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Exhibit A Philip Sutton: The Magic Field

Oil on canvas, 91.5 x 122 cm, 2002

ARTIST'S STATEMENT: "I don't want to make assumptions about what I'm looking at. The whole point is how is it like that, why is it like that? I try in other words not to impose on the subject. I think imposing is a very boring thing... I give no credit to that at all. What I give credit to is something which is seen in a way that the person seeing it didn't know that they were going to see. Great painting for me isn't just in museums, it has that quality, that freshness... he's made it as though he has never seen that before. That's the difference for me."

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Headlines July and August 2023



PJ Harvey: I Inside The Old Year Dying

PJ HARVEY has released a new song and video, *A Child's Question, August*, with the announcement of her tenth studio album, *I Inside The Old Year Dying*.

The new album - Harvey's first since 2016's Grammy-nominated *The Hope Six Demolition Project* - will be released on 7th July via Partisan Records. The album is produced by long-time collaborators Flood and John Parish.

Throughout her career, Harvey has always ensured that each phase of her progress has taken her somewhere new, but her latest music is audacious and original even by her own standards. Full of a sense of a cyclical return to new beginnings, it combines its creative daring with a sense of being open and inviting, in the most fascinating way. The new songs, Harvey says, offer "a resting space, a solace, a comfort, a balm - which feels timely for the times we're in".

I Inside The Old Year Dying's story goes back six years, to the end of touring around her last album in 2017 and how Harvey felt immediately afterwards. What she keenly felt was that somewhere in the endless cycle of albums and tours, she had lost her connection with music itself, a realisation that was troubling beyond words.

This was hardly a time of creative withdrawal: thanks to mentoring by the Scottish poet Don Paterson, she worked on *Orlam*, the accomplished work of poetry – her second, after 2015's *The Hollow of the Hand* - that was published last year and became one of the new album's key inspirations. There were also the reissues of Harvey's preceding albums - and, in new editions, their demo versions - that came out between 2020 and 2022. But eventually, two things began to push her in the direction of new songs, music and sounds.

One was the memory of a meeting with the artist and film-maker Steve McQueen, in Chicago, during the *Hope Six* period. His advice was to remember what she loves about words, images and music and to put away the concept of writing "an album" to focus on and play with these three passions. The other catalyst for a return to music was simple: the sheer act of playing it. Picking up the guitar or sitting down at the piano to play her favourite songs by such artists as Nina Simone or Bob Dylan reconfirmed her passion for the art form.

Something soon started to cohere. When Harvey began to write new songs, there was a liberating sense of making music for its own sake, rather than the first steps back into the album-tour-album-tour cycle. She drew on the sense of creative freedom she had felt in past musical work on soundtracks, and in the theatre. At the same time, her perspective was shifting, away from the big themes of *Let England Shake* and *Hope Six* ("looking out, at war, politics, the world"), towards something more intimate and human.

The new songs, Harvey says, "all came out of me in about three weeks". But that was only the beginning. The key to what would happen next - at Battery Studios, in North West London - lay in a three-way creative bond that now goes back nearly thirty years, between Harvey, her enduring collaborator and creative partner John Parish, and Flood: nominally a producer, though that word does not really do him justice.

"The studio was set up for live play, and that's all we did," she says. The importance of this is hard to overstate: if *I Inside The Old Year Dying* is a very tactile, human record, that is partly because just about everything on it is rooted in improvisation: spontaneous performances and ideas, recorded at the moment of their creation.

"I think the album is about searching, looking - the intensity of first love, and seeking meaning," says Harvey. "Not that there has to be a message, but the feeling I get from the record is one of love – it's tinged with sadness and loss, but it's loving. I think that's what makes it feel so welcoming: so open."

pjharvey.net

Photograph by Steve Gullick

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THE UNTHANKS

Sidmouth Folk Festival

The Sidmouth Folk Festival brings an irresistible feast of world-class folk music, song and dance to the Devon seaside town.

The Bulverton, the high energy hub for dynamic evening roots shows, hosts concerts by Scottish crowd-pleasers Talisk, Tiree's award-winning band Skerryvore, local singer, songwriter and fiddle maestro Seth Lakeman, Grace Petrie, Kathryn Tickell & The Darkening, Blackbeard's Tea Party and the high-octane Peat & Diesel. The Bulverton venue is the home of the late-night festival bar, campfire sessions and after-hours fun and easily accessed from the main festival car park.

The exciting week-long programme spans a huge range of events, also including prefestival shows featuring Cornish shanty grandmasters Fisherman's Friends and the queen of Scottish song Barbara Dickson, and concerts in the seafront marquee with Le Vent du Nord, Cara Dillon, Lindisfarne, The Unthanks and many more.

4 - 11 August: Various locations in and around SIDMOUTH, Devon. sidmouthfolkfestival.co.uk



East Quay wins Building of the Year

East Quay in Watchet scooped three awards at this year's RIBA South West Architectural awards. Including a Regional Award, Client of the Year for Onion Collective and the big one, Building of the Year.

Run by social enterprise Onion Collective CIC and designed by Invisible Studio and Ellis Williams Architects, East Quay is a cultural venue, home to two contemporary art galleries, eleven artist studios, a paper mill, a geology workshop, print studio, restaurant, education space and five extraordinary accommodation pods.

RIBA, the Royal Institute of British Architecture, has been celebrating outstanding work for over 180 years. Their awards and prizes are regarded internationally as a mark of excellence, recognising the best architecture, architects, research and students. East Quay won Building of the Year from a shortlist of 23 buildings across the region. Its design intentionally reflects a contemporary version of Watchet, with the heavy base reflecting the harbour wall and surrounding cliffs, with characterful and idiosyncratic 'human sized' buildings above reflecting the eclectic and often unusual built environment of the town.

The accommodation pods, two of which stand on stilts above the building, have been created for the adventurous traveller. Designed internally by architect-makers Pearce+Fægen, each pod reflects Watchet in some way. Visitors can also enjoy breakfast, lunch or dinner at East Quay Kitchen, an in-house restaurant which has Mediterranean and Middle Eastern inspired dishes. East Quay also runs year-round events, offering music, theatre performances, art workshops and courses. There is also a year round education programme, run from the Creator Space which was designed with children from the local schools.

eastquaywatchet.co.uk



Philip Sutton RA A Colourist's World until 8 July

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Ways forward into a changing world Frances Hatch ARWS Rachel Fenner PAINTINGS Caroline Sharp WOVEN SCULPTURE Petter Southall FURNITURE Adela Powell CERAMICS 15 July - 2 September For events and talks please see website

SLADERS YARD Contemporary Art Gallery West Bay DT6 4EL Open Weds - Sat 10am - 4.30pm CAFÉ SLADERS also open Sundays 10am - 3.30pm @sladersyard sladersyard.co.uk t: 01308 459511



Left: A Fairytale Philip Sutton RA 180 x 93cm Above: Gorse with Swallows Frances Hatch

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'Kitchen at Gooseland' (detail) by Felicity House

New works from Southern Contemporaries, celebrating the realities, the comforts and the challenges of everyday life - the things we can sometimes take for granted

Thursday 27 July - Tuesday 8 August

10am - 4pm (closing 2pm on the last day) • Free admission **Shaftesbury Arts Centre** 11 - 13 Bell Street, Shaftesbury, Dorset SP7 8AR 01747 854321 • shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk





THE BOX Paintings by

Malcolm Giladjian Royal Academy 2023

4 - 10 August at The Malthouse Gallery Town Mill Lyme Regis Dorset DT7 3PU Open daily 10.30am - 4.30pm



Exhibit A Artists and photographers are invited to submit work for next issue's page 3 Exhibit A by emailing images to: simon@evolver.org.uk



Helen Menges Contemporary Portraits in Oils Wimborne, Dorset helenmenges.com

Clare Hawkes Fine Art

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An open working studio in the idyllic Abbotsbury countryside, adjacent to the Medieval Tithe Barn, this is a hidden gem for art lovers and collectors



EVENING EXHIBITION Wednesday 12th July, 6.30pm featuring guest artist Mala Hassett

Workshop 2, Abbey Farm, Abbotsbury, Dorset DT3 4JJ

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Inside Out Dorset

September 2023 will see Dorset's biennial outdoor arts festival *Inside Out Dorset* return. From 15th to 24th September 2023, Activate Performing Arts will present performances, workshops, installations, parades and more to audiences from the county and across the UK. The festival aims to remove traditional barriers to accessing the arts and encourage people to discover and appreciate some of the unique places across the county.

The festival site at Moors Valley Country Park and Forest will see spectacular art installed throughout the site including Kathy Hinde's *Chirp & Drift*. The light and sound sculpture is a flock of illuminated instruments that chatter in morse code messages. *Chirp & Drift* is a playful probe into questions around communication. Kathy Hinde is an audio-visual artist inspired by behaviours found in nature. Her installations and performances combine sound, sculpture, image and light.

