













#### **Crafty Time**

with Laura Walker

with Sue Collins

with Kanjini Mohan

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with Serena Donnelly

Come and join us for a family-friendly craft session here at The Mill, themed around our upcoming family shows! Suitable for ages 2-10. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Tues 9th Jan 8 Weeks

Crafty Time: Jack and the Beanstalk Sat 6th Jan with Emma Wilkinson

Crafty Time: Shark in The Park

Crafty Time: Let's celebrate International Womens Day!

Family Workshops

Stamped Silver Ring Family Workshop Sat 17th Jan

Family Bollywood Dance Workshop Sat 17th Jan

with Emma Wilkinson

Sat 10th Feb

11.30am-12:30pm 🚯 £5 per Child or Adult

Sat 9th March

🕒 9:45am-10:45am 🤣 £5 per Child or Adult

11:00am-12:00pm 💋 £5 per Child or Adult

10:30am-1:30pm £55 + Materials

£15 Adult | £5 Child

# WEEKLY CLASSES

Drawing & Sketching with Ruth Broadbent Groove Aerobics with Dan Browne Painting & Drawing with Chrissie Borland Discover Improv with Catherine Seed Garment Sewing for All with Lindsey Webster Write a Play in 8 Weeks with Katy Owen	8th Jan	11 Weeks Drop In 11 Weeks 5 Weeks 8 Weeks	10am-12:30pm or 6:30pm-8:30pm 11:30am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-1:30pm 2pm-4:30pm 1 7pm-8:30pm 1 7pm-9pm 1 7pm-9pm	£149   £139 Members £5 per session £149   £139 Members £45   £40 Members £109   £99 Members £185   £80 Members
Painting & Drawing with Chrissie Borland Stand Tall with Chair Yoga with Louise Willis Chair Yoga Plus with Louise Willis Creative Café with Tom Cross	9th Jan 9th Jan 9th Jan 9th Jan 9th Jan	11 Weeks Various Drop In Drop In	2pm-4:30pm 11:30am-12:30pm 1pm-2pm 2:30pm-4:00pm	£149   £139 Members £5 per session £5 per session £6 per session
Watercolour Projects with Rachel Cronin  Spark Movement & Yoga for adults with learning disabilities with Louise Willis  Creative Writing with Gabrielle Mullarkey  Jewellery for Beginners with Sue Collins  Jewellery for Intermediates with Sue Collins	10th Jan 10th Jan 10th Jan 10th Jan 10th Jan 10th Jan	11 Weeks 11 Weeks 5 Weeks 11 Weeks	☐ 10am-12:30pm ☐ 10:45am-11:45am ☐ 1pm-3:30pm ☐ 2:30pm-4:30pm or 4:45pm-6:45pm ☐ 7pm-9pm	£149   £139 Members Free £65   £60 Members £135   £125 Members £135   £125 Members
Advanced Textiles with Sue Green Hybrid Hatha Yoga with Louise Willis Textiles for Mixed Abilities with Sue Green Rusty Musicians with Serena Donnelly	IIth Jan IIth Jan IIth Jan IIth Jan IIth Jan	11 Weeks Drop In 11 Weeks Drop In	10am-3pm 11:30am-12:30pm 6pm-8pm 1pm-3pm or 7pm-9pm	£245   £235 Members £10 per session £99 for all 11 £149   £139 Members £5 per session
Creative Crafts with Sue Green Yoga for Beginners with Louise Willis Jewellery for Intermediates with Sue Collins Spark Arts & Crafts for adults with learning disabilities with Sue Green	12th Jan 12th Jan 12th Jan 12th Jan 12th Jan	Drop In Drop In 10 Weeks Drop In	10am-12pm 11:30am-12:30pm 1:30pm-4:30pm 2pm-3:30pm	£10 per session £10 per session £89 for all 10 £145   £135 Members £145   £135 Members

