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# Arts Richmond Artist of the Year Competition 2025 in association with Habitats & Heritage

#### Saturday 5 July 2025

At the beautiful Grade II listed Grove Gardens Chapel in Richmond Old Cemetery, Lower Grove Road, Richmond from 10am – 2pm. For full details and registration link: https://artsrichmond.org.uk/arts-richmond-events



Entry fee for each artist is £5.00. Scan the QR Code for the Registration link. Registration from 09.30 am on the day. This is a timed competition to create original artworks inspired by Grove Gardens Chapel and its

surrounds. Hope to see you on the day!

#### Showcoach



Come and join us on a trip to see the famous Leeds Castle, near Maidstone, on Friday 5th September.

On arrival we will be free to explore the Castle and grounds. We can also visit the Falconry and Birds of Prey centre amongst other attractions.

The castle is on an island in the middle of a lake formed by the River Len. A castle has existed on the Grade I listed estate site since 857 AD. In the13th century it became a favourite residence of Edward 1st and in the 16th century Henry VIII used it as a dwelling for Catherine of Aragon. The present castle dates from early 19th Century. Its last private owner, Olivia, Lady Baillie, left it in trust to be opened to the public. Complimentary mobility buses will be available from the Visitors Centre to within a few minutes' walk of the Castle.

# What's On

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

# July/August 2025

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There are plenty of refreshment areas throughout (none are included in the entry price). Cost is £52 which includes admission fee and coach from the 3 usual pick up points.

When booking please include your mobile phone number and choice of coach pick up point from: Hampton, Twickenham, or Richmond. Booking: https://artsrichmond.org.uk/showcoach



Showcoach invites you to the Musical Museum in Brentford. Join us on an afternoon visit to the Musical Museum, a hidden gem in Brentford, on Tuesday 21st October at 2pm. The Musical Museum tells the changing story of how people have captured and listened to music over the last four centuries. From tiny music boxes to the Mighty Wurlitzer theatre organ, the collection includes an impressive array of instruments and inventions, including reproducing pianos, orchestrations, self-playing violins, pipe organs, gramophones and synthesizers. On our guided tour of the collection, we will discover how music was recorded and produced and see and hear the instruments in action! After our tour there will be free time and tea and cake to enjoy. Cost £21 includes tea and cake. Own transport - the 267 bus stops outside the museum. Booking link: https://artsrichmond.org.uk/showcoach

# **Showcoach Review** by Janet Langhorne

Last Thursday a group of 29 members were taken by coach to the Watermill Theatre near Newbury. This was our first visit and certainly not our last. The theatre is in an old, renovated Watermill in lovely grounds seating around 200 people.

On arrival we were able to have coffee etc. in the bar adjoining the restaurant before going into lunch which was included in the cost of the day. The restaurant had 3 tables especially designated for us and everything was very well organised. We had previously submitted our 2 course lunch orders. We could then order drinks from the bar. All the staff were very helpful and served our meal promptly. Coffee and tea were served afterwards. We then had time to explore the lovely gardens before entering the theatre. We had very good seats in the stalls and as it was a small theatre you really felt part of the performance. Audrey Brisson as Edith Piaf was brilliant and all the cast were incredibly good at switching parts in a very fast-moving production. We left the theatre at the end of the 2 hours + performance on a high after so many memorable songs and such an excellent production.

## **Visual Arts**

#### **Pratts Life Drawing / Painting**

A friendly group, with various levels of styles and experience, meeting weekly for untutored workshops with a professional m/f nude model. All are welcome (over 18s). Tuesdays: 19.00 – 21.30 - 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 £200 for a half year. Contact: John Wylie 07986 821448 or email johncwylie@yahoo.co.uk

#### Sarah Dinsdale Studio

Watercolour Workshops with a relaxed and encouraging approach for beginner and intermediate painters seeking to build confidence with watercolour. The friendly sessions run in small groups enabling everyone to receive individualised technical input. Price includes a frame for your artwork or cards, and all materials are provided.\*Bring a friend and save £10. \*Watercolour Trees: Tuesday 1st July 10.30am-12.30pm @ Inspired Hub Hampton TW12 2JA. Learn a range of methods to create achievable yet realistic tree trunks and foliage then combine them to paint a range of trees. From £30 (includes frame). Floral Watercolour Cards: Friday 4th July 10.30am-12.30pm @ The Greenwood Centre TW12 1QL. Learn a relaxed and calming approach to painting simple watercolour flowers and leave with your own selection of greetings cards. From £30. Paint & Sip Watercolour Trees: Friday 11th July 7.30-9.30pm @ Inspired Hub Hampton. Includes glass of prosecco and frame. From £40. Book Online: www.sarahdinsdalestudio.com/ upcomingworkshops

#### **Richmond Film Society's**

63rd Season of World Cinema will commence on **16 September** and run until **30 June 2026**. Films are screened at 8.00pm on alternate Tuesdays at The Exchange, 75 London Road, Twickenham, TW1 1BE. Non-member tickets £5 (£3 full-time students). For further information and details of the programme, see www.richmondfilmsoc.org.uk email admin@richmondfilmsoc.org.uk or telephone **020 8894 2254**.

