# South Hill Park Arts Centre







#### Welcome



In November 2019, as I sat here writing my welcome to the spring 2020 brochure, little did I know that a pandemic would cut short our season of performances, exhibitions and courses, followed by a trio of national lockdowns. Five years later much has changed, but your arts centre remains, thriving and delivering for our community.

Our 2024 pantomime *Robin Hood and the Magic Arrow* was South Hill Park's fastest selling Christmas production ever. I hope you managed to grab a ticket. And next year's panto, *Mother Goose and the Golden Egg*, one of Britain's oldest panto stories, is already on sale.

If you like a musical, South Hill Park has a lot on offer this spring: Godspell, Cabaret, Matilda Jr, The SpongeBob Musical, Madagascar Jr and The Little Mermaid, as well as our ever-popular Easter community musical, Priscilla Queen of the Desert, for some fabulous Aussie campness.

South Hill Park has a long tradition of hosting some of the very best stand-up comedians both in the Wilde Theatre and in our unique Cellar Bar. If you are yet to experience *The Comedy Cellar* on Friday evenings, I would highly recommend it. Equally our 60-seat cinema, situated in the old dining room when the house was a private residence, remains a cinematic gem with a broad range of film titles and includes monthly dementia-friendly screenings for those living with dementia and their loved ones.

Visitors to South Hill Park often ask me how they can best support South Hill Park Trust, the charity. Buying tickets for live theatre performances is certainly important, but you can also become a Friend and/or make a regular monthly donation. Or maybe consider including the Arts Centre in your will so we can continue to make a difference to the lives of future generations. We are proud of the work we do to support our community, but this is only possible with the financial support of Bracknell Forest Council, Bracknell Town Council, the Bracknell Forest Parishes and you. Wishing you a very happy and successful 2025.

#### **Craig Titley-Rawson**

Chief Executive

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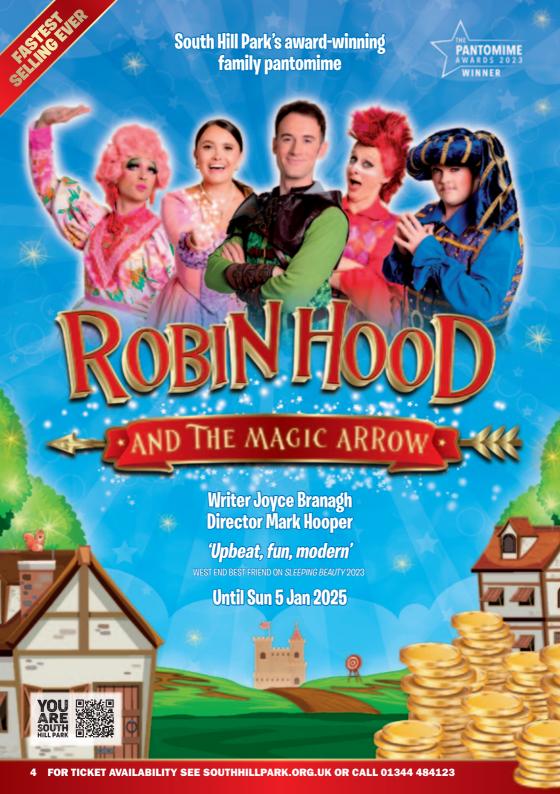
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44 Right at the beginning we make it clear that, while we offer an element of education. we're not a school. We explain we're not here to tell them what's right or wrong, we're just here to encourage them to express themselves creatively. 77

**RUSSELL TURNER** WILDE ABOUT ARTS TUTOR

Every time you visit us, make a donation, become a friend, take part, hire a room, volunteer or sponsor us, you help provide a space for vulnerable local children to develop their creativity together and build confidence.

#### **YOU ARE SOUTH HILL PARK**



To view Russell's story. scan the QR code or visit southhillpark.org.uk/our-impact

#### Wed 16 - Mon 21 April 2025

2.30 & 7.45pm Relaxed performance Thu 17 April 2.30pm Wilde Theatre

Recommended 14yrs+
Running time approx 2hrs
£26.50
Good friends £23.50
Best friends 21 ticket offer
on any performance

Nick Brannam
Musical Director
Tim Cumper
Choreographer
Luke Robinson
Lighting Designer
Alan Valentine
Sound Designer

Director

Under 18s £22.50

Groups of 10+ £24.50

All proceeds in support of South Hill Park's fundraising campaign

**Nat Casev** 

A South Hill Park community production

#### Cast includes:



Keir Buist Robin Hood and the Magic Arrow Christmas 2024

## Priscilla Queen of the Desert – The Musical

Based on the smash-hit movie, *Priscilla Queen of the Desert* is the heart-warming, uplifting adventure of three friends, Tick, Bernadette and Adam, a glamorous Sydney-based performing trio who agree to take their show to the middle of the Australian outback. They hop aboard a battered old bus, nicknamed Priscilla, searching for love and friendship and end up finding more than they ever imagined.

With a dazzling array of outrageous costumes and a hit parade of dance floor favourites including: It's Raining Men, I Will Survive, Hot Stuff, Boogie Wonderland, Go West, Girls Just Wanna Have Fun, and I Love the Nightlife, this wildly fresh and funny musical is a joyous journey to the heart of fabulous.

So throw on your wigs, high heels and all the glitter you can find for the most glamorous ride of your life.

From the team that brought you previous best-selling Easter productions *Kinky Boots* (2023) and *Beauty and the Beast* (2024).



**Gordon Cowell** Beauty and the Beast Easter 2024



Stuart Hayllor Beauty and the Beast Easter 2024

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the musical

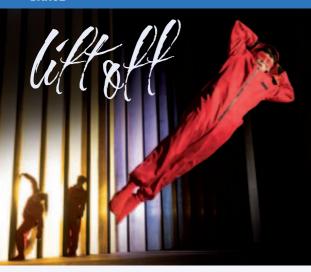
#### Book by Stephan Elliott and Allan Scott

Based on the Latent Image/Specific Films Motion Picture Distributed by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc. Produced by Nullarbor Productions in association with MGM On Stage Musical arrangements and orchestrations by Stephen 'Spud' Murphy Developed for the stage and originally directed by Simon Phillips



The original motion picture was written and directed by Stephan Elliott, produced by Al Clark and Michael Hamlyn, executive producer Rebel Penfold-Russell and was financed with the assistance of the Film Finance Corporation Australia Limited and the New South Wales Film and Television Office Presented through special arrangement with and all authorised performance materials are supplied by Theatrical Rights Worldwide (TRW), www.theatricalrights.co.uk





# **Lift Off Dance** Festival 2025

South Hill Park's annual dance festival returns to celebrate its 24th year. Showcasing a wide range of dance styles, ages and abilities, reaching far beyond Berkshire, and providing exciting opportunities to watch, participate and engage in the world of dance.

Dance professionals, students of dance and audience members come together for this extravaganza of dance masterclasses, cinema screenings of live theatre shows, and stunning, cutting-edge dance performances.

Photo: Rob Blackham with ORB Youth Dance Co. Luke Brown Dance & Felix Clements **RUSH Creative Collective** 

Sat 15 - Sun 16 March 7pm Wilde Theatre £16, good and best friends £13

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#### **Youth and Community Galas**

Groups from Berkshire, Surrey, Hampshire, London, and surrounding areas, apply to take part in these hugely popular galas – showcasing the passion that dancers aged 6yrs, to those in their 80s, have for different styles of dance.

Youth groups, community groups, schools and special guest professional dancers come together to present these two evenings of dance entertainment for families and dance enthusiasts alike.

Sat 15 - Sun 16 March Dance Studio

£6

#### **Dance Masterclasses**

A series of dance masterclasses, taught by professional choreographers, across a range of styles.



For full details visit southhillpark.org.uk/lift-off To find out how to get involved email Lena Dee at liftoffdance@gmail.com

#### Cinema · Dance on Screen

£20. concessions £19. good and best friends £18, under 18s £10

Thu 27 Feb 7.15pm RECORDED 210 mins, 2 intervals

The Royal Ballet

#### **Swan Lake**

Classical ballet's most powerful tale of love, treachery and forgiveness.

Sun 2 March 2pm RECORDED 105 mins. 1 interval

The World's Greatest Stage Musicals

#### **Jesus Christ Superstar Live**

Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's rock classic returns to its roots with this sensational performance.

Thu 20 March 7.15pm LIVE 210 mins, 2 intervals

The Royal Ballet

#### **Romeo and Juliet**

One of the greatest love stories ever told through ballet. An ancient family feud casts a long shadow over the town of Verona.

Sun 30 March 2pm RECORDED 163 mins, 1 interval

The World's Greatest Stage Musicals **Billy Elliot the Musical Live** 

Set against the 1984/85 miners' strike, Billy discovers a passion for ballet that changes his life forever.

