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INTRODUCTION



WELCOME TO THE 2025 FESTIVAL OF CHICHESTER: FIVE FABULOUS WEEKS OF FUN AND LEARNING ACROSS THE COMMUNITY, FROM PLAYS TO TALKS, FROM MUSIC TO WALKS, FROM ART TO WORKSHOPS AND ALL KINDS OF SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT.

This is the definitive guide to around 130 individually organised events, packed with both local talent and big names from further afield. This year is BIG. We join the Cathedral in celebrating Chichester 950 (p9) and support mini-festivals from the inspiring Children's Bookfest (p6) and the fabulous New Park Centre (p27) on its 50th anniversary, with participating events marked **NPC50**. There's also the fun-filled City Gala (p7), an artists' weekend (events A9-A14) and - more than ever before - the festival will highlight workshops and outdoor/eco-friendly events in our special city.

Getting the best from the Festival of Chichester

(We're not to be confused with the Chichester Festival Theatre, p17).

Detailed information for each event is arranged by genre (p4 to p38). There's also a full day by day calendar on pages 39 to 44. Please note that for recurring events, the full description is shown in the event's first mention. We suggest that you refer to our website (www.festivalofchichester.co.uk) for fuller descriptions and complete booking information: some events are ticketed through the Novium/Box Office but others directly through the organiser. Also note that even if an event is marked as free it may still require booking, and some free events suggest a charitable donation.

The venues are many and varied, with those marked  being out of town. Full details of each location can be found on the website. Events marked  are outdoors so check the weather forecast and go prepared.



Festival President, Kate Mosse

Before the Festival of Chichester starts, our friends at the Chichester Fringe (p9) will be putting on another two weeks of remarkable events, their last day coinciding with our first.



About us

Now in its 13th year, the festival remains a charity guided by a small committee of volunteers. See p46 if you think you might be keen to join us in facilitating the arts in this wonderful city.

Meanwhile, we are extremely grateful to Chichester City Council, our headline sponsor - Edward Cooke - and our other advertisers who, between them, make the festival possible. We are thrilled to acknowledge the continuing support of our Festival patron, celebrated actor Dame Patricia Routledge, and of our Festival President, best-selling author Kate Mosse.

The festival committee is:

Phil Hewitt (chairman), Jen Cordero, Edward Dowler, Mark Elliott, Vicki Meddows-Smith, Simon O'Hea and Anne Scicluna.

Key Code:  = venue beyond the Chichester city limits,  = outdoors event, **TBC** = to be confirmed. **Free** events may still require a ticket due to limited availability.

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Festival Patron, Dame Patricia Routledge

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In person:

The Novium, Tower Street, Chichester, PO19 1QH: a 1-minute walk from the Cathedral.

For phone and in-person bookings the box office is open Tuesday to Friday 10am-4.30pm & Saturday 10am-5pm. Also open summer Sundays 10am-4pm starting 8th June. Closed Mondays except bank holidays.

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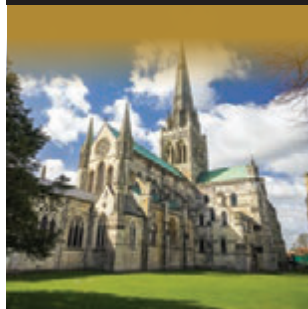
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FESTIVAL LAUNCH

Sunday, June 15, 11am

FESTIVAL LAUNCH, CATHEDRAL GREEN

In a unique collaboration with the cathedral this year our launch will be part of the Trinity Sunday events organised through Chichester 950. This makes a lot of sense historically as the Festivities - precursor to today's Festival of Chichester - were initiated as part of the celebrations that marked the cathedral's 900th year. So we've gone full circle. Say hello to us on Cathedral Green at 11am. Then for a full programme of Chi950 events consult chichestercathedral.org.uk/Chichester950



COMMUNITY



Tuesdays-Fridays 10am-4.30pm, Saturdays 10am-5pm, Sundays 10am-4pm

Event C01: HURRAH FOR SHIPPAM'S, The Novium Museum, Tower St, Chichester, PO19 1QH

The Novium Museum's latest, free, headline exhibition explores the rich history of the local fish and meat paste business, Shippam's. It showcases the Shippam's advertising archive to delve into how family and community shaped one of the 20th century's best loved brands. **Free.**



Saturday, June 14, 10am-1:30pm & 2-5pm

Event C02: GREEN ENERGY FUN DAY, New Park Centre, Chichester, PO19 7XY

TTC (transitionchichester.org) helps you gain facts about solar panels, heat pumps and home insulation. Visit homes with these installed and talk to householders. In the afternoon, Green Energy Fun sessions entertain children while adults can meet suppliers without any obligation. **Free event, first come first served.**



Friday, June 20, 12:30pm

Event C03: TALKING NEWS FOR THE BLIND, Assembly Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

Chichester Area Talking News celebrates 50 years of making local news available to blind and visually impaired people in West Sussex. To mark its Golden Jubilee, you're invited to join Chichester Area Talking News personalities for a celebration of its work past, present and future. **Free, refreshments provided.**



Tuesday, June 24, 12 noon

Event C04: THE DICKIE BOWS AND PETTICOATS CLUB, The Pallant Suite, 7 South Pallant, Chichester, PO19 1SY

A daytime cabaret club for sassy seniors to enjoy afternoon tea, cabaret performers with a naughty edge, bingo, and plenty of singing and dancing opportunities. There's no need to stick to conventional activities when you can go for a night out in the middle of the day. **Tickets £10 via dawnsvintagedo.com**



Wednesday, June 25, 7.45am, 11am, 3.30-5pm & 6.30pm

Multi-Themed Event C05: DAY OF DISCOVERY AT BRANDY HOLE COPSE, Brandy Hole Copse.

Join one or more of a series of walks and activities looking at the life of Chichester's only designated Local Nature Reserve. From an early morning bird walk to pond dipping or an evening stroll, join a planned activity or explore by yourself. **Some activities need prior booking: treesinchi.org/discover-brandy-hole-copse**



Saturday, June 28, 11am-9pm

Event C06: CHICHESTER GALA, Priory Park, Chichester, PO19 1NS

Chichester Gala fills Priory Park with music, dance, food, games and a funfair offering a great free day out for residents and visitors alike. As well as stalls and entertainment, there will be a grand raffle and the draw for an exciting shop window Cuckoo Trail. Details in the City Council's Gala Brochure, or on chichestercity.gov.uk/gala. **Free.**



Saturday, June 28, 12 noon to 4pm

Event C07: CHICHESTER SOCIETY AT THE GALA, Priory Park, Chichester, PO19 1NS

Founded 50 years ago, the Chichester Society is the non-political voice of the city, concerned and active about Chichester's physical environment. Come and meet our members (at the ChiSoc stand within the Chichester Gala) to learn more about us. Short chat slots all day, no pre-booking required. **Free.**



Tuesday, July 1, 6pm.

Event C08: CHICHESTER: CITY, DEVOLUTION AND TRANSPORT, Assembly Room, North Street, Chichester PO19 1AF

During this information sharing event, speakers from operating companies and local government will explain the pros and cons of transport strategies for Chichester at this important moment of local authority reorganisation. Do come and contribute. All welcome. **Tickets £5 including refreshments.**



Saturday, July 5, 6pm

Event C09: TESORO AT THE PAVILION, The Pavilion, Graylingwell Park, Chichester, PO19 6DA

Tesoro Duo will be singing a wonderful mix of Mediterranean and Riviera inspired songs from the world of movies, musicals and more, plus their signature classical crossover songs and numbers from the great American songbook. Perfect for a warm summer's evening drink or relaxing on a picnic blanket with the family. Moves indoors if weather turns wet. **Free.**



Tuesday, July 15, 10am-3pm

Event C010: DISCOVER COMMUNITY ORCHARDS, AT OAKLANDS PARK, Chichester Festival Theatre, Oaklands Park, PO19 6AP

Get to know Chichester's first modern community orchard – why it's there, what it's doing, who looks after it and how you can use it. Activities, mini-tours and information, including about community orchards near you. Please see treesinchi.org/discover-community-orchards-2025

Free



Thursday, July 17, 6pm

Event C011: A VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF CHICHESTER, Assembly Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

A holistic and regenerative vision for the Chichester region is beginning to form, in which everyone is welcome to participate. Come and learn how we can create a vibrant viable future in our economy, ecology and culture, hear about the work done so far and contribute your ideas to the conversation. **Free, no booking required.**

CHILDREN



CHILDREN'S BOOKFEST

Four events in this section, along with the Rev Richard Coles event (SW25) are curated by the wonderful folks at Children's BookFest. CBF is a charity dedicated to putting books into the hands of children, authors into their schools and a love of reading into their hearts. **Since 2019 CBF has given almost 28,000 brand new books to local children** via signature BookFests, Outreach initiatives and regular donations to FoodBanks. 1 in 8 children eligible for free school meals do not own a book so there's a long way to go, and each year 100% of funds need to be raised to continue this great work. CBF events not only offer you and your children some great entertainment: all proceeds from these events will go towards CBF's tough funding target, so please buy a ticket and share the book-love!

For more info see childrensbookfest.com



Sunday, June 22, 10:30am

Event K1: CBF FUNDRAISER: SUPERTATO SILLINESS WITH PAUL LINNET, Chichester Free School, Hunston Road, Chichester, PO20 1NP

Join Paul Linnet, co-creator of the bestselling Supertato picture books, in a riotous celebration of everyone's favourite supermarket superhero! In a session that guarantees stories, silliness, songs and giggles galore, don't miss this adventure for all the family. Sales and signings follow. Fundraiser for Children's BookFest.

Tickets £7 via bit.ly/3FHaSAc.



Sunday, June 22, 2pm

Event K2: CBF FUNDRAISER: MAZ EVANS' WORLD OF ADVENTURES, Chichester Free School, Hunston Road, Chichester, PO20 1NP

Embark on a madcap journey with superstar author Maz Evans – from the Maya Underworld, through Ancient Egypt and all the way to Camelot to find Excalibur and save the world. Join in the fun and games and discover ancient myths and Arthurian legend in this hilarious, energetic show. Fire up your imagination and find the fun in reading! For children aged 8+.