Two additional pieces that visitors will encounter at Moors Valley are created by Helen Ottaway. Composer, pianist, installation artist and curator Ottaway founded Artmusic in 1999 to produce collaborative and participatory work. Her installations *Lachrymae* and new commission *Saeflod* will adorn the woodland canopy at Moors Valley creating an immersive accompaniment to every visit.

One element of the programme taking place in Bere Regis at Dorset Wildlife Trust's Wild Woodbury site comes from French artists De Chair et d'Os (above). Led by artistic director, Caroline Melon, De Chair et d'Os create hybrid, multi-faceted art projects that adapt to every new situation, but draw on recurring themes. They will present *Five Seasons*, a piece about rituals and our connection to the earth. A clay oven will be built at Wild Woodbury during workshops with members of the public ahead of the performance days in September. The oven will be used during the performances as part of the ritual of foraging and sharing food.

15 - 24 September

Hampshire Winchester

Various locations throughout DORSET. activateperformingarts.org.uk



Red House Museum and Gardens Quay Road | Christchurch | Dorset | BH23 1BU hampshireculture.org.uk

Diary Dates



WILDWORKS (B-Side Festival)

RWA OPEN 170 Deadline: Wednesday 5 July rwaopen.co.uk

SHERBORNE OPEN ART Deadline: Saturday 15 July sherbornearts.org

ART UNLIMITED OPEN Deadline: Monday 31 July art-unlimited.co.uk

ACE ARTS OPEN Deadline: Wednesday 30 August acearts.co.uk

B-SIDE FESTIVAL 7 - 10 September b-side.org.uk

DEVON OPEN STUDIOS 9 - 24 September devonopenstudios.co.uk

INSIDE OUT DORSET 15 - 24 September activateperformingarts.org.uk

SOMERSET OPEN STUDIOS 16 September - 4 October somersetartworks.org.uk

PEACOCK ARTS TRAIL 7 - 15 October peacockartstrail.co.uk

TOTTERDOWN ARTS TRAIL 18 and 19 November totterdownartstrail.org







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Alex Kennedy Wetlands - 2



Anne Reynolds Through The Trees



Annie Musgrove Jewel Of Somerset



Barbara Simons Obsidian



Celia Brokenshire Patience



Celia Ford Pelargoniums



CF Sherratt Bathroom Scene



Clive Birnie Surfing The Severn Bore



David A Smith Admit One



Debbie Lee Fish Face



Diane Ablitt Where There's Light, There's Hope

Graham Palmer



Emma Abel Taita Apalis - Warbler



Grazyna Wikierska Let Us Make A Name For Ourselves Flying Girl (1)



Fiona Hingston Number 13 Magnum Series



Geoff Shillito And The Sky, Was It Ever So Blue?



Henny Burnett & Martin Urmson Mycelium House



Georgina Moore Judith



Jack Greenwood Sabrina Makes Some Art





Helen Brasher Shapes

Evolver Prize 2023



Jacqueline Booker Hedgerow



Jane Colquhoun Started Early



Jeneta Bird Shell Bay



Jenny Mellings Les Fleurs



Jenny Mellings Waiting And Watching



Jill Davies Exmoor Wooded Combe II



Laurence Rowlands Valley Of The Rock II



Leo Davey The Watercolour Of Watercolours I Missed You Today



Lisa-Jane Megilley



Lisa Takahashi Clouds Over Buttermere













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15 July – 19 August

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Evolver Prize 2023



Luminara Florescu



Lupe Velazquez Self Care Scarf - Rest As Protest Indigenous Woman, Huichol Psychogeography



Lynn Baxter



Malcolm Ashman 21 Small Sculptures



Maria Harryman Reedmace On The Canal 2



Maynard Hales Enallage



Sarah-May Rogers The Tangled Wood

Toni Davey

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Paula Youens Flint #2



Philip Ritson Package Y



Rebecca Finch Keep



Sian Cann Water Bloom



Toby Holmes Instant Whip



Time After Time

Trace Taylor-Carpenter Summer Breeze



Yvonne Morton Power Cloth

Shereon Knowles

Undergrowth



Zara McQueen Studio Chairs - A Love Story (3) The Coronavirus



Zib Baines

EVOLVER PRIZE 2023 SELECTION PANEL Simon Barber (Editor, Evolver) · Barry Cawston (Photographer) Naomi Kendall (Winner, Evolver Prize 2022) · Zoe Li (Artistic Director, Ace Arts)





'STAIRWAY TO ELEVEN'

Johnny Bull: A Day In The Life (And Other Stories)

"Recent prints and paintings from one of Dorset's hidden gems. The works are full of joy, rife with an intimacy that is unafraid; challenging one and all to step just a little closer - go on, allow yourself a little surprise."

1 July - 5 August: The Slade Centre Gallery, The Square, GILLINGHAM, SP8 4AY. Tuesday - Saturday 9am - 4pm. 07775 431652 / thesladecentre.com.

'DESIGN FOR LIFE: ART AND ARCHITECTURE PART 1' Until 2 July

Hestercombe Gallery, Hestercombe Gardens, CHEDDON FITZPAINE, Taunton, TA2 8LG. 11am - 4pm. 01823 413923 / hestercombe.com.

PODI LAWRENCE Until 2 July

Duchess of Cornwall Inn, 12 Queen Mother Square, POUNDBURY, Dorchester, DTI 3DD. 10am - 10pm. artinpoundbury.co.uk.

'SPIRIT OF SYMONDSBURY' Until 2 July

Sou'-Sou'-West Arts Gallery, Symondsbury Estate, BRIDPORT, DT6 6HC. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326. *"Recent work by Rob Crisp."*

'THE PEACE OF PAPER' Until 2 July

Walford Mill, Knobcrook Road, WIMBORNE, BH211NL. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. walfordmillcrafts.co.uk. *"Hand cut paper art by Kyleigh Orlebar."*

'TOP DRAWER'

Until 3 July

The Gallery Upstairs, Upton Country Park, Poole Road, POOLE, BH17 7BJ. 10am - 5pm. 07502 270886.

KIM PRAGNELL AND HILARY BALL: 'BOATS BY THE YARD' Until 4 July

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am -4pm. shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk. *"Colourful and evocative drawings, paintings and multi-media pieces."*

CHANDOS SOCIETY OF ARTISTS Until 6 July

Taunton Brewhouse, Coal Orchard, TAUNTON, TAI 1JL. Monday - Friday 10am - 4pm. 01823 283244.

I-D ARTISTS: 'SHIFTING SPACES' Until 8 July

Heritage Courtyard Gallery, 6 Heritage Courtyard, Sadler Street, WELLS, BA5 2RR. Monday -Saturday 10.30am - 4pm. iD-artists.com.



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James Aldridge

20 July - 26 August, 2023

The Pound Arts Centre, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 9HX (01249) 701628 | poundarts.org.uk | @poundarts

'THE GARDEN AND BEYOND' Until 8 July

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 OAN. 9.30am - 3pm. 01460 54973.



'PHOTO FROME' Until 12 July

7 venues in FROME. photofrome.org. "The second edition of Photo Frome, an inclusive festival dedicated to showcasing and celebrating local, national, and international photography and filling the creative community of Frome with photos."

Above: Roger Deakins 'Men Moving Sheep Between Pens At Chumleigh Market' (1972)

KIT JOHNS: 'A LOVE LETTER LOST AT SEA'

Until 15 July

Pound Arts, Pound Pill, CORSHAM, SNI3 9HX. Monday - Saturday 10am - 9.30pm. poundarts.org.uk. "Kit's paintings explore the wild and untamed nature of the ocean."

CHRISTCHURCH ARTS GUILD Until 16 July

The Red House Museum, Quay Road, CHRISTCHURCH, BH23 IBU. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 4pm, Sunday 12noon - 4pm. christchurchartsguild.co.uk.

PATRICK JONES AND DAVE KING: 'EXPERIENCED EYES' Until 16 July

The Shippon Gallery, Hook Farm, Chardstock, AXMINSTER, EX13 7DD. Friday - Sunday 11am - 4pm. 01460 220021 / theshippongallery.com. "Innovative artists who met in New York in the 1980s and are inspired by the American experience. Now both based in Devon, recent work reflects these very different surroundings."



MELONY TAPER 'RENAMED CITY'

Found Cities, Lost Objects: Women in the City

"Curated by Turner Prize winner, Lubaina Himid CBE, this Arts Council Collection touring exhibition explores modern city life from a female perspective."

Until 13 August: Royal West of England Academy, Queen's Road, Clifton, BRISTOL, BS8 1PX. Tuesday - Sunday 10am - 4pm. £8.90. rwa.org.uk.

