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What's On

Arts & Culture in and around the borough of Richmond upon Thames

May 2024

The Arts Richmond newsletter

Arts Richmond May Picnic



Returning by popular demand, this year's May Fair Picnic promises to be one of our best with a wonderful speaker, live entertainment and super raffle prizes. We are thrilled that Roxanna Panufnik, one of our Presidents, will be the star of our May Picnic, which will be held in the May Fair Marquee on Richmond Green on Sunday 12 May.

Roxanna, the celebrated composer, will be talking about her Coronation commission, 'Sanctus', sharing with us her inspiration and creative process.

It will be fascinating to hear about how she tapped into her musical creativity and what steps she had to take in order to bring a superb piece of music to such an auspicious occasion as the Coronation of King Charles III.

Bring your friends and your best picnic and enjoy a very special afternoon together! Unreserved seats at a table £20. A table reserved for 10 people £180. Arts Richmond Members get 10%. Checkout code provided separately. You can book your tickets by going to the Try Booking website link: www.trybooking.com/uk/event s/landing/56334? or by going to the Arts Richmond website: artsrichmond.org.uk/artsrichmond-events and clicking on the Arts Richmond Picnic item. Do join us at one of the highlights of the summer! artsrichmond.org.uk

Showcoach

<u>June</u>

Trip to St Albans and Chenies Manor

July

A possible trip to Chichester Festival Theatre

September

guided walking tour around the Temple Church

November

Visit to Kenwood House and to Gatehouse Theatre Highgate

Details on

www.artsrichmond.org.uk

THE AFFORDABLE ART TENT IS BACK 2024

At Richmond May Fair on Saturday 11 May and at Kew Fair on Saturday 22 June.

Artists are invited to sell through us up to four pieces of their work. Each piece must not exceed £100 and the artist must either be a member of Arts Richmond or a member of one of our Affiliated Groups.

Arts Richmond will accept up to 4 pieces of artwork from each artist for both fairs at £4.00 per piece. We will then take the art

work to both fairs to give them two chances of getting sold. There will be a 20% commission for each sale made. To see a list of our affiliations please go

to: https://artsrichmond.org.uk/ our-affiliates

If you are not already a member of Arts Richmond you can join now at:

https://artsrichmond.org.uk/joi n-us

Artwork can be delivered to the Arts Richmond Office at Room 21, The ETNA Community Centre TW1 2AR on the following dates:
Monday 29 April to Friday 10 May between 9.30am and 12.30pm. We will keep the artwork until after the Kew date and arrange collection of unsold pieces from Monday 24 June. At the end of April, a form will be available to complete that must be submitted with your artwork.

Please note that your artwork must be mounted on card only and not framed. Whilst we rotate each piece onto our cloth boards, a lot will be sold from our browsers, so please make sure each piece is protected with a plastic cover.

Visual Arts



RuptureXIBIT From Thu 25 April to Sun 5 May. This May at RuptureXIBIT don't miss Open Call Group Show 'The Entranced Essence' with a classic Rupture closing party on Sat 4 May from 6pm to 9pm. Then, Rupture is excited to be welcoming back *Guy Shoham* with his new painting series from Tue 7 to Mon 13 May. From Tue 14 May Rupture is excited to present the winner of their *Spring 24 Residency Open Call*, taking over their front gallery for three weeks. Find all the details including open days on the website. RuptureXIBIT.com

One Paved Court Gallery Wed 1 to Fri 31 May. Particle Zoo: A residency and exhibition by Sandra Beccarelli. Both gallery and studio will be open to visitors enabling them to see how a multitude of ideas can co-exist and inform the "finished" pieces. Sketches, half painted canvases, sewn metal grids, written notes and symbols are some of the elements which will be visible within Sandra's Zoo. Particle Zoo is a term coined to describe the myriad of subatomic particles that exist and those still waiting to be discovered within the known universe. onepayedcourt.co.uk

Richmond & Twickenham Photographic Society Thu 2 May at 8pm. Access all areas. Talk by Paul Waller President of Kingston Camera Club. Paul talks about how to get special access for sports, architecture and live music photography. Thu 16 May at 8pm. Looking beyond a single image. A talk by Vanda Ralevska and Linda Wevill. Vanda creates wonderful and atmospheric landscapes and seascapes. Linda is a very creative photographer whose characteristic style is a soft painterly effect. Her work has been exhibited at the Royal Albert Hall and the Saatchi Gallery. At St Lukes, The

Avenue, TW9 2AJ. Non members welcome £3 pay on the door. Email info@rtps.org.uk. rtps.org.uk.

