# CORN EXCHANGE NEWBURY



# AUGUST – DECEMBER



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# WELCOME



We are triple award-winners! Following our Newbury Heroes Award in December, we won the Newbury Weekly News Best in Business Awards for Best Town Centre (BID) Business in April and in May

we were voted Best Arts, Culture and Theatre in Berkshire in the regional Muddy Stilettos Awards. We wouldn't be here without all of you, our loyal visitors, so thank you for your continued support.

It will be ever more appreciated as we head further into the year and make progress on refurbishing and opening the Old Library as a new arts hub for Newbury. As part of our ongoing fundraising, *Newbury Sounds* (pg 16) returns to the Corn Exchange after a cracking debut earlier this year; if you love live music, there is nowhere else you'll want to be! We are also excited to welcome award-winning broadcaster *Clare Balding* in September (pg 20) where she'll talk to us about her debut novel and growing up around Newbury; you'll want to get your tickets quickly.

In September, head to Greenham where we present a bumper weekend of arts, culture and heritage: with The Base's ever popular *Festival of Arts & Crafts* (pg 13) with over 50 stalls, entertainment for children, taster workshops and food and drink outlets; alongside *Creative Commons* (pg 10 & 11), a celebration of Greenham Common through circus, dance, street theatre and music performances. Pop Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 September in your diaries now!

Once we creep into the autumn months, a night at the theatre is a perfect place to be and we have a programme of treats to engage your senses! **The Ronnie Scott's Story** (pg 18) makes its way to us from London's world-famous jazz club; we're delighted to present **Story of One, Story of Many** (pg 23), a highenergy Kathak dance performance; catch **DRUM** (pg 27), a new poignant fiction about two rising Ghanaian creatives grappling with success in the swinging sixties; don't miss **Hot House** (pg 27), an incredibly

physical dance piece using a fusion of multicultural music genres to demonstrate how music urges us to move; and enjoy **Revenge: After the Levoyah** (pg 34), a 5-star 'frenzied hilarious treat for the imagination'.

For our younger customers, our family favourites of **The Very Hungry Caterpillar Show** (pg 26), **Stick Man** (pg 32) and **Horrible Histories** (pg 33) come to the Corn Exchange stage; a perfect way to share the joy of theatre with our children. Up at The Base gallery, immerse yourself in **Wild Walls** (pg 12), the flora, fauna and wildlife of Greenham Common in mesmerising art form, with plenty of creative activities to keep the family busy during August.

Our beautiful **Festival of Light** (pg 40 & 41) sees us into December, with lantern making workshops ahead of the spectacular procession along Northbrook Street and live music to get us into the festive spirit in the Market Place.

Before we wrap up the amazing year, join us as we step into the magical forest of Newburyshire with this year's panto **Robin Hood and Maid Marian** (pg 8 & 9), with all the joy and laughter you've come to expect from Plested Brown and Wilsher.

As if all of that wasn't tempting enough, I encourage you to visit our Café Bar, where the fabulous team offer a menu of freshly baked goods and a wide drinks menu. Over the summer, you can enjoy a drink from our bar whilst enjoying more live performances outdoors with *Music on the Terrace; Rock & Roll* makes for a relaxing Sunday afternoon at the Café Bar and *Family Creative Art Journalling* taster workshop (pg 6 & 7) will share creative ways to recharge and improve your wellbeing.

As ever, we know you'll find something to enjoy and we can't wait to welcome you – see you soon!

**Jessica Jhundoo-Evans** DIRECTOR







# NAME A SEAT

Be the first to name one of the brand-new seats in the Old Library studio theatre; whether it's in your own name, a business name, in memory of a loved one or as a gift for someone special.



# Can you help?

Every penny you donate will help us reopen this historic Newbury building as a new arts hub.







## Find out more: cornexchangenew.com/oldlibrary



# **CAFÉ BAR**

Grab a bite to eat and relax with a drink while supporting your local arts centre. Our Café and Balcony Bar make the perfect place to meet with family, friends, or colleagues. There is plenty of natural light, room to park your buggy and quiet corners to work during the day.

# EATING & DRINKING



Our Café Bar offers something for everyone, from freshly made soup, baguettes and sandwiches to fully loaded nachos, delicious sweet treats and pastries. Plus, don't forget to bring your reusable cup for a 25p discount on our delicious range of hot drinks. We are proud to work with a range of local companies such as Ramsbury Brewery, Renegade Brewery and Hoxton Bakehouse. Every purchase at our Café Bar helps support all the work we do here at the Corn Exchange, so your visit makes a difference. Check out our full menu and seasonal specials at **cornexchangenew.com/eating-drinking** 

# **VENUE HIRE**

Planning a celebration or work event? Let us help you make it truly unforgettable! With our Auditorium, Cinema, and Balcony Bar available for hire, combined with our in-house creative expertise, we'll help bring your event to life.



# **PARTY PACKAGES**

SCAN THE QR CODE TO See our full menu

Book a dance, drama or craft party with us. Party bags and food options are available. Visit our website for more details or for enquiries email us at hires@cornexchangenew.co.uk

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# **OUR CINEMA**

You may not know, but tucked away on the top floor of the Corn Exchange is our cosy 40-seat cinema. Open 6 days a week, we show the best of contemporary and classic cinema, including arthouse, independent and family films, blockbusters, and live screenings of theatre, dance and music performances. Our cinema is the perfect place to switch off and perhaps enjoy some refreshments or snacks from our Café Bar.

We also offer regular special screenings including **Silver Screens** for the over-60s, **Subtitled** screenings, monthly **Dementia Friendly** films, **Relaxed** screenings and regular **Ageing Creatively Cinema Club** and **Film Club** meets. For families, we have weekly **Parent & Babies** screenings, as well as a Saturday morning **Family Film and Craft** offering and regular **Tots Cinema** screenings. Find out more at **cornexchangenew.com/cinema** 



# **EVENT CINEMA**

See live and encore performances from some of the most famous stages in the world, streamed to our cinema and auditorium screens. Enjoy productions from the likes of the National Theatre, Royal Ballet & Opera, Exhibition On Screen and special live music events from the comfort of your local theatre! Find out more at **cornexchangenew.com/cinema** 



#### ANDRÉ RIEU'S 2025 Maastricht Concert (Cert TBC)

Sat 30 Aug	7pm
Sun 31 Aug	2pm









RBO: TOSCA Sun 5 Oct 2pm



RBO: LA SONNAMBULA Tue 21 Oct 6.45pm



RBO: LA FILLE MAL Gardeé

Wed 5 Nov 7.15pm



RBO: THE NUTCRACKER Wed 10 Dec 7.15pm

Cinema image credit: Simon Vail

# **SEASONAL SOCIALS**

Find out more about each of our Seasonal Social events at cornexchangenew.com/seasonalsocials



#### MUSIC ON THE TERRACE Saturdays 26 Jul, 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 Aug 4pm – 6pm

Free (no booking required)

Join us for musical performances from talented local artists. Perfectly positioned for the summer evening sun, mingle in our outdoor seating area with a drink from our bar.