#### **Teddington Artists**

Will be holding their Annual Contemporary Art Fair at the Awesome Studios in Teddington. You can expect to see a very varied selection of professional artworks including paintings, prints and drawing in many media as well as exquisite jewellery, intriguing sculptures, metal and textile work and photography. Open **Saturday 6 September** from 10am to 6pm, **Sunday 7 September** from 11am to 4pm Teddington Artists Contemporary Art Fair, Awesome Studios, 23 High St, Teddington TW11 8ET. Entry £3.00

#### Turner's House Events: In Turner's Studio: Talk & Paint

8th July – Richmond Hill and Bridge - Soft pastels
15th July – The Refectory at Kirkstall Abbey - Watercolour
12th August – Study of Pigs - Watercolour and gouache on blue
paper

**26th August** – Venice: San Giorgio Maggiore – Early Morning – Soft pastels on blue paper.

10:30am-12:30pm - Tickets £17 per session, including all materials and light refreshments.

What can we learn from the works of J.M.W. Turner, and how can his artistic journey inspire our own creativity today?

Join art historian Catherine Parry-Wingfield and Learning

Manager Rita Piglionica in the inspiring setting of Turner's House for a unique, artist-led experience. Explore Turner's approach to light, landscape and storytelling, and discover how his legacy continues to shape contemporary art.

"Don't Drink your Paint Water!" - Sip & Paint at Turner's House 31st July - Portraits

28th August - Plants (paint-along)

Tickets: £35 per person - include 2 glasses of prosecco, food to nibble while you paint and all the art materials needed to create your masterpiece. Bring a friend and save £10! Purchase 2 tickets for the same event for £60 instead of £70.

Be creative and share the fun with other people or your friends, while working on your own acrylic painting! Every session will dive into a different theme and subject. Portraiture, landscapes, still-life paintings and more! You will be able to choose from a range of images to spark your creativity, whilst being guided by a knowledgeable and patient artist, who will follow you every step of the way. Do you prefer step-by-step guidance? Choose the paint-along sessions every other month. \*Non-alcoholic drinks and vegan options available.

**Turner's Kingdom: Beauty, Birds and Beasts** 

Online Lectures. 3 July

Farnley, Fawkes, and Feathers: J. M. W. Turner's Illustrations for an Ornithological Collection - Lucy Bailey.

This talk explores the friendship between J.M.W. Turner and his patron Walter Fawkes, focusing on Fawkes's Ornithological Collection. It examines how Fawkes and his community at Farnley Hall gathered bird specimens and arranged them according to Thomas Bewick's History of Birds (1797). Turner contributed twenty watercolour illustrations to the project, which are rarely studied in his work. The talk will place these bird portraits within the cultural environment at Farnley and highlight the role of country houses in supporting scientific inquiry.

Sketch in Turner's Footsteps 27th June, 8:30am-11:30am

Tickets £30, include materials and light refreshments. ALL LEVELS WELCOME - Booking is essential. Join artist and Learning Manager Rita Piglionica for 3 hours of sketching and painting in Turner's footsteps. Fill a sketchbook, while exploring and being inspired by the areas around Richmond Terrace and the Thames, just as Turner was during his time in Twickenham.

Summer Watercolour Painting Retreat with Tim Wright 21 and 22 July, 10:00am-5:00pm

Tickets £230, include both sessions, all of the materials (paintbrushes and paper pads for you to keep), light refreshments and entry to the current exhibition. ALL LEVELS WELCOME - Booking is essential

In the beautiful setting of JMW Turner's country retreat, join award-winning artist Tim Wright in a 2-session summer watercolour painting retreat. Immerse yourself in full-on sessions and learn, or refresh, different watercolour skills, inspired by nature, JMW Turner's watercolour technique and his response to the landscape.

Exhibitions: Light is Therefore Colour

4 June - 26 October 2025

Eileen Cooper RA and Sinta Tantra respond to Turner's home in a contemporary exhibition of new work. Light is Therefore Colour brings together Eileen Cooper RA and acclaimed artist Sinta Tantra in an artistic dialogue with Turner's Twickenham retreat, responding with site-specific work that explores memory, presence, and transformation. The show explores Turner's legacy through contemporary responses to the house he designed and built as a personal retreat.

# Turner's Kingdom: Beauty, Birds & Beasts 23 April – 26 October

Celebrate Turner's 250th anniversary with a rare look at his fascination with animals and birds. Featuring around fifteen exquisite works from British collections, this exhibition reveals a lesser-known side of the artist, from pets to wildlife.

#### Literature

#### **Poetry Performance**

Is upstairs at the Adelaide Pub, Teddington on 6th July 6 till 8 pm. Featuring Paul McGrane. Please email **poetryupstairs@gmail.com** if you would like to read. £3 entry and please buy a drink at the bar.

**Poetry Performance Events.** 

**Sunday 6th July.** Featured Poet: Paul McGrane and hosted by Sam Ball.

**Sunday 3rd August.** Featured Musicians & Poets: Ian Lee Dolphin & Annie Morris. Hosted by Heather Montford.

Venue: The Adelaide Pub, 57 Park Rd, Teddington TW11 0AUT. 6pm to 8pm

Entrance: £3 plus purchase of drink at the bar. To book a spot contact: heathermoulson2@hotmail.co.uk

#### **Garrick's Temple To Shakespeare.**

All The World's a Stage. Sunday 24th August: 6pm to 7pm. We are pleased to announce that Poetry Performance will be presenting a scaled-down version of All the World's a Stage (originally performed at The Hampton Hill Theatre). This is a free event. Tickets are available from the Garrick Temple website.