'MOSS HABITATS' Until 16 July

Arnolfini, 16 Narrow Quay, BRISTOL, BSI 4QA. Tuesday - Sunday Ilam -6pm. 0117 917 2300 / arnolfini.org.uk. "Artist Juneau Projects worked with schools across Bristol and South Gloucestershire throughout the spring of 2023 to sculpt and paint a collaborative moss habitat that has filled Arnolfini's second floor gallery, exploring this microscopic world and the creatures that live there"

'SPRING EXHIBITION' Until 21 July

Tincleton Gallery, The Old School House, TINCLETON, near Dorchester, DT2 8QR. Friday -Monday 10am - 5pm. 01305 848909. "Mixed exhibition featuring gallery artists and special guests."



'LINES OF EMPATHY' Until 22 July

Close Ltd, Close House, HATCH BEAUCHAMP, TA3 6AE. Thursday and Friday 10am - 3pm, Saturday 10am - 1pm. 01823 480350 / closeltd.com. "This group show brings together hand-drawn work on paper by 17 mid-career and established artists: Fay Ballard, Duncan Bullen, Lucinda Burgess, Helen Cass Rachel Duckhouse Mary Griffiths, Simon Hitchens, Louise Hopkins, Carali McCall, Onya McCausland, Anna Mossman, David Murphy, Peter Peri, Kathy Prendergast, Wendy Smith, Giulia Ricci and Kate Terry." Above: Fay Ballard 'Untitled 16'

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'A FEEL FOR PRINT' Until 22 July

ACE Arts, Market Place, SOMERTON, TAll 7NB. Tuesday -Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01458 273008 / acearts.co.uk. "A unique collection of prints created by adults and children with visual impairments in workshops across Somerset, led by printmaker Gemma Trickey and facilitated by Angela Charles, herself a 'blind artist'."

MOISH SOKAL: 'ENGLAND to **SAVANA'** Until 22 July

Malthouse Gallery, East Lambrook Manor Gardens, Silver Street, EAST LAMBROOK, South Petherton, TA13 5HH. 10am - 5pm. 01935 881350 / moishsokal.co.uk. "Sokal's new paintings are inspired by recent safari trips to Eastern Africa. showing the wild animal kingdom, in contrast to scenes from England and trips he made abroad during the last 30 years."



VIVIENNE BEAUMONT: 'SEEDS, FLOWERS, AND FLOWING HAIR' Until 22 July

ACE Arts, Market Place, SOMERTON, TAll 7NB, Tuesday -Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01458 273008 / acearts.co.uk. "Soulful textile work shaped by symbols and stories. archetypes and female transformation.

Above: 'Golden Dreams'

'STREET LIFE' Until 23 July

Kenny Gallery, Royal West of England Academy, Queen's Road, Clifton, BRISTOL, BS8 1PX. Tuesday -Sunday 10am - 5pm. 0117 973 5129 / rwa.org.uk. "For this urban-themed exhibition, 20 Academicians were invited to display work spanning a variety of disciplines."



OLGA DE AMARAL 'VIENTO 2' (2014)

Threads: Breathing Stories Into Materials

"Celebrating material and making, and the idea that textiles remember, twenty-one contemporary international artists and makers use the storytelling power of textiles to connect with past traditions, exploring a multitude of visible and invisible memories, to 'breathe stories into materials'. Featuring work from Caroline Achaintre, Mounira Al Sohl, Ifeoma U. Anyaeji, Olga de Amaral, Will Cruikshank, Monika Žaltauskaitė-Grašienė, Lubaina Himid, Young In Hong, Raisa Kabir, Alice Kettle, Anya Paintsil, Anousha Payne, David Penny, Anna Perach, Celia Pym, Richard McVetis, Ibrahim Mahama, Farwa Moledina, Lucy Orta, Yinka Shonibare and Esna Su, this exhibition has been co-curated by Arnolfini with leading textile artist Alice Kettle."

8 July - 1 October: Arnolfini, 16 Narrow Quay, BRISTOL, BSI 4QA. Tuesday - Sunday 11am - 6pm. arnolfini.org.uk.

OPEN PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION Until 27 July

Purbeck New Wave Gallery, 43a High Street, SWANAGE, BH19 2LT. 10am - 5pm. 07434 814384 / purbecknewwave.co.uk. "A broad range of genres from underwater, aerial railway landscapes from the sea, and astrophotography."

'UNCHARTED' Until 29 July

The Vanner Gallery, 45 High Street, SALISBURY, SP1 2PB. Tuesday Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01722 501551 / vannergallery.com. "A group exhibition featuring five renowned artists: Susanna Lisle, Robin Sewell, Catherine Richardson Julia Atkinson, and Jenny Morse.'

'TERRA OCEANUS' Until 12 August

Thelma Hulbert Gallery, Dowell Street, HONITON, EX14 1LX. Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01404 45006 / thelmahulbert.com. "Photographer Corinna Wagner explores our relationship to rivers. seas and to their edge lands."

CAROLINE NAIRN: 'LANDSCAPES OF DORSET AND CORNWALL' Until 13 August

Rotunda Gallery, Lyme Regis Museum, Bridge Street, LYME REGIS, DT7 3QA. Wednesday Saturday 10am - 5pm. Sunday 10am - 4pm. £5.95. 01297 443370.

'NOT NOT THE ROYAL ACADEMY SUMMER EXHIBITION' Until 18 August

McNeill Gallery, 2 Market Place, PEWSEY, SN9 5AA. Tuesday - Friday 11am - 4pm, Saturday 11am - 2pm. 07702472326 / mcneillgallery.com.



NYE THOMPSON: 'VERTIGO' Until 3 September

East Quay, WATCHET, TA23 OAQ. Tuesday - Sunday 10am - 6pm. eastquaywatchet.co.uk. "Nye Thompson will open our eyes to the world of surveillance, satellites, and the new frontier - space."

'FLOW' Until 3 September

Somerset Rural Life Museum. Chilkwell Street, GLASTONBURY, BA6 8DB. Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. £8.50 / £4.50. 01458 831197 / srlm.org.uk. "An exhibition celebrating Somerset's amazingly diverse coast and waterways. See embroidery, painting, printmaking and sculpture by the artists Sara Dudman, Jane Hood, Julia Manning, Jane Mowat, and Judy Willoughby."

SUMMER EXHIBITION 2023: 1 JULY to 9 SEPTEMBER











Artists include Lucy Erskine, Rebecca Guyett, Debra Sweeney, John Boyd, Caroline Tucker



FLO BROOKS: 'HARMONYCRUMB' Until 10 September

Spike Island, BRISTOL, BSI 6UX. 12noon - 5pm. 0117 929 2266 / spikeisland.org.uk. "Exhibition exploring trans and gendernonconforming histories through paintings and three-dimensional assemblages. Brooks explores entanglements between his own life and the experiences of historical figures."

SOUTH WEST SCULPTORS: 'FORMS TO INSPIRE' Until 24 September

The Bishop's Palace, WELLS, BA5 2PD. 9.30am - 5.30pm. £16 / £8. 01749 988111 / swsculptors.co.uk / bishopspalace.org.uk. "Outdoor show by 11 makers in prized historic gardens."

'IN HER OWN VOICE: THE ART OF LUCY KEMP-WELCH' Until 1 October

Russell-Cotes Art Gallery and Museum, East Cliff Promenade, BOURNEMOUTH, BH1 3AA. Tuesday - Sunday 10am - 5pm. 01202 127249.

'PAINTED LOVE: RENAISSANCE MARRIAGE PORTRAITS' Until 1 October

The Holburne Museum, BATH, BA2 4DB. Monday - Saturday 10am -5pm, Sunday and Bank Holidays 11am - 5pm. £11 / £5.50. 01225 388569 / holburne .org. "Lavish exhibition exploring the role of portraiture in the process of marriage in Renaissance Europe."

MICHAEL SIMPSON: 'DRAWING TOWARDS PAINTING' Until 17 October

The Holburne Museum, BATH, BA2 4DB. Monday - Saturday 10am -5pm, Sunday and Bank Holidays 11am - 5pm. £11 / £5.50. 01225 388569 / holburne.org. "Winner of the prestigious John Moores Painting Prize, Michael Simpson has been the subject of solo exhibitions at major galleries and museums in London, Berlin, and Shanghai. This exhibition is the first to focus exclusively on the artist's work on paper, exploring his approach to drawing as a route to what a painting might be."



OSR Projects: A Weekend At Hotel Palenque

"In 1969 artists Robert Smithson, Nancy Holt and art dealer Virginia Dwan left the 'art-world' for the 'Western deserts and lush jungles of Mexico', staying at the dilapidated Hotel Palengue. In 1971 Smithson presented Hotel Palenque as a slideshow lecture to architecture students from the University of Utah. exploring ideas of entropy and de-architecturalisation, in a style accurately described by curator Neville Wakefield as 'more stoner than statesman'. This work still resonates 50 years on and has been represented in galleries and publications internationally. OSR Projects will use Smithson's Hotel Palengue as a conceptual back drop for a weekend event taking place at Arnolfini. Exploring contemporary ideas of entropy, de- architecturalisation and edgelands in the rural landscape the participating artists pay attention to what is airbrushed out of a collective imagination of the rural and focus on what lies in the peripheral vision. In addition, the work speaks to the traces of the exhibition of Robert Smithson at Arnolfini in 1977, which included films presented in the same theatre space as OSR will occupy."

