

CORN EXCHANGE NEWBURY

SEPTEMBER –
DECEMBER 2026



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Welcome to a jam-packed autumn season!

This programme is even more special as we present the first shows in the Old Library – and if you

haven't visited the Old Library Café Bar yet, make sure to stop by for coffee and cake.

The opening weekend sees shows for all ages: the brilliant Filskit Theatre presents **Wonder Gigs** (pg 9 & pg 30), a family-friendly interactive music show for parents and little ones, while Charlotte Mooney (who some of you may remember from her recent performance at the Corn Exchange in Ockham's Razor's *Collaborator*), joins us for an evening of storytelling with **Comb** (pg 10). If you are interested in developing your own storytelling skills, Charlotte will lead an afternoon workshop, **Introduction to Storytelling**, ahead of the evening performance (see pg 5 of the Old Library brochure).

Also coming up in the Old Library's opening season, we have master of mind-reading, magician **Alex McAleer** (pg 14); a beautiful story of the joys and challenges of early parenthood, **A Tale of Us** (pg 21); and circus fun for all ages in Darryl J Carrington's **Out of the Box** (pg 25).

Our programming team carefully curates our season of productions in both the Corn Exchange and the Old Library, ensuring we have a diverse range of art forms from some of the most exciting touring companies. They get out to see as many new productions as they can, including visiting festivals such as the Edinburgh Fringe, to make sure we are able to offer you a selection of top-quality new theatre performances.

Coming to Newbury this season is a selection of shows they have seen recently; including a beautiful exploration of family history **In the Land of Eagles**

(pg 16); a time-hopping story underscored by '90s and noughties hits in **Anthem for Dissatisfaction** (pg 32); a radical new Shakespeare-esque play based on audience suggestions in **ShakeltUp** (pg 9); and James Barr's **Sorry I Hurt Your Son (Said My Ex to My Mum)** (pg 24), in which he shares his experience of healing after relationship trauma in his heartbreaking yet hilarious stand-up show.

The Corn Exchange also supports the development and touring of new productions, and this season we are proud to support Kook Ensemble with their beautiful circus theatre show, **Sand** (pg 17), about love, memory and the complexities of living with dementia.

We're also working with local band **The Zoots** (pg 29) to present a toe-tapping evening of '60s hits – all proceeds will go to the Corn Exchange's Future Fund.

In our outdoor programme we're extremely excited to welcome French company Rara Woulib on Saturday 5 September to present **Deblozay** (pg 4 & 5) – a wild nocturnal procession through Newbury town centre featuring local singers; check the website for further details. Make sure you've got the annual **Festival of Light** (pg 38 & 39) in your diary for December.

We can't mention the autumn season without talking about this year's pantomime **Sleeping Beauty** (pg 6 & 7) – the clock is ticking, so don't snooze on the chance to book your tickets!

Over at The Base visit their their exhibition **Small Wonders: Reimagining British Art** (pg 36) which is a great opportunity to see works by 50 acclaimed artists presented by the Hayward Gallery, London. Plus get in the festive spirit with their magical **Winter Craft Fair** (pg 37), where you can browse a wonderful selection of independent and unique gifts.

We hope you find something to enjoy this autumn, and we cannot wait to welcome you soon!

Jessica Jhundoo-Evans
DIRECTOR

OLD LIBRARY



NAME A SEAT

Be the first to name one of the brand-new seats in the Old Library studio theatre!

Whether in your own name, a business name, or in memory of a loved one – naming a seat will support all our work in the Old Library.

For a donation of £500, a plaque engraved with your chosen name or message will be fixed to your chosen seat for 5 years.*



SCAN ME



Find out more:
cornexchangenew.com/name-a-seat



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RARA WOULIB PRESENTS

DEBLOZAY



OUTDOOR Sat 5 Sep 8pm

Location Newbury Town Centre
(start location TBC)

Free (no booking required)

Suitable for all ages

Deblozay is part of Corn Exchange (Newbury) Trust's outdoor programme and funded by Greenham Trust and Arts Council England.

French company Rara Woulib take you on a wild nocturnal journey where performance, music and costume come together to create an otherworldly and joyous procession through the town.

Deblozay (meaning Bedlam in Haitian Creole) is a fantastical parade inspired by Haitian culture and ancestor worship. Join the mysterious characters of the 'Gédés', who open doors in our consciousness, uniting the dead and the living in a celebration of life.





Want to take part?

We're looking for enthusiastic singers to take part in creating Rara Woulilb's unique spectacle. No formal vocal training needed. Come along to two fun workshops on **Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 July**, 10am to 2.30pm before the event on Saturday 5 September. Email hello@101outdoorarts.com to sign up and find out more.

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WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY PLESTED BROWN AND WILSHER



The title "SLEEPING BEAUTY" is rendered in a large, ornate, golden gothic script. The word "SLEEPING" is on the top line, and "BEAUTY" is on the bottom line. The letters are highly decorative with flourishes. A large, glowing full moon is positioned behind the top of the word "SLEEPING". A small, glowing fairy with wings is perched on the top of the letter "I" in "SLEEPING". To the left of the letter "S" in "SLEEPING", there is a small illustration of a spinning wheel. Below the word "BEAUTY", there is a small illustration of a golden castle with spires, and three "Z"s are floating above it, indicating sleep. The entire graphic is set against a dark blue, starry night sky background.

SLEEPING BEAUTY










PANTOMIME

Fri 27 Nov – Sat 2 Jan

Tickets £20.25 – £37

Location Corn Exchange

PERFORMANCE TYPE

-  **BSL Interpreted Performance**
-  **Captioned Performance**
-  **Audio Described Performance**
-  **Relaxed Performance**
-  **Dementia Friendly Performance**
-  **Preview Performance**
-  **Adult Only Performance (18+)**

Wake up Newburyshire! *Sleeping Beauty* promises a magical treat for audiences of all ages.

When the evil fairy tricks the princess, she falls into a 100-year slumber. It's now up to the heroic prince, a glittering good fairy and the panto gang to lift the curse... The clock is ticking!

Prepare to be swept away by traditional pantomime fun, vibrant costumes, sparkling scenery, breathtaking choreography, and incredible live music. It's the ultimate festive treat for all ages!

Packed full of laughs, audience participation and plenty of magic from the moment the curtain rises to the final, triumphant cheer, this is one you won't want to miss.

Please contact the Box Office for school bookings.
*Priority is given to school bookings until Friday 17 July, when public booking for these performances will open.