#### **Performance**

# **Barnes Community Players**

Present Ladies Down Under by Amanda Whittington. After winning the jackpot at Royal Ascot, Pearl, Jan, Shelley and Linda set off for the adventure of a lifetime! When they land 'Down Under', each of them find they are on a very different journey. Shelley searches for glitz and glamour and Jan searches for love, Linda wishes they were back at the fish factory where they work and Pearl deals with an Uluru-sized secret. One night they venture into the outback to camp under the stars but things aren't as serene as they imagined... Following on from BCP's hugely successful Ladies' Day (2024) at the OSO, Ladies Down Under follows the adventures of these four women as they navigate life, love and friendship. 16 Jul 2025 until 20 Jul 2025 19:30 (15:30 Sat 19 & Sun 20) Run Time 2hrs Pre-Show Live Jazz Sat 19 Jul 2025 from 6:30pm www.osoarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173662985

#### **Blue Fire Theatre Company**

Sara Wesker led the singing strikers of 1928, stood against fascists at Cable Street, and devoted herself to the Communist cause. Yet, behind every banner and battle cry lies a personal cost. Love, loyalty, and legacy—what endures, and what is sacrificed? Chopped Liver & Unions plays at the Headgate Theatre, Colchester on 16 & 17 July, Sidmouth Folk Festival on 8th August and Ludlow Fringe on 14th August. Tickets available here: https://linktr.ee/BlueFireTheatreCo

**Chopped Liver & Unions:** 

**16-17 July** - Headgate Theatre, Colchester **8 August** - Sidmouth Folk Festival **14 August** - Ludlow Fringe

#### Marie Lloyd Stole My Life

27-28 July - Pump Rooms, Buxton (Buxton Fringe)

https://www.bluefiretheatre.co.uk Lottie Walker, Artistic Director, Blue Fire Theatre Company. 07887 903212

#### **BROS Theatre Company**

Presents Company. On the night of his 35th birthday, Robert struggles to think of a wish to make as he blows out the candles on his cake. The lone bachelor, surrounded by his married friends - 'those good and crazy people' - Robert is uncertain whether he should be happy with his lot or keep searching for a partner. Over a series of dinner parties, first dates and thoughtful conversations Robert attempts to understand the pros and cons of marriage and begins to make sense of his own persistent bachelorhood. **Tuesday 1st - Saturday 5 July-**7.30pm. **Saturday 5th July -** 2.30pm Hampton Hill Theatre. Ticket price - £23 (group discount for groups of 10 or more)

https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/brostheatrecompany

#### **Dramacube**

Disney's High School Musical JR, Hampton Hill Theatre - 12th - 15th July. Performed by Dramacube's talented performers (aged 8-12 & 13-18 years), this vibrant, feel-good production features professional sound, lighting, staging and costumes creating a sensational musical theatre experience for everyone to enjoy! Tickets on sale at www.dramacube.co.uk/tickets

**Dramacube - Summer Holiday Workshops** 

Hampton Hill Theatre - 18th - 22nd August. Dramacube's muchloved musical theatre workshops for 5-7 & 8-12 year olds are back! 2 Day Workshop - The Greatest Showman 18th - 19th Aug 3 Day Workshop - The Lion King 20th - 22nd Aug Combine both for 5 days of fun & save 10% Book now at www.dramacube.co.uk/summer-workshops/

#### The Exchange

**Krapp's Last Tape by Samuel Beckett** 

Revel in Samuel Beckett's classic play, as audiences are invited into Krapp's world of solitude, memories, dreams, elation and despair. Journey through an old man's life filled with hilarious memories and hopes for the future, coupled with the mournings of lost love and unfulfilled ambition. This production is directed by Academy Award nominee, Stockard Channing and starring David Westhead. Post-performance Q&A – date TBC. https://www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk/show/krapps-last-tape/

Friday 4 July | 2.30 pm & 7.30 pm | Saturday 5 July | 7.30 pm

The Gin Chronicles – A Scottish Adventure Saturday 12 July | 3 pm & 7 pm|

If you enjoyed last year's performance, come and see The Gin Chronicles: A Scottish Adventure. Vintage, radio-style comedy that takes you into a world of mischief, mayhem, live sound effects and 1940s derring-do that'll have you leaving with a great big smile on your face! https://www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk/show/the-gin-chronicles-a-scottish-adventure/

Baby Cinema: Anora (2024) subtitled

Thursday 17 July | 12 noon

Join us at our monthly midweek Baby Cinema for new parents and carers with babies up to 15 months. This is a relaxed screening, so don't worry if baby wakes. Anora, a young sex worker from Brooklyn, gets her chance at a Cinderella story when she meets and impulsively marries the son of an oligarch. Starring Mikey Madison, this film recently won 5 Academy Awards. https://www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk/show/baby-cinema-anora/#20250717

# Tony Kinsey Jazz Celebration: Way Out West Big Band Friday 25 July | 7.30 pm

Join us for an evening of jazz in celebration of Tony Kinsey with the Way Out West Big Band. Tony Kinsey played drums with Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday, Oscar Peterson and Sarah Vaughan, as well as the leading figures of British Modern Jazz. He was a founder member of the Dankworth Seven and one of the most innovative musicians of his generation. https://www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk/show/tony-kinsey-jazz-celebration-way-out-west-big-band/#20250725