1 and 2 July: Arnolfini, 16 Narrow Quay, BRISTOL, BSI 4QA. Saturday 11am - 6pm, Sunday 11am - 5pm. Free entry. arnolfini.org.uk.

BRIDPORT ARTS SOCIETY: 'SUMMERTIDE' 1 - 23 July

Symondsbury Estate, BRIDPORT, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 / sousouwest.co.uk.

'CONNECTED' 1 - 29 July

Fisherton Mill, 108 Fisherton Street, SALISBURY, SP2 7QY. Monday -Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01722 415121. Paintings by Jenny Monds, Lesley Walker, Amanda Fowler, and Helen Menges.

MATTHEW SOWTER: 'MADE OF WASTE'

1 - 31 July

The Creative Gallery, St John's Hill, WAREHAM, BH20 4NB. 10am - 5pm. creativegallerywareham.co.uk. "Creatures created from waste and recycled materials."

'FEEL THE SUMMER BREEZE' 1 July - 30 August

Studio 3 Gallery, Clevedon Craft Centre, Moor Lane, CLEVEDON, BS21 GTD. 10am - 5pm. studiothree.art.

SUMMER EXHIBITION 1 July - 9 September

Gallery On The Square, Queen Mother Square, DORCHESTER, DTI 3BL. Monday - Saturday 9.30am -5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. 01305 213322 / gallerypoundbury.co.uk. "Featured artists include John Boyd, Debra Sweeney, Lucy Erskine, Rebecca Guyett, and Caroline Tucker."

KAFFE FASSETT 1 July - 1 October

Victoria Art Gallery, Bridge Street, BATH, BA2 4AT. Tuesday - Sunday 10.30am - 4.30pm. £7 / £6.50 / £2.50. 01225 477233 / victoriagal.org.uk. "New quilts."

CANDACE BAHOUTH: 'ENCHANTED VISIONS' 1 July - 1 October

Victoria Art Gallery, Bridge Street, BATH, BA2 4AT. Tuesday - Sunday 10.30am - 4.30pm. £7 / £6.50 / £2.50. 01225 477233 / victoriagal.org.uk.

ALISON ROSE: 'IN THE COMPANY OF COLOUR' 3 - 23 July

Sou'-Sou'-West Arts Gallery, Symondsbury Estate, BRIDPORT, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326. "Expressive, vibrant, semiabstract floral still life and landscape paintings."

BY DESIGN: 'WHAT'S THE SCORE?' 4 - 9 July

Eype Centre for the Arts, St. Peter's Church, Mount Lane, EYPE, Bridport, DT6 6AP. Tuesday -Saturday 11am - 5pm, Sunday 11am -4.30pm. 07760 122666. *"Innovative work by eleven textile artists."*



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Visual Arts



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22 - 30 July: The Digby Hall, Hound Street, SHERBORNE, DT9 3AA. 10am - 5pm (Sunday 30 July 10am - 2pm). 01935 816368 / sherbornearts.org.

'MAKING THE CITY HOME' 4 July - 10 September

Royal West of England Academy, Queen's Road, Clifton, BRISTOL, BS8 1PX. Tuesday - Sunday 10am -5pm. 0117 973 5129 / rwa.org.uk. "Exhibition of textiles by women from Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Pakistan, India and other countries, working together to create beautiful textiles that describe how they journey through the city and which places and things are important to them."

JAMES BUDDEN: 'ANIMA' 5 - 11 July

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am -4pm. shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk. "Musings on the Jungian archetype of 'the female within the male' -Elements of classical painting, fantasy and personal insight."



CATHY VEALE: 'LIGHT AND REFLECTION' 6 - 19 July

Fine Foundation Gallery, Durlston Castle, Lighthouse Road, SWANAGE, BH19 2JL. 10.30am -5pm. 07886 451932 / cathyveale.co.uk. "Cathy has spent many years studying movement and patterns of light on water." 'FIVE GO TO LYME'
7 - 13 July
The Town Mill, LYME REGIS, DT7
3PU. 10am - 4.30pm. 01297 444042.



ALAN OVERTON AND ROBERT LEE: 'OBJECT & PLACE' 7 - 16 July

Little Box Room, 2 Bath Street, FROME, BA11 1DG. 10.30am -3.30pm. 07493 943845 / littleboxroom.com.

JIM HUNTER: 'SHAPES OF BLUE' 7 July - 29 August

Mowlem Theatre, Shore Road, SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. Monday, Wedsnesday, Friday and Saturday 11am - 1.30pm, Monday - Saturday 6 - 10.30pm. themowlem.com. "Jim Hunter's recent paintings have their own formal imperatives but point also to the commonalities between abstract painting and jazz."

FROME OPEN ART TRAIL 8 - 16 July

Various locations in FROME. 11am -5pm. frome-open-art-trail.co.uk. "65 local artists open up their studios."

ELEANOR BARTLETT: 'VIGIL' 8 - 27 July

Clifton Cathedral, Clifton Park, BRISTOL, BS8 3BX. 9am - 4.30pm. eleanorbartlettpaintings.com. "A series of wax tablets suggests the state of eternal waiting between form and void."

AIM: 'THE ICEMAN PAINTING CLEARANCE SALE' 8 July - 5 August

The Milking Parlour Gallery, Guggleton Farm Arts, Station Road, STALBRIDGE, DT10 2RQ. Tuesday -Saturday 11am - 3pm. 01963 363456 / guggletonfarmarts.com.

'WESSEX AIRSCAPES: ELEVATING WILTSHIRE' 8 July - 15 October

Wiltshire Museum, 41 Long Street, DEVIZES, SN10 1NS. Monday -Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 3pm. £7.50. 01380 727369 / wiltshiremuseum.org.uk. "Aerial photographer Hedley Thorne and landscape painter Anna Dillon offer a complementary and contemporary take on the landscape of Wessex."



CREATIVE COVERAGE: 'CELEBRATING ART' 11 July - 12 August

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 OAN. Tuesday - Saturday 9.30am -3.30pm. themeetinghouse.org.uk.

'ELEMENTS' 12 - 18 July

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am -4pm. 01747 855243. "Landscape paintings, organic sculptures and ceramics by Ani Overton, Mark Dunham, and Joanne Rutter."



FRANCES HATCH 'RAIN OFF THE ATLANTIC DISSOLVES MORTEHOE' (Woolacombe, Devon)

Hope

When the world is changing too quickly and too much is at risk of being lost, there is an impulse to curl up tight and do nothing. It is hope that makes it possible, in fact vital, to act now to cherish and protect the many small things that make our world so precious.

All the artists in this exhibition share a deep sense of connection to nature. Frances Hatch finds wild places where she makes work about that place out of materials she finds there, mixing natural pigments and textures with paint and found materials. Her paintings are joyous gatherings of the light, the weather and the feeling of being in that wildness at that particular moment. Rachel Fenner's paintings of holloways, rocky coves and the last marvellous vestiges of Britain's original forests are also responses to the powerful places in this country where wild things hide and still survive. Caroline Sharp's woven sculptural forms are lovingly constructed places of safety, places of hope, created out of natural materials. Like bird's nests filled with leaves they evoke the care and attention needed to protect life. Adela Powell's wonderfully textured ceramic Shell Forms can be seen in a similar light, while her Can Forms celebrate rust and natural decay. Adela studied natural history and her ceramics always spoke of her love of nature, from the minerals in a pebble pushed into the side of pot to the living creatures that might also have created her shell forms. Petter Southall's chairs celebrate the trees they are made from in deeply satisfying steam-bent designs that weave a repeating component to fit the human form. Using sustainable timber in the solid with elegant detailing, natural finishes and fabulous joinery, his work brings tactile contact with wood, the most reassuring, life-affirming material.

Anna Powell

15 July – 2 September: Sladers Yard, WEST BAY, Bridport, DT6 4EL. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 4.30pm. 01308 459511 / sladersyard.co.uk.



PAUL DENHAM AND HELEN SLATER

12 July - 4 August Artwave West, MORCOMBELAKE, DT6 6DY. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. artwavewest.com.

'GENIUS LOCI' 13 July - 19 August

Bridport Arts Centre, 9 South Street, BRIDPORT, DT6 3NR. Tuesday -Saturday 10am - 4pm. 01308 424901 / bridport-arts.com. "Paintings by Katie Barons and Luke Mintowt-Czyz, tutors at Arts University Bournemouth, alongside an installation created by former students."