Tickets £7 via bit.ly/3XSJLND



Saturday, July 12, 3:30pm

Event K3: DANCE AND BEYOND,
Chichester University ShowRoom,
Bishop Otter Campus, College Ln,
Chichester PO19 6PE

Dance and Beyond presents Elevate, a dynamic showcase featuring ballet, tap, modern, musical theatre, and contemporary dance. With choreography by students and professionals, dancers aged 4-18 bring artistry to life in dazzling costumes. Join us for an unforgettable evening of performance. **Tickets £10 from danceandbeyond.com.**



Saturday, July 19, 10:30am

Event K4: CBF FUNDRAISER: DRAW-OFF WITH SOPHY HENN AND NADIA SHIREEN, The Prebendal School, 52-55 West St, Chichester

Come and watch the marvellous Sophy Henn and Nadia Shireen go head to head in this family-friendly DRAW-OFF! And why not join in? We'll provide paper and pens and will be asking for audience suggestions to challenge our scribbling superstars on the stage! Book sales and signing afterwards. Supported by The Prebendal School, all proceeds to Children's BookFest. **Tickets £10 via bit.ly/3FsyAQR**



Saturday, July 19, 2pm

Event K5: CBF FUNDRAISER: JOSEPH ELLIOTT AND THE ADVENTURES OF NORA, Chichester Cathedral, PO19 1PX

Joseph Elliott, famed for his role as Cook in the CBeebies series 'Swashbuckle' and his beautiful 'Shadow Skye' series, will be talking about his latest book, 'Nora and the Compass of Chaos'. If you like funny books written by brilliant people, this one's for you. Sales and signing follow. Partnership with Chichester Cathedral, proceeds to the Children's BookFest charity. **Tickets £7 via bit.ly/4kNfBJY**

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MUSIC



Saturday, June 14, 7pm

**Event M2: THE DIELE TRIO
SUMMER PARTY, The Pallant,
Pallant Rd, Havant, PO9 1BE**

Join this award winning acoustic trio in your Hawaiian shirts, tie dye and grass skirts for a singalong of all your favourite covers and originals. Big harmonies and pimmis available to celebrate the summer, come rain or shine. Dress code - Tiki Bar! Bookings on diellemusic.com/gigs. 🎫 **Tickets advance/door £12.50/15**



Sunday, June 15, 10am-4pm

**Event M4: CHICHESTER CELLO DAY,
Cloisters, University of Chichester,
College Lane, Chichester, PO19 6PE**

Join in a day of music making in a cello orchestra! This promises to be a fun day of musical discovery and challenge. Open to all ages and abilities: parts will be provided suited to your level. For further info, contact Prof. Laura Ritchie l.ritchie@chi.ac.uk. **Participant fee £35.**



Saturday, June 14, 7pm

**Event M1: LAURA RITCHIE CELLO
RECITAL, Cloisters, University
of Chichester, College Lane,
Chichester, PO19 6PE**

Professor Laura Ritchie presents a recital of cello works by Ginastera, Cassado, and the premiere of Three Pieces for Cello by Jeffrey Joseph. She is accompanied on a beautiful 1876 Steinway Centennial Fancy D piano. Laura teaches at the University of Chichester and leads ECCO, the Encore Chichester Community Orchestra. **Tickets £10, Concessions £5.**



Saturday, June 14, 7:30pm

**Event M3: LOS LADRONES AT
BOGNOR REGIS MUSIC CLUB, The
Regis School of Music, 46 Sudley Rd,
Bognor Regis PO21 1ER**

Vocal quintet Los Ladrones return to Bognor Regis Music Club's Festival line-up with a programme of 18th-century musical theatre featuring songs by arguably Britain's first popular music star, Charles Dibdin. Presented with skill, style and heart, works will include 'The Waterman' and extracts from 'The Beggar's Opera'. Not to be missed! 🎫 **Tickets £12.**



Sunday, June 15, 12pm

**Event M5: ROMANIA-AMERICA
SOLOIST AND ENSEMBLE PRIZE-
CONCERT, St Johns Chapel, 5 St
John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR**

Students from the US and Romania, under the tutelage of renowned Swiss-Romanian viola soloist Emilian Dascal, come together to present an exceptional concert of mostly well-known classical works with a few surprises thrown in. **Free, no booking required.**

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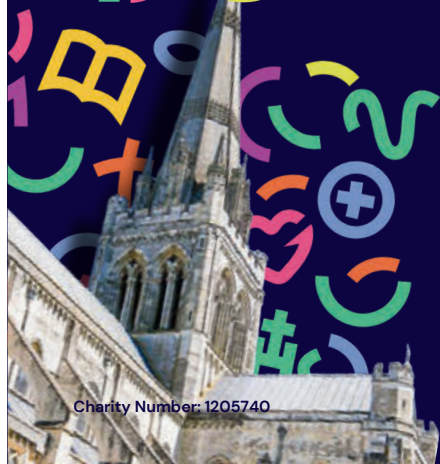


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Sunday, June 15, 3pm

Event M6: UNIVERSITY OF CHICHESTER CONSERVATOIRE ORCHESTRA CONCERT, St Johns Chapel, 5 St John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR

The end of year concert from the University of Chichester's prominent music courses includes music by Rameau, Grieg and Mozart in the beautifully resonant St Johns Chapel. Free concert, no ticket required but there's limited space – first come, first served! **Free, no booking required.**



Monday, June 16, 7pm

Event M7: EAST IN THE WEST: FROM CLASSICAL ROOTS TO PERSIAN RESONANCE, Chapel of the Ascension, University of Chichester, Chichester, PO19 6PE

This recital by up-and-coming pianist Mahya Mahmooni bridges the rich traditions of Western classical music and Persian heritage. Works by Bach, Beethoven, and Chopin set the stage for a second-half showcase of contemporary Iranian compositions that demonstrate how Persian scales, and rhythms can merge with Western forms. **Tickets £15.**



Monday, June 16, 8pm

Event M8: SAMANA, The Guildhall, Chichester, Priory Rd, Chichester, PO19 1NS

Samana makes music that leads one on a journey that evokes ancient beliefs, revolution and healing, alternately confronting and transcending the heaviest elements of the human condition. It is an invitation to regain possession of ourselves and our time, as well as rediscovering harmony with the environment that surrounds us. **Tickets £15.**



Wednesday, June 18, 4:30 & 7.30pm

Event M9: 60 MINUTES OF CLASSICAL MUSIC: PHILLIP JAMES LESLIE, The Bognor Club, 2 Sudley Rd, Bognor Regis, PO21 1EU

Pianist Phillip Leslie performs works by Bach, Schumann, Mendelssohn and Chopin. Described as 'a real artist' by the Keyboard Charitable Trust, his captivating playing has been praised for its sense of 'culture and refinement' (Liszt Society). **Tickets £8, under 25s £4 via 60minutesofclassicalmusic.co.uk or The Novium.**



Wednesday, June 18, 7.30pm

Event M10: BOGDAN VACARESCU (VIOLIN) & MIKHAIL LEZDKAN (CELLO), Boxgrove Priory Church, Church Lane, Boxgrove, PO18 0EE

International soloists hailing from Bucharest and St Petersburg, Bogdan Vacarescu (violin) and Mikhail Lezdkan (cello) join forces to fill the stunning acoustic at Boxgrove Priory with a varied classical programme featuring Bach, Haydn, Vieuxtemps, Glier and Ravel. **Tickets £20.**



Friday, June 20, 8pm

Event M12: SAXOPHONIST TO THE STARS - PAUL BOOTH, Chichester Inn, 38 West St, Chichester, PO19 1RP

Paul Booth is an amazing multi-award winning saxophonist. He is currently a main part of the Steve Winwood Band and has performed with Santana, Clapton, Steely Dan and many more. Tonight, with the fabulous Nic Saunders Trio, expect a tidal wave of jazz from blues and soul to swinging standards... and maybe a bit of Steely Dan! **Tickets £20 via ticketsource.co.uk/2020jazz**



Saturday, June 21, 7.30pm

Event M13: AN EVENING OF ARIA AND SONG FOR AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL UK, Christ Church, Chichester

Join sopranos Rebecca Grove and Stephanie Peat with accompanist Anthony Groves for a midsummer's evening of classical, operatic and musical song at Christ Church, Chichester. Admission is free with no ticket required. All donations go to Amnesty International UK. Tea, coffee and light refreshments are available in the interval. **Free.**



Saturday, June 21, 7.30pm

Event M14: 60 MINUTES OF CLASSICAL MUSIC: OPERA NIGHT, The Jeneses Community Centre, 45 Linden Rd, Bognor Regis, PO21 2AP

Glyndebourne Opera star soprano Jennifer Witton, coloratura soprano Stephanie Kemball-Read, counter-tenor Joaquin Sofredini, tenor Philip O'Brien and bass baritone Aidan Smith, perform famous arias and an overture with the 60 Minute Orchestra. To include Puccini's *O Mio babbino caro*, Franz Lehár's *Lippen Schweigen* and Bizet's *Pearlfisher's Duet*. 🇬🇧 **Tickets £18, under-25s £9 via Novium or our website.**



Sunday, June 22, 7.30pm

Event M15: AMORE - AN EVENING OF VIOLIN AND GUITAR MUSIC, Chichester City Arts Centre, St Bartholomew's Church, Mount Lane, Chichester, PO19 3DQ

Violinist Poppy Mcghee has a wealth of experience performing at concerts and festivals throughout the UK, and is currently studying at the Royal Academy of Music. She is joined by local guitarist David Smith for an exciting and diverse programme of music from Piazzolla to Paganini. **Tickets £15.**



Monday, June 23, 7.30pm

Event M16: PURCELL TO PIAZZOLLA, St John's Chapel, 5 St John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR

The West Sussex Guitar Orchestra, directed by Linda Kelsall-Barnett, presents a dynamic programme including excerpts from *The Fairy Queen* by Purcell, Ketelbey's exotic *In a Persian Market* and Piazzolla's intense *Libertango*, in the resonant acoustic setting of St John's Chapel. Solos and small ensembles will add variety to this celebration of the guitar. **Tickets £5-£12.**



Tuesday, June 24, 7.30pm

Multi-themed event SW6: POETRY AND JAZZ CAFE, Assembly Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

Acclaimed poets Helen Ivory and Martin Figura link with Mike Carey's Big House jazz band to entertain and inspire. There's also the launch of *Poetry & All That Jazz* magazine with South Downs poets. Enjoy a delightful mix of words and music with complimentary homemade cakes. **Tickets £15, students £12.**



Thursday, June 26, 7pm

Event M17: ABSUMA, Havana Bar and Venue, 3 Little London, Chichester, PO19 1PH

Join Absuma, resident band at Chichester's underground venue Havana, for an unforgettable night of live music blending folk rock, psychedelia, and Americana spirit. With a strong reputation for immersive live shows and a live album due in 2025, Absuma's sound is a joyous mix of lush harmonies, storytelling, and irresistible energy. **Tickets £12.**



Friday, June 27, 7:30pm

Event M18: HARRIET MACKENZIE (VIOLIN) & MORGAN SZYMANSKI (GUITAR), Boxgrove Priory Church, Church Lane, Boxgrove, PO18 0EE

Described by Time Out as "a fearsome duo!", Harriet and Morgan have also performed as soloists all over the world and been broadcast on BBC Radio 3 and Classic FM. The stunning acoustics of Boxgrove Priory Church are perfect for their music. Interval refreshments will be available and there's a chance to speak with the musicians afterwards.

Tickets £20.



Friday, June 27, 7:45pm

Event M19: ITALIAN MUSICIANS THE DUO ELISIR, Chapel of the Ascension, University of Chichester, College Lane, Chichester, PO19 6PE

We warmly welcome, from our twin city of Ravenna in Italy, the international musicians The Duo Elisir comprising Matteo Salerno, flautist, and Andrea Candeli, guitarist to perform a stunning and varied evening concert with works by Bach, Mozart, Rossini, Brahms and Vittorio Monti. **Tickets £10 via The Novium.**



Friday, June 27, 7:45pm

Event M20: MATT WATES SEXTET, The Pallant Suite, 7 South Pallant, Chichester, PO19 1SY

Matt Wates is joined by some of the finest musicians in the UK for this sextet, which is popular throughout Europe. The sextet plays a blend of bebop and West Coast cool, inspired by the past rather than replicating it. A mix of classic jazz standards and beautifully arranged originals.

Tickets via the Novium: Chichester Jazz Club members £8, non-members £18. £2 extra at the door if tickets are still available.



Saturday, June 28, 1pm

Event M21: THE BACH CELLO SUITES: REFLECTION, CATHARSIS, JUBILATION, St Paul's Church, Churchside, Chichester, PO19 6FT

Pavlos Carvalho performs and shares thoughts on two of the most contrasting movements from the Bach solo cello suites. The moving, meandering and reflective 2nd suite in D minor, cathartic and spiritual, is followed by the bold, adventurous, dancing and jiggling C major suite. Music to uplift the soul and have you dancing in your seats. **Tickets £12, under-19 £5, under-7 free.**



Saturday, June 28, 7:30pm

Event M22: CHICHESTER SINGERS, Chichester Cathedral, PO19 1PX

An inspiring programme of choral music contrasting works by Finzi and Dyson, some of the finest British composers of the early 20th century with a new work by Norwegian composer Ola Gjeilo. Join us for a wonderful evening of music for a summer evening. The Chichester Singers is one of the South's leading amateur choirs, performing under the direction of Jonathan Willcocks.