### Uncovered: The Electric Rock Experience Saturday 26 July | 8 pm

Duran Duran's Dom Brown leads a virtuoso group who have played with top bands from the Gallagher brothers to Joe Cocker, Elton John to Robbie Williams. If you love the music of Led Zeppelin, Pink Floyd, Jimi Hendrix, Prince, Bowie and more, this is the ticket for you as Uncovered capture the essence of these iconic artists. This is the launch event for the Twickenham High Tide Festival 2025. https://www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk/show/uncovered-the-electric-rock-experience-3/#20250726

#### The George Harrison Project Friday 29 August | 7.30 pm

Returning to The Exchange as part of their 2025 tour, these talented musicians authentically recreate some of George Harrison's best-known tracks, earning rave reviews. The hit-packed show includes well-loved songs such as My Sweet Lord, Here Comes The Sun, Something, While My Guitar Gently Weeps, Got My Mind Set On You, All Things Must Pass, Handle With Care, Taxman, Give Me Love, What Is Life, If I Needed Someone, Blow Away, and many more! https://www.exchangetwickenham.co.uk/show/the-george-harrison-project/#20250829

### **OSO Other People's Secrets**

#### Wednesday 2 - Sun 6 July

A diverse collection of new, short plays exploring the power of secrets to change lives: a moment confiding with a stranger; a revelation from your nearest and dearest; a world turned upside down in a single conversation... Expect comedy, drama, thriller and farce when Rare Fortune return to the OSO. Ticket Price £19 | £17.10 Members | £16.15 Patrons. https://osoarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173662983

#### Sam Jewison's Great British Songbook

Wed 2 – Sun 6 July. Sam Jewison returns to OSO to celebrate the Great British Songbook. The singer and pianist explores the penmanship of legendary British songwriters, including George Shearing, Leslie Bricusse, Ray Noble, Noël Coward, and many more. Like its American cousin, the Songbook comprises works from music theatre and film, as well as classic popular song, many of which have endured as standards: "A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square", "Pure Imagination", and "Lullaby of Birdland", to name but a few. Ticket Price £22 | £19.80 Members | £18.70 Patrons. https://osoarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173662984

#### **Pre-Edinburgh Fringe Comedy Warm-Ups**

10th July at 7.30pm Tom Rosenthal and Marise Gaughan. Join us as some of Britain's finest comedians present a night of preview shows before they head to the Edinburgh Fringe. Tom Rosenthal is an English actor, comedian, and writer. He is best known for his television roles as Jonny Goodman in Friday Night Dinner (2011–2020) and Marcus Gallo in Plebs (2013–2022). Marise Gaughan, a talented Irish comedian, made a splash in the vibrant comedy scene of Los Angeles with her sharp wit and daring comedic approach. Ticket Price £22 | £19.80 Members | £18.70 Patrons. https://osoarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173663030

#### **Ladies Down Under**

Wed 16-Sun 20 July. After winning the jackpot at Royal Ascot, Pearl, Jan, Shelley and Linda set off for the adventure of a lifetime! When they land 'Down Under', each of them find they are on a very different journey. Shelley searches for glitz and glamour and Jan searches for love, Linda wishes they were back at the fish factory where they work and Pearl deals with an Ulurusized secret. One night they venture into the outback to camp under the stars but things aren't as serene as they imagined... Ticket Price £19 | £17.10 Members | £16.15 Patrons. https://osoarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173662985

#### **OSO Sorted: Networking Event**

Wed 23 July. The next in a series of industry networking events, helping to facilitate the creation of those all-important connections. Entry level and experienced theatre professionals welcome. Panel event. Guest speaker: Lottie Walker. Ticket Price Free. https://osoarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173663027

#### In Conversation with David Emanuel

Thu 24 July. David Emanuel is a Welsh fashion designer who designed, with his wife, Elizabeth, the wedding dress worn by Lady Diana Spencer at her wedding to Prince Charles in 1981. He participated in the British reality television show I'm a Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here! in 2013. Ticket Price £22 | Members £19.80 | Patrons £18.70. https://osoarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173662986

#### **Summer Sounds On Barnes Green**

Fridays in August 8/15/22/29. August is the chill-out month in Barnes. The pace slows and the village quietens. Come along to the OSO on Friday evenings and enjoy live music or DJ sets. Bring your family and friends and relax on the Green at one of our outdoor tables. Enjoy a sunny evening, letting the sounds flow over you. All funds raised go towards our fundraising goal of £25k to celebrate our 25th Anniversary. Ticket Price Pay What You Can. https://osoarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/event-categories/426498807

#### **Join Palewell Press**

At the ETNA Community Centre. 13 Rosslyn Road, TW1 2AR. £5 / Concessions free. Open Mic – Human Rights, Climate Change and Lost Wellbeing. 18:30-20:00 every third Thursday Refreshments. New performers welcome. No booking required. July 17th In the ETNA Community Café. August 21st in the ETNA Community Café is on the left-hand side of the building up a short ramp. enquiries@palewellpress. co.uk for a 5-minute Open Mic slot. In collaboration with Freedom from Torture and local charities.

#### **Teddington Theatre Club**

Presents Airswimming by Charlotte Jones in the Coward Studio Tues - Fri 7.45pm, Sat 2.00pm & 6.30pm. Set in 1920s England, Airswimming is based on the true story of two women (Miss Kitson and Miss Baker), imprisoned in a hospital for the "criminally insane" for having borne illegitimate children. Forgotten by their families and not released until the 1970's, Dora and Persephone adopt alter-egos, Dorph and Porph, to enact their fantasies and survive the silence of incarceration. By turns very funny and moving, Airswimming reminds us of these otherwise forgotten women.