# WORKSHOPS

JANUARY	Sip & Create: Floral Vase with Megan Hiorns Contemporary Winter Landscapes with Rachel Cronin Textured Stone-Set Silver Ring Workshop with Sue Collins Macrame Plant Hanger with Liz George Silver Nugget Stud Earrings with Sue Collins Abstract Drawing with Ruth Broadbent Sugar Craft for Beginners Sally Davis Yin Yoga Workshop with Louise Willis Drawing & Sculpture: Found & Recycled with Ruth Broadbent	Fri 12th  Sat 13th  Sat 20th  Tues 23rd  Sat 27th  Sat 27th  Tues 30th	10:30am-4pm 10:30am-4pm 10:30am-5pm 10:30am-5pm 10:30am-1pm 10:30am-4pm 10:2pm-5:30pm 12pm-5:30pm 10am-1pm	£25 (inc. a drink) £55 £55 + Materials £40 £35   £30 Members + Materials £55 £45 £45 £30
FEBRUARY	Life Drawing Workshop with Chrissie Borland Sew Your Own Pyjama Bottoms with Lindey Webster Sip & Create: Love is Love with Megan Hiorns Plastic Bag Bonding and Embellishment with Sue Green Introduction to Playwriting: Writing a Solo Performance with Katy Owen Silver And Gold Ball/Nugget Ring with Sue Collins Approaches to Abstraction with Rachel Cronin Make Your Own Clay Jewellery Box with Helen Button Drawing Fabric with Ruth Broadbent	Sat 3rd Sat 3rd Fri 9th Sat 10th Tues 20th Sat 24th Tues 27th	10:30am-4pm 1 2pm-6pm 1 7pm-9pm 1 10:30am-4pm 1 2pm-5:30pm 1 10am-1pm 1 10:30am-4pm 1 10:30am-4pm 1 10:30am-1pm	£55 £50 + Materials £55 (inc. a drink) £55 £40 £35   £30 Members + Materials £55 £55 £55 £645 £35   £30 Members
MARCH	Silver Spinner Ring Workshop with Sue Collins Spring Wreath Making Workshop with Melissa Dinwiddy Sip & Create: Feminist Power! with Megan Hiorns Picasso's Women Workshop with Chrissie Borland Sew Your Own Knotted Front T-Shirt with Lindsey Webster Macrame Hoop Wall Hanging with Liz George Collage Creations with Ruth Broadbent Spring Sugar Craft Flowers with Sally Davis Drawing Sand & Shore with Ruth Broadbent Printing and Stitched Panel with Sue Green Yin Yoga Workshop with Louise Willis	Sat 2nd Sat 2nd Fri 8th Sat 9th Tues 12th Sat 16th Tues 19th Sat 23rd Sat 23rd	10:30am-5pm 1 2pm-5pm 1 7pm-9pm 1 10:30am-4pm 1 2pm-6pm 1 10:30am-4pm 1 10:30am-4pm 1 10:30am-4pm 1 2pm-5:30pm 1 10am-1pm 1 10:30am-4pm 1 2pm-5pm	£55 + Materials £45 £45 £55 (inc. a drink) £55 £55 + Materials £55   £30 Members £55 £45 £45 £55   £30 Members £55 £55   £30 Members

# EXHIBITIONS + EVENTS

#### **Empower**

November - December

This winter, The Mill is very excited to offer local artisans the opportunity to showcase their work. Purchase handmade items from local makers and feel the benefit of shopping small this festive season.



#### **Hill View Primary School**

IIII January - February

Every year Hill View Primary School in Banbury run their own version of the National Gallery Take One Picture project. Children spend a week focusing on one piece of art work - from Van Gogh's Sunflowers to Gustav Klimt's Tree of Life - and produce their own artwork in response.



#### **IWD Female Founders Fair**

10am-2pm Saturday 9th March 2024

The Female Founders Fair celebrates female-led artists. makers and businesses in and around Banbury for International Wormen's Day. There will be a chance to meet the women involved, check out their products and maybe even take something home with you



#### Write & Connect at The Mill

12th January 2024

No-pressure, low-commitment sessions for those who wish to dedicate time to their writing practice. We start with goal setting, then enjoy two 45-minute writing blocks with a networking break and chance to grab a coffee in between. A great way to hone your craft and meet other members of the creative community!



