



# QUEENS PARK ARTS CENTRE

AUTUMN-WINTER 2025-26

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# WELCOME

Welcome to the 2025-26 autumn-winter season at Queens Park Arts Centre – the creative and cultural hub of Buckinghamshire. As ever, we have a programme packed with fantastic activities to inspire and entertain, from weekly creative and wellbeing workshops, to live theatre, music and comedy in the Limelight Theatre, and an inspiring Artisan Exhibitions programme. We're adding new events to the programme all the time, so check out [www.queensparkarts.com](http://www.queensparkarts.com) and follow [@queensparkarts](https://twitter.com/queensparkarts) on social media for the latest updates!

## SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER!



Following our recent successful capital project to improve security and access to the centre, we are now launching an ambitious building improvement project and need your help!

See p.28 for more information



## BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY

### Become a Member:

Enjoy regular discounts for an entire year with a one-off membership payment.

### Sign Up for Our Newsletter:

Don't miss out! Scan the QR code to receive our weekly newsletter and stay updated.



### Volunteer with Us:

Join our award-winning team of volunteers and make a real difference in your community.

See p.29 and p.31 for more information

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## 2025 CHRISTMAS SEASON 6-28 DECEMBER

Get ready for our most epic Christmas season ever! We have four (yes, four!) amazing pantomimes, each running for one weekend in December. We'll also have a new adaptation of 'A Christmas Carol', and an improv comedy show - 'Pantomonium'! Tickets are now on sale on our website, and at just £10 each it's the most affordable panto in town!





# WORKSHOPS

## DISCOVER YOUR CREATIVITY

As the hub, heart and home of the arts in Buckinghamshire, QPAC offers a vibrant and diverse programme with over 50 workshops each week.

Whether you're a complete beginner or looking to refine your skills, there's something for everyone. Our weekly workshops offer activities across arts, crafts, performance and wellbeing - from tapestry to contemporary jewellery, portraiture to woodcarving, Bollywood dance, yoga, and many more.

Workshops take place during daytimes, evenings and weekends, making it easy for you to find something that fits into your schedule. Sessions are pay-as-you-go so are the perfect way to try something new - you might discover a new hobby, learn a new skill or finish that DIY project!

Many of our workshops are tutored by our passionate and highly skilled volunteers, some of whom have been with us for over 25 years, offering their expertise and experience to the community and passing on knowledge and skills.

Our large and well-equipped studios give you access to everything you need to get your creativity flowing – from a large art studio with twenty standing easels, to textile and woodwork studios plus pottery and glazing studios equipped with five throwing wheels and plenty of room for sculpture and hand-building. There are dedicated spaces for all activities.

### SPECIAL ONE-DAY CLASSES AND SHORT COURSES

Our one-day and short course programme is added to throughout the season.

Full details [queensparkarts.com](http://queensparkarts.com)  
or call 01296 424332.

