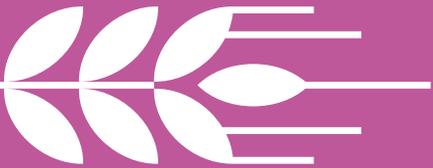


# CORN EXCHANGE NEWBURY



## JANUARY – APRIL

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### SPRING 2025



# WELCOME



**Welcome to another exciting season at the Corn Exchange Newbury!**

As always, we have a huge variety of incredible performances for you to enjoy this spring.

We are continuing our fundraising to refurbish the Old Library in Newbury to become a permanent home for all the creative participation work we deliver locally. This will enable us to expand our delivery to benefit the health and wellbeing of even more local people. Take a look at some of our current workshops and classes such as **Art for Wellbeing** and **Restorative Yoga and Sound Healing** (pg 5 of the Learning Centre brochure). I'd like to personally thank everyone who has donated so far and supported the campaign. We have more fundraising activity to come so keep an eye out for other ways you can support the campaign. For instance in March we have **Newbury Sounds: A Fundraising Concert for the Old Library** (pg 27) – an evening of live music curated by local musician Ben Richardson.

I'm thrilled that we have the privilege of Ad Infinitum returning with their new production **Last Rites** (pg 14) co-commissioned by the Corn Exchange. South Asian dance company, Srishti, also return to our stage with a triple bill of Bharatanatyam and Kathak dance with **Sevens**, (pg 17) choreographed by Nina Rajarani.

In February half term, Little Bulb presents **Four Seasons**, (pg 19) an enchanting and innovative theatre show with themes of nature and the

outside world, featuring mesmerising puppetry, dance and clowning fun.

We're excited to be showcasing two fantastic circus performances this season, the first being **Heka** by Gandini Juggling (pg 20) where juggling and magic connect; followed by Okham's Razor with **Tess** (pg 28) which uses the physicality of circus to present an adaptation of *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*.

In March we have **Trash!**, (pg 24) a unique and energetic offering based around the possibilities of recycling through percussion, movement and humour.

Over at The Base, we are excited to have Turner Prize-nominated Yinka Shonibare CBE with **Ritual Ecstasy of the Modern** (pg 8) on loan from the Cristea Roberts Gallery, showcasing Shonibare's vibrant printmaking practice. Join The Base in celebrating **#NationalCraftMonth** in March and take a look at the incredible range of workshops on offer. They also have a wide range of courses and workshops if you're looking to get creative this spring (pg 8 of The Base brochure).

Don't forget to check out our **Seasonal Socials** (pg 5) taking place in the Balcony Bar. This spring sees a revamp of our Vinyl Sessions with **Rock & Roll**, the perfect opportunity to listen to your favourite music whilst playing your favourite games with like-minded people.

The team have curated an uplifting programme for us and we can't wait to welcome you this spring!

**Jessica Jhundoo-Evans**  
DIRECTOR



# OLD LIBRARY

CREATING A NEW ARTS HUB  
FOR NEWBURY



## WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Help us to create a new arts hub at the Old Library in Newbury to become a permanent home for our creative participation activity, which:

- Reduces social isolation and loneliness
- Improves mental health locally
- Builds young people's confidence and self-esteem



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# CAFÉ BAR



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FULL MENU

Grab a bite to eat or relax with a drink while supporting your local arts community. Our Café and Balcony Bar is 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. By night, it is a cosy hub to enjoy a relaxing beverage or hot drink.

## EATING & DRINKING

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Our Café Bar offers something for everyone, from freshly made paninis and loaded jacket potatoes to delicious homemade sweet treats and pastries, handmade by local baker Camilla's Cakes. Plus, don't forget to bring your reusable cup for a 25p discount on our delicious range of hot drinks. Every purchase at the 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](http://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 vision to life.



## PARTY PACKAGES

Book a dance, drama or craft party with us. Food options are available. Visit our website for more details or email us at [hires@cornexchangenew.co.uk](mailto: hires@cornexchangenew.co.uk) with any enquiries.

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# SEASONAL SOCIALS



Find out more about each of our Seasonal Social events at [cornexchangenew.com/seasonalsocials](http://cornexchangenew.com/seasonalsocials)

## BOOK CLUB

19 Jan, 16 Feb, 16 Mar & 13 Apr

2pm

**Free** (pre-booking required)

Come together to chat about our latest read.

## SKETCHBOOK CLUB

Sundays 11am

**Free** (no booking required)

Grab your sketchbook and enjoy a relaxing morning of creativity every Sunday.

## ROCK & ROLL (NEW)

Sundays 3pm – 6pm

**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. Look out for our bookable one-shots, coming soon!



## POKÉMON CLUB

Third Saturday of the month

10.30am – 1pm

**Free** (no booking required)

Join our monthly meet-up to trade and play with your friends and other Pokémon fans.

## FILM CLUB

22 Jan, 26 Feb & 26 Mar

**£10** (enjoy 10% off food at the Café Bar with your ticket)

Join fellow film fans after the screening for an informal chat in our Balcony Bar.

Please see our website for timings and age guides.



## THEATRE, FILM AND TV QUIZ

29 Jan, 19 Feb, 7 Mar & 11 Apr

7pm

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

**Age Guide** 16+

Rally your friends and family to create the ultimate team to take on our popular quiz nights.

## OPEN MIC NIGHT

2 Feb, 2 Mar & 6 Apr

7pm – 10pm

**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 emailing

[boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk](mailto:boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk)

## CRAFTERNOON TEA (NEW)

Sun 30 Mar 11am

**£49** per person

**Age Guide** 12+

Join artist Shreya Patel in our Balcony Bar for a Macramé workshop where you will get to make your very own plant hanger, followed by a delicious afternoon tea.



Scan to find out more information!

# OUR CINEMA

You may not know, but 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 and family films, blockbusters, and live screenings of theatre, dance and music performances. Our cinema is the perfect place to come to switch off and perhaps enjoy some refreshments 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**. 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](http://cornexchangenew.com/cinema)



## LIVE & ENCORE SCREENINGS

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](http://cornexchangenew.com/cinema)



**ROH LIVE: THE TALES OF HOFFMAN**  
(CERT TBC)

**Wed 15 Jan** 6.45pm



**NT LIVE: THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST**  
(CERT TBC)

**Thu 20 Feb** 7pm



**ROH: SWAN LAKE**  
(12A)

**Thu 27 Feb** 7.15pm

**Sun 2 Mar** 2pm



**ROH: ROMEO AND JULIET**  
(CERT TBC)

**Thu 20 Mar** 7.15pm



**ROH: TURANDOT**  
(CERT TBC)

**Tue 1 Apr** 7.15pm



## GENerate STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

**Fri 10 – Sun 26 Jan**

**Open Wed – Sun, 10am – 5pm**

**Tickets** Free  
(donation on the door)

### Marvel at the next GENERation of artists' creations.

Featuring artworks created by students from local schools, sixth forms and colleges, this curated exhibition showcases and celebrates the imagination and creativity of young artists.