Tickets £10-£30 (concessions for students) via The Novium.



Saturday, June 28, 7:30pm

Event M23: AN EVENING AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE SOUTHDOWNS CONCERT BAND, St Paul's Church, Churchside, Chichester, PO19 6FT

The Southdowns Concert Band, together with the Choir of St. Paul's Church, present an entertaining evening of music. The holiday of a lifetime in music will feature a varied programme both from the band and also from the fantastic choir. Just sit back and relax and enjoy wonderful music from around the world.

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Saturday, June 28, 8pm

Event M24: THREE IMAGINARY BOYS PLAY THE CURE, The Chichester Inn, West St, Chichester PO19 1RP

Three Imaginary Boys return after two previous sell-out shows supported by the deliciously dark & gritty music of Bliss Pit. Featuring songs from The Cure's back catalogue, the set includes some darker, atmospheric songs but ends with more upbeat numbers such as Friday I'm In Love. **Tickets £14 via chichesterinn.co.uk and Time Machine Records.**



Sunday, June 29, 4:30pm

Event M25: CONSORT OF TWELVE: AN EXCURSION TO VAUXHALL GARDENS, St John's Chapel, 5 St John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR

Chichester's Consort of Twelve recreates a concert typical of Georgian-era London's famous Vauxhall Gardens. Featuring singer Rebecca Leggett, organist Charles Harrison and speaker/historian David E Coke, the event celebrates Vauxhall's long association with Handel and other composers. **Tickets £20, student £5, child £1.** Before the concert we recommend Alan Green's walk WT9.



Wednesday, July 2, 7:30pm

Event M26: 60 MINUTES OF CLASSICAL MUSIC: GRAHAM SALTER, The Bognor Club, Sudley Rd, Bognor Regis PO21 1EU

One of Britain's most widely experienced oboists, Graham Salter, comes together with cellist Roger Clayden and pianist Christopher Taylor for a 60 Minutes of Classical Music special. Their programme include Telemann's Fantasia in G Minor followed by works by Donizetti, Reizenstein, Vaughan Williams, Silvestrini and Bartok. **Tickets £8, under 25s £4 from The Novium.**



Friday, July 4, 7:30pm

Event M27: VIVALDI: GLORIA, Boxgrove Priory Church, Church Lane, Boxgrove, PO18 0EE

Chichester Chorale concludes its 20th Anniversary Year celebrations by returning to the stunning setting of Boxgrove Priory to perform music including Vivaldi's Gloria, Monteverdi's Beatus Vir, and Buxtehude's Magnificat. Accompanied by The Chichester Chamber Ensemble and conducted by Tom Robson. **Tickets £15 from the Chichester Chorale website.**



Saturday, July 5, 7pm

Event M28: ORLANDO GIBBONS AND HIS CONTEMPORARIES, Christ Church, Old Market Ave, Chichester PO19 1SW

Orlando Gibbons is one of the greatest composers from the Tudor period. To commemorate the 400th anniversary of his death, Portsmouth Baroque Choir presents a concert of music by Gibbons and his contemporaries. The concert will feature a number of Verse anthems accompanied by a Consort of Viols. **Tickets £14 and £12, via The Novium.**



Saturday, July 5, 7:30pm

Event M29: CHICHESTER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA – SUMMER CONCERT, St Paul's Church, Churchside, Chichester, PO19 6FT

The Chichester Symphony Orchestra present an America-themed concert performing Dvorak's Symphony No.9 (From the New World), plus Bernstein's Candide: Overture and Delius's Florida Suite [1. Daybreak 2. By the River 3. Sunset, near the Plantation 4. At Night]. Simon Wilkins conducts. **Tickets £17 from The Novium.**



Saturday, July 5, 7:30pm

Event M30: SOUTH DOWNS SOLOISTS: PALESTRINA 500, Boxgrove Priory Church, Church Lane, Boxgrove, PO18 0EE

The professional singers of South Downs Soloists celebrate the 500th anniversary of the birth of Renaissance composer, Palestrina. His powerful choral music will be sung alongside music from that time, and new music influenced by the earlier styles featured. Proceeds will go towards raising money for the homelessness charity, Stonepillow.

Tickets £25 from The Novium.



Saturday, July 5, 7:30pm

Event M31: MUSIC FOR OTHERS CONCERT AT CHICHESTER BAPTIST CHURCH, Chichester Baptist Church

For a third year since its restoration, Bognor Regis Music Club presents its annual festival fundraising concert, in aid of local and national charities. Presented in memory of our late Chairman, Chris Coote, who founded these concerts, the programme will feature Club members and local professional musicians performing an eclectic mix of music and styles. **Free but booking advised, charity donations welcome.**



Sunday, July 6, 2pm

Event M32: SINGING IN THE BISHOP'S PALACE GARDENS, The Bishop's Palace Gardens

An annual celebration of singing involving several community choirs local to Chichester. Come and listen - and Sing! **Free.**



Sunday, July 6, 3pm

Event M33: SHE'KOYOKH KLEZMER & BALKAN BAND, Lordington House

She'Koyokh is "amongst the finest klezmer ensembles on the planet" (The Australian). Always popular at the Festival of Chichester, their name is a Yiddish word meaning "nice one!" and they've been hailed as "one of the finest and most entertaining British-based exponents of global music" (The Guardian). Setting northwest of Funtington **Tickets £20 in advance from The Novium, £25 on the day, £10 Students/Under 25yrs, children free. Tickets include interval refreshments.**



Sunday, July 6, 7pm

Event M34: REBETIKI SERENATA: VOICES OF GREECE, St Paul's Church, Churchside, Chichester, PO19 6FT

Join Pavlos Carvalho and Greek folk group Plastikes Karekles for a night of traditional Greek Rebetiko music. Guitar, bouzouki, baglama and evocative singing treat you to soulful melodies, foot-tapping grooves that take you to the heart of Greece. Music by Vamvakaris, Tsitsanis, Mitsakis, Skarvelis and more. **Tickets £15, Under 18s/Students £8, children under 5 free.**



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Tuesday, July 8, 7:30pm

Event M35: THE PARNASSIAN ENSEMBLE – VIVA ITALIA! PART 1, St John's Chapel, 5 St John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR

The Parnassian Ensemble offers a two-part extravaganza: Viva Italia! Part 1 – a feast of 17th and 18th century Italian baroque masterpieces, including Vivaldi, Corelli and Alessandro Scarlatti. Then on July 15, David Pollock presents Viva Italia! Part 2 – a solo harpsichord recital (event M41 also at St John's Chapel. **Tickets from Novium £17.50 (or £30 for both concerts). Students/Under 16s £10.**



Tuesday, July 8, 7pm

Multi-themed Event SW21:

FRANKENSTEIN WITH STEVEN BERKOFF, The Novium Museum, Tower St, Chichester, PO19 1QH

The celebrated actor and playwright Steven Berkoff reads from Mary Shelley's iconic horror story Frankenstein. With poetry from Mary Shelley and the Romantic era women writers read by Emily Rose Smith. Music from the period including Fanny Mendelssohn played by concert pianist Elena Toponogova, plus contemporary South Downs poetry. **Tickets £15 via The Novium.**



Friday, July 11, 7pm

Event M36: ENSEMBLE REZA: CELEBRATING TWO CLASSICAL GREATS! St Paul's Church, Churchside, Chichester, PO19 6FT

Join Ensemble Reza for a special anniversary concert performing and celebrating the 200th anniversary of Mendelssohn's dazzling String Octet and the 150th anniversary of Dvorak's beautiful Serenade for Strings in E major, Op. 22. Raise a glass of fizz with us as we honour these iconic composers, their incredible music and their friendship! **Tickets £20, concessions £5 from The Novium.**



Friday, July 11, 8pm-11pm & Saturday July 12, 3pm-11pm

Event M37: "EXPERIMENT" – SONIC EXPLORATIONS AND DIGITAL VISIONS, Assembly Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

An exploration of contemporary electronic dance music with DJs and live musicians presenting a range of genres including tech-house, acid soul, afro-house, drum & bass and experimental. Immersive experiences created by leading visual artists. Alcohol-free bar. No age restrictions. **Tickets £10, under-18s free.**



Saturday, July 12, 3:30pm

Event M38: BACH CELLO SUITES AT FISHBOURNE, St Peter and St Mary Church, Fishbourne Road West, Fishbourne, PO19 3XT

Baroque cellist Lynden Cranham will present a programme of movements from Bach's magnificent Cello Suites, and writer and broadcaster Roger Parker will discuss Bach and these ever-fascinating compositions. Tea follows, and all proceeds from the event will go to this beautiful church, where Lynden recorded the Suites. **Tickets £10 available from The Novium.**



Saturday, July 12, 7:30pm

Event M39: SUMMER SERENADE, The Regis School of Music, 46 Sudley Rd, Bognor Regis PO21 1ER

An evening of beautiful choral music from different times and genres, featuring not one, but two chamber choirs from Hampshire, directed by two Louises! CompACT is part of AChaired Taste, a 100-strong community choir from Horndean. Emsworth's Meridian Singers recently performed in a concert at Edes House, celebrating that fine building's restoration. **Tickets £12.**



Saturday, July 12, 8pm

Event M40: THE ANNA HOWIE BAND LIVE AT THE CHICHESTER INN, Chichester Inn, West St, Chichester PO19 1RP

British country singer-songwriter Anna Howie is touring the UK with her band, to celebrate the release of her album Good for Roses. Bringing a show of foot stompers, singalongs and the odd heartbreak, Anna is a veteran live performer who blends lyrical verve, innate musicality and a simple ability to connect with her audience. **Free.**

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Tuesday, July 15, 7:30pm

Event M41: DAVID POLLOCK (HARPSICHORD) – VIVA ITALIA! PART 2, St John's Chapel, 5 St John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR

A solo harpsichord recital given by David Pollock, the Parnassian Ensemble's celebrated harpsichordist, exploring the infinite riches of the great Italian keyboard composers. Includes Vivaldi, Domenico Scarlatti and Frescobaldi. This event follows The Parnassian Ensemble's Viva Italia! Part 1 recital on July 8 (event M35). **Tickets from Novium £17.50 (or £30 for both concerts). Students/Under 16s £10.**



Friday, July 18, 3pm

Multi-themed event SW27: SUSSEX SERENDIPITY, St John's Chapel, 5 St John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR

Enjoy an inspirational mix of words and music on Sussex themes by classical guitarist Linda Kelsall-Barnett and poet Barry Smith. Linda is the director of the West Sussex Guitar Orchestra and Barry is the director of the South Downs Poetry Festival, with two acclaimed poetry collections to his name. **Tickets £10.**



Sunday, July 20, 3pm

Event M42: THE LAUREL CANYON EXPERIENCE, Chichester City Arts Centre, St Bartholomew's Church, Mount Lane, Chichester, PO19 3DQ

Songs and interwoven life stories from singer-songwriters of the 60s and 70s, notably Carole King, James Taylor and Joni Mitchell who were all recording in the same California studio in 1970. Breathtaking harmonies and nostalgia, performed by award winners John Gleadall, Chris Wood and DiElle. Bookings diellmusic.com/gigs. **Tickets advance/door £12.50/15.**



Sunday, July 20, 7pm

Event M43: STRADIVARIUS PIANO TRIO "MUSIC INSPIRED BY ART INSPIRED BY MUSIC", Great Ballard, Eartham, PO18 0LR

Internationally acclaimed musicians Andrew Bernardi, Maria Marchant and Jonathan Few perform music inspired by the art of Michael Joseph who will himself be present. Enjoy the special experience with a glass of Nyetimber bubbles in the fabulous setting of Great Eartham, a lovely old Regency house redesigned by Edwin Lutens at the turn of the last century.

