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MAY

Sat 2 - Sun 10 Cool Contours Art Exhibition - visual arts

Art and craft by 14 artists and makers who are tutors for Cool Contours courses. Warden Hill, Chipping Warden OX17 1AJ. North Oxfordshire Art Week venue: www.artweeks.org/festival/2015/cool-contours-group

Sat 2 – Sat 30 Towcester Camera Club Exhibition – visual arts

First exhibition in Towcester Library, The Forum, Moat Lane, Towcester. http://www.towcestercameraclub.co.uk/

Wed 6 – Thu 21 South Northants & North Oxfordshire Selected Open Exhibition — visual arts Annual exhibition of painting, drawing, prints and craft work by local artists, including work for sale. Open weekdays 9am — 5pm and Sundays 11am — 4pm (10 & 17 May). The Michael Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Archery Rd, Middleton Cheney OX17 2QR. 01295 711567. North Oxfordshire Art Week venue: www.artweeks.org/festival/2015/michael-heseltine-gallery



Thu 7 What We Did On Our Holidays (cert.12A) – film

Brackley Film Club in the Dillons Building at Magadalen College School - Manor Road entrance, 7.15pm. (T) See www.bcdt.co.uk. 07901 854576. Arranged through Centre Screen. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Sat 9 & Sun 10 Middleton Cheney Art Group Exhibition

Chacombe Village Hall, Thorpe Road, 10am to 5pm. 01295 714031.

Sat 9 Immanuel's Ground in concert – music

The times of George III, 'In prosperity and adversity...' presented by a costumed quire singing music from 1725 to 1850, accompanied on period instruments. Presented by 'Sounds Good' concerts at Kings Sutton Parish Church. 7pm (T, children free) 01295 810967.

Sat 9 Spring Concert by Brackley Wind Ensemble – music

St. Peter's Church, Brackley, 7.30pm. (T, under 16s free) on the door, in aid of The Katharine House Hospice. Info www.bwemusic.co.uk and Facebook

Sat 9 May There Be Music – music

Recital in aid of Cosgrove Church by concert pianist Warren Mailley-Smith and soprano Susan Parkes: Chopin, Mozart, Faure, Grieg, Puccini & Gershwin. Church of Christ Cornerstone, Milton Keynes. 7.30 (T) 01908 511595 http://warrenmailley-smith.com and www.soprano-singer.co.uk

Sat 9 *The Theory of Everything* (12A) – film

Centre Screen at Marston St. Lawrence village hall. (T) 07956 993830. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Sun 10 The Launton Handbell Ringers with folk singer Lucy Kinch – music

Historic handbells, a delightful sound. Presented by 'Sounds Good' concerts at Kings Sutton Parish Church. 7pm (T, children free) in aid of LARK and the church. 01295 810967.

Mon 11 Shadow Recruit (12A) – film

Centre Screen at Evenley Film Club, Evenley Village Hall, 8pm. (T) 01280 705056. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Mon 11 / Tue 12 Still Life in Oils – visual arts

One-day workshops with Penny German. Rookery Farm Studios, Silverstone. 10am – 4pm. (T) 01327 354670 / 857140 www.pennygerman.com

Tue 12 Fields of Battle, Lands of Peace 1914-18 - talk

Mike St Maur Shiel, photo-journalist, offers a special insight into WWI "battlescapes" as they are today, combining stunning photography and fascinating history. State Music Room, Stowe School, Stowe MK18 5EH. 7.30pm. (T) 0845 680 1926. www.stowearts.co.uk for the full Stowe Arts summer programme.

Wed 13 Jaleo Flamenco – A Compás – music

Jaleo's latest stage show fusing heartwrenching vocals, explosive footwork and virtuoso guitar playing. Ugland Auditorium, Stowe School, Stowe MK18 5EH. 7.30pm. (T) 0845 680 1926. www.stowearts.co.uk for the full Stowe Arts summer programme.

Wed 20 Towcester Writers Group – Literature

Monthly meetings on 3rd Wednesday, Towcester Library, 7.30pm. (T) <u>www.towcesterwriters.weebly.com</u>

Thu 21 Telemann and Friends - music



Meet the Fiori Musicali musicians Heidi Fardell and Amanda Babington, in conversation with Penelope Rapson. Together they perform beautiful music by Handel, Telemann, Corelli and Bach. Sulgrave Manor, 4pm. (Tincludes cream tea) www.fiori-musicali.com Tel. 0333 666 3366.