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For children under 18 months please purchase a £1 babe-in-arms ticket from the Box Office.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
23 NOV	24 NOV	25 NOV	26 NOV	27 NOV 7pm	28 NOV 1pm 5pm	29 NOV NO SHOWS
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SEPTEMBER



NEWBURY SOUNDS

COMMUNITY **Fri 4 Sep** 7pm

Tickets £16.25, £18.25 on the door
(£11.25 students)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+

Join us for an exciting evening of original music from talented local artists!

Following two standout years of incredible local music, *Newbury Sounds* is back to transform our stage once again. This year the line-up includes Solar Season, Juliette The Band, Adders, Izzy Adams and Ellie Chadwick.

With the choice of standing tickets or a seated view from the balcony, expect outstanding sound, a vibrant atmosphere and a strong line-up of talent.

This event is supported by Re:Water.



SEANN WALSH: THIS IS TORTURE

COMEDY **Sun 6 Sep** 8pm

Tickets £20.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+ only

Running Time 1hr 50mins (including interval)

After his sell-out 2023 tour, the UK's dishevelled king of stand-up, award-winning Seann Walsh, returns with a brand-new hour of side-splitting comedy.

Don't miss his trademark high-energy exasperation and razor-sharp observations that leave audiences in stitches all around the country. This year, he's decided to name the show after the thing he says the most in life – *This is Torture*.

'UNQUESTIONABLY THE BEST OBSERVATIONAL COMIC OF HIS GENERATION'
THE GUARDIAN



Image Credit: Zoe Manders

**SHAKEITUP THEATRE PRESENTS:
SHAKEITUP: THE IMPROVISED
SHAKESPEARE SHOW**

COMEDY **Thu 10 Sep** 7.30pm

Tickets £19.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 12+

Running Time 1hr 50mins (including interval)

Shakespeare hasn't written anything new for an age, so we thought we would give him a hand...prepare for Bard-based bedlam!

Using his language, your audience suggestions, and their overactive imaginations, ShakeItUp create a brand-new Shakespeare play live on stage. Pick your authentic Shakespearean genre: epic history, romantic comedy, or gruesome tragedy and pen your wittiest Shakespearean line for our brave actors to pull from their breeches when they need a helping hand. The twist? They'll have no idea what the line will be before they say it!

Expect big laughs and high drama.

**FILSKIT THEATRE PRESENTS
WONDER GIGS**

FAMILY **Fri 11 Sep** 10.30am & 11.45am

Tickets £12.25 1 adult and 1 baby (£7.25 additional adult & £7.25 additional baby)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 0 – 5

Running Time 45 minutes (no interval)

Music for you, play for them: a family-friendly, live session for music-loving grown-ups and little ones.

Each of these shows include toe-tapping acoustic covers of well-known pop, rock and folk tunes from a live, professional musician. At the same time, one of Filskit's experienced play facilitators will ensure that your little one is well catered for with props, puppets and opportunities for gentle child-led play.

These sessions offer you a chance to unwind and play with your little one in a welcoming and relaxed space. Dancing, moving and singing along is fully encouraged!

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THE COMEDY NETWORK

COMEDY **Fri 11 Sep** 8pm

Tickets £16.25 (€14.25 concs)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 18+ only

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

Line-up* Headliner: Slim
Middle: Davina Bentley
Open: Joshua Bethania
Compere: Joe Sutherland

Get ready for a night of top-class comedy as Avalon presents *The Comedy Network*.

Showcasing some of the best emerging and established talent on the circuit, this renowned comedy roadshow has helped launch stars including Lee Mack, Russell Howard and Lou Sanders.

Start your weekend in style with a brilliant night of laughs!

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COMB

THEATRE **Sat 12 Sep** 7pm

Tickets £15.25 (€13.25 concs, €30 for the show and the workshop when booked in the same transaction)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 12+

Running Time 1hr 20mins (no interval)

At times chilling, hilarious and moving, *Comb* is an ode to the stories of the people we have lost.

Through a tangled ride into Celtic, Slavic and Siberian folklore, *Comb* is a wake-up call for understanding just how interwoven we all are.

When Charlotte was 8, her Grandad told her the beginning of a story: '*I saw a banshee once, just outside of Galway...*' Years later a chance encounter led her to find the rest of his story buried deep within family archives. This unbelievable link to her past made her realise that she might actually be cursed.

Learn the art of storytelling at a pre-show workshop with Charlotte Mooney, artistic director of Ockham's Razor. Please visit page 5 of the Old Library brochure.



LIPSTICK ON YOUR COLLAR

MUSIC Sat 12 Sep 7.30pm

Tickets £32.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2hrs 30mins (including interval)

Let the good times roll as *Lipstick on Your Collar* return with their new show.

From the birth of rock 'n' roll through to the Beat Group sounds of the British Invasion and beyond, the show is packed with over forty hits from the likes of Connie Francis, Brenda Lee, Buddy Holly, Chuck Berry, The Beatles, The Ronettes, Cliff Richard, Cilla Black and many more.

Performed by a full live band, featuring some of the country's top musicians, this incredible show features excellent vocals, tight harmonies and an infectious sense of fun.

'WITH FLAWLESS HARMONIES, TIGHT MUSICALITY, AND MORE THAN A TOUCH OF ROCK 'N' ROLL REBELLION, LIPSTICK ON YOUR COLLAR LIVED UP TO ITS NAME'

MY SHREWSBURY



ADAM GARCIA'S EMERALD STORM

DANCE Wed 16 Sep 7.30pm

Tickets £36.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

If *Riverdance* and *Stomp* had a baby it would be *Emerald Storm*!

Direct from the West End, *Emerald Storm* is a high-octane new dance phenomenon, starring *Britain's Got Talent* finalist Tom Ball, whose powerhouse vocals captivated millions and shot him to national fame.

Fusing the fire of Irish dance with the grit of urban tap, this production explodes with rhythm, passion and pure spectacle – elevated by soaring live vocals woven throughout. Thunderous footwork, live music and explosive choreography combine in a breathtaking, immersive spectacle. From the first beat to the last, it's an electrifying celebration of rhythm, energy and pure talent that gets audiences entranced.

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JACQUI DANKWORTH: THE SONDHEIM SONGBOOK

MUSIC Thu 17 Sep 7.30pm

Tickets £27.50 (£20 under-25s)

Location Corn Exchange


Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 1hr 50mins (including interval)

This internationally acclaimed vocalist presents a celebration of the incredible musical legacy of Stephen Sondheim.

Jacqui will be joined by American pianist Charlie Wood, who leads a world-class group of musicians for an intimate concert. Inspired by Jacqui's own collaborations with Sondheim, explore a rich selection of his most celebrated works, from *West Side Story* and *Gypsy*, through to *Into the Woods*, *Sweeney Todd*, and *Follies*.

