

ARTS NEWS, August 2022

South Northamptonshire area, West Northamptonshire Council



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AUGUST ARTS EVENTS

Various dates, [Yardley Arts](#)

workshops and courses continue with Needle Felting, drawing and painting; more courses starting in September. The Old School House, Yardley Hastings NN7 1EU.



Various dates, [Stitching Kitchen](#)

Learn how to stitch & make all sorts of textile items, or enjoy a social stitch with Hannah Thompson. Stitching Kitchen, Top Station Road, Brackley, NN13 7UG. Tel, 01280 811602.

Mon 1 – Weds 31 Summer Art Exhibition

The theme of this year's delightful artwork by Culworth Primary Academy children is 'en plein air' on display at [Forge Coffee](#), Culworth. Open daily 9 – 4pm (3pm Sundays).

Mon 1 – Weds 31 [Adam Wood Art Exhibition](#)

Brackley-based, mostly working with acrylic on canvas and lino cutting, Adam's style could be described as loose, naïve, bold pop art. [Forge Coffee](#), Evenley NN13 5SQ.

Sat 6 [Towcester Handmade Fayre](#)

Monthly craft fair, selling quality handmade homewares, clothes, art and bakes for your delight, all made and sold by local artisans. Towcester Town Hall. 9:30 – 4pm.

Thurs 11 – Sun 21 [Song of the Summer](#) – gig theatre

A youth ensemble of local young people perform alongside professional actor-musicians in this coming-of-age comedy drama that explores the highs and lows of teenage life. Set in Northampton in 2006 and featuring original indie rock music inspired by the era, the play dramatises the tension between friendship and artistic integrity, and the joys of creating music with the world at your feet. Recommended age 14+. Produced in partnership by Cherwell Theatre Company, Royal & Derngate and The Picturedrome. The Picturedrome, Kettering Rd, Northampton NN1 4BN. [Tickets & info](#). *n.b. Audience is not seated.*

Sun 28 [Twelfth Night](#) – outdoor theatre & music

Three Inch Fools provide an evening of mischief and hilarity, as five actors present an inventive take on Shakespeare's rip-roaring comedy, fit for all the family. Expect fast-paced drama,

endless costume changes and much music-making along the way! Bring seats. [Sulgrave Manor Gardens](#), Manor Rd, Sulgrave OX17 2SD. Open 6pm for 7pm. Venue info: 01295 760205.

Information is current at the time of issue. Please check all organisations' information before attending events.

For COUNTYWIDE CULTURAL EVENTS AND PLACES TO VISIT, see the [Northamptonshire Britain's Best Surprise website](#); wider regional arts information and course providers [here](#).

SUMMER HOLIDAYS – activities for children

Sulgrave Manor Kids Summer Activity Weeks

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Sundays to 4 September, 10.30am to 4pm:

[Book online](#)

7th - 10th August: Wildlife Week

14th - 17th August: Fun and Games Week

21st - 24th August: Adventure Week

28th August - 4th September: Around The World Week

[iSDA Theatre Summer School](#), Brackley

Does your child enjoy singing, acting or dancing? **iSing iDance iAct** Theatre School's MUSICAL MASHUP! 1- 5 August, Magdalen College School, Brackley, 10am-3.30pm. Ages 6 to 17. Email: iSDATheatreSchool@hotmail.com.

SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL, Brackley – new August dates

[Brackley Youth Theatre's](#) Summer Youth Theatre Project for ages 7 to 16 is now running **Monday 15 to Friday 19 August**: Make a musical based on Dr Seuss and The Cat in the Hat. Egerton Hall, Brackley, 9.30 – 4pm. Book on [Class4Kids](#).

**BRACKLEY
YOUTH
THEATRE**

Silhouette Youth Theatre, Northampton

[Drama sessions for children](#), based in Weston Favell Shopping Centre, Northampton – may have some spaces for non-members. Email at admin@silyt.com.

Radio Drama with Nexus Youth Project, Northampton

[NLive Community Radio](#) are offering a great radio drama opportunity for young people (14-18 years) with their youth project Nexus. Fifteen participants will be working within a group to create, perform, record and broadcast a radio drama! One week starting **22 August**, Northampton. Info and sign up online.

[Art classes for children](#), Brackley

Artist & tutor Elaine Marston may have some spaces for painting & drawing mornings on 23, 24 & 31 August at her studio in Turweston, near Brackley. Contact Elaine for more information elainemarstonartist@gmail.com.

Would you like your club, society or arts activity featured in future issues or listed on our Arts webpage? Contact Sue Carverhill, Arts Development Officer on 01327 322334 or sue.carverhill@westnorthants.gov.uk

Organisations offering frequent or occasional workshops are listed [here](#).

FUNDING & ADVICE

West Northamptonshire Council Community Funding Grants - [online Expression of Interest Form](#)

Are you planning an arts project that would benefit our communities? The Grants Officer will advise, on receiving your form.

The latest funding information can be found on [South Northants Volunteer Bureau website](#) and you can sign up for the regular newsletter.

Arts information, opportunities and new funding guidelines: [Arts Council England website](#). Sign up for the newsletter for updates so you don't miss new grant opportunities. Also details of how to enjoy many exciting cultural activities and projects from around the country.

[Creative Lives](#) supports creativity for all and is a good source of information.

[The Culture, Health and Wellbeing Alliance](#) also has a wealth of resources and information.

Our **Healthy Communities web pages** can still be accessed via the new website from <https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/culture-and-tourism/local-tourism>.

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