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2010

Welcome

This Newsletter is for Voluntary Groups,
Professional Artists and everyone interested in
the Arts.

Welcome to the summer edition of artsMATTERS. This edition focuses on the Festivals but also features the regular Funding and What's On sections including lots of things to see and do this summer.

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If you have any suggestions for the autumn edition of artsMATTERS please contact us before 15th August 2010.

Derbyshire Literature Festival

derbyshire
literature festival
1-14 june 2010

During the Festival fortnight, at various locations throughout the

county, you'll have the opportunity to meet and be inspired by celebrated authors, many of whom are based in Derbyshire or feature the county in their work.

Authors including Angela Huth, Judith Allnatt, Bernardine Evaristo, Lynda Page, Stephen Booth and Jude Morgan will be sharing their experiences and reading from their latest books. Poets Dorothea Smartt, Jane Weir and Ann Atkinson will also be reading from their latest collections.

If you like to practice or talk about sports, there is something for you too! Talk Football with journalist Paul Walker, get tips on how to write about sport from Duncan Hamilton, or experience something different with the Great Shakespearean Workout.

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You can also try your hand at Chinese brush painting or bookbinding, or pick up tips on how to write fiction with Judith Allnatt and crime writer David Hewson, or take part in a Renga workshop with Linda France.

If you fancy something more relaxing enjoy a free pampering session at Buxton Library before getting a behind-the-scenes glimpse into writing for women's magazine with Maria McCarthy.

Derbyshire's rich history is celebrated through talks exploring local transport and railway networks with Geoffrey Kingscott; rock art and the prehistoric secrets of Gardom's edge with Dr Bill Bevan; and the changing views of Belper with Adrian Farmer. Go along to hear new songs inspired by the landscape and heritage of the county performed by David Gibb and his band, as a part of the Mills and Chimneys project.

There are events for teenage

readers including the chance to meet Paul Stewart and Chris Riddell, creators of *The Edge Chronicles*, Anthony McGowan and Joseph Delaney.

Younger children can take part in craft and stories session inspired by the characters and stories Alison Uttley, or join puppeteer Gordon McLellan on wild pirate adventures, have fun rhyming and playing out stories at Caryl Hart's workshops, or celebrate Spot's birthday!

Matt Black will be there as the Festival Twitter writer in residence, so check out the latest news from the Twitter feed.

You can also sign up and become a fan of the literature festival on Facebook at www.facebook.com/DerbyshireLitFest

Tickets are now on sale for Festival events. Book your tickets at any Derbyshire Library or through Call Derbyshire on 08456 058 058.



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Matlock Live

Saturday 5th June: 11.00 - 3.00 *Mad Hatters Tea Party* in front of the Café in Hall Leys Park, Matlock. Activities will include storytelling, creative workshops and fancy dress related to the Alice theme, music



in the bandstand and busking.
Saturday 12th June: *Elemental Shakespeare*. In conjunction with 1623 company, pupils from Highfields School will be performing extracts from *The Tempest*, *A Mid Summer Night's Dream*, *Macbeth* and *Hamlet* in various locations in Hall Leys Park.

Matlock Live are currently putting together an extensive programme of events for the 2010/2011 season which will include summer Band Concerts in the park, further busking events and performances in the Imperial Rooms and at Highfields School, Matlock. Details will appear on the website shortly www.matlocklive.co.uk/



Images from Matlock Live 2009
Over the Garden Fence



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Ashbourne Festival

18 June – 4 July 2010

The programme of events for this year's **Ashbourne Festival** has now been announced. The festival's blend of diverse venues, popular and classical music, comedy, workshops, poetry events and art exhibitions has helped firmly establish the annual event - now in its eleventh year.

Topping the bill, self appointed team captain of Grumpy Old Women, **Jenny Éclair** joins the Festival with a stand-up show specialso expect lots of stuff about motherhood, sausages, the etiquette of alcohol, why parties are rubbish and the joys of cantering!

Entertainers from around the world once again dominate the town centre as **StreetFest** returns with a range of acts guaranteed to shock, surprise but always delight townsfolk and

visitors on Saturday 19 June. Strong lady **Betty Brawn** flexes her muscles over an impressive array of talent that also includes escapologists **Rubberband Boy** and **Gareth Jones**, speed painter **Jon Hicks**, animal handler **Simon Airey** and many more. The **Wardens** will be controlling the flow of both humour and traffic, while everyone will be on the lookout for the **Invisible Men**.