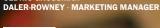
# Become a corporate partner

As a registered charity, we are grateful to our corporate partners whose support allows us to inspire, connect and enrich lives through the creative arts.

Over the last three years, Bracknell-based Daler-Rowney, a manufacturer of art materials since 1783, have gone from hiring meeting rooms at South Hill Park to donating funds and art supplies, and sponsoring youth courses and free family summer activities.

We have a selection of corporate sponsorship packages, including for our annual *Festival of Food and Music*, which all come with a range of benefits such as advertising in print, online and on signage.

44 South Hill Park is making sure that everyone in the community can watch, listen to and experience art. This is really close to one of our own missions, to make art more accessible, so that's why we wanted to work together.



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ROWNEY





For further information please contact Sales and Marketing Director, Margaretha Welsford on 01344 413511 or email margaretha.welsford@southhillpark.org.uk

Or visit southhillpark.org.uk/support-us/corporate-partnerships



# WEDDING FAIR

# Sun 12 Jan 2025 - 11am-3pm

Discover a range of local wedding suppliers, showcased throughout the mansion

cake makers · photographers · florists · bridal gowns accessories · decorations · live music · guided tours







Live music performed throughout the afternoon

**Bryan Edery · pianist · Tall Hall Emily Spink · singer · Recital Room** 

Our wedding coordinators will be on hand to take you on a guided tour of the facilities or to discuss your individual requests to ensure a truly magical experience for you both. South Hill Park is based in a Grade II listed Georgian mansion house surrounded by beautiful parkland. With picturesque Italian gardens, a lake, elegant rooms and many original features both inside and outside the mansion.

This truly is a gorgeous setting for your special day.





southhillpark.org.uk/weddings hospitality@southhillpark.org.uk Events team 01344 416233





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# PROUD-LAY PRESENTING



# Souther Goose AND THE GOLDEN EGG

**Writer Joyce Branagh** 

South Hill Park's 2025 pantomime

on sale now

The Pantomime Awards 2018 winner for best set design Victoria Spearing



The Pantomime Awards 2023 winner for best script

Joyce Branagh



# **Wilde Theatre Comedy**



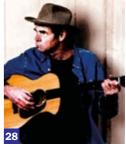
**Ed Byrne** Sun 26 Jan 7.45pm



**Mark Steel** Thu 27 Feb 8pm



**Daniel O'Reilly** Sat 1 March 7.45pm



**Rich Hall** Tue 29 April

# Conservatoire **International Concert Series**



Cristian Sandrin · piano

#### Fri 17 Jan

We welcome back Romanian pianist Cristian Sandrin, A far travelled musician of great experience, he is happy in many styles and genres. His concert is based around one main work. Bach's Goldberg Variations. The programme includes music by Mozart. Cvril Scot and three contemporary variations on the Goldberg bass.



Jacky Zhang · piano

#### Fri 24 Jan

16-year-old Jacky Zhang is in his fourth year of undergraduate studies at the Royal College of Music. An outstanding finalist in the BBC Young Musician 2024 competition, his programme for us focuses on the king of romantic piano. Frederic Chopin, including the 2nd Sonata and the Preludes Op.28.



Victor Brajos · piano

#### Fri 14 Feb

Spanish concert artist Victor Braios takes us from Spain to Poland, via Austria. with a programme of music by Granados. (Romantic Scenes). Chopin (Fantasie in F minor) and Schubert's glorious final B-flat Sonata. A truly imaginative piano recital, not to be missed.



Maya Irgalina · piano

#### Fri 21 Feb

good and best friends £16, U18s £5.50

Recital Room 7.30pm

Mava describes herself as a Belarusian pianist of Tater origin. Her career has already won her prizes and accolades all over the world. Her concert programme shows her eclectic taste. in great music with works by Bach, Rachmaninov (2nd Sonata), Debussy, Rayel and Silvestroy (three pieces from Kitsch Music).



Ryan Wang · piano

#### Fri 28 Feb

17-year-old Canadian pianist Ryan Wang already has an impressive concert and awardwinning career. Most recently, he was named BBC Young Musician of the Year 2024 when he played Rachmaninov's 2nd Piano Concerto. A musician of extraordinary ability and perception, his concert will be an exciting musical experience.



Bela Hartmann · piano

#### Fri 7 March

Bela Hartmann is a musician of great allround ability. Besides being an accomplished concert pianist, he is a composer and writer on musical subjects. His concert for us includes sonatas by Beethoven and Schubert, and Preludes and Fugues from Bach's famous Well Tempered Clavier. A great combination, promising a beautiful musical evening.



Students from the Purcell School

#### Fri 21 March

The Purcell School's annual visit is always a highly anticipated musical event. The concert will include solo instrumental items alongside chamber music. performed by highly talented students from this famous specialist music school.



Students from **Wellington College** 

#### Wed 30 April

This will be the second annual visit of students from nearby Wellington College. Following last year's successful concert, we look forward to another delightful evening of solo and instrumental ensemble music.

# **Bracknell Jazz**

Recital Room 7.30pm £18, U18s £8.50



#### **Sarah Jane Eveleigh & Jonny Ford**

#### Fri 10 Jan

Jazz singer and songwriter Sarah Jane Eveleigh was born and raised in Manchester before moving to the South East to study and hone her craft. Drawing from a wealth of professional and personal experience, Sarah Jane is a passionate and gifted storyteller, and much sought after on the circuit. Rising star Jonny Ford is a very gifted saxophonist and composer. He leads his own big band, the Jonny Ford Jazz Orchestra, which has recently performed his original compositions at Pizza Express and the Vortex.



#### **Karen Sharp Quartet featuring Nikki Iles**

#### Fri 7 Feb

Almost 15 years ago, award-winning saxophonist Karen Sharp formed her guartet with three other superstars of the UK jazz scene: Nikki Iles (piano), Dave Green (bass) and Steve Brown (drums). They create a unique sound that is warm, spontaneous and exciting, incorporating free flowing improvisation with almost telepathic ensemble playing. The group have recorded two CDs which showcase a shared passion for strong melodies, group interplay and respect for the jazz tradition.



#### Jo Fooks & Steve Waterman

#### Fri 14 March

Since being talent-spotted by Humphrey Lyttelton, who invited her to ioin his band. Jo Fooks' hard-swinging warm-toned tenor sax has rapidly established her on the UK scene. Steve Waterman is one of the top British jazz trumpet players, both at home and on the international scene. The rhythm section is joined by the outstanding drummer Buster Birch.

#### A brilliantly inventive player and composer

HUMPHREY LYTTELTON ON JO FOOKS



#### **Martin Pyne's Small Blue**

#### Fri 11 April

Small Blue is a new band using the classic jazz piano trio line up. It features David Beebee on piano, Marianne Windham on bass and Martin Pyne on drums. A debut album by the trio released in February 2024, quickly receiving radio play on JazzFM and other stations, as well as garnering some glowing reviews. The repertoire features many of Martin's compositions, and the sound is intimate and atmospheric.

Subtle and elegant tunes crisply delivered MARLBANK

# **Wilde Sundays**

McAllister's 2pm £9

Enjoy a relaxed afternoon of live acoustic music, featuring some of the best local acts, across all genres, in a beautiful setting.



# Lee Switzer-Woolf + Erica and the Wildebeest + Finn Boykew

#### Sun 19 Jan

Erica and the Wildebeest is a London-based duo featuring Erica Steenkamp and Christopher Newland. Lee Switzer-Woolf describes his music as folktronica or headphone music for sad land mammals. Finn Boykew is a pianist and vocalist.



#### Alex Seel + Marc Woosnam + Morrison

#### Sun 9 Feb

Featuring guitarist and singer-songwriter Alex Seel from London, Bracknell's very own Marc Woosnam who is currently recording his latest album and acoustic duo Morrison from Basingstoke.



# The Nefarious Picaroons + The Gillies + Simon Morley

#### Sun 2 March

Seven-piece acoustic band The Nefarious Picaroons plays a collection of rare and classic pop gems in a low-down-dirty-stomped-up-pop-skiffle style. The Gillies is a London-based Americana duo. Sion Morley is a singer-songwriter.



#### **Becky Brown + Stem + Louis Hayes**

#### Sun 6 April

Performing are London-based singer-songwriter and musician Becky Brown, Bracknell-based acoustic duo Stem and Louis Hayes making his Wilde Sundays debut.

# **Gigs in the Cellar**

Cellar Bar 8pm £14.50. good and best friends £12.50 A series of electrifying gigs down in the Cellar Bar, from up-and-coming and established artists of all genres, under the guidance of the Graham Steel Music Company.



#### Ajay Srivastav + Tommy Eric

#### Wed 15 Jan

Ajay Srivastav is a critically acclaimed musician. He reflects life as a British-born artist of Indian heritage with uplifting songs of protest and change. His rootsy guitar style is layered with inflections of sitar and sarod - merging scales and techniques from classical Indian music with slide guitar in a search for commonality where there is difference. Tommy Eric has dedicated many years to playing guitar and bass for other artists, as well as producing their tracks and albums. He has now taken the leap into creating his own music.