Expect a truly world-class evening featuring fresh interpretations of Sondheim's most acclaimed music, stylish reworkings of his lesser-known gems, as well as a few surprises along the way.

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THE ESSENCE OF AUDREY

THEATRE Fri 18 Sep 7.30pm

Tickets £17.25 (£15.25 concs)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 8+

Running Time 1 hour (no interval)

Have you ever wondered what is behind the idyllic and seemingly perfect life of Audrey Hepburn?

All she really wanted was to be loved and to find love. She was, and continues to be, an inspiration...

A stunningly beautiful, modest actress, and selfless humanitarian Ambassador of UNICEF, she proved to be one of those rare people who truly deserved 'fashion icon' status... but what made her into the legend we think we know? What was her life really like? Glimpse behind the idol in this biopic play written and performed by Helen Anker.



'AUDREY HEPBURN BROUGHT VIVIDLY TO LIFE.'

REVIEWSGATE

THERE'S A MONSTER IN YOUR SHOW



FAMILY

Sat 19 & Sun 20 Sep

11am & 2pm

Tickets £18.25 (£16.25 child, £12 schools)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 2+

Running Time 55 minutes
(no interval)

Image Credit: Pamela Raith Photography

*There's a Monster in Your Show... and he can't wait to meet you! Tom Fletcher's beloved *Who's in Your Book?* series returns to Newbury!*

A group of performers are preparing to start their show, but quickly discover they are not alone on stage. Little Monster wants to be part of the fun too! With an invitation to his friends Dragon, Alien and Unicorn to join him, you can expect comedy and chaos as they help to create a magical show, learning about the joy of books and friendship along the way.

A high-energy 55-minute adventure featuring lively original music, this show is the perfect introduction to live theatre.

Expect plenty of playful fun for your littlest ones as their favourite characters come to life in a show that is packed with interactive moments to enjoy together.

New music composed by Tom Fletcher, Barrie Bignold and Miranda Larson.

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Image Credit: Ash Day

ALEX MCALEER: MIND READER

MAGIC Sat 19 Sep 7.30pm

Tickets £19.50 (€16.50 concs)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 12+

Running Time 1hr 50mins
(including interval)

Alex blends laugh-out-loud humour with jaw-dropping psychological feats.

Alex McAleer isn't psychic, but he can apparently tap into his audience's minds. With sell-out shows worldwide, West End appearances, and TV spots, he's built a reputation as a charismatic, laugh-out-loud entertainer. Interactive, astonishing, and playful, this show turns the audience into the stars!



Image Credit: Bill Knight

JASMIN VARDIMON COMPANY PRESENTS JV2

DANCE Wed 23 Sep 7pm

Tickets £16.25 (€14.25 concs)

Location Corn Exchange

Check the website for age guide and running time

A vibrant new generation of dancers take to the stage in bold new works from *JV2*.

JV2 will premiere brand-new powerful works from Jasmin Vardimon Company associates Joe Garbett and Michaela Cisarikova.

Hand-picked by Jasmin Vardimon, these dancers will showcase their incredible talents and achievements from the 6-month programme. The established *JV2* Professional Development Diploma was developed by Jasmin Vardimon Company with the mission to encourage, cultivate and nurture young talent. This performance demonstrates the work of young dancers training as versatile, multi-disciplinary performers under the direction of one of the world's leading female choreographers.

**'ENERGY LEVELS WERE HIGH, FRENETIC, COMPELLING,
UNRELENTING AND SO VIGOROUS'**

BACHTRACK



JOSH PUGH: HA HA YEAH SOUND

COMEDY Thu 24 Sep 7.30pm

Tickets £27.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+

Running Time 1hr 55mins
(including interval)

Josh Pugh is back performing stand-up comedy to the best of his ability for an hour and a bit.

Josh is known for his appearances on the small screen (TV) *Live at the Apollo*, *Big Fat Quiz of Everything*, *Mock the Week*, *Would I Lie to You?* and *The Last Leg* as well as his appearances on even smaller screens (your phone) with his weekly viral videos.

'DECEPTIVELY CLEVER'
THE GUARDIAN



THE SOUND OF SPRINGSTEEN

MUSIC Fri 25 Sep 7.45pm

Tickets £32.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2hrs 30mins
(including interval)

Experience the pure rock 'n' roll euphoria of Bruce Springsteen!

This outstanding show brings Springsteen's iconic sound to life, taking you on a musical journey through his incredible catalogue, from *Greetings from Asbury Park* to 2020's *Ghosts* and the legendary hits *Born in the U.S.A* and *Born to Run*.

High-octane vocals, iconic musicianship, and a powerful stage production transport audiences back to the golden age of rock 'n' roll. Whether you're a lifelong fan or new to his music, get ready to rock the night away!



NOMADS PRESENTS WE WILL ROCK YOU

COMMUNITY

Wed 30 Sep – Fri 2 Oct 7.30pm

Sat 3 Oct 2.30pm & 7.30pm

Tickets £20.25 – £23.75

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+

Nomads returns with *We Will Rock You* after 2025's *Sister Act*.

In a future where music is banned, two rebels join an underground resistance to fight the tyrannical Killer Queen using the legendary power of rock. Featuring the iconic hits of Queen, this electrifying musical is packed with rebellion, romance and unforgettable songs. Come and join Nomads to rock, roll and rebel to the legendary songs of Queen.

Box Office 01635 522733

OCTOBER



NATALIE ALLISON PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS IN THE LAND OF EAGLES

THEATRE **Fri 2 Oct** 7.30pm

Tickets £18.75 (£16.75 concs)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 12+

Running Time 1hr 10mins (no interval)


A heartfelt and award-nominated tale of love, loss and redemption.

Her and Grandpa are different and definitely not the same. In her final year of school, Grandpa faces a devastating diagnosis. He makes one request: to go home.

Inspired by true events, the multi-award-nominated *In the Land of Eagles* sees the unlikely pair embark on an epic journey through Albania, a country that has long been misunderstood. A gut-wrenching story about the lengths we go to, to make amends for the mistakes of our past.



'UNMISSABLE' EVERYTHING THEATRE

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ORE ODUBA: THE VINTAGE BOYS ROCK 'N' ROLL SHOW

MUSIC **Thu 8 Oct** 7.30pm

Tickets £38.25 (£35.25 concs, £72.25 VIP includes a poster and a prosecco or orange juice)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2hrs 15mins (including interval)

Ore is back on the road, hitting the Corn Exchange with one heck of a rockin' show!