Visit our website  
for all upcoming  
exhibitions, talks  
and events.

# THE BASE

# MASTER CRAFTER

## A CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL CRAFT MONTH

We enjoy crafting and creating all year round at The Base, but March is #NationalCraftMonth, so we're super-sizing our workshops and taking over our Gallery!

From making a **Living Spring Wreath** for your front door to building your own **Willow Frame Basket**, we've got an exciting range of workshops for all to enjoy. We've got some masterclass versions of some of our popular classes and you can even get in the celebratory mood and enjoy an evening of **Paint and Prosecco** with a group of friends.



To see the full list of workshops visit  
[thebasegreenham.co.uk/mastercrafter](http://thebasegreenham.co.uk/mastercrafter)





Courtesy Yinka Shonibare CBE and Cristea Roberts Gallery London © Yinka Shonibare CBE

# YINKA SHONIBARE CBE: RITUAL ECSTASY OF THE MODERN

**Fri 31 Jan – Sun 23 Feb**

**Open Wed – Sun, 10am – 5pm**

**Songs and Stories in the Gallery**

Sat 8 Feb and Thu 13 Feb

**Relaxed day** Thu 6 Feb

**Tickets** £0 Base Pass holder  
(see page 9), £8.25 full price  
[£7.25 concs, £6.50 group 10+,  
£5 students, FREE under-12s]

This vibrant exhibition, on loan from Cristea Roberts Gallery London, showcases Shonibare's evolving printmaking practice over the past seven years.

The globally celebrated artist whose work examines race, class, and constructions of cultural identity, explores the tangled relationships between Africa and Europe. Woodblock prints will be unveiled alongside earlier works featuring the motif of the all-American cowboy and symbols of the British empire.

Turner Prize nominee Shonibare has exhibited in some of the most notable collections internationally – don't miss your chance to see his work in West Berkshire this spring!

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# JANUARY



## VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT FAIR

**COMMUNITY** Sat 11 Jan

10am – 2.30pm

**Tickets** Free  
(no booking required)

If you are interested in volunteering in West Berkshire, then this is the showcase event to attend.

Browse fifty five West Berkshire charities and voluntary sector organisations who are seeking volunteers to support their causes. Chat with charity leaders and volunteers to find out more about the opportunities available and discover which organisations are the right fit for you.

Volunteer Centre staff and volunteers will be on hand to help and guide you.



## RARE PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS WE WILL ROCK YOU

**COMMUNITY**

**Thu 16 & Fri 17 Jan** 7.30pm

**Sat 18 Jan** 2pm & 6.30pm

**Tickets** £15.25 – £23.25

The UK's largest amateur youth musical theatre group makes a return to our stage!

Based on the music of Queen, *We Will Rock You* is set 300 years in the future, where Earth, now 'Planet Mall', is ruled by the Globalsoft Corporation and music is banned. Galileo, a young outsider, hears lyrics in his dreams and joins the Bohemians to find hidden instruments, defying the villainous Killer Queen.



## LEGEND: THE MUSIC OF BOB MARLEY

**MUSIC** Fri 24 Jan 7.45pm

**Tickets** £34.25

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

Direct from a sell-out show at London's Adelphi Theatre, expect an unforgettable evening celebrating this musical icon.

When you think of reggae, there is only one name that comes to mind.

Combining Marley's superb, distinctive vocals with flawless musicianship, a supremely talented cast recreates his timeless hits *Could You Be Loved*, *Is This Love*, *One Love*, *No Woman No Cry*, *Three Little Birds*, *Jammin'*, *Buffalo Soldier* and many more reggae classics.



**HARDER ROCK PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS  
THE UK ROCK SHOW**

**MUSIC** Sat 25 Jan 7.45pm

**Tickets** £29.25

**Running Time** 2hrs 10mins (including interval)

**Get ready to be transported back to the 80s heyday of classic rock.**

Expect fireworks, flames, incredible lighting and exacting attention to detail as this amazing five piece band recreates hits from rock gods such as Journey, Aerosmith, Def Leppard, Bon Jovi, Kiss, AC/DC, Van Halen and many more!

If you are a fan of classic rock, this is the show for you!

**CARL HUTCHINSON:  
TODAY YEARS OLD**

**COMEDY** Thu 30 Jan 7.30pm

**Tickets** £19.75

**Age Guide** 14+

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

**In what has quickly become an annual tradition, Carl is back for a third consecutive back-to-back tour.**

His storytelling skills and ability to hold an audience are second to none. Rich in observations and exaggerated physical comedy, a night out with this Geordie is guaranteed to have you belly laughing from start to finish!

Carl has hosted BBC One's flagship show *The One Show*, and has also appeared on *The Stand Up Sketch Show* (ITV2) and *Stand Up Central* (Comedy Central). He has been heard on BBC Radio 4's *Fred at the Stand* and BBC Radio Scotland's *The Good The Bad and The Unexpected*.

# JANUARY / FEBRUARY



## RE-TAKE THAT

**MUSIC** **Fri 31 Jan** 7.45pm

**Tickets** £34.25

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

**Created by Take That fans, for Take That fans!**

A lot of love and affection has been invested in musicianship, costumes, dance routines, stagecraft and production values to provide audiences with the *greatest day* of their lives. Keeping you *up all night*, it's time to *relight your fire* and let *Re-Take That* entertain you in style. Don't miss out on watching *the world come alive tonight* and book your seats for a night you'll *never forget!*

**'JUST LIKE WATCHING MY MATES ON STAGE,  
BRILLIANT! THE ATTENTION TO DETAIL IS AMAZING'**  
**TAKE THAT'S JASON ORANGE**



## RAVE ON

**MUSIC** **Sat 1 Feb** 7.30pm

**Tickets** £29.25

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

***Rave On* is the 50s and 60s musical sensation sweeping the nation.**

From the emergence of Rock and Roll at Sun Records in Memphis, Tennessee to the British Invasion and beyond, this is a musical adventure you won't want to miss. Charting the meteoric rise of Rock and Roll, *Rave On* is a thrilling tour through music's most revolutionary decades.

Join us for an exhilarating evening of toe-tapping, sing-along classics, vibrant vintage costumes and colourful staging!