#### OPEN MIC NIGHT Sundays 3 Aug, 7 Sep, 5 Oct & 2 Nov

7pm

Free (no booking required)

#### Age Guide 16+

Support local performers as they showcase their talents in our Balcony Bar. From live music to close-up magic, there's no telling what you might see! Please enquire if you'd like to perform by completing the form on our website.

#### **BOOK CLUB**

Sundays 10 Aug, 14 Sep, 12 Oct & 9 Nov

2pm

**Free** (pre-booking required) Come together to chat about our latest read.

#### **ROCK & ROLL**



Free (no booking required)

Bring your vinyl and grab your dice for music and games every Sunday in our Balcony Bar. Enjoy a drink, start a D&D campaign, bring a board game or play your own vinyl on our record player.

#### **POKÉMON CLUB**

Saturdays 16 Aug, 20 Sep, 18 Oct, 22 Nov

#### 10.30am – 1pm

Free (no booking required) 👘

Join our monthly meet-up to trade and play with your friends and other like-minded people.



#### THEATRE, FILM AND TV QUIZ

Wednesdays 10 Sep, 15 Oct & 19 Nov

#### 7pm

**£3** per person, teams of up to 6 people

#### Age Guide 16+

Take on our popular quiz night with your friends and family to be in with a chance to win a prize.

r Children must be accompanied by an adult

#### DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CAMPAIGN Sundays 21 Sep. 19 Oct & 16 Nov

**3pm** for ages 7 – 13

4.30pm for ages 14+

£15 for all 3 sessions 🖻

Join us for our ongoing D&D campaign sessions in the Balcony Bar. If you are a Dungeon Master and are interested in hosting a campaign in our space, please get in touch via **boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk** 

#### **FILM CLUB**

Wednesdays

#### 24 Sep, 29 Oct, 26 Nov & 17 Dec

£9.80 per person (includes cinema ticket)

Join fellow film fans after a screening in our cinema for a guided informal chat in our Balcony Bar. Please see website for details of the film, timings and age guides.



#### FAMILY CREATIVE ART JOURNALLING

Sat 18 Oct 10.15am – 11.15am

£5 per person if

#### Age Guide 5+

Play and experiment with mixed media and learn techniques to build your own creative journal in this family taster session.

#### **PUMPKINS AND PROSECCO**

#### Thu 30 Oct 7pm – 9pm

**£20** (includes pumpkin and a glass of prosecco or alcohol free alternative)

#### Age Guide 18+

Create something a little bit different this Halloween by painting your own pumpkin in the Balcony Bar. Let your imagination run wild! Materials included.

#### CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN MASK MAKING

#### Fri 31 Oct 10.15am – 11.15am

£10 per child

Age Guide 5 – 11 years 🕯

Join Gemma Kirby in Frankenstein's Craft Laboratory in the Balcony Bar to create a spooky Halloween mask in time for Trick or Treating. Materials included.



#### CHRISTMAS GIFT FAIR Sat 15 Nov 10am – 5pm

Get in the Christmas spirit at our annual gift fair! Shop for festive gifts, treats and more made by skilled independent crafters and makers, all while enjoying delicious seasonal refreshments from our Café Bar.





Scan to find out more information!

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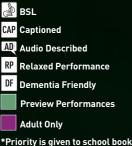
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#### PANTOMIME

Fri 28 Nov – Sat 3 Jan

Tickets £19.25 - £33.75

#### **PERFORMANCE TYPE**



\*Priority is given to school bookings until Fri 18 Jul

#### The award-winning Plested Brown and Wilsher return with another #NewburyPanto adventure, *Robin Hood and Maid Marian* – expect plenty of mischief, mayhem and merry-making!

Step into the magical forest of Newburyshire and join our swashbuckling hero, Robin, and his band of merry outlaws.

The awful Sheriff of Newburyshire has been in power for 14 long years, persecuting the poor, rewarding the rich and eating the local swans. But Robin, after a daring stand-off at the roundabout named in his honour, is feeling deflated. Will he ever defeat the evil Sheriff before he and his merry band are locked up for good? Or will (equally swashbuckling) Marian, with her smarty-pants brain, kick-ass moves and a pair of fabulous shoes, outwit the dastardly Sheriff? Enjoy toe-tapping songs through the decades and plenty of jokes that'll have you *bowing* with laughter.

For group bookings please contact the Box Office.

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CLOSED	2pm	12pm	MERRY CHRISTMAS!	1pm	1pm	12pm
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CORN EXCHANGE NEWBURY'S 101 OUTDOOR ARTS PRESENTS

Take a journey across Greenham Common where aerial circus, dance, street theatre, music and more bring to life this very special environment and its rich and complex stories.

#### OUTDOOR

#### Sat 13 & Sun 14 Sep

**Free** (booking required for select events)

Location Greenham Common

#### See cornexchangenew.com/ creative-commons for full details



Greenham Common marks 25 years since its return to public ownership. Join us to celebrate its rich past and remarkable restoration – from military base to wildlife sanctuary – site of peace protest and environmental renewal.

Across the two days there will be performances all over Greenham Common, these include Nandita Shankardass' *Roots to Rise*, Gossamer Thread Circus in *Becoming FERAL*, and work from artists commissioned at 101 Outdoor Arts. Join your host Adderlaide, the spirit of the common and meet Heath and Heather Robinson, the eccentric couple who inhabit *The Common Room.* Find peace in Yara + Davina's provoking work *Moral Compass*, take a magical storytelling walk in Rachel Lincoln's nature odyssey for children *Common*, and join folk singer Louise Jordan in exploring the resilience of the peace camp protesters.

Start your adventure from Venture West at Greenham Business Park.

*Creative Commons* is part of the Corn Exchange Newbury's 101 Outdoor Arts outdoor programme and funded by Greenham Trust and Arts Council England.

Produced in association with BBOWT, Museum of English Rural Life and Greenham Women Everywhere. Main image credit: Black Cravat Photography





# **GREENHAM TAKEOVER!**

Make a weekend of it as Greenham spaces are filled with creativity - from outdoor performing arts on the Common to visual arts and crafts at The Base's Festival. Check out page 13.



# WILD WALLS

#### Fri 1 Aug - Sat 6 Sep

#### Open Tue - Sun 10am - 5pm

Family Day Tue 5 Aug Relaxed Days Thu 7 & Thu 21 Aug Songs and Stories in the Gallery Thu 14 Aug & Sat 23 Aug

**Tickets** £0 Base Pass Holder (see pg 14), £7 (FREE under-5s)

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

#### This summer immerse yourself in nature as The Base's gallery will be transformed by street artist Katie 0.

Celebrate our local landscape and the creatures that live there, as you explore the mural adorned walls inspired by the scenery and wildlife of Greenham Common, which this year marks its 25th anniversary of being reopened to the public. Visitors of all ages can enter our immersive environment and explore Katie's nature-themed designs around the gallery, spotting familiar landmarks, animals, birds, insects, and plants along the way.

Make your mark on the huge gallery doodle wall, complete guided activity sheets, and enjoy creature-spotting opportunities, wax-rubbing, papercrafts and colouring; we'll have plenty to entertain nature and art-lovers in this sensory celebration of the beautiful green space on our doorstep.

Katie O is a Midlands-based artist who creates large-scale murals and recently her beautiful painted hopscotches have been brightening up Newbury town centre.