Join our mailing list to hear first  
by scanning the QR code





# ADULT SHORT COURSES & ONE-DAY CLASSES

## PAINTING

### INTUITIVE AND LOOSE WATERCOLOUR STILL LIFE

with Colin Stokes

**SAT 14 Feb | 10am – 4pm**

£50 std | £45 mem

### PLAYFUL STILL LIFE IN ACRYLICS

with Colin Stokes

**SAT 21 Mar | 10am – 4pm**

£50 std | £45 mem

## CRAFTS

### ONE DAY POTTERY THROWING COURSES

With Patrick Hayward

**SAT 27 Sep, 25 Oct, 24 Jan, 14 Feb,  
21 Mar | 10am – 4pm**

**FRI 28 Nov | 10am – 4pm**

£85 std | £80 mem

### BASKET MAKING WITH GREEN WILLOW

with Anita Osborne

**14 Feb, 21 Mar | 10am – 4pm**

£60 std | £55 mem

### TEXTURES IN FELT: CREATE A SEAMLESS BAG

with V Hayward

**SAT 14 Feb | 10am – 4pm**

£50 std | £45 mem

### PAPERCUTTING

with Christine Green

**TUE 17 Feb | 10am – 4pm**

£50 std | £45 mem

## TEXTILES

### STITCHED PANEL INSPIRED BY GEORGIO MORANDI

with Janet Edmonds

**SAT 27 Sep | 10.30am – 4pm**

£55 std | £50 mem

### STITCHED PATTERNS INSPIRED BY ABSTRACT ARTIST GILLIAN AYRES

with Janet Edmonds

**SAT 24 Jan | 10.30am – 4pm**

£55 std | £50 mem

### STENCIL FABRIC WITH NATURAL PIGMENTS TWO-DAY WORKSHOP

with Dawn Ramsay

**MON 27 & TUE 28 Oct**

**10am – 1.30pm**

£55 std | £50 mem

### BOTANICAL ECO-PRINTING TWO-DAY WORKSHOP

with Dawn Ramsay

**MON 16 & TUE 17 Feb**

**10am – 1.30pm**

£55 std | £50 mem

### EXPLORE THE POTENTIAL OF A SIMPLE STRAIGHT STITCH

with Janet Edmonds

**FRI 28 Nov | 10.30am – 4pm**

£55 std | £50 mem

### CREATING GRIDS USING LAID WORK

with Janet Edmonds

**FRI 20 Mar | 10.30am – 4pm**

£55 std | £50 mem



# WORKSHOPS FOR YOUNG CREATIVES

Booking in advance is highly recommended



## CHILDREN

### AGED 7-11

#### AFTERSCHOOL POTTERY MAKING & GLAZING

with Emma Bowden

**MON 4.30pm - 6pm**

£13 std | £12 mem

See website for session dates

#### AFTERSCHOOL ART CLUB

with Lindsey Grexhammer

**TUE 4.30pm - 5.30pm**

£9.50 std | £7.50 mem



## TEENS

### AGED 12-17

#### TUTORED LIFE DRAWING

16+

with Ayşe Kongur

**TUE 7.15pm - 9.30pm**

Sessions open to adults & teens 16+

£8 discounted price for U18s

#### POTTERY FOR TEENS

12+

**THU 4.30pm - 6pm**

£6.50 std | £5.50 mem

#### ARTISTIC EXPLORATION AND EXPRESSION - DRAWING

12+

**WED 4.30pm - 6pm**

3 week blocks - see website for dates

£6.50 std | £5.50 mem

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

We offer exciting school holiday workshop programmes for children and teens. Join us in October and February for creative experiences! Details of individual sessions are on our website.

### OCTOBER HALF TERM WORKSHOPS

7+, 12+

**MON 27 Oct - WED 29 Oct**

### FEBRUARY HALF TERM WORKSHOPS

7+, 12+

**MON 16 Feb - WED 18 Feb**

### WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDREN INCLUDE:

POTTERY

COLLAGE

### WORKSHOPS FOR TEENS INCLUDE:

CLOTHED LIFE DRAWING

ZINE MAKING

HALF'n'POP PORTRAITURE

Prices and timings vary  
between workshops - see  
website for details



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latest updates



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## WEEKLY WORKSHOPS

# NEEDLEWORK & TEXTILES

Well-equipped textile studio offering a range of workshops. See course descriptions on our website for a full list of the materials and equipment provided.



### TAPESTRY

with Arianna Odell

**MON 4.30pm - 7pm**

£10.50 std | £8.50 mem

### PATCHWORK

with Jean Twyford

**WED 10am - 12.30pm**

£10.50 std | £8.50 mem

### LACEMAKING

Untutored

**THU 1.30pm - 4pm**

£6 std | £5 mem

## CRAFTS & WOODWORK

Well-equipped studios and workshops run by tutors with many years of expertise. You may need to bring your own specialist tools and materials for some workshops, check course descriptions on our website for full details.

### CREATIVE PARTNERS

#### WOODCARVING

with Jeremy Turner

**MON 10am - 12.30pm | 1pm - 3.30pm**

**Bookings:**

[jeremy.turner155@btinternet.com](mailto:jeremy.turner155@btinternet.com)

#### BUCKS ADULT LEARNING - WOODWORK FOR BEGINNERS & IMPROVERS

10-week courses run by Bucks Adult Learning

**For more information – and to book your place visit [www.adultlearningbc.ac.uk](http://www.adultlearningbc.ac.uk)**



#### WOODWORK & WOOD TURNING

with Phil Francis

**TUE 10am - 12.30pm**

**WED 7pm - 9.30pm**

£11.50 std | £9.50 mem

#### CONTEMPORARY JEWELLERY

with Susie Upstone

**MON 10am - 12.30pm**

**THU 7pm - 9.30pm**

£12.50 std | £10.50 mem

#### WOODCARVING CLUB

Untutored

**THU 10am - 12.30pm**

£10.50 std | £8.50 mem

#### MIXED CRAFTS

Untutored

**THU 10am - 12.30pm**

£8 std | £6 mem



# PAINTING & DRAWING



Workshops are held in our superb art studio complete with twenty full-size easels, drawing boards and other communal resources. Our workshops have expert tutors to lead both beginners & improvers.

## OIL PAINTING

with Michael Navarro

**MON 7pm - 9.30pm**

£11 std | £9 mem

## PAINTING WITH ACRYLICS

with Amanda Curbishley

**THU 10am - 12.30pm**

£12.50 std | £10.50 mem

## PORTRAITURE

with John Easterling

**TUE 10am - 12.30pm**

£11 std | £9 mem

## LIFE DRAWING

**Tutored session**

with Ayşe Kongur

**TUE 7.15pm - 9.30pm**

£12 std | £10 mem

## PAINTING & DRAWING

with Anne Bennison

**WED 10am - 12.30pm**

£11 std | £9 mem

**Untutored session**

**SAT 10am - 12.30pm**

£12 std | £10 mem



## CREATIVE PARTNERS

### MONDAY LIFE DRAWING

MON 10am - 2pm

**Find out more:**

[a.glynnejones@outlook.com](mailto:a.glynnejones@outlook.com)

## WEEKLY WORKSHOPS

# POTTERY

Pottery has been the cornerstone of our crafts programme for more than forty years, and our facilities and fully-equipped studios are amongst the best and most popular in the county.

