

What's on

Spring 2024

GRAFFWERK X MBD PRESENT

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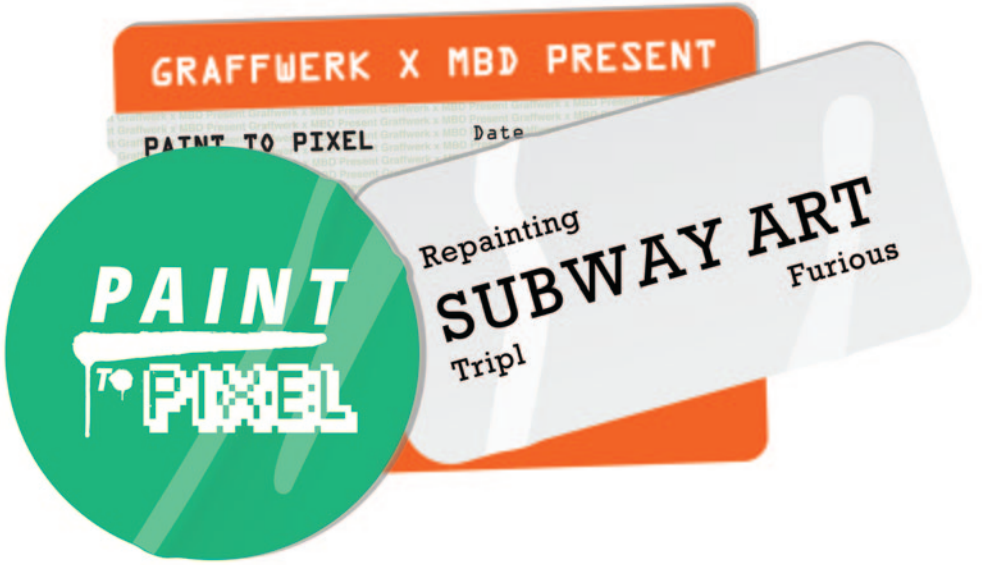
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Paint to Pixel X Repainting Subway Art

Bring The Paint and MBD present an exciting and immersive journey into the world of graffiti art. Using large scale projections and in-depth interviews, this beautifully animated exhibition uncovers fascinating stories from some of the most high-profile graffiti writers of today.

Discover the incredible story of Repainting Subway Art, the culmination of a 10-year project by the Dutch graffiti writer TRIPL/FURIOUS, guest curated by Jasper Van Es. These works are a visually stunning homage to the bestselling book,

Subway Art, which captured the exciting spirit of early graffiti art, and helped make the movement famous around the world.

Bring The Paint international street art festival returns to Leicester from 20 - 26 May, with large scale murals, exhibitions and workshops across the city.

bringthepaint.co.uk

Date 3 February – 27 May
Venue Leicester Museum & Art Gallery
Web #BringThePaint







Out of the Stores: SHOES

This exhibition of shoes from the museum's extensive collection explores over 400 years of fashion. Discover Leicester's amazing shoemaking heritage, from the oldest shoe in the collection, which dates from 1570, through to the towering platform shoes of the 1970s.

Also includes shoe and footwear catalogues, photographs, and advertising from many local makers. Just remember to wear your favourite shoes when you visit!

Date On now until 14 January
Venue Newarke Houses
Social #SHOES

Open: The People's Exhibition

This annual exhibition showcases artistic talent from across the East Midlands – open to anyone, from beginners to seasoned professionals. A variety of artworks, from paintings, to sculpture, textiles, and more feature in this exhibition celebrating the creativity of the region.

OPEN

The People's Exhibition

Date On now until 19 January
Venue Leicester Museum & Art Gallery
Social #OpenExhibition

Leicester Vistas

Look at our city with new eyes. Exhibition includes city views from our fine art collection, contrasted by photographs from Leicester City Council's photography archive.

Includes never seen before photos, digitised by our archive volunteers, together with new fine art acquisitions.

