

Febfest

Schools Exhibition: 8 Feb - 27 Feb

McGuinness Gallery, Bishop Auckland Town Hall

Professional Exhibition: 8 Feb - 19 Mar

POD, Market Place, Bishop Auckland

Workshops: 15 Feb - 19 Feb

Events: 8 Feb - 26 Feb

Welcome to Febfest: Arts Festival Bishop Auckland

This year we have a programme packed with exciting events including two exhibitions, one displaying pieces created by our local schools and college in the Town Hall's McGuinness Gallery, the other, that of professional North East artists in POD, a new gallery space for Bishop Auckland situated opposite the Town Hall. Both exhibitions will feature work developed in a response to the theme, **The SOMME: Remembrance & Expression** Workshops, and a lunchtime Concert, during the half-term school break are taking place in seven different venues across Bishop Auckland and must-see music and theatre performances and lectures have been booked for your enjoyment.

My appreciation and thanks go, as always, to all our partnering venues who are hosting the many events and workshops - this festival would not happen without their support.

It's up to you now.... be a part of it and enjoy!

Warmest wishes, Jane Crawford FESTIVAL DIRECTOR

Monday 8 February

Official Opening at the BISHOP AUCKLAND TOWN HALL, McGuinness Gallery at 10am - Join with us at the Town Hall and then at POD.

Lectures

LECTURE: A Battalion: 18 Durham Light Infantry, training and in action 10.30am at Bishop Auckland Methodist Church, Bishop Auckland: FREE

Locally raised, 18 DLI was a Pals battalion that first saw action on the Somme. This talk focuses on their journey from a bunch of raw recruits to a disciplined military unit, including newly discovered evidence from an archaeological dig that took place at Cocken Hall in summer 2015.

Friday 26 February

LECTURE: The Germans on the Somme, through the paintings of Albert Heim 2pm at St. Mary's Church, Bishop Auckland: FREE

The popular image of the Somme is in black and white and emphasises the Allied perspective. This talk looks at the battle from a German point of view and in colour using the paintings of Albert Heim, a trained artist and illustrator who served on the Western Front.

WorkShops

Monday 15 February

Lyric Writing Workshop at the B/A TOWN HALL, 10am - 3pm, **COST: £8**

Using found photographs as inspiration professional singer/songwriter Paul Armfield will guide you through the creative processes used in writing a song. You'll work collectively and individually... no musical experience or talent necessary, just an open mind and a sense of adventure!



Ukulele Workshop at the B/A TOWN HALL, 10am - 12.30pm, **COST: £4**

JC Grimshaw is an established ukulele teacher and performer. He will focus on strumming techniques and chord building exercises, with a few fun songs to tie it all together. Whatever your ability, please come along... you are certain to enjoy yourself and come out a better player.

Face Painting at WOODHOUSE CLOSE LIBRARY 10am - 12.30pm **COST: £3**

What paints to use, how to begin your design - learn the art of face-painting from Dawn Belshaw.

All Things Printable at B/A TOWN HALL LIBRARY 1.30pm - 4pm **COST: £4**

Working with Sue Abel you'll try out a multitude of techniques from mono-printing to marbling.

Encaustic Art at WOODHOUSE CLOSE LIBRARY 1.30pm - 4pm **COST: £5**

Create your own picture with the use of pigmented wax and a heated iron with Rosemary Butler.

Tuesday 16 February

Mosaic Art at B/A TOWN HALL LIBRARY 10am - 12.30pm **COST: £4**

Learn the wonderful craft of glass mosaic work with Susan Warlock.

Needlefelted Hares at POD, 10am - 12.30pm, **COST: £4**

Make your very own little three-dimensional woollen hare with Ellie Langley.



Old Books, New Creations (for ages 5 to 13)

at the AUCKLAND YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE, 1.30pm - 4pm, **£2**

Dorset Buttons at ST. MARY'S CHURCH, 1.30pm - 4pm, **COST: £3**

Creating buttons with Ellie Langley, the design of which originated in the 18th century in Dorset.



Wednesday 17 February

Paper Jewellery at B/A TOWN HALL LIBRARY

10am - 12.30pm **COST: £4**

Learn the wonderful craft of jewellery making with Kate Gorman.

Folded Book Animals at ST. MARY'S CHURCH, 10am - 12.30pm, **COST: £4**

Join the book folding craze with Dawn Belshaw... a fun way to re-use old books.

Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult for all workshops except those held at the Auckland Youth & Community Centre

Chip & Chisel Sculptures at the AYCC, 1.30pm - 4pm, **COST: £7.50**

Using Thermalite blocks you'll carve an Easter Island Head sculpture to adorn your fireplace or garden. With Wendy Turner.



Willow Dragonflies at ST. MARY'S CHURCH, 1.30pm - 4pm, **COST: £5**

Learn the craft of willow weaving with Jo-Anne Bolton and make a beautiful dragonfly.

Thursday 18 February

Rolled Paper Wall Art at POD, 10am - 12.30pm, **COST: £4**

Create a wonderful framed mirror with Jan Geoghegan using roled up magazines pages.



Hand-stitched Pictures at WOODHOUSE CLOSE LIBRARY

10am - 12.30pm, **COST: £5** with Jackie Ward

Create your own personalised hand-stitched picture ready to frame for either yourself or as a gift.

Bath Bombs at B/A TOWN HALL LIBRARY

10am - 12.30pm, **COST: £4**

Step into a multi-sensory experience with Claire Ford to make bath bombs that you can use later in the day when you soak in your bath!