'ART @ EYPE' 14 - 16 July

Eype Centre for the Arts, St Peter's Church, Mount Lane, EYPE, Bridport, DT6 6AR. Friday and Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 10am - 4pm. 07718 078453. "Annual showcase for some of Dorset's finest artists and makers."

HILARY BUCKLEY: 'LANDMARKS' 14 - 26 July

The Malthouse Gallery, Town Mill, LYME REGIS, DT7 3PU. 10am - 5pm. 01297 444111. "Vibrant paintings inspired by the Dorset landscape."

'LOVING EARTH' 15 - 23 July

Quaker Meeting House, 36 High Street, STREET, BA16 0EB. Monday -Saturday 10am - 4pm, Sunday 12noon - 4pm. 07742 544349 / lovingearthsomerset.co.uk. "Exhibition of textile panels, each addressing threats to our natural world using a variety of techniques."

AXEL SCHEFFLER: 'A LIFE IN ILLUSTRATION'

15 July - 28 October Museum of Somerset, Castle Lodge, Castle Green, TAUNTON, TAI 4AA. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. swheritage.org.uk. "An exhibition of work by Axel Scheffler, the UK's number one bestselling illustrator and the creative force behind some of the most instantly recognisable characters in children's books, from The Gruffalo to Stick Man and bevond."



Lucie Rie: The Adventures Of Pottery

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14 July - 7 January: Holburne Museum, Great Pulteney Street, BATH, BA2 4DB. Monday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am -5pm. £11 / £5.50. 01225 388569 / holburne.org.



ANDREW HAYDON: 'REFLECTION' 17 - 23 July

Eype Centre for the Arts, Mount Lane, EYPE, DT6 6AR. 10am - 6pm. 01308 814480 / andrewhaydon.com. "Photographs of landscapes and birds of prey, all shot in Wessex."

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CHRIS PIG AND ROBERT LEE: 'PRINT & OBJECT' 17 - 23 July

44AD Artspace, 4 Abbey Street, BATH, BAI INN. 11am - 4pm. 07493 943845 / 44ad.net / littleboxroom.com

CHRISTINE ROGERS: WAVES, LIGHT AND LAND' 19 - 25 July

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am -4pm. 01747 855243. "Paintings inspired by the Jurassic coast and Dorset landscapes featured in the writings of Thomas Hardy."

SOMERSET ART GALLERY TRUST: 'A SHARED VIEW'

20 July - 31 August Taunton Brewhouse, Coal Orchard, TAUNTON, TAI 1JL. Monday - Friday 10am - 4pm. 01823 283244. "Major exhibition of members' work."

NATALKA LIBER STEPHENSON AND DAVE KING: 'WE WORK IN THE DARK'

22 July - 27 August

The Shippon Gallery, Hook Farm, Chardstock, AXMINSTER, EX13 7DD. Friday - Sunday 11am – 4pm. 01460 220021 / theshippongallery.com. "Of Ukrainian heritage, Natalka Liber Stephenson utilises dream imagery to interpret sensations of estrangement or anxiety around human actions."

JOHN EAVES 25 July - 13 August

Royal West of England Academy, Queen's Road, Clifton, BRISTOL, BS8 IPX. Tuesday - Sunday 10am -5pm. 0117 973 5129 / rwa.org.uk. "John Eaves makes images of 'power and poetry' inspired by the rhythms, structures and colours of nature."



ROBIN MACKENZIE AND KATY HARRALD: 'THE ISLES -SHETLAND'

26 July - 30 August Fine Foundation Gallery, Durlston Country Park, Lighthouse Road, SWANAGE, BH19 2JL. 10.30am -5pm. 07979 812083. "Exploring the hidden voes, dramatic cliffs and seabird colonies, the two artists have created work that highlights the interplay between landscape, and the birds and wildlife that have made the dynamic islands their home."



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ART CLASSES FOR ME: 'SUMMER EXHIBITION' 27 - 31 July

The Gallery Upstairs, Upton Country Park, Poole Road, POOLE, BH17 7BJ. 10am - 5pm. 01202 127770.

'LITTLE AND LARGE' 28 July - 28 September Gallery 2, Purbeck New Wave Gallery, 43a High Street, SWANAGE. BH19 2LT. Monday - Saturday 10am -5pm, Sunday 10am - 4pm. 07434 814384 / purbecknewwave.co.uk. "A juxtaposition of works over 1 metre with miniatures."

ROBERT AND JULIA MCKENZIE: 'UNCHARTED' 29 July - 12 August

ACE Arts, Market Place. SOMERTON, TA11 7NB. Tuesday -Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01458 273008 / acearts.co.uk. "The coasts. trade winds and currents have all helped create this exhibition, to chart the unchartered, noting glimpses and fragments of the past to help

reflect upon now and tomorrow." SOUTH WEST ACADEMY

29 July - 13 August Sou'-Sou'-West Arts Gallery, Symondsbury Estate, BRIDPORT, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 / sousouwest.co.uk.



ALISON BAXTER: 'THE HIDDEN HISTORIES OF WOMEN' 29 July - 2 September

ACE Arts, Market Place, SOMERTON, TA11 7NB. Tuesday -Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01458 273008 / acearts.co.uk. "Alison visually interprets people's shared memories of their arandmothers through abstracted female forms."

AUTUMN PROGRAMME



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Southern Contemporaries: Everyday

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27 July - 8 August: Shaftesbury Arts Centre, 13 Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. 10am - 4pm (8 August 10am - 2pm). shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk / bournemouthartsclub.co.uk.

JOHN ANDREW: 'A LIFE IN LETTERS' 29 July - 15 October

Red House Museum and Gardens, Quay Road, CHRISTCHURCH, BH23 1BU. Tuesday - Saturday 10am -4pm, Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday 12noon - 4pm. 01202 482860 / hampshireculture.org.uk.

YO THOM: 'FORM & FUNCTION' 1 - 31 August

The Creative Gallery, St John's Hill, WAREHAM, BH20 4NB. 10am - 5pm. 01929 551505 /

creativegallervwareham.co.uk. "Sgraffito decorated stoneware ceramics by Japanese potter based in North Dorset."

HIGHCLIFFE ART FELLOWSHIP SUMMER EXHIBITION 2 - 15 August

Methodist Church Hall, Lymington Road, HIGHCLIFFE, BH23 5EG. Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm. Sunday 1 - 4pm. 01425 615834 / highcliffe-art.info. "Exhibition of members' work."

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'IMAGINATION UNLOCKED 4' 3 - 12 August

Eype Centre for the Arts, St Peter's Church, Mount Lane, EYPE, near Bridport, DT6 6AR. 10am - 4.30pm. eypechurcharts.co.uk. "Recent paintings by artists David Brooke and Caroline Ireland."

DORSET ARTS AND CRAFTS: 'SHOWCASE 2023' 4 - 8 August

Purbeck School, Worgret Road, WAREHAM, BH20 4PF. 10am - 4pm. £5. dorsetartsandcrafts.org. "Sale of work by Members of DACA, plus art, craft and photography competitions, guest exhibitions, children's workshops, craft stalls, and demonstrations. It's a great day out!"



SALISBURY GROUP OF ARTISTS SUMMER EXHIBITION 4 - 29 August

Gallery Four, Salisbury Central Library, Market Walk, SALISBURY, SPI 1BL. Monday 10am - 5pm, Tuesday - Saturday 9am - 5pm. salisburygroupofartists.co.uk. "Over 130 new and vibrant paintings, prints, textiles and ceramics by artists from Salisbury and the surrounding area." Above: Karen Welsh ' Over the

Edge' (Acrylic on canvas)

TONY MARTIN AND VINCENT STOKES: 'PLAN AND ELEVATION' 5 - 28 August

The White Horse Gallery, White Horse Bookshop, 136 High Street, MARLBOROUGH, SN8 1HW. Monday - Saturday 9.30am -5.30pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. whitehorsebooks.co.uk.



'NOTHING CAN STAND ALONE / AUTUMN WOODLAND V'

Andy Rollo: Cover

"Over the last three years Andy Rollo has immersed himself in the landscape and woodland of Dorset. Choosing to paint unassuming, almost incidental subjects, he focuses in on the complexity of ivy clad trees, the quality of light falling on the woodland floor and so on, building up surfaces that suggest rather than outright describe. For him the striking landscape of our local area has become a place of sanctuary in recent years and symbolises strength and protection, steadfastness, and long life. The tree withstands whatever nature throws at it, and we have had to do the same whilst continually being reminded of our own mortality and the passing of time."

19 August - 3 September: Sou'-Sou'-West Arts Gallery, Symondsbury Estate, BRIDPORT, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 / sousouwest.co.uk.

TONIA GUNSTONE, SARAH TURNBULL, AND OLIVE WATKINS 9 - 15 August

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am -4pm. 01747 855243. Photography, painting, collage and textiles.

DAVID JOY 9 - 15 August

Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday -Saturday 10am - 4pm. 01747 855243. "Unique photographs."