Tickets £35.

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SPOKEN WORD



Tuesday, June 17, 2pm

Event SW1: CROSS DRESSED TO KILL - WOMEN WHO WENT TO WAR DISGUISED AS MEN, Old Dojo hall at New Park Centre

This fascinating talk by former TV news/undercover video journalist Vivien Morgan asks why, in the 17th to 20th centuries, hundreds of young women dressed as men to fight as soldiers. How did they keep their sex secret for so long? Could they be seen as early feminists? **Tickets, £7 including refreshments. Reserve by email via francescatambling@live.co.uk**



Tuesday, June 17, 5:30pm

Event SW2: CUTTING-EDGE NEW WRITING FROM CHICHESTER, Mitre Lecture Theatre, University of Chichester, College Lane, PO19 6PE

Hear some of the exciting new writing coming out of the University of Chichester's prestigious MA in Creative Writing. Past graduates have included Karen McCarthy Woolf, shortlisted for this year's T.S. Eliot Award and Bethan Roberts, whose novel *My Policeman* was adapted into a film starring Harry Styles. **Free, via tinyurl.com/cuttingedgechi**



Tuesday, June 17, 6:30pm

Event SW3: A PRECIOUS MOMENT: A TALK ON THE ITALIAN NEO-REALIST MOVEMENT IN WORLD CINEMA, BY CHICHESTER CINEMA, Chichester Cinema at New Park, PO19 7XY

Italian Neo-Realist films like Rossellini's *Rome Open City* are landmarks of cinema. In this talk, Chichester Cinema's Mike Jennings will explore Neo-Realism's principal features, directors and films, discussing the influences the movement has had on world cinema. **Tickets Adult £7.50. Under 25s £6.00 from chichestercinema.org**



Monday, June 23, 7pm

Event SW4: AN EVENING WITH BESTSELLING AUTHOR LUCY FOLEY, Midhurst Library, Bepton Rd, Midhurst, GU29 9HD

Join us in conversation with bestselling author Lucy Foley to discuss her latest gripping thriller *The Midnight Feast*. In the shadows of an ancient wood, guests gather for the opening weekend of *The Manor*: a beautiful new countryside retreat. Now the past has crashed the party. And it'll end in murder... **Tickets £5.**



Monday, June 23, 7:30pm

Event SW5: SAVING THE HISTORIC BRITTEN-NORMAN ISLANDER 'CHARLIE NOVEMBER' - G-AVCN, Boxgrove Village Hall, The Street, Boxgrove, PO18 0EE

Arun & Chichester Air Enthusiasts Society presents a talk by Bob Wealthy, chairman of the Britten-Norman Aircraft Preservation Society, about saving this historic BN-2 Islander from dereliction. Manufactured on the IOW, the iconic Islanders are known as the leading Short Take Off/Landing performance twin-engine aircraft. **Tickets on the door: guests £10, members £5.**



Tuesday, June 24, 7:30pm

Event SW6: POETRY AND JAZZ CAFÉ, Assembly Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

Acclaimed poets Helen Ivory and Martin Figura link with Mike Carey's Big House jazz band to entertain and inspire. There's also the launch of Poetry & All That Jazz magazine with South Downs poets. Enjoy a delightful mix of words and music with complimentary homemade cakes. **Tickets £15, students £12 from The Novium.**



Wednesday, June 25, 6:30pm

Event SW7: THE ROAD TO SITGES: LEE MILLER, ROLAND PENROSE AND PICASSO, Assembly Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

Antony Penrose talks about his famous parents' journey, begun in pre-war Paris and ending in 1970s Sitges. It's a tale of their involvement in the Spanish Civil War and WW2. Art was for them a rich, cultural collaboration, with political, moral significance, shared love, passion and loyalties that never died. **Tickets £10, under 18 and students £8.**



Wednesday, June 25, 7pm

Event SW8: THE SIEGE OF CHICHESTER (1642), Chichester City Arts Centre, St Bartholomew's Church, Mount Lane, Chichester, PO19 3DQ

In December 1642, during the English Civil War, Chichester was seized by Royalists but soon besieged by Parliamentary forces. Following the city's surrender, Puritan soldiers ran amok in the Cathedral. Chris Hare's illustrated talk recounts those dramatic days. **Tickets £8.50, early bird £7.50 via bit.ly/4OVFN48**



Wednesday, June 25, 7pm

Event SW9: BOOK LAUNCH: BRILLIANT BLUE BY KAREN STEVENS, Cloisters Chambers, University of Chichester, College Ln, Chichester, PO19 6PE

Join Karen Stevens for the launch of her short story collection Brilliant Blue. Rooted in the south coast on the infamous Duncock Estate, Brilliant Blue weaves together a tapestry of working-class lives. Taboos are broken. Problems can't be wished away. But even tragedy is tinged with fragile hopes and humour. **Free, no booking required. Car parking payable (paybyphone.co.uk).**



Thursday, June 26, 6pm

Event SW10: THE COASTAL PLAIN: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE, Basil Shippam Centre, Tozer Way, Chichester, PO19 7LG

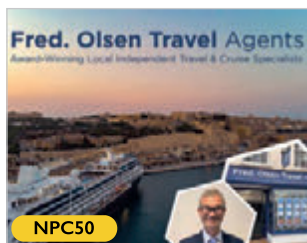
From Brighton to Portsmouth, the wonderful Sussex and Hampshire landscape is under threat from development. Archaeologist Mark Roberts examines clues from the distant and more recent past to pose the question: is there a future for this landscape beyond just urban sprawl? **Book a seat at <https://talksatsix.co.uk>; free entry, donation for charity.**



Thursday, June 26, 7pm

Event SW11: WEST SUSSEX LIBRARIES: THEN AND NOW, Edes House, 27 West St, Chichester, PO19 1RN

Head of Libraries & Heritage at West Sussex CC, Russell Allen has worked in libraries since he was 16 and this year leads the service in celebrating 100 years. In conversation with Festival of Chichester chairman Phil Hewitt, Russell will share the story of our local libraries' last century and look at what the future holds. **Free but ticketed via <https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/centenary-events>**



**Saturday June 28, 2.30pm
& Friday July 4, 6pm**

**Event SW12: SMALL SHIP, RIVERS
AND EXPEDITION CRUISING, New
Park Centre, Chichester, PO19 7XY**

Broadcaster, tour leader and travel expert Roger Mallock is author of CruiseMaster, the definitive British guidebook for explaining the pros and cons of taking holiday cruises. His highly practical 60-minute talk/Q&A focuses on small-ship cruising experiences including polar, tropical and river options and how to select a trip that suits you. **Free. Booking advised via Novium or Fred. Olsen shop (below).**



Wednesday, July 2, 2pm

**Event SW13: HEARD BUT NOT
SEEN, Chichester Literary Society,
Boxgrove Village Hall, The Street,
Boxgrove, PO18 0EE**

A talk by author, Michelle Magorian based on two of her best-selling books from the romance and suspense of A Little Love Song (1991), set during the long, hot summer of 1943, to the drama and mystery of Just Henry (2008) set immediately post-WWII in Stermsea, a thinly disguised fictional mix of Portsmouth and Southsea. **Tickets £8 on the door. CLS members free.**



Wednesday, July 2, 5:30pm

**Event SW14: A HOLOCAUST
SURVIVOR'S TESTIMONY,
Assembly Room, North St,
Chichester, PO19 1LQ**

Deported in 1941 to the Riga Ghetto, Manfred Goldberg aged 11, his brother aged 7, and their mother spent three and a half years in labour and concentration camps where his brother disappeared presumed murdered. He and his mother were liberated by British troops days before the war's end. **Tickets £12.**

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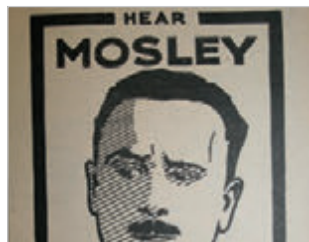
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Wednesday, July 2, 7pm

Event SW15: THE WEST SUSSEX FASCISTS, Chichester City Arts Centre, St Bartholomew's Church, Mount Lane, Chichester, PO19 3DQ

What did World War One veteran and councillor, Charles Bentinck Budd; farmer, Jorian Jenks; and vicar, Rev. James Crosland all have in common? They were all leading figures in Sir Oswald Mosley's British Union of Fascists in the 1930s. This illustrated talk by historian Chris Hare tells their story. **Tickets £8.50, earlybird £7.50 via bit.ly/4aEroFS**



Thursday, July 3, 6pm

Event SW16: JAPAN'S POWERFUL WOMEN, Bassil Shippam Centre, Tozer Way, Chichester, PO19 7LQ

Author and raconteur, Lesley Downer, bubbles with excitement and fascinating detail, telling stranger-than-fiction tales of empresses, novelists and warriors, courtesans and geishas. This talk will cure you of any stereotypical preconceptions you might have had about Japanese women being 'submissive'. **Free, donations for charity, booking suggested via talksatsix.co.uk**



Saturday, July 5, 10:30am

Event SW17: 1945 AND BEYOND — FROM THE PEOPLE'S WAR TO THE PEOPLE'S PEACE, BY CHICHESTER CINEMA, Chichester Cinema at New Park, PO19 7XY

Marking the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II, this talk by Professor Maggie Andrews explores the role films played in the transition to peace at the end of the Second World War. **Adult £7.50, under 25s £6, Blue Light & unemployed £6. Tickets from chichestercinema.org**



Monday, July 7, 7:30pm

Event SW18: CHICHESTER'S FOUR CITIES - EUROPE BLASTS OFF INTO SPACE, Assembly Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

Learn about the ground-breaking missions to planets, moons, asteroids, comets and the stars being undertaken by the European Space Agency – which still includes the UK. This exciting talk by Dr John Mason of the Chichester Planetarium, is followed by refreshments from France, Italy, Germany and Malta, reflecting Chichester's four city-twinning associations. **Tickets £12 from The Novium.**



Tuesday, July 8, 4pm

Event SW19: PROFESSOR RICHARD WERNER: SHIFTING TO A DECENTRALISED ECONOMY – DO WE NEED CENTRAL BANKS?, The Old Court Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

Public policy discourse is dominated by the views from central banks, but can central banks really control the economy by varying interest rates? Oxford University Economics Professor Werner addresses this and other knotty issues. Displays from 4pm. Talk 5-6pm. Social 6-7pm. **Tickets £5.**



Tuesday, July 8, 7pm

Event SW20: IS LIBERALISM DEAD?, The Fountain Inn, 29 Southgate, Chichester, PO19 1ES

Chichester Skeptics is an informal discussion group which meets monthly to consider topics of general interest over a pint in the pub. Our aims are to promote healthy debate in a friendly, inclusive and respectful way whereby differences of opinion are valued as a way of exploring and explaining issues of the moment. **Free, no booking required.**



Tuesday, July 8, 7pm

Event SW21: FRANKENSTEIN WITH STEVEN BERKOFF, The Novium Museum, Tower St, Chichester, PO19 1QH

