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Hello Everyone

I am delighted to update you all on the exciting events taking place in the next six months until December 2025. This is in a new digital format rather than the News & Views magazine and will now be published on the Guildford Arts website as the cost of postage is now so prohibitive .

Guildford Arts is enjoying very successful partnerships with Guildford Institute in Ward Street and Lockwood Studios and Ochre Print Studios on Slyfield Estate, facilitating and curating exhibitions for both.

Guildford Arts has created a Gallery at Lockwood Studios, Westfield Road, Slyfield Industrial Estate, Guildford, GU1 1RR, which will now be the permanent home for Guildford Arts to show the work of local artists. If you are interested in exhibiting your work, please get in touch with Sue Dragon on M: 07572 033967 [studios@lockwoodarts.org.uk](mailto:studios@lockwoodarts.org.uk)

The first exhibition, in partnership with Lockwood Studios, features artists that are working in the newly created suite of studios at this new venue. There will be an Open Weekend every Saturday and Sunday throughout July, 10am - 4pm.

**UNLOCKED AT  
LOCKWOOD  
STUDIOS**

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The first exhibition staged at a new gallery at Lockwood Studios. **Saturday 28 June - Sunday 27 July .**

Following Lockwood Day Centre's recent conversion to a creative hub dedicated to Community Arts and Wellbeing, you are invited to an exhibition featuring artists now in residence at the new studio complex.

Please join us on the Open Weekends 28/29 June, 5/6, 12/13, 19/20 and 26/27 July there will be Artists present to talk about their work. 10am-4pm

Lockwood Studios,  
Westfield Road,  
Slyfield Industrial Estate,  
Guildford, GU1 1RR

 **guildford ARTS**  
champions the arts

 **LOCKWOOD STUDIOS**

## YOU AND YOUR GUESTS ARE INVITED TO PRIVATE VIEW ON THURSDAY 10 JULY 2025 IN THE GUILDFORD INSTITUTE

Ward Street, Guildford GU1 4LH from 6.30 – 7.30pm

RSVP  
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This is a very exciting exhibition with mother and daughter taking part. Becca Clegg is a Printmaker and Georgia Clegg is a Textile Artist. Both will give a short talk at 7.00pm.

Exhibition runs from Monday 7 July - Monday 11 August.



Guildford Arts in partnership with Guildford Institute is putting on a combined exhibition featuring a mother and daughter. Becca Clegg is a Painter/Printmaker and Georgia Clegg is a Textile Artist. They will both give a short talk at the the private view at 7.00pm on Thursday 10 July. and The exhibition runs from 7 July - 11 August.



### Something to Look Forward to:

I have now been putting the GA Calendar together for 5 years. This has continued to give me a huge sense of satisfaction as I greatly enjoy matching the images with the month. For the artists it is a matter of kudos when they make it into the Calendar. I will be deciding on the images for the 2026 Calendar in November in the hope that the turn of each month will bring as much pleasure for you to view as it is for me to assemble. Meanwhile I hope you enjoy the variety of events taking place in the Summer and Autumn of 2025.

### BECOME A MEMBER

- Are you interested in or involved in the literary visual or performing arts?
- Would you like to know more about what arts events and activities are available?
- Perhaps you would like to promote your own artistic activities to a wider based Guildford based audience?

If your answer to any of the above is **YES** then **GUILDFORD ARTS** should be of interest.

- We are an umbrella organisation in partnership with Guildford Institute, Lockwood Studio and Ochre Print Studios facilitating and curating exhibitions with local artists in the Guildford area.
- We are a registered charity that draws its members from both the providers of artistic experiences and this delight in and support these offerings.
- We run exhibitions, talk and events organised by ourselves or in association with our partners.
- We provide financial support and grants to support art initiatives of all kinds.
- We provide a News & Views magazine every six months promoting arts endeavours and events pomoted on our website [guildfordarts.org](http://guildfordarts.org).

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## OTHER EVENTS TAKING PLACE

### NEW HOUSE

### ART SPACE

#### Exhibitions on at The New House Art Space

'Familiar Bones' by Jill West  
18-21st July, Opening Reception 7-9pm 18th July

Summer exhibition 'Nothing Ever Happens, Here'  
25th July - 31st August, Opening Reception 7-10pm 25th July

'Bridging Fantasy Across Time: In Conversation With Sidney Sime'  
6th - 27th November, Opening Reception 7-9pm 6th November

All tickets can be found on our website here: <https://newhouse.art/whats-on>

#### Regular events/workshops:

Drink and Draw (First Saturday of each month)  
Whether you're an experienced artist or just starting out, this event is the perfect opportunity to unleash your inner artist while sipping on a delicious cup of coffee. Each month offers a different exciting theme!  
Find your tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/drink-draw-coffee-edition-tickets-794129812647?aff=oddtcreator>

Knit Circle (First Sunday of each month)  
Join the Knitting circle, for a cosy creative event for all levels of knitting abilities!  
Find out more info here: <https://www.instagram.com/theknitlounge/>

LGBT Book Club (First Tuesday of each month)  
Join Guildford Gay Book Club's friendly queers for their monthly book club.  
Find out more info here: <https://www.instagram.com/guildfordgaybookclub/>

Queer Coffee Morning (Second Saturday of each month)  
Whether you're part of the LGBTQ+ community or a fierce ally, this space is all about vibing over a hot drink, making new connections, and diving deep into Guildford's queer scene.  
Find out more info here: <https://newhouse.art/events-listing/queer-coffee-meet-up-s92a7-cxwpy-d6enm>