LASTHEATRE PRESENTS  
**THE LITTLEST YAK**

**FAMILY** Sun 2 Feb 11am & 1.30pm

**Tickets** £14.25 (€12.25 concs)

**Age Guide** 3+

**Running Time** 55 minutes approx (no interval)

**A rollicking, heart-warming tale for everyone.**

Gertie is great at being the Littlest Yak, with the curliest, whirliest wool and the grippiest of hooves for clip-clopping up cliffs. Only Gertie doesn't want to be little, she wants to grow up! Nominated for four OffWestEnd Awards, LAStheatre's musical adaptation of the award-winning children's book will delight audiences young and old with beautiful puppets, catchy tunes and an uplifting tale of self-acceptance. There is a pre-show workshop available for this show. For more information please visit page 4 of the Learning Centre brochure.



**MAKINGS OF A MURDERER 2:  
THE REAL MANHUNTER**

**TALK** Thu 6 Feb 7.30pm

**Tickets** £30

**Age Guide** 16+

**Running Time** 2hrs 15mins (including interval)

**The UK's top true crime theatre tour is back with a brand-new line-up!**

Senior Investigating Officer Colin Sutton was head of a Metropolitan Police murder squad, catching serial killer Levi Bellfield and 'Night Stalker' Delroy Grant. Join us for a chilling, thrilling night as Colin tells us how he caught some of the UK's most evil murderers.

In this all-new show, Colin, whose story inspired the Martin Clunes ITV drama *Manhunt*, will talk you through his remarkable career and what it is like to chase and catch a serial killer. This one-off night at the theatre is for true crime fans and theatregoers alike.

# AD INFINITUM PRESENTS LAST RITES



Artwork by Martha Hegarty with photos by Mihaela Bodlovc and Camilla Greenwell.

## THEATRE

**Tue 4 & Wed 5 Feb 7.30pm**

**Tickets** £17.25 (€15.25 concs,  
£11 schools)

**Age Guide** 14+

**Running Time** 1hr 5mins  
(no interval)

*Last Rites* is a non-verbal piece of theatre with no spoken words, accessible to deaf, Deaf, hard-of-hearing, and hearing audiences. The performance includes some BSL with creative captions and a soundtrack with heavy use of bass so that it can be felt or heard by audience members.



**'TREMENDOUS' THE GUARDIAN**

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**Told through a Deaf man's unique perspective, this show tells the passionate and poignant story of a complex relationship cut short.**

*Last Rites* combines exciting movement and physical storytelling with dynamic projection and an immersive soundtrack that can be felt and heard.

Travelling from the UK to India, Arjun needs to carry out his father's funeral rites. But how can he perform an ancient Hindu practice that was never passed on? In life, his father wouldn't learn sign language, but in death Arjun needs to find a way to say goodbye. He creates his own intimate, final ceremony that brings to life a rich tapestry of shared memories.

Internationally acclaimed theatre makers Ramesh Meyyappan and George Mann collaborate for the first time in multi-award-winning theatre company Ad Infinitum's (*Translunar Paradise* ★★★★★ The Observer, *Light* ★★★★★ The Times), moving new performance celebrating the transformative power of grief and parenthood.

*Last Rites* is made possible through funding from Arts Council England and Bristol City Council and co-commissioned by London International Mime Festival, Derby Theatre and Corn Exchange Newbury. This production is supported by Paul and Joanna Pearson.

AVALON PRESENTS

# THE COMEDY NETWORK

DIFFERENT LINE UP EACH NIGHT!



COMEDY

Fri 7 Feb & Fri 4 Apr 8pm

Tickets £16.25 (€14.25 concs)

Age Guide 18+ only

Running Time 2hrs 20mins  
(including interval)

**The Comedy Network returns for a club night showcasing the best fresh talent!**

Avalon's *The Comedy Network* exists to bring a roadshow of comedic brilliance to your doorstep. *The Comedy Network* has been a proving ground for the biggest names in British comedy, with the likes of Lee Mack, Russell Howard, Jenny Eclair, Ed Gamble and Lou Sanders all having cut their teeth on the Network circuit. Previous line-ups have included Simon Brodtkin, 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*.

**February's line-up includes:** Pierre Novellie, Huge Davies, Sarah Roberts and compered by Sally-Anne Hayward.

**April's line-up includes:** Ian Smith, Dave Chawner, Horatio Gould and compered by Eleanor Tiernan.

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

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# FEBRUARY



## MERCURY

**MUSIC** Sat 8 Feb 7.45pm

**Tickets** £29.25

**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* guarantees an unforgettable night of music and tells 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 the incredible vocal range required to portray one of the most iconic frontmen of all time.



## OMID DJALILI: NAMASTE

**COMEDY** Sun 9 Feb 8pm

**Tickets** £30.25

**Age Guide** 16+

**Running Time** 1hr 30mins (including interval)

**The Persian comedy powerhouse performs his critically acclaimed new show, *Namaste*.**

Omid peacefully bows to his inner anger and unleashes a torrent of comedic bitterness upon the current state of this dangerously messed up planet.

No government gets a green card. No tyrant avoids a take down. No audience member leaves the theatre with an ounce of laughter left in them.

You have been warned...

Support comes from Fringe favourite and former BBC Radio 4 star, Boothby Graffoe.

**'SO HYSTERICALLY FUNNY AND AT THE SAME TIME SO POIGNANT AND POWERFUL THAT CALLING IT STAND-UP BARELY DOES IT JUSTICE.'**

**MICHAEL LEVIN, HUFFINGTON POST**

# SRISHTI – NINA RAJARANI DANCE CREATIONS PRESENTS SEVENS



**DANCE**

**Wed 12 Feb 7.30pm**

**Tickets** £18.25 (€16.25 concs,  
£11 schools)

**Running Time** 1hr 30mins  
(including interval)

**A triple bill from one of the UK's leading choreographers of Indian Dance.**

*Sevens* is a triple bill of dance pieces, featuring Nina Rajarani MBE, as well as four Bharatanatyam and Kathak dancers and three musicians performing ensemble work.

*Seven Snags* is the choreographic equivalent of an obstacle race. This fast-paced flirtatious ensemble piece is rhythmic, full of exciting dynamics and laced with challenging cross-rhythms.

*Seven Steps*, a duet by Nina and vocalist/composer Y Yadavan, is based on 'saptapadi' (seven steps), the most important rite of a Hindu marriage ceremony, where the couple take a vow with each step. Beautiful, simple and timeless, the vows are remarkably practical and egalitarian.

*Seven Sins* is a thought-provoking, nuanced piece about the age-old concept of rights and wrongs, challenging our perceptions of what has come to pass as social norms.