#### **Richmond Shakespeare Society**

A Midsummer Night's Dream - Twickenham's Fountain Gardens - July 14th-19th. A riotous tale of magic and mayhem unfolds over a single summer night. Four lovers, a feuding fairy king and queen and six very amateur thespians become entangled

in each other's lives. Confusion reigns in the enchanted forest - hearts, eyes and tongues are bewitched, promises made and broken, lovers re- united. Bring your picnic basket and rugs to Twickenham's glorious Fountain Gardens for a family-friendly production of this, Shakespeare's most magical comedy. Booking from June 9th at www.richmondshakespeare.org.uk

#### Music

#### The Crawdaddy Club

The legacy continues with a truly special night on **Friday 18th July**.

We're thrilled to welcome back The Others – the third house band at the original Crawdaddy Club in the 1960s – with three original members reuniting for this one-off show. Their return connects past and present in the most powerful way, and they'll be joined by special guest Tim Staffell of Smile (pre-Queen). A night of real history – and real music. Location: The Turk's Head, 28 Winchester Road, Twickenham TW1 1LF. Tickets: £12 – www.wegottickets.com/crawdaddyclub

Get ready for a sizzling night of music at the Crawdaddy Club Summer Blues Party on **Friday 15th August** at the Turks Head! Our stellar house band will be laying down the grooves and welcoming some very special surprise guests to the stage. Expect high-energy blues, great vibes, and a proper party atmosphere. Tickets are just £8 – a bargain for a night packed with talent and good times. Don't miss this summer celebration! Tickets: **www.wegottickets.com/crawdaddyclub** The Turks Head, Twickenham, TW1 1LF

#### **Eel Pie Club**

The Patch, 67 London Road, Twickenham TW1 3SZ. Doors 7:45pm. Music from 8:30pm (unless otherwise advertised). Tickets via www.eelpieclub.com or on the door. Enquiries: 07732 322610 or eelpieclubuk@gmail.com

Thursday 10 July 2025. The Rollin' Stoned. "The Best Rock 'n' Roll Tribute Band in the World", this magnificent band returns to The Eel Pie Club for two hours of nostalgia, playing the best of 1964-1969 - Jumping Jack Flash, Brown Sugar, Paint it Black, Not Fade Away, Get Off My Cloud, It's All Over Now, Under My Thumb, Mother's Little Helper, Ruby Tuesday, You Can't Always Get What You Want, Two Thousand Light Years from Home, Let's Spend the Night Together, Street Fighting Man, Satisfaction, and all those eclectic classics you almost forgot about. Endorsed by Keith Richards' mother as 'outstanding and suitably fit stand-ins for The Stones, Rollin' Stoned have also been described by The Times as 'the nearest thing to the real article' and have been revered by both Stones fans for their authenticity and the real Stones who booked them for the band's birthday! £16. £19 on the door.

Thursday 24 July 2025. The Zac Schulze Gang. Back at the Eel Pie Club for the second time due to popular demand. Zac Schulze has just won 'Emerging Band of The Year' in the 2025 UK Blues Federation Awards as well as being nominated in the 2023 and 2024 UK Blues awards. They are an electrifying blues-rock trio built on the playing of front man Zac Schulze, joined by bassist Ant Greenwell and drummer Ben Schulze. The gang create their signature sound by blending rock and blues with influences from punk, funk, country, jazz, soul, metal and pop. They played at Eric Clapton's Crossroads Festival 2023 in Los Angeles and made an appearance at Fairport's Cropredy Convention in 2024 to large acclaim. £15. £18 on the door.

Thursday 7 August 2025. Never The Bride. In the very heart of the notorious London Rock and Roll scene exists a whirlwind duo of female energy and ecstasy, recognised as the True Queens of Rock. Having invaded venues ranging from The Royal Albert Hall (on multiple occasions), playing alongside Elton John, The British Rock Symphony Orchestra and Blues festivals, Wembley Arena supporting The Who, The Viper Room in LA and Euro-fests galore – to intimate spaces like The Green Note in Camden, Never The Bride have amazed and floored audiences and peer groups alike over their 25 years of service - these ladies are true rock and roll royalty. Roger Daltrey broadcast "Nikki Lamborn has the best female rock voice since Janis Joplin and I know what I'm talking about, I knew Janis". The legendary Dame Shirley Bassey called the girls "inspirational", they have performed private shows for Cher and Liza Minnelli, and Bob Harris from BBC Radio 2 referred to them as "one of the best live bands in Britain"; the ladies' roll-call list is simply mind blowing – as are the stories the ladies readily share. Bristol born Nikki Lamborn carries the dynamo vocal lead, while Glaswegian, Catherine 'Been' Feeney asserts the 'sonic art' with keys and vocals. Their raw, unfettered talent is undeniable and is enough to justify the impression the girls have left on audiences throughout Never The Bride's 25 years of global domination. £18. £21 on the door.

Sunday 17 August 2025 Twickenham '60's Day – The Eel Pie All-Stars, The Carnaby Army, The 60's All-Stars, The Terraplanes, Uncle Dynamite - Church Street, Twickenham. TWICKENHAM 60s DAY IS BACK!! And it will be bigger and better than ever, with 5 top bands,60s themed shops, stalls and activities for all the family, and, of course, the Mods' Vespas and Scooters. 12 midday to 5pm. Free!!