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

Open up for our

# DANCE

#### Extended Play present DONUTS

€ £18 | £15 Members

Inspired by classic sitcoms of the 90s and 2000 ogether no matter what life throws at us



#### Let's All Dance present Goldilocks

🛅 11:00am & 1:00pm Friday 5th April

Join Goldilocks as she befriends a family of bears and teaches everyone the value of sharing. The Let's All Dance Ballet Company brings this classic children's story to life for a special Easter treat. Age Guidance: 3+



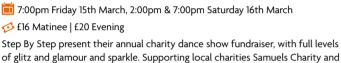
#### **Ceilidh with Jigfoot**

🛅 7:30pm Friday 2nd February

Standing Event

A traditional English ceilidh - with fantastic live music and





🛅 7:30pm Thursday 18th April Searing and physical drama that imagines the planet and a human

being in a make-or-break conversation about the future.



#### Hundred Watt Club:

**Burlesque Valentine's Special** 

iii 7:30pm Thursday 15th February

💋 £18 Standard | £15 Members | £20 on the door What better way to get in the mood for love, than with a seductive and ridiculous Valentine's burlesque revue?



#### Laugh out Proud

7:30pm Thursday 22nd February A belting evening of comedy gold with a tonne of laughs, featuring the best queer comedians in the UK.



#### **Alison Spittle: Soup**

7:30pm Thursday 29th February 🕩 £17

Comedian du jour Alison Spittle is simmering with jokes and probably rage, she doesn't know what the burning sensation is..



#### Tony Stockwell: An Evening of Mediumship

7:30pm Wednesday 6th March Remarkably compelling, amazingly detailed, and always humorous, Tony Stockwell has a long-established credibility as one of the top Intuitive Mediums.



#### **David Eagle: Flying Solo**

7:30pm Wednesday 27th March A comic tour-de-force, whose surreal and convoluted



#### **The Average Scientist present Wonders of Our Universe**

iii 7:00pm Thursday 28th March 

Embark on a cosmic journey, exploring celestial wonders and mysteries of the universe, through vivid animation and a live presenter.



# MUSIC

**Dreamcoat Stars** 

7:30pm Friday 8th March

Witness incredible vocal performances in a musical evening featuring stars from the worldwide hit Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

### I'm Every Whitney: 7:30pm Saturday 6th January

€£22 An incredible tribute to the late, great Whitney Houston in an evening of fun, laughter and nostalgia.



#### 80s Charity Night with Sledgehammer

7:30pm Saturday 13th January Standing Gig

Get ready to party like it's 1985! Join Sledgehammer for 3 hours of 80s classics



Rediscover the magic of your favourite hits from The Carpenters, featuring the amazing voice of Maggie Nestor.

#### The ELO Encounter

7:30pm Saturday 20th January £21 | £18 Members Roll over Beethoven! The ultimate ELO tribute: a live show with ELO hits, lights, effects, and pure rock 'n' roll joy!

#### **Budapest Café Orchestra**

7:30pm Thursday 1st February Refreshingly unconventional and snappily attired boutique orchestra bring gypsy and folk-flavoured music in fresh and surprising way.

#### The Beatles Years & Beyond

7:30pm Saturday 3rd February

Capturing the excitement of the Beatles with their top-drawer musicianship, vocal harmonies and horn-section, as featured live on BBC radio.

### Soul Kinda Wonderful: Party Night

7:30pm Friday 9th February £24 | £21 Members The UK's No. 1 award-winning tribute to The Four Tops and The Temptations - Soul and Motown at its very best!

#### From Gold to Rio - The Greatest Hits of Spandau Ballet & Duran Duran

8:00pm Saturday 10th February Two of the UK's most iconic bands will be brought to life in one power packed show!

A stunning celebration of the music of Celine Dion, in an unmissable evening of power ballads and pop chart dance hits!

## **Lionel: The Music of Lionel Richie**

An award-winning, five-star production celebrating the music of Lionel Richie



#### 21st Century ABBA

7:30pm Saturday 2nd March 21st Century Abba pay tribute to this timeless and legendary band. All the hits in one show.

#### Women in Rock

7:30pm Saturday 9th March Standing Gig

An unforgettable night of empowering female anthems, guaranteed to make you dance and sing along!

#### The Fureys

7:30pm Tuesday 12th March One of Ireland's all-time most acclaimed and influential folk bands returns to The Mill for their 18th concert here.



