



QUEENS PARK ARTS CENTRE

AUTUMN-WINTER 2026-27

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WELCOME

Welcome to the 2026-27 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, plus an ongoing and inspiring Artisan Exhibitions programme. We're adding new events to the programme all the time, so check out www.queensparkarts.com and follow [@queensparkarts](#) on social media for the latest updates!

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BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY

Become a Member:

Enjoy regular discounts on workshops and events for an entire year with a one-off membership payment. Attend often, save more! See p.29

Volunteer with Us:

Join our award-winning team of volunteers and make a real difference. Gain new skills, meet new people and give back to the community. Be part of something special!

Sign Up for Our Newsletter:

Don't miss out! Scan the QR code to receive our weekly newsletter and get the latest updates on workshops and events.

Follow us on Social Media:

We post regular updates, information and special opportunities on our instagram and facebook accounts - go have a look if you want to know exactly what's coming up!



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2026 PANTO SEASON 12-28 DECEMBER

The Unbound Library returns in December 2026 for the annual QPAC pantos with two new tales of daring and imagination! Alice In Wonderland and Treasure Island will show between 12-28 Dec. See p.16 and p.17 for details of the shows!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Thank you to everyone who supported or donated to our 'Building Improvement Fund' over the last year, we are so grateful for your support!

We are excited to be able to take this project to the next stage.

A special Thank You to supporters of our 'Sponsor a Theatre Seat' Scheme, who have made a particularly large contribution to our fundraising efforts:

£500+

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S Robinson

Opportunity Bucks

Sherrilyn Bateman, Mayor of Aylesbury

T Tomblin

£100+

A Stewart

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Bottled Story Designs

We would also like to thank Unbound Theatre, School of Dance and Stage Development and The Performers Hub for the many fundraising shows put on throughout the year that have contributed generously to this cause.

**OPPORTUNITY
BUCKS** | **SUCCESSING
FOR ALL**

ONGOING SUPPORT

Improvements to the centre are always being worked on, so even though one campaign is coming to an end, our fundraising efforts continue!

Donations to QPAC feed directly into maintenance, upgrades and future projects.

We are currently looking to continue making behind-the-scenes theatre improvements and buy a new kiln.

If you would like to contribute, please head over to www.queensparkarts.com/donate/



WORKSHOPS

DISCOVER YOUR CREATIVITY

As the hub, heart and home of the arts in Buckinghamshire, QPAC offers a vibrant and diverse programme with over 80 creative 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 textile and woodwork studios, to a large art studio with twenty standing easels 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 or call 01296 424332.

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



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+)

with Belinda Hunt

THU 4.30pm - 6pm

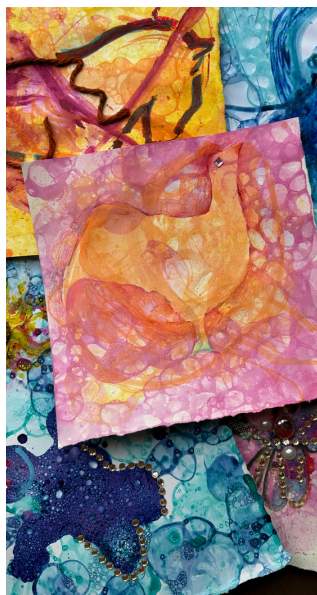
£6.50 std | £5.50 mem



Many of our adult special workshops are open to teenagers 16+ on tutor discretion.

You'll need to be comfortable working independently and taking advice to enjoy the sessions. Please contact us to find out more.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS



We offer exciting school holiday workshop programmes for children and teens led by local artists. Details of individual sessions are added to our website a few weeks before each holiday.

**OCTOBER HALF TERM
HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS
MON 26 Oct - FRI 30 Oct**

**FEBRUARY HALF TERM
HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS
MON 15 Feb - FRI 19 Feb**

WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

POTTERY, COLLAGE, DRAWING, PAINTING, ZINE MAKING, PORTRAITURE, FELT MAKING, PRINTMAKING AND MORE!



Spaces fill up fast!

Scan the QR code to sign up to our newsletter to be the first to know when workshops go on sale!