Date On now until 10 March
Venue Leicester Museum & Art Gallery
Social #LeicesterVista



A Leicester Vista Norman Ernest Ellis © the Artist's Estate

Exhibition

This Golden Mile

Photography exhibition documenting The Golden Mile, the mile of Melton Road into Belgrave Road with its sari shops, Indian restaurants, and jewellers.

Leicester based artist Kavi Pujara has documented the people and homes of the residents surrounding this famous road as a love letter to the area and its community. Intimate portraits combined with sensitively observed interiors tells the story of this community's migration to Leicester, their last mile of a long journey to Britain.

Date On now until 31 March
Venue Leicester Museum & Art Gallery
Social #ThisGoldenMile



Boy with the Union flag, Hillyard Road, 2021, Photo Kavi Pujara



Popping to the Shops

A celebration of one of the most ethnically diverse roads in the country, the Narborough Road. With exhibitions at Newarke Houses and Westcotes Library aiming to tell their stories of living and working in the area.

The Newarke Houses exhibition features the people of Narborough Road. Exploring their experiences and memories

through objects collected from the shops.

Westcotes Library displays vintage photographs alongside new photos of how it appears today taken by a local photographer working with residents.

Date 26 January – 28 April

Venue Newarke Houses

Social #Poppingtotheshops



Procession in Bali by Ian Fairweather, 1933. © Estate of Ian Fairweather. All rights reserved, DACS 2024

Procession in Bali: A World in a Painting

This exhibition tells the story of the painting "Procession in Bali", and that of its creator, the Scots-born artist Ian Fairweather (1891 – 1974). Painted in 1933, this artwork from the collection of Leicester Museums has rarely been displayed in public.

On the 50th Anniversary of Fairweather's death, join international guest curator, artist, and writer, Christine Finn on a

journey to Bali and beyond, in pursuit of Fairweather's emotive life-story. Long celebrated in Australia, but overlooked in Britain, it's time to rediscover Fairweather's legacy through artefacts, archive material, and the sound of Gamelan music.

Date 23 March – 8 September

Venue Leicester Museum & Art Gallery

Social #IanFairweather



Comedy at Leicester Guildhall and King Richard III Visitor Centre

One of the biggest comedy festivals in the UK, Leicester Comedy Festival returns once again from 7 – 25 February! We're delighted Leicester Guildhall's and King Richard III Visitor Centre's unique rooms are hosting shows this year.

Leicester Guildhall's shows include Stolen Elephant Theatre presenting tales of Napoleon's 100 Days in the little island of Elba and "Truly Unique" (Rolling Stone) Tom Lawrinson's new work in progress show.

Performer, writer, director, operetta singer Lorelei Zarifian presents 'A Scar is Born' the humorous story of one misfit's hopeful audition.

'Hats Off To Laurel & Hardy' guides you through their early lives, their rise to international stardom, the decline of their movie careers and their phoenix-like revival on the stage.

Lord Rodney and Lord Russell present their unique Georgian gameshow 'House of Twaddle' and get befuddled by the words and phrases from the Georgian era with 'Guffaws at the Guildhall'.

King Richard III Visitor Centre shows include Straight Outta TowTon, from the mean streets of St Albans to Bosworth, this is a history lesson like no other, telling the story of a 30 year-long battle between the Yorkists and Lancastrians, surreally linking diverse topics such as HS2 and Jane McDonald!

WORD! A spoken word and poetry organisation presenting one of the longest running spoken word nights in the UK - presents an evening of high jinx and hilarity with Rob Gee and Lydia Towsey.
























Tell-Tale present Uncle Richard, taking us to 1502. The Prince of Wales is dead and his eleven-year-old little brother, Henry VIII has a great deal to learn about his ancestors if he is ever to become King.

















Take your seat in the Plantagenet family tree and help young Prince Harry as he discovers that when it comes to his great uncle, Richard III no two tellings of the tale ever seem to be the same.