The **Endellion String Quartet** adds Ashbourne to its tour itinerary this year. Renowned as one of the finest quartets in the world, they are playing Haydn, Beethoven and Britten at St Oswald's. The Festival is also very pleased to welcome back the **Derby Bach Choir**



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performing Edward German's popular operetta, *Merrie England*. Virtuosi **Adam Summerhayes** and **David Gordon** create a vibrant and dynamic sound with their supercharged harpsichord and electric fiddle, delivering music inspired by blue note jazz and seventies prog-rock – prepare yourselves for an uplifting evening from these uniquely creative composers/performers.



After last year's sell-out night with the Mersey Beatles, this year *Motown* comes to Ashbourne. Manchester's **Motown Band** play all those memorable hits the way they should be played, using a subtle mix of vocalists supported by a strong rhythm section and that

definitively smooth backing sound that is classic brass.

Comedy Night headlines Hal Cruttenden, a recent Royal Variety Performer, whose writing credits include BBC1's *Omid Djalili Show*. He is supported by Henning Wehn, a familiar face from Channel 4 and Radio 5's *Live Fighting Talk*. Marc Lucero completes the line up with his sharp wit and aversion to the obvious creating an original and funny act. Whatever happens in the World Cup, we still need to laugh and this comedy line up guarantees it!

On a more literary note, authors **Patrick Mercer MP** and **Iain Gale** discuss military history as fiction. For the military enthusiasts, Patrick and Iain will be talking about the research required to bring history alive accurately. Back by popular demand, **Stephen Booth** returns to the Ashbourne Festival to discuss his new book set around Ashbourne. Poetry is again represented with the annual *Poetry in the Garden* with **River Wolton**, a former



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Derbyshire Poet Laureate. This year the Festival also welcomes **Kevin Fegan**, a prolific writer of stage plays, serials and poetry. Two master performers, **Ben Haggarty** and **Sianed Jones**, create a powerful, atmospheric interpretation of the gothic classic **Frankenstein** in narrative, music and song.



As well as drawing stars from the international music, arts and literary scenes, the Festival scores by pitching them alongside aspiring performers from in and around Ashbourne. **Wirksworth Community Orchestra**, **Ashbourne Sinfonia** and the **Northern Bell Orchestra** are among the many local groups performing this year. **Ashbourne Singers** entertain with *A Night at the Opera*, while **The Peakland Players** make a

welcome return to the Festival with a performance of two **Sherlock Holmes** mysteries in the form of 1940s radio plays. Local schools also join the festivities by performing a series of lunchtime concerts at **St Oswald's Church**.

Join the crowds at the end of the action packed fortnight in the **Memorial Gardens at Picnic in the Park**, an afternoon of great jazz entertainment provided by the big bands of **The Music Hot House**. Don't forget to bring your picnic!

The festival opens on **19 June** with the first of two exhibitions featuring local and international artists, photographers, sculptors and craftsmen at the **Town Hall**. Details of this and other events and workshops will be in the full programme available now. Tickets for all events are on sale at **Ashbourne Tourist Information Centre**.

Full list of events at www.ashbournefestival.org



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Bakewell's International Day of Dance 2010

26 June 2010

Now in its 8th year the International Day of Dance is looking forward to welcoming twenty five dance groups to the streets of Bakewell and Appalachian Storm, a ceilidh band, all the way from the USA. As the opening event for Bakewell Carnival, this one day dance festival promises to bring back some old favourites and treat us to some exciting surprises.

On Saturday, 26th June, the



Black Pig (Border Morns)

dance groups will be performing at six/seven outdoor venues on a continuous rolling programme, starting at 11.30am and finishing at 4.30pm. Most of the groups will give a demonstration of their particular style and then go through a few basic steps with the audience. From Clog to Contemporary, Swing to Greek, African to Armenian and they are thrilled this year to welcome some new dancers from the Karen community. Either sit back, watch and enjoy or join in and have a go.

If you are looking for something more structured, there will be 5 taster dance workshops, running between 11.30am and 3.00pm – Salsa, Argentinian Tango, Greek, European and Bhangra/Bollywood. Either ring 01629 8 1 5 4 6 9 or email enquiries@bakewelldayofdance.co.uk to book a place or just turn up on the day. The workshops will be held at the Town Hall and the Medway Centre and are £2 each. Partners are not required for any workshop.



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To round off the day, there will be a very special ceilidh with Appalachian Storm, all the way from Asheville, North Carolina, USA. Guaranteed to get you dancing with their unique high energy rhythms, music from the Appalachians and a mixture of traditional and contemporary celtic sounds you'll find hard to resist. It will start at 8pm (doors open at 7.30pm) and be held at the Town Hall. Tickets for this, £7 and £5, can be bought from Bakewell Bookshop, the Information Tent on the day (next to the Peacock Pub), on the door or ring 01629 815469 or 812104.

Further information for the day can be seen on www.bakewelldayofdance.co.uk or e-mail: enquiries@bakewelldayofdance.co.uk

In the event of rain, there will be an alternative programme taking place at the Town Hall and the Medway Centre from 11.30am.