BOOK NOW AT WWW.QUEENSPARKARTS.COM

WEEKLY WORKSHOPS

PAINTING & DRAWING



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

OIL PAINTING

with Michael Navarro

MON 7pm - 9.30pm

£12 std | £10 mem

PORTRAITURE

with John Easterling

TUE 10am - 12.30pm

£12 std | £10 mem

UNTUTORED PAINTING

TUE 10am - 12.30pm

£12 std | £10 mem

NEW WATERCOLOUR PAINTING

with Colin Stokes

TUE 7pm - 9pm

£12 std | £10 mem

PAINTING & DRAWING

with Anne Bennison

WED 10am - 12.30pm

£12 std | £10 mem

PAINTING WITH ACRYLICS

with Amanda Curbishley

THU 10am - 12.30pm

£13 std | £11 mem

LIFE DRAWING

TUTORED SESSION

with Ayşe Kongur

TUE 7.15pm - 9.30pm

£15 std | £13 mem

UNTUTORED SESSION

See Website For Dates

SAT 10am - 12.30pm

£15 std | £13 mem



CREATIVE PARTNERS

MONDAY LIFE DRAWING

MON 10am - 1pm

Find out more:

a.glynnejones@outlook.com

NEW ANYONE FOR ART

with Michael Carberry

WED 7pm - 9.30pm

£7.50 std | £5.50 mem

A year-long course designed to remove barriers to creative participation by offering a supportive introduction to art.

You'll learn foundational art skills, starting with drawing in the first term (10 weeks). Sessions are pay as you go, but will build on each other so regular commitment is recommended.

**PATCHWORK**

with Jean Twyford

WED 10am - 12.30pm

£10.50 std | £8.50 mem

NEEDLEWORK

A well-lit textile studio perfect for detailed work. See course descriptions on our website for details of materials provided.

KNITTING

with Avril Gates

MON 1pm - 3pm

£5 std | £4 mem

LACEMAKING

Untutored

THU 1.30pm - 4pm

£6 std | £5 mem

TAPESTRY

with Arianna Odell

MON 4.30pm - 7pm

£10.50 std | £8.50 mem

NEEDLECRAFT

Untutored

FRI 1pm - 3pm

£5 std | £4 mem

CRAFTS

Workshops are held in our well-equipped craft studio filled with donated and recycled materials to be used.

NEW PRINTMAKING GROUP

with Ayşe Kongur

MON 7.30pm - 9.30pm**Once a Fortnight****See Website for Dates**

£12 std | £10 mem

NEW PRINTMAKING

with Nicola Hammond-Gilson

FRI 10am - 12.30pmTutored monthly - 18 Sep,
16 Oct, 13 Nov, 11 Dec.

Other dates untutored

£12 std | £10 mem

CONTEMPORARY JEWELLERY

with Susie Upstone

MON 10am - 12.30pm**THU 7pm - 9.30pm**

£12.50 std | £10.50 mem

MIXED CRAFTS

Untutored

THU 10am - 12.30pm

£8 std | £6 mem

CREATIVE PARTNERS**WOODCARVING**

with Jeremy Turner

MON 10am - 12.30pm**1pm - 3.30pm****Bookings:**

jeremy.turner155@gmail.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

WOODWORK

Our woodwork studio is home to 7 lathes and 4 sturdy workbenches, plus a range of handtools and electric saws. You may need to bring your own materials for workshops, check course descriptions on our website for full details.