Teddington Tintype Fri 10 May. Sign up for a Wet Plate Collodion Workshop, an amazing Victorian photographic process, (full or half day). Portraits on tintype (metal plate) and ambrotype (glass plate) on Sat 11 May in their studio at Teddington Photographic, 17 Broad, St. Teddington. Their Victorian Photography Workshop runs on Tuesday evenings from 16 April and again from 4 June at www.landmarkartscentre.org. More info on the Landmark website, places still available! teddingtontintype.co.uk

Saturday Watercolour Workshop Sat 11 May 10am-4pm. Paris: Le Moulin Rouge. Made-to-measure one-day workshop led by experienced tutor Pat Harvey at 21, Cranebrook, Manor Road TW2 5DJ, her Twickenham riverside home. All abilities. The aim: for you to end the day with a painting you can be proud of! Suggested donation £45 (£10 reduction per class for three or more). Email patkayharvey@talktalk.net or call 020 3643 6227 for details. patharvey.co.uk

Bobcat Gallery will be popping up at 54 The Gallery, in Shepherd Market, Mayfair, between Tue 14 and Sun 19 May. Their latest exhibition 'Wunderkammer' will showcase a spectacular selection of original artwork from over 50 artists. Taking the word 'Wunderkammer' at its face value, this exhibition seeks to create true 'rooms of wonder',

filled with original creations from artists working across a myriad of media who are not responding to a particular theme; only seeking to create works that delight and amaze. More information via the website. bobcatgallery.co.uk

JOC Ceramics Gallery Open

Gallery dates: 1-5pm on Sun 26 May and 1-5pm on Sun 30 June. At 9-11 High Street, Hampton TW12 2SA. A design-led Ceramics Gallery and styling resource. Showcasing an everevolving collection of work by over 30 artists, all of whom share their passion for ceramics and architecture. jacksonoconnor.com/ceramics

Orleans House Gallery Until

23 June. *Play Works*, an interactive exhibition for children, has seen the gallery transformed with multi coloured fabric hanging from the ceiling, an assortment of curious objects, dressing up costumes and hats and masks. Children are invited to come and play and create their own world.

richmond.gov.uk/orleans_house_gallery

Leigh Gallery and Picture

Framers are an established gallery and framing business. Offering a very friendly, fast and efficient service at competitive prices they can cater for all your picture framing and mounting requirements. They practise conservation framing techniques, so you can be assured that the artwork they frame will be preserved for the future. All work is done on their premises in Hampton Hill, where their Gallery is the permanent home for seven local artists. leighpicturegallery.co.uk

PRATTS A friendly group of artists who meet to draw, paint and do 'arty' things together. The group is un-tutored with a professional m/f nude model each week. They are of various levels of styles, ability and experience – all are welcome (over 18s). Tuesdays: 7pm -9.30pm. Attenborough Hall, ETNA Community Centre, 13 Rosslyn Road, Twickenham TW1 2AR. Drop-in sessions are just £10 for each of the first three taster sessions, then £15. Regulars can pay a subscription - currently £250 for a half year. Please get in touch if you are interested. Contact: John Wylie 0n 07986 821448 or email johncwylie@yahoo.co.uk

Richmond Art Society richmondartsociety.com

Redlees Artists redlees.org

The Beach Gallery the-beach.uk

Art at Home newartathome.co.uk

Teddington Artists teddingtonartists.co.uk

Molesey Art Society moleseyartsociety.co.uk

Twickenham Art Circle twickenhamartcircle.org.uk

Barnes Artists barnesartists.org

Colneroadstudios whettonandgrosch.co.uk

The W4 Ceramic Fair email zordangioilla@gmail.com.

Art And Soul artandsoul.org.uk

Landmark Arts Centre landmarkartscentre.org

Handmade Workshops handmadeworkshops.co.uk

The Art of Nature

Further details Alex Robb: 07914 509 833. Email: alexandra.robb@gmail.com or Rachel Labovitch: 07944911598 Email: rachel.labovitch@gmail.com

London Potters

londonpotters.com

Creative Richmond www.creativerichmond.co.uk

Fountain Gallery fountaingallery.co.uk

Kew Studio kewstudio.org.

Willow Bank Studio janleejohnson.co.uk/

Literature



Poetry Performance-Sun 5 May. Poetry Performance is upstairs at The Adelaide pub, Teddington on from 6 till 8 pm. Their featured poet will be *Tony Josolyne*. If you would like to read or be part of the audience please email them on poetryperfomancetw11@gmail. com. £3 entry and please buy a drink at the bar.

St Mary's University

School of Creative & Liberal Arts Festival.
Sat 20 April to Sun 5 May.
Further details can be found at www.stmarys.ac.uk/fetta/school-of-liberal-and-creative-arts/festival-of-creativity/home.aspx

email

kim.salmons@stmarys.ac.uk.

Barnes Literary Society Tue 7 May at 8pm at St Mary's Barnes. Under the Hornbeams -A True Story of Life in the Open. A talk by Emma Tarlo who is an anthropologist, writer, curator and an Emeritus Professor at Goldsmiths, University of London. The author of highlyregarded academic titles and contributing to Radio 4 programmes/podcasts. Her latest book is the result of getting to know Nick and Pascal who live outside; for the past five years their shelter has been under the hornbeam trees in Regent's Park. To request a £10 guest fee, please email join@barnesliterarysociety.org.

barnesliterarysociety.org.uk

Performance



Orange Tree Theatre. Sat 20 April to Sat 18 May. Testmatch by Kate Attwell, directed by Diane Page. Calcutta, 1800 (or thereabouts). Two British administrators in early 19th century India encounter challenges on the field of play that threaten the entire regime. Sun 6 May 2.30pm and 7.30pm. The Maladies – an OT Young Company Production. By Carmen Nasr, directed by Ed Hill. Four friends. A podcast. And an epidemic afflicting women across time and space. Northanger Abbey: OT On Screen. By Zoe Cooper, directed by Tessa Walker. Watch this production from home any

time between 7.30pm on 21 May and 11.59pm on 24 May. Fri 24 May to Sat 6 July. Suite In Three Keys by Noël Coward directed by Tom Littler. In a luxury Swiss hotel suite in the 1960s, three separate stories unfold.