Since winning *Strictly Come Dancing* in 2016, Ore has hosted *The One Show* and *This Morning*. With immaculate 3-part harmonies, slick choreography, sharp suits and the backing of an incredible live band, the boys perfectly capture the look and sound of the golden era.

Featuring over 40 hits from stars of the '50s and '60s, including Chuck Berry, Buddy Holly, The Beatles, Elvis Presley, and more! Enjoy a little taste of what today's music would sound like in the '50s and '60s as the boys put their unique 'vintage' twist on some modern-day pop hits.

KOOK ENSEMBLE PRESENTS
SAND



CIRCUS

Tue 6 & Wed 7 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £18.25 (£16.25 concs)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 8+

Running Time 1hr 5mins
(no interval)

**'A MOVING AND THOUGHT-
PROVOKING SHOW.'**

AUDIENCE FEEDBACK

Image Credit: Roy Riley

A non-verbal circus theatre show blending acrobatic skill with meticulously crafted storytelling.

Set against the dramatic backdrop of Devon's coastline, *Sand* follows Dylan and Heather as they navigate the complexities of living with dementia. Together, they uncover profound truths about love, memory, and resilience, while coastal erosion symbolises life's inevitable changes. Through visually striking, emotionally resonant performances, the company brings the experiences of people living with dementia to life, offering audiences a deeply moving experience. A must watch!

Supported by the Generate Programme by The National Theatre and co-commissioned by Landmark Theatres and Corn Exchange Newbury.

Box Office 01635 522733

OCTOBER



THE COMEDY NETWORK

COMEDY **Fri 9 Oct** 8pm

Tickets £16.25 (€14.25 concs)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 18+ only

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

Line-up* Headliner: Matt Richardson
Middle: Jess Carrivick
Open: Amy Mason
Compere: Joe Jacobs

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QUEENZ: BATTLE OF THE DIVAS

VARIETY **Sat 10 Oct** 4pm & 8pm

Tickets £30.75 (€40.75 ringside seats)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+ only

Running Time 1hr 50mins (including interval)

Armed with powerhouse vocals, electrifying choreography, and jaw-dropping costumes, our dazzling divas return to the stage ready for battle.

The sequins are sharper, the vocals are higher, and the competition is fierce! Expect Whitney vs Celine, Gaga vs Madonna and Beyoncé vs Britney in the ultimate clash of divas and dancefloor fillers.

Ringside seats mean you'll control the show. Decide who sings next, who wins the rounds, and face the ultimate question... who snatches the crown? Digitally interactive and hilariously unpredictable, this is *Queenz* like you've never experienced before.



Image Credit: Rachel Berkowitz

LITTLE WANDER PRESENTS RIA LINA: RIABELLION

COMEDY Sat 10 Oct 7pm

Tickets £20

Location Old Library

Age Guide 16+

Running Time 1hr 55mins (including interval)

Following her killer debut tour, the wickedly funny Ria Lina realised she wasn't just awake, she was ready to rebel.

Expect a relentless stream of hilarity as Ria explores the state of the world, the eternal battle of the sexes, and the delight of throwing life up in the air after years of following the rules.

Much loved in the industry, this multi-award winner commands the stage with a whirlwind of energy and leaves audiences breathless with laughter. Her extensive list of credits includes *Live At The Apollo*, *Have I Got News For You*, *Mock the Week*, *Pointless*, *Lovestruck High*, *Richard Osman's House of Games*, *The Last Leg* and *Celebrity Mastermind*.



RUBY WAX: ABSOLUTELY FAMOUS

COMEDY Wed 14 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £37.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

Enjoy this candid live show from the much-loved comedian, writer, and television presenter.

It's almost easier to say who Ruby Wax *hasn't* met, interviewed and coaxed fascinating insights from. In her huge TV shows *Ruby Wax Meets* and *The Full Wax*, Ruby got remarkable stories from a stream of celebrity guests, such as Donald Trump, OJ Simpson, Pamela Anderson, Madonna and many more. Her provocative, abrasive, incomparable style was – just about – kept in check by lifelong friend and A-list producer, Clive Tulloh.

Together live on stage they review clips from the extraordinary shows, tell scandalous stories never before heard – and take the audience along for the ride.

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SRISHTI – NINA RAJARANI DANCE CREATIONS PRESENTS

PLAY BALL

DANCE

Tue 13 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £19.25 (£17.25 concs, £11 schools)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 1hr 30mins
(including interval)

**'A MOST EXCITING AND
THOUGHT-PROVOKING PIECE OF
CONTEMPORARY CHOREOGRAPHY'**
DANCING TIMES

A triple bill of classical Indian dance by leading choreographer Nina Rajarani MBE, featuring live music written and composed by Y Yadavan.

Kadala... Is it Love? What are the ingredients necessary to play ball in a relationship when loyalty and fidelity are questionable?

Bend It... Let's Play Ball! A fun-filled ensemble piece about the beautiful game, featuring rhythm and rivalry with complex footwork and vibrant energy.

Quick! Set in the fast-paced corporate world, this powerful piece captures cut-throat competition. Will business associates play ball and close the deal?

This piece won Nina the 2006 Place Prize, Europe's largest choreographic competition.

Image Credits: Sejas Mistry, Bharat Nivas Auroville and RN Sudhi.



SETH LAKEMAN

MUSIC Thu 15 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £29.75 – £31.75

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

Seth Lakeman celebrates the 20th anniversary of his album *Freedom Fields*.

Seth Lakeman was catapulted into the music mainstream when he was nominated for the Mercury Music Prize in 2005 for his album *Kitty Jay*. His follow-up was the gold-selling *Freedom Fields* which helped Seth build on his traditional cult following but found him a whole new audience for his rhythmic, captivating brand of indie-folk songwriting.

He was named Folk Singer of the Year, and *Freedom Fields* was awarded Album of the Year at the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards in 2007.

'DELICIOUS HARMONIES AND THE OCCASIONAL FIERY FIDDLE ARE THE ORDER OF THE DAY, WITH HIS IMPRESSIVE SONG-WRITING SKILLS SHINING OUT OF EVERY TUNE.'

BBC MUSIC (FREEDOM FIELDS)



TINY AND TALL PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS A TALE OF US

FAMILY Fri 16 Oct 10.30am, 12.30pm & 3pm

Tickets £16.25 includes 1 baby and 1 adult
(£9.25 additional adult)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 0 – 18 months

Running Time 1 hour (including stay and play)

A Tale of Us is a play for parents and their babies.

Sleep is like an old friend I've not seen for a long time. She's stopped returning my calls. But some nights feel sort of magic. Just you and me watching a new day being born.

Blending drama and multi-sensory playtime in a relaxed and beautifully designed environment, this is a celebration of the wonder, joys and challenges of becoming a new parent.

