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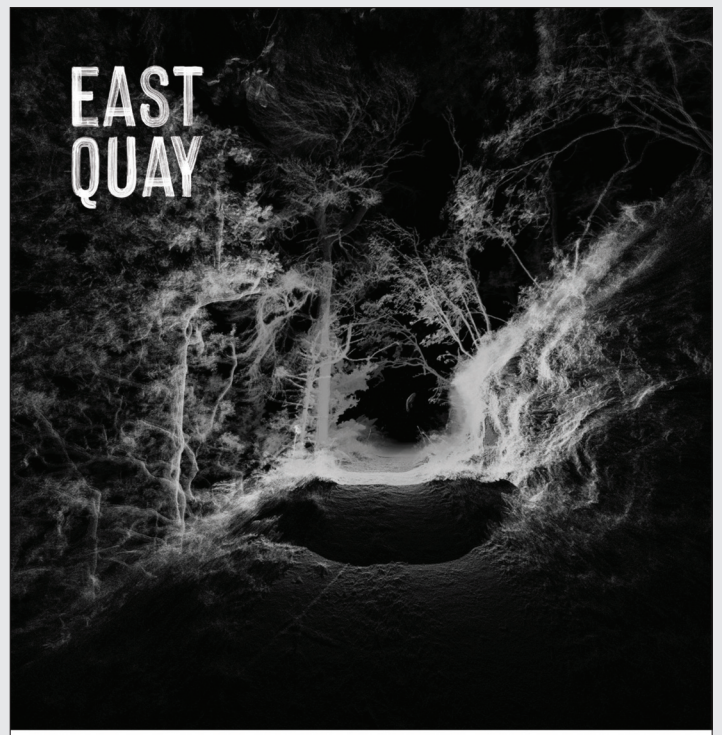
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May and June 2025




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Exhibit A

May and June 2025



James Lynch: Winter Flying Over Westbury White Horse

Egg tempera on gesso panel (53.5 x 72.5 cm, 2024)

ARTIST STATEMENT: "As a child I slid down the precipitous slope of the Westbury White Horse into the middle of its chalk belly and froze with fear. I still experience vertigo on steep slopes, but not when I fly! I am a paraglider pilot in my spare time, free flying using thermals for lift. I often launch from Westbury. I included myself in this painting - I am under the white wing. I have a visceral relationship with the sky through flying, and it's a wonderful way to see the landscape. Many of my paintings are from a slightly aerial perspective, real or imagined."

'BEAUTIFUL, SWIFT AND BRIGHT'

17 May - 13 July: Sladers Yard, WEST BAY, Bridport, DT6 4EL. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01308 459511 / sladersyard.co.uk.

james-lynch.co.uk

Headlines

May and June 2025



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JENNIFER TAYLOR



LIBBY BOVE

Od Arts Festival 2025: Thinking in Circles

OSR Projects have announced the fourth edition of OD ARTS FESTIVAL, the biennial contemporary art festival taking place in Somerset from 23rd to 25th May. The festival was launched in 2018 by artist Simon Lee Dicker and graphic designer Chantelle Henocq and has previously featured artists including Sadie Hennessy, Tania Kovats, Jakob Kudsk Steensen, Sara Trillo, Zoe Walker & Neil Bromwich, and Bedwyr Williams.

The theme for the 2025 iteration of Od Arts Festival is *Thinking in Circles*, which explores ideas of growth, production and consumption, locally in relation to the setting of East Coker and West Coker in

rural Somerset, and internationally in response to the global climate emergency. *Thinking in Circles* aims to acknowledge feelings of ecological grief and culpability in Western consumerist and colonial cultures, allowing artists, community residents and festival visitors to pause and discover alternative ways of thinking.

Both celebration and critique of the rural, the 2025 festival features 18 artists and a collective presenting new and recent works across the historic villages of East Coker, immortalised in T S Eliot's Four Quartets poems, and neighbouring West Coker.

This year's selected artists include Emii Alrai, Vicky Putler and Rachel Dobbs, Groundmouth (Harry Martin and Milly Melbourne), Geoff Diego Litherland, Adam Chodzko, Yelena Popover, Chantal Powell, Ella Yolande, Dermot Punnett, Libby Bove, Mónica Rivas Velásquez, Jennifer Taylor, and Michele Atherton.

23 - 25 May: Various venues in and around WEST COKER and EAST COKER, Somerset. Free entry but booking essential for key events. Festival hub: OSR Projects, Church Street, WEST COKER, BA22 9BD.

odartsfestival.co.uk



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THE HANDLEBARDS

Much Ado About Nothing

Pedalling from venue to venue with all of their set, props and costumes on the back of their bikes, the HandleBards are a four-strong troupe of actors who are spending the summer bringing environmentally sustainable Shakespeare to venues across Wessex.

Join the troupe in Corsham or Dorchester for a bicycle-powered production of Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* like you've never seen before. In usual HandleBards style, expect riotous amounts of energy, a fair old whack of chaos, and a great deal of laughter.

This is an outdoor production, so please take a chair or blanket to sit on, a picnic to dig into, and dress for the weather!

15 June: Maumbury Rings, Weymouth Avenue, DORCHESTER, DT1 1QZ. 6pm. £19 / £17. dorchesterarts.org.uk.

24 June: The Almshouses, CORSHAM, SN13 9HT. 7pm. £18 / £15. 01249 701628 / poundarts.org.uk.



RWA OPEN 171 (2024)

RWA Open 172

The Royal West of England Academy (RWA) is again inviting artists to apply for its highly celebrated annual RWA Open exhibition. This will be their 172nd annual open, a show which has previously launched and elevated the careers of countless artists over 170 years.

The Open is known for its rigorous selection process, with a panel of respected artists, curators, and academics choosing the final works. Past exhibitors have included Vanessa Bell and David Hockney showing alongside emerging and mid-career artists. Being open to artists at all stages of their careers, from recent graduates to professionals, makes the exhibition an exciting and dynamic mix of established and new talent, drawing in collectors, curators, and art lovers from around the UK.

Applications are open to UK-based and international artists, making it a truly global showcase. Unlike many opens, the RWA welcomes submissions across all media, including painting, printmaking, photography, sculpture, digital art, and

mixed media. The RWA Open provides artists with exposure that extends beyond the gallery walls, reaching audiences through digital platforms, press coverage, and printed materials.

The prizes on offer are many and varied but all give the opportunity for winners to further their artistic career. Evolver Magazine is proud to offer two of these prizes - one being the cover image of our November / December issue and the other a feature article in the same issue, providing the perfect opportunity for us to support artists showing in the Evolver region. The collaboration has been in place since 2013 and demonstrates the strength of the relationship between the RWA and Evolver Magazine and the esteem in which the magazine is regarded, as a regional promoter of emerging and established artists.

The application process is straightforward, with an online submission.

rwa.org.uk/aoe172



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James Ravilious: An English Eye

10 May - 28 June 2025

Elmfield House, Dowell Street, Honiton, Devon EX14 1LX
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Open: Tues - Sat 10am - 5pm | Free admission, donations welcome



Archie Parkhouse and Ivor Brock moving a sick ram, Dolben 1976



You're Not Alone Women in Art 2025

Mahlia Amatina
Kate Bradbury
Ann Churchill
Yvonne Mabs Francis
Sarah Jane Hender
Delainé Le Bas
Kim Noble
Elinor Rowlands
Patricia Shrigley
Kwaga Silling

Muzeum Śląskie,
Katowicach
19 June - 26 Oct 2025

Boscombe Arts Depot,
Bournemouth
28 June - 17 Aug 2025



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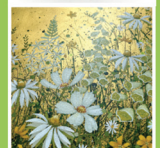
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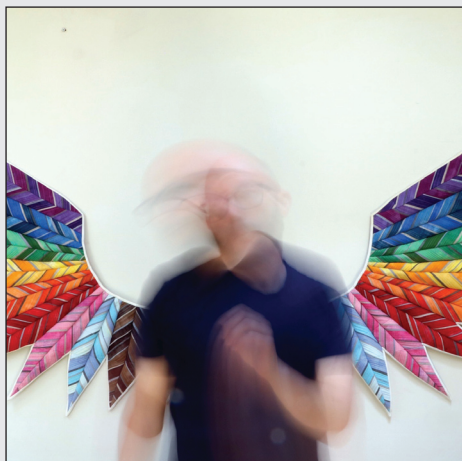
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MATT WILDING 'WINGS OF PRIDE'

Poole Pride

With its home at Lighthouse, the day-long Poole Pride free festival on Saturday 7th June plans to include cabaret, comedy and music performances as well as workshops, talks and craft.

The Coming Out Cabaret will stage performances showcasing local LGBTQ+ artists, while Dorsetborn's *Writing Out Loud* will provide a platform for heartfelt LGBTQ+ stories written and performed by local queer artists.

New for 2025, the 'gayleidh' is sure to be a memorable highlight, and there's no shortage of other opportunities to get into the groove with a baby rave, silent disco and even a queer lunchtime recital. Artist-sewist Matt Wilding will also be showing his installation, *Wings of Pride*. Quilted in two pieces and based on an eagle's wingspan, the wings are both a celebration of Pride and can also be used to protect and comfort. On the front are the colours of the progressive Pride flag while the back is all gold fabric with the thread in Pride colours.

7 June: Lighthouse, POOLE, BH15 1UG.
lighthousepoole.co.uk.



Steeleye Span

Together for fifty six years now, Steeleye Span changed the face of folk music forever by taking it into the world of gold discs and international tours.

New album *The Green Man Collection* brings together tracks from their recent releases with new versions of three classics (including a reworking of *Hard Times* featuring Status Quo's Francis Rossi), a cover of Elvis Costello's *Shipbuilding* and the title track, a previously lost Bob Johnson song from the 1980s.

The band are undertaking a full UK tour in support of the album, their first live dates of the year, where they will be joined by new violinist Athena Octavia.

As ever - and with such a rich history to choose from - the night will offer a selection of songs from across the years and firm fan favourites.