Bluefire Theatre Company

OffFest nominated and "pick of the Edfringe" show Chopped Liver & Unions is back with more protest songs than before! See their play about trade unionism and women's rights in the East End of London at the Lantern Theatre as part of Brighton Fringe Fri 3 to Sun 5 May (Bank Holiday weekend). It then travels to New York as part of the prestigious Brits Off Broadway season at 59E59 Theaters from Wed 22 May to Fri 7 June. See the play, sing the songs - and join the revolution! Tickets here:

www.linktr.ee/BlueFireTheatreCo. bluefiretheatre.co.uk

Richmond Shakespeare Society

Despite offering no live performances in May the Mary Wallace Theatre will not be dormant this month. Tue 7 May sees the start of rehearsals for Glyn Maxwell's Cyrano De Bergerac (from the play by Edmond Rostand). Come and join them on Mon 20 May for a reading of American Buffalo by David Mamet - with the open auditions to follow on Mon 10 June. Both readings and auditions are open to all - i.e. you do not have to be a member to come along. For further information see the website. At The Mary Wallace Theare situated on Twickenham's Embankment, between St Mary's Church and the Barmy Arms. richmondshakespeare.org.uk

Teddington Theatre Club Tue 14 to Sat 18 May TTC is thrilled to present their third annual Fringe, celebrating the talent and creativity of their playwriting members. They showcase eight pieces of original writing: two programmes, each of four plays, with each enjoying three performances in their Coward Studio. The 2024 New Writing Fringe embraces a cornucopia of subject matter and genres. They've got office politics and domestic conflict, showbiz gossip and backstage angst, love and loneliness, plus insignificant issues such as the supernatural, sex and murder. Address: Hampton Hill Theatre, 90 High Street, Hampton Hill TW12 1NZ. For tickets and further

BROS TC Tues 21 to Fri 24 May at 7.30pm and Sat 25 May at 1pm and 6pm. Seussical the Musical. A musical perfect for the whole family, Seussical takes us into the wonderful world of Dr. Seuss, where we meet beloved characters from his children's stories including The Cat in the Hat, Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz, Mayzie la Bird, and JoJo. Seussical weaves a story of friendship, loyalty, and love, while teaching us the power of being unique and the importance of fighting for your beliefs. At Hampton Hill Theatre, 90 High Street, Hampton Hill TW12 1NZ. Box

information visit the website.

teddingtontheatreclub.org.uk

www.ticketsource.co.uk/brosth eatrecompany or visit their website.

brostheatrecompany.org

BYT Impro Workshops Weekly every Thursday 8.15pm-9.45pm.

Q2 Players

q2players.wordpress.com

Dramacube Productions

dramacubeproductions.co.uk

OSO Arts Centre

osoarts.org.uk

New Plays Competition

Arts Richmond invites submissions from local writers, regardless of whether they are linked to affiliated drama societies.

The deadline for submissions is Friday 19 July, and further details, including the criteria for entries is available on our website: https://artsrichmond.org.uk/arts-richmond-events

Optik Theatre

thescriptroom.com

Barnes Community Players

barnes community players. co.uk

Landmark Arts Centre

landmarkartscentre.org

Ignite Me Workshop Theatre C.I.C

ignite mewt.com

The Exchange

exchangetwickenham.co.uk

OHADS

Follow them on Facebook or @ohadsdrama for information.

YAT

yat.org.uk

Rhinoceros Theatre.

rhinocerostheatrecompany.co.uk

GRiP Theatre

griptheatre.com

Edmundian Players

face book.com/The Edmundian Players

Langdon Down Theatre

langdondowncentre.org.uk

TOPS Musical Theatre Company

topsmusicals.co.uk

Strut & Fret

Follow them on Facebook (@Strut & Fret), Instagram (@strut_and_fret) and X (@strut_fret).

The Puppet Theatre Barge

puppetbarge.com

St Mary's Drama Group (Hampton)

facebook.com/stmarysdramagroupham pton

Film



Richmond Film Society The

Society's season continues with 'Our River... Our Sky' (Iraq) at 8pm on 7 May and 'One Fine Morning' (France) - introduced by leading French cinema expert, Jon Davies - at 8:00pm on 21 May. Films are screened at The Exchange, 75 London Road, Twickenham, TW1 1BE. Non-member tickets are £5 (full-time students £3) and can be purchased in advance from The Exchange's Box Office at https://exchangetwickenham.co .uk/box-office/. richmondfilmsoc.org.uk

Music



Thames Philharmonic Sat 13

May Thames Philharmonic Choir will hold another of their popular Come and Sing events at All Saints Church, East Sheen, SW14 8AX this year featuring Mendelssohn's Elijah. It will be a wonderful opportunity to learn or reprise this wonderful choral work under the baton of prizewinning and inspirational Music Director Harry Bradford, and with our outstanding accompanist, James Orford. The day will conclude with a performance for friends and families. For full details of the event and to register, go to: www.thamesphilharmonicchoir. co.uk/event-details/come-andsing-mendelssohns-elijah thamesphilharmonicchoir.co.uk