Nina Rajarani MBE is an award-winning choreographer of classical Indian dance with almost 35 years of experience as a dance-maker. She fuels traditions of Bharatanatyam and Kathak with a love for storytelling and a firm desire to reflect contemporary life in her productions.

**Box Office 01635 522733**

## FEBRUARY



### WALK RIGHT BACK: THE EVERLY BROTHERS STORY

**MUSIC** Thu 13 Feb 7.45pm

**Tickets** £29.25

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

Immerse yourself in a wave of pure rock and roll nostalgia with this successful duo!

Brace yourself for a thrilling journey from The Everly Brothers' roots in Kentucky to their glorious reunion at London's Royal Albert Hall, boasting signature guitar riffs and those unforgettable harmonies. Featuring hits like *Bye Bye Love*, *Wake Up Little Susie* and *All I Have To Do Is Dream*, each rendition is performed with infectious energy and captures the heartfelt essence of The Everly Brothers.



### KNIGHTMARE LIVE 10TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR

**COMEDY** Sat 15 Feb 7.30pm

**Tickets** £19.25

**Age Guide** 10+

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

Light the beacons, rouse the villagers! Gather all your courage, for the smash-hit comedy show of the 90s TV cult classic!

Dare you face the perils of the dungeon? Bloodthirsty goblins, terrifying traps and worst of all... some tricky word puzzles! Sidestep left into adventure as dungeon master Treguard opens the doors once more for the very special, 10th anniversary tour of this hilarious homage to the TV show that dared to say, what if we put children in a helmet and led them to their death?

Starring Tom Bell (*The Mash Report*) and Paul Flannery (*Ghosts of Darkness*).

★★★★★  
**'SPELLCASTING A-W-E-S-O-M-E'**  
**THE INDEPENDENT**



LITTLE BULB PRESENTS  
**FOUR SEASONS**

**FAMILY**

**Fri 21 Feb 2.30pm**

**Sat 22 & Sun 23 Feb**

**11.30am & 2.30pm**

**Tickets** £14.25

**Age Guide** 3+

**Running Time** 45 minutes  
(no interval)

*Four Seasons* is a theatrical love letter to nature for children and their families.

Join our fearless team of magical gardeners as they tend to the marvellous menagerie of flora and fauna at every stage of nature's miraculous journey. *Four Seasons* is a celebration of the wonder and weirdness of nature and our place within it, all set to an exciting score of seasonally inspired tracks including, of course, Vivaldi's iconic piece. Expect an enchanting and innovative theatre performance featuring puppetry, physical theatre and clowning fun – everything we've come to expect from Olivier Award-winning Little Bulb (*Hibernation*, *CBeebies' The Nutcracker*).

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GANDINI JUGGLING PRESENTS

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# HEKA



**CIRCUS**

**Tue 25 Feb 7pm**

**Tickets** £17.25 (£15.25 concs)

**Age Guide** 8+

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

## Everything is not as it seems.

Drawing inspiration from the intricate connection between juggling and magic, *Heka* transports audiences into a mesmerising realm where reality blurs with illusion. *Heka* transcends boundaries, inviting spectators on a journey where objects materialise and vanish, levitate, and transform before their eyes. Yet beneath the surface lies a tantalising question: what is real and what is merely a trick of perception?

Embracing elements of contemporary choreography, *Heka* reimagines magic through the lens of repetition, counterpoint, and misdirection. Conversely, it explores how magic principles can inform choreographic expression, challenging conventional notions of performance.

Above all it is a celebration of the silliness and absurdity of entertainment; a homage to the delights of the absurd.

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PHIL MCINTYRE LIVE LTD PRESENTS  
**ED BYRNE: TRAGEDY PLUS TIME**

COMEDY **Thu 27 Feb** 7.30pm

**Tickets** £34.75

**Age Guide** 14+

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

From the quote attributed to Mark Twain, humour is defined as *tragedy plus time*. Come and join Ed as he tests that formula by mining the most tragic event in his life for laughs.

Edinburgh Fringe 2023 was a bumper 5-star review year for Ed. They came in thick and fast alongside outstanding critical acclaim for this exceptionally funny, 'Best Reviewed Stand Up Show at Edinburgh 2023' (British Comedy Guide).

As seen hosting *Live at the Apollo* and regular appearances on *QI* and *Mock the Week*.



**'HILARIOUS...VERGING ON GREATNESS'**

**ROLLING STONE**



**SHAPARAK KHORSANDI:  
 SCATTERBRAIN**

COMEDY **Fri 28 Feb** 8pm

**Tickets** £19.25

**Age Guide** 14+

**Running Time** 1hr 40mins (including interval)

Khorsandi offers a vivid, candid portrayal of what it is like to live with ADHD.

Having reassessed her life through the prism of an ADHD diagnosis in last year's funny and moving memoir, one of Britain's most beloved and most scatterbrained stand-ups lets you back into her mind (warning: it's cluttered in there).

Among other things, this show will be a love-letter to letter-writing, a trip back through her early years as a comic and woman-about-town, and a whirlwind tour of a chaotic, hilarious brain.

**'SHE HAS PLENTY TO SAY, AND SAYS IT WITH POINTEDNESS AND POTENCY'**

**THE GUARDIAN**

# MARCH



## THE BON JOVI EXPERIENCE

**MUSIC** Sat 1 Mar 7.45pm

**Tickets** £29.75

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

**Celebrating 30 years on the road, get ready to rock through an unforgettable journey!**

Immerse yourself in a phenomenal celebration of Bon Jovi's timeless classics with the only show to be endorsed by Jon Bon Jovi himself.

Enjoy all the classics such as *Livin' on a Prayer*, *Always, It's My Life*, *You Give Love a Bad Name*, *Bad Medicine* and many more. Whether you're a lifelong Jon Bon Jovi devotee or a new fan seeking an unforgettable night out, this show promises an experience like no other!



## NICK COPE: I'VE LOST MY BOBBLE HAT!

**FAMILY** Sun 2 Mar 2pm

**Tickets** £18.25 (£17.25 concs, £1 babe-in-arms ticket for children under 18 months)

**Age Guide** 3+

**Running Time** 1hr 10mins (no interval)

**Help Nick find his beloved bobble hat in this fun-filled musical hour.**

Nick Cope has been writing and recording his beautiful and unique songs for children and their families for over 10 years.

His fanatical following of little and not so little fans has grown immeasurably over the last couple of years due to the phenomenal success of the CBeebies show *Nick Cope's Popcast*, now in its third series.

Nick has a magical way of reaching into people's hearts, igniting children's imagination in an organic, unpatronising, educational and fun way. If you haven't heard his songs or seen his shows before, come along and find out what you've been missing.