After each performance there will be a guided stay and play session – a chance for everyone to explore the world of the show and meet other parents and babies.

Box Office 01635 522733

OCTOBER



A TRIBUTE TO STING & THE POLICE: STARRING THE ROZZERS

MUSIC **Fri 16 Oct** 7.30pm

Tickets £28.25

Location Corn Exchange

Running Time 2hrs 5mins (including interval)

Celebrating the career and music of Sting and The Police!

Fronted by Sting look and sound-a-like Owen James, The Rozzers have performed all over the world and now embark on their biggest ever UK tour.

The Police were arguably the biggest band on the planet between 1977 and 1983, achieving five number one hits on both sides of the Atlantic.

Sting then went on to be one of most acclaimed solo songwriters of his generation. From *Roxanne* and *Every Breath You Take* to *Fields of Gold* and *Englishman in New York*, all the hits are reproduced with stunning authenticity and vocal accuracy.



THE GLAM ROCK SHOW: GET IT ON

MUSIC **Sat 17 Oct** 7.45pm

Tickets £36.25

Location Corn Exchange

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

Get ready to go wild, wild, wild!

Step into the ultimate glam rock experience as we transport you back to the golden age of glitter, guitars, and anthems that defined a generation!

With a sensational live band and powerhouse vocals, we're bringing you the biggest hits from T. Rex, Slade, Bowie, The Bay City Rollers, Sweet, Suzi Quatro, Wizzard, Mud, and more.

Dig out your platforms, turn up the volume, and *Get It On* for a night of non-stop glam rock nostalgia!

'IF YOU LOVE THE '70S AND LOVE TO BE TRANSPORTED BACK...IT REALLY IS FOR YOU.'

BBC RADIO TEES



DEGREES OF ERROR PRESENTS

MURDER SHE DIDN'T WRITE

THEATRE

Tue 20 & Wed 21 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £28

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 12+

Running Time 2 hours
(including interval)

Don your deerstalker, grab your magnifying glass and get your 'finger of suspicion' at the ready for your sleuthing pleasure.

Degrees of Error will create a classic murder mystery on-the-spot in this ingenious improvised comedy. You, the audience, become the author as the cast act out your very own Agatha Christie-inspired masterpiece live on stage. At each show this extraordinarily talented company use audience suggestions to create a unique, original and extremely comical murder mystery just for you. All you have to do... is solve it!

But will you guess whodunnit before the killer is revealed?

Box Office 01635 522733

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OCTOBER



MAYBE YOU LIKE IT PRESENTS DOWN TO CHANCE

THEATRE Thu 22 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £16.25 (£14.25 concs)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 12+


Running Time 1hr 10mins (no interval)

One woman, a radio, and the largest earthquake in US History.

A part-time radio reporter, her teenage intern, a general on leave, and a local hobbyist find themselves at the centre of a remarkable relief effort. Genie Chance, live on air, must take unimaginable risks to save her community and family from chaos.

Based on the incredible true story of the Great Alaskan Earthquake, *Down to Chance* is a heartwarming portrait of a community in crisis with the whole world listening in. This new show promises thrilling action, frantic multi-roling, and immersive live sound.

Developed with support from The Pleasance and Theatre Royal Plymouth.

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JAMES BARR: SORRY I HURT YOUR SON (SAID MY EX TO MY MUM)

COMEDY Thu 22 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £18.25

Location Old Library

Age Guide 16+

Running Time 1 hour (no interval)

A powerful, provocative and unmissable hour of comedy.

In his bold, genre-defying stand-up, trailblazing comedian James Barr delivers a darkly funny and deeply personal exploration of shame, survival and resilience. Nominated for Best Show at the ISH Edinburgh Comedy Awards and named one of the best-reviewed shows of the Fringe, this is a powerful show that blends sharp humour with raw honesty. You may recognise him from *The Hits Radio Breakfast Show* with Fleur East and Will Best.



'NOT TO BE MISSED'
THEATRE THOUGHTS

OCTOBER



COPACABANA MAGIC: THE BARRY MANILOW TRIBUTE

MUSIC Sat 24 Oct 7.45pm

Tickets £32.75

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2hrs 25mins (including interval)

Experience the glamour of *Copacabana Magic* – the Barry Manilow concert spectacular!

Starring theatre powerhouse Martyn James, this high-energy West End-style production bursts with iconic hits including *Copacabana*, *Mandy* and *Can't Smile Without You*.

Featuring a sensational live band, dazzling production and breathtaking vocals, this spectacular concert event delivers pure showbiz magic, unforgettable nostalgia and non-stop entertainment from start to finish.



ILLUSION IMPOSSIBLE

MAGIC Sun 25 Oct 7pm

Tickets £34.25 (€32.25 concs, £119 family ticket)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 2hrs 25mins (including interval)

A night of magic, illusions, music, death-defying escapes and the thrill of the circus.

Collectively these performers have been seen by hundreds of thousands of people around the world. This production showcases their incredible talents in this breathtaking theatrical experience.

The show features grand-scale stage illusions, mind reading miracles and big musical numbers.

Witness the impossible and experience the wonder in this family-friendly show.

Get your tickets now, before they all disappear!



DINOSAUR WORLD LIVE

FAMILY Tue 27 Oct 2pm & 4.30pm

Wed 28 Oct 11am & 2pm

Tickets £17

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 3+

Running Time 50 minutes (plus 15 mins meet and greet with the dinosaurs)

Dare to experience the dangers and delights of *Dinosaur World Live* in this *roarsome* interactive show for all the family!

Grab your compass and join our adventurous explorer across uncharted territories to discover a prehistoric world of astonishing (and remarkably life-like) dinosaurs. Meet a host of impressive creatures, including every child's favourite flesh-eating giant, the Tyrannosaurus Rex, a Triceratops, Giraffatitan, Microraptor and Segnosaurus.

A special meet and greet after the show offers all our brave explorers the chance to make a new dinosaur friend.

Book now before tickets become extinct!



CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVED

MUSIC Thu 29 Oct 7.30pm

Tickets £30

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 16+

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

A rare chance to see a British band perform their interpretation of a classic American set.

Creedence Clearwater Revived featuring Johnnie 'Guitar' Williamson have been touring the globe for decades performing John Fogerty and CCR songs. Experience the all-time classic hits in this ultimate tribute, such as *Proud Mary*, *Bad Moon Rising*, *Have You Ever Seen the Rain*, *Born on the Bayou*, *Fortunate Son*, *Down on the Corner* and *Up Around the Bend*, along with John Fogerty fan favourites.

'CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVED DELIVER OUTSTANDING MUSICAL QUALITY, CREATING A UNIQUE SWAMP ROCK VIBE AND ATMOSPHERE'

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Box Office 01635 522733

OCTOBER



CROWN BALLET PRESENTS THE NUTCRACKER

DANCE **Fri 30 Oct** 7.30pm

Tickets £34.25 (£32.25 concs, £26.25 child)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 1hr 50mins (including interval)

Celebrating 20 years of touring classical ballet around the UK, Crown Ballet returns with *The Nutcracker*.

As snow begins to fall, young Marie receives a simple wooden nutcracker – a gift that awakens a journey beyond imagination. Through moonlit battles and shimmering forests, she follows her prince into the radiant Kingdom of Sweets.

Let *The Nutcracker* warm your winter and remind you of the beauty of believing.



RHYS JAMES: CHOP LOGIC

COMEDY **Sat 31 Oct** 8pm

Tickets £22.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+ only

Running Time 1hr 50mins (including interval)

Rhys has made a discovery that could fix everything.

It's been staring him in the face the whole time, in a mirror held behind his head. If he can ignore his own problems for long enough, he might just be able to solve yours.

A fast, forensic show of big ideas and gag-dense overthinking from one of the nation's sharpest stand-ups.

Star of TLC's *Mock the Week* and BBC Radio 4's *Rhysearch*, also seen furrowing his brow on *QI*, *Live At The Apollo* and his viral U&Dave lecture, *I Stalk Strangers Online*.

'SCINTILLATING STAND-UP'
THE TIMES

SOUNDS OF THE

60s

WITH THE ZOOTs

★★★★★
“...IMPOSSIBLE NOT TO
LIKE... A VERY IMPRESSIVE
BAND” THE STAGE



THE ZOOTs

FUNDRAISING Thu 5 Nov 7.30pm

Tickets £32.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide Suitable for all ages

Running Time 1hr 45mins (including interval)

Join award-winning band *The Zoots* as they perform a fundraising event in aid of the Corn Exchange Future Fund.

The Zoots are here to make your whole family bob to the '60s beats that everybody loves – with legendary music by The Beatles, The Stones, The Monkees, The Beach Boys, The Kinks, The Searchers, The Small Faces, The Who, The Drifters, The Isley Brothers, The Four Seasons, Neil Diamond, Elvis and 60 something songs from your favourite '60s artists.

Feel the groove that's thrilling audiences of stage and screen in more than 30 countries! Discover why national critics call *The Zoots* 'impressive', 'authentic', and 'impossible not to like'!

FUTURE FUND

All proceeds will go to the Corn Exchange Future Fund.

NOVEMBER



NEWBURY FLORAL SOCIETY

COMMUNITY Tue 10 Nov

2pm

Tickets £29.50

Location Corn Exchange

Talented flower arranger Arnaud Metairie demonstrates bespoke flower arrangements.

Whether you are looking for elaborate arrangements for a celebration or classic style for a tribute to a loved one, French Touch Floristry brings a touch of French refinement and joie de vivre to arrangements for events and occasions of all themes and seasons.

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NOVEMBER



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FILSKIT THEATRE PRESENTS WONDER GIGS

FAMILY **Fri 6 Nov** 10.30am & 11.45am

Tickets £12.25 1 adult and 1 baby (£7.25 additional adult & £7.25 additional baby)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 0 – 5

Running Time 45 minutes (no interval)

Music for you, play for them: a family-friendly live session for music-loving grown-ups and little ones.

Each of these shows include toe-tapping acoustic covers of well-known pop, rock and folk tunes from a live, professional musician. At the same time, one of Filskit's experienced play facilitators will ensure that your little one is well catered for with props, puppets and opportunities for gentle child-led play.

These sessions offer you a chance to unwind and play with your little one in a welcoming and relaxed space. Dancing, moving and singing along is fully encouraged!



THE COMEDY NETWORK

COMEDY **Fri 6 Nov** 8pm

Tickets £16.25 (£14.25 concs)

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 18+

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

Line-up* Headliner: Huge Davies
Middle: Ciara O'Connor
Open: Toussaint Douglass
Compere: Dom McGovern

Get ready for a night of top-class comedy as Avalon presents *The Comedy Network*.

Showcasing some of the best emerging and established talent on the circuit, this renowned comedy roadshow has helped launch stars including Lee Mack, Russell Howard and Lou Sanders.

Start your weekend in style with a brilliant night of laughs!

*Please note the line-up is subject to change.

The Mystery of

THE OLD LIBRARY



GET INVOLVED... GET IT SOLVED!

THE MYSTERY OF THE OLD LIBRARY

FAMILY Sat 7 Nov 11.30am & 2.30pm

Tickets £14.25 (£12.25 concs, £49 family of four)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 7+

Running Time 1hr 10mins (no interval)

Calling all trainee detectives! Join us for this award-winning board-game style theatre show where your skills are needed to solve this thrilling murder mystery.

From the creators of *I Believe in Unicorns* comes this new brain-teasing interactive adventure. Team up with super sleuth Danyah Miller to navigate secrets and surprises. We'll examine evidence, inspect video footage, and interrogate suspects, every clue bringing us closer to the truth. Can we crack the case together? Expect intrigue, spontaneity, and a sprinkle of magic.

'Fantastic For Families Award Winner: Best Family Arts Activity 2025'

'BETTER THAN A GOOD GAME OF CLUEDO.'

AUDIENCE FEEDBACK

NOVEMBER



MERCURY

MUSIC Sat 7 Nov 7.45pm

Tickets £31.25

Location Corn Exchange

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

Strap yourself in for the ultimate tribute to Freddie Mercury and Queen!

With more than 25 years on the road, *Mercury* guarantee an unforgettable night of music and tell the story of one of the greatest bands in history.

Including all the songs you know and love, such as *Bohemian Rhapsody*, *Radio Ga Ga* and *We Are the Champions*, Joseph Lee Jackson brings unbounded energy and authentic nuance to each performance, with incredible vocal range to portray one of the most iconic frontmen of all time. Expect an unforgettable night!

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NOVEMBER



SCOTT BENNETT: BLOOD SUGAR BABY

COMEDY **Wed 11 Nov**

7.30pm

Tickets £24.25

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 14+

Running Time 2 hours
(including interval)

One family, one condition, one hell of a hairy baby...

From *Live at the Apollo*, *The Royal Variety Performance* and *The News Quiz*, Scott Bennett shares the funny and heartfelt true story of his daughter's rare genetic condition, and the chaotic journey he and his wife faced in searching for answers.

Yes, it's a story about an ill baby, but it's a very funny one with a happy ending.