Barnes Music Society Tue 14

May. Come to St Mary's Barnes at 7.30 pm for a thrilling Cello and Piano Concert featuring masterpieces such as Beethoven's 7 Variations from Mozart's Magic Flute, Schumann's original and atmospheric 5 pieces in Folk style, the notorious Rachmaninov Cello and Piano Sonata in G minor and the emotional 'Pohádka' (Fairy tale) by Janáček. Performers Felix Rosenboom, cello, and Anastasia Kulikova, piano, are hugely talented, vibrant, enthusiastic young first prize winners of prestigious competition. Tickets available at the door: £15 or in advance from www.WeGotTickets.com. Free for under 25 and members

of Barnes Music Society. For more information visit website. barnesmusicsociety.org

Richmond Concerts Tue 21 May at 7.45pm. Multi award winning pianist Ariel Lanyi will give a recital for Richmond Concert Society at St Margaret's Church, Twickenham. His youth belies the maturity of his playing, and he is already developing an international career. His programme will include Beethoven's beautiful Piano Sonata Op.109, Chopin's 3 Mazurkas Op.59 and Polonaise-Fantasie Op.61, as well as Reger's Variations and Fugue on a theme by Bach Op.81. richmondconcerts.co.uk

Kingston Choral Society Come and Join Kingston Choral Society! It is a large, friendly, mixed voice choir. They relish the challenge of working to produce polished and spirited performances alongside professional musicians and soloists. New members are welcome at the start of each term or at any time during the year. They usually rehearse from 8-10pm on Thursday evenings at Hollyfield School in Surbiton, although their first rehearsal in April, on Thu 11 April, was at New Malden Methodist Church. Their next concert will be A Purcell Celebration on Sat 22 June at 7.30 pm at St Andrews Church, Surbiton. For more information, see website. kingstonchoralsociety.org.uk/kcs/

Richmond Chamber Choir

Exciting news from the former Cantanti Camerati! At the beginning of this year, they returned to their original name of Richmond Chamber Choir. Also, Toby Ward, of Ensemble Pro Victoria, has been

temporarily directing the choir and will be the conductor for their Spring concert Songs of Love and Hope. They are now looking forward to welcoming their new MD, Alexander Turner, to take them forward in new directions. Go to the website if you would like to sing with them or find out more. e-voice.org.uk/cantanticamerati/

Mortlake Community Association Join their friendly choir! Mortlake Community Singers is a long-standing friendly choir led by a professional tutor and they are keen to welcome new choir members. The aims of the singing group are to combat social isolation, improve physical and mental health and have fun. Participants say that singing makes them feel better, enhances lung function (postpandemic), helps to relax and beat stress. The price is £5 per session and they include a social cup of tea and biscuit. Singing every Tuesday 12noon -1.30pm at Mortlake Hall, 30 Mullins Path, Mortlake, SW14 8EZ. mortlakecommunityassociation.org.uk

Twickenham Community Choir

meets on Wednesday evenings, 7-8.30pm at Waldegrave School, TW2. To join email helenastrid@gmail.com

Whitton Adult Community

Singing Come and discover that: if you can speak, you can sing! No need to be able to read music or to have sung in a group before. They meet on termtime Saturdays: 11.15am to 12.30pm at the Whitton Community Centre, Percy Road, TW2 6JL. The term's dates are 20 April to 20 July with a halfterm break on 1st June. They learn songs from a variety of genres and cultures - Pop, Folk,

Soul, Classical, Spirituals etc, etc. Come for a free trial session on any term time Saturday. For further details contact: loulla82gorman@gmail.com or 07788 664957

Teddington Wind Orchestra

New members welcome! They are an adult, community wind orchestra made up of a variety of musicians, of mixed age and ability, playing a variety of wind instruments. If you are looking for a place to learn or relearn a wind instrument or a place to just enjoy making music then join them Wednesday evenings 7.15pm - 8.45pm. Location: Salvation Army Hall, Church Rd, Teddington. First session is free, Grade 4 and above best suited. If you would like to join contact Mandy on 07850 166874 or email

mandyholliday@hotmail.com.

Thameside Harmony Chorus

are a four-part a capella ladies singing group based in Hampton. With their new MD, the experienced music professional Antonio, guiding them, they will sing tunes designed specifically for the evening. You'll soon be able to hear how good harmonies can sound. Thameside Harmony periodically performs concerts or 'singouts' in the local area. Meets Wednesdays 7.45-9.30pm Hampton Methodist Church hall, Percy Road, Hampton. Contact admin@thamesideharmony.org .uk or call 020 8894 3516 for more information. tham eside harmony.org.uk

Hampton Choral Society Why not join Hampton Choral Society who sing together at

Teddington Methodist Church, 1 Stanley Road, TW11 8TP? They meet to sing every Tuesday

evening from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Their summer concert is on Sat 29 June and is planned to be John Rutter's Requiem and Durufle's Requiem. They are a friendly, welcoming choir with a superb Music Director and Accompanist. Singing together is a joy from the beginning. No auditions are needed and fees are kept low. See website or contact

macdonald.avf61@gmail.com. hamptonchoral.org.uk

Twickenham Choral

twickenhamchoral.org.uk

Richmond Opera

richmondopera.org.uk

Concordia Voices

concordiavoices.com

Loki Music

lokimusic.co.uk

Kew Wind Orchestra

kewwindorchestra.org.uk

Teddington Choral Society

teddingtonchoral.co.uk

Richmond Orchestra

richmondorchestra.org.uk

Thames Youth Orchestra

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West London Chamber Choir

westlondonchamberchoir.com

Richmond upon Thames Festival of the Performing Arts

richmondfestival.org.uk

Barnes Music Festival.