ZOIELOGIC DANCE THEATRE  
PRESENTS  
**MANMADE**

COMMUNITY

**Tue 4 Mar** 7pm

**Tickets** £10.75

Join us for a celebration of boys' dance and local talent.

*ManMade* is an all-male youth dance platform that brings together young people from both primary and secondary schools across Newbury.

First launched in 2010, *ManMade* has brought together over 1,400 students who develop their performance skills and creative expression.



**GEORGE BENSON: GIVE ME THE NIGHT**

MUSIC **Thu 6 Mar** 7.45pm

**Tickets** £34.25

**Running Time** 2 hours (including interval)

It's time to *throw out all your blues and hit the city lights* for a night of George Benson classics!

Pay tribute to the American soul superstar who helped make R'n'B soul what it is today. Celebrating the music of soul legend George Benson, *Give Me the Night* brings you hit after hit with favourites like *Never Give up on a Good Thing*, *Love X Love*, *Lady Love Me (One More Time)*, *Shiver*, *The Greatest Love of All* and *Turn Your Love Around*.

Starring world-renowned leading man Nat Augustin, this show is not to be missed.

# MARCH



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## YLLANA THEATRE & TÖTEM COMPANY PRESENT **TRASH!**

**VARIETY**

**Wed 5 Mar** 7.30pm

**Tickets** £30.25

**Running Time** 1hr 45mins  
(including interval)

A fun, musical show for all ages with high-voltage percussion, comic performances and more hi-vis jackets than bin day.

*TRASH!* is a high-energy dumpster dive.

It takes place in a garbage recycling centre, where four creative workers give new life to all kinds of waste using percussion, movement and slapstick.

Butane bottles, umbrellas, balls, tool boxes, horns, bin bags... these guys turn everything into colourful musical sketches full of wit and humour. This is trash turned into treasure.

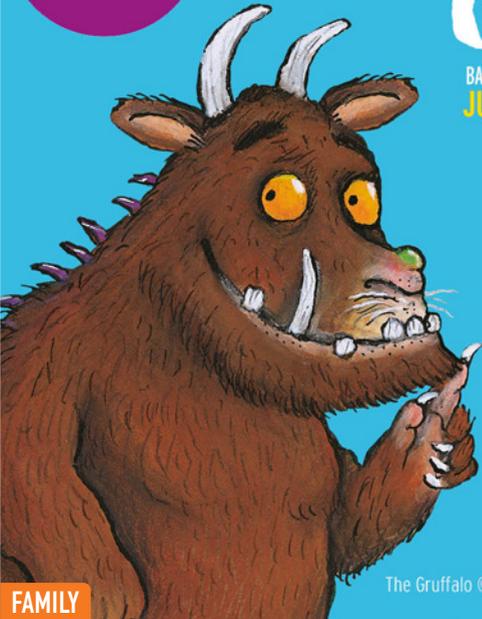
**'TRASH! IS A UNIQUE AND UNFORGETTABLE THEATRICAL EXPERIENCE THAT LEAVES A LASTING IMPRESSION ON ALL WHO SEE IT'**

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# THE GRUFFALO

BASED ON THE NATION'S FAVOURITE PICTURE BOOK BY  
**JULIA DONALDSON** AND **AXEL SCHEFFLER**



**LIVE**  
ON STAGE

★★★★★  
 'IRRESISTIBLY  
 CHARMING'  
 The Sunday Times

★★★★★  
 'AN ABSOLUTE  
 DELIGHT'  
 Scotsman

The Gruffalo © Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler 1999 - Macmillan Children's Books

**FAMILY**  
**Fri 7 Mar**

**1.30pm (BSL Interpreted and Relaxed Performance) & 4.30pm**

**Sat 8 & Sun 9 Mar**

**11am & 2pm**

**Tickets** £16.25 (€14.25 child, £59 family of four)

**Age Guide** 3+

**Running Time** 55 minutes (no interval)

★★★★★  
 'A FINE PIECE OF CHILDREN'S  
 THEATRE.'  
**SUNDAY TIMES**

**Songs, laughs and monstrous fun for children aged 3 and above and their grown-ups.**

Join Mouse on a daring adventure through the deep, dark wood in Tall Stories' magical, musical adaptation of the classic picture book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler – which celebrated 25 years in 2024!

Searching for hazelnuts, Mouse meets the cunning Fox, the eccentric old Owl and the high-spirited Snake. Will the story of the terrifying Gruffalo save Mouse from ending up as dinner for these hungry woodland creatures? After all, there's no such thing as a Gruffalo – is there?

There is a pre-show workshop available for this show. For more information please visit page 4 of the Learning Centre brochure.

BLACK EYED THEATRE PRESENTS

# DRACULA

**THEATRE**

**Tue 11 & Wed 12 Mar**

**7.30pm**

**Tickets** £26 (£23 concs)

**Age Guide** 12+

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

**'ONE OF THE MOST INNOVATIVE,  
AUDACIOUS COMPANIES  
WORKING IN CONTEMPORARY  
ENGLISH THEATRE'**

**THE STAGE**

Adapted by Nick Lane, this brilliant, theatrical treatment of Bram Stoker's adventure blends Victorian Gothic with the contemporary, showcasing Blackeyed Theatre's trademark ensemble performance style.

The year is 1897. Mankind is on the cusp of vast technological change, scientific mastery and media innovation. But poised between traditional beliefs, the threat of the unknown and the shock of the new world, an altogether darker fear is emerging. As a new shadow looms large over England, a small group of young men and women, led by Professor Van Helsing, are plunged into an epic struggle for survival.

Stretching from London, through provincial England, to the mountainous wastes of Transylvania, Bram Stoker's timeless gothic thriller embodies the struggle to break taboos, resist temptation and stop the unknown outside from becoming the enemy within.

*Dracula* features a haunting soundscape, powerful performance and innovative design for an exhilarating theatrical experience.



## MILES JUPP: ON I BANG

**COMEDY** Thu 13 Mar 8pm

**Tickets** £25

**Age Guide** 16+

**Running Time** 2 hours (including interval)

Following a sold out 2024 performance, Miles Jupp returns to the Corn Exchange with his tale about surprise, fear, luck, love and qualified medical practitioners.

On one sunny day, Miles suddenly suffered a brain seizure. This led to the discovery of a tumour the size of a cherry tomato, and a rather pressing need to undergo major neurosurgery. Obviously, one doesn't wish to make a big deal of it, but the experience has left him with a story to tell and a few things that he'd like to share with the room.