#### Tomorrow Bird + Jess Tuthill

#### Wed 12 Feb

Tomorrow Bird is a multi-award-winning folk-Americana duo based in Reading – think The Civil Wars meets Simon & Garfunkel. Their heartfelt songs, stunning vocals and soul-stirring harmonies have transfixed audiences and propelled their latest album Braver Days to the top of the Amazon folk chart. Jess Tuthill is a singer-songwriter also from Reading. She has been writing music for over 20 years by taking inspiration from her surroundings, including television shows and computer games.



#### Café Chaos + Erica and the Wildebeest

#### Wed 12 March

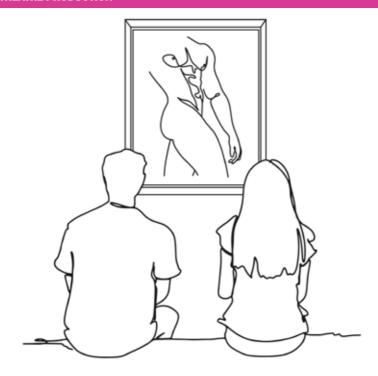
Café Chaos's style draws on a variety of influences including: Pink Floyd. Rush, early Genesis, Gary Moore, Focus, Colosseum and Camel all brought into the 21st century. Support on the night comes from London-based acoustic duo Erica and the Wildebeest, featuring Erica Steenkamp and Christopher Newland.



#### **Man Made Soul**

#### Wed 16 April

Man Made Soul is a six-piece soul, R&B and blues revue, playing classic songs from the golden years of the 60s and 70s. They play the tracks that make you want to get up and shake your money maker, so jump aboard the soul train and come along to a Man Made Soul gig.



#### Tue 25 Feb - Sat 1 March

#### 7.30pm Studio Theatre

Recommended 12yrs+ £15 Good and best friends £13 Under 16s £14

By **Neil LaBute** 

Director **Rosie Hill** 

Possibly some of the strongest performances I have seen at South Hill Park, I was engaged

from start to finish MOJO, SEPTEMBER 2023

Thought provoking and relevant THE BALLAD OF MARIA MARTEN. MARCH 2024

A community production

A STUDIO THEATRE PRODUCTION

### **The Shape of Things**

Don't fool yourself and think all this is art. Okay? And if I'm wrong then you ought to at least realise there's a price to it all.

When shy and unassuming student Adam meets passionate and audacious art graduate Evelyn, his life takes an unexpected turn. Under Evelyn's influence, Adam embarks on a journey of self-improvement, pushing the boundaries of who he is and what he's willing to change. But as he sheds his old self and embraces a new image, the impact ripples through his friendships and sense of identity, raising unsettling questions about authenticity, loyalty and the cost of desire.

This daring and thought-provoking drama will keep you riveted, questioning what shapes us and what we'll do to be truly seen. In a thrilling twist, the audience is challenged to consider where the lines lie between love and manipulation, art and control, and innovative design for an exhilarating experience.



Thu 23 - Fri 24 Jan 7.30pm **Coach House** £16

ARTEMIS COLLEGE OF PERFORMING ARTS

#### Godspell

Join us for an immersive and dynamic performance of Godspell by Artemis College's second year and gap year students.

This reimagined 2012 version brings Stephen Schwartz's powerful score to life in an innovative, interactive setting. Experience an engaging blend of music, movement and storytelling that highlights themes of community and the human spirit.

Don't miss this unforgettable performance that promises to captivate and inspire.

A youth community production



Sun 26 Jan 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £35

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#### **Ed Byrne: Tragedy Plus Time**

From the quote attributed to Mark Twain. humour is defined as Tragedy Plus Time. Come and join Ed as he tests that formula by mining the most tragic event in his life for laughs.

Ed received outstanding critical acclaim for this exceptionally funny, 'Best Reviewed Stand Up Show at Edinburgh 2023' (British Comedy Guide). Ages 14yrs+

\*\*\*\* Hilarious... verging on greatness ROLLING STONE



Sat 25 Jan 7.30pm Wilde Theatre £27.50, good and best friends £25.50, U16s £25.50

#### **Crazy Diamond – Wish You Were Here**

Crazy Diamond plays and pays tribute to the music of Pink Floyd.

The band's approach faithfully honours the band they cover. However, they are not afraid of interpreting the music they love with their own flavour.

In this show, the eight-piece band provide a two-hour set, showcasing Floyd's seminal and homonymous album Wish You Were Here. Other classics are also included such as The Great Gig in the Sky and Echoes.



Fri 31 Jan - Sat 1 Feb 7.45pm, Sat mat 2pm Wilde Theatre £25, good and best friends £20

THE CREATIVE ACADEMY

#### Cabaret

#### Directed by Pippa Holliday Choreographed by Sunita Bolton, Rhian Duncan, **Chelsie Innes and Joshua Pilmore**

Berlin 1931, American cabaret singer Sally Bowles meets British academic Brian Roberts who is finishing his university studies. Despite Brian's confusion over his sexuality, the pair become lovers but the arrival of wealthy and decadent playboy Maximilian von Heune complicates matters for them both. This love triangle plays out against the rise of the Nazi party.

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Fri	10	7.30pm	Recital Room	Bracknell Jazz: Sarah Jane Eveleigh & Jonny Ford	15
Sun	12	11am-3pm	Mansion	Wedding Fair	10
Wed	15	8pm	Cellar Bar	Gigs in the Cellar: Ajay Srivastav + Tommy Eric	17
Fri	17	7.30pm	Recital Room	Conservatoire: Cristian Sandrin	14
Sun	19	2pm	McAllister's	Wilde Sundays: Lee Switzer-Woolf + Erica and the Wildebeest + Finn Boykew	16
Thu	23	7.30pm	Coach House	Godspell	19
Fri	24	7.30pm	Recital Room	Conservatoire: Jacky Zhang	14
		7.30pm	Coach House	Godspell	19
Sat	25	7.30pm	Wilde Theatre	Crazy Diamond – Wish You Were Here	19
Sun	26	7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Ed Byrne: Tragedy Plus Time	19
Fri	31	7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Cabaret	19
FEBRU	JARY				
Sat	1	2 & 7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Cabaret	19
Thu	6	7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Roald Dahl's Matilda Jr – the Musical	22
Fri	7	7.30pm	Recital Room	Bracknell Jazz: Karen Sharp Quartet featuring Nikki Iles	15
		7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Roald Dahl's Matilda Jr – the Musical	22
Sat	8	2 & 6.30pm	Wilde Theatre	Roald Dahl's Matilda Jr – the Musical	22
Sun	9	2pm	McAllister's	Wilde Sundays: Alex Seel + Marc Woosnam + Morrison	16
Wed	12	7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	A Murder is Announced (on air)	22
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Thu	13	7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	A Murder is Announced (on air)	22
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Fri	14	7.30pm	Studio Theatre Recital Room	Toothpaste Kisses	22
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Thu	20	7.15pm	Wilde Theatre	The Gang Show	23
Fri	21	7.15pm	Wilde Theatre	The Gang Show	23
		7.30pm	Recital Room	Conservatoire: Maya Irgalina	14
Sat	22	2.15 & 7.15pm	Wilde Theatre	The Gang Show	23
Sun	23	2pm	Wilde Theatre	The Frog & The Princess and Other Stories	23
		7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	The Picture of Dorian Gray	23
Tue	25	7.30pm	Studio Theatre	The Shape of Things	18
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		7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Shape of You – The Music of Ed Sheeran	24

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Fri	7	7pm 7.30pm	Wilde Theatre Recital Room	The SpongeBob Musical Conservatoire: Bela Hartmann	25 14
Sat	8	2 & 7pm 7.30pm	Wilde Theatre Recital Room	The SpongeBob Musical Spanish Fantasy for Guitar and Piano	25 25
Sun	9	11am & 4pm	Wilde Theatre	The SpongeBob Musical	25
Tue	11	7pm	Wilde Theatre	Gordon's School Spring Concert 2025	25
Wed	12	7.45pm 8pm	Wilde Theatre Cellar Bar	Dreamcoat Stars Gigs in the Cellar: Café Chaos + Erica and the Wildebeest	25 17
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Sat	15	7pm 8pm	Wilde Theatre Cellar Bar	Lift Off: Youth and Community Gala The Filthy Llamas	8 26
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Wed	26	7pm	Wilde Theatre	Coram Shakespeare Schools Festival	26
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Sun	30	1 & 6pm	Wilde Theatre	Quest: A Dancer's Odyssey	26
APRIL					
Wed	2	7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Looking for me Friend: The Music of Victoria Wood	27
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Sun	6	2pm	McAllister's	Wilde Sundays: Becky Brown + Stem + Louis Hayes	16
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Sat	19	2.30 & 7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Priscilla Queen of the Desert – The Musical	6-7
Sun	20	2.30 & 7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Priscilla Queen of the Desert – The Musical	6-7
Mon	21	2.30 & 7.45pm	Wilde Theatre	Priscilla Queen of the Desert – The Musical	6-7
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Thu 6 - Fri 7 Feb 7.45pm, Sat 8 Feb 2 & 6.30pm Wilde Theatre

£22.50, good and best friends £21.50, U16s £20.50

RARE PRODUCTIONS

#### Roald Dahl's Matilda Jr - the Musical

Rebellion is nigh in Matilda Jr, a gleefully witty ode to the anarchy of childhood and the power of imagination.

