

Your Pull-Out Guide
to What's Happening
in Hastings

Friday 24 May to Thursday 6 June 2024

The Hip List





MUSIC				CHECK THE 411 WITH MIKE WILLIS			
Friday 24 May Funky Jamaica: a Celebration of Prince Buster 6.30pm Twelve Hundred Postcards, Queens Rd Music with Take It Easy Hastings Destroy All Hastings 7.00pm The Pig's Palace, White Rock Gig fundraiser for Hastings Foodbank and Seaview Project Robert Reid duo with Jerome Davies 7.30pm Barnaby's Lounge, Robertson St Blythe Spirit 8.00pm Tin Tins, Robertson St Chris Moyles' 90s Hang-over 8.00pm White Rock Theatre, White Rock Playing the BIGGEST hits from the 90s Tea Chest Blues 8.30pm Jenny Lind Inn, High St raw rockabilly/blues band Paradise 8.45pm Conquerors March, Stonestile Ln 80s covers duo Jack and Fiends DJ set 9.00pm The Piper, Norman Rd Jack Wilson (Kid Kapichi) and guests				the purchase of our piano - with only £6k left to go!			
Saturday 25 May Destroy all Hastings Day 2 1.00pm The Pig's Palace, White Rock Gig fundraiser for Hastings Foodbank and Seaview Project Free event with 2 stages, over 15 bands, and DJs Amber Shift 6.00pm Barnaby's Lounge, Robertson St Sunshine on Sea Evening Concert 6.00pm Christ Church St Leonards on Sea, Silchester Rd Fundraiser concert for Calcutta Rescue Contact and book via Facebook at Sunshine on Sea Zachary Dogwood 6.00pm Jenny Lind Inn, High St new wave/ post-punk pop Sean Fennessey's Spring Fling 7.45pm Tin Tins, Robertson St Richie Campbell 8.00pm Anchor Inn, George St Brenda's Girl 9.00pm The Dolphin Inn, Rock-a-Nore Rd				1 JUNE - GATHER 'ROUND THE PIANO, HENRY WARD HALL World class jazz pianist and songwriter Alex Bryson will join me on the big stage at "The Hall" as we welcome a colourful variety of artists and personalities of the Hastings Scene. On the fourth edition of our show we will feature original songs and Beatles classics with songstress and international touring artist, Sarah Jane Morris, Bowie and Iggy Pop songwriter and lead guitarist Kevin Armstrong, brilliant story-slinging singer songwriter David Shewry, and budding superstar Star Arkana. These community fundraising events are FREE to book, and make a good opportunity to make an introduction to Henry Ward Hall (formerly Opus Theatre). This building is really something else - acoustically brilliant, with a century's worth of community music-making vibes. So far we have raised over £6k towards			
Sunday 26 May Groove Uk 3.00pm East Hastings Sea Angling Association and Social Club, The Stade Hastings Rock Radio Fest 2024 4.00pm The Carlisle, 24 Pelham St free entry, £5 suggested donation Lost Revellers 4.00pm Jenny Lind Inn, High St folk-fusion band Mighty Sounds Reggae 5.30pm Royal Standard, E Beach St Roots Reggae Session 6.00pm The Piper, Norman Rd Reggae DJ afternoon with Roots & Rhythm Mogamoma Productions presents Pangaea 8.00pm The Printworks, Claremont Proceeds in aid of MAP See Eventbrite for details				25 MAY - THE HACKLES - BLUEGRASS VIBES; 31 MAY - BOB LOG III - ONE-MAN BLUE EXPLOSION; 4 JUNE - TULIP SALON, SECRET LOCATION This brilliant monthly cabaret from local impresario Liz Matthey is situated in a beautiful secret venue on the seafront and has been a staple of the underground music scene since I came to St Leonards. Each month's show incorporates grassroots theatre, spoken word, and eclectic music from Hastings and further afield. Past nights have featured Canadian/Scottish comedian Phil Nichol.			
Monday 27 May Dead Calm 2.00pm The Carlisle, Pelham St Victoria McDonnell Band 3.45pm Jenny Lind Inn, High St Vinyl Williams, Ellis D, Tioklu 7.30pm The Piper, Norman Rd LA based, multisensory psychedelic pop				Tuesdays Sounds at the Hound Open Mic 7.00pm Cactus Hound Bar, 33 - 35 Western Rd Weekly Open Mic Night, hosted by Steve Didge Albion Skiffle Sessions 8.30pm Albion Hastings, George St Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month Traditional Folk Open Sessions 8.30pm Stag Inn			
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Wednesday 29 May The Other Band 8.00pm The Dolphin Inn, Rock-a-Nore Rd Classic Blues/ R&B Liane Carroll 8.45pm Porters, High St				Saturday 25 May Game Plan 7.30pm The Stables Theatre Martha D'Arthur & Drag With No Name 8.30pm The Forbidden Fruit, Grand Parade			
Thursday 30 May Jazz Organisation 8.00pm NUR Restaurant & Lounge, Robertson St				Sunday 26 May Jazz Breakfast at Kino: Mike Hatchard - Rhapsodising in Blue 11.00am Kino-Teatr The Monologues of Men 2.30pm The Stables Theatre			
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Thursday 6 June Open Mic 7.45pm The Nags Head, Gensing Rd Weekly Events Sundays Open Mic Night 6.00pm Tin Tins, Robertson St Hosted by James Friis-Lawrence and Dr Jules BYO Vinyl Night 7.00pm Jenny Lind Inn, High St				Thursdays Custard Caravan 4.00pm Barnaby's Lounge, Robertson St Custard Caravan is a once monthly afternoon of music and mirth hosted by Louise Whitham and Danny Brittain It's almost Impossible to cram more fun into 2 hours! McNiff's Folk Sundowner 5.00pm Jenny Lind Inn, High St Weekly acoustic strand with a different featured guest every Friday			
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				ART			
				Art by Trisha Napier From 16 May St Leonards Pub, London Rd Black Joy! Up Close and Personal Until 25 August Hastings Museum and Art Gallery, Bohemia Rd Blooming Lovely Until 1 June Stables Theatre Art Gallery, The Bourne Elias Sime- Eregata Until 8 September Hastings Contemporary, The Stade Further Reflections by Kevin Atherton Until 16 June Rogue Gallery, Norman Rd It Matters to Me Until 14 July Hastings Museum and Art Gallery, Bohemia Rd Laetitia Yhap – An Ending to a Beginning Until 27 May			