**'JOYFUL SHOW ABOUT NEAR-DEATH IS HIS BEST YET'**  
**THE TIMES**

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

**FUNDRAISING** Fri 14 Mar 7pm

**Tickets** £14.75

All proceeds go towards the Old Library Campaign

Join us for an exciting evening of original music in aid of the Old Library Campaign.

This event, curated by Ben Richardson and his band A Dirty Soul, will unite the Newbury music scene with the Sion Whiley Band performing alongside more acts, to be confirmed.

Come and support local original music whilst also raising money for the Old Library campaign!

Find out more at [cornexchangenew.com/oldlibrary](https://cornexchangenew.com/oldlibrary)

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OCKHAM'S RAZOR PRESENTS

# TESS

CIRCUS

Tue 18 & Wed 19 Mar 7.30pm

**Tickets** £24.25 (€16.25 concs, £11 schools)

**Age Guide** 12+

**Running Time** 2 hours  
(including interval)

★★★★★  
**'FULL OF JOY, WONDER AND DELIGHT.'**

THE GUARDIAN

*Tess* is a groundbreaking adaptation of Thomas Hardy's classic novel *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*.

An ensemble of performers weave together Hardy's words and the extreme physicality of circus to tell this tale of power, loss and endurance.

Against a backdrop of projections, the cast wield wooden planks, climb shifting walls and move through ropes and swathes of linen to evoke the vast landscapes and interior worlds of Hardy's Wessex.

It is a story which still has extraordinary relevance for our times in its incredibly nuanced evocation of female relationships, sexual desire, consent, privilege and poverty.

This retelling captures the beauty, heartbreak and yearning of the novel and draws upon the incredible strength of the circus body to create a Tess as heroic as Hardy intended.



## DANIEL O'REILLY: OUT OF CHARACTER

COMEDY Sat 15 Mar 8pm

Tickets £29.25

Age Guide 16+

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

Daniel O'Reilly is still boasting one of the most loyal and fastest growing social media followings in the UK.

He has had many characters, but for this live show he's going *Out Of Character* as he brings the laughs and looks back on the mischief, the mistakes and the madness of his career so far.

From losing it all, battling addiction and becoming a father, he's been on a rollercoaster and wants you to come for a ride with him. So grab your tickets now and make sure you've got your seat belt on!



## THE OVERTONES: UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

MUSIC Thu 20 Mar 7.45pm

Tickets £30.25 (£18.25 under-16s)

Running Time 2 hours (including interval)

See the No.1 vocal harmony group perform classics as well as their original hits!

The four piece have racked up multi-platinum record sales, released 10 albums and sold out 11 UK tours – firmly establishing them as one of the UK's most popular and prolific live acts. Best known for their exquisite vocals, incredible harmonies, perfectly timed dance moves and distinctive style.

Expect a non-stop party from start to finish featuring songs for all the family, from original hits like *Gambling Man* through to classic songs by artists such as The Drifters, Stevie Wonder, Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons plus some brand-new tracks. Join them for a night to remember!

# MARCH



## QUEENZ: DRAG ME TO THE DISCO!

**MUSIC** Sat 22 Mar 4pm & 8pm

**Tickets** £29.25

**Age Guide** 14+

**Running Time** 2hrs 10mins (including interval)

### Queenz are back with a brand-new show!

Join the gals for an electrifying live vocal drag-stravaganza, where dancing Queenz and disco dreams collide for the party of a lifetime. After two trailblazing years of touring the country, a run in London's West End, and accumulating countless 5-star reviews, Queenz has rapidly ascended as one of the world's most successful drag shows.

Featuring more sequins and surprises than ever before, the gals are ready to drag you to the disco and serve up the ultimate celebration of powerhouse popstars and dazzling disco divas.

**'BEAUTIFUL, FUN & VITAL'**  
**THE SCOTSMAN**

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## NT CONNECTIONS: NORMALISED

**COMMUNITY** Tue 25 & Wed 26 Mar 7pm

**Tickets** £9

**Age Guide** 14+

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

### The Corn Exchange Intermediate Youth Theatre takes to the stage.

Connections is the National Theatre's annual nationwide youth theatre festival, championing the talent of young people from across the UK.

Each year the National Theatre commissions ten new plays for young people, combining some of the UK's most exciting writers with the theatre-makers of tomorrow.

This year's production is *Normalised* by Amanda Verlaque.

When an environmental campaign is the catalyst for protecting an LGBTQIA+ shrine, a group of friends must confront what comes first – friends, or family. As the stakes rise, the battle lines are drawn between being loyal, being an ally, and what does 'normal' really mean anyway?

**CONNECTIONS**



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DEGREES OF ERROR PRESENTS

# MURDER SHE DIDN'T WRITE: IMPROVISED MURDER MYSTERY

**THEATRE** Thu 27 Mar 7.30pm

**Tickets** £24.25 (£22.25 concs)

**Age Guide** 12+

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

★★★★★  
**'HILARIOUS... THE SHOW IS  
A RIOT'**  
**SCOTTISH DAILY MAIL**

**Don your deerstalker, grab your magnifying glass and get your 'finger of suspicion' at the ready!**

Edinburgh Fringe favourites, Degrees of Error, are bringing back their multiple sell-out show for your sleuthing pleasure. They'll create a classic murder mystery on-the-spot in this ingenious improvised comedy. You, the audience, become the author as the cast acts out your very own Agatha Christie-inspired masterpiece live on stage. At each show this extraordinarily talented company uses audience suggestions to create a unique, original and extremely comical murder mystery just for you. All you have to do... is solve it!

Ms Gold poisoned at a synchronised swimming gala? Dr Blue exploded by cannon during a hot air balloon race? Professor Violet crushed to death at a *Love Island* recoupling? You decide! But will you guess whodunnit before the killer is revealed?

**Box Office** 01635 522733

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TBC PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

# IN OTHER WORDS

**THEATRE** **Fri 28 Mar** 7.30pm

**Tickets** £18.25 (€16.25 concs)

**Age Guide** 12+

**Running Time** 1hr 15mins  
(no interval)

★★★★★  
**'BEAUTIFUL'**  
**THEATRE WEEKLY**

**A heartfelt and humorous love story intertwined with Frank Sinatra's music, highlighting the impact of Alzheimer's disease and the healing power of music.**

They call it 'the incident' now. What happened when they first met. He always said it was part of his 'romantic plan', but they both know that's rubbish.

Connected by the music of Frank Sinatra, this intimate, humorous and deeply moving love story explores the effects of Alzheimer's disease and the transformative power of music to help us remember the past, connect with the present and hope for the future.

*In Other Words* has more than 20 five and four-star reviews and has been seen by over 300,000 people in multiple languages across the globe. It is the English language original of four times Moliere Award-winning phenomenon *Oublie Moi*.