#### A Celebration of Simon & Garfunkel

7:30pm Friday 12th April The UK's leading non-tribute show, featuring Simon & Garfunkel's classic songs in an intimate, relaxed setting.



#### **Swing That Music:**

The Music of the Big Bands with **Down for the Count All-Stars** 

7:30pm Friday 19th April Embark on a musical voyage through time as this swinging band brings the best of London jazz clubs to Banbury.



#### £22 | £19 Members 7:30pm Saturday 20th April

Simon Goodall & The Bourne Again Shadows

Widely acclaimed as the most authentic sounding Cliff/Shadows tribute act (even Sir Cliff has said so!)



## **Lollypops & Moptops**

7:30pm Friday 26th April A must see show for all 50's & 60s music fans and a fantastic night out.



#### A Foreigner's Journey

🛅 7:30pm Saturday 27th April £20 Earlybird | £23 on the door Standing Gig

The UK's number 1 tribute to Foreigner and Journey in an evening to remember.



# THEATRE

**☼** £17.50 | £14.50 Members



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#### 7:30pm Friday 16th February



# A Radio Play Live on Stage

A rare chance to see stage & screen stars Colin Baker (Dr Who)



#### **Our Country's Good**

(Additional 2:30pm Performance on the Saturday)

🗗 £14 Standard | £13 Concession



comedy is guaranteed to have you in stitiches!



#### Celine: My Heart Will Go On 🔠 7:30pm Friday 23rd February

# 7:30pm Saturday 24th February

and the Commodores - featuring a stellar line-up of world class musicians.



# The Importance of Being Earnest ⊞ 7:30pm Monday 15th April

Mistaken identity and romance collide with cucumber sandwiches and a handbag in Oscar Wilde's much-loved comedy of manners.





### The Haunting

£20 | £17 Members A gripping adaptation of some of Charles Dickens' most haunting works, guaranteed to have you on the edge of your seat!



and Terry Molloy (The Archers) in this classic mystery.



7:30pm Thursday 21st March - Saturday 23rd March

Botany Bay 1788 - The redemptive power of theatre in a world of cruelty.

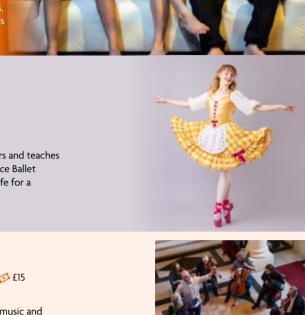


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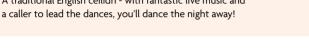
**Comedy Club 4 Kids** 

teaches his friend the Aviator about love, life and real happiness.











## VOXED present

Dementia Active.

# It's Not Me



Shark in the Park

Ϊ 1:00pm Saturday 10th February 

**Jack and the Beanstalk** 🛅 11:00am Saturday 6th January

Fee Fi Fo Fum! It's a giant of a show, we'd love you to come! Age Guidance: 3+

Roll up, roll up! Morgan & West are back with a massive magic show for kids (and their childish grown-ups)! Age Guidance: 6+.

🛅 7:00pm Friday 26th January

Indefinite Articles present Claytime 11:00am Saturday 17th February A play with clay, where the audience are invited to participate - interactive

Morgan & West's Massive Magic Show

**Lyngo Theatre present** 

theatre at its most engaging. Age Guidance: 3-6

The Little Prince 2:00pm Saturday 13th April Through mesmerising puppetry and beautiful songs the boy who fell to earth







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Andy Parsons Warm Up: Bafflingly Optimistic

FRIEND (The One with Gunther)

hit 90s TV show, FRIENDS, as told by Gunther.

In Conversation with Joe Thomas

as he spills secrets and stories from his career!

**Hal Cruttenden and Friends!** 

8:00pm Saturday 27th January

An exclusive evening with star of The Inbetweeners Joe Thomas,

€24.50

Join Hal Cruttenden and special guests for an exciting Saturday night of hilarity!

One man, one hour, ten seasons. All 236 episodes of the

🗰 7:30pm Thursday 4th April

15 Years of The Inbetweene

7:30pm Thursday 18th January

# Master comedian Chris McCausland's uproarious 2024 show.







FRIEND



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