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De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill
Lucy Evetts: The Voice Inside my Head
Until 14 July
Flatland Projects, Beeching Rd Studios, Bexhill
Manuel Mathieu – The End of Figuration
Until 27 May
De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill
Marquis of Markwick at Wavearts- PA Uri
Until 31 May
Wavearts, The Compound, 161 Bexhill Rd
Pearls of the Sea and Me
Until 2 June
Hastings Contemporary, The Stade
Perfect is the Enemy of Good - Nathalie Frost & Richard Reinhardt
28 May until 9 June
Hastings Arts Forum, Marine Court
Quentin Blake – 100 Portraits
Until 8 September
Hastings Contemporary, The Stade
St Leonards Meets the World
25 and 26 May
Electro Studios Project Space
Seven Hang Ups – Group Show
Until 31 May
St Andrews Mews, South Terrace
Shrink! Small Works
Until 26 May
Hastings Arts Forum, Marine Court
Tschabalalal Self: Seated
Until 27 May
De La Warr Pavilion (Lawn), Bexhill
Yellow and Green: Why Wasn't I Born A Tree?
Until 31 May
The Crown, All Saints' St

CINEMA

Friday 24 May
Killers of the Flower Moon
7.30pm
Electric Palace

Saturday 25 May
Sweeney Todd, The Demon Barber of Fleet Street + Short Film
2.30pm
Electric Palace
American Fiction
3.00pm, 7.30pm
Kino-Teatr
Killers of the Flower Moon
7.30pm
Electric Palace
Sunday 26 May
City of Joy
11.00am
Electric Palace
A Dark Song + Intro

from David Tibet
2.30pm
Electric Palace
B Movie Fan Club: The Invisible Ray
7.30pm
Electric Palace

Thursday 30 May
Les Demoiselles de Rochefort
11.00am, 7.30pm
Electric Palace

Friday 31 May
Hamlet
7.30pm
Electric Palace

Saturday 1 June
Family Screening: Robot Dreams
11.00am
Electric Palace
BFI Film Academy: Scene Event for Young Filmmakers
2.30pm
Electric Palace
The Trouble with Jessica
7.30pm
Electric Palace

Sunday 2 June
Man with a Movie Camera
11.00am
Electric Palace

Thursday 6 June
Overlord + Intro by Paul Sargent
11.00am, 7.30pm
Electric Palace
Weekly Events

Mondays
Movie Mondays
Contact Venue for Film Info
7.30pm
The Forbidden Fruit, 22 Grand Parade, St Leonards
Sussex Exchange
Queensway – film listings: cinema.thesussexexchange.co.uk
Odeon Hastings
Queens Road - film listings: odeon.co.uk/cinemas/hastings

SPORTS FIXTURES

Saturday 25 May
Tennis: The Green Ladies v Comptons III - Sussex Summer Doubles Div 4
The Green, St Leonards
Cricket: Rye v Cuckfield II - Sussex League Div 3
12.30pm
The Salts, Rye
Cricket: Crowhurst Park v Glynde & Beddingham - Sussex League Div 3
12.30pm
Crowhurst Park Cricket Club
Saturday 1 June
Cricket: Hastings & St Leonards Priory v Middleton
11.30am
Horntye Park

Sunday 2 June
Tennis: Amherst Ladies v Southdown - Sussex Summer Doubles Div 3
10.30am
Amherst Gardens
Tennis: Amherst Men v Chichester Racquets & Fitness - Sussex Summer Doubles
10.30am
Amherst Gardens

ACTIVE SPORT

Friday 31 May
Cricket May Half Term
11.00am
Farley Bank
Free *** May Half Term Activity***
Booking is essential. Use the EEQU booking platform to register.
Weekly Events
Sundays
Indoor Bowls
10.00am
Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
Table Tennis
10.00am
Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk

Mondays
Disability Cricket with Sussex Cricket
5.00pm
Horntye Park Sports Complex, Bohemia Rd
Super 1s cricket club, free to participants typically ranging from 12 – 25
Active Hastings Walking Football
6.00pm
Alexandra Park, Lower Park Rd
£2 Adult aged 50+
Register on Active Hastings website
Badminton
8.00pm, 9.30am
Summerfields Leisure Centre, Bohemia Rd
£5.60 or £4.70 with a Leisure Pass. Adult
Booking 01424 457691
Active Hastings Street Sports
5.45pm, 6.30pm
TN38 9TE, Whatlington Way, Hastings
Term time only for 8 to 16 year olds.
Register on Active Hastings website
Hastings YMCA Badminton Club
8.30pm
The Y Centre, 26 St Paul's Rd
£5 to non members and £4 to members
admin@hastingsymcabadmintonclub.co.uk

Tuesdays
Active Hastings Street Sports
4.45pm, 6.00pm

TN34 3QB, Quantock Gardens
8 to 16 year olds.
Register on Active Hastings website
Hastings Women's Park Rounders
6.30pm
Alexandra Park, St Helen's Rd
Fun and friendly rounders for women of all ages
For booking and more info hastingsrounders@gmail.co.uk
Judo with Hollington Judo Club
6.15pm Young people £3.50
7.00pm School years 7 to 11
8.00pm Adults £5
Hollington Community Centre, 1 Wishing Tree Rd
Neil Chalcraft 07858 412184
Badminton
6.00pm
Summerfields Leisure Centre, Bohemia Rd
£5.60 or £4.70 with a Leisure Pass. Adult
Booking 01424 457691
Hastings YMCA Badminton Club
8.30pm
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Wednesdays
Badminton
9.30am, 7.00pm
Summerfields Leisure Centre, Bohemia Rd
£5.60 or £4.70 with a Leisure Pass. Adult
Booking 01424 457691
Pickleball
3.00pm
Summerfields Leisure Centre, Bohemia Rd
£3 Adults - Older people
Book your classes or view more information on Summerfields Leisure Centre website
Bexhill Mixed Outdoor Rounders
7.00pm
Down Road, Down Rd, Bexhill
Enquire for fees/free games and bookings hastingsrounders@gmail.com
Hastings Pirates Baseball Club
7.00pm
Claremont Preparatory School, Ebden's Hill
Free for your first session (£6 per session after that)
For more info see the Hastings Pirates Baseball Club website .
LTA Walking Tennis
11.00am
Alexandra Park
Tennis Courts
£3 per session for older people with long term health conditions
Book your place online via the LTA Break Point Tennis

website
Active Hastings Street Sports
4.45pm
TN35 5DB, Rye Rd
Free, Term time only
Register with Active Hastings website
Hastings YMCA Badminton Club
8.30pm
The Y Centre, 26 St Paul's Rd
£5 to non members and £4 to members
View more information email admin@hastingsymcabadmintonclub.co.uk