WOODWORK & WOOD TURNING

with Phil Francis

TUE 10am - 12.30pm**WED 7pm - 9.30pm**

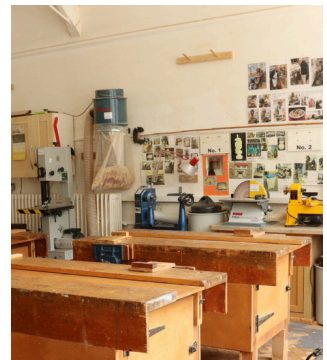
£12.50 std | £10.50 mem

WOODCARVING CLUB

Untutored

THU 10am - 12.30pm

£10.50 std | £8.50 mem



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

£12.50 std | £10.50 mem

THROWING & HANDBUILDING

TUE MORNING

10am - 12.30pm

with Helen Neighbour

TUE AFTERNOON

2pm - 4.30pm

Beginners Class

with Tim & Sue Rooke

WED MORNING

10am - 12.30pm

with Gill Brown

WED EVENING

7pm - 9.30pm

with Patrick Hayward

THU EVENING

7pm - 9.30pm

with Charlie Butters

HANDBUILDING ONLY CLASSES

THU MORNING

10am - 12.30pm

with Jenny Hay

THU AFTERNOON

1.30 - 4pm

Beginners to Intermediate

with Wendy Edmundson



POTTERY FOR ADULTS

WITH DISABILITIES | £10

MONDAYS

with Tony Tomblin & Dan Sullivan

10am - 12.30pm



SATURDAY POTTERY COURSES

All-Day Throwing

with Patrick Hayward

Saturdays 10am - 4pm

Upcoming dates:

19 Sep, 24 Oct, 21 Nov

WEEKLY UNTUTORED CLASSES

£12.50 std | £10.50 mem



MONDAYS

1pm - 3.30pm

7pm - 9.30pm

TUESDAYS

4.30pm - 7pm

7pm - 9.30pm

WEDNESDAYS

2pm - 4.30pm

4.30pm - 7pm

FRIDAYS

10am - 12.30pm

1pm - 3.30pm



PERFORMING ARTS

Musical workshops running throughout the week for beginners and improvers.



RECORDER GROUP

Untutored

MON 10am - 12.30pm

£10 std | £8 mem

GUITAR CLUB

With Nicola Gray and Chris Yoxall

WED 7pm - 9.30pm

£11 std | £9 mem

CREATIVE PARTNERS

JIGSAW THEATRE COMPANY

TUE 1pm - 3.30pm

Find out more:

info@jigsawtheatre.org.uk

MUSICAL THEATRE CHOIR

WED 7.30pm - 9pm

Find out more:

musicaltheatrechoir@gmail.com

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

INTERMEDIATE GUITAR

Untutored

THU 7pm - 9.30pm

£10 std | £8 mem

CLARINET GROUP

Untutored

FRI 10am - 12.30pm

£10 std | £8 mem

CREATIVE PARTNERS

A BSL EVENING OF FUN

with Marie Biswell

TUE 6.30pm - 9.30pm

Open to all; enjoy learning british sign language and singing

handtalkingbsl@gmail.com

SING YOUR PAIN AWAY

FRI 11am - 12pm

jane@singyourpainaway.co.uk

INTENTIONAL PARENTING

SAT 10am - 12pm

See Website for Dates

www.intentionalparenting.blog

HOLISTIC SESSIONS

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

BOLLYWOOD DANCE WORKOUT

with Supriya More

TUE 11.10am - 11.55am

£5 std | £4 mem

INTRODUCTION TO MEDITATION

with Hina Pancholi

THU 10am - 11am

£5 std | £4 mem

YOGA

with Helena Legg

TUE 9.45am - 10.45am

THU 5.30pm - 6.30pm

£9.50 std | £7.50 mem

QI GONG

with Helena Legg

THU 12.45pm - 1.45pm

£9.50 std | £7.50 mem



ONE-OFF ADULT WORKSHOPS

VISIBLE MENDING INSPIRED BY JAPANESE BORO

with Christine Green

SAT 19 Sep | 10am – 4pm

£60 std | £55 mem

INTERMEDIATE BOOKBINDING

with Alessia Tumbiolo

FOUR WEEK COURSE

From SAT 26 Sep | 10am – 12.30pm

£85 std | £80 mem

LOOSE WATERCOLOUR LANDSCAPE PAINTING

with Colin Stokes

SAT 24 Oct | 10am – 4pm

£50 std | £45 mem

INTRODUCTION TO INKS

with Anastasia Osborne

FRI 30 Oct | 10am – 1pm

£30 std | £25 mem

CELEBRATING THE NATIONAL YEAR OF READING

INTRODUCTION TO SCREEN WRITING

with Colin Metcalfe

MON 26 Oct | 10am – 12.30pm

£25 std | £20 mem

VISUAL POETRY MAKING

with Ayşe Kongur

THU 29 Oct | 10.30am – 1pm

£25 std | £20 mem

SCREEN PRINT A BOOK COVER

with Guy Morris

THU 29 Oct | 10am – 4pm

£55 std | £50 mem

POETRY WRITING SHORT COURSE

with Ciaran Kelly

FOUR WEEK COURSE

From THU 5 Nov | 5.30pm – 7pm

£30 std | £25 mem

WINTER WORKSHOPS

POP-UP CARD MAKING

with Alessia Tumbiolo

SAT 21 Nov | 10am – 12.30pm

£25 std | £20 mem

GONK MAKING FAMILY WORKSHOP

with Lindsey Grexhammer

SAT 21 Nov | 1pm – 3pm

£45 std | £40 mem for a Family of up to 5 (2 adults, 3 children)

Book in person or via phone.

ADVENT CANDLE TABLE DECORATION

with Tracey Walker from Twisted Willow

TUE 1 Dec | 10am – 12pm

£45 (std and member)

FESTIVE PAPER CUTTING

with Christine Green

SAT 28 Nov | 10am – 4pm

£60 std | £55 mem

WREATH MAKING

with Tracey Walker from Twisted Willow

THU 3 Dec | 10am – 1pm

£40 std | £35 mem

A TASTE OF 2027

TANJORE ART PAINTING

TWO-DAY WORKSHOP

with Shashirekha Prakash

THU 18 and FRI 19 Feb | 10am – 1pm

£60 std | £55 mem



SUSTAINABILITY AT QPAC

Thanks to generous funding from the Rothschild Foundation, we are undertaking a 'Green fund' project to improve and embed environmental sustainability at QPAC.

WHAT WE'VE DONE

Our research has included carrying out a Carbon Footprint assessment for QPAC, looking into how much energy individual departments are using, and understanding what QPAC can do as an Arts and Cultural venue.

We've updated our sustainability policy and developed an action plan with Science-based targets. You'll be able to see this on our website from September 2026! We've also developed our own Carbon Literacy training course which will be rolled out to staff before being offered to volunteers, tutors and patrons.

WHAT WE'RE PLANNING

We will be creating a programme of events and workshops over the coming year, conducting further research and making progressive changes around the centre. We'll keep everyone updated as we progress!



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Carbon Literacy
Project





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REGULAR EVENTS



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OFF THE RECORD

Second Saturday of the Month

12 Sep, 10 Oct, 14 Nov

Doors 7pm, Performances 7.30pm

A music showcase for talented artists around Aylesbury! Whether it's their first show for a live audience or an album debut, we are a safe space to come and enjoy all genres of music. Three acts per evening with short breaks in-between and a very affordable bar!

Tickets £10

QPAC ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC NIGHT

Second Sunday of the Month

13 Sep, 11 Oct, 8 Nov, 10 Jan, 14 Feb

Doors 6pm, Performances 6.30pm

Join us in the Limelight Bar for the Queens Park Acoustic Open Mic Night! These monthly sessions offer an intimate setting to showcase and celebrate local talent spanning music, comedy, magic and more!

Free entry, donations invited

THE OLD TIME STRING BAND

First Friday of the Month

1pm - 3pm in the Coffee Bar

A group of friends who get together to play American Old Time Music in the QPAC Coffee Bar for anyone to listen to.

Free Entry, donations invited



6 Sep | 8pm
JOHN YOUNG

Music and stories through the years from when John first started touring the world with Uli Jon Roth's Electric Sun in 1985, through to 2023 with his band Lifesigns.
£25.50 std | £20.50 conc

19 Sep | 7.30pm
JAZZ EVENING

A night of fantastic live music featuring performers from the QPAC Jazz Workshop Band and Big Band Swing.
£10 std

25 Sep | 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)

26 Sep | 8pm
BLACKMORE'S BLOOD

Since exploding onto the scene in 2016, Blackmore's Blood has become the go-to tribute for fans of Ritchie Blackmore's legendary rock years with Deep Purple and Rainbow.
£23 std



2-3 Oct | 7.30pm
THE ODYSSEY (RE-TOLD)

