



WHAT'S ON MAY-AUG 2024 AT FOREST ARTS CENTRE



Kiri Pritchard McLean
Friday 7 June



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**SINGER/SONGWRITER
KEITH JAMES:
THE SONGS OF
LEONARD COHEN**

Wednesday 1 May, 7.30pm
£18

Keith James performs a concert of Cohen's amazing material in the most intimate and sensitive way imaginable, exposing the solitary inner strength of his greatest songs.

**COUNTRY/ROCK
THE UNRAVELLING
WILBURYS**

**Friday 3 and Saturday 4 May,
7.30pm**

£17 / £16 concession 14+

A tribute band that's not just a tribute band, the fabulous Unravelling Wilburys are made up of Sticky Willy, Walter, Thumper, Blind Melon and Honky Tonk Wilbury, the "real" Wilbury brothers, who present their own unique slant on what it means to be a tribute band.

HITS FROM THE BLITZ

Thursday 9 May, 7.30pm
£15 advance / £17 on the door

The unique "feel-good" 1940's show, as featured at Dame Vera Lynn's Charity Gala Nights and TV's 'Dad's Army'. Enjoy famous wartime tunes and sing-a-long songs brought to life by the singers and multi-instrumentalists of the Five Star Swing Band.

**JESSICA FOSTEKEW:
METTLE**

Friday 10 May, 8pm
£17 / £15 concession 18+

A brand-new stand-up show about passion, pace and purpose from the critically-acclaimed star of BBC's QI, Live at the Apollo and C4's Travel Man. 'A loud, lively and vital voice' Evening Standard



**THE PANTALOONS PRESENT:
THE IMPORTANCE OF
BEING EARNEST**

Wednesday 15 May, 7.30pm
**£16 advance / £18 on the door
/ £12 concession /
£14 young person**

Wilde's comic masterpiece gets The Pantaloons treatment in their anarchic take on the classic comedy of manners. This energetic production infuses Wilde's witty words with snappy new songs and physical theatre to give this perennially popular play a hilarious contemporary twist.



FOLK THE PAPERBOYS

Thursday 16 May, 7.30pm
£15 advance / £17 on the door

The Paperboys are a globe-trotting sextet that perform Celtic reels, traditional Mexican folk, fiddle tunes, New Orleans brass band music, classic pop songs, bluegrass and even the odd philosophical waltz in a single set.

FOLK ALASDAIR FRASER AND NATALIE HAAS

Wednesday 22 May, 7.30pm
£17 advance / £20 on the door

The musical partnership between consummate performer Alasdair Fraser and brilliant Californian cellist Natalie Haas spans the full spectrum between intimate chamber music and ecstatic dance energy, setting the standard for fiddle and cello in traditional music.

MARK THOMAS: GAFFA TAPES: WARM UP

Thursday 23 May, 7.30pm
£15 / £10 concession 18+

Join Mark as he tries out material for his brand-new show with jokes, rants, politics, play, and the occasional sing-song.

FOREST ARTS COMEDY CLUB

Thursday 30 May,
Thursday 27 June, 7.30pm
£12 / £5 young person 18+

Talented comedian and viral sensation Joe Wells (MC) presents a monthly night of hand-picked comedians from the UK circuit, including including TV names and the best new local talent.

SHELF: TEENAGE MEN

Friday 31 May, 7.30pm
£14 14+

In their last show, Shelf joked about being mistaken for teenage boys. Now, it's time to start being teenage men. This new show from the 'easy to fall in love with' (Scotsman) double-act features anecdotes, songs, jokes about performing for kids, the Instagram algorithm, confronting your toxicity, and more.

GREEN ROOM LIVE: RIVER ROOTS + SADIE HORLER

Thursday 6 June, 7.30pm
£7 advance / £10 on the door /
£5 young person 14+

Free spirited singer-songwriters River Roots are a good-vibe, acoustic folk-roots duo from the UK. A powerful symbiosis of soulful male/female harmonies that will take you out of your head and straight into your heart.

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SPECIAL
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KIRI PRITCHARD MCLEAN: PEACOCK

Friday 7 June, 7.30pm

£16 / £14 concession 18+

Kiri has become a foster parent. Until now, she hasn't been able to talk about it on stage, she hasn't even told the kids that she's a comedian. Oh, and she uses a different name – she's the Bruce Wayne of comedy but without the mansions. Kiri lifts the lid on social workers, first aid training and what not to do when a vicar searches for you on YouTube.

CLASSICAL KEITH ROGERS AND THE BOSSARD STRING QUARTET: REFLECTIONS IN A VENETIAN DREAM

Saturday 8 June, 6.30pm

Free, but booking advisable

Join us to enjoy a beautiful exhibition of the paintings, prints and pastels of Keith Rogers, with an accompanying performance of Vivaldi's *Four Seasons* by the Bossard String Quartet.

SINGER/SONGWRITER AN EVENING OF JAMES TAYLOR

Thursday 13 June, 7.30pm

£18 advance / £22 on the door

James Taylor is the encapsulation of the best of American songwriting. His music has touched millions worldwide over his ongoing 55-year career and his music still stands up to the test of time.