# ARTS&Crafts

THE BASE

ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR Sat 13 & Sun 14 Sep 10am – 4pm Suggested donation £2

#### **ART EXHIBITION**

#### Sat 13 – Sat 27 Sep

Open daily 10am – 5pm Songs and Stories in the Gallery Thu 18 Sep & Sat 20 Sep Relaxed Day Thu 25 Sep Free (pre-booking recommended)

#### TASTER WORKSHOPS Sat 13 – Sat 27 Sep Various times

See website for more details. All donations will go to The Base charity (1199188)

# Join us at The Base for a celebration of arts, crafts and artisan food and drink from local makers and creators.

Kick-starting the two-week Festival, a craft fair featuring 50+ stalls will surround The Base building, creating a bustling market of exceptional crafters and artists for visitors to browse.

Throughout the two-week Festival, talented local artists will also be celebrated as they display their work in the venue's Gallery, all of which will be for sale.

Make a weekend of it and head over to Greenham Common for *Creative Commons* (pg 10), a two-day outdoor event.

# THE BASE 13



## LINES OF INFLUENCE: TWENTIETH CENTURY BRITISH PRINTMAKING

#### Fri 3 Oct – Sun 16 Nov

Open Tue – Sun, 10am – 5pm

Relaxed Day Thu 9 Oct & Thu 13 Nov Songs and Stories in the Gallery Thu 16 & Sat 25 Oct & Thu 6 Nov Family Day Sat 18 Oct Talk Thu 30 Oct (see website for details)

**Tickets** £0 Base Pass Holder, £8.25 (£7.25 concs, £6.50 groups 10+, £5 students, FREE under-12s)

# This new exhibition celebrates the vital role of printmaking in shaping British art throughout the twentieth century and beyond.

*Lines of Influence* shows printmaking as a powerful and respected form of personal artistic expression, revealing how artists have used the medium to explore ideas, challenge conventions, and engage with contemporary culture. Featuring artists such as Eric Ravilious, Sybil Andrews, Cyril Power, Edward Bawden, Henry Moore, Lynn Chadwick and Elisabeth Frink, this exhibition celebrates the artists who transformed printmaking from a tool of reproduction into a space for creative innovation.

Eric Ravilious (1903-42), Model Ships and Railways, 1938, lithograph in colours [detail]. Courtesy of The Ingram Collection.





# WINTER CRAFT FAIR

#### Sat 22 & Sun 23 Nov 10am – 4pm

Tickets Suggested donation £2

#### Enjoy browsing high-quality handmade crafts at The Base's Winter Craft Fair fundraiser.

Come and explore enchanting stalls selling carefully curated pieces, ranging from ceramics and pottery to textiles, jewellery, and woodwork. Showcasing a variety of unique and handmade gifts from talented artists and crafters, the weekend is a festive highlight not to be missed!

All ticket proceeds will go to The Base charity (1199188).



# AUGUST



# CORN EXCHANGE NEWBURY INFANT AND JUNIOR YOUTH THEATRE PRESENT **ALICE IN WONDERLAND**

COMMUNITY Fri 1 – Sun 3 Aug

1pm & 6pm

Tickets £17.25 (£14.75 concs)

#### Join us as our Infant and Junior Youth Theatre present the fantastical story of a girl and her curious friends.

Follow Alice down the rabbit hole into the wondrous world of Wonderland, meeting peculiar characters along the way. Will the rabbit make her late? Will the Cheshire Cat lead her astray? And could the Queen of Hearts really make her lose her head?

Alice in Wonderland is a cherished tale of twists and turns that delights both children and adults. Come along and join Alice in her wonderful fantasy adventure with a story that will remind you of the power of imagination, curiosity and creativity.



# TAKE IT OUTSIDE SHARING

#### OUTDOOR Sat 2 & Sun 3 Aug

Tickets Free (pre-booking required)

Location Around Greenham Common

Check website for timings

#### Join us for two days of work-inprogress shows.

With support from Jerwood Foundation, five artists have worked with 101 Outdoor Arts to extend their practice in the outdoors. This sharing invites you to experience the culmination of this programme and their innovative responses to the site at Greenham Common.

#### Sat 2 Aug

Becky Lyon – Common/s Objects

#### Sun 3 Aug

Jamaal O'Driscoll – Something Outta Nothing Philip Ewe – Picnic Daisy Fairclough – Apophenia Pei-Chi Lee – Everything Should Remain Possible

# AUGUST



#### BABY WANTS CANDY PRESENTS SHAMILTON: THE IMPROVISED HIP-HOP MUSICAL

THEATRE Thu 28 Aug 7.30pm

Tickets £22

Age Guide 12+

**Running Time** 1hr 50mins (including interval)

# The improvised hip-hop musical where *you* pick the historical legend and the cast makes up the rest.

Ever heard of this show *Hamilton*? *Shamilton* is just like that but, \*ahem\*, better! Expect the same level of hip-hop, incredible songs, stunning choreography and powerhouse singing... except made up by the cast.

Shamilton heads to Newbury after a month long run at Edinburgh Festival Fringe. Join the Shamilton cast as they improvise an epic musical, based on a historical figure of your choosing, from Genghis Khan to Winston Churchill to Kim Kardashian.





## NEWBURY SOUNDS: A FUNDRAISING CONCERT FOR THE OLD LIBRARY CAMPAIGN

FUNDRAISING Sat 30 Aug

Doors 6.30pm

**Tickets** £16.25 (all proceeds go towards the Old Library campaign)

#### Join us for another unforgettable night of indie, rock, alternative, country, folk and more!

After a successful *Newbury Sounds* in March, come and support local original music this summer, whilst also raising money for the Old Library campaign.

August's line-up includes Lizzie Cullen, Solar Season, The Liaisons, Number of the Beef, followed by headliners, A Dirty Soul.

Find out more at cornexchangenew.com/oldlibrary

Please note: the bands pictured are from the last *Newbury Sounds* event. Image Credit: Tom Allen

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# AVALON PRESENTS

#### COMEDY

#### Fri 5 Sep, Fri 17 Oct & Fri 7 Nov

8pm

Tickets £16.25 (£14.25 concs)

Age Guide 18+ only

**Running Time** 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

Please see our website for the latest line-up. The line-up is subject to change.

# Get ready to laugh-out-loud with an evening of great comedy as Avalon presents *The Comedy Network*.

Existing to bring a roadshow of comedic brilliance to your doorstep, *The Comedy Network* has been a proving ground for some of the biggest names in British comedy. Household names like Lee Mack, Russell Howard, Jenny Eclair, Ed Gamble and Lou Sanders have all cut their teeth on the network circuit. Previous line-ups have included Simon Brodkin, Steve Bugeja, Sophie Duker and Flo & Joan. Whether you are looking for a great night out with friends or a fun way to celebrate a special occasion, start your weekend in style at *The Comedy Network*.