## BILLY BILLINGHAM: ALWAYS A LITTLE FURTHER

**TALK** Tue 1 Apr 7.30pm

**Tickets** £37.25

**Age Guide** 14+

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

Spend an extraordinary evening with chief instructor on Channel 4's *SAS: Who Dares Wins*, Paratrooper, decorated SAS leader, and bodyguard to Hollywood superstars.

Billy Billingham MBE QCB has seen extreme combat and gruelling missions aplenty. In this evening he will share his incredible, inspirational story. Educating, entertaining, and enthralling in equal measure and with the chance to pose your questions to the man himself, this event will inspire those wishing to seek a challenge and conquer it – the SAS way.



## THE CAVERN BEATLES

**MUSIC** Thu 3 Apr 7.45pm

**Tickets** £30.25

**Running Time** 2 hours (including interval)

Take a *Magical History Tour* through the works of the world's greatest pop music phenomenon, The Beatles.

Featuring a group of multi-talented instrumentalists and singers, all of whom are hugely dedicated Beatles fans, experience the uncanny vocal resemblance to the Fab Four, a marker of their upbringing in the same place... Liverpool.

This new tour will celebrate The Beatles' touring years spanning from 1963 through to 1966.



## MARK STEEL: THE LEOPARD IN MY HOUSE

**COMEDY** Sat 5 Apr 8pm

**Tickets** £20.25

**Age Guide** 14+

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

**Award-winning comedian Mark Steel brings his show to Newbury.**

A brand-new show from Sony and Writers' Guild Award-winning comedian Mark Steel, best known for his critically acclaimed BBC Radio 4 show *Mark Steel's in Town*.

Mark has presented the BAFTA-nominated *Mark Steel Lectures* for BBC Two, and is a regular on BBC 1's *Have I Got News for You* and BBC Radio 4's *The News Quiz*. He has also written several acclaimed books and hosts the hit podcast *What The F\*\*\* Is Going On...?*



## WHIPPED UP!

**FAMILY** Sun 6 Apr 10.30am, 12pm & 2pm

**Tickets** £13.25 1 adult and 1 baby  
(£6.75 additional adults)

**Age Guide** 2 months – 2 years

**Running Time** 50 minutes  
(including 20 minutes of play time)

**Join us at the smallest diner in town, where babies are the customers in a sensory comedy show!**

*Whipped Up!* follows Dottie, an eager-to-please 50's-style diner server on their first day on the job – where the baby is the customer, and caregivers are along for the ride. As the server waits on their demanding clientele (imagine babies doing what babies do best – creating adorable chaos!) the server grows increasingly frazzled – and more and more entertaining! Stimulating for tiny audience members with sensory play served up throughout the show, and hilarious for parents/adults watching their loved ones take on roles in an unfolding comedy.



## MARCUS BRIGSTOCKE: VITRUVIAN MANGO

**COMEDY** Tue 8 Apr 8pm

**Tickets** £19.25

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

The master of satirical comedy comes to Newbury!

What are men for? Most heavy things can be lifted by machines, most problems can be solved by computers and most puddles can be crossed without us gallantly draping our capes over them – so are we fellas of any use at all?

Marcus Brigstocke thinks we might still serve some useful function. But what is it? This new tour show will resolve the entire issue once and for all (in a non-patriarchal, open-minded, progressive sort of way).



## ROOM ON THE BROOM

**FAMILY** Thu 10 Apr 1.30pm & 4pm

Fri 11 Apr & Sat 12 Apr 11am & 1.30pm

Sun 13 Apr 11am (relaxed performance)

**Tickets** £16.25 (£14.25 concs, £59 family of four)

**Age Guide** 3+

**Running Time** 55 minutes (no interval)

Based on the best-selling book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler.

*Iggety ziggety zaggety zoom!* Jump on board the broom with the witch and her cat.

The witch and her cat are travelling on their broomstick when they pick up some hitch-hikers – a friendly dog, a beautiful green bird and a frantic frog. But this broomstick's not meant for five and – CRACK – it snaps in two... just as the hungry dragon appears!

Will there ever be room on the broom for everyone? Find out in the magical Olivier Award-nominated show for everyone aged 3 and up.

There will be a pre-show workshop available for this show, for more information please visit page 4 of the Learning Centre brochure.

*Room on the Broom* © Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler 2002 – Macmillan Children's Books

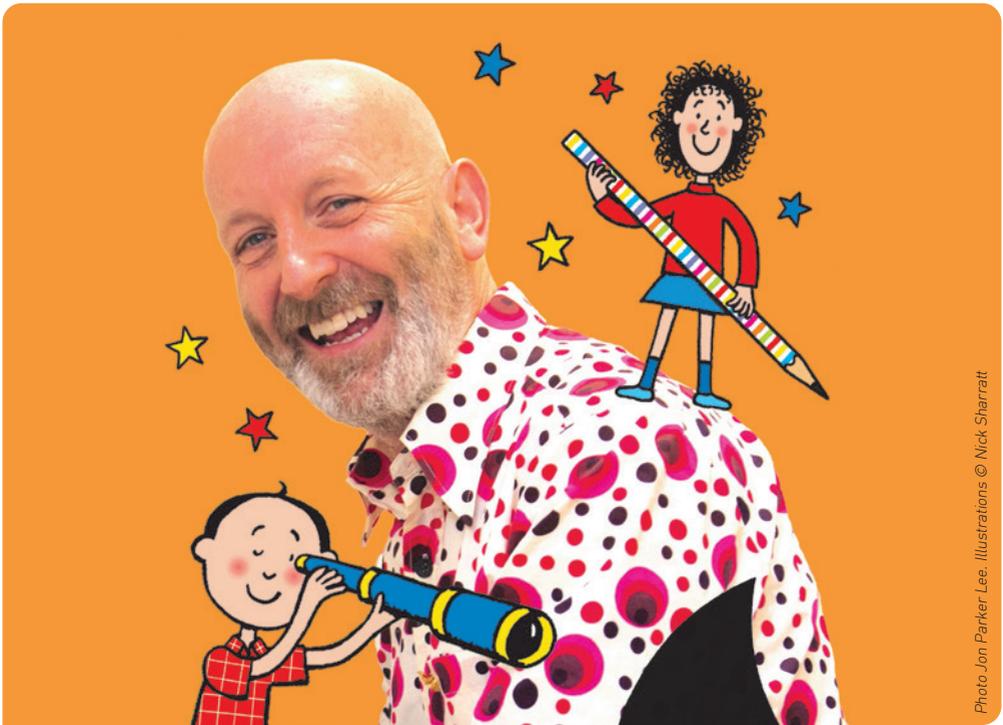


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# NICK SHARRATT'S PICTURE BOOK DRAWALONG

**FAMILY**

**Tue 15 Apr** 2pm

**Tickets** £15.75  
(£12.75 under-18s)

**Age Guide** 4+  
(children under-14 must be accompanied by an adult)

**Running Time** 1hr 15mins  
(no interval)

Join much-loved children's writer and illustrator Nick Sharratt in a family-friendly, fun-filled drawalong for all ages.