### WEEKLY TUTORED CLASSES

£11.50 std | £9.50 mem

#### TUE MORNING

10am - 12.30pm

with Helen Neighbour

#### **NEW** TUE AFTERNOON

2pm - 4.30pm

**Beginners Class**

with Tim & Sue Rooke

#### TUE EVENING

7pm - 9.30pm

**Beginners 6-week Course**

with Patrick Hayward

see website for full details

#### WED MORNING

10am - 12.30pm

**Handbuilding & Sculpture**

with Gill Brown

#### WED EVENING

7pm - 9.30pm

with Patrick Hayward

#### THU MORNING

10am - 12.30pm

**Handbuilding & Sculpture**

with Jenny Hay

#### THU AFTERNOON

**Beginners to Intermediate**

1.30 - 4pm

**Handbuilding & Sculpture**

with Wendy Edmundson

#### THU EVENING

7pm - 9.30pm

with Charlie Butters

### WEEKLY UNTUTORED CLASSES

11.50 std | £9.50 mem

#### MONDAYS

1pm - 3.30pm

7pm - 9.30pm

#### TUESDAYS

4.30pm - 7pm

7pm - 9.30pm

#### WEDNESDAYS

2pm - 4.30pm

4.30pm - 7pm

#### FRIDAYS

10am - 1pm

1pm - 4.30pm

### POTTERY FOR ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES

#### MONDAYS

with Tony Tomblin & Dan Sullivan

10am - 12.30pm

£13 std | £10.50 mem



### ONE-DAY POTTERY THROWING COURSES

with Patrick Hayward

**SAT 27 SEP, 25 OCT,  
24 JAN, 14 FEB, 21 MAR  
FRI 28 NOV**

10am - 4pm

£85 std | £80 mem



## WEEKLY WORKSHOPS

# PERFORMING ARTS

Musical workshops running throughout the week for beginners and improvers.

### RECORDER GROUP

Untutored

**MON 10am - 12.30pm**

£10 std | £8 mem

### JAZZ GROUPS

With Rick Atkins

**Beginners Jazz**

**WED 12.45pm - 1.45pm**

£5.50 std | £4.50 mem

**Intermediate Jazz**

**WED 2pm - 4.30pm**

£11 std | £9 mem

### GUITAR CLUB

With Nicola Gray, Chris Yoxall

**WED 7pm - 9.30pm**

£11 std | £9 mem

### INTERMEDIATE GUITAR

Untutored

**THU 7pm - 9.30pm**

£10 std | £8 mem

### CLARINET GROUP

Untutored

**FRI 10am - 12.30pm**

£10 std | £8 mem

### CREATIVE PARTNERS



### JIGSAW THEATRE COMPANY

TUE 1pm - 3.30pm

**Find out more:**

[info@jigsawtheatre.org.uk](mailto:info@jigsawtheatre.org.uk)

### MUSICAL THEATRE CHOIR AYLESBURY

WED 7.30pm - 9pm

**Find out more:**

[musicaltheatrechoir@gmail.com](mailto:musicaltheatrechoir@gmail.com)

### CREATIVE PARTNERS

#### BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE LEVEL 1, 2 & 3 COURSES

MON, TUE & THU

7pm - 9pm

[info:handtalkingbsl@gmail.com](mailto:info:handtalkingbsl@gmail.com)

#### SPACE COLOURING GROUP

WED 2pm - 3.30pm

[info: www.spaceaylesbury.org](http://www.spaceaylesbury.org)

#### SPORT IN MIND YOGA

TUE 11am - 12pm

TUE 12.15pm - 1.15pm

[info: www.sportinmind.org](http://www.sportinmind.org)

#### SPORT IN MIND TAI CHI

WED 10.30am - 11.30am

WED 11.30am - 12.30pm

[info: www.sportinmind.org](http://www.sportinmind.org)

#### SING YOUR PAIN AWAY

FRI 11.30am - 12.30pm

**info:**

[jane@singyourpainaway.co.uk](mailto:jane@singyourpainaway.co.uk)

# HEALTH & WELLBEING

Discover mindfulness and boost your wellbeing with our drop-in classes

### BOLLYWOOD DANCE WORKOUT

with Supriya More

**TUE 11am - 11.45am**

£5 std | £4 mem

### YOGA

with Helena Legg

**TUE 12.30pm - 1.30pm**

**THU 5.30pm - 6.30pm**

£9.50 std | £8.50 mem

### QI GONG

with Helena Legg

**THU 2pm - 3pm**

£9.50 std | £8.50 mem

### MINDFULNESS BASED ART IN HEALTH WORKSHOPS

**THU 3pm - 4pm**

See website for details

### AN INTRODUCTION TO CHINESE

with Jay Tang

**SAT 10.30am - 12.30pm**

£10.50 std | £8.50 mem

### BOOK CLUB

See website for info

**2ND THU OF THE MONTH**

**7pm - 8.30pm**

£9 std | £7 mem

### AN INTRODUCTION TO MEDITATION

with Hina Pancholi

**2ND SAT OF THE MONTH**

**9.30am - 10.15am**

**4TH TUE OF THE MONTH**

**6pm - 6.45pm**

£7 std | £5 mem



## REGULAR EVENTS

### QUEENS PARK COMEDY LAB

Hosted by Ryan Mold

14 Sep, 12 Oct, 9 Nov, 11 Jan, 8 Feb | 7pm

Ever wondered how comedians you see on TV get their material together? It's on nights like these! A brand-new Sunday show full of comedians trying new jokes.

**£10 std**

### IMPROV LAB

Presented by Carried Away Improv

18 Sep, 16 Oct, 20 Nov, 11 Dec, 15 Jan, 19 Feb | 7.30pm

Ever wanted to try improv? Now's your chance! No experience needed - just bring your curiosity and a sense of fun. Get involved or sit back and watch a mixture of fun unscripted games and scenes.