Thursday 21 August 2025 The Connor Selby Band One of the brightest talents on the UK blues scene, in 2024 Connor was awarded The Boisdale Music Award for 'Blues Artist of The Year' presented by Jules Holland. He was also voted "Young Artist of the Year" at the UK Blues Awards for three consecutive years (2020, 2021, 2022) and he already has an impressive venue checklist, including Wembley Stadium, where he opened for The Who in July 2019 and has since gone on to play Hyde Park, London, with Pearl Jam, Stereophonics and Johnny Marr in the summer of 2022. Connor also had a productive 2023 touring the UK as the opening act for Blues and Rock Luminaries Robert Cray and Beth Hart. Connor signed to Provogue Records in December 2022 and has released his major label debut, the self titled Connor Selby to critical acclaim. £16 £19 on the door.

#### **In Flagrante Choir**

We're a friendly, local choir which rehearses on Tuesday evenings, 7.30 - 9.30pm, at the glorious venue of The Royal Mid-Surrey Golf Club in Richmond (https://www.rmsgc. co.uk) - in a huge room with a stunning view over the surrounding Arcadian landscape. Singers are still offered the option of joining in through Zoom in case there is a week you are unable to attend in person. The choir is now working with our renowned Choir Leader - Eamonn O'Dwyertowards a concert on Thursday 17 July 2025. Following a summer break, the choir restarts on Tuesday 2 September 2025. In Flagrante Choir singers enjoy a mixture of repertoire old and new - popular songs and seasonal music - following fun vocal warm-ups to improve singing, posture and breathing techniques. We'd love you to come along and enjoy a couple of hours of singing in great company. For more information on the choir, please check the website https://www.inflagrantechoir.com

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#### **Kingston Choral Society**

Next Concert: Rhymes & Charms – 28th June – St Andrew's Church, Maple Road, Surbiton KT6 4DS. A summery programme of songs and madrigals from across the centuries celebrating the natural world, especially winged creatures. Kerry Andrew's Rhymes & Charms for Flyaway Things combines traditional rhymes and sayings from around the UK into "a very sweet, nature-loving set of songs". Meanwhile John Rutter's The Sprig of Thyme presents familiar folk melodies in fresh, beautifully harmonised arrangements. Conductor: Andrew Griffiths. Piano: Libby Burgess. Box Office: 07722 422741. More info: https://kingstonchoralsociety.org.uk/concerts/rhymes-charms/

#### **Middlesex Yeomanry Concert Band**

If you missed the performances on Chestnut Sunday at Bushy Park and at the Town Twinning Event at York House there is still a chance to catch their summer programme on **Sunday 17th August** at the Alexandra Park, Windsor 2.00 - 4.00. Admission free. A lively programme will include such favourites as a Glen Miller selection and Anything Goes, while for the children there are themes from the Jungle Book and the Teddy Bears' Picnic. Contact **judy.morrison1@btinternet.com/07854 022426**.

#### Music. St Mary's

**St Mary Magdalene - Lunchtime Recital Series. Saturday 5 July,** 12.30pm. Live music in the historic centre of Richmond. Claudia Burgess (Organ).

Part of St Mary Magdalene's regular Saturday lunchtime recital series, Claudia Burgess, Senior Organ Scholar of St Mary Magdalene, presents a mixed programme of works for solo organ, including works by JS Bach, Vierne, and Franck. Entry is free, with a retiring collection taken to support the work of St Mary Magdalene Music Foundation.

St Mary Magdalene - Lunchtime Recital Series. Saturday 19 July, 12.30pm - Live music in the historic centre of Richmond. Scholars' Showcase.

Part of St Mary Magdalene's regular Saturday lunchtime recital series, the Foundation Scholars of St Mary Magdalene present a light and varied programme of music - an eclectic "mixed bag" - to celebrate the end of the academic year and showcase the talents and development of the scholars. Entry is free, with a retiring collection taken to support the work of St Mary Magdalene Music Foundation.

#### **Richmond Opera Come and Sing**

Join Richmond Opera for a joyful day of singing, featuring choruses from Handel's Alexander's Feast and more! Led by Lindsay Bramley, with Mike Keen on keyboard, this event is perfect for singers of all levels. Meet at Raleigh Road United Church Hall, Richmond, TW9 2DX, on **Saturday 12th July** at 11 am for an 11:30 start, finishing by 5 pm. Tickets are £23 (£14 for under-30s), with loan music provided. To book your spot, email: **info@richmondopera.org.uk**. **richmondopera.org.uk** 

# Richmond Orchestra Summer Concert – 'Beyond The Skies'

"There once was a time. Before television. Before motion pictures... The greatest part of human existence was spent in such a time. And then, over the dying embers of the campfire, on a moonless night, we watched the stars." - Carl Sagan Richmond Orchestra's summer concert celebrates our relationship with, and fascination for, the world that lies beyond our own sky: from our affection for our nearest

neighbour the moon, as evoked by Debussy and Frank Bridge, to imagining what life among the stars might be like in films such as 2001 and the Star Trek series. Central to the concert is Holst's mighty suite The Planets. The mystically-inclined composer's interest in the astrological characters of the worlds among which we spin produced led to his masterpiece, one of the greatest works in all of English music. We are delighted to be joined again by the outstanding young singers of the Waldegrave School Chamber Choir for a concert not to be missed. Concert Details: **Sunday 6th July**, 5pm Landmark Arts Centre, Teddington TW11 9NN Programme:

Holst – The Planets, Giacchino – Star Trek Into Darkness, J. Strauss – The Blue Danube, Debussy – Clair de Lune, Bridge – Moonlight, R. Strauss – Also Sprach Zarathustra

#### The Richmond Rhythm Club

Will hold its end-of-term trio gig on **Tuesday 1 July** from 2pm - 4pm at the Twickenham Club, 7 Church Street, TW1 3NJ. The band will feature Guido Spannocchi on alto sax, Pete Whittaker on organ, and Alfonso Vitali on drums. No booking is required and it's £10 for drop-ins. There is also friendly bar service. We hope you will join us for a fantastic afternoon of jazz. Thereafter the Club will take its summer break, returning for the autumn term of jazz talks and music on Tuesday 30 September (the guest's name will be published in the next edition of the Arts Richmond newsletter).

#### **Stoneleigh Youth Orchestra**

Dvorak and Tchaikovsky. Sunday 6th July 6pm at Fairfield Halls, Croydon. Stoneleigh Youth Orchestra return to Fairfield Halls to perform two titans of the orchestral repertoire, Dvorak's glorious Cello Concerto, one of the truly great concertos for any instrument, and Tchaikovsky's 4th Symphony. The orchestra is delighted to welcome back Daniel Brandon, former principal cellist of both SYO and the National Youth Orchestra as soloist in the concerto. Tickets £10 - £18 www.fairfield.co.uk. www.stoneleighyouthorchestra.org.uk Auditions to join the orchestra for our 2025/26 season are taking place on 6 - 7 September.

# **Strawberry Hill Community Choir. Concert**

Tuesday 1st July 7.30pm Clarendon Hall, York House, Twickenham TW1 3BZ. We are now in the final weeks before our concert. The concert is entitled Musical Time-Travel – from Mozart to Jazz! Tickets are just £10.00 and available via our website strawberryhillcommunitychoir.org. We look forward to seeing you there. The new term will start on Tuesday 16th September ending with our concert at St Mary's Church, Twickenham on Tuesday 2nd December.

#### **Teddington Choral Society**

Summer concert: "Earth, wind and choir, a musical celebration of Nature's power". TCS will perform on July 5, 2025 at 7:30pm at the Landmark Arts Centre (TW11 9NN, Teddington). Doors open at 6:45pm. The choir will present a variety of music centred on the theme of nature, with pieces by Haydn, Mendelssohn, Stanford, Gjeilo, Sondheim and more. Featuring baritone Jon Stainsby and Phil Culling at the piano. Booking: £18 (under 16s free): www.landmarkartscentre.org Box Office: 020 8977 7558 Information: www.teddingtonchoral.co.uk

#### **Twickenham Choral**

**Saturday 5th July 2025**, 7pm at St Mary's Church, Twickenham, TW1 3NJ. Summer concert - Nocturnes: American and British Choral Music. A fabulous programme of music from both sides of the Atlantic, featuring works by Lauridsen, Whitacre, Harris and Wood among others. Twickenham Choral, conducted by Howard Ionascu, will be joined by the wonderful soprano Emma Tring and brilliant pianist Nick Salwey in what promises to be a glorious evening. Tickets from www.twickenhamchoral.org.uk/events/

#### **Twickfolk**

Live folk music most Sunday evenings at the Cabbage Patch, 67 London Rd, Twickenham TW1 3DZ. Walking distance from Twickenham railway station and 267, 281, 490 and R68 bus stop. Doors open 7.45pm – music from 8.00pm

**Sunday 6 July:** Bird in the Belly. Distinctive four-piece comprising folk duo Hickory Signals (Laura Ward and Adam Ronchetti), alt-folk singer-songwriter Ben Webb and multi-instrumentalist and producer Tom Pryor. Together they collect little-known and forgotten lyrics, poems and stories from around the UK to create highly original compositions. Tickets on the door £15, or £12 + booking fee at **www.wegottickets.com/event/651714** 

**Sunday 13 July:** Winter Wilson. Veterans now of 12 albums, Kip Winter (vocals, accordion, guitar, fiddle) and Dave Wilson (vocals, guitar, banjo) lace their hard-hitting songs of self-deprecating humour with stunning harmonies. Tickets £12 on the door or £10 + booking fee at www.wegottickets.com/event/651716/

**Sunday 20 July:** The last TwickFolk before our summer break. Bring a pair of songs or poems to the circle for us all to enjoy, or just come along and listen. £5 at the door.

#### **West London Chamber Choir**

St Mary's Church, Church Street, Twickenham TW1 3DT on Sunday 13 July at 7.00pm.

Fairytales and Folklore: melodic choral music from composers including Stanford, Wood, Faure, Ravel, Purcell, Weelkes, Holst and many more. Directed by Hilary Campbell and piano accompaniment with Krystal Tunnicliffe. Refreshments available. Tickets £15.00 (+ bkg fee) in advance or £17.50 on the door. U18s free. www.ticketsource.co.uk/west-london-chamber-choir

#### **Whitton Adult Community Singing**

A Community Singing Group. Our Summer Term will run to **Sat. 19th July** 11.15-12.30 at Whitton Community Centre, Percy Road, TW2 6JL. Join us as we prepare for our Open Session on **July 19th** 11.30-13.00.