17 May: Hardye Theatre, Queen's Avenue, DORCHESTER, DT1 2ET. 7.30pm.
£30 / £28. 01305 266926 /
dorchesterarts.org.uk

Diary Dates



'JANE EYRE'

DORSET OPERA FESTIVAL

22 - 26 July

dorsetopera.com

COLIN SCOBIE & JAMS COLEMAN

11 and 12 July

concertsinthewest.org

PRIDDY FOLK FESTIVAL

11 - 13 July

priddyfolk.org

'JANE EYRE'

2 August

chapterhouse.org

'ROMEO & JULIET'

2 and 29 August

chapterhouse.org

RWA OPEN 172

6 September - 4 January

rwa.org.uk

B-SIDE BIG WEEKEND

11 - 14 September

b-side.org.uk

'INSIDE OUT'

12 - 21 September

insideoutdorset.co.uk

SOMERSET ART WEEKS

13 - 28 September

somersetartworks.org.uk

Lily Foster-Eardley: The Creatures Who Came to Tea & Caroline Rudge: Lovely Lepidoptera

Opening Night: Thursday 1 May, 6.30pm
Runs: 2 May - 7 June



The Pound



The Pound Arts Centre, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 9HX

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Internal Worlds: An Exhibition by Psychotherapists

Opening Night: Friday 13 June, 7pm
Runs: 14 June - 12 July



Visual Arts

May and June 2025



James Ravilious: An English Eye

"This major exhibition at Honiton's Thelma Hulbert Gallery highlights the work of photographer James Ravilious, the renowned photographer of rural life and one of Devon's best-loved artists. *An English Eye* will feature key photographic works chosen from a large retrospective show originally mounted for Ravilious by the Royal Photographic Society. Through photographing the landscapes, seasons and people of a disappearing rural England, James Ravilious, son of famous artist, Eric Ravilious, became known as an intimate and sympathetic chronicler of rural Devon from 1972 to 1999. With a painter's eye for composition, Ravilious recorded over 80,000 compelling, tender photographs of the hardships and pleasures of farming communities in rural north Devon. Ravilious was drawn to photography by the great 'decisive moment' photographer Henri Cartier-Bresson, who sought to capture the perfect moment where time, subject and action collide. Ravilious, unlike Bresson, knew his subjects; they were his friends and his community. The predominately black and white photographs reveal the inner narratives of his subjects. In the cow shed, farm kitchen, village hall, school, streets and meadows, Ravilious documented a passing age while re-evaluating pastoral myths. The rich tapestries of rural private and social life were his canvas."

10 May - 28 June: Thelma Hulbert Gallery, Dowell Street, HONITON, EX14 1LX. Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01404 45006 / thelmahulbert.com.

ANDY SMITH: 'UP THE GARDEN PATH'

Until 4 May

Walford Mill, Knobcrook Road, WIMBORNE, BH21 1NL. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. 01202 841400 / walfordmillcrafts.co.uk. "Join Andy Smith as he leads you from dark beginnings into a promise of light."

SUE DURANT AND LIN HAWKINS: 'POINTS OF VIEW'

Until 5 May

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. Tuesday - Saturday 9.30am - 3pm. ilminsterartscentre.com. "Semi-abstract representations of the natural world."

'THE DOCKERS' MUSEUM / SHIP OF FOOLS'

Until 5 May

Gallery 2, East Quay, Harbour Road, WATCHET, TA23 0AQ. 10am - 5pm (closed Mondays until 31 March). eastquaywatchet.co.uk. "An exhibition presenting works by Allan Sekula, exploring workers' rights, maritime issues, and social justice."



'RECOLLECTION'

Until 5 May

Gallery 1, East Quay, Harbour Road, WATCHET, TA23 0AQ. 10am - 5pm. eastquaywatchet.co.uk. "Immerse yourself in the world of writer and art historian, Jeremy Cooper. This exhibition will showcase a selection of works from Cooper's personal collection, offering a unique perspective on the art of collecting." Above: Anwyll Cooper-Willis 'The Toast Card' (2011)



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SCULPTURE BY THE LAKES

'Flower Carer'

Visual Arts

'DORSET IN COLOUR'

Until 7 May

Eype Centre for the Arts, St Peter's Church, Mount Lane, EYPE, Bridport, DT6 6AR. 07711 460372 / jenneypenneyart.net. "Jenny Penney, Caroline Tucker, Rupert Andrews and Clare Hughes manipulate colour and texture in acrylic, card, clay and felt."

'GLADIATORS OF BRITAIN'

Until 11 May

Dorset Museum, High West Street, DORCHESTER, DT1 1XA. 10am - 5pm. dorsetmuseum.org. "These artefacts reveal the violent spectacles that entertained the public and underscore the significance of gladiators in Roman culture."



PHILIP SUTTON: 'PORTRAIT OF THE ARTIST'

Until 11 May

Sladers Yard, WEST BAY, Bridport, DT6 4EL. 10am - 4.30pm. 07748 580423 / sladersyard.co.uk. "Exuberant, witty and brilliantly observed paintings."

Above: 'The Emperor' (1991)

'PRIMAVERA II'

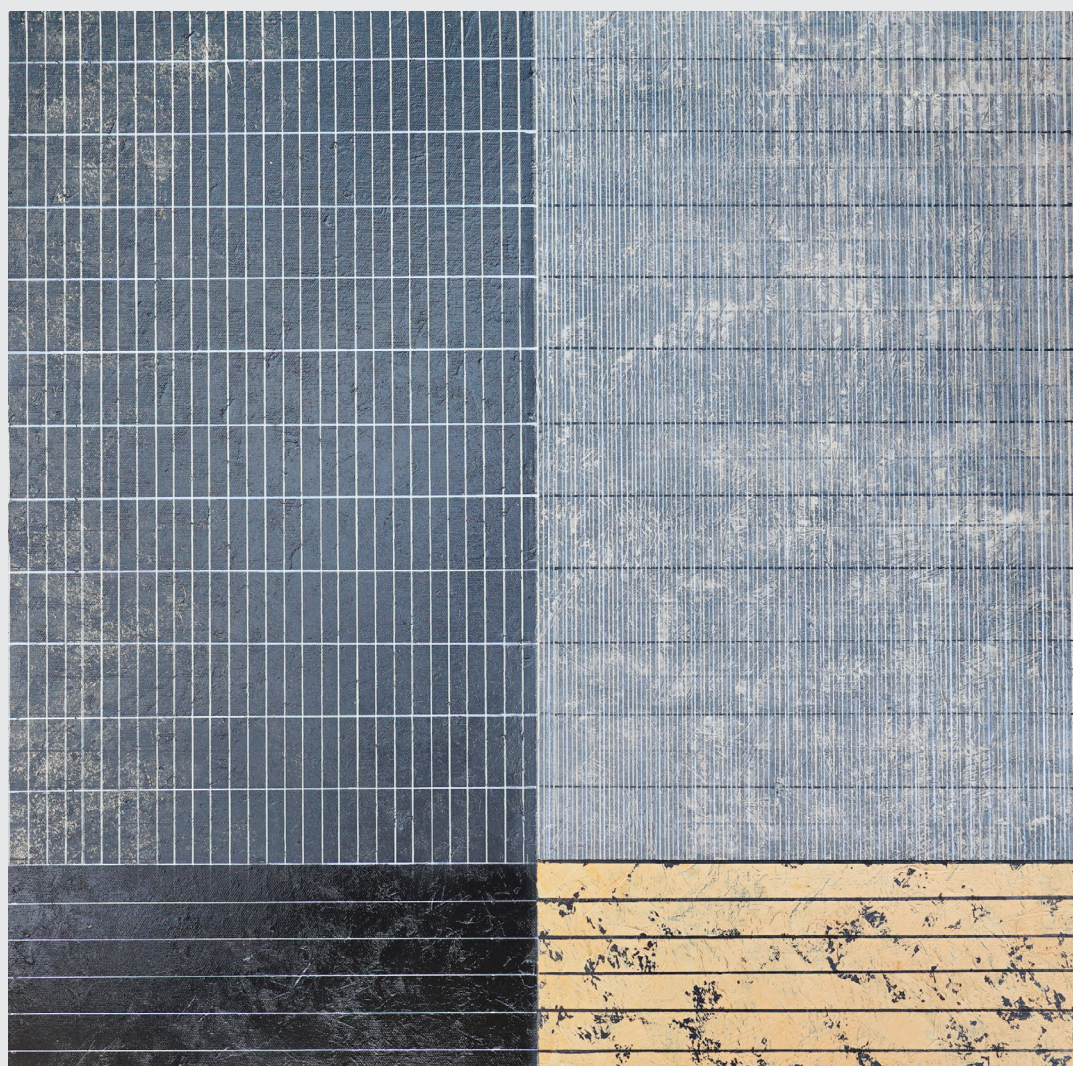
Until 11 May

Sou'-Sou'-West Gallery, Manor Yard, Symondsburys Estate, SYMONDSBURY, Bridport, DT6 6HG. 10.30 - 4.30pm. 07811 102216 / alisonsheltonbrown.art. "Twelve artists show a cornucopia of materials and techniques."

SARA WESTAWAY: 'ALCHEMY'

Until 13 May

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

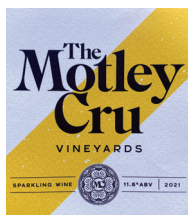
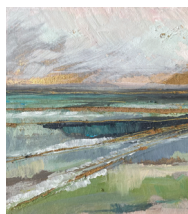


ROBERT WOOLNER

Connections

"For the last bank holiday weekend in May, the Glanvilles Wootton Artists will be showcasing their painting, printmaking and ceramics, at the Old Cow Shed Studio, a stunning exhibition space in the heart of the village, set in the beautiful Vale of the White Hart. In collaboration with Motley Cru Vineyards, just a short stroll away, you can take in the art and taste the home grown produce on offer. Join artists Anne-Louise Bellis, Martin Dickson, Mary-Clare Goodwin, Martin Martin, Michelle McCullagh, Robert Woolner, and vintner Charles Dutton, and raise a glass to the best that Glanvilles Wootton has to offer!"

24 - 26 May: The Old Cow Shed Studio, Manor Farm, GLANVILLES WOOTTON, DT9 5PZ. 11am - 5pm (Vineyard tours and tastings 11am - 2pm). 07970 797748 / theoldcowshedstudio.co.uk



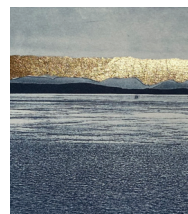
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Glanvilles Wootton Artists
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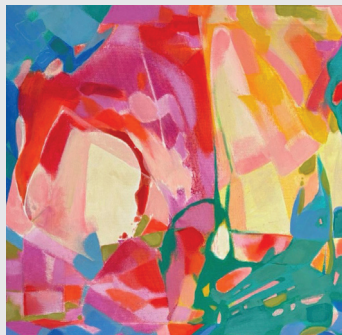
Visual Arts

CAROL PEACE

Until 24 May

Sculpture by the Lakes, Pallington Lakes, DORCHESTER, DT2 8QU. 10am - 5pm. 07720 637808 / sculpturebythelakes.co.uk.

"Esteemed sculptor Carol Peace will unveil more than 20 new works, inspired by the natural world and human condition, delicately balancing form and material."



JENNY KEOGH: 'INSIDE OUT'

Until 24 May

Creative Innovation Centre, The Memorial Hall, Paul Street, TAUNTON, TA1 3PF. Wednesday and Thursday 10am - 4pm, Friday and Saturday 10am - 1pm. creativeinnovationcentre.co.uk. "This intimate and evocative exhibition of vibrant and dynamic paintings explores the profound relationship between colour and form, transcending the traditional boundaries of landscape painting."

BARBARA WALKER: 'BEING HERE'

Until 25 May

Arnolfini, 16 Narrow Quay, BRISTOL, BS1 4QA. Tuesday - Sunday 11am - 6pm. 0117 917 2300 / arnolfini.org.uk. "For over twenty-five years, Walker has been making intensely observed and empathetic figurative work that creates space for Black presence, power and belonging."