An Evening of James Taylor

Vernon James performs these songs, true to how they were written and in the spirit of James Taylor himself, with a soulful lilt.

SINGER/SONGWRITER MIM GREY

Friday 14 June, 7.30pm

£18 Advance / £20 on the door

Get ready for the unforgettable soul-stirring melodies and heartfelt lyrics of Mim Grey. Her creative prowess has seen her collaborating with the crème de la crème, including Sir Paul McCartney and co-writing songs for Kylie Minogue. Legendary singer Michael Ball hails her as 'the most beautiful voice to come out of the UK in a very long time'.

AN EVENING OF COMEDY IMPROVISATION WITH THE IMPROVISED PLAY COMPANY

Saturday 22 June, 7.30pm

£10 18+

The Improvised Play Company expertly craft characters and storylines, with each performance completely driven by audience suggestions and ideas. Join us for a unique evening of comedy!

**CLASSICAL
GRAFFITI CLASSICS:
THE COMEDY STRING
QUARTET**

Friday 5 July, 7.30pm
£18 advance / £20 on the door

14+

16 strings, 8 dancing feet, and 4 voices with 1 aim: to make classical music wickedly funny and fantastically exhilarating for everyone. Graffiti Classics burst the elitist boundaries of the traditional string quartet with their hilarious all-singing and all-dancing musical show.



**GREEN ROOM LIVE:
DIELLE + MEGAN
WARDROPPER**

Thursday 15 August, 7.30pm
£7 advance / £10 on the door
/ £5 young person

Enjoy one of our live music nights this August, as we bring you the best talent from across the local region. Dielle is inspired by great songwriters such as Joni Mitchell and Carole King.

**PROG ROCK
CURVED AIR**

Friday 16 August, 7.30pm
£20 advance / £22 on the door

Legendary British progressive rock group founder member Sonja Kristina leads a skilled and talented new line-up. Their experimental blends of classical themes, electronic sounds, pop/rock energy and beautiful, timeless songs are performed with fire, passion and tremendous musicianship.

**GREEN ROOM LIVE:
CHRIS WOOD +
JAKE PUNTIS +
JONATHAN VERNAM**

Thursday 22 August, 7.30pm
£7 advance / £10 on the door
/ £5 young person

Another great night with a diverse selection of local musical talent.

**GREEN ROOM LIVE:
CARRIE MARTIN + LOST
POST + NATHAN EVANS**

Thursday 29 August, 7.30pm
£7 advance / £10 on the door
/ £5 young person

Three extraordinary talents join us for this last August local music night. Lost Post are an Americana trio who have crafted their own special blend of folk, country, blues and jazz.

WORKSHOPS



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SPECIAL
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QI GONG SHORT COURSE