Presented in partnership with Sulgrave Manor and supported by South Northamptonshire Council

Thu 21 The Imitation Game (12A) – film

Centre Screen at Nether Heyford Village Hall, 7.45pm. (T) 01327 340803. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Fri 22 Belle (12A) – film

Centre Screen at Culworth Village Hall, 8pm. (T) 01295 760855. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Wed 27 Testament of Youth (12A) - film

Centre Screen at Hackleton Village Hall, 8pm. (T) 01604 870037. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Thu 28 *Mr Turner* (12A) – film

Centre Screen at Hougemont Barn, The Royal Oak, Blisworth, 7.30pm. (T) 01604 858590. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Thu 28, Fri 29, Sat 30 May Ladies' Day – drama

Brackley Players production. Southfield School hall, Banbury Rd, Brackley. 7.30pm & Sat. matinee 2.30pm. (T) from Davies & Partners, Brackley Market Place or ring Keith Fraser on 01280-701501. www.brackleyplayers.org.uk/

Sat 30 Craft-Tea Day – visual arts

A day to celebrate local crafters with craft stalls, crochet and lace making demonstrations and crafts for children. Brackley Library, 10am – 4pm Info: brackleylibrarysupporters.blogspot.co.uk

JUNE

Mon 1 Musical Mystery Tour with Pete Ball – music

Brackley Music Festival presents the popular entertainer with a mix of songs and poetry. Brackley Town Hall,2.30 – 4.30pm. (T) includes refreshments. Info: 01280 701162 and Brackley Music Festival Facebook page.

Thu 4 From Creative Writing to Publication – talk

Meet the author **Keith McClellan**. Middleton Cheney Library, 7.30pm. (T) Full details & tickets from The library, e-mail midlib@northamptonshire.gov.uk or visit www.middletoncheney.org and click Library Supporters.

Thu 4 Unforgettable – drama

New Perspectives Theatre on tour. Home is where your parents are. No matter where you fly, that 'homing instinct' applies. Rosie and Jed are both in their sixties. Brothers and sisters might grow older – but they seldom grow up! Richmond Village, Grange Park, 7.30pm. (T) 01604 432602.

Info: www.northantstouringarts.co.uk/whats-on/163/unforgettable-



Sat 6 – Sun 21 June (except Mondays) Vitreus Art – visual arts

Stained glass demos and workshops, free exhibition and art gallery open during Bucks Open Studios. See how stained glass is made and have a go at cutting glass yourself. Vitreus Art, Wakefield Country Courtyard Potterspury NN12 7QX. Tuesdays to Sundays, 11am to 5pm. Part of Bucks Open Studios. www.vitreus-art.co.uk 01327 810320.

Mon 8 – Tue 30 June Chenderit A Level Art & Design Exhibition – visual arts

Chenderit School's annual display of assessment artwork. www.chenderit.northants.sch.uk 01295 711567.

Sat 13 - Sun 14 Photographic Exhibition - visual arts

Abthorpe parish church and Tove Valley Broadband are holding a photographic exhibition in The Old School, Abthorpe. Sat 7-9pm, Sun 2-5pm. If you would like to exhibit (past or present Abthorpe images), please contact Barbara Malcomson: barbara.malcomson@abthorpe.net.

Sat 13 Love's Labour's Lost - drama



Heartbreak Productions bring an outdoor musical adaptation of Shakespeare's comedy, set in the Roaring '20s, to Alderton Mount. 7.30pm. Bring picnics and blankets to enjoy a light-hearted battle of the sexes in the open air.

Info: www.heartbreakproductions.co.uk (T) 0789 429 2051 or email clairewilliams707@yahoo.co.uk (See next page for Sunday 14 play)

Sun 14 June Emma – drama

Artists using Jane Austen as inspiration present Heartbreak Production's play within a play, in an outdoor adaptation of her delightful novel, Emma. The Mount, Alderton, 3pm. Info: www.heartbreakproductions.co.uk (T) 0789 429 2051 or email clairewilliams707@yahoo.co.uk



Sun 14 Purcell and Dryden – music



Fiori Musicali's residency at Canon's Ashby continues with a concert in the Augustinian Priory Church, Canons Ashby, directed by Penelope Rapson, featuring countertenor James Laing. 7.30pm. (T) In association with the National Trust and supported by South Northamptonshire Council http://fiori-musicali.com Tel. 0333 666 3366.

Wed 17 Towcester Writers Group – literature

Monthly meetings on 3rd Wednesday, Towcester Library, 7.30pm. (T) www.towcesterwriters.weebly.com

Fri 19 – Sun 21 Towcester Midsummer Music – music

Plenty to enjoy at the 13th festival. The Rotary, Centurions and Lions clubs of Towcester are combining once again to put on another sparkling event, supporting local charities.