Thursdays
Active Hastings Street Sports
4.00pm
TN38 9DD, Sydney Cl, Hastings
Term time only
8 to 16 year olds
Register with Active Hastings website
Heart and Sole Runners
7.00pm
Grosvenor Gardens, St Leonards
7pm start £4 pay as you go, first time free!
Find us on Facebook
Hastings Women's Park Rounders
6.30pm
Alexandra Park, St Helen's Rd
Fun and friendly rounders for women of all ages
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Badminton
8.00pm
Summerfields Leisure Centre, Bohemia Rd
£5.60 or £4.70 with a Leisure Pass
Booking 01424 457691

Fridays
Badminton
9.30am
Summerfields Leisure Centre, Bohemia Rd
£5.60 or £4.70 with a Leisure Pass. Adult
Booking 01424 457691
Hastings YMCA Badminton Club
7.45pm
The Y Centre, 26 St Paul's Rd
£5 to non members and £4 to members
email admin@hastingsymcabadmintonclub.co.uk

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Saturday 25 May
Apparitions: The Memorial Clocktower (demolished 1973) & The Swan Hotel (homed 1944)
12.00pm
Barnaby's Lounge, 46 Robertson St
£4 for the projected talk and guided walk with augmented views

of both sites
apparitions.site/events

Sunday 26 May
Battle Medieval Fayre
10.00am
A weekend of games, stalls, displays and much much more!
Contact: medfayre@battleevents.org

Wednesday 29 May
Why You Should Be a Socialist
7.00pm
The White Rock Hotel, 1-10 White Rock
Public Meeting organised by Hastings Socialist Workers Party Speaker: Lewis Nielsen, SWP National Secretary

Thursday 30 May
Cuckmere Path Sponsored Walk
8.30am
Cuckmere Haven
Wonderful Landscapes, Wildlife – with panoramic views across the Weald!
fundraising@familysupport-work.org.uk

Sunday 2 June
Hastings Ageing Without Children(AWOC)
2.30pm
The White Rock Hotel, 1-10 White Rock
talk from Heringtons, local Solicitors on Lasting Power of Attorney & personal Finance

Repeating Events
Sundays
Hastings Beach Meditation
9.00am
Hastings Motor Boat & Yacht Club, Rock-A-Nore
40 mins quiet meditation on beach opposite.
Check Hastings Beach Meditation on Facebook.

Mondays
Monday Night Quiz
8.00pm
Stag Inn, All Saints' St
Teams of up to 6, £2 p/p entry fee and prizes.
Message/call if you'd like a table 01424 438791
Pop Quiz
7.30pm
The Piper, Norman Rd, St Leonards
Dave Valentine your Host
Overeaters Anonymous
7.30pm
Clifton Centre, 1 and 2 Stainsby St, St Leonards
oagh.org.uk
Tuesdays
Original OHPS Old Town Walks 2024
2.30pm
The West Hill Cafe, Castle Hill Rd
£6 for a tour of the

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Hastings Old Town,
01424 461446 ohps.org.uk/walks
Sound Waves Community Choir
7.30pm
Salvation Army,
26 St Andrew’s Square
Free taster session
No auditions
admin@soundwaveschoir.org.uk

Wednesdays
Busy Bees Singalong
10.30am
Hollington Youth Hub, 1
Wishing Tree Rd N,
Hastings
Busy Bees is a free parent/
carer toddler sing-a-long
group. All families with
under 5s are welcome.
Term time only.
For more information call the Family Hub on 01424 724004
Tech Help
2.30pm
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
BASH Networking Event
6.00pm
Barnaby’s Lounge, 46
Robertson St
For local businesses. £7.50
ticket pp
Open House
11.00am
Afri-Co-Lab, 3, Marine
Court, St Leonards
Make Afri-Co-Lab your
home, work space, chill-
out lounge and studio for
the day!
Men’s Walk and Talk
7.00pm
Azur, Marina Pavillion, 44-
37 Marina
Meet at Azur for a leisurely
walk along the seafront
with time to chat.
For more information contact hannah.richards@mindcharity.co.uk

The Class Choir
7.00pm
The Unitarian Church
Friendly, fun, uplifting
Women’s choir Free taster
sessions, no music reading
or auditions.
theclasschoir@gmail.com

Thursdays
Men’s Water Circle
7.00pm
Art in the Park,
Arts on Prescription,
Alexandra Park
Men’s mental health.
Exploring grief and love.
Contact Chris 07816457650 or Dan 07949634781
Hastings Town Singers
7.00pm
Ark Castledown Primary
Academy, Priory Rd
A friendly non-auditioning
community choir Free taster
sessions.
hastingstownsingers.co.uk
Fridays

Men, Conflict and Community
7.00pm
The White Rock Hotel, 1-10
White Rock
Hosted by Hastings Men’s
Network, all welcome.
Contact 07816 457650
Broomgrove Youth Club Sessions
4.30pm
Broomgrove Community
Centre, 85 Chiltern Dr
sarah.adams@freshvisions.org.uk Bev 07732 823800

Saturdays
Gravity & Grace
2.30pm
Clifton Centre, 1 and 2
Stainsby St, St Leonards
Taking care of mind, body
& soul with the Alexander
Technique. Introductory
talks/workshops. Booking
not required, Suggested
donation £5.
For further details contact Chris livingtenderly@yahoo.co.uk
Heritage Explorers
10.00am
Christ Church St Leonards
on Sea, Silchester Rd
Free drop-in family art &
heritage activities. Every
1st Saturday of the month.
For more information contact lucybaileyheritage@outlook.com
Hastings and St Leonards Community Singing and Drumming Circle
6.00pm
Clifton Centre, 1 and 2
Stainsby St, St Leonards
All welcome. Food shar-
ing, meditation, drum-
ming, singing and some-
times dancing!
Read more at MeetUp.com.
Weekly event.

CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

Saturday 25 May
Creative Quilting Taster Workshop
10.00am
Bus Stop Studios, 53
London Rd
Start your quilting journey
with Mary McLeod
busstopstudios.com/classes

Tuesday 28 May
Kids Half-Term Sewing Lesson with Ness the Cycling Seamstress
10.00am
Bus Stop Studios, 53
London Rd
ages 7 - 11
busstopstudios.com/classes
Shakespeare Now - Workshop for Young People
10.00am
The Stables Theatre, The
Bourne
Free workshop for
teenagers who have some

theatre experience and an
interest in learning about
performing Shakespeare.
Teens Half-Term Sewing Lesson with Ness the Cycling Seamstress
2.00pm
Bus Stop Studios, 53
London Rd, St Leonards
ages 12 - 18
busstopstudios.com/classes
Spring Pottery
6.30pm
The Wonki Pot, Unit 66,
The Yard, Waterworks Rd
£35 @the.wonki.pot
hollydawes.com

Wednesday 29 May
Kurinuki pottery
6.30pm
The Wonki Pot, Unit 66,
The Yard, Waterworks Rd
£40 @the.wonki.pot
hollydawes.com