This story of a girl who dreams of a better life. The pupils she inspires will have audiences rooting for the 'revolting children' who are out to teach the grown-ups a lesson.

A great musical for all the family with some amazing show tunes as well.

A youth community production



Wed 12 - Sat 15 Feb 7.45pm, Sat mat 2.30pm Wilde Theatre

£18.50, good and best friends £16.50, U16s £17.50

I B PRODUCTIONS

#### A Murder is Announced (on air)

#### By Agatha Christie

Curiosity rumbles in the village of Chipping Cleghorn when a strange announcement appears in the local newspaper of a murder due to take place. The neighbours gather, eager to witness the game or joke, but find themselves caught up in the scene of a real crime. Follow Miss Marple through the entanglement of lies, secret identities and blackmail. Performed as if for a radio broadcast but live on stage. Ages 12yrs+ A community production



Thu 13 Feb 8pm **Cellar Bar** £13

#### Fonda Cox's Love Letters

Bracknell's very own blonde bombsite is back with a new show to wish you all a 'Happy Palentine's Day' - a day where, regardless of relationship status, whether you're a slut or a spinster, friends can come together for a laugh at the ridiculousness of everything to do with love.

Delight in a night of comedy and song as your drag hostess Fonda relives her dating disasters. Learn to love, and love to laugh.

Ages 18yrs+



Fri 14 - Sat 15 Feb 7.30pm Studio Theatre £13.50

THREE DOT THEATRE

#### Toothpaste Kisses

Three Dot Theatre returns for two nights only with their critically acclaimed production.

Following the story of Liam, a young man who stumbles his way through parenthood on his own after an unexpected incident changes everything. This new, original play is a touching tale of growing up, the relationship with our parents and how we keep going when we feel like we can't.

Ages 12yrs+



Tue 18 - Sat 22 Feb 7.15pm. Sat mat 2.15pm Wilde Theatre

Tue £10. Wed - Sat mat £15. Sat eve £18

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SOUTH AND SOUTH FAST BERKSHIRE GANG SHOW

#### **The Gang Show**

Coming together from local Scouting groups, these talented youngsters provide a truly memorable experience, combining a mixture of song, dance and comedy sketches from past and present.

The huge backstage team ensure colourful costumes and staging to support the Gang and get you moving in your seats. Something for everyone.

A youth community production



Sun 23 Feb 2pm Wilde Theatre £15.50, U18s £12.50

BOX TALE SOLIP

#### The Frog & The Princess and Other Stories

What if the wishes were granted? What if the magic were real? Beasts and breadcrumbs. wolves and witches, frogs and fairies all join the fun in this stunning new adventure.

A magical show based on Grimm's Fairy Tales, including some familiar stories and some you might never have heard before.

Wonderful puppets, innovative theatre and spellbinding original music. Ages 3yrs+



Sun 23 Feb 7.45pm Wilde Theatre

£19.50, good and best friends £16.50, U18s £12.50

**BOX TALE SOUP** 

#### **The Picture of Dorian Gray**

Dorian Gray, young and beautiful, sinks deep into a frivolous lifestyle of selfish abandon, seeming unchanged by corruption and untouched by age. But behind a locked door, beneath a heavy curtain, Dorian's portrait tells a different story...

An original adaptation of Oscar Wilde's haunting story of evil, debauchery and scandal, featuring unique puppets created for the show and a powerful original soundtrack.

Ages 12yrs+



Wed 26 Feb 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £26

JAMES SEABRIGHT

#### **Buffy Revamped**

Seventy minutes. Seven seasons. One Spike. This fast-paced, award-winning gem brings you the entire 144 episodes of the hit 90s TV show, Buffy the Vampire Slayer, as told through the eyes of Spike. Funny, satirical and bursting with 90s pop-culture references, it's the perfect parody for Buffy aficionados and those who never enrolled at Sunnydale High alike. Ages 14yrs+

 $\star\star\star\star$  A hilarious romp through Buffy's life and times BRITISH THEATRE GUIDE



Thu 27 Feb 8pm Wilde Theatre £20.50

OFF THE KERB PRODUCTIONS

#### **Mark Steel: The Leopard in My House**

Join multi award-winning, BAFTA-nominated writer and comedian Mark Steel for his new tour. The topic? His battle with throat cancer. A battle he is winning (thankfully) and which only his rapier wit could fashion a comedy show out of.

Cancer has done nothing to dull Mark's acute political observations or quash his 'frankly bonkers' energy: you will laugh, you will cry, but you'll laugh again, and again, and again.

Ages 14yrs+



Fri 28 Feb 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £25, good and best friends £23, U16s £15

CHAMELEON MUSIC PRODUCTIONS LTD

#### Shape of You - The Music of Ed Sheeran

Prepare to be mesmerized by Shape of You, the sensational stage production showcasing the extraordinary music of global sensation and masterful songwriter, Ed Sheeran.

Immerse yourself in an unforgettable performance that will hold you spellbound from start to finish. An electrifying journey through Sheeran's soul-stirring hits such as Thinking Out Loud, Sing, Lego House, Bad Habits, Overpass Graffiti, and Eyes Closed, alongside many more.



Sat 1 March 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £29.50

BOUND AND GAGGED COMEDY

#### **Daniel O'Reilly: Out of Character**

Boasting one of the largest and most loyal social media followings in the UK, Daniel O'Reilly has had many characters - but for this live show he's going Out of Character as he brings the laughs and looks back on the mischief, the mistakes and madness of his career so far.

From losing it all, battling addiction and becoming a father, he's been on some rollercoaster and wants you to come along for the ride.

Ages 16yrs+



Sun 2 March 4.30pm **Recital Room** £11.50

WEST FOREST SINFONIA

#### West Forest Sinfonia Chamber Concert

A concert of chamber music performed by members of West Forest Sinfonia who, under the baton of Philip Ellis, have given concerts in Berkshire and the surrounding area since 1987.

The programme for this spring concert includes:

- · Backofen quintet for basset horn and string quartet
- · music for harp, flute, violin and viola.



Wed 5 - Sun 9 March various times Wilde Theatre £24. U16s £18

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CROWTHORNE MUSICAL PLAYERS

#### **The SpongeBob Musical**

Who lives in a pineapple under the sea? Why, it's SpongeBob SquarePants. And now he's ready to delight audiences in this brilliant, bright and hilarious musical for the whole family.

Join SpongeBob, Patrick and friends as they try to save their beloved Bikini Bottom from volcanic destruction. With lives hanging in the balance and all hope lost, a most unexpected hero rises up. The future is bright, the future is bold, the future is The SpongeBob Musical.

A community production



Sat 8 March 7.30pm Recital Room

£15, good and best friends £13, U16s £5

along with music by Manuel de Falla,

Erik Marchelie and Rossini.

GARY JORDAN GUITAR

#### Spanish Fantasy for Guitar and Piano

This recital by Reading-based Gary Jordan and Seth Williams draws on sounds of Andalucian flamenco to bring a touch of Mediterranean sunshine to Bracknell. The Acorda duo plays the Fantasia para un Gentilhombre by Joaquin Rodrigo and Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco's Fantasia (Op. 145)



Tue 11 March 7pm Wilde Theatre £10. U16s £7.50

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GORDON'S SCHOOL

#### **Gordon's School Spring Concert 2025**

Gordon's School Spring Concert is an opportunity to showcase the school's rich diversity of ensembles. from orchestras to jazz bands and choirs.

This annual event has become a firm favourite amongst the Gordon's community.

A youth community production



Wed 12 March 7.45pm Wilde Theatre

£28.50, good and best friends £25.50

RED ENTERTAINMENT

#### **Dreamcoat Stars**

Any Dream Will Do's Keith Jack and stars of Joseph sing the biggest musical hits of a generation. Dreamcoat Stars is back. Experience the UK's biggest and best night of musical smash hits in this star-studded concert with everyone's favourite musical hits, Les Misérables, We Will Rock You, Dirty Dancing, Hairspray, West Side Story, and Jersey Boys. Grab your coat of many colours and join us on your Dreamcoat journey where Any Dream Will Do.