**Free entry, donations invited**

### GILDED CAGE OPEN MIC

Our open mic night is a great opportunity to perform on the Limelight Theatre stage! Find out how to get involved by following us on social media and signing up to our newsletter!

**Entry by donation**





## LIMELIGHT THEATRE



ZOE SCHWARZ

**6 Sep | 7.30pm**

### **CONFIDENT - THE TOUR**

A laugh-a-minute variety show that combines live music, comedy, magic, prize bingo and more into one hilarious night of live entertainment.

**£12 std | £10 conc**

**13 Sep | 8pm**

### **MIM GREY**

Join us for an unforgettable evening with the illustrious Mim Grey, as she returns to the stage with her long-awaited third album, "The Garden of Me".

**£18 in advance | £20 on the door**

**19 Sep | 7.30pm**

### **THAT JOE PAYNE**

A Queer artist and award-winning prog-music vocalist who is known by audiences for boasting an impressive five-octave range and flamboyant showmanship.

**£20.50 in advance | £24 on the door**

**20 Sep | 8pm**

### **ALCHEMY LIVE**

Alchemy Live bring to life the classic era of Dire Straits from the early 80s, playing all the hits including Sultans of Swing, Brothers in Arms and many more.

**£19.50 std**



THAT JOE PAYNE

**26 Sep | 8pm**

### **ZOE SCHWARZ BLUE COMMOTION**

Vibrant and melodic, funky rocking blues. Zoe Schwarz Blue Commotion refreshes the genre with eclectic arrangements, virtuosic playing and vocal prowess.

**£12.50 std | £10.50 conc**

**27 Sep | 8pm**

### **JOHN HACKETT BAND**

Embodying the spirit of progressive rock, the John Hackett Band also embrace pop, rock, jazz, classical, funk and all stops in between.

**£15.50 std**

**3 Oct | 7.30pm**

**4 Oct | 2.30pm & 7.30pm**

### **SKELLIG**

PRESENTED BY [RUNNING JOKE THEATRE COMPANY](#)

Michael was looking forward to moving house. It was all going to be wonderful. But now his baby sister is ill, his parents are frantic and Doctor Death has come to call. And then he meets Skellig...

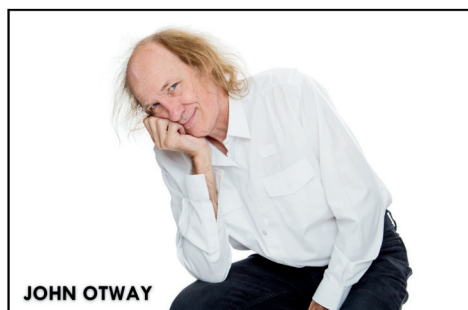
**£15 std**

### **HIRE THE LIMELIGHT**

Want to perform on the Limelight stage?

You can hire the venue for a live performance. Email

[dario@queensparkarts.com](mailto:dario@queensparkarts.com) for details.



**10 Oct | 8pm**

### **THE PHIL BEER TRIO**

An opportunity to see world-class multi-instrumentalist Phil Beer deliver folk/blues songs with anecdotes and charisma; backed by female strong rhythm section Miranda Sykes and Sian Monaghan.

**£25.50 std**

**11 Oct | 8pm**

### **THE JOHN OTWAY BAND**

He's back! The homegrown legend returns to his former school with his band in tow. Never seen Otway live before? Come and discover what you've been missing: an entertainer par excellence.

**£20 std**

**17 Oct | 7.30pm**

### **MURDER, FISH & CHIPS**

Join us for an evening of food, fun... and foul play. It's your chance to turn detective as an interactive murder mystery evening unfolds alongside a fish & chip supper. Book early to avoid disappointment!

**£20 std (includes food)**

### **VISIT THE LIMELIGHT THEATRE BAR**

Our licenced bar opens an hour before each performance begins with affordable prices for drinks and snacks, so you can make an evening out of your outing!



**18 Oct | 2.30pm & 7.30pm**

### **'MYRNNEREST: THE OUTSIDE/INSIDE LIFE OF MADGE GILL'**

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

The sixth of James Kenworth's acclaimed Newham Plays, exploring the extraordinary life and work of Outsider artist Madge Gill.

**£10 std | £8 conc**

**24-25 Oct | 7.30pm**

### **MEDUSA / SHAUN**

A double-bill of new writing by Bella Hansa and Christopher St. John. Medusa and Shaun are from two worlds, two lives, two stories- but they share an internal void, an air of loneliness, isolation, and loyalty. How will their stories end?

**£10 std**

**31 Oct - 1 Nov | 7.30pm**

### **THE CONMAN WITH A CONSCIENCE**

WRITTEN BY KAREN BANFIELD

A play about money and morals. Brought up by petty scammers, George doesn't see anything wrong with wanting to live with Rosemary and all her money. But has he finally met his match?

**£10 std | £8 conc**





THE BOOK OF GENESIS



QUIZ NIGHT

**31 Oct | 11.55pm**  
**THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GRAY**  
**(STAGED READING)**

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

Join us for this midnight matinee abridged reading of Oscar Wilde's iconic novel, performed as part of our 'Wilde Words' season celebrating 125 years since Oscar.