Weekly from Saturday 4 May
to Saturday 25 May, 10.45am
£6 per week

YOGA NIDRA

Wednesday 8 May, 6pm
Wednesday 12 June, 6pm
£6

ABSTRACT ART

Friday 10 May, 6pm
£10

WELLNESS WALKS

Wednesdays 15 May, 19 June,
17 July, 14 August, 1.30pm
FREE

CREATIVE WALKSHOPS: PHOTOGRAPHY

Saturday 25 May, 10am
£3

GLASS TEA LIGHTS

Friday 24 May, 10am
£70 full / £63 concession

INTRODUCTION TO FUSED GLASS

Friday 24 May, 2pm
£70 full / £63 concession

WATERCOLOUR WORKSHOP

Saturday 25 May, 10am
£70 full / £63 concession

SILK CARDS

Wednesday 29 May, 10am
£35 full / £31.50 concession

ART CLASS WITH A WINE GLASS: LIFE DRAWING

Wednesday 29 May, 6.30pm
£15 full / £13.50 concession

ACRYLIC WORKSHOP

Friday 31 May, 10am
£60 full / £54 concession

CRAFT CLASS WITH A WINE GLASS: POTTERY

Friday 31 May, 6pm
£35 full / £31.50 concession

SMALL RAFFIA CLUTCH

Saturday 1 June, 10am

£105 full / £94.50 concession

SATURDAY SOUND BATH

Saturdays 11 May, 8 June,
13 July, 10 August, 9am

FREE

MANDALA STONE PAINTING

Saturday 8 June, 11.15am

£20 full / £18 concession

MEDITATION

Saturday 8 June, 1pm

£6

BELLY DANCE

Saturday 8 June, 2pm

£12 full / £10.80 concession



Fae House Workshop

WELLNESS DAY: MINDFUL MOVEMENT AND MINDFUL BREATH

Saturday 8 June, 2.15pm

FREE

WELLNESS DAY: COLOUR THERAPY

Saturday 8 June, 3.30pm

£20 full / £18 concession

WELLNESS DAY: MINDFULNESS

Saturday 8 June, 3.30pm

FREE

POWER OF THE BIRO

Friday 14 June, 6.30pm

£7

FAE HOUSE WORKSHOP

Saturday 15 June, 10am

£85 full / £76.50 concession

TAP DANCE BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

Saturday 15 June, 2pm

£12 full / £10.80 concession

WELLBEING RETREAT

Sunday 16 June, 10am

£60 full / £54 concession

LEARN TO SILKSCREEN PRINT ON PAPER

Sunday 16 June, 2pm

Tuesday 20 August, 6.30pm

£45 full / £40.50 concession

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Art in Plein Air

SOUND JOURNEY AND GONG BATH

Tuesday 18 June, 6pm

£25 full / £22.50 concession

FAMILY BUSHCRAFT SHORT COURSE

Saturday 22 June to

Saturday 6 July, 10am

£60

CREATIVE WALKSHOPS: SKETCHBOOK WALK

Tuesday 25 June, 10am

£3

ART IN PLEIN AIR

Tuesdays 2 July and

13 August, 10am

£20 full / £18 concession

FAE DOOR WORKSHOP

Saturday 6 July, 2pm

£55

WILLOW LUNCH BAG

Saturday 12 July, 10am

£75 full / £67.50 concession

CREATIVE WALKSHOPS: MINDFUL WALK AND YOGA IN THE FOREST

Tuesday 16 July, 8am

£3



EXHIBITIONS

REFLECTIONS IN A VENETIAN DREAM: A NEW EXHIBITION BY KEITH ROGERS

25 May to 10 July

Enjoy paintings, prints and pastels, big screen projections of artworks and a live performance of Vivaldi's Four Seasons by The Bossard String Quartet on Saturday 8 June from 6.30pm.

CLASSES

A range of classes are also available for booking.

Visit our website to find out more.

Taster sessions may be possible for classes with availability. 50p booking charge applies per ticket/class. Please see our website or contact the box office for more information.



ROOM HIRE

At Forest Arts Centre we have six flexible spaces available for hire at competitive rates, plus the support of our friendly and experienced team to help you plan your event.

Each of our spaces can be configured to fit your needs and we can cater for everything, from workshops and parties to one-to-one meetings and presentations and training for up to 140 people. Our café/bar is fully licensed and offers a range of hot and cold drinks, snacks and free WiFi.

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE



The Enchanted Cinema

ART

TINY TOES

Mondays from 15 April
for 9 weeks, 9.30am
£5 per week

CRAFT

MINI ART CLUB

Mondays from 15 April
for 9 weeks, 4pm
Cost £5 per week

FILM

THEATRE

ART CLUB

Mondays from 15 April
for 9 weeks, 5.15pm
£5 per week

DANCE &
PERFORMING ARTS

CRAFTY KIDS

Thursdays from 18 April
for 10 weeks, 4pm
£5 per week

SPECIAL
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YOUNG ARTISTS

Thursdays from 18 April
for 10 weeks, 5.15pm
£5 per week

LITERARY

JUNIOR WRITERS GROUP

Saturdays from 20 April
for 10 weeks, 9.30am
FREE

YOUNG WRITERS GROUP

Saturdays from 20 April
for 10 weeks, 11.30am
FREE

THE ENCHANTED CINEMA: ORCHESTRA OF WATER

Wednesday 29 May, 3.00pm
£10 Adult / £5 Child

Ideal for children aged 6+.

The Enchanted Cinema are BACK in the New Forest! Inspired by the spirit of lakes, streams and the sea, you will create the sound FX using your voice, bird whistles, recorders and many more interesting instruments, creating the atmospheric sounds for Studio Ghibli clips and other beautiful animations.

SHELF: THE KIDS SHOW

Friday 31 May, 2.30pm

£12 full / £10 concession
/ £40 family of 4

Full of sketches, songs, pranks and silliness, Rachel and Ruby use physical comedy and silly characters to bring sketch comedy to children of all ages.



NEURODIVERGENT CHILDREN MANDALA STONE PAINTING

Saturday 8 June, 1.15pm

£6

FATHER'S DAY:

LEARN TO SILKSCREEN PRINT

Sunday 16 June, 2pm – 4pm

£45

FAE DOOR WORKSHOP

Saturday 6 July, 2pm – 5pm

£55

TINY TOES

Mondays from 29 July

for 3 weeks, 10am

£5 per week

PLAYING WITH PAINT

Fridays 2, 9, 23, 30 August,

10am – 11am

£6

CREATIVE CAMPS:

DANCE IN A DAY!

Tuesday 6 August, 9am

£35

LITTLE MERMAID (PG)

Tuesday 6 August, 11am

£3

SUMMER SCHOOL: BAND TOGETHER

Monday 12 August to

Friday 16 August, 9am

£175 full /

£130 additional child ticket

TROLLS: BAND TOGETHER (U)

Tuesday 13 August, 11am

£3

CREATIVE CAMPS: PRINTING!

Tuesday 20 August, 9am

£60

WISH (U)

Tuesday 20 August, 11am

£3

CREATIVE CAMPS: PLAY IN A DAY!

Tuesday 27 August, 9am

£35

WONKA (PG)

Tuesday 27 August, 11am

£3

CREATIVE CAMPS: KIDS CERAMICS

Wednesday 28 August, 10am

£20

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