**September's line-up includes:** Javier Jarquin, Dom McGovern, Sooz Kempner and compered by Greg Winfield.

**October's line-up includes:** Tom Rosenthal, Kate Dolan, Kev Mud and compered by Alexander Bennett.

**November's line-up includes:** Tom Ward, Alex Mitchell, Nathan D'Arcy Roberts and compered by Cecily Hitchcock.

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## A PARTICULARLY NASTY **CASE: A MURDEROUSLY FUNNY EVENING WITH ADAM KAY**

#### TALK Sat 6 Sep

7pm

**Tickets** £30 (includes a signed copy of the book)

Age Guide 16+

Running Time 1hr 40mins (including interval)

#### Join BAFTA-winning writer and comedian for an evening of hilarious and horrifying anecdotes, as he takes you behind the blood-splattered blue curtain.

Adam will be joined in conversation by another famous face (unless they cancel at the lastminute) who will act as your guide throughout the evening as Adam launches his debut crime novel, A Particularly Nasty Case. Expect tales from the wards and exclusive readings from his gripping new medical mystery. The show includes an audience Q&A with Adam, author of multi-million global bestseller This is Going to Hurt. This is probably your best chance of seeing a doctor before Christmas!



#### **RONNIE SCOTT'S JAZZ CLUB** THE RONNIE SCOTT'S STORY

MUSIC	Fri 12 Sep	7.30pm
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**Tickets** £29.50

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

#### The Ronnie Scott's All Stars take to the stage to celebrate The Ronnie Scott's Story.

Direct from London's world-famous jazz club, this show combines world-class live jazz, narration, rare archive photos, and video footage. Set amongst the dive bars and jazz jook joints of London's Soho, we hear about the desperate hand-to-mouth finances of the early years and the frequent police raids. Life at Ronnie's is evocatively reimagined through tales of the club's past visitors, from pop stars, film stars and politicians to comedians and rovalty - but above all, the musicians...

Mixing classic jazz from legendary performers, this is a unique evening celebrating one of the world's most famous venues, its music, and history.



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# **UK PINK FLOYD EXPERIENCE**

MUSIC Sat 13 Sep

7.30pm

Tickets £29.25

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

**Running Time** 2hrs 40mins (including interval)

#### Returning to Newbury with a brandnew show, celebrate half a century of *Wish You Were Here!*

*UK Pink Floyd Experience* recreates the atmosphere of Floyd live, following 50 years since the release of the seminal *Wish You Were Here* album.

Expect all the songs from the album, plus favourites from *The Division Bell*, *The Wall*, *Animals* and *The Dark Side of The Moon*. This show also includes the much-requested *Childhood's End* from *Obscured By Clouds* too!

Come and celebrate your passion for Pink Floyd's music with us!



# GET PRIORITY BOOKING BY BECOMING A MEMBER



PRIORITY BOOKING Get first choice of seats for live events and film, Learning Centre and The Base throughout the year



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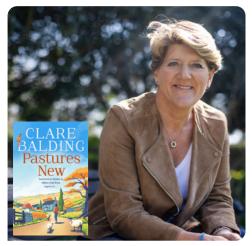
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# AN AUDIENCE WITH CLARE BALDING

#### FUNDRAISING Tue 16 Sep 2pm

**Tickets** £20 (Hungerford Bookshop will also be selling copies of *Pastures New* for £20 at the event)

#### Join the award-winning broadcaster as she talks about her debut novel, and growing up around Newbury.

Alongside her award-winning sports broadcasting and coverage of major Royal events, Clare is a best-selling and awardwinning author of numerous books and children's novels.

**About** *Pastures New:* Alex has perfected the art of dodging responsibility during her almost 40 years — until an unexpected letter turns her life upside down. She's inherited a crumbling sheep farm in deepest, wettest Wales. This was not her life plan. Not at all. Determined to avoid becoming the next local scandal, Alex sets out to uncover the truth behind her mystery inheritance.

All proceeds from ticket sales will go to the Old Library campaign. Find out more at **cornexchangenew.com/oldlibrary** 



# BARBARA DICKSON WITH NICK HOLLAND

#### MUSIC Sun 14 Sep 6pm

Tickets £30

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 1hr 55mins (including interval)

#### Experience a semi-acoustic, intimate performance of Barbara's discography featuring her pianist, Nick Holland.

The pair let the words and melodies take centre stage as they perform a wonderful range of material drawing on Barbara's folk roots, contemporary greats, and some of her classic hits.

Emerging from the Scottish folk scene of the late 1960s, Barbara enjoyed mainstream chart successes with hits including *Answer Me*, *Another Suitcase in Another Hall, Caravan* and the million-selling number one single, *I Know Him So Well*.



## SEPTEMBER



## **NORTHERN LIVE: DO I LOVE YOU**

7.45pm

MUSIC Thu 18 Sep

Tickets £27.25

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

**Running Time** 1hr 50mins (including interval)

#### Get ready to be transported back to the dance floors that sparked a musical revolution.

*Do I Love You* is an electrifying live show honouring the iconic sound of the Northern Soul underground movement that swept the nation. Featuring an exceptional 11-piece band and 4 powerhouse vocalists, this high-energy performance delivers over 30 original hits that define a generation.

From the timeless rhythms of Dobie Gray's *Out On The Floor* to the soul-stirring *Do I Love You (Indeed I Do)* by Frank Wilson, expect a night of non-stop soul classics, including *Tainted Love*, *The Snake, There's A Ghost In My House*, and many more. A must-see for soul lovers!



# **BOOTLEG EAGLES**

MUSIC Fri 19 Sep 7.45pm

Tickets £31.25

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

# The north's ultimate tribute to the Eagles' legendary sound and timeless hits!

The Bootleg Eagles take you on a powerful journey through the band's career, from their country-rock roots to global chart-toppers.

The five musicians at the heart of the Bootleg Eagles have previously worked with stars including Mark Knopfler, Dexy's Midnight Runners, Ruby Turner, Trevor Horn, Jimmy Nail, Prefab Sprout, Si King (Hairy Bikers), members of Squeeze, The Average White Band, and The Crazy World of Arthur Brown!

Expect an evening jam-packed with all of the unforgettable hits and best-loved album tracks.

## SFPTFMBFR



# **EMILIO SANTORO AS ELVIS**

MUSIC Sat 20 Sep 7.45pm

Tickets £34.25

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

#### Emilio Santoro returns to Newbury with his award-winning **Elvis Presley experience!**

Performing with his authentic 1950s live band, The Creoles, Emilio celebrates Elvis' younger years in spectacular style, taking you back in time to when Elvis changed the world and music forever!

Put on your Blue Suede Shoes and get All Shook Up for the greatest rock 'n' roll hits of all time including Jailhouse Rock, Devil in Disguise, Can't Help Falling in Love, Hound Dog, Suspicious Minds and many more.



# THE DOLLY SHOW

MUSIC Thu 25 Sep 7.30pm

**Tickets** £29.50

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 1hr 55mins (including interval)

#### A treat for Dolly Parton fans!

As seen on BBC One, ITV's This Morning, Channel 4's The Last Leg, Channel 5, Sky and featured in The Times and The Daily Mail -Kelly O'Brien is hailed as the world's best Dolly Parton tribute artist.

With a full band of top musicians, Kelly performs all the greatest hits such as 9 to 5, Jolene, Islands in the Stream, and more.