Sat 15 March 8pm Cellar Bar £15

DAVID TAYLOR

#### **The Filthy Llamas**

The Filthy Llamas perform a unique blend of raucous pop-rock. Playing covers from the likes of The Killers, Kings of Leon, Arctic Monkeys, Blink 182, Kaiser Chiefs and even a bit of Britney Spears.

They are also not shy of putting a rock 'Llama twist' on 80s pop classics from the likes of Kim Wilde and Tiffany.



Wed 26 - Thu 27 March 7pm Wilde Theatre £13.50, U16s £11.50

CORAM SHAKESPEARE SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

#### **Coram Shakespeare Schools Festival**

Coram Shakespeare Schools Foundation is proud to present the world's largest youth drama festival at South Hill Park Arts Centre.

Join us for a thrilling theatrical event, featuring a series of abridged Shakespeare plays performed by local schools.

See Shakespeare's timeless stories brought to life and support young people from your community in a unique evening of live theatre.

A youth community production



Sat 22 March 2, 5,30 & 7,45pm | Sun 23 March 11am Wilde Theatre

£20, good and best friends £18, U16s £12.50

ARTEMIS STUDIOS

#### **Madagascar Jr**

Get ready to move it, move it.

A lively musical adaptation of the hit Disney film, performed by an incredible cast of talented young performers. Join Alex the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Melman the Giraffe, and Gloria the Hippo as they escape from Central Park Zoo and embark on a wild adventure to the island of Madagascar. Filled with high-energy songs, vibrant characters, and laugh-out-loud moments, this fun-filled show

is perfect for all ages. A youth community production



Sat 29 March 5.30pm, Sun 30 March 1 & 6pm Wilde Theatre

£17, good and best friends £14, U16s £14

ALLIED SCHOOL OF DANCE

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#### **Quest: A Dancer's Odyssey**

Allied School of Dance presents their biennial school show and invite you to join them on a musical adventure, for all the family, as they journey through dance.

A youth community production



Wed 2 April 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £22.50

THE CABARET GEEK

#### **Looking for me Friend:** The Music of Victoria Wood

'The most feel-good show in town' (\*\*\* Daily Mail) has spread nostalgia and laughs throughout the UK and has the seal of approval from Victoria's own colleagues and school-chums. Featuring the star of BBC1's All Together Now, Paulus The Cabaret Geek, with Michael Roulston (Fascinating Aida) on piano, it's an evening of pure joy filled with Victoria's best-loved songs. Ages 10yrs+



Fri 4 April 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £22.50

OYF SANTANA

#### **Oye Santana**

Based around the exciting dance rhythms of Latin music, Oye Santana is no ordinary tribute to Carlos Santana. More of a party than a concert, this is a feast of high-energy music, superb musicianship and hit songs.

Played with power, passion and perfection, Oye Santana play all the hits including: Smooth, Maria Maria, She's Not There, Black Magic Woman, Samba Pa Ti, Oye Como Va, Jingo and Corazon Espinado.



Fri 11 April 2.30 & 5pm **Studio Theatre** £11

THE PEOPLE'S THEATRE COMPANY

#### **Story Time**

Do your family love stories and all the incredible places you can go with your imagination?

Then you're in for a treat, as popular children's author Steven Lee brings some of his best-loved books to life (including Don't Dribble on the Dragon and How the Koala Learnt to Hug) with a magical mixture of music, puppetry and heart-warming interactive fun. Ages 3yrs+

Beautiful storytelling with just the right mix of sitting listening and joining in THE BRISTOL POST



Fri 25 April 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £22.50, good and best friends £18

80S HIFI

#### 80s HiFi

Imagine stepping into a time capsule, back to the dance halls of the 1980s, the sounds of Duran Duran, Tears for Fears, Frankie Goes to Hollywood, Kate Bush and many more across the airwaves.

Originating in Brighton, 80s HiFi are a fully live band dedicated to faithfully recreating your favourite 1980s classics. Searing guitar sounds, reverb drenched drums, nu-romantic vocals and wall-wobbling bass all presented in a high-energy show featuring the greatest hits of the decade.



Sat 26 April 2 & 5pm Wilde Theatre £16

IMMERSION THEATRE

#### **The Little Mermaid**

Packed with dazzling sets, colourful characters, astounding choreography, original music and heaps of audience participation, this brand-new adaptation sees the adventurous Little Mermaid embark on an unforgettable underwater adventure. The wonders of the sea burst onto the stage in a magical experience that will have audiences of all ages enchanted and enthralled from start to fin-ish.

This shrimp-ly sensational musical extravaganza is guaranteed to make a splash. Ages 4yrs+



Sun 27 April 7.45pm
Wilde Theatre
£19, good and best friends £16

DYAD PRODUCTIONS

#### **That Knave, Raleigh**

The award-winning Dyad Productions returns to the Elizabethan era: to the famous and fabulous explorer, sailor, dandy, and warrior, Sir Walter Raleigh. Elizabeth I's favourite and James I's knave.

The Huguenots, America, the Armada, execution – this is a journey through the astonishing highs and lows of one of Britain's most famous men from history. But there's so much you don't know. Ages 10yrs+

\*\*\*\* \* Intelligently adapted, beautifully performed... entrancing BRITISH THEATRE GUIDE



Tue 29 April 8pm Wilde Theatre £20.50

OFF THE KERB PRODUCTIONS

#### **Rich Hall: Chin Music**

Chin Music has two meanings. One is idle talk. The other is a brushback throw in baseball or cricket to intimidate the batter. Both describe Rich Hall's comedy. Idle but intimidating. Sharp, quick, splenetic and sublimely improvisational.

If you've never seen him, you need to hustle down to your local venue and grab a seat because he never disappoints. Ever.

Ages 14yrs+



Wed 30 April 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £27.50. U16s £26.50

**BLUEJAYS PRODUCTIONS LTD** 

#### Rave On

Take an exhilarating step back in time to the fabulous 50s and swinging 60s in a musical experience like no other. From the arrival of rock 'n' roll from Memphis to the British invasion.

Be blown away by a thrilling, authentic show packed full of sing-along iconic classics, vibrant vintage costumes and colourful staging that will have you dancing in the aisles.

The Bluejays are a wonderful band BRIAN MAY



Fri 2 May 7.30pm Recital Room £18, U18s £8.50

**BRACKNELL JAZZ** 

#### **Satori Quartet**



Mon 5 May 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £30

A WAY WITH MEDIA

#### Military Wives Choir – An Evening of Song



Sat 10 May 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £25, good and best friends £23, U16s £23

PURPLE ZEPPELIN

#### **Purple Zeppelin**



Thu 29 – Sat 31 May 2 & 7pm Wilde Theatre £23.50, U16s £21.50

BARTA THEATRE ACADEMY

**Shrek the Musical Jr** 



Sat 3 – Sun 4 May 2.30 & 7pm Wilde Theatre £23.50, U16s £21.50

LINDA BUTLER SCHOOL OF DANCE

#### **We Just Love to Dance**



Fri 9 May 7.45pm
Wilde Theatre
£20, good and best friends £12.50, U16s £12.50

INTOTO DANCE COMPANY

#### **INTOTO Dance 2025**



Tue 13 – Sat 17 May 7.45pm, Sat mat 2.30pm Wilde Theatre £24.50

EBOS MUSICAL THEATRE

#### **Rock of Ages**



Thu 5 June 7.45pm Wilde Theatre £19.50

OFF THE KERB PRODUCTIONS

**Suzi Ruffell: The Juggle** 

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South Hill Park offers over 60 courses and workshops, in both visual and performing arts, in each of our three terms throughout the year. Each one is run by an expert tutor and held in some of the most professionally-equipped specialist studios in the country. Our courses typically have ten weekly sessions, whereas workshops usually take place over a single day. There are classes to suit all abilities and some offer a free try-beforeyou-buy first session, including: Martial arts, Health and wellbeing, Drama, and Dance. Here's a taster of what's available. To view all courses and workshops.



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#### **PERFORMING ARTS**

#### Piano one-to-one

**Elliot Harrison** Mon 13 Jan - Mon 7 April 2-8pm (30-min sessions)

£250

Aimed at piano players from all backgrounds, these personalised 30-minute one-to-one sessions are tailored to suit your needs. A relaxed environment to hone your skills in a specific genre or to learn your favourite songs. New students can contact Elliot ahead of signing up at elliotharrison@hotmail.co.uk

#### **Ballet**

Carol Ainsworth & Francisco Madeira **Beginners** Mon 13 Jan - Mon 24 March 6-7.30pm £115 Fr Intermediate and advanced Mon 13 Jan - Mon 24 March 7.30-9pm £135 Fr

Drawing upon classical ballet techniques to develop muscle tone, core strength, flexibility, balance, co-ordination and posture. Live piano music provides the

opportunity to develop a high degree of artistry, musicality, grace and power in a fun, friendly and positive atmosphere.