Friday 31 May
West End Dance Workshop for Children
10.00am
The Stables Theatre,
The Bourne
Musical Theatre Workshop
led by professional dancer,
teacher and choreographer
Melissa Hunte

Saturday 1 June
Antenatal Class
10.00am
The Crown,
64-66 All Saints’ St
First Saturday morning of
every month, free!
Antenatal classes, hypno-
birthing and post-natal
support in one. Relaxed,
sociable and non-commi-
tal way to learn a little bit
more with Siobhan from
The Mothership Antenatal.
themothershipantenatal.co.uk

Sunday 2 June
Gong Bath sessions
11.00am
Hastings Unitarian
Church, 7A South Terrace
Text Karen Hayler: 07986 911083

Monday 3 June
Gentle Flow Yoga
7.45am
The Wellington Health &
Wellbeing Centre, 44
Wellington Square
£10
twigtea.com

Weekly Events
Sundays
Sunrise Flow w/ Hannah
9.00am
Madre, Peachy £9
hola@madre-sl.com
Sunday Brunch-time Kid’s Art Club
10.00am
Outside the Smokeshack, St
Andrews Mews
£5, drop-in or stay full 2
hours Join Artist and Arts

Educator Charlotte CHW
for different creative
projects every week at the
revamped St Andrews
Mews. 5-10yrs. c.hwatts.
art@gmail.com
Dance Movement Somatics
12.00pm
All Saints Hall,
142 All Saints’ St
£15 every other Sunday,
Led by Dance Movement
Therapist Vix Thompson.
movingandbeing.com
Yin Yoga
3.00pm
Hot Yoga Hastings, 21 St
Peter’s Rd, St Leonards
hotyogahastings.co.uk
Yoga Flow
9.15am
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
Historical Dance Group
Regency Dance Workshop
2.00pm
St Peter & St Paul Church
in the Parish of St John the
Evangelist, Parkstone Rd
monthly
dianadancer@btinternet.com
Relax & Renew, Restorative Yoga monthly only - contact for dates
3.00pm
St Leonards Studio,
Royal Victoria
karen@yoga-by-the-sea.co.uk

Mondays
Gentle Flow Yoga
7.45am
The Wellington Health &
Wellbeing Centre,
44 Wellington Square
£10
twigtea.com
Kettlebells
9.15am
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
Beginners Vinyasa Flow
9.30am
Hot Yoga Hastings, 21 St
Peter’s Rd, St Leonards
hotyogahastings.co.uk
Circuits
10.00am
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
Yoga Over 60 –
maintaining movement
11.00am
St Leonards Studio,
Royal Victoria
zowie@stleonards.studio
Silver Swans Ballet
11.15am
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
LGBTQ+ social meet
2.15pm
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
Origami
3.00pm
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St

Drum Club
4.15pm
West Hill Community
Centre, Croft Rd
£6.50 booking essential.
For 15–16-year-olds,
juliansambadrumsgmail.com
Darragh Dance
5.30pm
Afri-Co-Lab, 3, Marine
Court, St Leonards
£10, £5 concessions Get
your joy on with move-
ment director and chore-
ographer Darragh O’Leary
Afri-co-lab.org
Candlelit Yoga
6.00pm
All Saints Hall,
142 All Saints’ St
oldtownyoga.co.uk
Writers Workshops - Developing Your Craft
6.30pm
Trinity Street, Trinity St
For new members £195 for
ten sessions
hastingswritersworkshop.com
Martial Arts Free Trial Lesson
7.00pm
Ark Alexandra Academy
(Staff entrance), Park Ave
Families welcome.
Booking required.
Find out more at martialart-shastings.com
Yoga for Men’s Health
7.00pm
Play Sport Fitness Hub
£3 To book: eequ.org/experience/3120
Hastings Punk Choir
7.00pm
Electric Palace, 39A High St
(And generally a drink or
two in the Jenny Lind
afterwards)
Kundalini Yoga & Meditation with Yeli
7.30pm
The Wellington Health &
Wellbeing Centre,
44 Wellington Square
yeli@happinessholistichealth.uk
Gentle Flow Yoga
7.45am
The Wellington Health &
Wellbeing Centre,
44 Wellington Square
£10 twigtea.com
Slow Flow Yoga (Open Level)
9.30am
St Leonards Studio,
Royal Victoria
karen@yoga-by-the-sea.co.uk
Cygnets Swans
9.45am
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
Art Classes for Adults
10.00am
St John’s Church,
Pevensey Rd, St Leonards
All levels £23 per session
or cheaper for block/term.
sjflack.art
Choir Practice!
11.00am