'ART LOVE'

Until 30 May

Studio 3 Gallery, Clevedon Craft Centre, Moor Lane, CLEVEDON, BS21 6TD. 10am - 4pm. studiothree.art.



ERIN M RILEY 'CLEAN THE FRONT DOOR' (Wool and cotton tapestry, 2024)

Soft Power: Lives Told Through Textile Art

"Textiles have long been a medium for recording memories, aspirations, and personal histories through woven tapestries such as The Devonshire Hunting Tapestries and intimate samplers stitched by unknown women and girls. Through knitting, sewing, stitching, and embroidery, artists from across the world have transformed cloth into a means of storytelling, addressing themes of longing, loss, love, conflict, and ambition. *Soft Power* invites visitors to experience these deeply personal and socially resonant narratives told through textiles. This exhibition highlights portraiture and storytelling through textiles: themes of identity shaped by migration, the hidden lives of marginalised individuals, and transformative personal narratives are interwoven throughout the works on display. These pieces forge connections between peoples across cultures, celebrating the power of cloth to convey universal stories. The featured artists are Anurita Chandola, Mona Craven, Rachel Fallon, Sarah-Joy Ford, Enam Gbewonyo, Shelly Goldsmith, Pippa Hetherington, Kani Kamil, Sabine Kaner, Alice Kettle, Reiko Koga, Phillipa Lawrence, Lise, Bjerne Linnert, Susie MacMurray, Alice Maher, Suzumi Noda, Jane Poulton, Margaret Nicholson, Paula Reason, Erin M Riley, Lasmin Salmon, Amneh Shaikh-Farooqui, Ellen Sharples, Kari, Steihaug, Maryam Wahid, and Audrey Walker."

17 May - 10 August: Royal West of England Academy, Queen's Road, Clifton, BRISTOL, BS8 1PX. Tuesday - Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday 10am - 5pm. £9.90 / £5.45. 0117 973 5129 / rwa.org.uk.

CATCHING LIGHT

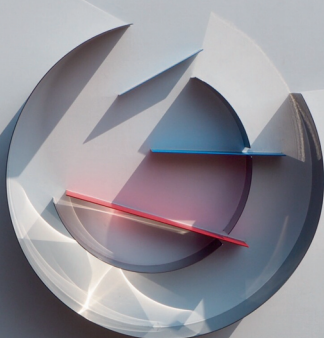
Suzanne Blank Redstone

CLOSE Gallery celebrates Suzanne Blank Redstone at 80. Showcasing 6 decades of pioneering Modernist and Geometric work. Building from her celebrated 1960's Portal Series, Suzanne's practice continues to "explore how we see by creating environments that interact with light."

Private View | 2-4pm 10 May 2025
Exhibition | 10 May - 28 June 2025

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'THE PENITENT MAN AND THE COLUMN OF LIGHT' (Oil on board, 7 x 5 inches)

David Marl

Despite their postcard size David Marl's paintings are windows to much greater landscapes of imagination. Not a geography of realism, there are no landmarks that are instantly recognisable, these are places so intimate that the feeling of belonging is palpable. These are landscapes peopled with wanderers and angels, scenes where the protagonist is often looking beyond the edges of this magical place, leaning towards a greater mystery.

Exhibited alongside these works are his recent 'still life', reminiscent of the dark Spanish Baroque. David assembles a collection of familiar objects, mementoes of stories collected throughout his life. He creates scenarios that include the viewer in the universal questions of being, life and death.

Exquisitely beautiful and demanding closer scrutiny, these works examine our belief in something greater than ourselves and extend an invitation to look more intently.

Glen Innes

24 May - 28 June: The Slade Centre, The Square, GILLINGHAM, SP8 4AY. Tuesday - Friday 9.30am - 4pm, Saturday 9.30am - 2pm. 07912 255397 / thesladecentre.com.

'OUR TIME ON EARTH'

Until 7 June

Yeovil Art Space, Vicarage Walk, Quedam Centre, YEOVIL, BA20 1EU. Wednesday - Friday 12noon - 4pm, Saturday 11am - 4pm. yeovilartspace.uk. "Celebrating the arrival of spring after a long winter, this exhibition of new work by Dorset-based artist Andy Rollo features a collection of paintings, an installation of a large-scale drawing, and mixed media collages, photographs and animation which the artist has worked on in collaboration with his family members."

ARTHUR NEAL

Until 14 June

Athelhampton House & Gardens, ATHELHAMPTON, Dorchester, DT2 7LG. 11am - 4pm. £22.50. 01305 848363 / athelhampton.co.uk. "Across fifty years Arthur Neal has progressively reimagined the use of colour to interpret reality."



KIT GLAISYER: 'THE CAFE ROYAL'

Until 30 June

Bridport Contemporary, 11 Downes Street, BRIDPORT, DT6 3JR. Saturday 10am - 3pm. kitglaisyer.com. "New series of Cafe Royal paintings, one of Kit's most popular subjects depicting the beloved Bridport landmark."

'BENEATH THE SURFACE'

Until 5 July

Museum & Art Swindon, Euclid Street, SWINDON, SN1 2JH. Tuesday - Saturday 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01793 466556 / museumartswindon.com. "Beneath the Surface is the first major survey of the important collection of studio ceramics held by Museum & Art Swindon. Begun as a teaching aid for Swindon College's ceramics course in the 1960s, the collection represents many of the stories behind 20th and 21st century studio ceramics."

Una Sonrisa

Andrea Jenkins

28 May - 3 June

The Gallery
Shaftesbury Arts Centre

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Tue 20 th May	Exhibition on Screen Michelangelo Love & Death	7:30pm
Thu 22 nd May	The Road to Patagonia Film (2024)	7:30pm
Sat 24 th May	Little Murmur Askash Odedra Company	2pm
Sat 31 st May	Il Barbiere di Siviglia The Met Opera: HD Live	6pm
Thu 5 th June	I Am Martin Parr Film (12A) (2024)	7:30pm
Fri 6 th June	Reg Meuross Trio Fire & Dust: A Woodie Guthrie Story	7:30pm
Thu 12 th June	Layla Film (15) (2024)	7:30pm
Sat 14 th June	The Menopause of Sound Daytime Disco	4:30pm
Sat 21 st June	Douglas Dare	7:30pm
Thu 26 th June	Cottontail Film (12A) (2023)	7:30pm



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21 Journeys

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'BIOPHILIA'

Until 14 July

Level 1, North Wing, Dorset County Hospital, William Avenue, DORCHESTER, DT1 2JY. 8am - 8pm. dchartsinhospital.org.uk. "Exhibition in collaboration with Dorset Visual Arts and the Arborealists. Come and see how artists have responded to this word and why images of nature are so important during recovery."

NOTICING THE NOW

Until 30 August

Musgrove Gallery, Musgrove Park Hospital, TAUNTON, TA1 5DA. Monday - Sunday 8am - 8pm. noticingthenow.co.uk. "Photography collective showcasing the beauty of the everyday captured with smartphone cameras. Viewers are invited to contribute their own smartphone images."

'SERIOUSLY...'

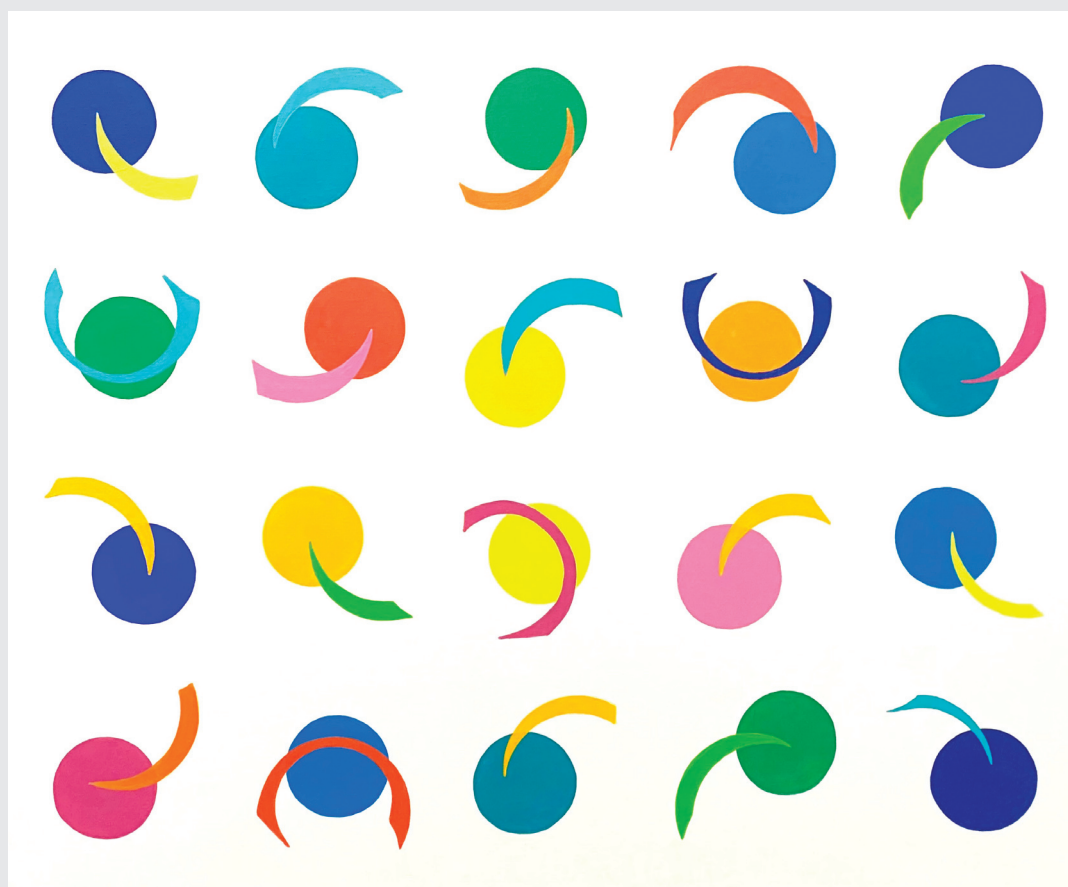
Until 13 September

Museum & Art Swindon, Euclid Street, SWINDON, SN1 2JH. Tuesday - Saturday 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01793 466556 / museumartswindon.com.

MAY MORRIS: 'ART & ADVOCACY'

Until 5 October

Russell-Cotes Art Gallery and Museum, East Cliff Promenade, BOURNEMOUTH, BH1 3AA. 10am - 5pm. £9.50 / £5. russellcotes.com. "This beautiful exhibition explores the wide-ranging talents and accomplishments of May Morris (1862 - 1938), the younger daughter of William Morris (1834 - 1896). The exhibition includes May's original designs for embroidery and wallpapers for Morris & Co., and shines a light on her achievements in enabling female artists and crafts makers to fully engage in the artistic community, giving her the recognition she richly deserves."



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28 May - 3 June: The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm. 01747 855243 / shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk.