Bakewell Arts Festival

6—15 August 2010

Every August the peaceful town of Bakewell in the Peak District is woken up by 10 days of concerts, theatre, poetry, street performance, art exhibitions, live music, unique events and much, much more during Bakewell Arts Festival. This year, BAF wants the wake-up to be a little ... louder.

In April this year the Festival was formally handed over to young people locally and regionally for those who want to build their experience of all things Festival-related - from



Image from 2008 BAF



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budding writers, comedians, theatre groups, musicians, rock stars, classical impresarios, visual artists, journalists, arts administrators - and those who want to support them.

BAF 2010, Friday 6-Sunday 15 August 2010 - who wants to play? Contact janette@bakewellfestival.com or Facebook www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=35796200672&ref=ts

Wirksworth Festival

10-26 September 2010

A leading rural festival for contemporary visual art and performance

Art & Architecture Trail and Makers Market weekend 11-12 September

Join the festival for their BIG opening weekend, when art takes over the town.

The whole town becomes a gallery with over 100 artists and makers showing their work in private homes, historic buildings, gardens, shop windows and churches. A great chance to buy affordable art, meet the artists and have a peek at some of Derbyshire's best interiors!



With plenty of cafes, pubs and food stalls to relax in and a programme of street entertainment throughout town, Wirksworth offers a brilliant weekend out for the whole family only £5 a ticket (under-16s free).

Wirksworth's visual arts programme goes from strength



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to strength as they continue to explore the relationship between Art & Architecture, investigating the nature, meanings and uses of the town's landscape.

Highlights include:

Goh Ideta - new work by featured artist whose Cube Ring thrilled and intrigued last year's Festival-goers.

A Pavilion for Wirksworth - artists and architects create a temporary structure for the town.

[Im]Possible Wirksworth: An inventory of unrealised ideas - an exhibition from architects, designers and artists, proposing exciting, radical new buildings and remodelling of Wirksworth.

Film Salon - artists' short film and video, with an architecture theme.

Graduate Showcase - selected work by some of the region's outstanding young art graduates.

A performance programme to excite and entice with 3 weeks of music, drama, dance, film and comedy – full programme and tickets available from the beginning of August.

18-19 September Guided Arts Walk and Artist Talks

Take a more relaxed walk around town and learn more about the artwork.



The first Arts Focus weekend brought art lovers and artists together in a revolutionary move, to stroll around town to the key gallery venues and site specific commissions and discuss the work on view under the guidance of the Festival's curator.

An unmissable opportunity for art students and art lovers of all ages!



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During the weekend there will also be a chance to take part in some local celebrations

Saturday 19th

Eco Centre – an arts fanfare to open the brand new centre for sustainable development at the National Stone Centre.

Sunday 20th

Stoney Wood & Sustainable Wirksworth - a day for the whole family at Wirksworth's Millennium Wood. Music and crafts – bring a picnic

26 September

Community celebration

Colourful processions wind their way through the town to meet for a spectacular finale.

A magical evening event created and performed by Wirksworth's creative community. Come along and join in as music, dance, performance and fire sculpture bring the Festival to a spectacular close.

Mantle Arts will be co-ordinating the work of local artists and community groups through the summer to develop work for this event. Everyone is welcome to join in: families, groups, individuals – if you'd like to learn some new arty skills with the help of experienced artists, if you'd like to socialise and join in – then please contact matthew@mantlearts.org.uk or the Festival office and sign up for some fun.

Keep up to date with Wirksworth Festival

Sign up for news, brochures and special offers www.wirksworthfestival.co.uk

Visit them on Facebook

Follow the Festival on Twitter

The festival is now settled into it's new office

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FUNDING

Harold Hyam Wingate Foundation

Deadlines: 11 June, 10 September and 10 December 2010

For grant applications from charitable organisations working in the performing arts and music, with emphasis on financial support for not-for-profit companies with a record of artistic excellence that require additional funding, not available from public sources or commercial sponsorship and assistance for training and professional development for creative talent or the technical professions. For more information, visit: www.wingatefoundation.org.uk

Baring Foundation: Arts & older people

The Baring Foundation has announced that its Arts Programme 2011 will open for applications at the end of September 2010 and will continue with the same theme as last year, which is to support arts organisations in the UK already producing and presenting arts made by older people. For more information, visit:

www.baringfoundation.org.uk/program.htm

John Ellerman Foundation

Applications are invited from registered charities to apply for funding from the John Ellerman Foundation. Arts are one of five areas of interest which benefits annually from the Foundation. In 2007/08, a total of 42 charities

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involved with the arts received £1.05 million between them. Currently, the focus of the arts funding is directed towards music and opera, museums and galleries, and theatre and dance. The Foundation is particularly interested in charities which can demonstrate excellence in the field, commitment to attracting new audiences and wider public access, youth participation and motivation, originality and creativity in design, production and/or presentation and lasting impact.