#### **ONE OF THE WORLD'S BEST TRIBUTES' BBC ONF**



# **STORY OF ONE, STORY OF MANY**



Wed 24 Sep 7.30pm

Tickets £18.25 (£16.25 concs)

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

**Running Time** 1 hour (no interval)

# A powerful Kathak performance blending dance, storytelling, and live music.

A high-energy Kathak piece featuring the cyclic phenomenon of South Asian classical arts and philosophy – where there is no beginning or end; incorporating *Nritta* (pure dance) and *Nritya* (expression of narrative) to capture the first beat of a time cycle and nest it until it becomes the 'one' again.

Choreographed by Amina Khayyam with Kathak composition collaboration with Debasish Mukherjee and accompanied by live music featuring tabla and cello – three dancers weave individual stories of migrants tarnished by media and politicians for cheap exploitation, spreading fear for those risking their lives to make a better future.

# SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



# JENNY ECLAIR: JOKES, JOKES, JOKES LIVE!

COMEDY Fri 26 Sep

7.30pm

Tickets £27.25

Age Guide 14+

Running Time 1hr 50mins (including interval)

#### Comedian, novelist, and professional show-off, Jenny Eclair, comes to Newbury with a brand-new autobiographical show.

From drama school, mostly drinking cider and eating sausage rolls, sleeping with men who looked like they lived under a carpet, anorexia, bedsit misery, waitressing and not really having a clue about anything, to being the first woman to win the Perrier Award, becoming a mother, author, grumpy old woman, podcaster and nana!

Still gigging to sell-out crowds forty years later, Jenny invites you to look back at what she can remember before she forgets everything. Warning: punk poetry, animal impressions and baritone nursery rhyme singing may feature.

'RUTHLESSLY FUNNY' THE TIMES



#### NOMADS MUSICAL THEATRE PRESENTS SISTER ACT

#### COMMUNITY

Wed 1 – Fri 3 Oct 7.30pm

Sat 4 Oct 2.30pm & 7.30pm

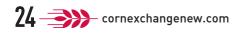
**Tickets** £21.75 (£19.75 concs and Wednesday only)

#### Nomads return after their success with *The Addams Family* last October.

Disco diva Deloris' life takes a surprising turn when she witnesses a murder. Placed under protective custody, she is hidden in the one place she shouldn't be found – a convent!

When encouraged to help with a struggling choir, she helps her fellow sisters find their true voices as she unexpectedly rediscovers her own.

Join us for a must-see show which will raise your spirits and warm your soul.





# **DIRTY DUSTING**

THEATRE Tue 7 Oct

t 7.30pm

Tickets £27.25

Age Guide 16+

Running Time 2hrs 5mins (including interval)

#### Three quick-witted cleaners hatch a hilarious plan to start their own secret adult chat line to save their jobs.

Gladys, Olive and Elsie are three 'vintage style' cleaning ladies who, threatened with redundancy, chance on an 'unconventional' way of earning some extra cash.

When a wrong number requiring an adult chat line rings into the office, it gives them a great idea... Why not start their own adult chat line? After all, their age and appearance won't matter on the telephone and, providing they can keep this a secret from their boss Dave, they could be onto a winner! What could possibly go wrong?



## MATT RICHARDSON: Brash

COMEDY Thu 9 Oct 8pm Tickets £18.25 Age Guide 18+

**Running Time** 1hr 50mins (including interval)

As seen cracking up audiences on *The Stand Up Sketch Show,* bringing chaos to *Love Island: Aftersun* (ITV2) and roasting comedians on *Comedy Central's Roast Battle.* 

Loud, cheeky, and always up for mischief, Matt shot to fame young, but now he's in his 30s, living in the countryside, and trying (and failing) to grow up gracefully. Join him as he hilariously wrestles with adult life, from village dramas to resisting the urge to always be the loudest in the room.







FAMILY

Fri 10 Oct 1.30pm & 4pm

Sat 11 & Sun 12 Oct

11am & 2pm

Tickets £16.25 (£14.25 concs)

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

**Running Time** 50 minutes (no interval)

'A TRIUMPH!' Time out

# Four timeless stories brought to life in one delightful show!

The critically acclaimed production of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* Show created by Jonathan Rockefeller features a menagerie of 75 lovable puppets. The production faithfully adapts four stories by author/illustrator Eric Carle; *Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See; 10 Little Rubber Ducks; The Very Busy Spider* and of course, the star of the show – *The Very Hungry Caterpillar.* 

The Very Hungry Caterpillar has delighted generations of readers since it was first published in 1969, selling more than 48 million copies worldwide. Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See is now celebrating 50 years and has sold more than 18.2 million copies.

*The Very Hungry Caterpillar Show* is a vibrant celebration of Eric Carle's adored classics and the perfect introduction to live theatre.

There will be a pre-show workshop for this show. To find out more visit page 4 of the Learning Centre brochure.

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# OUR DAY AND OMNIBUS THEATRE PRESENT **DRUM**

#### THEATRE Tue 14 Oct

7.30pm

Tickets £16.25 (£14.25 concs)

Age Guide 14+

Running Time 1hr 5mins (no interval)

#### Thrown together by lives built far from home, two rising Ghanaian creatives grapple with success and identity.

As the afternoon sun hits the BBC Broadcasting House in London, photographer James Barnor meets broadcaster Mike Eghan for the very first time.

This joyful and poignant fiction fuses storytelling, music and dance with archival material to capture a unique snapshot of London in the swinging sixties.

DRUM is a new play from award-nominated writer Jacob Roberts-Mensah (DEM TIMES, Our Day) and Sarah Amankwah (recent acting credits include The Lion King, West End; Black Earth Rising, Netflix; Henry V, Shakespeare's Globe) making her directorial debut.



# **HOT HOUSE**

DANCE Thu 16 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £16.25 (£12.25 concs)

Age Guide 5+

Running Time 55 mins (no interval)

#### Witness a bold celebration of movement and music with Richard Chappell Dance's acclaimed work, *Hot House.*

This powerful performance about the strength of shared connection, compassion, and courage, creates a wave of heat and spiritual energy that radiates far beyond the stage.

With thrilling, highly physical contemporary dance, striking atmospheric lighting, and a bold soundtrack that blends Chinese, Indian, and European classical traditions with the pulse of House and Garage music, *Hot House* is a love letter to how music can give us an irresistible urge to move and feel.

Devon-based Richard Chappell creates powerful, interdisciplinary dance that moves audiences across the UK and beyond.



## SOME GUYS HAVE ALL THE LUCK: THE ROD STEWART STORY

#### MUSIC Sat 18 Oct 7.45pm

Tickets £29.75

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

# Celebrate Sir Rod's 80th birthday in style!

Direct from the West End and endorsed by Rod's own family, join us on a musical journey that spans six decades, from humble beginnings in the R'n'B clubs through to worldfamous rock sensation. Every song is performed with swaggering showmanship by charismatic frontman, Paul Metcalfe, alongside authentic costumes and sensational live musicians.

This phenomenal show will have you hooked from the very beginning and audiences will not be able to resist smash hits such as *Maggie May, Do Ya Think I'm Sexy, Baby Jane, Sailing, The First Cut is the Deepest, Tonight's the Night* and many more!