#### **Ballet pointe**

**Carol Ainsworth** Mon 13 Jan - Mon 24 March 9-9.45pm £70 Fr

For students booked onto the Ballet intermediate/advanced course. Learn how to care for and prepare your toes and pointe shoes, and work towards learning a solo from a classical ballet.

#### **Pilates**

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**Amanda Gibson** Beginners Tue 14 Jan - Tue 25 March 11am-12noon Intermediate Tue 14 Jan - Tue 25 March 9.45-10.45am £110

Gentle, controlled movement patterns whilst developing your breathing and core control. Help increase your body's strength and flexibility, and relax your tight and over-worked muscles.

Bring a yoga mat and water bottle, and wear loose clothing.

#### Tap

Zoe Pembroke & Francisco Madeira Beginners Wed 15 Jan - Wed 26 March 6-7pm Intermediate Wed 15 Jan - Wed 26 March 7-8pm Advanced Wed 15 Jan - Wed 26 March 8-9pm £80 Fr

Tap is the original jazz dance and anyone, any age, can start tapping. Feature live piano music to help dancers find the correct tempo and to develop technique, sequences and rhythm. Tap shoes required.

#### Yoga

**Gabriella Rees** 

Wed 15 Jan - Wed 26 March 8-9.30pm Thu 16 Jan - Thu 27 March 6.15-7.45pm

£105

Relaxation, stress-relief, an improved posture and muscle tone - as well as a healthy mind and body - are all benefits of this calming and peaceful yoga class.

#### **VISUAL ARTS**

#### **Drawing and painting:** back to basics

**Debbie Forrest** Tue 14 Jan - Tue 25 March 10.30am-1pm

£175

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Designed to enrich your understanding of drawing and painting. Cover a variety of skills and techniques to inspire and build confidence.

Use a sketchbook to develop drawings and ideas, and work on four to five set projects to build upon particular skills and materials. Core drawing materials provided.

#### **Embroidery**

Sonja Galsworthy

Tue 14 Jan - Tue 25 March 2-4pm £110

Discover the beauty of embroidery by learning an amazing variety of useful stitches and techniques. Focus on quality stitching, develop

your confidence and be inspired to realise your own designs and to create beautiful works of embroidery.

#### **Crochet mixed ability**

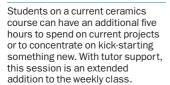
Alessandra Rutili Fri 17 Jan - Fri 28 March 10am-12noon £110 [Fr]

Learn crochet techniques, including reading a pattern, granny squares. three-dimensional items and fancy stitches. All materials included.

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#### **Ceramics day continuation**

Kim Whelton Sun 12 Jan 10am-3pm £50



#### **Throwing**

Kim Whelton Sun 2 & Sun 9 Feb 10am-3pm Two-day workshop £140

Develop your throwing technique with tutor support. Each stage will be demonstrated and broken into sections to enable you to fully understand the nuances of the throwing process.

Learn how to throw, turn and apply surface decoration to your pieces, ready to be fired and glazed.

#### **Introduction to** bookbinding

Karen Marks Sat 8 Feb 10am-3pm £60

Ceramicist and bookbinder. Karen Marks, will introduce the basic techniques of bookbinding. including how to check paper grain. the different components of a book and basic stitches.

Choose from a selection of coloured card and thread. and be guided through the stages to make and finish a simple book. All basic tools and materials included.



- Suitable for beginners
- Suitable for intermediates
- Suitable for advanced
- Suitable for all

#### Cello workshop: practice and performance

Clare Deniz Fri 21 Feb 12noon-3pm £50

Sav hello to the cello. Under the guidance of concert cellist Clare Deniz, improve your technique and posture. Develop your confidence and playing through practice and performance-based learning. Please bring a short favourite piece or two to play, your cello, music stand, pencil, rosin, floor endpin anchor and a bottle of water. Suitable for cellists at a grade 5 level and above.

#### Ring in a day

**Charlotte Liddiard** Sat 22 Feb 10am-4pm £70

Learn how to cut, texture, form and polish silver to create a unique, handmade silver ring to take home. Work one-to-one with the tutor, as well as in groups, to help design and perfect your ring-making skills and techniques.

All tools provided. Materials available to purchase from our on-site shop.

#### **Introduction to** Japanese calligraphy

Fiko Ishida

Fri 7 March 10.30am-1.30pm £40

Spring is the season of new beginnings so why not try something new and learn the art of Japanese calligraphy? Enjoy the peace and calm of this workshop while creating brush characters about spring.

Learn the basic principles of writing Japanese characters using the traditional Japanese materials of a brush, ink and Japanese paper. Create your first brush strokes and build on these basic steps to create some lovely Japanese characters while learning about the Japanese festival of Sakura.

No calligraphy experience or Japanese language skills necessary. All materials included.



#### Bookbinding: create vour own iournal or sketchbook

Karen Marks Sat 8 March 10am-4pm £70

Join ceramicist and bookbinder. Karen Marks, to make your own unique sketchbook or journal.

Choose from a selection of decorative paper and thread, and be guided through the steps to make multiple signatures. Then join them together to create vour own wonderful book. All basic tools and materials included.

#### **Creative writing:** writing the senses

Lvnn Hamilton Fri 21 March 4-8pm

We use all of our senses - sight, hearing, taste, smell and touch to build an emotional response to people and events. In creative writing, we can use this same experience to make stories more engaging, descriptive and memorable.

Discuss examples of sensory writing from literature, start to build a sensory vocabulary and look at ways of incorporating the world around us into your writing to provide a vivid and immersive experience for the reader.



#### **YOUTH GROUPS**

#### Wilde young producers 15-20yrs

**Keir Buist** 

Mon 13 Jan - Mon 24 March 5-7pm Free - book online only

Interested in the arts? Develop the skills necessary to produce the well-established children's arts festival, Wilde Week, You will be mentored by an experienced arts practitioner who will support the programme and festival delivery. Learn about: producing. budgeting, marketing, collaboration, generating ideas and project delivery. For more information. and to apply, visit southhillpark.org.uk/take-part/

#### wilde-voung-producers Eleven seventeen

11-17yrs

At Bracknell Library (visual arts) Areei Abdi Sat 18 Jan - Sat 29 March

11am-12.30pm Free - book online only

A youth club for creative young people at Bracknell Library with crafts, mixed media and visual arts. With a different topic every week, enjoy a session of mixed media, crafts or animation. Past workshops included spray painting, mask making and cake decoration. Learn a new skill, meet friends and have fun.



#### **DANCE**

#### Street dance energy juniors 8-16yrs

**Alan Cunningham** 

Tue 14 Jan - Tue 25 March 4-5.30pm £70

Locking, breaking, body-popping and some smooth footwork will be covered in this high-energy course.

#### MUSIC

Junior piano 6-16yrs

Olivia Kennedy Sat 18 Jan - Sat 29 March 9am-12.30pm

15-minute sessions

£100

Individual, fun and friendly 15-minute lessons covering exam work if required. Olivia teaches using her enthusiasm and energy for the piano. You are welcome to book multiple slots if you would like a longer lesson.

#### CERAMICS

**Muddy hands** pottery 8-12yrs

Kim Whelton

Sat 18 Jan - Sat 15 Feb 1-2.30pm 5-week course

£80

Learn how to work with clay through a mixture of demonstrations and practice to produce a selection of pieces including a pen pot, name plague and two-part secret box. Use pinch, coil or slab methods. apply coloured slip and decorate your pieces before they're fired with a shiny glaze. All materials included.





This Easter, take centre stage in your own original musical theatre showcase, featuring iconic songs from the world of musical theatre and performed in the Wilde Theatre.

Feel like a true star with full sound, lighting and the stunning set from our main production of Priscilla Queen of the Desert.

Be part of the magic, take the spotlight and let your talent shine on stage.

For 6-16yrs

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Mon 7 - Fri 11 April 9am-5pm

Showcase performance Fri 11 April 5-6pm

**Dance Studio &** Wilde Theatre £200





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#### Reflection paintings 18mths-4vrs

#### Joanna Allen-Dann Mon 17 Feb 10-11am f10

Get creative in our nature reflections painting workshop. Using mirrors, explore the outdoors, capture the reflections of trees, flowers and the sky, and transfer those images onto paper with paint. A fun way to see nature from a new perspective and create beautiful art. Suitable for children 18mths-4vrs with their responsible adult. All materials included.

#### **Jewellery making** taster 8-14yrs

#### **Charlotte Liddiard** Tue 18 Feb 10am-12.30pm £25

An introduction to jewellery making for children and young people. Learn some of the basics of jewellery making, such as beading and wire wrapping, whilst adding colour, texture and expressive elements to your jewellery pieces. All materials and tools provided.