Applications are invited from registered charities with a UK office involved in delivering projects throughout the United Kingdom, and can be made at any time. The Foundation is inclined to support small or medium-sized charities with an annual income of less than £25 million. For more information, visit: www.ellerman.org.uk/pages/arts.htm

Don't let your bid go in the bin

Directory of Social Change (DSC) research shows that over the latest financial year over one-third of all applications to charitable grantmakers were ineligible – over 363,000 went in the bin. Did you know that if each ineligible application took ten minutes to write it would add up to nearly seven years of wasted effort every year?

Find out more about what you can do to help stop the cycle of ineligible applications at www.dsc.org.uk/NewsandInformation/News/Dontletyourbidgointhebin

This information is available free of charge in electronic, audio, Braille and large print versions, and in other languages on request. For assistance in understanding or reading this document, please call 01629 761390.



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The David Canter Memorial Fund 2010 Craft Awards

The David Canter Memorial Fund offers awards to give financial assistance to those working in the crafts. The fund is open to those who have finished their formal training and are working full-time or part-time in the UK but need money for specific projects, e.g. setting up a workshop, buying equipment, educational work or for research and travel.

Awards, which usually range between £500 and £1,000, are made every other year, each time focusing on specific craft disciplines. For 2010 these will be paper, calligraphy and lettercutting and the submission deadline is 17 September 2010.

To request further information and an application form, please email Rachel Mackie at rachel.mackie@crafts.org.uk

Virgin Media Shorts Competition

The Virgin Media Shorts which is a short film competition that champions undiscovered talent has announced that its 2010 competition is now open to entries. The competition is open to filmmakers and gives them the chance to show their work in cinemas, on TV, online and on mobile (via the mobile internet). Prizes include:

- 12 film makers win a chance to show their work on 214 cinema screen nationwide
- £30,000 to make their next film
- A People's Choice winner will take home thousands of pounds worth of new film kit
- The college or school with the most entrants will be given loads of new kit too.
- Films must be in English or subtitled in English and be of a duration of up to 2 minutes and 20 seconds.

www.virginmediashorts.co.uk/pages/about/



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Fund for Disabled Artists

Unlimited is a new £1.5 million UK-wide disability arts commissioning fund being run as part of the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad. The aim of the fund is to commission new work that is artistically led by disabled people. Grants of between £25,000 and £50,000 are available to disabled and deaf artists, and disabled and deaf-led arts organisations, who wish to develop their work, strengthen their artistic practice, challenge perceptions and forge new partnerships with presenting venues and events.

There are a number of application deadlines for applications. These are the 1st October 2010 and the 18th April 2011.

For more information, visit www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding/unlimited/

Live UnLtd

Lottery funded Live UnLtd aims to inspire 11-25 year olds by offering up cash to fund their own ventures.

Led by a team of passionate young people, Live UnLtd aims to provide other young people with exciting opportunities to create their own initiatives and develop their community for the better. So if you have an idea for a music-based project or event, why not see if Live UnLtd could help you out?

The project will create 1,500 positive activities for young people through a range of opportunities which will ultimately see over 20,000 young people benefit from the programme. If you're aged 11-25 check out the Live UnLtd website for details on how you can apply for up to £2,000 funding for your latest brainwave.

www.liveunltd.com



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1-14 Jun	Derbyshire Literature Festival	Various throughout Derbyshire	08456 058 058 www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival
5 Jun	Mad Hatters Tea Party—Matlock Live	Hall Leys Park, Matlock	www.matlocklive.co.uk
12 Jun	Tales in the Gothic Warehouse	Gothic Warehouse, Cromford Mill	07906 362733 or info@wildorchidtheatre.co.uk
12 Jun	Elemental Shakespeare	Hall Leys Park, Matlock	www.matlocklive.co.uk
18 Jun - 4 Jul	Ashbourne Festival	Various around Ashbourne	www.ashbournefestival.org
19 Jun	Classical Guitar Recital	St Mary's Church, Wirksworth—7.30pm	Tickets available at Traid Links or on the door
26 Jun	Bakewell's International Day of Dance	Various around Bakewell	www.bakewelldayofdance.co.uk
24 & 25 Jul	Great Dome Art Fair	The Dome, Buxton	01298 22117 www.peakdistrictproducts.co.uk
6—15 Aug	Bakewell Arts Festival	Various around Bakewell	baf@bakewellfestival.com www.bakewellfestival.com
10-26 Sept	Wirksworth Festival	Various around Wirksworth	www.wirksworthfestival.co.uk

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