The celebrated actor and playwright Steven Berkoff reads from Mary Shelley's iconic horror story Frankenstein. With poetry from Mary Shelley and the Romantic era women writers read by Emily Rose Smith. Music from the period including Fanny Mendelssohn played by pianist Elena Toponogova, plus contemporary South Downs poetry. **Tickets £15 from The Novium.**



Wednesday, July 9, 6pm

Event SW22: JENNY ANDERSSON – REGENERATIVE DESIGNER, The Old Court Room (beneath the Assembly Room) North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

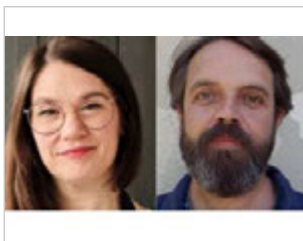
How do we act in a world on the edge of systems collapse and address the damage done to ecological systems? Join prominent regeneration strategist Jenny Andersson to explore how we might create new centres for life and bring vitality back to our communities. Interactive exhibition from 6pm. Participatory talk 7pm-8pm. Socialising 8-9pm. **Tickets £5.**



Wednesday, July 9, 7pm

Event SW23: WITCHCRAFT AND CUNNING FOLK IN WEST SUSSEX: HISTORY AND MYTH, Chichester City Arts Centre, St Bartholomew's Church, Mount Lane, Chichester, PO19 3DQ

In telling the history of witchcraft in West Sussex, the historian needs to carefully separate fact from fiction: the history from the folklore. In this talk, Chris Hare, who is both a historian and a folklorist, will seek to do just that. **Tickets £8.50, earlybird £7.50 via bit.ly/3EIFMxB**



Thursday, July 10, 6pm

Event SW24: SARAH CORBETT IN CONVERSATION WITH TIM BOLTON, The Old Court Room, North St, Chichester, PO19 1LQ

There is a need for more intimate forms of protest says Sarah Corbett, author of The Craftivist Collective Handbook whose unique approach to craftivism (craft + activism) has changed laws, policies, hearts and minds worldwide. Join her in conversation with Tim Bolton of West Dean College whose research includes the sustainability of endangered craft skills. Displays 6-7pm, talk 7pm onwards. **Tickets £5.**



Tuesday, July 15, 7:30pm

Event SW25: CBF FUNDRAISER: IN CONVERSATION WITH THE REV. RICHARD COLES, Chichester Cathedral, PO19 1PX

The Rev. Richard Coles discusses his latest book, 'A Death on Location'. Whether on I'm a Celebrity or supporting those experiencing grief, Richard is engaging, funny, and a wonderful storyteller. With thanks to the Cathedral. All proceeds to CBF (see p6). **Tickets £17 via bit.ly/4bUIQxh or £20 on the door.**



Wednesday, July 16, 7pm

Event SW26: HILAIRE BELLOC, THE POLITICS OF LIVING, Chichester City Arts Centre, St Bartholomew's Church, Mount Lane, Chichester, PO19 3DQ

Sussex writer and poet, Hilaire Belloc, lived life to the full: he wrote on many subjects, travelled extensively, was a Member of Parliament, an avid historian, a man of deep spiritual faith, and a great lover of all things Sussex. Historian Chris Hare explores the life and times of this remarkable man. **Tickets £8.50, early-bird £7.50 via bit.ly/40AnbW5**



Friday, July 18, 3pm

Event SW27: SUSSEX SERENDIPITY, St John's Chapel, 5 St John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR

Enjoy an inspirational mix of words and music on Sussex themes by classical guitarist Linda Kelsall-Barnett and poet Barry Smith. Linda is the director of the West Sussex Guitar Orchestra and Barry is the director of the South Downs Poetry Festival, with two acclaimed poetry collections to his name **Tickets £10.**



Friday, July 18, 5:30pm

Event SW28: CELEBRATORY LAUNCH AND READING OF NEW NOVEL HARTISBORNE BY STEPHANIE NORGATE, St. John's Chapel, 5 St John's St, Chichester, PO19 1UR

Shortlisted for the 2024 Cinnamon Literature Award, Hartisborne is a love-letter to reading and to nature. Set in both 1763 and 1963, the novel weaves a relationship between an 18th-century naturalist and a 1960s young woman. Includes live cello-music interludes and a Q&A about the writing process. **Tickets £6, concessions £4 from The Novium.**

THEATRE



Saturday, June 14, 7pm

Event T1: TWELFTH NIGHT, LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S MEN AT CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL, Chichester Cathedral, PO19 1PX

The Lord Chamberlain's Men present Shakespeare's greatest romantic comedy in the open air, with an all-male cast, Elizabethan costumes, music and dance. Romantic confusion, mistaken identity, practical jokes and riotous disorder abound illustrating love's many glorious facets, and the mess it can make of us all. **Tickets £20, Child £10.00 plus booking fee on www.tlcm.co.uk/booktickets**



Saturday, June 21, 7pm

Event T2: CHICHESTER CABARET CLUB, Oaklands Pavilion, off Wellington Rd, Chichester, PO19 6BB

Chichester Cabaret Club was launched by award-winning Dawn Gracie 12 years ago. Since then, it's delighted audiences with performances from all cabaret disciplines, from burlesque to gravity defying drag. Not for the faint hearted! **Tickets for Cabaret club are £22 from www.outsavvy.com/event/23998/chichester-cabaret-club-jun-21**



June 27, July 1, 3, 5, 9 & 11 all from 5.30pm for 7.30pm

Event T3: THE PERGOLA OPEN AIR THEATRE: ROUND AND ROUND THE GARDEN, West Dean Gardens, West Dean, Chichester, PO18 ORX

Alan Ayckbourn's acclaimed comedy from the Norman Conquests trilogy, in the open air setting of West Dean Gardens. Arrive from 5:30pm if you want to picnic before the show. The gardens' cafe will also stay open: see westdean.ac.uk/gardens.  **Tickets £10 in advance from The Novium or at the Pergola entrance on performance nights.**



**June 28, July 2, 4, 8, 10 & 12
all from 5.30pm for 7.30pm**

**Event T4: THE PERGOLA OPEN
AIR THEATRE: THE DRUNKARD
OR DOWN WITH DEMON DRINK!,
West Dean Gardens, West Dean,
Chichester, PO18 0RX**

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Saturday, July 5, 6:30pm

**Event T5: CYCLONE: FEMME FINALE,
New Park Centre, Chichester,
PO19 7XY**

Louise Blissett is back! The 1980s
checkout girl who fled her life on
Earth, is now on the cusp of galactic
war! An alien mafia is just days away
from total universal domination, but
there's still hope to be found among
her freedom fighter friends. Audio
drama, live on stage. **Tickets £10,
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Sunday, July 13, 5:30pm

**Event T6: SENSE & SENSIBILITY,
THE PANTALOONS, AT CHICHESTER
CATHEDRAL, Chichester Cathedral,
PO19 1PX**

Elinor Dashwood has good Sense.
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WORKSHOPS



Saturday, June 14, 3:30pm

Event W1: JUST STOP - PAUSE MOMENTS WITH LINZI MARTIN, St Paul's Church, Churchside, Chichester, PO19 6FT

Learn short, practical, senses-based ways to experience slower life away from our ever-present devices. Pause Moments by Linzi Martin is paying attention to the world from a grounded, calm mental and physical state. A rest from life's 'to dos'. For more info see naturallylinzi.com/workshops. **Tickets £14 from The Novium.**



Sunday, June 15, 10am-4pm

Multi-themed event M4: CHICHESTER CELLO DAY, Cloisters, University of Chichester, College Lane, Chichester, PO19 6PE

Join in a day of music making in a cello orchestra! This promises to be a fun day of musical discovery and challenge. Open to all ages and abilities: parts will be provided suited to your level. The day runs from 10am-4pm. Participant fee £35. For further info, contact Prof. Laura Ritchie l.ritchie@chi.ac.uk. **Participant fee £35, full day.**



Tuesday, June 17, 7pm

Event W2: BELLYDANCE TO FITNESS! Old Dojo hall, New Park Centre, Chichester, PO19 7XY

Try something a little different and feel like you are in the throne room of the ancient Pharaohs of Egypt! During the Festival we'd like to give beginners their first try-out session for free (subsequent lessons £15 or £60 for five). Suitable for all ages, sizes and genders. Under 16s must be accompanied by a participating adult. **First session is free, subsequent lessons £15/60 each/ for five.**



Thursday, June 19, 4:45pm

Event W3: PASSION OF FLAMENCO, New Park Centre, Chichester, PO19 7XY

Learn a new and exciting art form with a taster Flamenco class for complete beginners (mature man or woman). The class is led by Helena 'La Leyenda' – an international Flamenco dancer who has appeared many times on TV. The event is free but places are limited. To reserve a place email helenadot@aol.com or text 07963 959262. **Free taster session.**



Friday, June 20, 12:15pm

Event W4: INTRO TO TAP DANCING, New Park Centre, Chichester, PO19 7XY

Join us for a fun and friendly one-hour tap-dance session designed for beginner adults with Sarah from Sarah Moore Dance. Learn the basics of rhythm, timing, and footwork in a supportive environment—no prior experience needed. A perfect way to try something new, stay active, and enjoy yourself. Limited to 15 spaces. **Tickets £5 from sarahmooredance.co.uk**



new park centre



50 GOLDEN YEARS IN THE HEART OF CHICHESTER

Celebrate this milestone and rediscover what New Park has to offer - we have teamed up with groups to showcase great events throughout the year including, 'My Chichester' childrens art competition, a history of New Park talk with interactive display, a time capsule project and our big 50th Anniversary weekend in September!

HEART OF NEW PARK FESTIVAL

As part of the year's 50th celebrations we're also hosting **The Heart of New Park Festival - a special event within Chichester Festival.** This festival celebrates the inspiring individuals and groups who bring New Park to life every week. Spotighting the incredible talent of our local artists, musicians, dancers and authors.

Transition Chichester Green Energy Fun Day (event CO2)

Bellydance To Fitness (event W3)

'Cross Dressed To Kill' Women Who Went To War

Disguised As Men (event SW1)

Passion For Flamenco (event W2)

Discover The Joy Of Tap (event W4)

Painting Clouds Workshop With Fiona Bell Currie Art (event A5)

Singing And Dancing Cabaret Workshop (event W7)

Roger Mallock's Talks On Small Boat Cruises (event SW12)

Introduction to Musical Theatre Dance (event W8)

Cyclone Femme Finale Live On Stage (event T5)

See Details In Listings **NPC50**

Bringing people together



Find out more:
newparkcentre.org.uk



Sunday, June 22, 9:45am

Event W5: SOUND BATH OF LIGHT: A SUMMER SOLSTICE JOURNEY, The Pavilion at Graylingwell Park, Chichester, PO19 6DA

Embrace the summer solstice with a meditative sound journey. Immerse yourself in the healing vibrations of global instruments and voice fostering deep relaxation and renewal. Set intentions to celebrate the light within and align with the season's vibrant energy. All are welcome—no prior experience needed. **Tickets £14, earlybird £12.60 (code SOLSTICE) via Eventbrite.**



Sunday, June 22, 10am

Multi-themed Event A4: MAKE & TAKE CRAFTS, Resourceful Community Scrapstore, 58-60, Longford Rd, Bognor Regis, PO21 1AG

Take time for yourself and make use of Scrapstore resources to learn new skills, get creative, and go home with a unique item made by you. Choose from a notebook, a lavender heart, or a button bouquet - or stay for a while and do all three! 45-minute sessions run from 10am to 4:30pm, with different activities in each session. **Tickets £10 via resourceful-scrapstore.org.uk/activities-events**



Friday, June 27, 12:30pm

Event W6: CABARET - A SINGING AND DANCING WORKSHOP, New Park Centre, Chichester, PO19 7XY