Writers Saloon (Third Saturday of each month)  
Writers Saloon is a free monthly meet up for writers of all disciplines to talk about their work, receive feedback, and meet friendly faces.  
Find out more info here: <https://www.instagram.com/writerssaloon/>

Our Resident Blossom LGBT offers an array of art projects and aims to explore and promote the stories of the LGBTQIA+ community through free-to-attend workshops.  
Find out more info here: <https://blossom.lgbt/>

Guildford Pottery, located on our second floor offers pottery workshops for all abilities, open access classes and your pottery needs!  
Find out more info here: <https://www.guildfordpottery.com/>

# BOILERROOM

— MUSIC, ARTS & COMMUNITY VENUE —

## Drink & Draw

Calling all drinkers and drawers! What's the perfect pairing you ask? A pencil and a pint, of course! As always, we have a special monthly theme for those who want a bit more inspiration...

<https://buytickets.at/boilerroom/1642403>



Tuesday 22 July  
Tuesday 19 August  
Tuesday 23 September  
Tuesday 21 October  
Tuesday 18 November  
Tuesday 16 December

## Open Stages - our young musicians showcase

We are looking for up and coming acts to perform on our stage. If you or anyone you know wants the chance of supporting some of their fav artists - touring or tribute!



### £2 on the door

Tuesday 8 July  
Tuesday 5 August  
Tuesday 2 September  
Wednesday 8 October  
Tuesday 4 November  
Tuesday 2 December

## Headliners of Tomorrow

A night that celebrates the generation of young musicians taking to the stage before the world knows their name!

<https://buytickets.at/boilerroom/1512596>



Monday 28 July  
Monday 25 August  
Monday 29 September  
Monday 27 October  
Monday 17 November  
Monday 29 December





**Festival of the Arts** - 25th - 28th September 2025

Guildford Festival of the Arts is a four-day celebration of the visual arts, designed to showcase the talent of local artists and engage the community in creative experiences. Taking place in Guildford Town Centre, the event aims to rejuvenate the local art scene by utilising independent shops, arts venues and other creative spaces. The festival will provide a unique opportunity for residents and visitors to interact with artists, explore various artistic disciplines, and participate in collaborative projects.

**What to Expect:**

- **Art Exhibitions & Pop-Up Installations:** Established arts venues as well as other well known spaces around the town centre will feature work from local artists, including students, charities as well as giving opportunities to the public to submit to our open call.
- **Workshops & Talks:** Opportunities for all ages to participate in hands-on arts workshops and engage in discussions led by local creatives.
- **Community Art Project:** A collaborative heritage project where residents contribute to build a sculpture celebrating Guildford's cultural history.
- **Walking Tour & Stamp Trail:** Visitors collect stamps at different art locations, with potential incentives like free drinks or souvenirs at participating venues.

**Who is Involved?** The event will collaborate with local art organizations such as Guildford Arts, Lockwood Studios, New House Art Space, Art+Grind, Yvonne Arnaud, G-Live and more. Other venues will host activities and exhibitions. Schools, universities, and art charities will also be invited to participate and showcase the wonderful work that they do.

**Why It Matters:** Guildford Festival of the Arts seeks to revitalise existing arts spaces and introduce new audiences to the richness of the local visual arts scene. By engaging businesses, artists, and the public, the festival aims to leave a lasting impact, making art more accessible and appreciated in everyday life. It also serves as a platform for emerging artists to gain exposure, while fostering a sense of community through shared cultural experiences. The event aspires to establish Guildford as a hub for the arts, attracting visitors and strengthening local creative industries.

If you would like to be involved or find out more information contact Charlie and Lauren at:

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## Summer at the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre

This summer the Yvonne Arnaud theatre and Guildford Shakespeare Company are working on a co-production of ***The Comedy of Errors*** and ***A Company of Rascals***

Shakespeare's farcical rollercoaster of a tale tells of two sets of identical twins, full of slapstick and mistaken identity. ***The Comedy of Errors*** is Shakespeare's shortest play with wives, debtors, officers, friends and even the twins themselves caught up in a confection of slapstick and confusion.

It is performed in tandem with a hilarious brand-new comedy by Phil Porter ***A Company of Rascals***, set in the bawdy backstreets of Ephesus, a world of charlatans and bootleggers, exploring the story behind the story of Shakespeare's comic characters.

Both plays are performed by one incredible cast, cleverly intertwining the action, as they move from the main stage for ***The Comedy of Errors*** to locations around the theatre for ***A Company of Rascals***. Timing will be everything.

In a jam packed summer season, there's also the highly anticipated drama, ***By Royal Appointment***, a funny, poignant and celebratory new play about the kind of power that only a Queen can wield – she charms the world through coats and admonishes her family through a carefully chosen hat. Or if you fancy a regency murder mystery then ***Death Comes to Pemberley*** tours to the theatre in August. Six years after Elizabeth Bennet and Mr. Darcy's happy union, their idyllic life at Pemberley is shattered when a man is murdered in the woods. As the investigation unfolds, dark secrets emerge, tensions rise, and loyalties are tested.



For all the family *The Singing Mermaid* by **Julia Donaldson** with songs by **Barb Jungr** is the perfect summer treat.



The Guildford Institute's What's On programme is packed full of events to see you through summer and beyond. These include a variety of practical art and craft courses, fascinating art history lectures and live music events. Look out for it's new programme which launches in early August, with activities taking place from October to March.

Visit [guildford-institute.org.uk](http://guildford-institute.org.uk) or pop into the Institute, Ward Street to pick up a brochure.