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND
 You've seen Christopher Nolan's version, now it's our turn! A comic take reimagining a classical tale for a contemporary audience.
£10 std | £8 conc

9 Oct | 8pm
CEILIDH FUNDRAISER

Join the Queens Park Pickers for a special night of music and dance. Don't worry if it's your first ceilidh, the band will be there to guide you through the dances and make sure everyone has a good night.
£12.50 std

16 Oct | 7.30pm
17 Oct | 2.30pm & 7.30pm
WONDER BOY

PRESENTED BY RUNNING JOKE THEATRE COMPANY
 A critically acclaimed, award-winning UK stage play about a 12-year-old boy named Sonny who struggles with a debilitating stammer and is trapped in a failing education system.
£15 std



23 Oct | 8pm

BURNING ROPE

Named in the top five in the UK Blues Awards 2026 in the Emerging Artist category, and with their debut album reaching the Top 20, Burning Rope offer a unique combination of blues, rock and prog.

£15 std

24 Oct | 8pm

THE WAGON SHED TOUR

A Nashville-style Writer's Round of original country music. Guy Surtees, Sammie Soravia, Rebecca Richards, and Mr Paul Adams share their songs and stories. A night where the music speaks for itself.

£10 std

6-7 Nov | 7.30pm

WPC1

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

A new one-act play inspired by the story of Olive Kemp, the first ever female regular police constable in Buckinghamshire.

Presented as part of this year's Buckinghamshire History Festival.

£10 std | £8 conc

21-22 Nov | 7pm

THE UNBOUND SKETCHBOOK: 24-HOUR SKETCH-A-THON!

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

Celebrating 10 years of the Unbound Sketchbook team with a 24-hour live show of hilarious comedy sketches. Join us in person, or log on to the live stream!

Live Show Entry: £10 std | £8 conc

Stay as long as you please!

28 Nov | 8pm

JOHN OTWAY

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

£20 std

5 Dec | 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.

£20 std (includes food)

VISIT THE LIMELIGHT THEATRE BAR

Our licenced bar opens an hour before performances begin, with affordable drinks and snacks for a great night out!

OFF THE RECORD

LIVE MUSIC
UNSIGNED ARTISTS



EVERY SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

Queensparkarts.com

LIMELIGHT THEATRE, QUEENS PARK ARTS CENTRE, AYLESBURY

ALL TICKETS
£10 - £12

EARLY BIRD
DISCOUNTS
AVAILABLE

ALICE IN WONDERLAND

A Traditional Family Panto

12, 13, 19
DECEMBER
1 PM & 5.30 PM

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20, 27
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1 PM & 5.30 PM

26, 28
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MEN'S COURSES
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CERTAIN ENDS...

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

21 DEC
22 DEC
23 DEC
7.30PM
24 DEC
2PM

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TICKETS: £12 | £10 CONC

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#TELLGREATSTORIES



21-23 Dec | 7.30pm

24 Dec | 2pm

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

Our acclaimed production of Dickens' classic festive tale returns! In the final days before Christmas, the Spirits of the Past, Present, and Future are stirring...

£12 std | £10 conc

23 Jan | 8pm

OASIZ

One of the UK's most authentic tribute bands who went viral on social media with over half a million views. All the big hitting career spanning anthems. One not to miss.

£18 std

29 Jan | 8pm

HILLIER PRENDERGAST ASHTON TRIO

Familiar to many for their work with The Dung Beatles, Steve Hillier and Danny Prendergast present a night of acoustic arrangements of classic songs, with Mike Ashton on percussion.

£12 std

HIRE THE LIMELIGHT

Want to perform on the Limelight stage? Hire the venue for a live performance by emailing limelight@queensparkarts.com for details.



13 Feb | 7.30pm

CURTAIN UP! A NIGHT OF MUSICAL THEATRE

Join us for a special concert blending songs from classic and modern musicals, with gems from music halls, cabaret, and revue. Featuring SDSD, the Performers Hub, and Unbound Theatre.

£15 std

19-20 Feb | 7.30pm

FORGIVABLE

PRESENTED BY UNBOUND

A new one-act play by Dario Knight. A viral voice note leaves an acclaimed actor facing the end of his career, but can he trust the lifeline being thrown to him by a journalist seeking an interview?