The Chapel of Christ’s
Stillness, Moon Cottage,
Guestling
New singers of all ages
welcome
thechapelofchristsstillness.co.uk
Cancer Rehab
1.00pm
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
Chair Yoga
3.00pm
Isabel Blackman Centre,
Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk
Silver Swans Ballet Class
4.00pm
Ore Community Centre,
455 Old London Rd
Studio 2
Annie 07704 711772
Beginners Pointe Class
5.30pm
Ore Community Centre,
455 Old London Rd
Studio 2
Annie 07704 711772
Meridian Yoga and Self Shiatsu with Steph
6.00pm
St Leonards Studio,
Royal Victoria
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Beginners Vinyasa Flow
6.30pm
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6.30pm
Bus Stop Studios, 53
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Argentine Tango - Abso-lute Beginners
7.00pm
The Piper, 1 Norman Rd
£8, Upstairs.
pennythepoetess@yahoo.co.uk Phoebe 07947 440502
Darragh Dance
7.00pm
Afri-Co-Lab, 3, Marine
Court, St Leonards
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ment director and chore-
ographer Darragh O’Leary
Afri-co-lab.org
Ballet Barre
7.15pm
Hastings Old Town
oldtownyoga.co.uk
Argentine Tango - Improvers & Intermediate
8.15pm
The Piper, 1 Norman Rd
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Tuesdays
Ashtanga Yoga - Assisted Self Practice
7.30am
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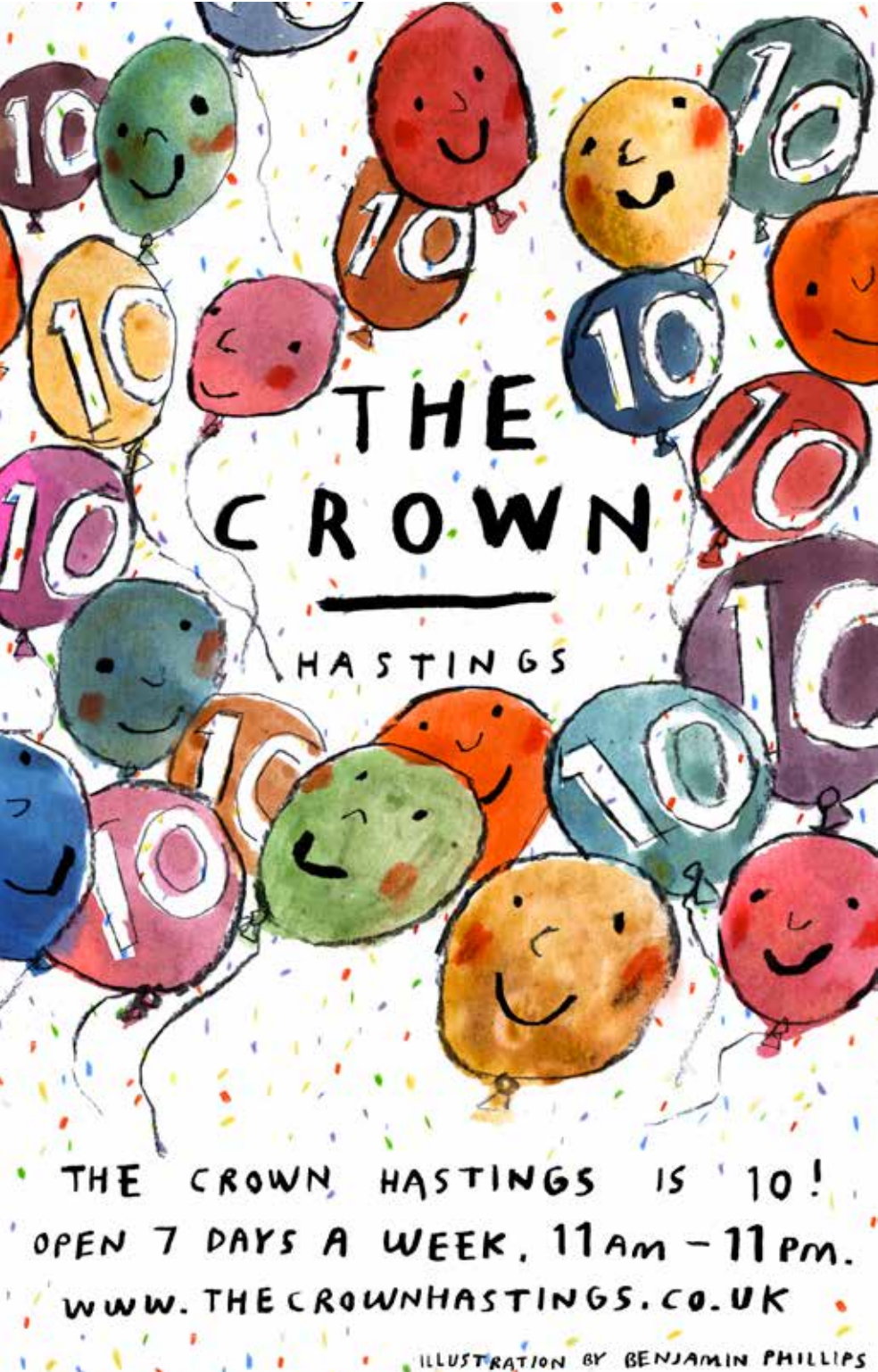
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44 Wellington Square £15, <i>ashtangayogahastings@gmail.com</i> Daoist Qi Gong 9.00am St Leonards Studio, Royal Victoria <i>andreaorsoQG@yahoo.com</i> Pilates with Lucy Paffard 9.30am The Bank House Studio <i>lucypaffard@gmail.com</i> Beginners French 10.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St Writers Workshops - Developing Your Craft 10.00am Trinity Street, Trinity St For new members £195 for ten sessions <i>hastingswritersworkshop.com</i> The Crown Knitters 10.30am The Crown, 64-66 All Saints’ St A weekly knitting group who knit lovely things to sell to raise money for local charities <i>thecrownhastings.co.uk/events</i> Needle Felt 11.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Chair Based Exercise 11.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Brain Function Fitness 1.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Online Chair Yoga 2.00pmVia Zoom <i>sueyoga1066@gmail.com</i> Art & Social Club 2.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Hand Embroidery with Lady B Embroidery 2.00pm 53 London Rd, St Leonards Also Wednesdays 6.30pm-7.30pm Come and learn a set course or bring a project of your own. £18 drop ins, full term (10 classes) £160. <i>busstopstudios.com/classes</i> Weight Training Beginners 3.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Ore Youth Club Sessions 4.30pm Ore Community Centre, 455 Old London Rd <i>sarah.adams@freshvisions.org.uk</i> Bev 07732 823800 Knitting Yarns 5.00pm Sugarpie Honeybuns, 235 London Rd, St Leonards <i>Rachel: 07397 794879</i>	Traditional Yoga 5.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Gary Marriott’s Tune up Tuesdays 5.15pm Hastings Town Centre <i>Text 07986 911083 for info</i> Pilates with Sally Paffard 5.30pm West Hill Community Centre, Croft Rd Small class <i>Sally: 07973 530911</i> Feel better with Therapeutic Movements 5.30pm Salvation Army Hall Suitable for all ages. <i>contact Sigrid qigongsigrid@gmail.com</i> Sunset Flow with Hannah 6.00pm The Wellington Health & Wellbeing Centre, 44 Wellington Square £9.00 <i>hola@madre-sl.com</i> Silver Swans Ballet Class 6.30pm Ore Community Centre, 455 Old London Rd <i>Annie 07704 711772</i> Vinyasa Flow 6.30pm St Leonards Studio <i>karen@yoga-by-the-sea.co.uk</i> Lino Printing Evening Course 6.30pm Bus Stop Studios, 53 London Rd, St Leonards <i>busstopstudios.com/classes</i> Buddhist Meditation Class 7.30pm St Nicholas Centre, London Rd, St Leonards £9/ £7 concession term time only Maitreya Buddhist Centre <i>meditateinsussex.org</i> Seen on Screen Dance with Rosie 7.45pm The Y Centre, 26 St Paul’s Rd £10 on the door ‘The world’s most empowering dance classes’ <i>sos.dance</i> Country Dancing 7.45pm St Matthews Church Centre, London Rd, Hastings <i>hastingscountrydanceclub.org.uk</i> Intermediate Pilates 9.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St Pilates: with a roller, with Sally Paffard 9.00amVia Zoom <i>sallypaffard@gmail.com</i> YOYO Arts Club 10.00am Art in the Park, Alexandra Park Pay What You Can Suggested donation of £4 Art &	Wellbeing for all the family. Donate for your space via Eventbrite or drop-in. 5 Rhythms Movement Metaphor 10.00am Crown House, Marina, Hastings, St Leonards £15 or £12 concession, £10 for beginners <i>info@artsonprescription.org</i> Creating a healthier you 10.00am Broomgrove Community Centre, 85 Chiltern Dr <i>Free To book: eequ.org/activehastings</i> Conversational French 11.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Hot Yoga Hastings 11.00am Hot Yoga Hastings, 21 St Peter’s Rd, St Leonards <i>hotyogahastings.co.uk</i> Needle Felt 2 1.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Boxercise 1.45pm Broomgrove Community Centre, 85 Chiltern Dr Free for Broomgrove residents or £3 To book: <i>eequ.org/activehastings</i> Wednesdays Pump & Tone 9.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Adventures Through Movement and Music (0-2 years) 9.00am Mini Playhouse, 26 White Rock £4 (free trial) <i>pitterpatterarts@gmail.com</i> Imaginative Ballet (2-4 years) 10.00am Mini Playhouse, 26 White Rock £4 (free trial) <i>pitterpatterarts@gmail.com</i> Qigong 10.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Wellbeing Wednesdays 10.00am Art in the Park, Alexandra Park Pay as you can, suggested donation £4 Light refreshments & creative activities with a focus on enhancing your wellbeing. <i>info@artsonprescription.org</i> Crowninos Kids Group 10.00am The Crown, 64-66 All Saints’ St £6 per family unit Run by Ellie. Songs, stories and	vibes. For 0-4 year olds and their carers. Spanish – Adult Beginners 10.00am First floor, 7 Cambridge Rd £15 – lots more classes available for all levels <i>Españoles en Hastings FB page spanishonseaschool@gmail.com</i> Parent Toddler Singalong Session 10.30am Early Help Keywork Service, Ocean House, 87-89 London Rd, St Leonards Free for children under 5 Elemental Yoga with Catherine 10.30am St Leonards Studio, Royal Victoria <i>£7 catherineburnett12@gmail.com</i> Musical Drama (2-4 years) 11.00am Mini Playhouse, 26 White Rock £4 (free trial) <i>pitterpatterarts@gmail.com</i> Parent Toddler Singalong Session 11.30am Early Help Keywork Service, Ocean House, 87-89 London Rd, St Leonards Free for children under 5 Therapeutic Yoga 12.30pm The Hastings Centre, The Ridge, £7 All abilities welcome <i>ninayoga.co.uk</i> Let’s Do Lunch 12.30pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Legs Bums & Tums 1.