**£10 std | £8 conc**

**15 Nov | 8pm**  
**THE BOOK OF GENESIS**

The UK's foremost Genesis early era tribute band, faithfully re-creating the atmosphere of a Gabriel/Hackett show. You'll think you are back in the late 70s watching the real band.

**£17.50 std**

**21-22 Nov | 7.30pm**  
**APPLE PIPS**

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

John Tawell stands accused of murder. Awaiting sentence at Aylesbury Crown Court, it is up to Sarah Hart - the mother of two of his children - to tell the tale of their lives, their love, and their loss... This new full-length play by Dario Knight is part of this year's Buckinghamshire History Festival.

**£10 std | £8 conc**

**28 Nov | 7.30pm**  
**'EVERYTHING WRONG WITH POLITICS'**  
**AND OTHER IMPROV**

WITH UNBOUND & CARRIED AWAY IMPROV

A double-header of improv comedy. Traverse multiversal mayhem with Carried Away Improv before heading to the polls for political panel game 'Everything Wrong with Politics' from Unbound.

**£10 std | £8 conc**

**29 Nov | 7pm**  
**FISH & CHIP QUIZ NIGHT**

Tuck into tasty fish & chips and then test those little grey cells! Hosts Grace and Faye will be setting the questions at this special fundraising event. Teams of 6 max. Vegetarian option available.

**£20 std (includes food)**

**12 Dec | 7.30pm**  
**PANTOMONIUM - THE IMPROVISED PANTOMIME**

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

A show for adults who are young at heart. Enjoy a night of panto silliness distilled through the hilarious filter of improv comedy. Expect audience participation, a bit of slapstick and a proper panto story.

**£10 std**



**18, 19, 23 Dec | 7.30pm**

**24 Dec | 2.30pm**

### **A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

Ebenezer Scrooge turned his back on Christmas long ago. It means nothing to him in the here-and-now and he swears it never will. However, the realms of 'long-ago', 'here-and-now' and 'never-will' are stirring and the spirits they're summoning have more than one soul to save in time for Christmas Day...

**£10 std**

**24 Jan | 8pm**

### **MOONAGE**

The total David Bowie tribute. Whether you are a fan of Bowie's early years, the Glam Rock era, Plastic Soul, Berlin or 80s Pop eras, there will be something for you in this two-hour show.

**£15.50 std**

**30 Jan | 8pm**

### **HILLIER & PRENDERGAST**

Steve Hillier and Danny Prendergast play their own arrangements for two acoustic guitars and two voices, covering songs from Bacharach to Beatles to Bowie and many, many more.

**£12 std**



**6 Feb | 8pm**

### **'ACROSS THE SQUARE'**

PRESENTED BY ALEX PEARSON PRODUCTIONS

An imagined encounter between two sharply contrasting women - Lady Ottoline Morrell and Millicent Fawcett. In a show full of laughter and drama, will these two find common ground and shared values?

**£15.50 std**

**7 Feb | 8pm**

### **OASIZ**

One of the UK's most authentic tribute bands, Oasis are celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the record-breaking Oasis shows at Knebworth alongside career-spanning anthems.

**£18 std**

**20-21 Feb | 7.30pm**

### **'MORE FOOL ME'**

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

Professor Arkwright has spent his life exploring the many ways in which people can be fooled. As retirement beckons, he summons three former students to his office to see what they've done with their education in the ethics of deception...

**£10 std | £8 conc**



**SDSD, UNBOUND, & THE PERFORMERS HUB PRESENT...**

# **MUSIC THAT & MUSICALS**

**FRI 27 FEB  
7.30PM**

**SAT 28 FEB  
2PM & 7.30PM**



**QUEENS PARK  
ARTS CENTRE  
TICKETS: £15**

**A VERY SPECIAL CONCERT  
RAISING VITAL FUNDS FOR  
QPAC'S CREATIVE COMMUNITY**



# Cinderella

6 DEC - 2PM & 6.30PM

7 DEC - 2PM & 6.30PM\*



# Jack & the Beanstalk

20 DEC - 2PM\* & 6.30PM

21 DEC - 2PM & 6.30PM

QUEEN'S  
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ARTS  
CENTRE

CREATIVE AND CULTURAL

# PAN SEAS

FOUR TRADITIONAL  
FAMILY PANTOMIMES

EVERY TICKET  
TO EVERY SEAT  
£10

\*SIGNED PERFORMANCE  
MARIE BLANCHARD  
FROM HAND

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TELL GREAT STORIES



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# NTO SON

# Mother Goose

13 DEC - 2PM & 6.30PM  
14 DEC - 2PM\* & 6.30PM

ADDITIONAL  
ANTOMIMES

TICKET  
RY SHOW  
10

FORMANCE WITH  
E BISWELL  
ND TALKING



# Dick Whittington

26 DEC - 2PM  
27 DEC - 2PM & 6.30PM  
28 DEC - 2PM\*

IN ASSOCIATION WITH: [WWW.SDSD.DANCE](http://WWW.SDSD.DANCE)



## AUTUMN-WINTER 2025-26 SEASON

### 'HEART AND SOUL'

Unbound is Queens Park Arts Centre's award-winning in-house storytelling company.

Formed in 2014, the project is led by Creative Producer Dario Knight alongside an ever-expanding community of actors, writers, directors, artists, makers, and technicians.

Unbound's mission statement – 'tell great stories' – has seen it develop into the beating heart of inspirational storytelling activity in Buckinghamshire and beyond – the go-to company for bespoke performance projects across theatre, film and audio, with more than 200 different projects completed over the last 11 years.