Life is a Cabaret! Join Jess from Sarah Moore Dance for a magical, feel-good session immersed in the joy of musical theatre. Our friendly, supportive singing-&-dancing workshop is inspired by the iconic Cabaret – no experience is needed, just bring your enthusiasm and a smile! Limited to 18 spaces. **Tickets £10 from sarahmooredance.co.uk.**



Saturday, June 28, 6pm

Event W7: A POETIC MAGICAL WALK IN KINGLEY VALE WITH AMANDA WARING, Start at the Kingley Vale nature reserve car park, South Stoke, PO18 9BE

Medicine Woman and Sacred Poet Amanda Waring leads you on a magical walk and nature connection with the sacred Yew trees as she weaves poetry, song and ceremony to bring harmony to you and Mother Earth. Bring a blanket to sit on. Entry by donation. Any questions email Amanda via amandawaringfilms@gmail.com. **By donations.**



Friday, July 4, 12:15pm

Event W8: INTRO TO MUSICAL THEATRE DANCE, New Park Centre, Chichester, PO19 7XY

Curtain Up – Light the Lights! Step into the spotlight with our exciting dance workshop set to the show-stopping Everything's Coming Up Roses from Gypsy! After a fun warm-up there's plenty of time to learn the steps. Open to all abilities – just bring your passion for musical theatre! Limited to 16 spaces. **Tickets £5 from sarahmooredance.co.uk**



Friday, July 11, 11am

Event W9: JUST STOP – RITUALS FOR SACRED SELF WITH LINZI MARTIN, off Charles Avenue, Chichester. Location to be confirmed after booking made

In a world where bigger is prominent let's create small conscious rituals for our sacred self. Feel empowered. Ritual is alchemy. Intentional dedication to celebrate life's transitions. We'll practise various senses based activities to embrace the Sacred for yourself. Slowing down. Breathing, smiling, making space in your life. **Tickets £14 via naturallylinzi.com/workshops**



Friday, July 11, 5:30pm

**Event W10: JUST STOP – SENSES
WALK N CHAT WITH LINZI MARTIN,**
Chichester Festival Theatre cafe,
Oaklands Park, PO19 6AP

Sensing into your environment, connect and chat with other creatives. End your week, release busyness and breath in serenity. Experience extended Pause Moment led by Linzi Martin. Bring mat/cushion to sit. I'll bring fruity snacks. For more info see naturallylinzi.com/ workshops. 🌿 **Tickets £14 from The Novium.**



Saturday, July 12, 10am

**Event W11: IMPROV FOR
CREATIVES, Chichester Canal
Heritage Centre, Chichester,
PO19 8DT**

Bring paper & pen, an open heart and a sense of adventure. This is an intro to improv. Play classic improv games to warm up then we try versions to do at your desk to help with creating/ fleshing out WHATEVER creative project you have in mind. Limited to 14 participants. **Tickets £20 from The Novium.**

ART & CRAFT



**Tuesday, June 10-Sunday,
June 22 (closed Mon)**

**Event A1: CHICHESTER ART
SOCIETY EXHIBITION 2025,**
Oxmarket Contemporary, St.
Andrew's Court, off East Street,
Chichester, PO19 1YH

The Society's annual exhibition of original and contemporary art offers a wonderful opportunity to acquire unique artwork at an affordable price. There will be a wide range of works including paintings, prints, sculpture, ceramics and beautiful jewellery. For info please visit www.chi-art-soc.org. **Free.**



**Throughout the festival.
Check website for exact
times**

**Event A2: MAGDALENA VAN
DER PASSE AND OVID'S
METAMORPHOSES, Learning
Resource Centre, University of
Chichester**

Poetry and art collide in this experimental exhibition inspired by engravings depicting scenes from Ovid's Metamorphoses. Expect sudden shifts from ancient verse to early modern images and modern voices reinterpreting the past. **Free.**



**Saturday, June 21,
10am-noon**

**Event A3: NATURE MAKERS'
WILLOW WORKSHOP, Denmans
Garden, Fontwell, BN18 0SU**

Discover the art of willow weaving in the serene setting of Denmans Garden. Join our Mindful Makers workshop to craft your own Catalan Tension Tray, a beautiful yet functional piece. Embrace creativity, connect with nature, and unwind in this relaxing session suitable for beginners and enthusiasts alike. 🚗 **Tickets £29 via nature-makers.co.uk/ chichester-bognorregis**



Sunday, June 22, 10am

Multi-themed Event A4: MAKE & TAKE CRAFTS, Resourceful Community Scrapstore, 58-60, Longford Rd, Bognor Regis, PO211AG

Take time for yourself and make use of Scrapstore resources to learn new skills, get creative, and go home with a unique item made by you. Choose from a notebook, a lavender heart, or a button bouquet - or stay for a while and do all three! 45-minute sessions run from 10am to 4:30pm, with different activities in each session. 🚗 **Tickets £10 via resourceful-scrapstore.org.uk/activities-events**



Tuesday, June 24, 2:30pm

Event A5: PAINTING CLOUDS WITH FIONA BELL CURRIE, New Park Centre, Chichester, PO19 7XY

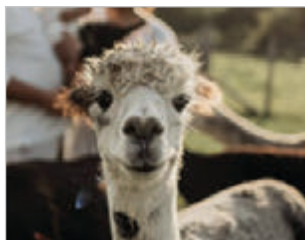
A hands-on afternoon workshop painting clouds in the Studio at New Park Centre with enthusiastic teacher, Fiona Bell Currie (www.fionabellcurrie.com). Suitable for absolute beginners as well as those with some experience. All materials provided. Numbers limited to 18. **Tickets £10.**



Thursday, June 26, 5-9:30pm

Event A6: CHICHESTER PRIDE SUMMER LATE AT PALLANT HOUSE GALLERY, Pallant House Gallery

Pallant House Gallery and Chichester Pride are delighted to be partnering to deliver a night full of fun. Enjoy free access to the galleries and the latest exhibition Seeing Each Other: Portraits of Artists accompanied by exciting creative activities and, from 7pm, an incredible line-up of entertainment in the courtyard. **Free but book ahead via pallant.org.uk**



Saturday, June 28, 11am-12:30pm

Event A7: MEET & DRAW: AN ALPACA ART EXPERIENCE WITH JASMINE SIMPSON, Matt Black Barn, Hambrook, PO18 8RQ

Join artist Jasmine Simpson for a unique outdoor drawing workshop featuring live alpacas! Hosted in collaboration with Our Back Garden, a local rare breed farm, this session offers the chance to observe and sketch these gentle creatures in action. 🚗🌂 **Tickets £30 from mattblackbarn.co.uk**



Sunday June 29 & Friday 18 July, 6pm

Event A8: SEASCAPE PAINTING GUIDED BOAT TRIPS, Departs from Harbour Office, Itchenor, PO20 7AW

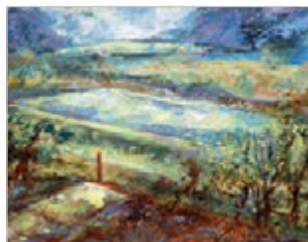
Capture the beauty of Chichester Harbour National Landscape from the water with guidance from local artist, Nic Cowper. Join fellow art enthusiasts for two hours aboard our solar-powered boat, Solar Heritage, to enhance your techniques and express your love for the sea. Bring your own supplies. Departs from Itchenor. 🚗 **Tickets £40, via boattripschichesterharbour.co.uk**



Friday-Sun, July 4-6, 10am-6pm

Event A9: EXHIBITION BY ROSY TURNER, FESTIVAL ARTIST, 72A Westgate, Chichester, PO19 3HH

Artist Rosy Turner's oil paintings and watercolours cover of a wide variety of subjects including evocative seascapes and landscapes. Parking is available in the drive or on the road nearby. See more of Rosy's work at www.rosyturner.com. **Free.**



**Friday-Sun, July 4-6,
10am-6pm**

Event A10: EXHIBITION BY CATHERINE BARNES, FESTIVAL ARTIST, Juno Studio, 107 Cedar Dr, Chichester, PO19 3EL

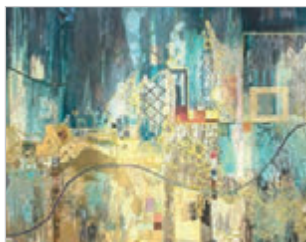
Catherine creates large and medium sized oil paintings on canvas with smaller work on paper covering a range of subjects including seascapes and landscapes. There's more to view in the storeroom and at www.catherinebarnes.com. Parking at 107 or (free) in Cedar Drive (limited on Fri 9-5). Wheelchair accessible. Children and dogs welcome. **Free.**



**Friday-Sun, July 4-6,
10am-6pm**

Event A11: EXHIBITION BY DIANE HENSHAW, FESTIVAL ARTIST, 93 Westgate, Chichester, PO19 3HB

I am a potter with a purpose-built studio in my back garden. I mainly throw functional stoneware and also hand build decorative pieces. I enjoy experimenting with combinations of glazes and textures. Parking at 93 or free in Westgate (limited on Friday 9-5). Children and dogs welcome. **Free.**



**Friday-Sun, July 4-6,
10am-6pm**

Event A12: EXHIBITION BY MIN MAUDE, FESTIVAL ARTIST, 35 Broyle Road, Chichester, PO19 6BA

Formerly head of wardrobe at the Old Vic and general factotum to Barry Humphreys, Min is also a widely exhibited painter using mixed-media collage, paint, and ink. Much of her work is map based, about ideas and places rather than of them. Studio access via St Paul's Rd then Little Breach: pass allotments, take first right then left and find white garage number 35. **Free.**



**Friday-Sun, July 4-6,
10am-6pm**

Event A13: EXHIBITION BY STEPHEN CODNER, FESTIVAL ARTIST, 33 Whyke Lane, Chichester, PO19 7US

Stephen's small and medium sized paintings in oil and acrylic feature beach, harbour and local scenes, townscapes and figure compositions, see www.stephencodner.art Park at the Cattle Market car park in Market Avenue. Doorway on left into Whyke Lane. No.33 is on left, third house after Guides Hall. **Free.**



**Friday-Sun, July 4-6,
10:30am-5:30pm**

Event A14: EXHIBITION BY MARTIN V SMITH, FESTIVAL ARTIST, 5 Canterbury Close, Chichester, PO19 5DD

Colourful paintings created by a process that includes deliberate randomising; the crystalline outcomes are strangely neither wholly abstract nor figurative becoming openly accessible propositions of realities beyond 'lived' experience. Parking available on site. **Free.**



Sat, July 5, 10:30am-4pm

Event A15: SUSTAINING CREATIVITY: CERI HAND ON BUILDING A LASTING ARTISTIC CAREER, Matt Black Barn, Hambrook, PO18 8RQ

Don't miss this rare in-person event as leading industry expert Ceri Hand shares game-changing strategies for building a sustainable artistic career. Held at Matt Black Barn, this exclusive day of insight and discussion features a panel with renowned sculptors Andrew Sabin and Laura Ford, offering guidance in an inspiring, sculpture-focused setting. **Tickets £50 from mattblackbarn.co.uk.**