He'll be taking a look at some of his favourite books, showing you how to create characters like Tracy Beaker and Timothy Pope, sharing ways to invent your own crazy creatures and giving loads of top tips as you draw along with him.

Nick has illustrated close to 300 books including the much-loved *You Choose*, *Shark in the Park* and *Pants* series.

He's worked with authors including Julia Donaldson, Michael Rosen and Kes Gray, and he's also illustrated lots of Dame Jacqueline Wilson's phenomenally popular children's novels. Nick's been awarded a gold Blue Peter badge too!

Bring pencils, paper and something to lean on and expect plenty of chances to join in. There will also be signed books for sale!



**MARK THOMPSON PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS  
SCIENCE MUSEUM THE LIVE  
STAGE SHOW**

**FAMILY** **Wed 16 Apr** **2.30pm & 4.30pm**

**Tickets** £18.75 (£17.75 under-18s, £69 family of 4)

**Age Guide** Suitable for all ages

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

**The Science Museum is hitting the road!**

Experience the brand-new stage show, which will ignite your curiosity, fuel your imagination and inspire you in exciting ways.

This unmissable family production is sure to capture the imagination of young and old alike and teach you something new and exciting too.

**POWER BALLADS**

**MUSIC** **Thu 17 Apr** **7.45pm**

**Tickets** £28.75

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

*Power Ballads* brings the greatest rock anthems of all time to Newbury, with big hair and even bigger voices!

Enjoy hit after hit by Rainbow, Heart, Whitesnake, Bon Jovi, Bryan Adams, Aerosmith Tina Turner, Alannah Myles and many more!

For fans who experienced the iconic anthems in the heyday and younger generations alike, audiences are in for an unforgettable night of rocking riffs, dazzling lights and the biggest sing-along choruses of all time.



## SWEENEY ENTERTAINMENTS PRESENT POP PRINCESSES

**FAMILY** Sat 19 Apr 1pm & 6pm

**Tickets** £21.50 (£29.50 VIP – includes meet and greet)

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

### A magical show where beautiful princesses become pop stars!

The children's pop concert with a big difference. The four fabulous fairy tale Princesses return to Newbury with their new show.

Featuring a soundtrack of top pop hits from artists such as Taylor Swift, Meghan Trainor, Miley Cyrus, Dua Lipa and Lizzo, plus a few of the best songs from all your favourite films and musicals. Come and join the fun!



## THE PHANTOMS: STARRING LEE MEAD

**MUSIC** Wed 23 Apr 7.30pm

**Tickets** £36 (£33 concs)

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

### Experience spellbinding West End vocals in one evening of incredible music.

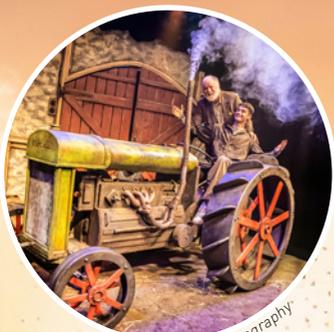
*The Phantoms* takes you on a magical journey through iconic shows such as *Les Misérables*, *Miss Saigon*, *West Side Story*, *Joseph*, and of course *The Phantom of the Opera*.

Featuring former *Phantoms* direct from the West End production of *The Phantom of the Opera* alongside West End and TV star Lee Mead, the sensational cast take you on a journey through the best of the West End, Broadway and beyond. Expect modern-day smash-hits to unbeatable classics.

Plus, discover how Lee Mead went from the dressing rooms of *Phantom* to the living rooms of the nation on his way to winning BBC's *Any Dream Will Do*.

LICHFIELD GARRICK PRESENTS

# MICHAEL MORPURGO'S FARM BOY



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**FAMILY**

**Tue 22 Apr** 1.30pm & 4pm

**Tickets** £16.25 (€14.25 concs,  
€55 family of 4)

**Age Guide** 8+

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

Following successful UK tours and a critically acclaimed run in New York, Michael Morpurgo's compelling sequel to *War Horse* returns to our stage.

It sometimes felt as though time had stood still down on the farm – the old Fordson tractor quietly rusting away at the back of the barn, Grandpa tending his chickens – that is, until the summer his grandson came to stay, and the old man started sharing stories.

Michael Morpurgo's *Farm Boy* takes to the stage in this delightful, family-friendly show combining drama, storytelling, and original music.

**Box Office** 01635 522733

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## JUST MY IMAGINATION: THE MUSIC OF THE TEMPTATIONS

**MUSIC** **Fri 25 Apr** 7.45pm

**Tickets** £29.75

**Running Time** 2 hours (including interval)

Get ready to embark on a musical journey with first-class vocals and musicianship, authentic costumes and mesmerising choreography.

Celebrating 60 years since the release of the unforgettable smash-hit *My Girl*, party to the timeless sounds of the 'Classic Five' that defined a generation; guaranteed to transport you back in time to a world of music, memories and pure soul!

This hugely talented cast of dynamic West End performers brings the music of the 'Number 1 Group in the History of Rhythm and Blues' to the stage with signature hits such as *Papa Was a Rollin' Stone*, *Get Ready* and many more.



## TWO MAGPIES PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS DUCK

**THEATRE** **Wed 30 Apr** 7.30pm

**Tickets** £14.25 (£12.25 concs)

**Age Guide** 12+

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

**A gripping coming of age drama.**

It's the summer of 2005, and Ismail, 'Smiley' to his friends, is about to become the youngest-ever player in his elite public school's First XI cricket team. He sets his sights on immortality – breaking the school batting record and getting his name into Wisden. Things are about to heat up.

From award-winning playwright maatin, *Duck* is about adolescence, the pressures of sporting competition, and finding your identity in an environment that doesn't cater for difference.



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Centre & The Base brochure.

## TRAVEL

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](http://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

[boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk](mailto:boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk)

## 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.
- Tickets for babies up to 18 months cost 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 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. For full T&Cs please visit [cornexchangenew.com/legal](http://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, 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](http://cornexchangenew.com/access) or e-mail [boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk](mailto:boxoffice@cornexchangenew.co.uk)

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