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Hatha Yoga for You 2.00pm St Leonards Studio, Royal Victoria <i>Louise@stleonards.studio</i> Line dancing with Pat 2.15pm Four Courts Wellbeing Hub, Sydney Cl, Hastings <i>To book, email linedancewith-pat@gmail.com</i> HIIT cardio 3.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Mystical Yoga at The Bale House 4.45pm The Bale House Hastings Country Park Visitor Centre, Lower Coastguard Ln, Fairlight £10 <i>enchantedmalas@gmail.com</i> Martial Arts	Free Trial Lesson 5.45pm Ark Alexandra Academy (Staff entrance), Park Ave Families welcome. Booking required. <i>Find out more at martialartshastings.com</i> Yoga with Marjolyne 6.00pm St Leonards Studio, Royal Victoria <i>07929 577985</i> Adult Tap Class for Beginners 6.15pm 7 Mercatoria, St Leonards <i>kimhaviland@gmail.com</i> Laughter Yoga with Bev 6.30pm The Jenny Lind Inn, 69 High St, Upstairs <i>bevjonas@laughyourselftohealth.com</i> Hand Embroidery with Lady B Embroidery 6.30pm 53 London Rd, St Leonards Also Tuesdays 2.00pm-4.00pm A set course or bring a project of your own. £18 drop ins, full term (10 classes) £160. <i>busstopstudios.com/classes</i> Buddhist Meditation and Dharma Teaching 7.00pm In person and via Zoom. <i>tsebg.org/local-groups</i> Aoi Bara Meditation 7.30pm Peachy Self Care Studio Donation only community meditation class <i>aoibarameditation@outlook.com</i> Kundalini Yoga and Meditation Class 7.30pm The Ballroom, Bank Hotel & Bistro, 28-29 Grand Parade, St Leonards £10 <i>soulpowerkundaliniyoga.co.uk</i> Argentine Tango Social Dance 8.00pm The White Rock Hotel, 1-10 White Rock Downstairs bar £8 for dancers, £3 non-dancers <i>Contact Phoebe 07947 440502</i> Relaxation: Zoom class with Pilates teacher Sally Paffard 8.00pm £4 <i>sallypaffard@gmail.com</i> Thursdays Ashtanga Yoga – Assisted Self Practice 7.15am The Wellington Health & Wellbeing Centre, 44 Wellington Square £15 <i>ashtangayogahastings@gmail.com</i> Gentle Wake Up Yoga 8.00am St Leonards Studio, Royal Victoria <i>karen@yoga-by-the-sea.co.uk</i>	Qigong with Sigrid 5.30pm St John’s Parish Hall, Brittany Rd Suitable for all ages. <i>qigongsigrid@gmail.com</i> Circuits 9.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Vinyasa Flow 9.30am St Leonards Studio, Royal Victoria <i>karen@yoga-by-the-sea.co.uk</i> Qigong with Sigrid 9.30am West Hill Community Centre, Croft Rd <i>Contact: Sigrid, 07492 209190 or qigongsigrid@gmail.com</i> Yoga at Hastings Contemporary 9.50am Hastings Contemporary, Rock-a-Nore Rd <i>oldtownryoga.co.uk</i> Move It or Lose It! 10.00am The Hastings Centre, The Ridge also 11.15am-12.15pm from 18 April £6 per class. First class FREE Friendly, low impact exercise for older adults. <i>Contact Lucy 07773790753</i> Art for All: Practical Art in a Relaxed Environment. 10.00am Four Courts Wellbeing Hub, Sydney Cl, Hastings Learn how to create personal drawings and paintings with an experimental theme. <i>Enrol online at wea.org.uk</i> Circle Dancing 10.30am Hastings Unitarian Church, 7A South Terrace £3 Good for body, mind and spirit Healthy Joints 10.30am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>info@artsonprescription.org</i> Tai Chi for Health and Relaxation 10.30am St John’s Parish Hall, Brittany Rd £5 <i>Stuart 07961 949715</i> Needle Felt (3) 11.00am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Fun Easy Boxing 11.45am Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St <i>isabelblackmancentre.co.uk</i> Online Vinyasa Flow with Elena Voce 12.45pm Classes for all levels. Pay-what-you-can <i>yogawithelenavoce.co.uk</i> Iyengar Yoga Classes
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1.00pm The Wellington Health & Wellbeing Centre, 44 Wellington Square beginners welcome £10 (£5 for people struggling financially) howdowebeginagain@gmail.com Needle Felt (4) 1.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St isabelblackmancentre.co.uk Tai Chi 1.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St isabelblackmancentre.co.uk Yoga with Marjolyn 3.00pm St Leonards Studio, Royal Victoria	07929 577985 Pilates (beginners) 3.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St isabelblackmancentre.co.uk Tilekiln Youth Club Sessions 5.30pm Tilekiln community centre sarah.adams@freshvisions.org.uk Bev 07732 823800 Kundalini Yoga & Meditation with Yeli 6.00pm The Wellington Health & Wellbeing Centre, 44 Wellington Square yeli@happinessholistichealth.uk Mandala Vinyasa Flow (Advanced) 6.30pm	Hot Yoga Hastings, 21 St Peter's Rd, St Leonards hotyogahastings.co.uk Writing Memoir with Jeremy Atherton Lin (a National Book Critics Circle Award winner for his book Gay Bar) 6.30pm Trinity Street, Trinity St Hastings Writers Workshop £195 23 May to 11 July (eight sessions). Bus Stop Knit Club - weekly knitting group 6.30pm Bus Stop Studios, 53 London Rd, St Leonards Every Thursday evening busstopstudios.com/classes Meditation and Breathwork with Jung-ui 7.30pm	West Hill Community Centre, Croft Rd £55 for a 4-week course jung-ui.co.uk Slow and Steady 7.30pm St Leonards Studio Gentle yoga class with some breathwork and meditation. healingyogawithkate.org	afri-co-lab.org Traditional Yoga 9.30am Horntyte Park Sports Complex, Bohemia Rd £10 For the yoga enthusiast Feel better with Therapeutic Movements 9.30am Salvation Army Hall Suitable for all ages. qigongsigrid@gmail.com Mindful Yoga - a slow meditative practice 10.30am St Leonards Studio zowie@stleonards.studio Yin Yoga 11.30am£7 All abilities. Ninayoga.co.uk Create your own hanging baskets 2.30pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St isabelblackmancentre.co.uk Senior Strength 3.00pm Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St isabelblackmancentre.co.uk Chi Kung/Qi Gong 6.00pm Ore Community Centre, 455 Old London Rd Gentle movements to increase wellbeing. donation only aoibarameditation@outlook.com Funky Friday 5 Rhythms 7.00pm Concordia Hall, Church Rd, St Leonards Emmadance.co Aoi Bara Meditation 7.00pm Ore Community Centre, 455 Old London Rd An hour of guided meditations. donation only aoibarameditation@outlook.com	isabelblackmancentre.co.uk Zoom Hatha Yoga 9.00am online only Pranayama, practice and relaxation. Louiselovesyoga@gmail.com Yoga at Hastings Contemporary 9.50am Hastings Contemporary, Rock-a-Nore Rd oldtownyoga.co.uk Morning Flow Yoga 10.00am Bank House, 144 London Rd karen@yoga-by-the-sea.co.uk Yoga to run with, with Hannah 10.15am Madre, Peachy £9 hola@madre-sl.com Meditation and Breathwork with Jung-ui 10.45am The Stables Theatre, The Bourne Gong Bath sessions 2.00pm Hastings Unitarian Church, 7A South Terrace Text Karen Hayler: 07986 911083
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10.15am
Play Sport Fitness Hub, Elphinstone Road
£3.30 For people who struggle to weight bear, stand for too long, or exercise whilst standing, but want to build strength.
Booking.isessential.eequ.org/experience/7024