BROADSTONE ART SOCIETY

1 - 11 May

The Gallery Upstairs, Upton Country Park, Poole Road, POOLE, BH17 7BJ. 10am - 4pm. broadstoneartsociety.com.

DUKE MICHELL: 'ONE MAN RIOT'

1 - 18 May

Huw Richards Evans Contemporary Art, Clifton Arcade, BRISTOL, BS8 4AA. Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 5.30pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. dukemitchell.co.uk.

DARCY WHENT: 'TELL TALES'

2 - 8 May

Centrespace, 6 Leonard Lane, BRISTOL, BS1 1EA. 10am - 5pm. 07963 589863 / darcywhent.co.uk.

MAXINE FOSTER: 'UMBILICAL'

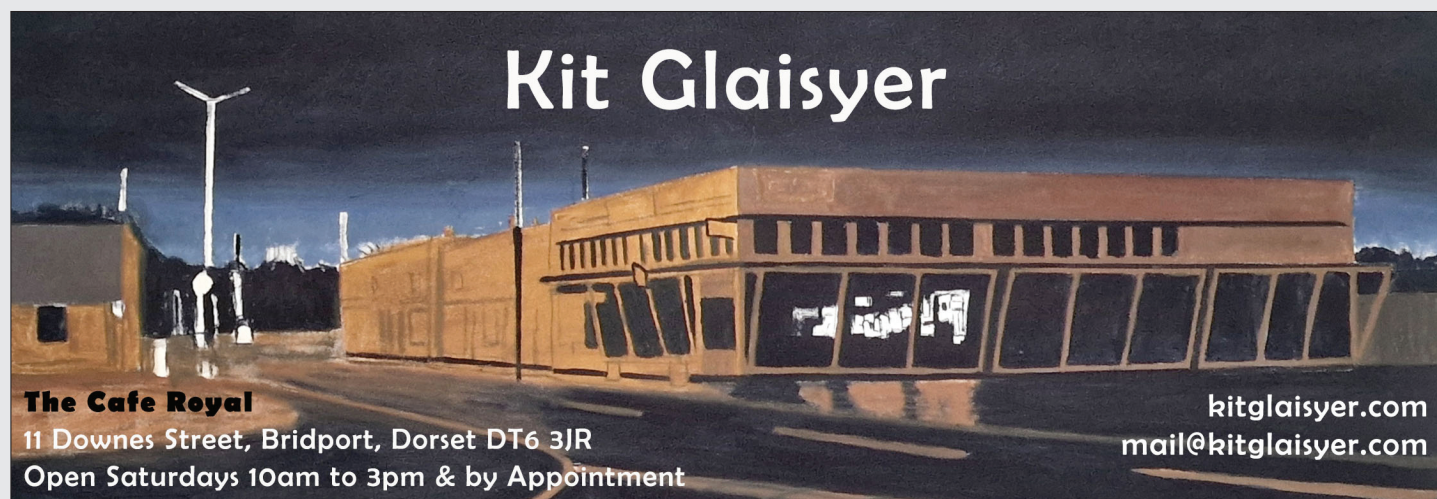
2 - 24 May

The Long Gallery, Black Swan Arts, 2 Bridge Street, FROME, BA11 1BB. Monday - Sunday 10am - 4pm. blackswanarts.org.uk. "Maxine Foster's work is an ingrained, intuitive response to what is in front of her."

KIMBERLEY DAY: 'IMAGO'

2 May - 28 June

Mowlem Theatre, Shore Road, SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 11am - 1.30pm, Monday - Saturday 6 - 9.30pm. 01929 422239 / themowlem.com. "Kim's work is both a celebration of the landscape but also an exploration of the human condition - the constant search for meaning, which seems almost always over the next horizon."



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LUCY AUSTIN & NICK MOORE: 'EKLECT-TICS'

3 and 4 May

The Old Library, Fishponds Road, BRISTOL, BS16 3UH. 10am - 4pm. 0117 903 0491. "Unique artist books and original printmaking."



ROBERT WOOLNER AND HILARY TURNBULL

3 - 17 May

The Slade Centre, The Square, GILLINGHAM, SP8 4AY. Tuesday - Friday 9.30am - 4pm, Saturday 9.30am - 2pm. 07912 255397 / thesladecentre.com. "A celebration of the works of Robert Woolner and Hilary Turnbull (above) examining the influences on each other as residents of our wonderful landscape."

'A FEAST OF COLOUR'

3 - 18 May

Sou'-Sou'-West Gallery, Manor Yard, Symondsbur Estate, SYMONDSBURY, Bridport, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 / sousouwest.co.uk. "Narrative artworks produced by Caroline Liddington over the last twenty five years, including oil paintings, original prints, drawings, greetings cards and more."



STAN DAVIS 'SUMMER SHORE'

Purbeck Art Weeks

"Purbeck Art Weeks returns with an inspiring programme of exhibitions, concerts, talks, open studios, performances, and workshops, bringing together the best of local and international talent. From stunning visual arts to world-class music performances, PAW continues to celebrate the rich cultural landscape of Purbeck. Don't miss the vibrant Rollington Barn exhibition, featuring works from emerging and established artists, the Purbeck Young Artists exhibition, and a new exhibition, *In The Spirit of PAW*, where Purbeck's rich heritage comes to life alongside captivating art by a collective of local artists. Visitors can also explore Open Studios, where artists invite the public into their creative spaces. Performance highlights include Stile Antico, Saraband & The Opera Company, Nicholas Mulroy, and an outdoor picnic performance of Henry Purcell's *The Fairy Queen* at Careys Secret Garden."

24 May - 8 June: Locations throughout PURBECK, Dorset. purbeckartweeksfestival.co.uk.

GEORGINA KING: 'THE SACRED ACRE'

3 May - 21 June

ACE Arts, Market Place, SOMERTON, TA11 7NB. Tuesday 11am - 5pm, Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01458 273008 / acearts.co.uk.

"Georgina presents a body of work that has emerged from the threshold where the land meets the sea, a highly charged zone with its own rhythms of loss and renewal."

'SPRING INTO SUMMER'

5 - 17 May

Heritage Courtyard Gallery and Studios, 6 Heritage Courtyard, Sadler Street, WELLS, BA5 2RR. Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 4pm. heritagecourtyardstudio.com. "Work in three as well as two dimensions, applied arts and the fine arts in a range of artforms including painting, drawing, print, sculpture, photography, textiles, multi-media, jewellery, glass and ceramics."



VICKY DILLON-WHITE: 'FUSIONS, CIRCLES AND TURNINGS'

5 - 18 May

Walford Mill, Knobcrook Road, WIMBORNE, BH21 1NL. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. walfordmillcrafts.co.uk.

'ON PAPER'

6 - 10 May

Wells and Mendip Museum, 8 Cathedral Green, WELLS, BA5 2UE. 10am - 4pm. 01749 673477 / wellsmuseum.org.uk. "Artists' books by ABCD (Artists Book Club Dove) featuring Somerset handmade papers from Wookey Hole and Two Rivers. Diverse range of subjects in handmade books and sculptural works on display."

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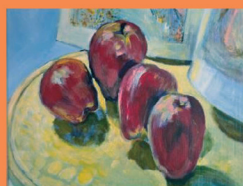


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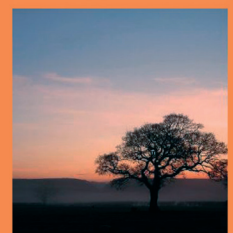


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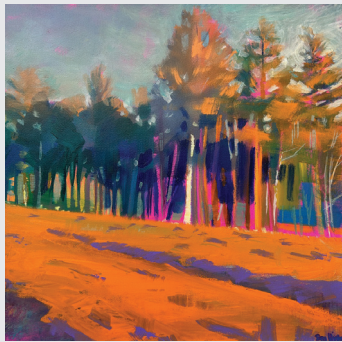
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6 - 15 May

Church House, High Street, WIMBORNE, BH21 1HT. 10am - 5pm. dorsetartistsguild.co.uk. "The Dorset Artists Guild is a newly formed collective of professional artists, united by a shared commitment to community and artistic growth."

ARTISTS 303

6 - 30 May

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. Tuesday - Saturday 9.30am - 3pm. ilminsterartscentre.com. "Exhibition celebrating the diamond anniversary of Artists 303."

'DREAMS AND SCHEMES'

8 - 21 May

Hidden Gallery, 6 - 8 The Clifton Arcade, Boyce's Avenue, Clifton, BRISTOL, BS8 4AA. Monday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. hiddengallery.co.uk. "Original lithographs and screenprints by Matisse, Chagall, Mondrian and Martin. Artworks will be available for purchase."

EMMA DENTON

9 - 15 May

Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane, CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 10am - 4pm. sandyhillarts.co.uk. "Colourful, vibrant and beautiful work."

SANDRA PORTER

10 May

Gaugers Studio, Gaugers, Bath Road, NORTON ST PHILIP, BA2 7LW. 10am - 5pm. 07745 412860 / sandraperter.com. "A series of monthly one day studio shows that survey the career of Sandra Porter."



LOUISE BALAAM 'HINDLEAP, PURE BLUE SKY' (Oil on panel, 60 x 80 cm)

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STONEY PARSONS 'WINTER BARN' (60 x 80 cm)

Wylye Valley Art Trail

"The Wylye Valley Art Trail turns 25 this year. At the dawn of the new millennium it was a twinkle in its founder and co-ordinator Nick Andrew's eye, and now it's one of the brightest and best open studios events in the country, let alone Wiltshire. The award-winning Wylye Valley Art Trail boasts 82 venues across southwest Wiltshire, featuring over 250 exhibitors. There's so much to see and enjoy: there are open studios and workplaces, galleries, exhibitions by art groups and student groups, virtual exhibitions, hands-on activities, demonstrations, workshops and talks. There really is something for everyone on the Trail: for those who like more traditional things there are exquisite portrait, landscape and still life painters taking part, while for those who like their art more contemporary in feel there are explosive abstract painters, digital, installation and video artists, as well as those using recycled materials. There are craftspeople working in ceramics, leather and textiles, there are jewellers, furniture makers, glass artists, and sculptors. Think of a category of art or craft and there's probably somebody on the Wylye Valley Art Trail doing it. Wylye Valley Art Trail guides are available at Tourist Information Centres, arts centres, libraries and many other venues throughout the region, the Trail app is available through the Apple App Store and Google Play, and the website can be found at wvat.co.uk."

3 - 11 May: Various locations, WYLYE VALLEY, Wiltshire. wvat.co.uk.

'MYSTERIES OF THE FAMILIAR' 10 and 11 May

Hours, 10 Colston Yard, BRISTOL, BS1 5BD. 11am - 5pm. 07766 054659 / hours-space.com. "Sandy Creighton records the everyday in a way that reveals hidden strangeness, beauty and significance. Digital drawings of urban street scenes, video, sound, and mixed media."