#### **Igniting writing:** rap battles 11-18yrs

#### **Alex Baker** Wed 19 Feb 11am-12.30pm £10

Rap battle creative writing workshop led by Igniting Writing. Create rap lyrics and share your ideas with other young writers. Craft fun rhymes, clever comebacks and more.



#### Muddy hands 0-8yrs

#### Kim Whelton Sun 16 March 10-11am or 11.30am-12.30pm

Potty for pottery? Children, and their responsible adults, can get creative and explore the possibilities of playing with clay. Have fun using simple hand building techniques to make your own ceramic creations. Suitable for children up to 8yrs with their responsible adult. All materials included.

#### **EASTER WORKSHOPS**

#### Natural inks 2-6vrs

#### Joanna Allen-Dann Mon 7 April 10-11am £3

Have fun exploring how to turn plants, flowers and veggies into vibrant, eco-friendly inks. Get hands-on, learning how to create your own colours, transforming them with a few magic ingredients, and then using them to paint. A creative and exciting way to connect with nature.

Suitable for children 2-6yrs with their responsible adult. All materials included.

#### Street dance taster 8-16vrs

#### Alan Cunningham Tue 8 April 4-5.30pm

Locking, breaking, body popping and some smooth footwork will be covered in this high-energy class. A great standalone session but also an opportunity to have a go if you're considering the 10-week course.



#### Jewellerv making taster 8-14vrs

#### Charlotte Liddiard Wed 9 April 10am-12.30pm

An introduction to jewellery making for children and young people. Learn some of the basics of iewellery making, such as beading and wire wrapping, whilst adding colour, texture and expressive elements to our jewellery pieces. All materials and tools provided.

#### Flower pounding: spring wreaths 2-6yrs

#### Joanna Allen-Dann Mon 14 April 10-11am

Use fresh spring blooms to craft a beautiful, nature-inspired wreath. Learn how to transfer the natural pigments of flowers and leaves onto card by gently hammering them, resulting in vibrant. botanical prints.

Suitable for children 2-6vrs with their responsible adult. All materials included.

#### **Igniting writing:** creating villains 11-18yrs

#### Alex Baker Thu 17 April 11am-12.30pm

Antagonist-themed creative writing workshop led by Igniting Writing. Create stories and share ideas with other young writers. Invent bad guys, develop their origin story and plot how they carry out their next devious plan. All materials included.

#### Create vour own bug hotel 6-12yrs

#### Nicola Lightfoot Fri 18 April 11am-12noon £10

Create a bug hotel for your garden using natural resources. This eco-friendly workshop encourages voung artists to explore found materials to create a wonderful habitat for our tiny winged friends. All materials included.

#### Term Mon 13 Jan - Sun 30 March Half-term Mon 17 - Sun 23 Feb

Materials lists available online

#### **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

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Wilde about arts 11-17yrs Wilde young producers 15-20yrs

#### Try before you buy

Martial arts. Health and wellbeing, and Dance courses offer a 'no obligation' first session, which is free of charge if you don't wish to continue the course. Subject to availability.

#### **VISUAL ARTS**

Ceramics

Ceramics - creative with clay Ceramics - sculpting in clay

Crochet

Drawing and painting:

back to basics

Embroidery

Jewellery and silversmithing Jewellery and silversmithing open

access

Learn watercolours

Life drawing

Make a quilt

Oil painting

Portrait painting in oils

Printmaking

Printmaking open access

Printmaking - linoprinting

Stained glass



#### **PERFORMANCE ARTS**

**Ballet** 

Ballet pointe

Classical and contemporary dance

Over 50s strictly dance

Park singers

Piano one-to-one

**Pilates** Silver swans Singing one-to-one Tap dance

Yoga







#### Take part: facebook.com/groups/shptakepart

A community group where course students can post and share their work For full information on all our courses and workshops, and to book a place, please visit southhillpark.org.uk/take-part/courses



#### Until Sun 19 Jan Mansion galleries



# Mansion galleries

Mon 3 Feb - Sun 16 March



#### Mon 14 April – Sun 8 June Mirror Gallery



#### **UNSEEN**

#### By South Hill Park tutors

UNSEEN is an exhibition that explores the overlooked artistic practice of the outstanding tutors teaching at South Hill Park, giving their students and visitors a golden opportunity to peek into their practice outside of their teaching.

A chance to acknowledge the talent and technical skills the artists have developed and achieved, and also a celebration of the amount of passion they put into teaching while sustaining their own practice and inner voice.

UNSEEN focuses on the works created by each of these amazing artists as part of their endless

spontaneity and necessity to

#### **Flaming Portraits**

By Asun Olivan

Preview Sat 8 Feb 11am-1pm

Flaming Portraits by Asun Olivan celebrates the beauty of individuals with red hair, a characteristic often subjected to discrimination and ridicule. Through her vibrant portraits, Olivan explores the struggles and resilience of those who have been marginalized for this unique trait.

The exhibition highlights the

strength and pride of this often-overlooked minority, shedding light on how little has changed over time. By focusing on the human experience and individuality, Olivan challenges preconceived notions and embraces the striking beauty found in differences – transforming what was once a source of shame into a powerful statement of identity and self-expression.

#### **In Evolution**

By Zayd Menk

Using electronic waste as his primary material, Zayd Menk creates landscapes and interactive installations - confronting the paradoxes and contradictions inherent in our relationship with technology - considering the possibilities and limitations of our agency in a world increasingly dominated by machines.

Menk is an interdisciplinary artist primarily working within sculpture

primarily working within sculpture and installation, attempting to dissect modern technology and delve into the omnipresent force that defines our era.

At the core of his work lies inquiry into the ethical, social and ecological implications of technological progress - obsolescence, extractivism, the right to repair and human agency. Menk probes the vast and innumerable tangents that arise from our engagement with technology.

#### Also upcoming

never stop creating.

Visit southhillpark.org.uk/ exhibitions

Mon 24 Feb – Mon 7 April Community Gallery

#### **Take One Picture**

Artworks by students from Maiden Erlegh Trust secondary school.



### **Atrium Bar and Restaurant**

We had a lovely bite to eat in the Atrium Restaurant great food, first-class service CUSTOMER FEEDBACK ON FACEBOOK

#### Follow us

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#### **Atrium Bar and Restaurant opening hours**

Mon - Tue 9.30am-7pm

Wed - Thu 9.30am-10pm

Fri - Sat 9.30am-11pm

Sun 9.30am-7pm Times subject to change

#### **Kitchen opening hours**

Mon - Tue 12noon-5pm

Wed - Sat 12noon-8pm

Sun 12noon-5pm

#### Would you like to book a table?

We recommend you book a table before visiting the restaurant as it can get very busy, especially during peak times. To reserve a table:

- · call the catering office on 01344 416 233
- · send a text stating your requirements to 07774 311 910
- · email catering@southhillpark.org.uk
- message us at facebook.com/AtriumBarSHP

#### **Our menu**

Visit southhillpark.org.uk/eat-drink to look through all our menus.

#### **Breakfast menu**

Served Mon - Sun 9.30-11.30am Includes: toasted teacakes, bacon baps. sausage baps and vegetarian baps.

#### **NEW Children's and baby menu**

January offer: £8 for a kid's meal, drink and ice cream. Mon - Fri before 5pm

#### **NEW Afternoon tea**

Booking only. Mon - Sat 3-5pm Traditional £23.95pp With a glass of prosecco £27.95pp

#### **Pre-show dining**

Arrive early and enjoy a delicious meal before taking your seat for a performance.

Table reservations can be made when booking tickets for performances.

#### Interval drinks

Don't forget to order your interval drinks at the bar, before the show.

#### Theatre meal deals

Available on all Mon - Thu evening shows. Enjoy a two-course set menu meal in our Atrium Restaurant for £22 per person. Served from two hours before the start of the show.

Meal deals must be booked in advance through southhillpark.org.uk. Email hospitality@ southhillpark.org.uk to reserve your table.

#### **Sunday roast**

New, improved menu. Booking recommended to avoid disappointment. Due to high demand, bookings close Saturday evening 8pm.

#### **Quiz nights**

Back in January 2025. See f for details.

#### **Special events**

Look out for our Valentines. Mother's Day and Faster menus.

To keep up to date with the latest Atrium news and offers, please visit f o d

#### **Private functions**

South Hill Park is the perfect choice for your private function. We can accommodate a range of events including: weddings, birthday celebrations, Christmas parties and summer balls.

From formal sit-down dinners to afternoon teas and premium buffets, we offer a wide variety of catering options in a choice of elegant and contemporary spaces.

To check availability, and to discuss menu options and prices, please email hospitality@southhillpark.org.uk or call **01344 416233**.

For more details, please visit southhillpark.org.uk/hire-us/private-functions

#### **Mansion opening times**

Mon–Sat 9am–11pm Sun & bank holidays 9am–10.30pm

#### **Box Office opening times**

For in-person and telephone bookings or enquiries:

Mon-Sat 10am-5pm

Sun & evenings – open one hour prior to the first performance, for collection of tickets.