Breathe better
11.00am
Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk

Slow & Steady Mobility
1.00pm
Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk

Chair Yoga - A supported approach
2.30pm
St Leonards Studio, Royal Victoria
zowie@stleonards.studio

Martial Arts Free Trial Lesson
5.45pm
Ark Alexandra Academy (Staff entrance), Park Ave
Families welcome.
Booking required.
Findoutmoreatmartialartshastings.com

Beginners Creative Writing Group
6.15pm
Clifton Centre, 1 and 2 Stainsby St, St Leonards

Chanting Choir
8.00pm
Ore Community Centre, 455 Old London Rd
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aoibarameditation@outlook.com

Breathe and Stretch with Karen Arthur
8.00am
Afri-Co-Lab, 3, Marine Court, St Leonards
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Saturdays
Pure stretch
9.15am
Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk

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10.00am
Morning Yoga via Zoom
lamiles@hotmail.co.uk

Martial Arts Free Trial Lesson
10.00am
Ark Alexandra Academy (Staff entrance), Park Ave
Families welcome.
Booking required.
Findoutmoreatmartialartshastings.com

Beginners Weight Training
10.30am
Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St
isabelblackmancentre.co.uk

Int French
11.00am
Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding St

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Spotlight

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GIODI MESSI



Azara Meghie & Bambi Phillips Jordan in OUT!

Knotty

Knotty, Hastings' celebration performance, returns following the success of 2022's outdoor festival. For 2024, Knotty is bigger and bolder than ever, showcasing inspiring artists and events in familiar and unexpected spaces and places.

Now in its fourth year, Knotty is produced by Hastings' creative arts organisation, Home Live Art. This year's festival features work from 20 artists in eight events across four venues: Hastings Museum and Art Gallery, White Rock Theatre, Mini Playhouse and Stables Theatre, plus outdoor locations in Hastings Town Centre. Most of the programme is free or offers a sliding scale according to what ticket buyers can afford.

Katy Baird, Artistic Director, said: "I am thrilled to bring Knotty back to Hastings! This year's programme features remarkable local, national

and international artists, alongside community participants. In bold, provocative and joyful encounters, we invite audiences both to question the world we live in, and actively to create spaces where we can reimagine and redefine our future together. We take pride in continuing to showcase ground-breaking artists in Hastings, further enhancing the town's well-deserved reputation as a daring, forward-thinking cultural hub."

Knotty includes a programme of four performances co-curated with Claudine Eccleston, founder of Playing the Race Card, a local arts and social justice organisation focusing on celebrating Black excellence and supporting relevant art and artists. Accompanying the current *Black Joy! Up Close and Personal* exhibition at Hastings Museum and Art Gallery, the collaboration includes the temporary installation of an interactive public sculpture from Sonia Hughes, a call-and-response exploration of

museum objects led by Harold Offeh, Ray Young's award-winning interdisciplinary work *OUT*, and Knotty's renowned queer performance party, Salty.

Claudine Eccleston said: "I am really excited to have teamed up with Home Live Art to bring these incredibly talented artists to Hastings, injecting a fresh perspective into our town's cultural offerings. It aligns perfectly with the energy of our exhibition encouraging dialogue around Black Joy."