In 2023 it was announced that QPAC had been awarded a three-year grant by the Rothschild Foundation to support Unbound's work – enabling the company to continue producing dozens of volunteer-led projects every year, in addition to two new initiatives designed to create paid work for local practitioners.

*"We're about to embark on our most ambitious autumn-winter season yet, with all manner of exciting projects to share. As ever, new writing plays a key role in the season to come, but we've some familiar tales to tell too, including a quartet of pantomimes and a project that's been almost a decade in the making: Unbound's very own take in A Christmas Carol..."*

**Dario Knight, Creative Producer for Unbound**



# THEATRE

**20-21 Sep**

**'THE (MOSTLY) FACTUAL HISTORY OF AYLESBURY'**

The Aylesbury Town Council walking play is back for Heritage Open Weekends! The Unbound team were ready to give an dramatised history of the Town Centre... until some of the cast had other ideas...  
FREE EVENT

**Info:** [aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk)

**18 Oct**

**'MYRNNEREST: THE OUTSIDE/INSIDE LIFE OF MADGE GILL'**

See p.12 for details.

**31 Oct**

**'THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GREY' (STAGED READING)**

See p.13 for details



**8 Nov**

**'AUTUMNAL TALES'**

A new selection of interactive short stories, presented as part of the Queens Park Artisan Craft Fair.

FREE EVENT

**Info:** [queensparkarts.com](http://queensparkarts.com)

**21-22 Nov**

**'APPLE PIPS'**

See p.13 for details

**23 Nov**

**'CAPTAIN CHRISTMAS AND THE TREES OF TERROR'**

Our festive superhero is back for Aylesbury Town Council's 'Christmas on the Cobbles' event, and this time she's battling some terrifying artificial trees!

FREE EVENT

**Info:** [aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk)

**28 Nov**

**'EVERYTHING WRONG WITH POLITICS' AND OTHER IMPROV**

See p.13 for details

**12 Dec**

**'PANTOMONIUM - THE IMPROVISED PANTOMIME'**

See p.13 for details

**18-24 Dec**

**'A CHRISTMAS CAROL'**

See p.14 for details

**20-21 Feb**

**'MORE FOOL ME'**

See p.14 for details

**27-28 Feb**

**'FROM MUSIC HALL TO MUSICALS'**

See p.15 for details

## UNBOUND

# AUDIO

### Autumn 2025

#### 'HENRY V'

A five-part audio adaptation of Shakespeare's historical epic, presented as part of our 'Sounds and Sweet Airs' project, which aims to adapt the Bard's Complete Works for audio.

### Autumn 2025

#### 'INSPECTOR MURDER INSPECTS...'

After a prolonged delay, the trilogy of feature-length finale specials finally brings our hilarious sleuthing sitcom to a close.

### Winter 2025

#### 'CAPTAIN CHRISTMAS'

Our seasonal superhero leaps from the stage to the airwaves in a new series of half-hour adventures charting her mission to ward off all manner of festive friends!



Find these projects – and many more – at [soundcloud.com/unboundtheatre](https://soundcloud.com/unboundtheatre)

# STORYTELLING

### ANTHOLOGY PROJECT

Our mission to create a new collection of tales written by the local community continues! Share your story to join the 'Aylesbury Anthology' - a celebration of our home town and the amazing people who live here.

Info: [unboundtheatre.co.uk](https://unboundtheatre.co.uk)

### THE BARD OF AYLESBURY

Bard of Aylesbury, Patrick Cline will be out and about at various events throughout the season, sharing specially-written odes and stories. If you'd like the Bard to attend an event you're hosting, then be sure to get in touch!

Info: [unboundtheatre.co.uk](https://unboundtheatre.co.uk)

### WILDE WORDS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS SINCE OSCAR

We'll be presenting all manner of live shows and audio series celebrating Wilde's life and work. Keep an eye out for news as 2025 progresses!



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# APPLE PIPS

A NEW PLAY BY  
DARIO KNIGHT

BASED ON AN HISTORIC LOCAL  
TRUE CRIME STORY, PART OF THE  
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HISTORY FESTIVAL

21-22 NOVEMBER | 7.30PM  
QUEENS PARK ARTS CENTRE

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#APPLEPIPSPLAY

**CLASSES INCLUDE:**

Ballet Tots  
 Ballet  
 Pointe Work  
 Modern / Jazz  
 Tap  
 Limbering  
 Acro  
 Adult Classes  
 Specialist Classes  
 Contemporary  
 Multi-style inc Street Dance  
 Musical Theatre  
 LAMDA Classes  
 Singing Classes



# SCHOOL OF DANCE AND STAGE DEVELOPMENT

SDSD is one of Aylesbury's longest-running, biggest and most successful dance schools.

Offering exciting performance opportunities (including the QPAC panto), over 50 different classes, and a 100% exam pass rate, it is the place to dance in Aylesbury. Taught by highly-qualified inspirational teachers in SDSD's purpose-built studio at QPAC, children receive the best possible training in superb facilities to ensure they reach their full potential to an extremely high standard.

SDSD's Musical Theatre School, 'STAGES' compliments the dance classes and provides a fun and safe place for children to learn the art of the theatre. Teaching hundreds of children over the past 48 years, SDSD have had many students go on to vocational college and become professional performers / teachers.