barnes music festival.com

Instant Opera

instantopera.co.uk

The Middlesex Yeomanry Concert Band

mycb.website

HLO Musical Company

hlo.org.uk

The Ripieno Choir

ripienochoir.org.uk

Stoneleigh Youth Orchestra

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Rock, Jazz & Folk



Twickenham Jazz Club Wed 1 May. Luca Boscagin Quintet Italian guitarist Luca Boscagin teams with gifted trumpeter Quentin Collins and a superb Rhythm section for an exploration of Latin music. Wed 8 May. The Music Of Kurt Weill: Presented by saxophonist Sam Braysher. Wed 22 May. Anita Wardell 'Swingin Carmen' Award winning vocalist Anita Wardell features Matayas Gayer, Piano, Jeremy Brown, Double Bass, Steve Brown Drums and the music and life of Carmen McRae. Twickenham's long running Jazz Club is hosted by local vocalist Lesley Christiane in Patchworks Theatre and Bar at the Cabbage Patch Pub, 67 London Road, Twickenham TW1 3SZ. twickenhamjazzclub.com

Eel Pie Club Thu 2 May Zoot Money & The Big Roll Band.
Quite simply the biggest character on the British rhythm and blues scene since the early 1960s, Zoot formed the first incarnation of the Big Roll band in 1961. £16. Thu 16 May Slim Chance has its origin in the early 70's, formed by Ronnie Lane who had been a mainstay of both the Small Faces and The

Faces. £18. Thu 30 May Malcolm Plays The Blues (The Malcolm Bruce Band). As the son of the legendary Jack Bruce, Malcolm has a deep well to draw from when it comes to the Blues and Rock traditions. £16. Eel Pie Club at The Patch, 67 London Road, Twickenham TW1 3SZ. Music 8.30pm (unless otherwise advertised). Tickets via website. Enquiries: 07732 322610 or

eelpieclubuk@gmail.com

Thu 9 May at 7.30pm. Musical Mayhem an evening of lighthearted music at St Mary's Barnes in aid of NSPCC Childline. This will be performed by many talented musicians. Tickets £35 (including a glass of wine at the interval) at the door (subject to availability), and online at: https://giving.give-star.com/event/nspcc/musical-mayhem eelpieclub.com

Crawdaddy Club Fri 10 May at 8.30p. Dana Gillespie and the London Blues Band. Dana Gillespie, a legendary figure in the blues scene since the 60s when she was David Bowie's muse, brings her soulful voice and unparalleled stage presence to captivate audiences. Backed by the stellar musicianship of the London Blues Band, expect a night filled with raw energy, heartfelt lyrics, and irresistible rhythms. Tickets are £13 in advance from

wegottickets.com/CrawdaddyCl ub or £15 (cash) on the door. At the Crawdaddy Club Richmond, (Richmond Athletic Ground), Twickenham Road, London TW9 2SF. Phone 07879473848.

crawdaddyclubrichmond@gmail .com

crawdaddyclubrichmond.com

Twickfolk twickfolk.co.uk

Landmark Arts Centre

landmarkartscentre.org

The Exchange

exchangetwickenham.co.uk

Mark's Jazz Sessions phone 07799 582337 for information

JKL-Jazz For dates of appearances in the area see Facebook.com/JKL-Jazz. The band is also always available for Weddings, Private Parties and Corporate Events.

Museums



The Twickenham Museum Even their location at 25 The Embankment is a part of local history. It is a charming Grade 2 listed waterman's cottage dating back to circa 1720. It stands adjacent to the Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin. Open: Fri 11-3pm, Sat 11-3pm and Sun 2-4pm. The Museum is currently looking for volunteers to work in the afternoons on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. If you are interested in working with the public please email the House Manager for further details on

housemanager@twickenhammuseum.org.uk

twickenham-museum.org.uk

The Museum of Richmond

museumofrichmond.com

Musical Museum

musicalmuseum.co.uk

Historic Houses



Turner's House In Turner's Studio: Talk & PAINT 2024. Ticket £15 per session: 7th May; 11th June; 25th June. 10.30am to 12.30pm. Join the House Museum Director, Matthew Morgan, and Learning and Volunteers Officer, Rita Piglionica, to engage with works by Turner and discover how these can be a starting point to create new works. Fri 3rd May 6.30 to 7.30pm, at The National Gallery. Discover *Turner at the* National Gallery with Turner's House Museum Director. Join Dr Matthew Morgan for a guided tour of some of Turner's greatest works at the National Gallery. Ticket £10. turnershouse.org