# CROWN BALLET PRESENTS

#### DANCE Sun 19 Oct 4pm

Tickets £33.50 (£31.50 concs, £25 under-18s)

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

#### After last year's triumphant tour, Crown Ballet are thrilled to return with a stunning production of *Swan Lake*.

Widely regarded as the most iconic ballet of all time, *Swan Lake* is a masterpiece of Tchaikovsky's genius. Featuring some of the most memorable music and breathtaking choreography, this production brings to life a timeless tale of love, betrayal, and redemption.

Filled with mystery, romance, and emotional depth, *Swan Lake* has captivated the hearts of audiences for generations and continues to be celebrated worldwide.





# **STORIES FROM AN INVISIBLE TOWN**

THEATRE Tue 21 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £14.25 (£10 under-25s)

Age Guide 14+

Running Time 1hr 15mins (no interval)

# Multi-award-winning Shôn Dale-Jones returns with his new show.

This collection of dark comic stories, woven together by BBC award-winning writer, Shôn Dale-Jones, is based on the imaginary town he lived in as a boy and the innocence that comes with childhood.

Shôn takes us from the empty swimming pool up the hill to behind the woods, introducing us to five-foot Tarzan, Double Delyth and Lord Ivor as we feel the magnetic pull of the river suck us in. As this made-up town starts to feel more real, Shôn wonders what's happening to his imagination – it's running riot. Joyous, stomachturning, moving and very funny – could this be the best show Shôn has ever made? It could be.

Recent shows by multi-award winning Shôn Dale-Jones include *Cracking* and *The Duke.* 

'THE GREAT WELSH STORYTELLER' The stage



## AN EVENING WITH Adam frost

TALK Wed 22 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £37.25

Age Guide 14+

**Running Time** 1hr 50mins (including interval)

#### The award-winning British garden designer and BBC *Gardeners' World* presenter is leaving the garden and heading on tour!

In his most personal show to date, Adam will discuss the plants that have shaped his life and reflect on what's brought him to where he is now. He'll unearth the inspiration he's found through a life in the garden, the people he's met along the way, the music that's steered his course and why he identifies as an 'old romantic fool'.



# DRAGGED TO THE MUSICALS

VARIETY Thu 23 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £29.50 (£27.50 concs)

Age Guide 13+

Running Time 1hr 50mins (including interval)

#### Experience the eleganzaextravaganza of the West End combined with the fierce and fabulous world of Drag!

RuPaul's *Drag Race UK's*, Divina De Campo stars in a night at the musicals like you've never seen before!

Get ready for a night of sassy showstoppers, where the divas are anything but dull! If you can't handle the 'T' then sashay away because the dolls are really gonna slay! 100% live vocals – absolutely no lip sync battles on this stage. Just unbelievable vocal talent, sprinkled with sass.

Whether you live for *Les Mis*, cheer for *Mamma Mia*, or you're crazy for *Kinky Boots*, there is something for everyone in this ultimate twist on a classic night at the theatre.



# THE REMARKABLE BEN HART

MAGIC Fri 24 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £21.25

Age Guide 12+

Running Time 1hr 20mins (including interval)

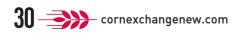
#### Prepare to have your reality rewritten in a brand-new, mindbending theatrical experience.

Following sold-out shows around the world, Ben Hart returns with his most astonishing and impossible show yet. An entirely unique voice in magic, Ben Hart brings together enthralling storytelling, sharp wit and indisputable charm, to create magic shows that are unforgettable, funny, dark and profoundly baffling.

Ben will peer into your thoughts, control chance, and make the impossible happen before your eyes. Witness his original impossibilities live onstage – with no camera tricks and nowhere to hide.

Is it magic? Is it psychology? Or has Ben Hart uncovered something far more remarkable?

One thing is certain – you will never see the world the same way again.



# **CROONERS: UNCAGED**



Sat 25 Oct 7.45pm

Tickets £28.50

**Running Time** 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

'IMMACULATE, STYLISH, SUPERB IN THEIR LAID-BACK ELEGANCE AND MUSICAL ELOQUENCE' MATURE TIMES

# A rip-roaring comedy music show with a splendiferous injection of Big Band swing.

Packed with personality and humour, *Crooners* has been wowing audiences with its witty and exhilarating show full of hilarious one-liners, laugh-out-loud silliness and superb musical numbers with the outstanding 9-piece The Mini Big Band live on stage. The show pays homage to some of the greatest Crooners of all time with a splendiferous injection of Britishness. Featuring humour, tap dance and some of the most quintessential songs from Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr, Matt Monro, Nat King Cole and Bobby Darin. Expect *Come Fly With Me, Fly Me to the Moon, Mack the Knife* and many, many more...



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# JULIA DONALDSON & AXEL SCHEFFLER

FAMILY

HALF TERM

Tue 28 Oct

Wed 29 Oct

10.30am, 1.30pm, 4.30pm

4.30pm

Thu 30 Oct

10.30am (Relaxed), 1.30pm

Tickets £18.25 (£16.25 concs)

Age Guide 3+

Running Time 55 minutes (no interval)



#### Touching, funny and utterly original, Freckle Productions' delightful adaptation of Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler's *Stick Man* is back in town!

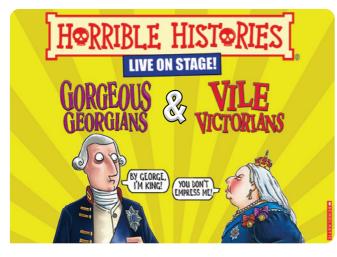
What starts off as a morning jog becomes quite the misadventure for Stick Man: a dog wants to play fetch with him, a swan builds a nest with him, and he even ends up on a fire! How will Stick Man ever get back to the family tree?

This award-winning production, from the team behind *Zog* and *Zog* and the *Flying Doctors*, features a trio of top actors and is packed full of puppetry, songs, live music and funky moves.

There will be a pre-show workshop for this show, to find out more visit page 4 of the Learning Centre brochure.

Stick Man © 2008 Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler. Published by Alison Green Books, an imprint of Scholastic Children's Books.





## HORRIBLE HISTORIES: GORGEOUS **GFORGIANS & VILF VICTORIANS**

#### FAMILY Fri 31 Oct 1.30pm & 4pm

Tickets £19.75 (£17.75 concs, £69 family)

Age Guide 5+

Running Time 1hr 5mins (no interval)

#### Horrible Histories returns to Newbury this October half term!

We all want to meet people from history! The trouble is everyone is dead!

So, it's time to prepare for Horrible Histories live on stage with the acclaimed production of Gorgeous Georgians & Vile Victorians.

Are you ready to swing with a Georgian king? Does the Duke of Wellington get the boot? Would you stand and deliver to dastardly Dick Turpin? Can you help detectives find the headless man? Dare you dance the Tyburn jig? Will you be saved by Florence Nightingale? Find out what a baby farmer did and move to the groove with party queen, Queen Victoria!

Don't miss this horrible history of Britain with the nasty bits left in!



HALFTERM

## **FLOWERS AND** FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS

#### MUSIC Sat 1 Nov 2pm

Tickets £25.75

Age Guide 4+

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

#### Celebrate the biggest hits from the hottest artists of the moment.

Let's Shake it Off to our very own Taylor Swift, sing along to Flowers with Miley Cyrus, dust off all our best dance moves to Vampire with Olivia Rodrigo, and not forgetting the unstoppable Sabrina Carpenter performing all her top hits such as Espresso.