£10 std | £8 conc

26 Feb & 5 Mar | 7.30pm

27 Feb & 6 Mar | 2pm & 7.30pm

MURDER IS PRESCRIBED

PRESENTED BY KAREN BANFIELD MURDER MYSTERIES

It's 1948 and the NHS has just begun.

Doctor Down is overwhelmed by so many of the locals wanting to see him, all loving the free service. But what's going on that leads to someone being murdered?

£13 std | £72 Party of 6 | £86 Party of 8

AUTUMN-WINTER 2026-27 SEASON

'FRESH EYES'

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. It is the go-to company for bespoke performances across theatre, audio and film, with more than 200 different projects completed over the last 12 years.

Since 2023 Unbound has been generously supported by the Rothschild Foundation, with grants helping to launch brand new projects offering paid work for local practitioners, bring new voices and stories to the stage, and ensure that Unbound's year-round programme of work continues.

"This season is a blend of brand-new stories that explore characters with hidden depths and complicated histories, projects that reinvent classic tales for new audiences, and a few productions that celebrate and re-examine stories Unbound has shared before. These are no encore performances, though; we're looking at these tales with fresh eyes..."

Dario Knight, Creative Producer for Unbound



THEATRE

2-3 Oct

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19-20 Feb

'FORGIVABLE'

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AUDIO & FILM

Autumn 2026

'THE UNBOUND SKETCHBOOK'

Celebrating the tenth anniversary of our sketch troupe with audio recordings of many of their greatest comedy skits.

Winter 2026

'DE PROFUNDIS'

An ambitious new audio recording of Oscar Wilde's landmark essay, written during his incarceration in Reading Gaol. Performed by TJ Lea.

'INFLUENCE'

A film of our acclaimed comedy charting a calamitous West End press night. Available to view online for free.

Early 2027

'THE COMEDY OF ERRORS'

A five-part audio adaptation of Shakespeare's classic comedy, in which two sets of identical twins find themselves in a tangle of mistaken identity.

**Find these projects – and many more! – at
soundcloud.com/unboundtheatre**

STORYTELLING

THE BARD OF AYLESBURY

Bard of Aylesbury Hannah Rogers will be attending all manner of live events and celebrating our hometown. If you'd like the Bard to attend an event you're hosting, then be sure to get in touch!

Info: unboundtheatre.co.uk

OUTREACH WORK

Don't miss our annual Walking Play, the return of Captain Christmas, and some new 'Frantic Fables' at live events this season. Head over to www.unboundtheatre.co.uk or follow @unboundtheatre online for updates.



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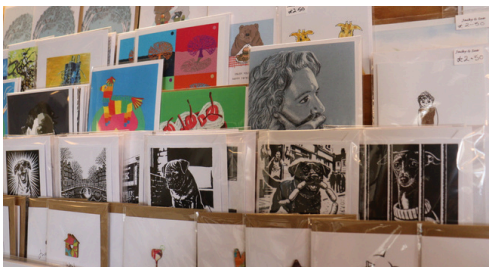
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EXHIBITIONS



Free-to-view collections from inspirational artists, covering a diverse range of visual arts. Visit queensparkarts.com for the full 2026-27 exhibitions 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.

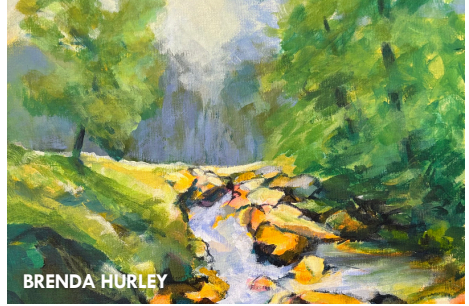
ARTISAN EVENTS



ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR | SAT 7 NOV

QPAC's annual craft fair returns on Saturday 7 November with a wonderful array of locally made art. There will also be family activities and shows by Unbound. See p.28 for more details

ARTISAN EXHIBITIONS



4 - 22 Sep

DWELL ON THE MYSTERIES OF LIFE

Diana Parsons

COFFEE BAR

Paintings of the sea and the sky, of walks in nature and even portraits, captured in a wide range of tones.