Strawberry Hill House 18 May to 8 Sept. Two masterpieces by Jan van Huysum. Strawberry Hill House will present two 18th century masterpieces by one of the most celebrated painters of still life. Dutch artist Jan van Huysum. Fri 17 May at 7pm. Join them at Strawberry Hill House for a fascinating evening with Andrew Graham-Dixon. Andrew will explore some of his favourite paintings from many different corners of the history of art. Sat 18 May, 10am-4pm Flower and Photography workshop in the style of Jan van Huysum. 27 May and 29 May 2024 at 10am to 11am and 11am to 12pm. Spring Flowers –

Children's drawing and painting workshop run by Christina Rose Brown.

strawberryhillhouse.org.uk

Marble Hill House

Englishheritage.org.uk/visit/places/mar ble-hill-house/

Walks, talks and courses



Richmond Heritage Guides Sun 5 May at 2pm. A tour of Richmond including the ancient Green, the remains of the Tudor Palace and the riverside. Meet at Richmond Station by the Visitor Information Booth, Richmond TW9 2NA. Sun 12 May at 2pm. Trace Hanoverian Royal Family connections as you saunter around historical Kew Green and the riverside. Meet outside St Anne's Church, Kew Green TW9 3AA. Sat 18 May at 11am. Gently meander up Richmond Hill with historical revelations on the way and enjoy the famous View of the river by the Terrace Gardens. Meet at Richmond Station by the Visitor Information Booth Richmond TW9 2NA. Sun 26 May at 11am. Join a Twickenham historical riverside promenade from York House to Marble Hill. Meet outside St Mary's Church, Church Street, Twickenham TW1 3NJ. No need to book walks just turn up and

Richmond Association for the National Trust Tue 7 May. Visit to the Cosmic House, 19

pay the guide (£5). Phone 020

8894 3678 or 020 8948 2612.

richmondwalks.co.uk

Lansdowne Walk, London W11 3AH. Tue 21 May. Coach visit to Nymans House and Gardens, Handcross, West Sussex RH17 6EB. Contact: Ann Maclennan Email:

annmaclennan@btopenworld.com. nationaltrust.org.uk/features/richmondassociation

The Arts Society Richmond Tue

7 May at 7. 30pm a talk on "Changing Everything: Andrew Lloyd Webber and the Passion of Musical Theatre" by John Snelson. Wed 29 May a Study Morning at Duke Street Church on "The Gobelin & Mortlake Tapestries and how they were made" given by Susan Kay-Williams. Fri 31 May a visit to the Underground stations of Southwark and Canary Wharf to look at the architecture with Blue Badge Guide David Thomas. If you wish to join them for any of their events, please email richmond@theartssociety.org

richmond@theartssociety.org
for further details and to
arrange payment, and when
appropriate you will be sent the
Zoom link 24 hours in advance
theartssocietyrichmond.org.uk

Borough of Twickenham Local History Society Mon 13 May at 8pm. The Society ends its 2023/2024 season with its annual general meeting and a short talk called "A Postcard *Tour of Central Twickenham"* by Alan Winter (BOTLHS). Alan's talks are always entertaining and informative. At St Mary's Church Hall, Church Street, Twickenham, TW1 3NJ. Free for members. Join the Society on the night or non-members and guests £4. botlhs.co.uk

Richmond Local History Society

Mon 13 May at 8pm at Duke Street Church, Richmond. *AGM* followed by talk by Dr Nick Barratt, author, historian and broadcaster, best known for his work on the BBC television series Who Do You Think You Are. Nick's talk will explore some of the changes that are shaping the way we research and share information about our families and communities. Visitors welcome £5, members free. The talk will also be available to members by Zoom. richmondhistory.org.uk

The Kew Society Fri 17 May at 7pm. 'A Bit of a Carry On'. An illustrated talk by 'Darling Buds of May' actor, Tyler Butterworth, at The National Archives, Kew, Richmond. TW9 4DU. The talk covers heroic wartime escapades at POW camp Stalag Luft 111, to a night at Chequers with Mrs Thatcher. This is a warm and uplifting journey from wartime to showtime, delving deep into the golden age of British TV and film comedy – it's a chance to hear about two of British comedy's brightest stars, who lived to make us laugh. Tickets available at the door on the night. Kew Society members £5 - Non-Members £8. kewsociety.org

Historical Association Thu 23 May at 8pm. *'Joan of Navarre:*

Richmond and Twickenham

Infanta, Duchess, Queen and Witch?' A talk by Dr Ellie Woodacre, Reader in Renaissance History, University of Winchester. At Richmond Library Annexe, Quadrant Road, TW9 1DH. Queries to Richard Turk, 07948 729526 or richardgturk@yahoo.co.uk

Garrick's Temple to
Shakespeare reopened on Sun
7 April to begin the 2024
season. The Temple will open
between 2pm and 5pm every

Sunday through to and including Sun 27 October.
Entrance is free. Address:
Garrick's Temple to
Shakespeare, Hampton Court
Road, Hampton, TW12 2EN.
Email:

garrickstempletoshakespeare@gmail.com.

garrickstemple.org.uk

The Richmond Society

richmondsociety.org.uk

Hampton Hill Photographic Society

hamptonhillps.org.uk

Landmark Arts Centre

landmarkartscentre.org

WEA WEA.org.uk

<u>Competition</u> The Winner



Nigel Murray was awarded First Prize for his highly detailed drawing 'Back Garden'. Unfortunately, he was unable to attend the Private View at Patch on Thursday 7 March but he later received his prize at the Arts Richmond office. So very many of the drawings submitted were of a high standard and Diana commended many more.