Songs are selected from a wide variety of genres and styles – Pop, Folk, Soul, Classical, Spirituals etc. Free trial sessions every term time Saturday (11.15-12.30) Contact: loulla82gorman@gmail.com or 07788664957.

## **Walks Talks and Courses**

#### The Arts Society Richmond

Has a full programme of live/Zoom hybrid lectures and visits! Our lecture programme continues on **Tuesday July 1st** at 7:30pm with our monthly live/Zoom hybrid lecture. The title is "Public Art: its Commissioning, Production & Installation" and the speaker is Arts Society accredited lecturer David Worthington. On **Tuesday August 5th** our lecture is called "Father: portraits of artists' own fathers" and the speaker is AS accredited lecturer Juliet Heslewood. We start the evenings with drinks from 6:45pm in Duke Street Church, Duke Street Richmond, TW9 1DH. Always free to members, and non-members pay £5 on the door - no booking required. Non-members can

also watch on Zoom for £7 by emailing us as below. Outings - Thursday July 17th we have a coach trip to Boughton House, Kettering. Wednesday August 27th we have a coach trip to Stratfield Saye House, Reading. If you wish to join us for any of our events, please email Richmond@theartssociety.org for further details and to arrange payment, and when appropriate you will be sent the Zoom link 24 hours in advance. Our website is at www.theartssocietyrichmond.org.uk

#### **Fountain Gallery, East Molesey**

Open Tuesday to Sunday 11.00am to 5.00pm: From Tuesday 1 - Sunday 13 July Debbie Tearle - Rock, Paper, Scissors: Contemporary paintings and textiles. Applying a sustainable approach, the landscape is reimagined through the subtle colours and textures of nature. From Tuesday 15 - Sunday 27 July. Peter Lamb - Colourful paintings in oil and acrylic. Figurative and semi-abstract landscapes visited and imagined. Downlands, woodlands and places beyond. From Tuesday 29 July - Sunday 10 August. Emma Price - Ethereal, contemporary landscapes; rich in colour and emotion, often evoking a calming, yet atmospheric memory. From Tuesday 12-Sunday 24 August. Alison Holt exhibiting with Jaci Hogan - Intricate embroideries alongside beautifully observed pastel drawings. Vibrant interpretations of the natural world. From Tuesday 26 August - Sunday 7 September. Colleen Quill -Richly coloured and textured oil paintings, observed from life, capturing the everyday objects we so often don't 'really see'.

### **Richmond Association of the National Trust (RANT)**

Coach visit to Kelmscott Manor, Lechlade, GL7 3HJ.

Thursday 10 July 2025 Contact: Ann Maclennan on email: annmaclennan@btopenworld.com

A Tour of "Medical Bloomsbury" by Dr Barry Walsh. A walking tour around the Bloomsbury area including Great Ormond Street. Monday 14 July 2025. Contact: Carole Boothman on email: caroleboothman@btinternet.com

#### **Richmond Heritage Guides**

Sunday 6 July and Sunday 17 August at 2.00pm. 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.

Saturday 12 July at 11.00am. 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.

Sunday 20 July and Sunday 10 August at 2.00pm. 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.

Sunday 26 July at 11.00am. Recall a golden age during the 17th and 18th centuries when Petersham was a rural retreat for the rich, aristocratic and influential. Meet outside 'The Dysart', 135 Petersham Road, Petersham TW10 7AA.

Sunday 3 August 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.

Saturday 23 August at 11am. Discover how a hamlet grew into today's Hampton Wick and hear about some of the characters of its period. Meet outside 'The White Hart Hotel', 1 High Street, Hampton Wick KT1 4DA.

No need to book walks, just turn up and pay the guide (£5). Richmond Heritage Guides **020 8894 3678** or **020 8948 2612**. www.richmondwalks.co.uk

#### July Events at RuptureXIBIT

RuptureXIBIT is an inclusive, artist-run space in Hampton Wick, London, offering mentoring, immersive residencies, writing and practice workshops and experimental exhibitions. With over 1,000 international artists supported across five years, RuptureXIBIT provides the space, time and guidance for artists to grow and thrive. Visit our upcoming events page for details — opening hours vary weekly.

RuptureXIBIT Workshop: Examining and Expanding your Practice with Kate Howe & Sally Minns. Saturday, 19th July 2025 All kinds of artists, writers included, are invited to talk about what practice is, how to make one, how to change one, how to let go of fear, and how to stop asking if the work is good enough. All levels welcome at this inspiring workshop. 14:00-17:00 (Morning Workshop) £5.

**RuptureXIBIT Writing Workshop** with Dr. Anna Johnson & Dr James Miller **Sat 12th July** All levels welcome to come and explore creative writing with these inspiring teachers. 12:00-16:00 (Afternoon Workshop) £5.

RuptureXIBIT SparkCrit: Cultural Reforesting in Process Sunday, 20th July 2025

Never attended a Crit? No problem, come and share a piece of your work in this supportive and inspiring critique at London's home away from home for artists. 12:00-16:00 £5.

Event booking link: https://www.rupturexibit.com/events

There's more info and links to images here: https://www.rupturexibit.com/press-kit

#### **Saturday Watercolour Workshop**

July 12th 10.00am-4.00pm

Sweet Peas in a Glass Tumbler 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. www.patharvey.co.uk

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