Friday night at The Mill and The Bull; **Saturday** at The Forum (daytime, including a samba workshop – info from

<u>sue.carverhill@southnorthants.gov.uk</u>) and many locations in Towcester; **Sunday** from noon at the Town Hall for Towcester Rockschools bands and Songs of Praise at St Lawrence church. Admission by programme for most events, available in advance. Info from Towcester Town Hall and Towcester Midsummer Music 2015 Facebook.

Sat 20 – Sun 21 Art exhibition at Syresham Scarecrow Festival – visual arts

Exhibition in Syresham village hall, afternoons. Artists interested in exhibiting may contact Mary Turnham, 01280 850417 or maryturnham@icloud.com. Festival info: www.syreshamscarecrowfestival.co.uk

Thu 25 Pride (15) - film

Centre Screen at Hougemont Barn, The Royal Oak, Blisworth, 7.30pm. (T) 01604 858590. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Sat 27 The Imitation Game (12A) - film

Centre Screen at Culworth Village Hall, 8pm. (T) 01295 760855. Info: www.ruralcinema.net

Sun 28 Folk in The Park - music

Popular live music event in Brackley park from noon. Info: www.brackleyfolkclub.org/folk-in-the-park.html

Sun 28 Eydon Oboe Quartet & Friends in Concert – music

Oboist Kim Keeble and violinist David le Page direct a professional chamber ensemble in music by Vivaldi, Albinoni, Handel, Villa-Lobos and Piazzolla. St Nicholas Church, Eydon, **5pm**. Proceeds to Air Ambulance Service and Sparkes Home, Sri Lanka. (T) from kim.keeble@virgin.net and The Royal Oak Pub, Eydon.

Sun 28 Back to Bach - music

Local artists perform a selection of music down the centuries on organ, piano, oboe and voice. Presented by 'Sounds Good' concerts at Kings Sutton Parish Church. 7pm (T, children free) 01295 810967.

More films:

Croughton Cinema Club, Croughton Village Hall, 7.30pm. (T). info: 01869 810891 and online http://www.croughton.org.uk/village-life/societies-and-clubs/film-club/.

Yardley Hastings Secret Cinema, Memorial Hall. Info on the village Facebook page 'Love Yardley Hastings'.

Looking Ahead

Brackley Music Festival

July 4th Eddie Palmer Memorial Concert with Brackley Jubilee Choir and Cherwell Orchestra. Beethoven's Mass in C.
St. Peter's Church, Brackley. Sponsored by Brackley Music Festival.

August 30th FESTIVAL IN THE PARK 2015. 2.00 – 10.00pm.

Covered stage for great mix of continuous music throughout the day. Open Air event. Free entry. Community grant funded by South Northamptonshire Council & Brackley Town Council.

Brackley Music Festival on Facebook. Telephone: 01280 701162/07403 558822.

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See the **Events Calendar** on our website for further information and additions: www.southnorthants.gov.uk



Visit the website for future performances locally and around the county: www.northantstouringarts.co.uk. If you are interested in arranging a live performance by professional performers in your community, have a look at the shows on offer and

information on the website and get in touch with the scheme organiser on 0870 850 5601 or Sue Carverhill (see below).

Other useful county/region culture websites:

www.royalandderngate.co.uk (Northampton Theatres & Filmhouse)

www.creativenorthants.co.uk (Creative Industries)

www.emvan.net (East Midlands Visual Arts Network)

www.northantscraftsguild.co.uk (Guild of Designer Craftsmen)

www.northantsdfas.org.uk (Northamptonshire Decorative & Fine Arts Society)

www.nmpat.co.uk (Northamptonshire Music & Performing Arts Trust & Hub links)

www.northantsjazz.co.uk (Northants Jazz)

www.fiori-musicali.com (Baroque music concerts and choir)

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/en/councilservices/Leisure/libraries/ (Libraries)

http://www.oundlelitfest.org.uk/ Literature events throughout the year, Oundle.

www.mkweb.co.uk/Whats-On (Milton Keynes area)

http://oxonarts.info/ (Oxfordshire Arts)

www.stowearts.co.uk Arts at Stowe School, Bucks

www.artscouncil.org.uk (Arts Council England)

To receive updates on arts events and information about arts opportunities by email, contact **Sue Carverhill, Arts Development Officer** on sue.carverhill@southnorthants.gov.uk; by telephone on **01327 322334**, or post: **South Northamptonshire Council, Moat Lane,Towcester NN12 6AD.** Please also follow SNC Leisure on **Facebook** (www.facebook.com/SNC-Leisure) or **Twitter** @SNCLeisure

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