5 - 22 Sep

SHARED GROUND: NATURE, PEOPLE, PLACES

Emma J Williams, Paul Chappel, Joanna Brownridge, Michele Greene

MAIN GALLERY

A collaboration of 4 Bucks artists exploring the themes of nature, people and places through different styles and media.

5 - 17 Oct

PAST & PRESENT

Brenda Hurley

MAIN GALLERY

An exciting mix of paintings from the start of Brenda's journey as an artist 40 years ago to where she is at today. A Powerful journey wrapped in life.

9 - 20 Nov

BUCKS ART SOCIETY YOUNG ARTISTS AWARD

Young Artists Award Winners 2026

COFFEE BAR

An exciting exhibition of artwork by the winners of the 2026 Bucks Art Society Young Artists Awards.



SHARED GROUND: NATURE, PEOPLE, PLACES

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT - PAUL CHAPPEL, MICHELE GREENE, JOANNA BROWNRIDGE.

SEE FRONT COVER OF BROCHURE FOR ARTWORK BY EMMA J WILLIAMS.

GALLERY OPENING TIMES - TERM TIMES ONLY

Monday - Thursday 9.30AM - 9.30PM | Friday 9.30AM - 4.30PM | Saturday 9.30AM - 1PM

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A NEW UNFEATHERED BIRD

KATRINA VAN GROUW

ARTISAN EXHIBITIONS



25 Nov - 28 Dec

WINTER SHOWCASE

**Members of the QPAC Wednesday
Painting Group**

COFFEE BAR

(viewing after 19 Dec for Panto ticket holders only)

A display of art from students at
Aylesbury High School, celebrating their
creativity and skill.

4 - 22 Jan 2027

2026 TALES: AN UNBOUND EXHIBITION

Unbound Theatre

MAIN GALLERY

An exhibition of tales, costumes, props and
sets from 2026 Unbound Projects. Ever
wanted to know more about what goes
into the making of all their incredible
stories? This is your chance to peek behind
the curtain and see for yourself!

27 Jan - 17 Feb 2027

A NEW UNFEATHERED BIRD

Katrina van Grouw

COFFEE BAR

An exhibition of illustrations from the
scientifically robust and greatly expanded
new version of Katrina van Grouw's
landmark book on bird anatomy, 'The
Unfeathered Bird'.

26 Feb - 19 Mar 2027

WHERE MOTION LOOPS ENDLESSLY

Coclea

MAIN GALLERY

Seven looping journeys. Prints on acrylic.
An exhibition of poetic visual narratives by
French London-based animation and post-
production artist, Coclea, blending
emotion, storytelling and technology.

EXHIBIT AT QUEENS PARK ARTS CENTRE

We host art exhibitions year round in our
Main Gallery, our Coffee Bar Gallery and
our Subway Gallery.

If you would like to exhibit at QPAC, please
get in touch with Abby at
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QUEENS PARK ARTS CENTRE
ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR
SAT 7 NOV | 10AM-4PM

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MEMBERS CAN GET
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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.