DAWN THOMSON: 'THROUGH THE GARDEN GATE'

14 - 20 May

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

Above: 'Electric Garden' (Oil on canvas, 2025)

'SQUARES OPEN'

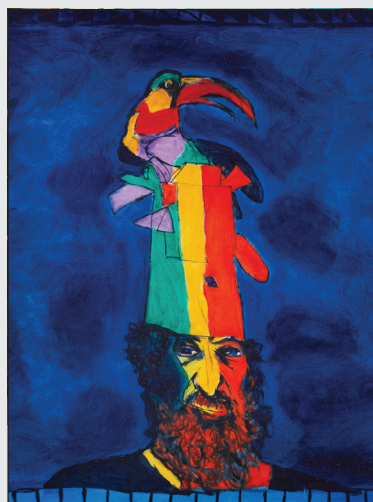
14 May - 1 June

Sou'-Sou'-West Gallery, Manor Yard, Symondsbur Estate, SYMONDSBURY, Bridport, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 / sousouwest.co.uk. "Annual open competition and unselected show of square artworks."

'CREATIVE PERSPECTIVES'

16 May - 2 June

The Gallery Upstairs, Upton Country Park, Poole Road, POOLE, BH17 7BJ. 10am - 4.30pm. 01202 775304 / pedas.org.uk / thegalleryupstairs.org.uk. "New work by members of Poole and East Dorset Art Society (PEDAS)."



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Above: James Lynch The Orchard, Underwood egg tempera on panel 51 x 71cm

Left: Philip Sutton RA Don Quixote de la Mancha de la Manobier oil on canvas 101.5 x 107cm 1988

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KARREN BURKETT & G M JONES

21 - 27 May

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre,
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shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk.
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'EXPERIMENT'

24 May - 1 June

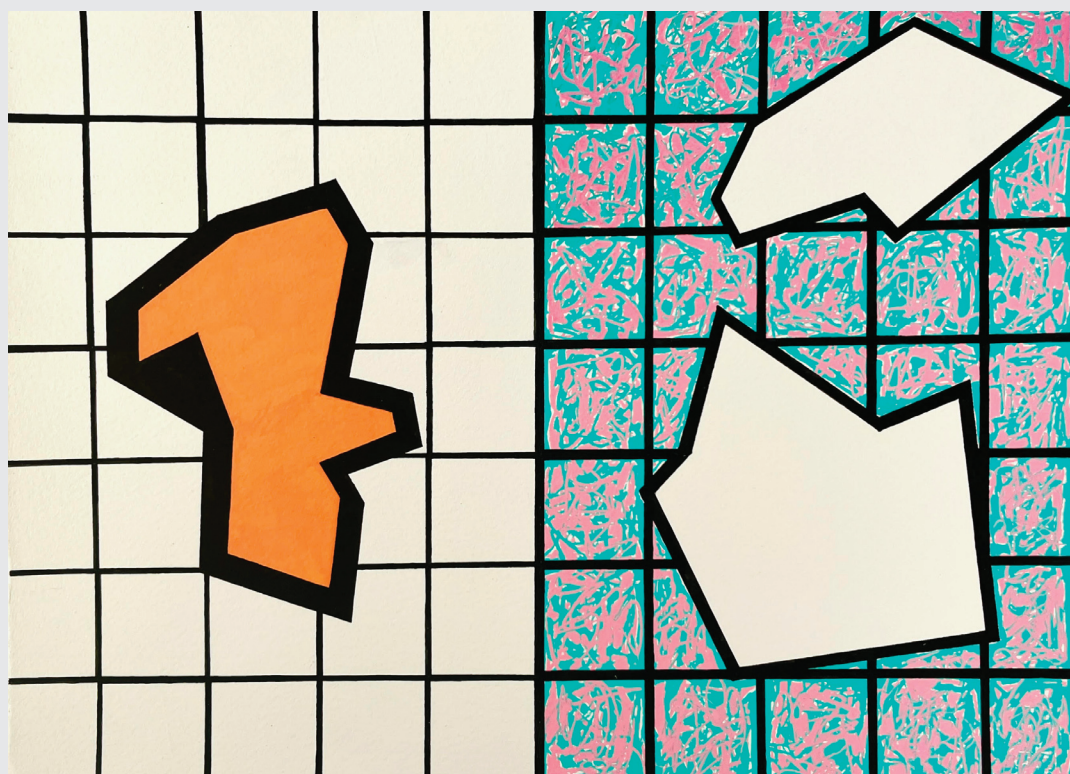
Albatross Print Studio, East Quay,
WATCHET, TA23 0AQ. 11am - 5pm.
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albatrossprintstudio.com. "Exhibition
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various media and processes by
members of the studio. These will
include collagraphs, monotypes,
screen prints, kitchen lithography,
linocuts and mixed media prints.
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and artists' books."

Above: Lisa Benson 'Where The
Waters Fall'

'POUNDBURY UNWRAPPED'

24 May - 1 June

Jubilee Hall, Great Cranford Street,
POUNDBURY, Dorchester, DT1 3BW
Venue Postcode: DT1 3BW. 10am -
4pm. 07899 914999 /
artinpoundbury.co.uk. "Exhibition of
artwork showing a wide range of
individual, personal and visual
responses to Poundbury. Each of the
artists have been selected because
of their various approaches to this
theme."



EMMA MOXEY 'SHARD' (Gouache, acrylic and chalk paint on paper)

In Our Nature

"Dorset Visual Arts' first-ever DVA Member's open call, *In Our Nature*, is a major new exhibition exploring the relationship between Dorset's natural environment and artists' studio practices, showcasing the county's unique biodiversity and its role as a source of inspiration. The exhibition features artistic responses to the Climate and Ecological Emergency by some of Dorset's most talented artists. The displayed works will embody the essence of Dorset's natural environment, ecology, and habitats, through diverse artistic expressions, and will showcase the artists' connection to place, location, residency, and belonging, inviting the audience to experience the natural bounty and wonder of Dorset."

23 May - 11 June: Fine Foundation Gallery, Durlston Country Park, Lighthouse Road, SWANAGE, BH19 2JL. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01929 424443 / dorsetvisualarts.org / durlston.co.uk.

SANDY HILL ARTISTS

24 May - 8 June

Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane,
CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 10am -
4pm. 07929 771219 /
sandyhillarts.co.uk. "Beautiful,
thought-provoking artworks in a wide
variety of media."

GROUP 21: '21 JOURNEYS'

24 May - 15 June

Sou'-Sou'-West Gallery, Manor Yard,
Symondsbury Estate,
SYMONDSBURY, Bridport, DT6 6HG.
10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 /
sousouwest.co.uk. "Sculpture
relating to individual stories and
travels."

ALICE LADENBURG: 'LIFESCAPE'

24 May - 31 August

Galleries 1 and 2, East Quay, Harbour
Road, WATCHET, TA23 0AQ. 10am -
5pm. eastquaywatchet.co.uk. "Alice
Ladenburg explores human
perception, navigation, and our
interconnectedness with the natural
world."

ANDY ROLLO

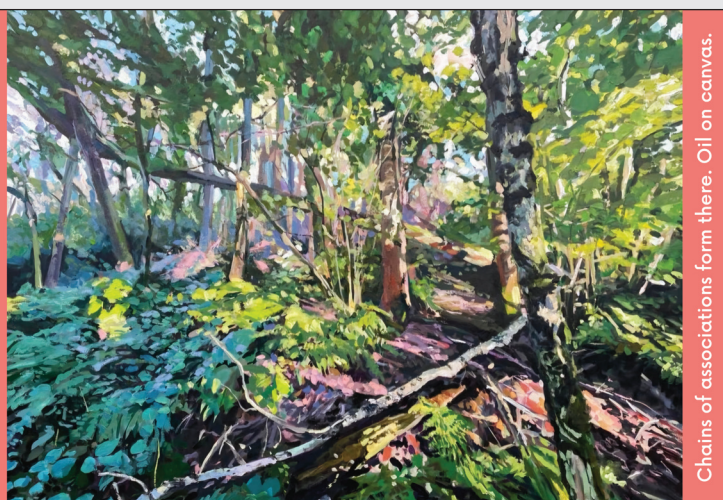
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Chains of associations form there. Oil on canvas.

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ASHBURTON ARTISTS & ARTISANS WALKING TRAIL 30 May - 1 June

Various locations, ASHBURTON, Devon, TQ13 7DT. 10am - 6pm. ashburtonartists.art. "A glorious annual event featuring 29 artists and artisans exhibiting in their studios or galleries in Ashburton."

'THANKFUL'

30 May - 1 June

The Old Tannery Studios, Victoria Road, YEOVIL, BA21 5AZ. Friday 5 - 7pm, Saturday and Sunday 11am - 3pm. sharonbielby.uk. "Exhibition celebrating 3 years of the Old Tannery Studios."

HERNE VIEW SCHOOL

3 - 13 June

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. Tuesday - Saturday 9.30am - 3pm. ilminsterartscentre.com.

CARMEN BELLE WHITE: 'VISION OF A NEW EARTH'

4 - 10 June

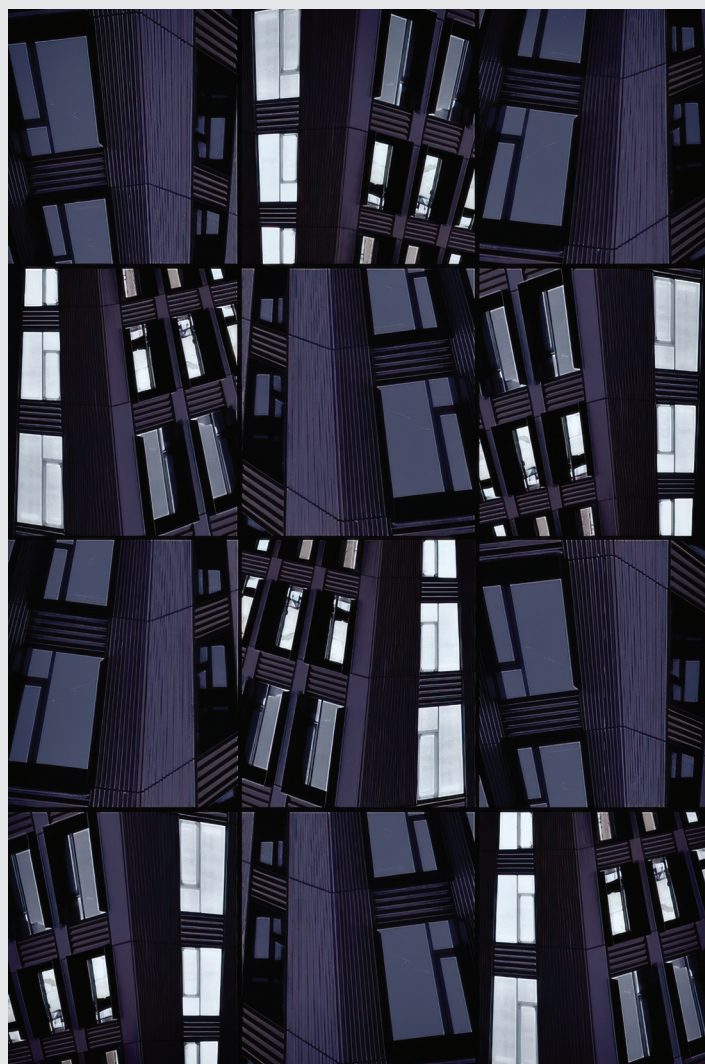
The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm. shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk. "A sanctuary of art and sound where ethereal soft tones accompany each painting."