ROBERT HEWER 9 August - 2 September

Artwave West, MORCOMBELAKE, DT6 6DY. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. artwavewest.com. "These striking paintings have the power to both thrill and excite."

'THREADS OF TRADITION: JAPANESE TEXTILES' 12 - 20 August

Sou'-Sou'-West Arts Gallery, Symondsbury Estate, BRIDPORT, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 / sousouwest.co.uk.

'THE GARDEN, THE SEA' 15 August - 2 September

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TAI9 OAN. Tuesday - Saturday 9.30am -3.30pm. themeetinghouse.org.uk. "Sue Durant and Lin Hawkins join forces for an exhibition that will range from the wide horizons of seascapes to the intense focus on our garden flora."

JENNI DUTTON: 'THE DEMENTIA DARNINGS'

15 August - 2 September

ACE Arts, Market Place, SOMERTON, TAll 7NB. Tuesday -Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01458 273008 / acearts.co.uk. "Large-scale portraits in wool and thread of the artist's mother. The images reflect the ageing process as well as the erosive effect of dementia on the individual. The process of developing the work is slow, the intensity of each piece mirrors the relationship between mother and daughter."

'WATER AND SKY' 15 August - 1 October

Rotunda Gallery, Lyme Regis Museum, Bridge Street, LYME REGIS, DT7 3QA. Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm. £5.95. 01297 443370 / lymeregismuseum.co.uk. "Changing environments of skies and water are explored by Mary Noon and Vivienne Littley."

CQ WEST: 'UNFOLDING STORIES' 16 - 29 August

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am -4pm. 01747 855243 / shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk. *Textiles*.

CLEVEDON ART CLUB OPEN EXHIBITION 19 - 28 August

Clevedon School, Valley Road, CLEVEDON, BS21 6AH. 10am - 5pm. £1. clevedonartclub.co.uk.

ARTWEY SUMMER EXHIBITION 19 - 28 August

Weymouth Baptist Church, Custom House Quay, WEYMOUTH, DT4 8DT. 10am - 4pm. artwey.co.uk.



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Helen Cass's intimate drawings are deeply influenced by her rural childhood. Four generations of her family tended and tilled the land, where she still lives in what was originally the milking parlour on her uncle's farm. When her uncle died there was no one to take on the farm, so much of it was sold off, and at this point she did an immense amount of documenting and photographing and this archive has continued to inform her work. The farm and the processes of farming still live on in her meditative drawings.

Cass works with a fine mapping pen and acrylic ink. Original experiments with natural inks were abandoned because of the fugitive, unstable nature of the pigment. With or without light the lines faded away to nothing over time, which was not what she was looking for. She feels that the permanency of the acrylic ink connects for her to the act of writing and to the meticulous documenting of what was happening on the farm: the logging in notebooks of which animals were sold, which fields sowed and cut.

Her work, lines drawn down the surface of the paper, has a tensile strength, a permanence and an acknowledgement of the progress of the line as hard repetitive work. She replicates the hard unromantic grueling work of farming. Her process mirrors the ploughing of a field, the movement of a plough across the surface of the land, the cutting edge impeded and pushed off course by a large stone or a clump of soil. Her fine nibbed dip pen moves similarly across the surface of a heavy textured paper, stumbling or tripping at times, pushed aside by the texture of the Not paper (one that is more textured than a smooth Hot Press paper) that she prefers. "I mark it with a tool in the same way that you mark a landscape a field with a tool."

The way that she makes a drawing evokes the way in which land is used. Sometimes she tears or rips paper or folds it, replicating the folds of maps. Her folded works were sometimes made using heavy calico, but when using paper she will score the paper on both sides bending it across the scored marks to stay in control of the folds. Sometimes she uses stitch so that there is a relationship to textiles but she brings the pieces back into her comfort zone by the addition of paint.

Just as digging the land throws up objects such as little shards of broken pottery, her drawing evokes memories which become embedded in the work. The act of ploughing sometimes aids archaeology and at other times destroys the archeological record.



Detail of 'MAPPING 21'

Helen Cass

Her memories are not just triggered by the fields, they are also fed by objects in her domestic setting. She still has her grandmother's sewing box and piles of folded tablecloths in the original cupboard that belonged to her family. The opening of a drawer where inexplicably something rises to the surface, which she had forgotten will set off a train of thought, a reverie or remembrance. In the same way, looking at her drawings will remind her of those memories, and for the viewer they will potentially create a state of



contemplation which may well call to mind memories of their own which have slipped beneath the surface of their consciousness.

Cass talks about being "doomed to imperfection". She starts a drawing using the guide of the straight edge, "my intention is to draw a straight line but when the drawing takes over I can't get a perfect straight line". At other times she will deliberately disrupt the line.

Helen Cass's work is part of an exhibition, *Lines Of Empathy*, which has toured from the Patrick Heide Gallery in London to Close, near Taunton. The exhibition is curated by Guilia Ricci, who sought out artists who worked on paper during the covid pandemic. Seventeen invited artists responded to her concept of lines as markmaking and to the importance of making connections with like-minded artists.

Fiona Robinson

'LINES OF EMPATHY' Until 22 July

Close Ltd, Close House, HATCH BEAUCHAMP, TA3 6AE. Thursday and Friday 10am - 3pm, Saturday 10am - 1pm. 01823 480350 / closeltd.com.

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Music July and August 2023



Priddy Festival

"This year's 30th Priddy Festival features a great line up covering a wide range of folk genres from the traditional to the more avant-garde, taking in shanties, bluegrass, and klezmer on the way. Headliners this year are The Jeremiahs and Dervish from Ireland, Fara and Kris Drever from Orkney and Tim Edey, all of whom will provide spell-binding performances. Other top bands include The Rin Tins, Mishra, Bonfire Radicals, Opa Rosa, The Often Herd, Amadou Diagne, Honey and the Bear, Tarren, and not forgetting home-grown favourites The Drystones. Add in many more exciting bands, shanty groups, the Free Fringe, Children and Dance Festivals and it is definitely a weekend to put in your diaries now. The Festival is a not-for-profit event run by volunteers with surpluses ploughed back into the local community and environs, and into promoting folk music and the arts. Last year's event provided funds for - amongst other things - music tuition in the local primary school, folk music workshops and bursaries for local secondary Blue School pupils, as well as supporting carbon-dating costs for a local archaeological dig and help towards Priddy's wildflower verges project."

7 - 9 July: Village Green, PRIDDY, Somerset, BA5 3BB. priddyfolk.org.

THE CHESTERFIELDS + SILK CUTS + HELVETICA 1 July

Things Happen Here, Meadowbrook, DARTINGTON, TQ9 6JD. 8pm. Free admission. 01803 302881. thingshappenhere.co.uk.

TRIP FOR BISCUITS 1 July

Churchill Court Lodge, Church Lane, CHURCHILL, BS25 5QW. 4.30pm. churchillmusic.org.uk. *"Jazz in the garden."*

PETER KNIGHT'S GIGSPANNER + PETER KNIGHT & JOHN SPIERS 7 July

The Beehive, Dowell Street, HONITON, EX14 1LZ. 7.30pm. £24. 01404 384050 / beehivehoniton.co.uk.

'RUMOURS OF FLEETWOOD MAC' 7 July

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk. *"Fleetwood Mac covers."*

VETNA + LAMEARS + THE ACTIONS

7 July The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £5. thelouisiana.net.



THE SKINNER BROTHERS 8 July

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £11. thelouisiana.net.

'MUCH ADO ABOUT JAZZ' 14 July

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 OAN. 7.30pm. £18 / £5. 01460 54973 / themeetinghouse.org.uk.

TOWN OF CATS + BLIMEY OH RILEY

14 July

The Beehive, Dowell Street, HONITON, EX14 1LZ. 7.30pm. £14. 01404 384050 / beehivehoniton.co.uk. "Latin, jazz, Afro-beat and hip-hop."

NEGRA SANTA 14 July

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14 - 16 July Tolpuddle Martyrs Museum, Dorchester Road, TOLPUDDLE, Dorchester, DT2 7EH. 01305 848237 / tolpuddlemartyrs.org.uk. "Annual trade union festival in Dorset celebrating the Tolpuddle martyrs with live music, debate, comedy, speakers, banner procession, kids area and more. Music includes Billy

Bragg, She Drew The Gun (above),

and Dakka Skanks."

Charles .

PAPRIKA 15 July

Village Hall, PORTESHAM, DT3 4NS 7.30pm. £10 / £5. 01305 871117 / artsreach.co.uk. "Fiery melodies and foot-tapping rhythms are interspersed with lilting laments in high-energy sets. Specialising in bringing rare or lost traditional Balkan music back to life, both the curious listener and the well-versed aficionado are sure to enjoy a host of surprises and fast-paced entertainment."