At a Glance

Events

Date	Event	Type	Venue
Weds 3 Jan, 10 Jan, 17 Jan & 24 Jan 9.30am – 10am	Peace amongst the Paintings	Wellbeing Event	
Sat 13 Jan 11am – 3pm	Make Your Own Masterpiece	Family Event	
Thurs 18 Jan 1pm – 2pm	Lunchtime Concert: Guildhall School of Music Winds	Performance	
Sun 21 Jan 11am & 12pm	Islamic Art: Ebru Workshop	Family Event	
Sun 21 Jan 2pm	Philip French: Working Life in Leicester	Lecture	
Thurs 25 Jan 10.30am – 12noon Tues 27 Feb 1 – 2.30pm Weds 20 Mar 1 – 2.30pm Thurs 25 Apr 10.30am – 12noon Thurs 23 May 1 – 2.30pm	Leicester Museums Store Tour	Guided Tour	
Thurs 25 Jan 7pm – 10.30pm	The Rites of Winter Burns Night Ceilidh	Performance	
Sat 27 Jan 12pm – 3pm	The Best Place to Shop	Family Event	
Sun 28 Jan 2pm – 3pm	Charnwood Street Shops	Lecture	
Mon 29 Jan, 12 & 26 Feb 11 & 25 Mar, 8 & 22 Apr 12pm – 1pm	Mindful Mondays at the Museum	Wellbeing Event	
Thurs 1 Feb 1pm – 2pm	Lunchtime Concert: Chetham's School of Music	Performance	
Weds 7 Feb 5.30pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Andy Kind	Comedy Festival	
Weds 7 Feb 7pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Raul Kohli	Comedy Festival	
Weds 7 Feb Weds 7, 14 & 21 8.30pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Foxy Comedy Club	Comedy Festival	
Fri 9 Feb 4.30pm & 9.30pm Sat 10 Feb 3pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Napolean's 100 Days	Comedy Festival	
Fri 9 Feb 6pm & 8pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Tom Lawrinson – Work in Progress	Comedy Festival	

Sat 10 Feb 11am – 4pm	Lunar New Year Celebrations	Family Event	
Sat 10 Feb 4pm	An Evening of (Very) Old Radio	Comedy Festival	
Sat 10 Feb 6pm	Daphna Baram	Comedy Festival	
Sat 10 Feb 7.30pm	Richard Pulsford	Comedy Festival	
Sat 10 Feb 9pm	Achtung! The Germans Are Coming!	Comedy Festival	
Sat 11 Feb 11am & 1pm	The Oxford Imps	Comedy Festival	
Sat 11 Feb 3pm	Uncle Richard Comedy	Comedy Festival	
Sun 11 Feb 2pm	Wonders of Uzbekistan and the Ancient Silk Road	Lecture	
Sun 14 Feb 2pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Disabled Cants Comedy	Comedy Festival	
Thurs 15 Feb 1pm – 2pm	Lunchtime Concert: Iyad Sughayer (Piano)	Performance	
Fri 16 Feb 4pm – 5pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: A Scar is Born	Comedy Festival	
Fri 16 Feb 5.30pm & 8.30pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: How to be a bit less crap, a bit more of the time...	Comedy Festival	
Fri 16 Feb 7pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Plague of Pigeons Presents Everyday, I'm Jesterin'	Comedy Festival	
Sat 17 Feb 3.30pm Sun 18 Feb 4pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Dougzy – The Satire Tour	Comedy Festival	
Sun 17 Feb 4pm	Tied For Second	Comedy Festival	
Sun 17 Feb 6pm & Sun 18 1pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Neil Frost	Comedy Festival	
Sun 17 Feb 7.30pm	Rach Sambrooks	Comedy Festival	
Sun 17 Feb 9pm	Funny Che	Comedy Festival	
Sun 18 Feb 3pm	The Goldsmith & East Character	Comedy Festival	
Mon 19 Feb & Tues 20 Feb 10.30am – 11.45am, 12pm – 1.15pm & 1.45pm – 3pm	Popping to the Shops	Family Event	
Mon 19 & Tues 20 Feb 1pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Jon & Ollie – Strictly Barking	Comedy Festival	
Mon 19 & Tues 20 Feb 3pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Jon & Ollie – Clown Radio	Comedy Festival	
Mon 19 & Tues 20 Feb 4.15pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Jon & Ollie – Sailing By	Comedy Festival	