Image Credit: Laura Craig Design

SKELPIELIMMER PRESENTS ANTHEM FOR DISSATISFACTION

THEATRE **Thu 12 Nov** 7.30pm

Tickets £16.25 (£14.25 concs)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 14+

Running Time 1hr 5mins (no interval)

A high-energy story following life growing up in a working-class environment in austerity Britain.

The Credit Crunch, 2007. 'Irish Twins' Sarah and Jamie are growing up in Belfast with a shared obsession of music and the weight of parents on the breadline. Pop, rock and punk rails against austerity Britain and an ever-failing Tory government, giving these siblings an epic score to navigate lives that are destined for different paths.

Oasis, The Jam, Springsteen and Sam Fender songs scream at the state of the nation, tugging at the memories of what it means to grow up on benefits in a country where poverty became a punchline. Benefits Britain never sounded so good...



'GREAT CRAIC THAT REVEALS THE GREAT CRACKS IN OUR SPLINTERED SOCIETY.'
BRITISH THEATRE GUIDE



PAM AYRES: DOGGEDLY ONWARD

TALK Thu 12 Nov 7.30pm

Tickets £34

Location Corn Exchange

Age Guide 9+

Running Time 2hrs 15mins (including interval)

Pam Ayres returns to Newbury to talk about her latest book, *Doggedly Onward: A Life in Poems, 1970 to 2020s*.

Pam Ayres has spent a lifetime providing hilarious and profound insights into the delights and tribulations of everyday life. Pam has gathered her career's work of poetry into this book, which traces the course of her life and illustrates how her work has provoked laughter, and some tears, in people around the world.

Recent TV appearances include two series of *The Cotswolds* for Channel 5, *This Morning*, several *Alan Titchmarsh* shows, *Would I Lie To You?* and *Countdown*.



MICHAEL AKADIRI: DON'T CALL ME UNCLE!

COMEDY Fri 13 Nov 8pm

Tickets £19.25 (£17.25 concs)

Location Old Library

Age Guide 16+

Running Time 1hr 40mins (including interval)

Following two hit UK tours, resident (junior) Doctor Michael Akadiri prescribes Newbury with a potent dose of comedy!

Multi-award-winning comedian Michael is proud to wear many hats: doctor, husband and father. Evidently, that list does not include uncle. Yet, despite only being in his early 30s, for the first time ever he was called uncle in public (a term usually reserved for elders). This has sent him spiralling!

Join him as he contemplates the difference between perception and reality, all whilst keeping the laughs flowing.

NOVEMBER



THE CROONERS CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

MUSIC Sat 14 Nov 7.30pm

Tickets £29.50

Location Corn Exchange

Running Time 2hrs 20mins (including interval)

The Crooners Christmas Special is the ultimate comedy music show to get you in the festive mood.

Superbly original, hilariously festive, and bursting with seasonal cheer, enjoy the UK premiere of *The Crooners Christmas Special*. Packed with laugh-out-loud antics, sharp one-liners, and chock-full of Christmas Crooner classics and a dazzling dose of Big Band swing, it's a festive treat like no other.

From the creators of the UK hit comedy *Crooners* and backed by their outrageous Big Band, this spectacular show features iconic Christmas classics. Get ready to laugh, sing along, and leave brimming with festive cheer!



DANIEL FOXX: HOW LOVELY

COMEDY Sat 21 Nov 7.30pm

Tickets £22.25

Location Old Library

Age Guide 14+ only

Running Time 2hrs 10 mins (including interval)

Best known for his viral comedy videos, Daniel Foxx heads to the Old Library!

Daniel was determined to handle his big breakup with the grace of Julia Roberts. He didn't. Join him as he navigates dating in your 30s, Le Creuset addiction and 12-step skincare routines, all while trying very hard to emanate love and light.

His critically acclaimed debut show *Villain* toured internationally, including sold-out runs at New York's SoHo Playhouse and London's Clapham Grand. He also co-hosts the hit podcast *Welcome To Hell* and is the author of *Bedtime Stories for Privileged Children*.



'UTTERLY HILARIOUS AND EFFORTLESSLY CHARISMATIC'
ROLLING STONE

SLEEPING BEAUTY



PANTOMIME Fri 27 Nov – Sat 2 Jan

Various Times, please visit page 7 for more information

Tickets £20.25 – £37

Location Corn Exchange

Wake up Newburyshire! *Sleeping Beauty* promises a magical treat for audiences of all ages.

When the evil fairy tricks the princess, she falls into a 100-year slumber. It's now up to the heroic prince, a glittering good fairy and the panto gang to lift the curse... The clock is ticking!

Prepare to be swept away by traditional pantomime fun, vibrant costumes, sparkling scenery, breathtaking choreography, and incredible live music. It's the ultimate festive treat for all ages!

Packed full of laughs, audience participation and plenty of magic from the moment the curtain rises to the final triumphant cheer, this is one you won't want to miss.

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SMALL WONDERS: REIMAGINING BRITISH ART

Fri 11 Sep – Sun 15 Nov

Open Tue – Sun, 10am – 5pm*

Songs and Stories in the Gallery

Sat 19 Sep, Fri 2, Sat 24 Oct &
Thu 12 Nov

Relaxed Days Thu 17 Sep &
Thu 22 Oct

Family Day Sat 10 Oct

Talk: Exploring Small Wonders

Wed 30 Sep, 6.30pm – 8pm*

Talk: Art History's Funniest Bits

Wed 14 Oct, 6.30pm – 8pm*

***Gallery Lates** Wed 30 Sep &
Wed 14 Oct, open until 8pm

Tickets £0 Base Pass holder
(see pg 37), £8.50 full price,
(£7.50 concs, £6 students and
groups 10+, under-12s FREE)

Location The Base, Greenham

Marking 75 years since the *Festival of Britain*, Hayward Gallery Touring presents an exhibition bringing together artists who have participated in the *British Art Show*, at The Base this autumn.

This vibrant and eclectic exhibition brings together 50 acclaimed artists who have participated in the *British Art Show* – widely recognised as the most important recurrent exhibition of contemporary art produced in the UK – since its inception in 1979.

Taking inspiration from Marcel Duchamp's *La Boîte-en-Valise* [*Box in a Suitcase*] – a 'portable museum' contained within a suitcase – each artist has created a new, small-scale work that responds to their original *British Art Show* presentation. The result is a condensed yet expansive overview of a half-century of British art history – certainly an exhibition not to be missed!

A Hayward Gallery Touring exhibition from Southbank Centre, London.

Tai Shani *Cardinal Prologue II*, 2026.