Swanage Jazz Festival

"Tickets are selling fast for the 32nd Swanage Jazz Festival featuring another wide range of the best UK jazz on offer. Headline names include The James Taylor Quartet (above), Claire Martin and her Trio, Alina Bzhezhinska's Hip Harp Collective with Vimala Rowe, Zara McFarlane, Tony Kofi's Inside Straight, The Alan Barnes Quartet, Alyn Shipton's Friends of New Orleans, and Chris Hodgkin's *Tribute to Humphrey Lyttelton*. The Festival has extended its Friday programme and is returning to its traditional home of Sandpit Field, overlooking the sea, whilst retaining the Mowlem Theatre and further venues in town. The programme also features the legendary vocalist Norma Winstone in a trio format, Bristol bands Get The Blessing and The Rebecca Nash Band, popular clarinettist Arun Ghosh, and bands led by Misha Mullov-Abbado, Corrie Dick, Dave O'Higgins, and rising bass player Isobella Burnham. Ticket prices are £130 for the Weekend Stroller, £80 for a Saturday or Sunday Stroller and £40 for a Friday Stroller. Heavily discounted tickets are available for accompanied Under 16s. A weekend stroller ticket will give access to over 40 bands. As in 2022 the Festival will also be staging a free Fringe Festival in local pubs and hotels."

7 - 9 July: Various locations throughout SWANAGE. swanagejazzfestival.co.uk.

'GROOVES ON THE GREEN' 15 and 16 July Ashley Cross Green, POOLE, BH14

Ashiey Cross Green, POOLE, Br 1UF. 11am - 7pm. £5. groovesonthegreen.com. "Community festival."

PAPRIKA 16 July

Village Hall, LANGTON MATRAVERS, BH19 3HA. 7.30pm. £10 / £5. 01929 423834 / artsreach.co.uk. See 15 July.

NOAH & THE LONERS 18 July

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £12. thelouisiana.net.

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MAMALARKY

19 July

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £11. thelouisiana.net.

NEGRA SANTA 21 July

The Winchester Gate, 113 Rampart Road, SALISBURY, SP1 1JA. 7pm. thewinchestergate.com. See 14 July.



MYSTERY JETS 21 July Exeter Phoenix Cand

Exeter Phoenix, Gandy Street, EXETER, EX4 3LS. 7.30pm. 01392 667080 / exeterphoenix.org.uk.

PLUMM + SKTTRD 22 July

Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane, CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 7.30pm. £12 / £8. 07377 451626 / sandyhillarts.co.uk. "Plumm and skktrd bring their new duo that, put simply, is a buffet of drum machines, Plumm literally turning into a live vocal sample pack, featuring improvisation, soul, trip hop and more. An exciting new duo that blurs the line between live performance and deeiavina,"

NEIL BURNS ORGAN TRIO + TERRY QUINNEY 28 July

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 OAN. 7.30pm. £18 / £5. 01460 54973 / themeetinghouse.org.uk. "A hard swinging, hard groovin' jazz trio celebrating the rich history of the Hammond Organ."

NEGRA SANTA 28 July

The Ropemakers, 36 West Street, BRIDPORT, DT6 3QP. 9pm. 01308 421255 / theropemakers.com. *See 14 July.*



Fair Oriana

"Described as 'pure vocal beauty' by Classic FM, Fair Oriana (Penelope Appleyard and Angela Hicks) are a soprano duo known for the purity of their voices and trade-mark blend. They specialise in singing historical repertoire, and, in collaboration with regular teams of instrumentalists, perform chamber concerts with a hint of theatre."

7 July: Bridport Arts Centre, 9 South Street, BRIDPORT, DT6 3NR. 11.30am. £14 / £5. 01308 424901 / bridport-arts.com.

7 July: Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TAI9 OAN. 6.45pm. £18. 01460 54973 / themeetinghouse.org.uk.

8 July: The Dance House, Gouldsbrook View, North Street, CREWKERNE, TA18 7AL. 6.45pm. £18. 01460 75928 / concertsinthewest.org.

TROWBRIDGE FESTIVAL 28 - 30 July

Greenhill Fields, Southwick, TROWBRIDGE, BA14 9RJ. 07719 541347 / trowbridgefestival.co.uk. "Trowbridge Festival is a folk music festival with original acoustic acts on tented stages. It also has a bar, food, and crafts. The event offers workshops, dance, and storytelling."

MILL FARM PARTY

29 July

Mill Farm, BRADFORD ABBAS, Sherborne, DT9 6RE. 10.30am -10.30pm. £12. 07877 306885 / millfarmmusic.com.

'TWIST & SHOUT' 29 July

Taunton Brewhouse, Coal Orchard, TAUNTON, TAI 1JL. 7.30pm. £29.50. 01823 283244 /

tauntonbrewhouse.co.uk. "A musical powerhouse of a show that starts with the explosion of Brit Pop in 1962 through to the era of Flower Power and Free Love of the late sixties."

LOUIS AND THE IGUANAS 29 July

Bridgwater Arts Centre, 11 - 13 Castle Street, BRIDGWATER, TA6 3DD. 8pm. £12. 01278 422700 / bridgwaterartscentre.co.uk. "Ska, reggae, funk, soul and rock'n'roll."

'UN BANQUET CELESTE' 29 July

Wells Cathedral, WELLS, BA5 2UE. 7pm. £15. somersetchamberchoir.org.



FRASER ANDERSON 2 August

Exeter Phoenix, Gandy Street, EXETER, EX4 3LS. 8pm. 01392 667080 / exeterphoenix.org.uk. *"Highly acclaimed modern cinematic British folk artist."*

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GAWS + BIRDFEEDER 3 August The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £5. thelouisiana.net.

NEGRA SANTA

3 August

The Brit Bar, 118 High Street, WESTON-SUPER-MARE, BS23 1HP. 8pm. 01934 642549. See 14 July.

OUTCIDER FESTIVAL 3 - 6 August

Fernhill Farm, Cheddar Road, COMPTON MARTIN, BS40 6LD. 01761 221663 / outciderfestival.com. "Small festival of original music and real cider with more than 35 bands on two alternating stages. Dub Pistols, Bar Stool Preachers, Black Water County, Pet Needs, Skimmity Hitchers, and many more."

VALLEY FEST 3 - 6 August

Denny Lane, CHEW MAGNA, BS40 8SZ. £175. valleyfest.co.uk. "Valley Fest is the best tasting music festival in the South West. Familyfriendly and award winning, this event is held alongside Chew Valley lake giving it the best view of any UK festival."

THE PACK 4 August

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £20. thelouisiana.net.



THE URBAN VOODOO MACHINE 4 August

Exeter Phoenix, Gandy Street, EXETER, EX4 3LS. 7.30pm. 01392 667080 / exeterphoenix.org.uk. "Bourbon-soaked blues bop'n'stroll."

'HEROES & SUPERHEROES' 4 August

Meyrick Park, Central Drive, BOURNEMOUTH, BH2 6LH. 8pm. £35 / £18. 01202 669925 / bsolive.com. "Enjoy an evening under the stars with music from the best symphonic films scores of all time!"



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ELLES BAILEY + ADAM SWEET

14 July: Marine Theatre, Church Street, LYME REGIS, DT7 3QB. 8pm. £20. 01297 442394 / jazzjurassica.co.uk.

WHISTLEBELLY

4 August

The Ropemakers, 36 West Street, BRIDPORT, DT6 3QP. 9pm. 01308 421255 / theropemakers.com. "Cornish country rock for hillbillies, outlaws and good time folks. Come and get wild with us."

'ABBA SYMPHONIC SPECTACULAR' 5 August

Meyrick Park, Central Drive, BOURNEMOUTH, BH2 6LH. 8pm. £35 / £18. 01202 669925 / bsolive.com. "Pete Harrison and a quartet of West End singers join the BSO for another celebration of the Swedish pop superstars, featuring all their famous songs, from Fernando to Mamma Mia."



CHINA CRISIS 5 August

Bridgwater Arts Centre, 11 - 13 Castle Street, BRIDGWATER, TA6 3DD. 8pm. £22.50. 01278 422700. "Formed in Liverpool by Gary Daly and Eddie Lundon, China Crisis distilled their love of David Bowie and Steely Dan into an exquisitely melancholy post-punk sound."

BAD NEWS FIRST + THE IDLE SILENCE + YOU NEED CHOSTS 17 August

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £5. thelouisiana.net.

OSCAR LANG

18 August

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £10. thelouisiana.net.

THE ZOOTS 19 August

The Beehive, Dowell Street, HONITON, EX14 1LZ. 7.30pm. £22. 01404 384050 / beehivehoniton.co.uk. "Eighties floor fillers and party anthems."

'THE JABBERWOCKY & OTHER NONSENSE' 22 August

Springhead Gardens, FONTMELL MAGNA, SP7 ONU. 7pm. £14 / £6. 01747 811853 / artsreach.co.uk. "Calf 2 Cow present a hilarious new adaptation of Lewis Carroll's famous poem The Jabberwocky. Expect multi-rolling, floor-stamping rock 'n' roll and a giant dragon puppet, breathing actual fire (we hope)!"