We were thrilled as always to welcome Diana Armfield to the Private View who spoke to many of the artists. We thank Councillor Fiona Sacks, the Deputy Mayor, who also came to meet with those who came to celebrate the artistic talent on show.

YOUNG WRITERS' FESTIVAL



A memorable event celebrating the talent and creativity of the young people of the Borough took place at The Exchange, Twickenham on Sunday 17 March. A large appreciative audience gathered to celebrate the fine talent of the Borough's young people. A group of young actors brought the literary works to life.



We were very grateful that the Mayor Cllr Suzette Nicholson managed to find time in her busy schedule to come to present the prizes. She was joined by renowned author and Arts Richmond patron Anthony Horowitz. It must have been very special for the young prizewinners to meet such a well-known author and we hope it inspires them to continue to put their thought into words.

Maybe in the future some of them will go on to publish books of fiction, fact and poetry. The printed word is not dead!



WINNERS

Siân Morgan 'Feelings (Archdeacon Cambridge's) in Year 3



Iris Sivaloganathan 'The Natural History Museum' (Old Vicarage School) in Year 5



Guillermo Bayo 'Life in London' (Newland House) in Year 7



Ben Claxton 'Suitcase' (Hampton School) in Year 12



A REPORT FROM ONE OF THE JUDGES OF THE YOUNG WRITERS' COMPETITION

I'm Elizabeth Ryan and I have been a final judge for The Richmond Writers Festival for a few years now. After another busy Christmas of judging entries, I thought now would be a good time to write a piece on what it's been like to be a judge, with tips for next year's entrants.

Enormous thanks to everyone who entered the competition this year, as indeed those who have entered in previous years. It's an absolute pleasure to be involved in this festival, the standard of entries amazes me every time and everybody who entered should feel very proud.

I think what's done it for me this year is "simple but effective"

writing. There were some very powerful entries which made their mark by being immediately easy to understand. Also, as in previous years, entries about events everyone has experienced and therefore relate to always score points — and there's one in this Year's 7 to 9 category that has done very well on account of that.

In every competition I'm involved in, the first thing I always look for is a complete, standalone piece of work that has a beginning, a middle and an end. If you are planning to enter next year please don't end your entry with To Be Continued, it isn't what's looked for and it won't count. That said, a standalone piece that could be incorporated within a wider body of work (we got one this year and it's done well) is okay. Just ensure that when you compose your piece it ends credibly and can be left as is, even if there is room for more. Very well done to you all. I hope to read some really good entries next year.

Elizabeth Ryan, December 2023

We at Arts Richmond extend our thanks to all those who judged this event and assisted with each part of it.

THE SWANS NEED YOU!!



Arts Richmond would like to hear from you if you are interested in throwing your hat into the ring with the Swans judging team! Arts Richmond is looking for new volunteers to join the judging panel for the Swan Awards 2024/5, so are inviting interested applicants to get in touch to find out more and to apply.

Applicants should have experience of theatre and a knowledge of the dramatic and/or musical theatre repertoire, as well as being prepared to attend 30 to 35 productions in the Richmond Borough between September 2024 and July 2025. Judges meet approximately every six weeks to debate the shows and agree on a long list of award nominees. A further meeting in July reduces this to the short list of nominations which are then announced, and the panel meets once more to agree the winners for each category. Judges are expected to keep a 'paper trail' of their thoughts and decisions to aid the creation of both the long and short lists.

No judge can have any input in assessing a production in which they have been actively involved. Benefits of being a Swan Judge include receiving two free tickets for all the shows assessed, spending time with like-minded theatre lovers, and helping to support and reward excellent local theatre in the Borough! Get in touch with the Arts Richmond office to find out more.

Arts Richmond office: Room 21, ETNA 13 Rosslyn Rd, Twickenham TW1 2AR Office hours: 9.30am to 12.30pm Monday to Friday Phone: 020 8892 9446 Email: info@artsrichmond.org.uk

SHOWCOACH NEWS

Many of our members enjoy to opportunity to join with likeminded people to visit cultural places and events. We have planned a tempting offering over the next few months. If you are interested in booking for any of these DO book early as places often go very quickly. Here are the planned visits:

CHENIES MANOR Tuesday 4th June. There are still a few places but please book quickly.

CHICHESTER FESTIVAL THEATRE 'Oliver' on Thursday 29 August (performance at 2.30pm). Our annual day visit to this lovely city which includes return coach travel. Booking details will be online soon but expressions of interest can be left at our ETNA office c/o Jean Wit now. Her email address is jean@artsrichmond.org.uk and phone number is 020 8892 9446

TEMPLE CHURCH AND LEGAL LONDON

Walk with a Blue Badge Guide Thursday 12th September. This will be a morning walk finishing with lunch in a city pub Booking will be open soon but again expressions of interest may be left with Jean Wit at our ETNA office. Her email address is jean@artsrichmond.org.uk and phone number is 020 8892 9446

KENWOOD HOUSE a possible visit and a performance of 'Fast' at Upstairs at the Gatehouse in Highgate in early November TBC

Please watch for further details on all our proposed visits during the year.