Mod-Roc Modelling (for ages 5 to 13)

at the AUCKLAND YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE, 1.30pm - 4pm, **£2**

Silk Scarf Painting at WOODHOUSE CLOSE LIBRARY 1.30pm - 4pm, **COST: £5**

Try out the beautiful art of silk painting to create your very own scarf.

Pom-Pom Animals at ST. MARY'S CHURCH

1.30pm - 4pm, **COST: £4**

Make your own pom-poms and design a cute animal!



Friday 19 February

Green Screen Animation in the ELGAR ROOM, B/A TOWN HALL

10am - 12.30pm & 1.30pm - 4pm, **COST: £3 (£5 if you book for day)**

Learn how to use a mix of techniques and materials including green screen, cut out animation, textiles and photography and have a go at making a short, animated film



Celtic Harp at ST. MARY'S CHURCH, 10am - 12pm, **COST: £4**

Join local Celtic harpist, Louise Bradley for a fabulous opportunity to try your hand at harp playing - this workshop will leave you wanting more!

Lunchtime Concert at ST. PETER'S CHAPEL, Auckland Castle, 1pm

A wonderful opportunity to hear the harp being played in such a splendid venue. LOUISE BRADLEY has performed in orchestras and chamber ensembles, jazz bands, choirs and traditional music groups as well as an accompanist and solo performer. Deeply relaxing and beautiful, the sound of the celtic harp will leave you feeling refreshed and recharged.

TO ATTEND THIS LUNCHTIME CONCERT NORMAL ADMISSION CHARGES TO AUCKLAND CASTLE APPLY

Payment for sessions at both Library venues must be made prior to the workshop. Payments for all other sessions to be made on the day.

BOOK NOW!

To book tickets for any of the following events, call:
03000 269 524



Wednesday 10 February

MUSIC: Swing Manouche featuring Daniel John Martin
7.30pm at B/A Town Hall Theatre Tickets: £10 / £8 conc.

This UK gypsy swing ensemble is filled with infectious energy, virtuosity and joy. Recreating Parisian Gypsy Jazz of the 1930/40s, expect light-hearted, whimsical and sometimes melancholy gypsy standards, and authentic originals. Joined by Daniel John Martin who is one of the most talented violinists of his generation.

MUSIC: Band Night, 7.30pm
at B/A Town Hall Theatre Tickets: £3



Daisy Arts presents a mix of young bands from across the region hosted by Charlie & Mark from Bishop FM

Friday 12 February

MUSIC: Paul Armfield
7.30pm at B/A Town Hall Theatre Tickets: £10 / £8 conc.

An evening of exquisite lyrics and vocals from Paul Armfield's sixth album Found, a suite of songs inspired by a collection of black and white photographs gathered from the flea markets of Berlin, offer a tantalizing glimpse into the hearts, loves and lives of the people behind the history. "Exquisite, extraordinary, almost unbearably beautiful" Mojo



Saturday 20 February



MUSIC: The Baghdaddies, 7.30pm
at B/A Town Hall Theatre Tickets: £8 advance / £10 on the door

The Baghdaddies have been touring the world for over 19 years and had 15 appearances at Glastonbury. With Balkan melodies, ska and latin grooves alongside sizzling brass, this band play euphoric dancing music with furious energy & theatrical humour.

This event is a partnership between Daisy Arts and Jack Drum Arts

Monday 22 February

THEATRE: What Are They Like by Lucinda Coxon
7.30pm at B/A Town Hall Theatre Tickets: £6 / £4 conc.

"Adolescence is a rough ride. You've got existential angst, mood swings, fashion fiascos, terrifying physical changes, never enough money... and that's just the parents! How well do you know yours?" A play written for young performers and performed at Febfest as part of the National Theatre's Connections 500 Project, delivered by Jack Drum Arts with funding from the National Foundation for Youth Music.



THEATRE: Stowaway
by Hannah Barker & Lewis Hetherington

7.30pm at B/A Town Hall Theatre Tickets: £10 / £8 conc.

A Boeing 777 descends towards Heathrow. The wheels unfold out of the belly of the plane. The frozen body of a stowaway is tipped out and cuts through the clear morning sky. In the car park of B&Q, Andy looks up. Something is falling out of the sky. A man crash lands on the ground in front of him. This is the story of an extraordinary journey in search of an impossible future.



HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

Intergenerational Workshops: 15 - 19 February (inside 2-page section)

Unless otherwise stated all workshops are specifically designed for participants of all ages

Woodhouse Close Library Workshops, call: 03000 269 527 OPEN MONDAY & THURSDAY 10am - 4pm

Bishop Auckland Town Hall Workshops, call: 03000 269 524 OPEN MON to FRI 10am - 4pm

To book your place on all other workshops please call:

T: 01388 604961 / M: 07855 496 106

Additional Events: 11 - 26 February (inside first page - lectures)

Events taking place at Bishop Auckland Methodist Church and St. Mary's Church
please call : 07855 496 106 or visit the website **www.daisyarts.org**

PLEASE NOTE: ABOVE BOOKING LINE ONLY OPEN MONDAY TO FRIDAY 9am - 4pm

Venue addresses for all Workshop & Events: Details listed below

Venues

AUCKLAND CASTLE,

Market Place, Bishop Auckland DL14 7NR

AUCKLAND YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE,

Walker Drive, DL14 6QL

BISHOP AUCKLAND TOWN HALL,

Market Place, DL14 7NP

BISHOP AUCKLAND METHODIST CHURCH,

Cockton Hill Road, DL14 6EN

POD,

42, Market Place, DL14 7PB

ST. MARY'S CHURCH,

Vart Road, DL14 6PQ

WOODHOUSE CLOSE LIBRARY,

Woodhouse Lane, DL14 6JX

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