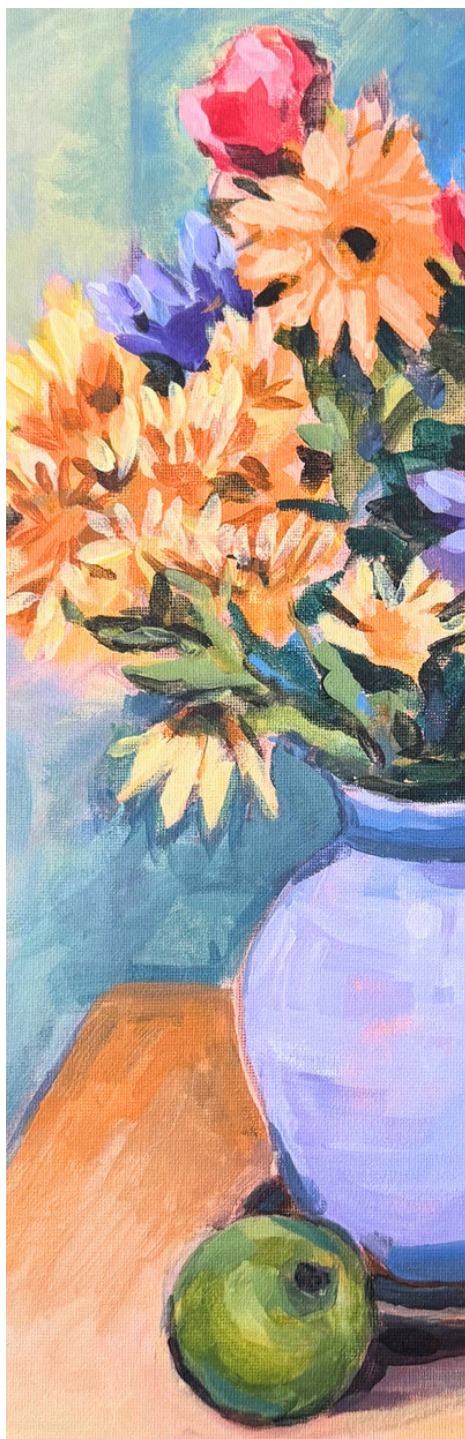
Benefits to becoming a member include:

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

2026/27 membership prices:

Standard	£45
Concessionary	£35
Family	£90
Child (up to 18 yrs)	£20

*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. This becomes the Limelight Bar during evening gigs, offering affordable drinks for patrons into the evening.

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 for latest opportunities.



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

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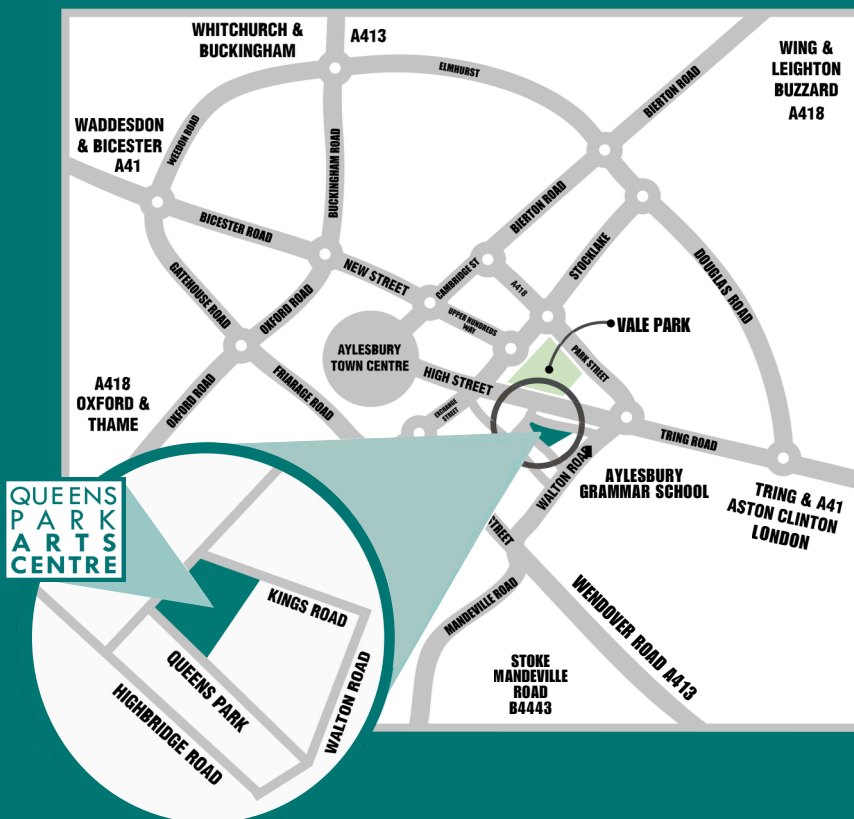
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Step-free access to all areas, with automatic main door and accessible toilets in the main foyer. Induction loop at reception. Guide/assistance dogs welcome. Free car park with two accessible parking spaces available near the entrance. For theatre 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.

FULL DETAILS WWW.QUEENSPARKARTS.COM