# NOVEMBER



# **REVENGE: AFTER THE LEVOYAH**

THEATRE Tue 4 Nov 7

v 7.30pm

Tickets £16.25 (£14.25 concs)

Age Guide 16+

Running Time 1hr 5mins (no interval)

#### 2019. Jewish Essex. One funeral. Two twins. And an 80-year-old ex-gangster with a plan that's absolutely meshugge.

Malcolm Spivak's had enough. He corners twins Dan and Lauren, fresh from their grandfather's funeral, with a proposition: help him kidnap Jeremy Corbyn. Yes, really! What follows is a chaotic Jewish heist comedy that blends madcap comedy and biting political satire.

Following multiple sell-out runs (The Yard Theatre, 2025; Summerhall, Edinburgh Fringe 2024), this explosive five-star show written by Nick Cassenbaum (Fringe First winner and Popcorn Writer's Award nominee) and directed by Emma Jude Harris (The Stage's Fringe Five 2024) tours the Southeast. *Revenge: After the Levoyah* tears through antisemitism in the diaspora, the dangers of collective hysteria, and how far you can throw a jar of chraine from a moving vehicle.

# A FRENZIED HILARIOUS TREAT FOR THE IMAGINATION.'





## MILTON JONES: HA!MILTON

#### COMEDY Wed 5 Nov 7.30pm

Tickets £34.75

**Age Guide** 12+ (under-18s must be accompanied by an adult)

**Running Time** 1hr 50mins (including interval)

#### Milton Jones returns to our stage with *Ha!milton.*

This is not a musical. Milton Jones is tone-deaf and has no sense of rhythm, but at least he doesn't make a song and dance about it. He has more important things to discuss. Like giraffes... and there's a bit about tomatoes.

You might know him from *Mock* the Week, Live at the Apollo or Radio 4. Or that time he stood for the Scottish National Party, fought a hard campaign, but in the end had to respect the wishes of the people of Cardiff. A whole new show of daftness. You know it makes sense. Warning: contains jokes from the start.

# NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM PRESENTS DINOSAURS LIVE!



# FAMILY

#### Sun 9 Nov 12.30pm & 3.30pm

**Tickets** £18.75 (£17.75 concs, £69 family)

#### Age Guide 3+

Running Time 1 hour (no interval)

# For the first time since 1881, the home of dinosaurs, London's Natural History Museum, is going on tour!

Ever since they were first identified in the 1800s, dinosaurs have sparked the imagination of kids and adults alike and for the first time ever, the world-renowned Natural History Museum has teamed up with Mark Thompson Productions to take you on a dinosaur adventure like no other.

We'll go on a pre-historic journey together to the Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous periods and watch the life-like dinosaurs come alive right on stage!

Not only that, but we'll also find out more about fossils, timescales and how our planet has changed over hundreds of millions of years.

# NOVEMBER



## **GREENHAM TRUST** CHARITY AWARDS

#### COMMUNITY Thu 6 Nov

#### 6.30pm

**Tickets** Free entry to the Awards (pre-booking required)

After Party tickets £13.25 (£11.25 for groups 5+)

#### Come and celebrate the incredible work of local charities, volunteers and fundraisers.

Returning for a third year, the event acknowledges the exceptional work of local charitable organisations and individuals who have had an impact on the lives of our local community.

Winners will be announced live on stage, so come along to join this uplifting evening of reward and recognition.

For more information visit greenhamtrust.com/awards



## SUZI RUFFELL: The Juggle

#### COMEDY Sat 8 Nov 7.30pm

Tickets £19.25 (£17.25 concs)

Age Guide 14+

**Running Time** 1hr 25mins (including interval)

#### A brand-new show from the confessional multi-award-winning comedian.

Being good at everything is exhausting and Suzi Ruffell is over it. Join the awardwinning comic seen on *Live at the Apollo*, *QI* and more for a hilarious, honest stand-up show about trying to do it all and still have fun.





#### NEWBURY FLORAL SOCIETY PRESENTS JINGLE A PARTRIDGE WITH TINSEL

2pm

#### COMMUNITY Tue 11 Nov

Tickets £20.25

#### Talented flower arranger Nick Grounds demonstrates Christmas flowers.

Nick has been a demonstrator since 1999 but has arranged flowers prior to that, he was involved in the very first Oxbridge Chapel Flower Festival and has also demonstrated at RHS Malvern Show. Nick has worked in several large country houses as well as creating flower designs for the Royal Family.

Gardening and flowers have the ability to calm, inspire and generate passions and it is a message he is always keen to share and spread, so come and enjoy an afternoon of festive flowers.



# PLAY ON WORDS PRESENTS DISCOVERING ANTARCTICA: HEROIC TALES OF SHACKLETON, CREAN & SCOTT

#### THEATRE

Wed 12 Nov 7.30pm

**Tickets** £18.25

Age Guide 12+

**Running Time** 1hr 50mins (including interval)

#### FRINGE FIRST AWARD WINNER EDINBURGH FRINGE FESTIVAL

Tom Crean, the intrepid Antarctic explorer and one of Ireland's unsung heroes, is brought to life in this dramatic and humorous solo performance by Aidan Dooley.

Set during the Golden Age of Antarctic Exploration (1901-1916), discover the riveting stories of the only man who served standing alongside Scott and Shackleton in three of the most daring and challenging expeditions to the great white continent, including Shackleton's ill-fated Endurance expedition.

Crean's story is a testament to human fortitude against all the elements of Antarctica. The play takes you to the edge of your seat... and beyond, as it re-enacts many of the era's heroic endeavours. This includes Crean's infamous 36-mile solitary trek to base camp during the Terra Nova expedition to rescue his comrades – described by Antarctic historians as 'the finest feat of individual heroism from the entire age of exploration'.

# NOVEMBER



## WATERLOO LIVE: A TRIBUTE TO ABBA

MUSIC Thu 13 Nov

Tickets £29,50

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

# The story of the band that shaped the music!

7.45pm

Featuring Sheena Beckett from *ABBA The Story*, this theatrical production charts ABBA's phenomenal career, from the 1974 Eurovision win to their sell-out worldwide tours and continuing success with *Mamma Mia*!

This fabulous evening includes hits such as Dancing Queen, Super Trouper, Does Your Mother Know, Lay All Your Love On Me, Fernando and the song that started it all... Waterloo!



# **STEP INTO CHRISTMAS**

MUSIC Sat 15 Nov 7.30pm

Tickets £34.25

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

# Get ready to *Step into Christmas* for a magical, feel-good show!

This spectacular Christmas concert is the ultimate way to kickstart your festive celebrations, guaranteed to fill your heart with holiday cheer and have you singing along from start to finish.

Packed with all your favourite Christmas classics, the show brings the spirit of the season to life with dazzling performances, stunning festive visuals, and a sensational live band. From heartwarming ballads to upbeat festive anthems, it's the perfect playlist for your Christmas celebrations.

Whether you're starting a new festive tradition or keeping the magic alive, *Step into Christmas* is the ultimate feel-good Christmas concert spectacular.