KATHERINE STAINTON: 'ART FOR THE SHOAL'

4 - 15 June

Walford Mill, Knobcrook Road, WIMBORNE, BH21 1NL. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. walfordmillcrafts.co.uk. "Katherine is dedicated to the construction of rhythmic colour composition in her work, creating balance and a sense of harmony."



TOM WATSON

The Power of 10

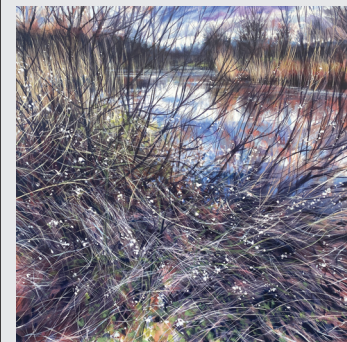
"Ten Bristol artists celebrate the transformative power of art, igniting imaginations and sparking conversations, proving that art has the power to inform, question, challenge, and entertain. The Power of 10 artists are Jane Boot, Monica Cuellar, Aly Dalrymple, Suzanne Ewart, Ann Farthing, Geoff Langan, Gordon Lewis, Viv Shelton, Laurel Smart, and Tom Watson."

31 May - 14 June: The Create Centre, Smeaton Road, BRISTOL, BS1 6XN. Monday - Friday 11am - 5pm, Saturday and Sunday 12noon - 4pm. 07770 781755.

THE WIDER CIRCLE

5 - 16 June

The Gallery Upstairs, Upton Country Park, Poole Road, POOLE, BH17 7BJ. 10am - 4.30pm. 01202 775304 / thegalleryupstairs.org.uk. "Artist group The Wider Circle exhibit a new collection of their art, inspired by world-recognised Bournemouth poet James Sales."



BULL MILL STUDIO 'FIRST SATURDAY'

7 June

Bull Mill Studio, Bull Lane, CROCKERTON, Warminster, BA12 8AY. 10am - 5pm. 07730 400784. nickandrew.co.uk. "Monthly open studio exhibition featuring contemporary landscape paintings and drawings by Nick Andrew, wildlife art on reclaimed wood by Tanya Hinton, and jewellery by Stephanie Gilbert."

Above: Nick Andrew 'Lutra Ranuna' (Acrylic and oil on canvas)

BS9 ARTS TRAIL

7 and 8 June

13 venues in Henleaze, Westbury-on-Trym and Stoke Bishop, BRISTOL, BS9. 11am - 5pm. bs9arts.co.uk. "Discover 87 artists across 13 venues. Enjoy original art, meet creators and win artworks in this walkable, cycle-friendly, free arts trail."

KATE DOWTY: 'STITCH'

10 - 15 June

Eype Centre for the Arts, St Peter's Church, Mount Lane, EYPE, Bridport, DT6 6AR. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 07760 122666 / katedowty.com. "Contemporary stitched textile wallhangings."



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11 - 17 June

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

SANDRA PORTER

14 June

Gaugers Studio, Gaugers, Bath Road, NORTON ST PHILIP, BA2 7LW. 10am - 5pm. 07745 412860 / sandraporter.com. See 10 May.

LISA CUDLIPP: 'LAND, SEA, SKY'

16 - 30 June

Sou'-Sou'-West Gallery, Manor Yard, Symondsbur Estate, SYMONDSBURY, Bridport, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 / sousouwest.co.uk. "Landscape paintings."

SOUTH WEST SOCIETY OF BOTANICAL ARTISTS

17 June - 7 July

Fine Foundation Gallery, Durlston Country Park, Lighthouse Road, SWANAGE, BH19 2JL. 10am - 4pm. swsba.org.uk. "Original art, prints and cards for sale."

THE OPEN 2025

17 June - 18 July

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. Tuesday - Saturday 9.30am - 3pm. ilminsterartscentre.com. "Annual exhibition featuring selected work from across the region."

PETER URSE

18 - 24 June

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm. shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk. Paintings and prints.

AARON FEWINS: 'THE DARK AND LIGHT'

18 - 29 June

Walford Mill, Knobcrook Road, WIMBORNE, BH21 1NL. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. walfordmillcrafts.co.uk. "An exploration of contrast, mixing bright colours with strong highlights and dramatic shadows to create dynamic statement landscapes."



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21 May - 1 June: Walford Mill, Knobcrook Road, WIMBORNE, BH21 1NL. Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm. 01202 841400 / walfordmillcrafts.co.uk.

'COMMUNITY'

18 June - 5 July

Yeovil Art Space, Vicarage Walk, Quedam Centre, YEOVIL, BA20 1EU. Wednesday - Friday 12noon - 4pm, Saturday 11am - 4pm. yeovilartspace.uk. "Community takeover of the gallery space."

SOUTH WEST SCULPTORS

21 June - 13 July

Sou'-Sou'-West Gallery, Manor Yard, Symondsbur Estate, SYMONDSBURY, Bridport, DT6 6HG. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 01308 301326 / sousouwest.co.uk. "Annual sculpture show."

'3 PHOTOGRAPHERS'

25 June - 1 July

The Gallery, Shaftesbury Arts Centre, Bell Street, SHAFTESBURY, SP7 8AR. Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm. shaftesburyartscentre.org.uk. Photographs by Martin Black, Trevor Toms and Tony Bates.

EMMA MAWSTON: 'THE GALLERY GARDEN'

28 June - 16 August

ACE Arts, Market Place, SOMERTON, TA11 7NB. Tuesday 11am - 5pm, Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm. 01458 273008 / acearts.co.uk. "This imaginative collection is a vibrant celebration of flora and fauna, featuring illustrations that reflect Emma's passion for nature and showcase her artistic talent. The artwork is drawn and painted on various materials, including boxes, vintage wallpaper, reclaimed slate, and bee bricks that encourage biodiversity, creating a harmonious blend of art and ecology."



'YOU'RE NOT ALONE: WOMEN IN ART 2025'

28 June - 17 August

Boscombe Arts Depot, 616 - 622 Christchurch Road, Boscombe, BOURNEMOUTH, BH1 4BP. Thursday - Sunday 11am - 5pm. gotbeaf.co.uk. "This exhibition brings together ten artists, highlighting their experiences as women outside mainstream art and education, and foregrounding their significant contributions to contemporary art."



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Ilona Skladzien

Ilona Skladzien has been making an impressive impact since she graduated from the MA programme at Arts University Bournemouth in 2018. Her background in furniture making, interior design and fashion, which she studied in her native Poland, initially impacted on her fine art practice. "It was a different way of thinking." She worked towards a freer approach, capitalising on her fascination with and understanding of materials. Her piece *Nightie* was shortlisted for the *Trinity Buoy Wharf Drawing Prize* in 2024 and in June 2025 she will be taking part in the *Drawing Out Hilbre Archipelago Project*, which is part of the Independent Liverpool Biennial.

There are many levels to the pieces that she makes. She constructs her hangings out of paper napkins, a material "which seduced me and provided me with endless possibilities and ideas". She tears the napkins, stitches them using her sewing machine, collects leftovers from completed works and reuses them and draws on them with a very particular marker pen which she waters down. She has been working with them for around six years and her view of them has changed. "I look at them slightly differently now I am a mum. When I started working with them I didn't have this domestic link." The hangings appear to be delicate and fragile but are actually quite robust. They combine vulnerability and resilience, which for her makes a connection with domesticity. "You need to have both qualities to survive as a parent."

Her explorations of doll heads comprising beautifully executed drawings alongside original doll heads that have been coated in white emulsion are intended as an exploration of domesticity and the female role. They are often hanging upside down or damaged and missing vital bits, and are frequently re-interpreted by viewers who attribute to them potentially darker intentions. Growing up in Poland, the cultural references that surrounded her were reminders of genocide. "Wherever you look, there are references to the Second World War and people's stories from concentration camps such as Auschwitz." She acknowledges that there is a stream within her work that digs deep into the unconscious.

In reality her use of dolls as a motif arose when she observed her daughter playing with a doll. As a child Ilona says that she was a tomboy and never played with



'LEFT BEHIND', SHERBORNE HOUSE, 2025

dolls. She was intrigued to observe how her daughter interacted with her toys, acting out scenarios that echoed what Ilona and her partner did. Her exhibition *Play Nicely*, at the The Fine Foundation Gallery at Durlston in Swanage in 2024, explored the way in which children and girls in particular have roles attributed to them because of their gender. It takes the universal call to children to behave well and to 'play nicely' in the school playground as a starting point.

Despite her wide range of materials and her youthful ambition to be a painter, she identifies herself as an artist who makes drawings. Drawing is central to her practice. She will use found photographs



for example when she is working on her paper napkins but, "when I am drawing on paper I tend to draw from life, because otherwise I would lose too much information". A core element of her practice is research. She makes written notes about her projects, spends time with things that are unrelated and investigates parallel ideas, all of which give her the opportunity to let her mind wander and allow ideas to rise to the surface.

Her influences are the sculptor Eva Hesse because of her ability to manipulate materials, Louise Bourgeois, and Ei Anatsui: "I still remember seeing one of his works in Tate's collection, where bottle caps were transformed into a beautiful, shimmering, soft-looking tapestry." A further influence is the Polish artist Magdalena Abakanowicz, whose artworks she identifies with because they "often speak to themes of loss of identity and the shaping of individuals through collective experience".

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1 May

The Grasshopper, 139 - 141 Bournemouth Road, POOLE, BH14 9HT. 7.30pm. £17.50 / £10. soundcellar.org.

THE WELL

2 May

Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane, CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 7pm. £10. 07929 771219 / sandyhillarts.co.uk. "Alt-folk trio."

JIMMY CROWLEY AND EVE TELFORD

2 May

St John's Place, SALISBURY, SP2 9NP. 7pm. £17.50. 07851 758457. Folk.

ALAN BROADBENT AND GEORGIA MANCIO QUARTET

2 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.45pm. lighthousepoole.co.uk. Jazz.

HMS HERON VOLUNTEER BAND

3 May

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. 7.30pm. £23. 01460 54973.

MIKAELA LIVADIOTIS

7 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 1.05pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk. Piano recital.

JOHN LAW & JON LLOYD: 'NAISSANCE'

8 May

St Philip & St James Church, Vicarage Lane, NORTON ST PHILIP, Bath, BA2 7LY. 1pm. £10. 01373 834488 / hardingtonvale.org.uk. Jazz.



BSO: 'THE ESSENCE OF BRAHMS'

8 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.

TWO MAN TRAVELLING MEDICINE SHOW

9 May

The Winchester Gate, 113 Rampart Road, SALISBURY, SP1 1JA. 8pm. 01722 503362 / thewinchestergate.com.