GWILYM BOWEN RHYS 24 August

Exeter Phoenix, Gandy Street, EXETER, EX4 3LS. 7.30pm. 01392 667080 / exeterphoenix.org.uk. "Gwilym Bowen Rhys has established himself as a worthy ambassador for Welsh language and song both at home in Wales and across the world, confirmed by his nomination for the Folk Singer of the Year Award in the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards and winning of The Best Solo Artist Award in the Welsh Folk Awards."



CORY HANSON 25 August

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £14. thelouisiana.net.

TOMMY PRINE 29 August

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £12.50. thelouisiana.net.

ANNIE HAMILTON & CLEWS 31 August

The Louisiana, Wapping Road, Bathurst Terrace, BRISTOL, BSI 6UA. 7.30pm. £12.50. thelouisiana.net.



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Performance July and August 2023

BRAINFOOLS: 'LUCKY PIGEONS' 1 July

Village Hall Field, HALSTOCK, BA22 9SG. 7pm. £10 / £5. 01935 891744 / artsreach.co.uk. "With a mix of absurd and extravagant theatre, impressive acrobatics, empathetic and funny stories and a pinch of satirical spice and puppetry, the Lucky Pigeons will perform daring aerials and acrobatic feats in this soulful story for all the family."



'SENSE AND SENSIBILITY' 8 July

Lacock Abbey, near CHIPPENHAM, SN15 2LG. 6pm. £18 / £11. 03442 491895 / chapterhouse.org. "This timeless classic from Jane Austen follows the Dashwood sisters as they fall in love and experience heartbreak for the first time in their quest to strike a balance between sense and sensibility."

'THE MIKADO'

8 July

All Saints' Church, Church Street, MARTOCK, TA12 6JL. 7.30pm. £12 / £10. 07547 213992 / martockonline.co.uk. *"A very*

amusing piece that is always enjoyed by the audience."

NATHAN CATON + PLASTIC JEEZUS + MARTIN WRATTEN 8 July

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 8pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk. *Comedy.*



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29 July: The Pound Arts Centre, Pound Pill, CORSHAM, SN13 9HX. 7pm. £13 / £11. 01249 701628 / poundarts.org.uk.

3 August: Millennium Green, BRIDPORT, DT6 3JL. 6pm. £12 / £8. 01308 424901 / bridport-arts.com.

16 August: Sports Field, WINTERBORNE STICKLAND, DT11 OLZ. 6pm. £6 / £5. 01258 880920 / artsreach.co.uk.

17 August: Marine Theatre, Church Street, LYME REGIS, DT7 3QB. 7pm. £12 / £7. 01308 424901 / marinetheatre.com.

18 August: Knackershole Garden Theatre, DULVERTON, TA22 9RU. 7pm. £15. bookwhen.com/exmoorstudios.

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'SHAKESPEARE AT THE OPERA' 8 July

St Mary and St Nicholas Church, West Street, WILTON, SP2 0DL. 7.30pm. £15. 07963 481068 / salisburychamberchorus.org. "Music by Verdi, Berlioz, Gounod, Nicolai, and Vaughn Williams."

OPERA IN A BOX: 'DON GIOVANNI' 9 July

Village Hall, LYTCHETT MATRAVERS, BH16 6DD. 6pm. £14 / £8. 07795 467666 / artsreach.co.uk.

"Combining comedy and tragedy, Mozart's Machiavellian feast follows womaniser Don Giovanni as he lusts his way towards a dramatic downfall. Sung in English, this exciting ensemble presents an exhilarating retelling of one of the greatest operas ever composed."

'STEEL MAGNOLIAS'

10 - 15 July

Studio Theatre, Ashley Road, SALISBURY, SP2 7TN. 7.30pm. £12 / £8. studiotheatre.org.uk. "Truvy runs a beauty parlour in Louisiana where a group of women gather to gossip, discuss Shelby's upcoming wedding and each other. Bring a hankie."

TIBETAN MONKS OF THE TASHI LHUNPO MONASTERY 14 July

Bridgwater Arts Centre, 11 - 13 Castle Street, BRIDGWATER, TA6 3DD. 7.30pm. £15. 01278 422700 / bridgwaterartscentre.co.uk. "Masked dance, music and Tantric ritual."

SAULD BOTELLA: 'CON PERMISO' 15 July

Bridport Arts Centre, 9 South Street, BRIDPORT, DT6 3NR. 7.30pm. £12 / £8. 01308 424901 / bridportarts.com. "Passionate, fiery and deeply moving, this one-woman flamenco show from Bridportbased Spanish dancer Salud combines classical training with elements of contemporary dance. An unforgettable flamenco spectacle."



BRENDA READ-BROWN: 'BUT I HAVEN'T FINISHED YET' 26 July

The Bibbern Bar, STURMINSTER NEWTON EXCHANGE, DTIO 1FH. 8pm. £5. 01258 475137 / artsreach.co.uk. "We are all growing older, and most of us don't like it! But since we can't do anything to change it, why not laugh? Join poet Brenda Read-Brown on a riotous celebration of growing older."

Performance

'PETER PAN' 27 July

Castle Gardens, TAUNTON, TAI 4AA. 6pm. £19.50 / £11.50. 01823 283244 / tauntonbrewhouse.co.uk. "Join Slapstick Picnic for an outdoor theatrical treat like no other as they whip up a three hander version of JM Barrie's classic play."

'SALT' 27 - 30 July

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk. "Angel Exit Theatre directs 100 community members in an epic promenade production bursting with comedy, drama, live music, a choir and large-scale puppets."



SATELLISER: 'A DANCE FOR THE GALLERY'

29 and 30 July

Arnolfini, 16 Narrow Quay, BRISTOL, BSI 4QA. Tuesday - Sunday Ilam -6pm. 0117 917 2300 / arnolfini.org.uk. "A durational performance work for an intergenerational group of artists co-workers."

'HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL' 2 - 5 August

The Beehive, Dowell Street, HONITON, EX14 1LZ. 2 and 7pm. £15 / £12. 01404 384050 / beehivehoniton.co.uk. A Honiton Community Theatre Company production.

'OLD HERBACEOUS' 4 August

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 OAN. 7.30pm. £14 / £5. 01460 54973 / themeetinghouse.org.uk. "A play about life, love, and times long gone, all beautifully crafted and expertly told."



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21 July: Sandsfoot Castle Gardens, Old Castle Road, WEYMOUTH, DT4 8QE. 6.30pm. £15 / £12. 07900 460596.

22 - 24 July: Swanage Amphitheatre, Prince Albert Gardens, Peveril Point Road, SWANAGE, BH19 2AW. Free admission. 07900 460596.

28 July: Maumbury Rings, Weymouth Avenue, DORCHESTER, DTI 1QZ. 7pm. £15 / £12. 07900 460596.

29 July: Red House Museum & Gardens, Quay Road, CHRISTCHURCH, BH23 1BU. 6.30pm. £15 / £12. 07900 460596. **sisata.co.uk**

'THE HARE, THE MOON, AND THE RIVER' 11 August

Bryan Young Community Field, PENSELWOOD, BA9 8LS. 2.30pm. £10 / £6 / £3. 01747 840680 / takeart.org. "Come and look! It's the hedge-springer, the skidaddler, the starer, the wood-cat, the animal that no one dares name, but we will it's the Hare!"

MANY HANDS: 'LIGHT WORK' 12 August

East Quay, WATCHET, TA23 0AQ. 7.30pm. £11 / £8. 01984 263103 / 07843 348057 / takeart.org. "Exciting new circus theatre! Many Hands' Light Work is sure to enthral all ages as the performers use their bodies to create complex shapes and build tall towers as they draw on their collective power to entertain audiences across the country."

'TEA WITH MR TOAD'

12 August The Beehive, Dowell Street, HONITON, EX14 1LZ. 2pm. £14 / £10. beehivehoniton.co.uk. "Children's interactive adventure."

'MACBETH' + 'ROMEO AND JULIET' 15 August

Taunton Brewhouse, Coal Orchard, TAUNTON, TAI 1JL. 6pm. £17.50 / £15.50. tauntonbrewhouse.co.uk. "Macbeth in 40 minutes? Romeo & Juliet in 40 minutes? Both shows performed by only 4 actors in one evening! Two of Shakespeare's greatest tragedies transformed into outrageous, fall-on-the-floor comedies."

'ROBIN HOOD' 15 August

Higher Orchard, SANDFORD ORCAS, DT9 4RP. 6pm. £16 / £8. 01963 220208 / artsreach.co.uk. "A hapless troupe of actors hit the road with a production which can only be described as disastrous. Beneath the Major Oak, this inept troupe of three actors gather to tell the story of Britain's best known folktale. The only problem is, no one can agree how the story ought to go!"

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