## **101 OPEN DAY**

#### OPEN DAY Tue 14 Oct

Drop in between 4pm – 6pm

**Location** 101 Outdoor Arts, Greenham Business Park

Tickets Free (pre-booking required)

#### Step inside our rehearsal room, explore our facilities, and discover first-hand the vibrant world of outdoor arts at 101.

101 Outdoor Arts is our unique creation space on Greenham Business Park that offers rehearsal space to artists from across the world, every week of the year. We support the creation of incredible and inspiring art for outdoor spaces and it is from here we plan our outdoor programme of free events for Newbury. Get an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at where the magic happens! Witness artists in action as they prepare for upcoming performances, take a look at the facilities on offer and share your thoughts over tea and cake.

Find out more at 101outdoorarts.com



# **ROBIN HOOD AND MAID MARIAN**

#### PANTOMIME Fri 28 Nov – Sat 3 Jan

Tickets £19.25 – £33.75

Adult Only, Relaxed, Captioned, Audio Described, BSL Interpreted and Dementia Friendly performances are available.

#### The award-winning Plested Brown and Wilsher return with another adventure. Expect plenty of mischief, mayhem and merry-making!

Step into the magical forest of Newburyshire and join our swashbuckling hero, Robin, and his band of merry outlaws. The awful Sheriff of Newburyshire has been in power for 14 long years, persecuting the poor, rewarding the rich and eating the local swans. But Robin, after a daring stand-off at the roundabout named in his honour, is feeling deflated. Will he ever defeat the evil Sheriff before he and his merry band are locked up for good? Or will (equally swashbuckling) Marian with her smarty-pants brain, kick-ass moves and a pair of fabulous shoes outwit the dastardly Sheriff?

Enjoy toe-tapping songs through the decades and plenty of jokes that'll have you *bowing* with laughter. Supported by Rivar Ltd.





# FESTIVAL OF LIGHT

#### OUTDOOR Sun 14 Dec

Join us at 4pm for the procession to start at 4.30pm

Location Newbury Town Centre

Free (no booking required)

Suitable for all ages

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#### Be part of the Corn Exchange's *Festival of Light* and help transform Newbury town centre into a twinkling wonderland.

The procession will travel along Northbrook Street before arriving in the Market Place with live music and a festive atmosphere.

In the run up to the event, we will be offering lantern making workshops with schools, community groups and the general public. If you are a group interested in taking part, please email **getinvolved@cornexchangenew.co.uk** 

# LANTERN MAKING WORKSHOPS

Sat 29 & Sun 30 Nov, Sat 6 & Sun 7 Dec

11am – 1pm & 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Location 101 Outdoor Arts

Free (pre-booking required) All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Come to 101 Outdoor Arts and create a traditional pyramid lantern out of willow and paper, ready to carry in the *Festival of Light* procession.

These workshops are a great chance to get involved in one of our biggest annual events, so come along and join in with the creative fun. Standard pyramid lanterns take between 1 and 2 hours to make.

## LANTERN MAKING FOR THE BRAVE WORKSHOPS

#### Sat 6 & Sun 7 Dec

11am – 5pm

Location 101 Outdoor Arts

Free (pre-booking required) All children must be accompanied by an adult.

# Spend a day at 101 Outdoor Arts making a large sculptural lantern for the *Festival of Light*.

Take part in this challenging and ambitious lantern making session and work towards a giant lantern to join the parade. Previous designs have included sharks, hippos, a toucan and a very hungry caterpillar! Let your imagination run wild and bring your ideas to life at *Lantern Making for the Brave*.



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Events wouldn't happen without our team of dedicated volunteers. We would like to thank all of our volunteers for kindly giving up their time. If you are over 18 and interested in taking part, please e-mail **volunteers@cornexchangenew.co.uk** or call **01635 582666**.



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# BOOKING

#### **VISIT US**

Corn Exchange Market Place Newbury Berkshire RG14 5BD

#### Tue, 10am – 4pm

(or until the end of the performance) **Wed – Sun, 10am – 9pm** (or until the end of the performance) **Sun, 11am – 6pm** 

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For The Base see the Learning Centre & The Base brochure.

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Corn Exchange and Learning Centre are both in the town centre and a 5 minute walk from Newbury train station. Please consider making the green choice by walking to our venue or taking a mode of public transport. If you need to drive, parking is available at a number of town centre car parks; the closest are the Wharf and Newbury Library, other car parks nearby include the Kennet Centre, Parkway and Northcroft Leisure Centre. There are also multiple bus stops and bicycle parking areas within the Market Place. Visit **cornexchangenew.com/travel** to find out more.

#### HOW TO BOOK TALK TO US 01635 522733

Please see our website for up to date opening hours.

#### **E-MAIL US**

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#### DISCOUNTS

Concessions are available on selected shows for: Groups, Under-19s, Senior Citizens, Full-time Students, Job Seeker's Allowance, and Blue Light Card holders. Those who are disabled and their essential companions are also entitled to concessions (where concessions apply).

#### **BOOKING FEES**

All live events and live broadcasts (including encores) will be subject to a non-refundable £1.25 booking fee per ticket which is included in the advertised price. For exhibitions this will be 75p. For films a 75p booking fee is included in the price of the ticket. Booking fees for schools and groups will be capped at £7.50 per booking. Companions are exempt from the Ticket Booking Fee. No booking fees are payable for our workshops and courses programme.

#### TERMS

- Tickets are non-refundable except in the case of a cancelled event.
- In the case of a sold-out show £1 per ticket will be payable on tickets returned for resale and exchange.
  Members and Companions are exempt from this charge.
- Tickets can be posted for an additional charge of £2.25. This is non-refundable once tickets have been posted, even in the case of an event cancellation.
- Only one discount per ticket and proof required to collect concessionary tickets.
  <u>Tickets</u> for babies up to 18 months
- Tickets for babies up to 18 months must have a babe in arms ticket which costs a £1 administration fee unless otherwise specified for specific events.
- All children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a paying adult.
- Pushchairs and prams will not be permitted inside the auditorium.
- Some ticket prices include a contribution of either £1 or 50p to the investment fund levy. This is part of the agreed contractual arrangements with the visiting company.
- Some performances are on general sale in advance of the publication of the brochure; subscribe to receive emails by visiting cornexchangenew.com/newsletter to be notified of any additions to the programme.
- In the case of a show being rescheduled, all customers will be given the option to transfer their tickets to the new date. If this new date does not work for the customer, a refund or credit to the full value of the tickets will be offered. Please note that once you have accepted tickets for the rescheduled date the standard terms and conditions of sale will then apply.

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#### ACCESS

- Please tell us when booking if you require an induction loop, if you use a wheelchair or if you have any additional access needs.
- The Corn Exchange, Learning Centre and The Base are accessible by wheelchair.
- The Corn Exchange and The Base have accessible toilets.
  The nearest accessible toilets to the Learning Centre are in the Kennet Centre and a radar key is available from a member of the Learning Centre team.
- Registered assistance dogs are welcome.
- The Corn Exchange offers those who are disabled concession priced tickets (where concessions apply). Essential Companion tickets are also available at either concession rate or complimentary where applicable.
- To find out more about accessible services and performances at the Corn Exchange please visit cornexchangenew.com/access or e-mail

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