**HAYWARD
GALLERY**
TOURING



WINTER CRAFT FAIR

Sat 21 & Sun 22 Nov 10am – 4pm

Suggested £2 donation on the door

Location The Base & 101 Outdoor Arts

Browse high-quality handmade crafts at The Base's *Winter Craft Fair* fundraiser!

Bigger and better than ever, this popular festive event expands into neighbouring 101 Outdoor Arts, bringing together talented artists and makers selling beautiful handmade wares. Shop unique gifts, enjoy festive crafty activities at The Base, and support a great cause – all proceeds go to The Base charity (1199188).



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FESTIVAL OF LIGHT

OUTDOOR Sun 13 Dec

Lantern bearers arrive at 4pm
Procession starts at 4.30pm

Location Newbury Town Centre

Free (no booking required)

Suitable for all ages

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 sparkling atmosphere.

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





LANTERN MAKING WORKSHOPS

Sat 28 & Sun 29 Nov & Sat 5 & Sun 6 Dec

10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm

Location 101 Outdoor Arts, RG19 6HN

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 one and two hours to make.

LANTERN MAKING WORKSHOPS: FOR THE BRAVE

Sat 5 & Sun 6 Dec

11am – 4pm

Location 101 Outdoor Arts, RG19 6HN

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*.

SEASONAL SOCIALS

Discover our programme of Seasonal Socials at the Corn Exchange Café Bar and Balcony Bar. Find out more at cornexchangenew.com/seasonalsocials

CREATIVE WRITERS CLUB

Wednesdays 2 Sep, 7 Oct & 4 Nov

5.30pm – 7pm

£3 includes tea, americano or draught soft drink

Age Guide 14+

Meet, collaborate and share ideas with fellow seasoned and aspiring writers.

FILM CLUB

Sundays 6 Sep, 4 Oct & 1 Nov

Please see website for timings and age guides

£10 includes tea and coffee after the film

Join fellow film fans after a screening in our cinema for a guided, informal chat in our Balcony Bar.

BOOK CLUB

Sundays 13 Sep, 18 Oct & 15 Nov

2pm

Free pre-booking required

Come together to chat about our latest read.

THEATRE, FILM AND TV QUIZ

Fri 18 Sep & Thu 19 Nov

6.30pm for a 7pm quiz start

£3 per person, teams of up to 6 people

Age Guide 16+

Take on our popular quiz night for movie lovers and binge-watchers alike and be in with a chance to win tickets.

POKÉMON CLUB

Sat 26 Sep, Sat 17 Oct & Sat 21 Nov

10.30am – 1pm

Free (no booking required) 

Meet-up to trade and play with your friends and other Pokémon fans.

STAND UP AND SLAM

Sun 27 Sep 3pm – 5pm

£2 entrance and admission fee

Age Guide under-14s must be accompanied by an adult

Calling all comedians, slam poets and fans of fun, join us for an afternoon of words!

FAMILY QUIZ

Wed 28 Oct 4.30pm for a 5pm start

£3 per person, teams of up to 6 people

Age Guide 7+

Gather the family and join us for an evening of trivia, laughs and friendly competition.


CHRISTMAS GIFT FAIR

Sat 14 Nov 10am – 4pm

Free (no booking required)

Get in the Christmas spirit and shop for festive gifts and treats made by skilled independent crafters and makers, while enjoying seasonal refreshments from our Café Bar.



 Children must be accompanied by an adult

CAFÉ BARS

Whether you're meeting with friends, family or colleagues, our Café Bars at the Corn Exchange and Old Library are the perfect places to grab a coffee, a loaded sandwich or a sweet treat.

We're pleased to introduce our new loyalty card for teas and coffees at the Corn Exchange and the Old Library! Buy nine teas or coffees at either venue and get your tenth free*. Don't forget to bring your reusable cup for 25p off!

At the Corn Exchange, have you tried our restaurant-quality pizzas yet? From 12pm you can enjoy a delicious twelve-inch, wood-fired Margherita (v), Pepperoni or Ortolana (v) with a choice of toppings such as chorizo crumb, pico de gallo or hot honey. If you're coming to a show, you can pre-order a pizza from your text or the booking pathway when you book a ticket, to enjoy an hour before the show.

Every purchase from our Café Bars supports the work we do. Visit cornexchangenew.com/eating-drinking for up-to-date opening times and menus for both venues.

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PARTY PACKAGES

Book a cinema, dance, drama or craft party with us. Party bags and food options are available. Visit cornexchangenew.com/party-packages for more details.

CINEMA

Tucked away on the top floor of the Corn Exchange is our cosy 40-seat cinema. Open six days a week, we show the best of contemporary and classic cinema, including arthouse, independent, blockbuster and family films, as well as 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 over-60s, **Captioned** and **Subtitled** screenings, monthly **Dementia Friendly** films, **Relaxed** screenings and regular Cinema Club and **Film Club** meets. For families, we have **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



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VENUE HIRE

Planning a celebration or work event? Let us help you make it truly unforgettable! The Corn Exchange Auditorium, Cinema, Balcony Bar and the Old Library are available for hire. With our in-house creative expertise we'll help bring your event to life. Please email hires@cornexchangenew.co.uk



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Old Library

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Newbury
RG14 5DH

Mon – Fri, 10am – 4pm

(check cornexchangenew.com/visit-us for up-to-date times)

For performances, the venue will be open an hour before the performance start time. Please check the website for up-to-date timings.

**The Base Greenham
Communications Road
Greenham Business Park
Greenham
RG19 6HN**

Gallery open Tue – Sun, 10am – 5pm
(except occasional Gallery Lates, see thebasegreenham.co.uk for more info)

TRAVEL

Corn Exchange and Old Library 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; including the Wharf, Newbury Library, 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.

EMAIL US

boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk

DISCOUNTS

Concessions are available on selected shows for: Groups, Under-19s, Senior Citizens, Full-time Students, Universal Credit Claimants, 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 paid exhibitions, workshops and courses at The Base, Greenham this will be £1. 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 for activity at the Corn Exchange and Old Library. No booking fees are payable for our workshops and courses programme at the Old Library.

TERMS

- Tickets are non-refundable except in the case of a cancelled event. Booking fees are non-refundable.
- 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.
- 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 £1 contribution 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.

- All tickets are sold subject to availability and our current terms and conditions.
- We will not tolerate any abusive or aggressive behaviour and reserve the right to ask anyone behaving in this manner to leave and may refuse entry in the future. For full T&Cs please visit cornexchangenew.com/legal

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, Old Library and The Base are accessible by wheelchair.
- The Corn Exchange, Old Library and The Base have accessible toilets.
- 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 email boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk

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