In the caring the nurturing environment of the SDSD dance family, the need of every child is catered for as they are 'big enough to offer choice and opportunity; small enough to know and care about the individual'.



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# Brand new Performing Arts Sixth Form in Aylesbury

In partnership with

SDSD



**Where creativity knows no bounds, and dreams take centre stage**

We are thrilled to be starting the first year of our brand-new, tailor-made Performing Arts Course in Autumn 2025, specially designed for individuals aged 16 and above who are passionate about Singing, Dancing, Acting, and the world of Theatre Crafts.


The course will be held at Queens Park Arts Centre, Aylesbury, Bucks, one of the UK's largest independent Arts Centres. The home of SDSD and now The Performers Hub.

The Performers Hub will work in Partnership with VLUK – Education providers to deliver exceptional performing arts training that empowers aspiring artists to reach their full potential. Our comprehensive programs combine rigorous techniques, innovative practices, and personalised mentorship, ensuring that students not only hone their craft but also develop their unique artistic voices.

With a focus on collaboration and creativity, we provide a supportive environment where talent can flourish and students can thrive, preparing them for successful careers in the dynamic world of performing arts.

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# ARTISAN

IMAGE - YVONNE ELLIOT

## EXHIBITIONS



Free-to-view collections from inspirational artists, covering a diverse range of visual arts. Visit [queensparkarts.com](http://queensparkarts.com) for the full 2025-26 exhibition programme.

## GALLERY SHOP



Open all year round with beautiful handmade art and craft from the very best local artists and makers. Perfect for bespoke gifts, with handmade cards also available.

## ARTISAN EVENTS



### **ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR | SAT 8 NOV**

Handmade arts and crafts from the very best local artists and makers.

### **CHRISTMAS SHOP | 28 NOV-14 DEC**

Perfect to find a bespoke present or a festive treat for yourself!



## ARTISAN EXHIBITIONS



**8 - 23 Sep**

### **LUMEN BLOOM: EPITAPH FOR THE CLOUD AGE**

**Serena Marija**

MAIN GALLERY

A luminous, posthuman flower series heralding the twilight of the digital epoch.

Lumen Bloom unfolds as a radiant elegy for the era of cloud transcendence, an era when humanity sought to digitise memory, identity, and desire, only to witness them dissolve into cryptic fragments of unreadable code.

**27 Sep - 11 Oct**

### **UNSUNG HEROES**

**Learning Through the Arts**

COFFEE BAR

Unsung Heroes is an exhibition that celebrates the lives and legacies of 15 remarkable British individuals of African and Caribbean descent. Each of these figures has made a lasting impact on society through their contributions across a wide range of fields—including the arts, medicine, science, and sports. This exhibition aims to shine a light on their achievements and raise awareness of the vital role they have played in shaping Britain's cultural and social fabric.



**29 Sep - 10 Oct**

### **QPAC Thursday Morning Painting with Acrylics**

MAIN GALLERY

Presenting paintings by members of the arts centre's very own Thursday morning acrylic painting workshop. Participants work with themes introduced every few weeks by tutor and painter Amanda Curbishley. This long-standing group has proved a fertile environment for many to find their artistic flair. See the wonderful results [here!](#)

### **YOUR AFFORDABLE WAY TO VIEW ART**

All exhibitions at Queens Park Arts Centre are free to view and open throughout our usual opening hours.

Our coffee bar is also available to sit in for a drink and a snack if you want to make a day out of viewing our exhibitions!

To stay updated about our exhibitions and events, sign up to our newsletter via the QR code or through our website and follow us on social media!



## ARTISAN EXHIBITIONS



**18 Oct - 7 Nov**

### **RIDGEWAY 50 PHOTOS**

**Matt Whittle & local young people  
facilitated by Sharp Shots Photo Club  
In partnership with The Ridgeway  
National Trail and Arts Council England**  
MAIN GALLERY

This exhibition brings together two parts of a large artistic project celebrating the 50th year of The Ridgeway National Trails, displaying 25 photos by local young people and 25 by professional photographer Matt Whittle, whose photographic exploration of the Ridgeway's ancient landmarks, lost features and modern structures has also culminated in a series of vlogs, a book and an art trail along the Ridgeway itself.

**8 - 22 Nov**

### **THE BUCKS ART SOCIETY YOUNG ARTISTS AWARDS**

COFFEE BAR

Each year the Bucks Art Society present the Young Artist awards to talented young artists during the Society's Autumn Exhibition. The award is open to all young artists between the ages of 16-20. The winners of the 2025 award, along with highly commended pieces, can be seen at this exhibition.



**13 - 26 Nov**

### **QPAC Tuesday Morning Portraiture Workshop**

MAIN GALLERY

Introducing drawings and paintings from one of QPAC's newer participatory groups. Tuesday morning Portraiture workshops were founded by tutor John Easterling in 2023, since then many participants of all backgrounds have enjoyed putting pen, brush and charcoal to paper and capturing the characters of a series of live sitters.

**1 - 14 Dec**

### **QPAC ARTISAN POP-UP CHRISTMAS SHOP**

MAIN GALLERY

The annual QPAC artisan Christmas shop will return this year with a wonderful selection of handmade wonders for you to browse! It's a perfect opportunity to find affordable, bespoke gifts while supporting local artists!