Knotty: A festival of performance for the adventurous 6-9 and 14-16 June 2024 at venues and locations across

Hastings. For full performance details and credits, ticket links and access information, please visit homeliveart.com. For press enquiries, please contact Anna Goodman at Abstrakt on abstrakt@abstraktpublicity.co.uk

AKA
at The
Beacon

STEWART RAYMENT

To say Hastings is more than blessed with the number and quality of musicians within its bounds is an understatement. Wednesday 24 April saw AKA, a number of familiar faces, at The Beacon. Anthony Moore, known from his 1970s days in Slapp Happy, and beyond, has collaborated with Necessary Animals' Keith Rodway and Amanda Thompson on a number of occasions since last year. Amanda provides supporting keyboards & vocals, and Keith is on continuo. Copies of their album, *Electronics*, made their public outing at the event, but the performance was dedicated to Moore's back catalogue.

Guest players were Tullis Rennie, experimental trombonist and senior lecturer at City, University of London, Olie Brice, celebrated jazz bassist – you may recall his *Fire Hills*, of a year-or-so ago (find it on Bandcamp), and Richard Moore, equally celebrated – you can join him fiddling at the Jenny Lind in the Old Town most Tuesdays.

The first set contained numbers from Moore's early albums, between 1976 and 1981, closing with *Hymn to Love*. But the second contained *No Parlez*, Moore's composition. This has perhaps been Anthony Moore's best-known piece; it was picked up by Paul Young in his first solo album, of the same name. It is



an important number on that album, giving edge and inspiration to what otherwise might be called a batch of soul covers. Anthony Moore's early solo albums demonstrate a wider influence on New Romantics and subsequent synth bands. However, Moore is out to recover *No Parlez* as his own.

The progressive music of the 1970s was never far from progressive politics, and it seems this is still the case. Moore introduced *Hymn to Despair*, which is a work in progress, dedicating it to the CEO and others of Southern Water: you couldn't drown yourself, because you could never get your head beneath all of the shit in the sea... Tullis Rennie's trombone haunts throughout. They closed on *Caught Being in Love*, again from *Flying Doesn't Help*, where it is something of an aftermath to *Lucia*, who, as on this night, recurs through Moore's work.

Electronics is clearly something else. It is a run of 20 laser-cut albums, so you'll need to get in quick. It developed out of the rehearsal sessions Moore, Rodway and Thompson did for material premiered at Daniel Hartlaub's exhibition last summer at Electro Studios.

Up and coming: Olie Brice will be mastering the Two Ships Festival of improvised music, again at The Beacon, St Mary's Terrace, Hastings, on Saturday 18 May.



KATE BUTTS

Plunk at the
St Leonards Social

KATE SHAW

I have to admit I was feeling a little tired and lacklustre when I popped into Oscar's on the Square – the new venue for the St Leonards Social. But I've been to these nights before and they're always so funky, friendly and, well, vibey! My weariness deserted me the moment Plunk picked up their instruments and transformed this grassroots venue into a jumping juke joint!

Their sound is pure dance floor funk. Bass player James Davison told me they'll play "anything that gets people off their chairs and onto the

dance floor", and they certainly rocked it on that front. Think Maceo Parker meets Parliament, invite Kool and the Gang along, and you've got some idea of what they deliver.

James went on to explain that it's not necessarily about faithfully representing these numbers note for note, but more about understanding why they have that feel-good factor and make people want to move their bodies and feel more alive. So, while they convey the funk and vitality of the bands they cover, they do so with skilled improvisation, bringing a newness and originality to the sound.

Atmosphere is an important part of the Social. Organiser Mike Willis emphasises that it's a unique oppor-

tunity for the community to get together in a relaxed setting, have a drink and a boogie and most importantly an opportunity to connect. I can really feel that here as I get my groove on with the best of St Leonards' funksters. Looking around, I see smiles between strangers, the bobbing of heads and a mood which is uplifted and, to be frank, pretty joyous.

Plunk are:

- James Davison-bass
- Andy Vickery-guitar
- Jimmy Gulliver-drums
- Robbie Robson-trumpet
- George Simmons-trombone
- Bjorn McAteer Dahlberg-tenor saxophone
- Josephine Davies tenor saxophone

Next St Leonards Social with Plunk: 30 May at Oscar's on the Square, Lower Promenade, Warrior Square, St Leonards



A Curious Town Grows

The immersive arts festival *A Curious Town Grows* takes place next week between 24 May and 2 June across venues in Hastings and St Leonards. It's the creation of Curious Agenda, a Hastings and Rother-based creative social enterprise, and follows its inaugural festival, *A Curious Town Dreams*, in 2023.

The festival features a blend of performances, art installations,

workshops and immersive experiences inspired by the theme of growth. The diverse and exciting events taking place over the 10+ days are devised and presented by over 200 artists, performers, local businesses and community groups.

The opening night features cabaret and art exhibitions at the newly opened Saint Leonards Church, featuring performances and instal-

lations by local and guest creatives including award winning Twice Shy Theatre and Revolting Rosy. This will be the first time the magnificent church nave has been open to the public since the final service back in 2002 and almost five years to the day since the current owner, Chris Ostwald, began his epic restoration project.

Other highlights include a mag-

ical woodland trail at Speckled Wood; an *Alternative Sunday Service* featuring drag queens including Drag Race UK Star Elektra Fence and hosted by Heather Duster; *The Great Art Face Off*; Little Mashers' *Curious Kids Day* and *Tidal Treasures*, an exhibition of art created from sea plastics. Festival-goers can also get curious at panel talks, take part in a 'village fete', explore a mycelium-themed sound and light exhibition by Radiator Arts, and discover their 'buzz' at *Bee Curious Day* with local company Bee Potion. There will also be an opportunity to discover the secret history of television with the *Spirit of Invention* 'festival within a festival', which commemorates the ingenuity of John Logie Baird 100 years ago.

Curious Agenda founder and Director of Imagination, Miia Forbes, says: "Our mission is to inspire curiosity in the community by creating a space for people to be playful, explore and get creative. Through more than 60 workshops, performances and experiences at this year's festival, participants can discover the many intriguing curiosities that the town has to offer.

"At last year's festival, which fea-

tured 100 local and national creatives and makers and drew over 800 curious people, Hastings and St Leonards proved itself to be a thoroughly curious place. We're excited to welcome even more of our unique and vibrant community to experience this year's event, which has grown in scale, flourishing across the town."



More information and festival tickets are available from the website, acurioustown.co.uk. For details about performers and collaborators see Instagram at @acuriouagenda with updates on contributors.

CORRECTION

In our most recent issue of the HIP List, Spotlight published an article on Let's Get It Together music festival. The line up for The Crypt on Friday 24 May contained an error. The current line up is as follows:

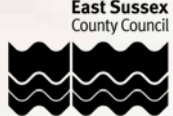
- Kate Sure
- Seamus Haji
- Stuart Patterson
- With Bob Selway and djsoul-provyder in the VIP lounge



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