#### **Discounts for members**

Good and best friends are eligible for the discounted member price when booking tickets for shows, films and courses. All friends are entitled to priority booking.

#### Best friends ticket offer 24

Buy a full-price ticket for an event and get another free. Available on selected performances only.

#### Concessions C

Concessions are available to ages 16yrs and under, students (17yrs+ in full-time education), registered unemployed, and ages 65yrs+.

NB Not all concession types are always available. Please ask the Box Office or check online when booking.

Only one concession applies. You may need to show proof of status. South Hill Park reserves the right to withdraw concessions at any time.

#### Schools S

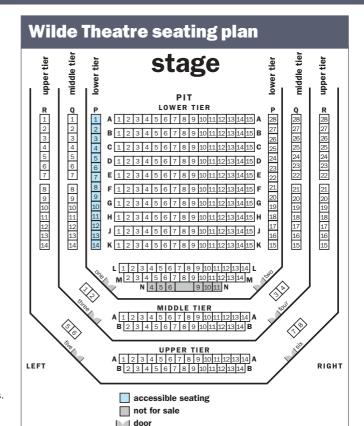
Discount prices available for schools. Email sales@southhillpark.org.uk to book your school group.

#### Groups G

Discount prices available for groups. See website for details.

#### Family F

Discount prices available for families. See website for details.



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#### **Give your feedback**

Scan the QR code to let us know about your visit – whether you have seen a show, viewed an exhibition. finished a course or hired a room.

#### **Clubs and societies**

#### The SARGAM **Performing Arts Centre**

Yoga, vocal music, Bollywood fitness and tabla classes

For more information, please contact kusum trikha@hotmail.co.uk

#### SOTA Bracknell

For term dates and free sample sessions, please visit sota.uk.com

#### **Zumba Rhythms**

With Suzanne and Sophie Tuesdays 7-8pm First session free, all levels welcome Call Suzanne on 07970 147648

#### **Associate companies**

Artemis Studios and College of Performing Arts Blackeved Theatre

#### **Creative Control Studio**

Professional high-end recording studio combining the best of digital and analogue equipment, providing release quality results.

All genres of music catered for, from hands and acoustic artists to voiceover work etc. All projects welcome, from rough demos to fully produced singles, eps and albums.

We also specialise in mixing and mastering of pre-recorded material.

To discuss a project: creativecontrol@live.co.uk or 01344 416202

# **South Hill Park** gift vouchers Give a gift of the arts From £5, they're the perfect present for friends and family Available from box office 01344 484123 southhillpark.org.uk/ support-us/gift-vouchers

#### Contact us

Online

southhillpark.org.uk

Email

sales@southhillpark.org.uk

Box Office

01344 484123

Address

South Hill Park Ringmead, Bracknell Berkshire RG12 7PA

#### How to find us

South Hill Park Arts Centre is about seven minutes' drive from Bracknell Town Centre in the Birch Hill area. Easily accessible from the M3 (Junction 3) and M4 (Junction 10). We are very well signposted - look for the brown road signs saying 'Arts Centre' or showing a comedy mask.



#### By car

There is FREE but limited parking for 200 cars at South Hill Park Arts Centre. Please note the car park fills up quickly on busy days and you may need to seek alternative parking.

Please follow signs for overflow parking at the Leppington car park (behind Birch Hill shopping precinct) which is a five-minute walk across our rear grounds. Please leave plenty of time to park when attending South Hill Park.

#### **Public transport**

South Hill Park Arts Centre is served well by local buses. From the Bus/ Train Station to Birch Hill Shops take buses 4, 171 or 172. It's then a five-minute walk to the Arts Centre.

Bracknell is well served with train services from London Waterloo, Reading and other local towns. For further information contact National Rail Enquiries on 0345 7 48 49 50.

#### **South Hill Park grounds**

The grounds of South Hill Park are managed by the Heritage Parks Team of Bracknell Forest Council in partnership with Bracknell Town Council.

The team works hard to maintain the grounds to the highest horticultural standards and have achieved the prestigious Green Flag Award and RHS Thames and Chilterns In Bloom Award (Gold Medal) over the past few vears. If you have any queries about the grounds of South Hill Park please contact heritage.parks@bracknellforest.gov.uk and the team will be more than happy to help.



The details in the brochure were correct at the time of going to press. South Hill Park reserves the right to make changes to the published programme in the event of unforeseen circumstances. We reserve the right to make discounted ticket offers to selected current or potential customers at any time.

#### How to book

Online

southhillpark.org.uk

Email

sales@southhillpark.org.uk

Box Office

01344 484123

In person

Call in to the Arts Centre and book in person at the Box Office.

#### How to pay

You can pay using your credit or debit card, or with cash.

From Tue 1 April 2025

The South Hill Park Box Office will be going cashless.

The Atrium Bar and Restaurant will still accept cash after this date.

## Ticket prices and booking fees

No additional fees are applied to the advertised ticket prices. A booking fee and levy of up to £2.50 is included in the ticket price to go towards the running costs of the Arts Centre and Wilde Theatre.

#### **Exchanges and transfers**

You may only exchange tickets for another performance of the same production up to 48 hours before the performance. An administration fee of £2 per ticket will be charged. Original tickets must be returned at time of exchange. South Hill Park Members will not be charged. Transfer of tickets from one production to another is not possible.

#### **Groups and school bookings**

For group bookings of 20+, contact the Box Office via sales@southhillpark.org.uk or call 01344 484123.

For schools wishing to pay by invoice, a £2 per ticket deposit is required before reservations will be processed.

Full details of our group and school booking policies can be found on our website or from our Box Office team.

#### Refunds and resales

Under the terms and conditions of sale, refunds of tickets are not permitted. However, if the show is sold out, we will try to resell it for you. In this case, we will charge a £2 administration fee per ticket. South Hill Park Members will not be charged for this service. Resale cannot be guaranteed.

#### **Data protection**

Customers' data is handled according to the legislation established by the General Data Protection Regulation.

#### Access

We try to accommodate all visitors to the Arts Centre and Theatre, there may however be restricted access to parts of the building due to its eighteenth-century listed status. Please let us know in advance if you have any particular access requirements.

Our facilities include:

- · Disabled parking bays
- Ramped access to the premises including access to box office reception
- Lift access to the Wilde Theatre and to the first floor in the mansion
- Wilde Theatre accessible seating (Row P)
- Adapted toilets equipped with emergency alarms
- Infra-red hearing system installed in the Studio and Wilde Theatres. A £5 deposit will be required for headset hire.
- The cinema is fitted with an audio induction loop. Customers can use the T-setting on their hearing aids for clear film sound.
- Companions tickets available for people with registered disabilities who require extra support. Please advise the Box Office team of any special requirements you have when making your booking.

Mobility scooters are not permitted in performance spaces. However, we do have a wheelchair that our customers can use to transfer into their purchased seats. Please inform Box Office when booking so they can assign you the most suitable seats for your needs.

#### Children

Young people aged under 18yrs are not allowed in the building unless attending a pre-booked activity or accompanied by a responsible adult.

South Hill Park is committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Booster seats

Available to hire in the Wilde Theatre only for £1 per seat, subject to availability. Please approach our front-of-house volunteers before the performance. Payment by cash only. Booster seats are not permitted on the middle and upper tier areas of the theatre.

#### Leaving a legacy

As a registered charity we endeavour to make our Arts Centre and Theatre sustainable for future generations in Bracknell and beyond. The arts can transform lives and we hope you feel that way too.

Have you ever considered supporting South Hill Park by leaving a legacy in your will? Your generosity can help ensure future generations continue to enjoy South Hill Park Arts Centre just as you have done. For more information, email development@southhillpark.org.uk

#### Cinema

We show films throughout the week in our 60-seat cinema – from blockbusters and independents to the best foreign films, we cater for all tastes. Our screenings include dementia friendly, bringing in baby and hard of hearing performances. Go online for film screening details.

#### Bracknell Film Society BEESE

Bracknell Film Society welcomes everyone to its film screenings at South Hill Park cinema. For general and membership information see bracknellfilmsoc.org

# Cinemo

Our beautiful 60-seat digital cinema specialises in acclaimed independent film, Hollywood blockbusters and live-streamed theatre

The perfect place to enjoy the best in film



We hold a variety of special screenings

Family F

Bringing in baby BiB

Silver screen Si

Hard of hearing HoH

Dementia friendly DF

Live and recorded

#### Cinema hire (60 seats)

**Available for private** screenings and children's parties From £60 per hour, minimum 3 hours **Additional catering and** party packages available **Email hospitality@** southhillpark.org.uk for more details



**Current screenings and more information** southhillpark.org.uk/whats-on/cinema