As well as being open on weekdays, the shop will also be open before Unbound Theatre's Pantomimes on the first two weekends of December, so you can come to shop and watch in quick succession!



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CAMPAIGN TO START  
SOME MUCH-NEEDED  
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CARRY OUT ESSENTIAL  
REPAIRS TO THE ROOF.



LOOK OUT FOR WAYS TO GET  
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OUR TARGET:  
**£60,000**

OUR FIRST PRIORITY WILL  
BE THE THEATRE RAKE  
SEATING!

THIS FUNDRAISING WILL BE VITAL MATCH  
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# BECOME A MEMBER OF QPAC TODAY

MEMBERS CAN GET  
DISCOUNTED RATES FOR  
WORKSHOPS, PLUS  
SPECIAL OFFERS AT OUR  
LIMELIGHT THEATRE

If you're looking to attend regularly then why not take out membership with the Centre? For a one-off payment you can get regular discounts on workshops and events for one calendar year. The money raised by membership helps us to provide the programme of activities as well as maintaining and developing the centre for all.

Benefits to becoming a member include:

- Discounted admission to many of our workshops & courses
- Discounts to selected shows at the Limelight Theatre
- An invitation to our annual AGM

2025 membership prices:

Standard	£40
Concessionary	£30
Family	£80
Child (up to 18 yrs)	£15

*Membership is free for all QPAC volunteers.*

*People in extreme financial difficulty can also receive discounted or free membership.*



# ABOUT QPAC



## COFFEE BAR



Fully-licensed bar open throughout the week serving hot and cold drinks, cakes and snacks. The coffee bar also hosts an exhibition space making it the ideal place to take a break and enjoy incredible art.

## ART SHOP



Art and craft shop stocked with canvases, paints, brushes, paper, pottery tools, kits and more - ideal for our workshops!

## VENUE HIRE



We have rooms to suit every occasion; from workshops, exercise classes and meetings to concerts and conferences. Our studio spaces are ideal for all occasions and projects.



# VOLUNTEERING



Join our creative community, meet new people and gain new skills. QPAC welcomes all applications from people who would like to lend a hand. Visit [www.queensparkarts.com](http://www.queensparkarts.com) for latest opportunities.



## PARTNERS & SUPPORTERS

QPAC gratefully acknowledges the kind financial support provided by the following partners this season:



If you are interested in supporting our ongoing refurbishment project to improve longevity of the centre please get in touch [sarah@queensparkarts.com](mailto:sarah@queensparkarts.com)

## BUCKS ART WEEKS

Makers & Artists in Action

**Join us: become a Visual Images Group (VIG) member!**

- A monthly newsletter for artists
- Eligibility for entry to our Bucks Art Weeks event
- Your own gallery page on our website
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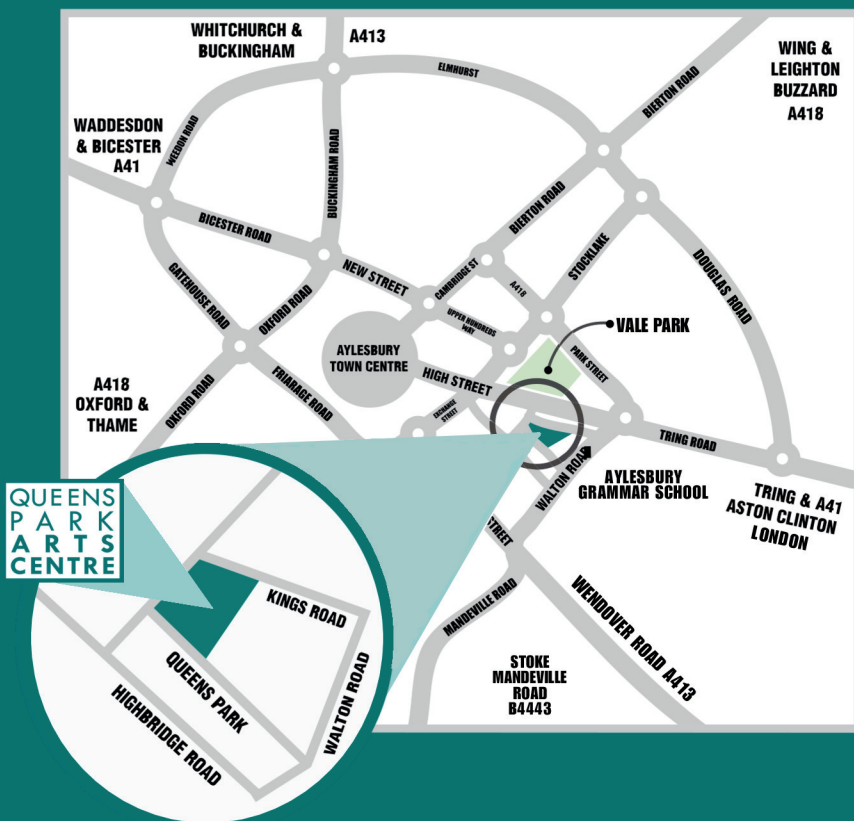
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### **VENUE ACCESS**

Step-free access to all areas, with automatic main door and accessible toilets in the main foyer. Induction loop at reception. Guide/assistance dogs welcome. Free car park with two accessible parking spaces available near the entrance. For theatre performances, seating is unallocated - please let us know if you need reserved front-row seating. Relaxed and signed performances are offered for some events and our annual pantomime.

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