Mary McGarry, *Bang Fida*, London, 2000, Giclée Print,
Courtesy of the artist. A Photograph by Mary McGarry,
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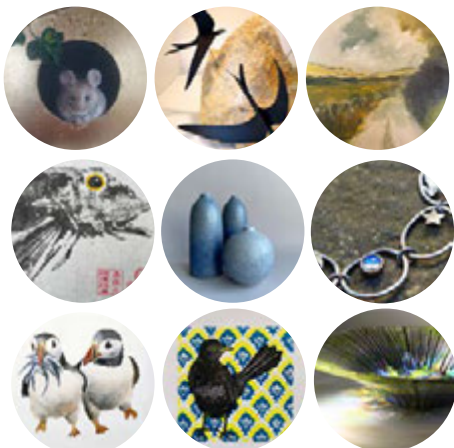
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Preview the Chichester Open Studios Art Trail at the 'Snap-Shot' Exhibition
April 15th to 27th at Oxmarket Contemporary, Chichester. The Exhibition offers
a glimpse into the diverse artworks that will be featured in the 2025 Art Trail.



chichesteropenstudios.org



WALKS OR TOURS



**Various dates and times,
see website**

**Event WT1: CHICHESTER HARBOUR
BOAT TRIPS, Harbour Office,
Itchenor, PO20 7AW**

Enjoy the beauty, wildlife and tranquility of Chichester Harbour National Landscape on a trip aboard our solar-powered boat, Solar Heritage. Glide across the water and enjoy panoramic harbour views. Trips include sunset cruises, harbour discovery trips, art workshops and nature recovery trips. 🚗🌂
Tickets from £15, child from £5 via
boattripschichesterharbour.co.uk



**Various dates and times,
see website**

**Event WT2: SAILING TRIPS ON
OYSTERBOAT TERROR**

Enjoy a memorable, scenic trip around Chichester Harbour on board the beautifully-restored Victorian wooden oysterboat Terror. Trips last about 2½ hours for up to six passengers on each trip; sailors and non-sailors welcome. Private charters available. 🚗🌂 **Tickets £35, child £20, private charter £175 via**
oysterboatterror.org.uk



**Saturdays, 2pm, Tuesdays
& Wednesdays at 11am**

**Event WT3: CHICHESTER CITY
TOURS – WALKING TOURS OF
CHICHESTER, The Novium Museum,
Tower St, Chichester, PO19 1QH**

Chichester City Tours have guides who have extensive knowledge of the city, and who can tell you about local people and happenings, as well as show you hidden gems which you may not have noticed – even if you thought you knew the city well! Walks take around 90 minutes – in rain or shine! 🌂 **Tickets £6 via The Novium.**



Saturday, June 14, 6pm

**Event WT4: ST WILFRID'S HOSPICE
MOONLIGHT WALK, Chichester
College**

St Wilfrid's invites you and hundreds of walkers to take on a 5 or 10-mile in-memory walk around Chichester, including some stops at familiar areas that will be exclusively decorated for this event. Your efforts will help fund the vital care and compassion that St Wilfrid's Hospice provides to local people with life-limiting illnesses (See ad p41). 🌂
Tickets from £12, sign-up at stwh.co.uk/moonlight.



Sundays at 11:30am

**Event WT5: HIGHLIGHTS OF
CHICHESTER'S HISTORY WITH
CHICHESTER TOUR GUIDES, meet
outside the Cathedral Bell Tower,
West Street, Chichester, PO19 1QG**

Join us for a 90-minute stroll with a qualified guide through the Cathedral precincts and the narrow streets of Chichester, taking in the history from the Romans to the present day. Runs every Sunday of the festival. Or to choose a different date, contact us via info@chtg.co.uk 🌂 **Tickets £10 from The Novium.**

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Every Sunday during festival, 2pm

Event WT6: GUIDED TOURS OF CHICHESTER'S WALLS, starts from The Novium Museum, Chichester, PO19 1QH

90-minute guided tour round the 2km circuit of the City's historic walls, with insights into their construction, their survival through two millennia, and their continuing importance. Parts of the City Walls are difficult for access and do not allow dogs. Detours are possible. 🌂 Tickets £5 from The Novium.



Fridays, June 20, 5:45pm & July 18, 6:30pm

Event WT7: CHICHESTER FUN BICYCLE RIDES X2, starts from Chichester Cross

June 20, Chips on Centurion Ride: an ambling roll to the Lighthouse Chippie, collect our pre-ordered food and take it to the statues.

July 18, Rolling Stones Ride: come with a decorated/lit-up bike, and a speaker (or not). We will ride around the city in a celebration of good music. Full details: BottsBikesBits.com/rides 🌂 Free.



Saturday June 21, 2pm & Friday July 11, 11am

Event WT8: CATHEDRAL QUARTER TOUR, Chichester Cathedral, PO19 1PX

As the Cathedral celebrates 950 years, come and enjoy an outdoor tour of the Cathedral Quarter. The 60-75 minute tour introduces buildings, people and important historical events. Hear about the Sloe Fair and the 1187 fire, pilgrimage, the Reformation and the Civil War, all of which brought change to this area. 🌂 Tickets £15 via ticketsource.co.uk



Saturday, June 28, 6pm

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Sunday, June 29, 2pm

Event WT9: ELEGANT ENTERTAINMENT IN GEORGIAN CHICHESTER, Chichester Cathedral (west entrance), PO19 1PX

Join local historian Alan Green on this new walk exploring where Georgian Cicestrians obtained their entertainment and meeting some of those who influenced the cultural life of the city. Directly after the walk we recommend a concert at St John's Chapel by the Concert of Twelve (event M25) featuring music of the same era. 🌂 Tickets £5.



Sundays, June 29, July 6 & July 13, 2:30pm

Event WT10: HISTORIC CHICHESTER: A GUIDED WALK DISCOVERING SOME TALES OF THE UNEXPECTED, Outside Chichester Railway Station, North side

Between 2016 and 2018, Chris Hare managed the Chichester Heritage Trails project for the Chichester Society. He draws on that project, to lead a 90-minute guided walk around the ancient heart of Chichester, including dramatic moments of local history. 🌂 Tickets £8.50, early-bird £7.50 via tickettailor.com/events/historypeople



**Wednesday, July 2, 11am
& Thursday July 10, 2pm**

Event WT11: CATHEDRAL CLOISTER TOUR, Chichester Cathedral, PO19 1PX

The Cathedral itself is well known, but what about the Cloisters? Join Cathedral Guides for a fascinating tour of this less well-known part. Whose feet walked these flagstones, what stories unfolded here and who on earth can enter Paradise? All this and more will be revealed. Tour lasts c.60 minutes. **Tickets £12 via ticketsource.co.uk**



Wednesday, July 9, 6pm

Event WT12: EXPLORE TREES WITH CHICHESTER TREE WARDENS, IN JUBILEE GARDENS, Friends Meeting House, Chichester

Accompany Chichester Tree Wardens (treesinchi.org) on a walk through Jubilee Gardens to enjoy and learn about its trees. Meet at Friends Meeting House, Priory Road and return there for refreshments and conversation. Approx. 1 hour walk, plus social. Accessible for all, but there may be some soft ground. Sponsored by Chichester Quakers. **🌿 Tickets £3.50, from The Novium.**



Sunday, July 13, 10:30am

Event WT13: A WALK AROUND GEORGIAN CHICHESTER, Edes House, Chichester

Join local historian and author Alan Green on this popular walk that explores Chichester's Georgian architecture and meets some of its Georgian characters along the way. **🌿 Tickets £5.**

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THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL

Chichester Harbour Boat Trips **Event WT1** 🚤

Sailing Trips on Oysterboat Terror **Event WT2** 🚤

Interactive art most days from 9am: Magdalena van der Passe and Ovid's Metamorphoses **Event A2**

SATURDAY JUNE 14

10am-1.30pm & 2-5pm Green Energy Fun Day **Event C02**

10am-5pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

10-4pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition 2025, Oxmarket **Event A1**

2pm Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🚶

3:30pm Just Stop - Pause Moments with Linzi Martin **Event W1**

6pm St Wilfrid's Hospice Moonlight Walk **Event WT4** 🌙

7pm Laura Ritchie Cello Recital **Event M1**

7pm The DiElla Trio Summer Party **Event M2** 🎵

7pm Twelfth Night, Lord Chamberlain's Men at Chichester Cathedral **Event T1**

7:30pm Los Ladrones at Bognor Music Club **Event M3** 🎵

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

10am Chichester Cello Day: all day workshop **Event M4**

10am-4pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11.30am Chichester History Walk **Event WT5** 🚶

noon Romania-America soloist and ensemble prize-concert. Free. **Event M5**

noon-4pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition 2025, Oxmarket **Event A1**

2pm Roman walls walk **Event WT6** 🚶

3pm University of Chichester Conservatoire Orchestra Concert. Free. **Event M6**

7pm East in the West: From Classical Roots to Persian Resonance. Piano concert by Mahya Mahmooni **Event M7**

MONDAY, JUNE 16

8pm Samana -music for the soul at the Guildhall **Event M8**

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

10-4pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition 2025, Oxmarket **Event A1**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🚶

2pm "Cross Dressed to Kill" - Women who went to war disguised as men **Event SW1**

5:30pm Cutting-edge new writing from Chichester **Event SW2**

7pm Bellydance to Fitness! Free taster lesson **Event W2**

6:30pm A precious moment: A talk on the Italian Neo-Realist Moment in World Cinema, by Chichester Cinema **Event SW3**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

10-4pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition 2025, Oxmarket **Event A1**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🚶

4:30pm & 7.30pm 60 Minutes of Classical Music: pianist Phillip James Leslie in Bognor **Event M9** 🎵

7:30pm Bogdan Vacarescu (Violin) & Mikhail Lezdkan (Cello) play Bach, Haydn, Ravel and more at Boxgrove **Event M10** 🎵

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

4:45pm Passion of Flamenco, free taster lesson **Event W3**

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

10-4pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition 2025, Oxmarket **Event A1**

5:45pm Chichester Fun Bicycle Ride **Event WT7** 🚴

12:15pm Intro to Tap Dancing, beginners' taster session **Event W4**

12:30pm Talking News for the Blind celebrates 50 years. Free, refreshments provided. **Event C03**

8pm Saxophonist to the Stars - Paul Booth, with the Nic Saunders Jazz Trio **Event M12**

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

10am Mindful Makers - Willow Workshop: make a Catalan Tension Tray **Event A3** 🎨

10am-5pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

10-4pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition 2025, Oxmarket **Event A1**

2pm Cathedral Quarter Tour **Event WT8** 🚶

2pm Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🚶

7:30pm 60 Minutes of Classical Music: Opera Night in Bognor **Event M14** 🎵

7pm Chichester Cabaret Club, expect adult comedy, circus-skills, drag and satire plus after-show disco. **Event T2**

7:30pm An Evening of Aria and Song for Amnesty International UK **Event M13**

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

9:45am Sound Bath of Light: A Summer Solstice Journey **Event W5**

10am Make & Take Crafts, Bognor **Event A4** 🎨

10am-4pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

10:30am CBF Fundraiser: Supertato Silliness with Paul Linnet **Event K1** 🚗

11.30am Chichester History Walk **Event WT5** 🌂

noon-4pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition 2025, Oxmarket **Event A1**

2pm CBF Fundraiser: Maz Evans' World of Adventures **Event K2** 🚗

2pm Roman walls walk **Event WT6** 🌂

7:30pm Amore - an evening of violin and guitar music **Event M15**

MONDAY, JUNE 23

7pm An Evening with bestselling author Lucy Foley **Event SW4** 🚗

7:30pm Saving the Historic Britten-Norman Islander 'Charlie November' - G-AVCN **Event SW5** 🚗

7:30pm Purcell to Piazzolla: West Sussex Guitar Orchestra **Event M16**

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🌂

noon The Dickie Bows and Petticoats Club **Event C04**

2:30pm Painting Clouds with Fiona Bell Currie **Event A5**

7:30pm Poetry and Jazz cafe **Event SW6**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