CASTERBRIDGE MALE VOICE CHOIR

10 May

Corn Exchange, High East Street, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 12.15pm. Free entry. dorchesterarts.org.uk.

ROSIE FRATER-TAYLOR

10 May

The Mowlem Theatre, Shore Road, SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. 7.30pm. £14 / themowlem.com.

THE JAZZ DEFENDERS

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Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 3pm. £10 / £1. 01202 669925 / bsolive.com. "A National Open Youth Orchestra performance featuring sixteen brilliant young disabled and non-disabled musicians performing beautiful new pieces commissioned for the orchestra's thrilling mix of acoustic and electronic instruments."

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QUIMANTU + CLOUD 9 CHORUS

11 May

St Mary's Church, CERNE ABBAS, DT2 7JQ. 6pm. £12.50 / £6. 07823 778758 / artsreach.co.uk. "The iconic Anglo-Chilean band Quimantu is collaborating with the singers of Cloud 9 Chorus to perform the Misa de los Mineros, a powerful musical piece which fuses elements of British culture with profound Latin American roots, leaving an indelible mark on the hearts of audiences wherever it is performed."



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10 May: The Dance House, Gouldsbrook View, North Street, CREWKERNE, TA18 7AL. 7.30pm. £20. 01460 75928 / concertsinthewest.org.

BSO: 'BELSHAZZAR'S FEAST'

14 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.

THE RHEINGANS SISTERS

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Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 8pm. 01202 280000. "One of the most visionary acts on the British folk scene today."

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15 May

Martock Church, MARTOCK, TA12 6JL. 7.30pm. £12 / £10. 07547 213992 / martockonline.co.uk. "Popular classics, overtures, film music, selections from West End shows, military marches, contemporary works and more."

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15 May

The Grasshopper, 139 - 141 Bournemouth Road, POOLE, BH14 9HT. 7.30pm. £17.50 / £10. soundcellar.org. "Cool jazz, soul and blues."

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16 May

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. 7.30pm. 01460 54973 / themeeetinghouse.org.uk.



MILLY RIQUELME

16 and 17 May

Tincton Gallery, The Old School House, TINCLETON, near Dorchester, DT2 8QR. 7.30pm. £20. 01305 848909 / tinctongallery.com.

BSO: 'BEST OF BOND'

17 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk. "Bond fans will be in 00-heaven as the BSO perform all the great themes under conductor David Arnold of Shaken and Stirred fame, in which he collaborated with artists including Bjork, Pulp, Leftfield and Iggy Pop on versions of Bond themes songs."

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23 May

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. 7.30pm. £20. 01460 54973 / themeeetinghouse.org.uk. Jazz.

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Myncen Farm, BLANDFORD FORUM, DT11 8DH. 01725 552715 / cursusfestival.com. "Family-friendly grassroots festival in rural Dorset. Live acts include Dub Pistols, Mad Dog Mcree and Skimmity Hitchers, plus kids area, DJ tent, rural crafts and much more. Just 500 tickets available."

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29 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
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280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.

MAD DOG MCREA

30 May

Corn Exchange, High East Street,
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£25 / £23. dorchesterarts.org.uk.

'CECIL SHARP AND THE SOUNDSCAPE OF SOMERSET'

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Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting
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The Mowlem, Shore Road,
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entry. 01929 422239 /
themowlem.com. Folk.

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1 June

Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane,
CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 12.30pm.
07767 767625. 07929 771219 /
sandyhillarts.co.uk. "Rock, blues, folk
and psychedelia."



'EAGLES, BIRDSONGS AND BACH'

4 June

Wiltshire Creative, St Thomas'
Church, St Thomas Square,
SALISBURY, SP1 1BA. 7.30pm. £26.
01722 320333 /
wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "A concert of
Bach and Vivaldi, alongside the
world premiere of Howard Moody's
Eagle Concerto performed by
virtuoso recorder player Piers
Adams."

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6 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
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280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.
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JOANNA EDEN: 'JONI & ME'

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Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. 7.30pm. £20. 01460 54973 / themeeetinghouse.org.uk.

BSO: 'GRIEG PIANO CONCERTO'

6 June

Bristol Beacon, Trenchard Street, BRISTOL, BS1 5AR. 7.30pm. £57 / £10. 01202 669925 / bsolive.com.

ROB MILLS AND THE TRACKSIDE CO-OPTIMISTS

7 June

Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane, CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 12noon. £10. sandyhillarts.co.uk. See 24 May.

DORSET YOUTH JAZZ ORCHESTRA

7 June

The Mowlem Theatre, Shore Road, SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. 7.30pm. £10. themowlem.com. "The future stars of the Dorset music scene are joined by outstanding pianist Eddie Gripper for this special event."

G4: 'PHANTOMS OF THE OPERA'

12 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.

JOSIENNE CLARKE

12 June

Corn Exchange, High East Street, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 7.30am. £22 / £20. 01305 266926 / dorchesterarts.org.uk. "Josienne Clarke is the songwriter-poet of melancholy, as well as a thrilling interpreter of traditional song."

HUW WARREN & YURI GOLOUBEV

12 June

St Philip & St James Church, Vicarage Lane, NORTON ST PHILIP, Bath, BA2 7LY. 1pm. £10. 01373 834488 / hardingtonvale.org.uk. "Pianist Huw Warren accompanies Yuri Goloubev, one of the greatest contemporary double bassists."

FINI BEARMAN

12 June

The Grasshopper, 139 - 141 Bournemouth Road, POOLE, BH14 9HT. 7.30pm. £17.50 / £10. soundcellar.org.



Sons of Town Hall

"Theatrical-folk sensations Sons of Town Hall's show is more than a concert, it's an immersive experience unlike any other. David Berkeley and Ben Parker conjure their timeless mythic universe under the aliases Josiah Chester Jones and George Ulysses Brown, 19th-century vagabonds who travel the world in a hand-built boat to escape troubled pasts and search for adventure and love."

23 May: Comrades Hall, BROADWINDSOR, DT8 3QP. 7.30pm. £12.50 / £6. 07740 949904 / artsreach.co.uk.

THE SUNSET CAFÉ STOMPERS

13 June

Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19 0AN. 7.30pm. £20. 01460 54973 / themeeetinghouse.org.uk. Jazz.

DIABEL CISSOKHO TRIO

13 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.45pm. lighthousepoole.co.uk. Jazz.

THE AGENCY

14 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.45pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.

QUIMANTU + CLOUD 9 CHORUS

15 June

The Exchange, STURMINSTER NEWTON, DT10 1FH. 3pm. £13 / £6. artsreach.co.uk. See 11 May.

JOHN WILSON & SINFONIA OF LONDON

19 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk. "Rogers & Hammerstein's greatest hits."

JUDAS GOAT & THE BELLWETHER + JAKE MILLER

20 June

The Ropemakers, 36 West Street, BRIDPORT, DT6 3QP. 9.15pm. 01308 421255 / theropemakers.com.



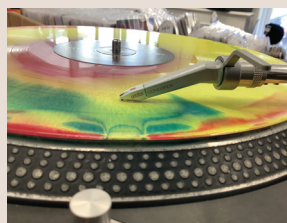
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24 May: Corn Exchange, High East Street, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 7.30pm. £28 / £26. 01305 266926 / dorchesterarts.org.uk.

RICHARD DIGANCE

20 June
The Mowlem, Shore Road,
SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. 7.30pm. £19.
01929 422239 / themowlem.com.

MELISSA PHELPS & CAROLINE PALMER

20 and 21 June
Tincton Gallery, The Old School
House, TINCLETON, near
Dorchester, DT2 8QR. 7.30pm. £20.
tinctongallery.com. "Classical cello
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'SOUNDS BY THE CASTLE'

21 June
Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane,
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/ £5. 07929 771219 /
sandyhillarts.co.uk. "A new music
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SCOTT BENNETT: 'BLOOD SUGAR BABY'

21 June
The Pound Arts Centre, Pound Pill,
CORSHAM, SN13 9HX. 7.30pm. £18.
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22 June
St Thomas's Church, St Thomas
Square, SALISBURY, SP1 1BA.
7.30pm. £25. 07963 481068 /
salisburychamberchorus.org.

RICH HALL: 'CHIN MUSIC'

24 June
Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse
Lane, SALISBURY, SP2 7RA. 7.30pm.
£20. wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "Sharp,
quick and sublimely improvisational
comedy."

NICK COSTLEY-WHITE QUARTET

26 June
The Grasshopper, 139 - 141
Bournemouth Road, POOLE, BH14
9HT. 7.30pm. £17.50 / £10.
soundcellar.org.

'JUMP'

26 June
Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane,
CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 6pm. £10
/ £4. sandyhillarts.co.uk. "Karen
Wimhurst combines field recordings
of insects and amphibians with live
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27 June
The Ropemakers, 36 West Street,
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421255 / theropemakers.com.
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27 June
Ilminster Arts Centre, The Meeting
House, East Street, ILMINSTER, TA19
0AN. 7.30pm. £20. 01460 54973 /
themeetinghouse.org.uk. Piano and
viola recital.

HENRY SPENCER QUARTET

27 June
Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.45pm.
lighthousepoole.co.uk. Jazz.

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28 June
Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane,
CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 7.30pm.
£12. sandyhillarts.co.uk. "Mellow,
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28 June
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7 - 10 May: Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. Wednesday and Thursday 10am and 1pm, Friday and Saturday 7pm (Saturday matinee 2pm). 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.

'THE SHARK IS BROKEN'

Until 3 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.45pm (Wednesday and Saturday matinee 2.30pm). 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk. "Dive into the drama behind the scenes of Hollywood's first blockbuster."

SEAN MCLOUGHLIN: 'WHITE ELEPHANT'

1 May

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

'SALT LINES'

2 May

Cedars Hall, 15 The Liberty, WELLS, BA5 2ST. 7.30pm. £29.50. 01749 834483 / cedarshallwells.co.uk. "Compelling prose and music collaboration between bestselling author Raynor Winn (*The Salt Path*) and *The Gigspanner* Big Band."

ANGELA BARNES: 'ANGST'

2 May

The Mowlem, Shore Road, SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. 8pm. £17. 01929 422239 / themowlem.com. Comedy.

PAUL SMITH: 'PABLO'

2 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. lighthousepoole.co.uk. Comedy.

'ENID BLYTON'

3 May

Backyard Theatre, 5 Anchor Street, WATCHET, TA23 0AZ. 7.30pm. £15. 07971 630595 / backyard-theatre-watchet.uk.

'SALT LINES'

4 May

Hardye Theatre, Queen's Avenue, DORCHESTER, DT1 2ET. 7.30pm. £30 / £28. 01305 266926 / dorchesterarts.org.uk. See 2 May.

'HANNAY STANDS FAST'

8 May

The Mowlem, Shore Road, SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. 7.30pm. £18 / £16. 01929 422239 / themowlem.com. "A thrilling sequel to *The 39 Steps*."