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Mon 19 & Tues 20 Feb 6pm Fri 23 Feb 9.30pm Sun 25 Feb 3pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Neil Davidson (The Thermos Museum) – Hightek Books	Comedy Festival	
Weds 20 Feb Weds 2 & Sat 6 Apr 11.30am – 4pm	Railway Day	Family Event	
Sun 21 Feb 7pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Mark Nicholas	Comedy Festival	
Thurs 22 Feb 11am – 3pm	Frosty Fun Day	Family Event	
Fri 23 Feb 11am-4pm	Pop-Up Museum: Highcross Shopping Centre	Family Event	
Fri 23 Feb 3.30pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Sam Dodgshon's Whip	Comedy Festival	
Fri 23 Feb 6.30pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Gassan Abdulrazek Is Dead	Comedy Festival	
Fri 23 Feb 8pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Bot Brothers – A Story of our Times	Comedy Festival	
Sat 24 Feb 11am	Leicester Comedy Festival: Lord Rodney and Lord Russell present House of Twaddle	Comedy Festival	
Sat 24 Feb 1pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Lord Rodney and Lord Russell present Guffaws at the Guildhall	Comedy Festival	
Sat 24 Feb 3.30pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Lucky Dog Theatre – The Lucky Ducky Show	Comedy Festival	
Sun 24 Feb 5pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Side Splitting	Comedy Festival	
Sat 24 Feb 6pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Lucky Dog Theatre – Hats Off To Laurel & Hardy	Comedy Festival	
Sun 24 Feb 8pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: WORD! Comedy Special	Comedy Festival	
Sun 25 Feb 11am & 1pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Straight Outta Towton	Comedy Festival	
Sun 25 Feb 3pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: The Glitch	Comedy Festival	

Sun 25 Feb 7pm	Leicester Comedy Festival: Arv - Make It Big Tour	Comedy Festival	
Thurs 29 Feb 1pm – 2pm	Lunchtime Concert: BONE-AFIDE	Performance	
Sat 2 Mar 8pm	James Maddock	Performance	
Sun 3 Mar 12pm - 4.30pm	Steam Toys in Action	Family Event	
Sun 3 Mar 2pm	Wild Visions Untamed Myths	Performance	
Sun 10 Mar 2pm	Vikings in and around Leicestershire	Lecture	
Sun 10 Mar 2pm – 3pm	Alice Hawkins Suffragette: A talk by great-grandson Peter Barratt	Lecture	
Thurs 14 Mar 1pm – 2pm	Lunchtime Concert: Helene Clement (Viola) & Alasdair Beatson (Piano)	Performance	
Fri 22 Mar 7.30pm	The Marrakesh Express: A Tribute to Crosby Stills Nash & Young	Performance	
Sat 23 March 11am, 11.30am, 12pm, 12.30pm, 2pm, 2.30pm & 3pm	Steam with the Team Guided Tours	Guided Tour	
Mon 25 Mar 11am – 3pm	Eggcellent Easter Funday	Family Event	
Weds 27 Mar 11am – 3pm	Hoppy Easter Fun Day	Family Event	
Thurs 28 Mar 11am – 3pm	The Fairy Tale Garden	Family Event	
Weds 3 Apr 11am – 3pm	Get set for Spring!	Family Event	
Thurs 4 Apr 11am & 1.30pm	Make a Unicorn	Family Event	
Fri 5 Apr 11am, 12.30pm & 2pm	Cashing Up!	Family Event	
Thurs 11 Apr 1pm – 2pm	Lunchtime Concert: Theo Platt (Baritone) Keval Shah (Piano)	Performance	
Sat 20 Apr 11am – 3pm	Upcycling for Everyone	Family Event	

Events



Charges apply for some events and pre-booking may be recommended, visit our website for full event details.



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Celebrate your special day in one of our stunning spaces. From medieval hall to party marquee, iconic engineering to beautiful gardens.

Why not come along to one of our wedding open days, meet our experienced and friendly team and see our licensed venues. Couples attending a spring open day receive a 10% discount on booking.

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