Various timed events Day of Discovery at Brandy Hole Copse **Event C05** 🌂

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🌂

6:30pm The Road to Sitges: Lee Millar; Roland Penrose and Picasso **Event SW7**

7pm Book Launch: Brilliant Blue by Karen Stevens **Event SW9**

7pm The Siege of Chichester (1642) **Event SW8**

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

5pm Chichester Pride Summer Late at Pallant House Gallery **Event A6**

6pm The Coastal Plain: Past, present and future (TalksAtSix) **Event SW10**

7pm Absuma: folk-rock & Americana at the Havana **Event M17**

7pm West Sussex Libraries: then and now (Edes House) **Event SW11**

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

12:30pm Cabaret - a singing and dancing workshop **Event W6**

5.30 for 7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: Round and Round The Garden **Event T4** 🚗 🌂

7:30pm Italian Musicians' The Duo Elisir, flute & guitar (Friends of Ravenna) **Event M19**

7:30pm Harriet Mackenzie (violin) & Morgan Szymanski (guitar) **Event M18** 🚗

7:45pm Matt Wates Sextet, Chichester Jazz Club **Event M20**

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

10am-5pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11am-9pm Chichester Gala - all day range of family fun in Priory Park **Event C06** (also see advert on p7)

11am Meet & Draw: An Alpaca Art Experience with Jasmine Simpson **Event A7** 🌂 🚗

noon-4pm Chichester Society at the Gala **Event C07**

1pm The Bach Cello Suites: Reflection, Catharsis, Jubilation **Event M21**

2pm Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🌂

2:30pm Cruises: small ships, rivers and expeditions, by Roger Mallock **Event SW12**

6pm A poetic, magical walk in Kingley Vale with Amanda Waring **Event W7** 🌂 🚗

7:30pm An Evening Around The World: South Downs Concert Band **Event M23**

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: The Drunkard or Down With Demon Drink! **Event T3** 🚗 🌂

8pm Three Imaginary Boys play The Cure **Event M24**

SUNDAY, JUNE 29

10am-4pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11.30am Chichester History Walk **Event WT5** 🌂

2pm Elegant Entertainment in Georgian Chichester, Alan Green's guided walk **Event WT9** 🌂 (consider combining with **M25** at 4.30pm)

2pm Roman walls walk **Event WT6** 🌂

2:30pm Historic Chichester: Chris Hare's 'tales of the unexpected' guided walk **Event WT10** 🌂

4:30pm Consort of Twelve: An Excursion to Vauxhall Gardens **Event M25**

6pm Ideas For Chichester: Chichester Society public discussion **Event C08**

6:30pm Seascape Painting, on a guided boat trip from Itchenor **Event A8** 🚗

TUESDAY, JULY 1

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🌂

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: Round and Round The Garden **Event T4** 🚗 🌂

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11am Cathedral Cloister tour **Event WT11**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🌂

2pm Heard But Not Seen, by best selling author Michelle Magorian **Event SW13** 🚗

5:30pm A Holocaust Survivor's Testimony **Event SW14**

7pm The West Sussex Fascists, unexpected angles on Moseley's Sussex activists **Event SW15**

7:30pm 60 Minutes of Classical Music: oboist Graham Salter **Event M26** 🚗

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: The Drunkard or Down With Demon Drink! **Event T3** 🚗 🌂

THURSDAY, JULY 3

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**



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6pm Japan's Powerful Women, TalksAtSix **Event SW16**

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: Round and Round The Garden **Event T4** 🚗 🌂

FRIDAY, JULY 4

10am-6pm Home/studio exhibitions by festival artists Rosy Turner (**Event A9**), Catherine Barnes (Juno Studio, **Event A10**), Diane Henshaw (**Event A11**), Min Maude (**Event A12**), Stephen Codner (**Event A13**) and Martin V Smith (10.30am-5.30pm, **Event A14**)

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

12:15pm Intro to Musical Theatre Dance, New Park **Event W8**

6pm Cruises: small ships, rivers and expeditions, by Roger Mallock **Event SW12**

7:30pm Vivaldi: Gloria. Chichester Chorale at Boxgrove **Event M27** 🚗

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: The Drunkard or Down With Demon Drink! **Event T3** 🚗 🌂

SATURDAY, JULY 5

10am-6pm Home/studio exhibitions by festival artists Rosy Turner (**Event A9**), Catherine Barnes (Juno Studio, **Event A10**), Diane Henshaw (**Event A11**), Min Maude (**Event A12**), Stephen Codner (**Event A13**) and Martin V Smith (10.30am-5.30pm, **Event A14**)

10am-5pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

10:30am-4pm Sustaining Creativity: leading arts-industry expert Ceri Hand on building a lasting artistic career. **Event A15** 🚗

10:30am 1945 and beyond: Professor Maggie Andrews talks with clips at Chichester Cinema about films in transition to peace. **Event SW17**

2pm Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🌂

6pm Tesoro perform (free) at The Pavillion, outdoors if fine. **Event C09** 🌂

6:30pm Cyclone: Femme Finale. Audio drama live on stage **Event T5**

7pm Orlando Gibbons and his contemporaries: Portsmouth Baroque Choir **Event M28**

7:30pm Chichester Symphony Orchestra - Summer Concert **Event M29**

7:30pm South Downs Soloists: Palestrina 500. Proceeds to StonePillow. **Event M30** 🚗

7:30pm Music for Others' Concert at Chichester Baptist Church **Event M31**

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: Round and Round The Garden **Event T4** 🚗 🌂

SUNDAY, JULY 6

10am-6pm Home/studio exhibitions by festival artists Rosy Turner (**Event A9**), Catherine Barnes (Juno Studio, **Event A10**), Diane Henshaw (**Event A11**), Min Maude (**Event A12**), Stephen Codner (**Event A13**) and Martin V Smith (10.30am-5.30pm, **Event A14**)

10am-4pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11.30am Chichester History Walk **Event WT5** 🌂

2pm Singing In The Bishop's Palace Gardens. Free multi-choir event **Event M32** 🌂

2pm Roman walls walk **Event WT6** 🌂

2:30pm Historic Chichester: Chris Hare's 'tales of the unexpected' guided walk **Event WT10** 🌂

3pm She'Koyokh Klezmer & Balkan Band at Lordington **Event M33** 🚗 🌂

7pm Rebetiki Serenata: Voices of Greece **Event M34**

MONDAY, JULY 7

7:30pm Four Cities - Europe Blasts off into Space **Event SW18**

TUESDAY, JULY 8

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🌂

4pm Professor Richard Werner: Do we need Central Banks? **Event SW19**

7pm Discuss with Skeptics in the Pub: Is Liberalism Dead? **Event SW20**

7pm Frankenstein with Steven Berkoff **Event SW21**

7:30pm The Parnassian Ensemble - Viva Italia! Part 1 **Event M35** (see also **M41**)

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: The Drunkard or Down With Demon Drink **Event T3** 🚗 🌂

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour **Event WT3** 🌂

6pm-9pm Jenny Andersson - Regenerative Designer: bringing vitality back to communities. Interactive display 6pm-7pm, talk 7pm, discussion & social 8pm **Event SW22**

6pm Explore Trees with Chichester Tree Wardens, in Jubilee Gardens **Event WT12** 🌂

7pm Witchcraft and Cunning folk in West Sussex: history and myth **Event SW23**

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: Round and Round The Garden **Event T4** 🚗 🌂

THURSDAY, JULY 10

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

6pm-9pm 'Craftivist' Sarah Corbett in conversation with Tim Bolton. Is there a need for quieter, more intimate forms of protest? Displays from 6pm. Talk 7-8pm. Socialising 8-9pm. **Event SW24**

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: The Drunkard or Down With Demon Drink! **Event T3** 🚗 🌂

FRIDAY, JULY 11

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's, Novium **Event C01**

11am Just Stop - Rituals for Sacred Self with Linzi Martin **Event W9**

5:30pm Just Stop - Senses Walk n Chat with Linzi Martin **Event W10** 🌂

7pm Ensemble Reza: Celebrating Two Classical Greats! **Event M36**

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: Round and Round The Garden **Event T4** 🚗 🌂

8pm-11pm "Experiment" - Sonic Explorations and Digital Visions. Electronic dance music (DJs and live) across many genres with immersive experiences from visual artists. Alcohol-free bar. No age restrictions. **Event M37**

SATURDAY, JULY 12

10am Improv for Creatives **Event W11**

10am-5pm Hurrah for Shippam's,
Novium **Event C01**

2pm Chichester City Walking Tour
Event WT3 ☂

3pm-11pm "Experiment" – Sonic
Explorations and Digital Visions **Event**
M37

3:30pm Bach Cello Suites at
Fishbourne. Lynden Cranham plays,
Roger Parker discusses, tea follows
Event M38 🚗

3:30pm Dance and Beyond **Event K3**

7:30pm Summer Serenade: two
chamber choirs perform in Bognor
Event M39 🚗

7:30pm Pergola Open Air Theatre: The
Drunkard or Down With Demon Drink!
Event T3 🚗 ☂

8pm The Anna Howie Band live at The
Chichester Inn **Event M40**

SUNDAY, JULY 13

10am-4pm Hurrah for Shippam's,
Novium **Event C01**

10:30am A walk around Georgian
Chichester, with author-historian Alan
Green **Event WT13** ☂

11:30am Chichester History Walk **Event**
WT5 ☂

2pm Roman walls walk **Event WT6** ☂

2:30pm Historic Chichester: Chris
Hare's 'tales of the unexpected' guided
walk **Event WT10** ☂

5:30pm Sense & Sensibility, The
Pantaloons, at Chichester Cathedral
Event T6

TUESDAY, JULY 15

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's,
Novium **Event C01**

10am-4pm Discover Community
Orchards, at Oaklands Park **Event**
C010 ☂

11am Chichester City Walking Tour
Event WT3 ☂

7:30pm David Pollock (harpsichord) -
Viva Italia! Part 2 **Event M41** (see also
M35)

7:30pm Rev. Richard Coles in
conversation at the cathedral. CBF
Fundraiser. **Event SW25**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's,
Novium **Event C01**

11am Chichester City Walking Tour
Event WT3 ☂

7pm Hilaire Belloc, the Politics of Living
Event SW26

THURSDAY, JULY 17

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's,
Novium **Event C01**

6pm-9pm A vision for the future of
Chichester **Event C01**

FRIDAY, JULY 18

10am-4.30pm Hurrah for Shippam's,
Novium **Event C01**

3pm Sussex Serendipity **Event SW27**

5:30pm Celebratory launch of new
novel Hartisborne by Stephanie
Norgate **Event SW28**

6:30pm Chichester Fun Bicycle Ride
Event WT7 ☂

6:30pm Guided seascape painting on a
boat trip from Itchenor **Event A8** 🚗

SATURDAY, JULY 19

10am-5pm Hurrah for Shippam's,
Novium **Event C01**

10:30am Draw-Off with Sophy Henn
and Nadia Shireen. **Event K4**

2pm CBF Fundraiser: Joseph Elliott and
The Adventures of Nora. **Event K5**

2pm Chichester City Walking Tour
Event WT3 ☂

SUNDAY, JULY 20

10am-4pm Hurrah for Shippam's,
Novium **Event C01**

11:30am Chichester History Walk **Event**
WT5 ☂

2pm The Laurel Canyon Experience:
music of singer-songwriters from the
60s and 70s by John Gleadall, Chris
Wood and DiElle **Event M42**

2pm Roman walls walk **Event WT6** ☂

7pm Andrew Bernardi's Stradivarius
Piano Trio: 'Music inspired by Art
inspired by Music', at Eartham **Event**
M43 🚗

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