'HOW TO BELONG WITHOUT JOINING A CULT'

9 May

Rondo Theatre, St Saviours Road, BATH, BA1 6RT. 7.30pm. £14 / £12. rondothatre.co.uk.

'HANNAY STANDS FAST'

9 May

Corn Exchange, High East Street, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 7.30pm. £16 / £14. 01305 266926 / dorchesterarts.org.uk. See 8 May.

'THE CROFT'

9 - 17 May

Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse Lane, SALISBURY, SP2 7RA. 2.15pm and 7.30pm. 01722 320333 / wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "Chilling secrets are uncovered as past and present collide in this bold and haunting play starring Liza Goddard."



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11 May

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280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.
Comedy.

'SHEILA'S ISLAND'

14 - 16 May

Corn Exchange, High East Street,
DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 7.30pm.
£15 / £13. 01305 266926 /
dorchesterarts.org.uk.

'SEVEN DRUNKEN NIGHTS'

15 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm. 01202
280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.
"Spectacular tale celebrating The
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LUKE WRIGHT: 'JOY'

15 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
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RICHARD HERRING: 'CAN I HAVE MY BALL BACK?'

16 May

Salisbury Arts Centre, Bedwin Street,
SALISBURY, SP1 3UT. 7.30pm.
£23.50. 01722 320333 /
wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "Richard talks
bollocks and severed gonads in his
much-anticipated return to stand-up
comedy."

'THE PLAY'S THE THING'

16 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
POOLE, BH15 1UG. 8pm. 01202
280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk. "A
one person Hamlet."



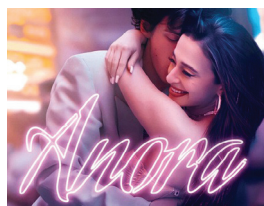
'FLIGHT'

Salisbury International Arts Festival

"This year's Salisbury International Arts Festival is designed to warm spirits, lighten hearts and inspire us all to lift our heads above the challenges of the current moment. Outstanding artists of stage and screen will be joined by local voices, bringing communities together in a spirit of hope and optimism. The opening weekend will see Gorilla Circus' daring aerial performers tower over the Market Square in free performances of *Unity*. Nearby, in Guildhall Square, Darkfield invite audiences to take *Flight* in an immersive 40ft shipping container resembling an Airbus 320. Salisbury's Rack Close will see the welcome return of The Lord Chamberlain's Men, performing *Twelfth Night* with an all-male cast. Extending beyond the city, *A Beautiful Thread* promises a unique celebration of Thomas Hardy at Stonehenge. Anton Lesser and Lucia Bonbright join Orchestra of the Swan to bring Hardy's words to life in a glorious blend of music and spoken word in front of the iconic Stone Circle. Dance, opera, music and spoken word take centre stage at Salisbury Playhouse. Highlights include solo dance work *Songs of the Bulbul* by Aakash Odedra and Swansea City Opera's uplifting *Shoulder to Shoulder* inspired by stories from the Men's Shed. Leading vocalist Jacqui Dankworth, author Joanne Harris, and actress Hermione Norris are just a few of the names taking the stage during the festival. This year also marks the fiftieth anniversary of the transformation of St Edmund's Church into Salisbury Arts Centre. There will be plenty of opportunities to celebrate with a free Evensong and a Family Fiesta where everyone is invited to join the party."

24 May - 8 June: Various locations in SALISBURY, Wiltshire. wiltshirecreative.co.uk.

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'THE PLAY'S THE THING'

18 May

Corn Exchange, High East Street,
DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 7.30pm.
£18 / £16. 01305 266926 /
dorchesterarts.org.uk. See 16 May.

MICHAEL FABBRI + TOM GLOVER + JOSH ELTON

21 May

The Mowlem, Shore Road,
SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. 7.30pm. £14
/ £12. 01929 422239 /
themowlem.com. Comedy.

'MY FAIR LADY'

21 - 24 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm
(Saturday matinee 2.30pm). 01202
280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.

'TALKING ABOUT THE FIRE'

22 May

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

'AN ATTEMPT TO LOSE TIME'

22 May

Corn Exchange, High East Street,
DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 7.30pm.
£15 / £13. dorchesterarts.org.uk.

HENNING WEHN: 'ACID WHEN'

24 May

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.30pm.
lighthousepoole.co.uk. Comedy.

'UNITY'

24 - 26 May

Wiltshire Creative, Salisbury Market
Square, Market Walk, SALISBURY,
SP1 1TL. 1pm, 4pm and 9.30pm.
wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "Gorilla
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community, a call for change, and a
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'FLIGHT'

24 May - 1 June

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29 May: Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse Lane, SALISBURY, SP2
7RA. 7.30pm. £23. 01722 320333 / wiltshirecreative.co.uk.



'A BEAUTIFUL THREAD: THOMAS HARDY IN WORDS AND MUSIC'

28 May

Wiltshire Creative, Stonehenge,
SALISBURY, SP4 7DE. 8pm. £40.
01722 320333 /
wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "An
extraordinary celebration of Thomas
Hardy performed by Anton Lesser,
Lucia Bonbright and Orchestra of the
Swan in front of the iconic Stone
Circle."

CIRCUS NEBULOUS: 'FROM THE WINGS'

29 May

Corn Exchange, High East Street,
DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 7.30pm.
£12. dorchesterarts.org.uk.

'BREMEN'

30 May

Backyard Theatre, 5 Anchor Street,
WATCHET, TA23 0AZ. 7pm. £10 / £8.
07971 630595 / backyard-theatre-
watchet.uk. "Folk musical."



'SHOULDER TO SHOULDER'

30 May

Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse
Lane, SALISBURY, SP2 7RA. 7.30pm.
£22 / £16. wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "A
contemporary and uplifting opera
from Swansea City Opera that
explores life's ups and downs."

'OBSCURE DESIRES'

30 May

Salisbury Arts Centre, Bedwin Street,
SALISBURY, SP1 3UT. 7.30pm. £16.
wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "Many Hands
Circus delves into the depths of
human connection in a show that
masterfully combines circus artistry
and theatrical storytelling."

PATRICK MONAHAN

31 May

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

'LITTLE WOMEN'

1 June

Corn Exchange, High East Street,
DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF. 7.30am.
£16 / £14. dorchesterarts.org.uk.

JULIAN CLARY

4 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road,
POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.45pm. 01202
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SAT 21 JUNE

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THU 10 JULY

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'BALLET CENTRAL 2025'

4 June

Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse Lane, SALISBURY, SP2 7RA. 7.30pm. £19. wiltshirecreative.co.uk.

'GEORGE ELIOT IN WORDS AND MUSIC'

6 June

Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse Lane, SALISBURY, SP2 7RA. 7.30pm. wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "Hermione Norris, SuRie and Orchestra of the Swan bring the 19th century writer to bold and dramatic life."

'THE MISTAKE'

6 June

Salisbury Playhouse, The Salberg, Malthouse Lane, SALISBURY, SP2 7RA. 7.45pm. wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "A moving drama about the 'mistake' that launched the nuclear age."

RHYS DARBY

6 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.45pm. lighthousepoole.co.uk. Comedy.

'TWELFTH NIGHT'

6 - 7 June

Wiltshire Creative, Rack Close, SALISBURY, SP1 2ES. 2 and 7pm. £24. wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "The Lord Chamberlain's Men present this joyous play as it was first seen - in the open air, with an all-male cast, Elizabethan costumes, music and dance."



'POOLE PRIDE'

7 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 01202 280000. "A day-long festival celebrating all of our communities with activities including workshops, talks and crafts as well as cabaret, comedy and music performances."



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17 June: Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse Lane, SALISBURY, SP2 7RA. 2pm and 7pm. 01722 320333 / wiltshirecreative.co.uk.

'OUT OF THE BOX'

8 June

Wiltshire Creative, Rack Close, SALISBURY, SP1 2ES. 11am and 2pm. wiltshirecreative.co.uk. "A family-friendly outdoor comedy full of surprises. Join an unlikely character and his mysterious box for a whirlwind of fun!"

'A FEW CRUSTED CHARACTERS'

8 June

Maumbury Rings, Weymouth Avenue, DORCHESTER, DT1 1QZ. 4pm. £15 / £10. 01305 266926 / dorchesterarts.org.uk. "To celebrate their 20th year, the New Hardy Players bring Thomas Hardy's famous series of short stories to Maumbury Rings."

BALLET CYMRU: 'GISELLE'

11 June

Lighthouse, 21 Kingland Road, POOLE, BH15 1UG. 7.45pm. 01202 280000 / lighthousepoole.co.uk.

THE HARMONY FESTIVAL

11 - 14 June

St Mary's Church, Edward Road, DORCHESTER, DT1 2HJ. 10.30am - 4.30pm. 07879 167435 / artattheduchess.com. "Concerts, art, sculpture and floral displays."

'CAUGHT IN THE NET'

12 - 14 June

The Mowlem, Shore Road, SWANAGE, BH19 1DD. 7.30pm. £15 / £13 / £9. themowlem.com.

'ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND'

14 June

Dunster Castle, DUNSTER, Minehead, TA24 6NY. 5.45pm. 01643 821314 / nationaltrust.org.uk. "Filled to the brim with magic, music, and not-so-organised chaos, Chapterhouse Theatre Company's sparkling adaptation is perfect for all the family!"

CALLY BEATON

14 June

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

'MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING'

15 June

Maumbury Rings, Weymouth Avenue, DORCHESTER, DT1 1QZ. 6pm. £19 / £17. 01305 266926 / dorchesterarts.org.uk. "The HandleBards cycle their set across the UK, performing a wildly funny, eco-friendly Much ADO About Nothing outdoors. Expect chaos, laughter, and Shakespeare like you've never seen before!"

'BLOOMSDAY'

16 June

Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane, CORFE CASTLE, BH20 5JF. 7pm. £10. 07929 771219 / sandyhillarts.co.uk. "A celebration of Ulysses by James Joyce."

ROB BECKETT: 'GIRAFFE'

20 and 21 June

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

'THE THREE LITTLE PIGS'

20 and 21 June

Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse Lane, SALISBURY, SP2 7RA. 11am, 2.30pm and 4pm. 01722 320333.

OPERA IN A BOX: 'THE MAGIC FLUTE'

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Village Hall, LYCHETT MATRAVERS, BH16 6DD. 7pm. £14 / £6. 07795 467666 / artsreach.co.uk. "Eleven singers and musicians bring Mozart's The Magic Flute to life this summer, revamping this classic into a vibrant and exhilarating experience."

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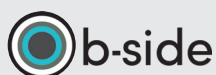
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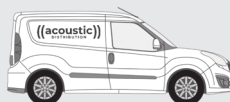
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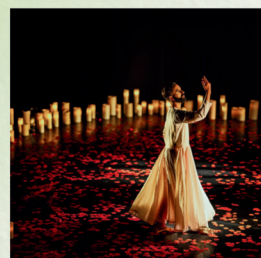
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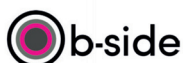
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