Affordable Art Sales 2024











Arts Richmond is delighted to present our Affordable Art Tent 2024! All artwork on sale from local artists will be on offer for £100 and under.

> Saturday 11th May

The Affordable Art Tent is back at Richmond May Fair on Saturday 11 May and Kew Fair on Saturday 22 June

> Saturday 22nd June

Local artists interested in selling their work please contact Arts Richmond to register via: info@artsrichmond.org.uk or call 0208 892 9446 Find out more via www.artsrichmond.org.uk



Arts Richmond May Picnic Join us on Richmond Green Sunday 12th May at 12pm

Returning by popular demand, this year's picnic promises to be one of our best with a wonderful speaker, live entertainment and super raffle prizes.

The celebrated composer, Roxanna Panufnik, will be talking about her Coronation commission, 'Sanctus', sharing with us her inspiration and creative process.

Bring your friends and your best picnic and enjoy a very special afternoon together!

Please bring your own picnic, but enjoy a glass of bubbly on us.



Tickets are £20.00 per person
Tables of 10 for £18.00pp
Arts Richmond Members get 10% discount!

For full details and to book your seats: ArtsRichmond.org.uk/arts-richmond-events

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SHOWCOACH

Please join us for a visit to

CHENIES MANOR HOUSE RICKMANSWORTH ON TUESDAY 4TH JUNE

COST :£55 This includes travel by coach & lunch



Arriving at midday we will have a buffet lunch before having a guided tour of the Manor House and then enjoy visiting the beautiful gardens at leisure. Before leaving around 5pm you can visit the cafe for tea/coffee and cake (not included in price)

The house has a long and rich history, built in 1460 by Sir John Cheyne it soon became the seat of the Dukes of Bedford. During this time it played host to many royal visitors. After its downfall from Chenies Palace to Chenies Manor, the future of this Tudor house changed when it was bought, lovingly restored and brought back to life by Elizabeth and Alistair Macleod Matthews. It is still their family home therefore only open to the public at limited times.



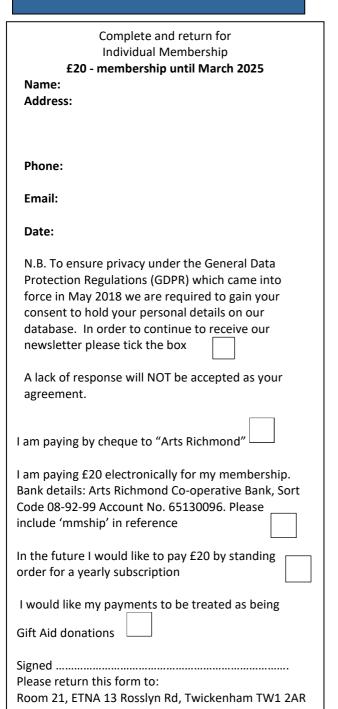
Book online: ArtsRichmond.org.uk/Showcoach

Please detach and return or email to Arts Richmond at the address below.
Please reserve:tickets at £55 per person (please circle) for Chenies Manor House on 4th June
I enclose cheque for: (payable to Arts Richmond) OR I am paying electronically (please encircle).
Bank details: Arts Richmond, Co-op Bank, Sort code: 08-92-99. Acc no: 65130096 (include name of trip)
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Arts Richmond is an independent charity with 100+ affiliated societies based in and around the borough of Richmond upon Thames. We provide a wide variety of services and events aimed at promoting local arts and cultural activity including: Regular Information about What's On and How to get involved in the thriving local arts & cultural scene through our website, social media and monthly What's On Newsletter.

Showcoach: Excursions to plays, musicals, operas, concerts, exhibitions and places of interest – some with coaches from pick-up points across the borough. We know how important safe transport and companionship is for our members and we make every effort to ensure ease of access for all. **Literature:** We run literary events throughout the year such as the *Young Writers' Festival*, as well as Literature Talks.

Drama: We promote the performances of local professional and amateur theatre companies and run the Swan Drama Awards — our local version of the Oscars — rewarding amateur talent in the borough. We also encourage new playwriting.

Music: We promote the extensive programme of concerts organised by concert societies, choral and other music groups throughout the borough.

Visual Arts and Photography: We promote the work of local artists and run exhibitions and competitions offering the opportunity to buy paintings, prints and photographs at affordable prices.

Heritage and Museums: We promote the events and exhibitions taking place at the large number of historic places in the local area.

www.artsrichmond.org.uk







MANY THANKS TO ALL OUR TREMENDOUS SUPPORTERS

Arts Richmond is blessed to have some wonderful people who work very hard to put on many cultural events, encourage self-expression and creativity in Richmond borough and beyond. Foremost of these are the Trustees, sub-committees and the Patrons, amongst others. We thank them for such valued support.

We are very grateful for the efforts of the energetic volunteers (known as The Stuffers!) who come each month to stuff the envelopes with the newsletter and fliers. Thank you for your dedication.

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The deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is:

Thursday 25 April For Events in June

The deadline for flyers to go out with the mailing is:

Wednesday 15 May For events in June

Office hours: 9.30am to 12.30pm Monday to Friday

Disclaimer: Whilst every care has been taken to ensure the accuracy of the information in this newsletter, we urge you to check details with the venues before attending an event.

If you need help with contact details, please contact our office info@artsrichmond.org.uk