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DID YOU KNOW?

WE ARE REGISTERED FOR THE FAMILY ARTS STANDARDS

This is for family events in our four largest libraries – Beeston, Mansfield Central, West Bridgford and Worksop. This means we are working hard to make families feel welcome.

We've identified events online that are Fantastic for Families with this badge.

www.familyarts.co.uk/family-arts-standards



Fantastic
For Families

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It's our delight to present a funded programme of work for all.

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WE ARE REGISTERED AS AN ARTS AWARD SUPPORTER

Offering a wide cultural programme across our venues. Many of our events are free or incur a very small charge and many can be accessed by young people looking for opportunities locally to help them achieve an Arts Award.



HELP & ADVICE

BOOKING EVENTS

Tickets for events can be booked online, in person at the library, or by phone.

Tickets are non-refundable unless an event is cancelled. Programme is subject to change and all details are correct at time of print.

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ACCESS

Please visit: inspireculture.org.uk/access to find out more about access and facilities at your local library.

ACCESSIBLE FORMATS

This brochure is available in large format, or text-only.

Visit our website inspireculture.org.uk/whatson to read online, or a copy can be made available at your local library upon request.

ARTS & CULTURE LIVE AT YOUR LIBRARY & BEYOND

Spring is in the air! We're welcoming the lighter months with a vibrant season of events for children and families, live music, reading, poetry, arts, exhibitions, film, heritage, and even a bit of knitting!

I always look forward to this time of year as it marks the return of the **Summer Reading Challenge** - my annual highlight. This year children are invited to celebrate creative arts and help the **Marvellous Makers** search for missing objects, all while keeping up their reading throughout the holidays.

Throughout May, we're running **free** creative writing workshops as part of our new **I Am A Writer** project. With over 30 workshops in libraries across the county, I encourage everyone to try something new. May also sees the return of the popular **Hands on Heritage Day** to Mansfield Central Library, bringing fun and free heritage activities for all the family.

The Charity Knitting Challenge is back!

This year we've partnered with Your Health Notts, Dementia Action for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, Newark and Sherwood District Council and Creative Lives to support crafters to make **Care Squares** - knitted and crochet squares that will create homely warm blankets.

This is just a small sample of all the exciting events we've got programmed this season, so do read on to find out what's on near you.

We look forward to seeing you this season, whether its to sign up to the **Summer Reading Challenge**, attend an exciting event in this brochure, to read, learn, enjoy culture or even use IT facilities, we hope to see you soon.

Peter Gaw Chief Executive, Inspire

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Marvellous Makers

Summer Reading Challenge 2024

FREE All Inspire Libraries 

Saturday 6 July – Sunday 1 September

GET CREATIVE WITH THIS YEAR'S SUMMER READING CHALLENGE - MARVELLOUS MAKERS!

This summer, we're tapping into our imaginations, telling amazing stories, and coming up with lots of fun new creations as we celebrate the creative arts with the 2024 Summer Reading Challenge.

The challenge invites children aged 4 – 11, to read six or more library books over the summer. There are stickers for every book read with a medal and certificate for every child who completes the challenge.

Children will be introduced to a cast of characters who are part of their local creative club and getting ready to show their work at a big festival. But... some objects mysteriously go missing from the club's creative toolbox.

Join the challenge to help the Marvellous Makers search for the missing objects to complete their creations.

inspireculture.org.uk/SummerReadingChallenge

The Summer Reading Challenge is produced by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with libraries.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED...

- **Sign up for FREE** at any Inspire Library from 6 July
- **Get reading!** Children choose the books they want to read – story books, fact books, poetry, graphic novels, ebooks, audio books – all reading counts.
- **Collect stickers** for every book read
- **Read six books** to receive a medal and certificate.

Children can also take part online at: summerreadingchallenge.org.uk to earn digital badges and rewards.



DON'T FORGET!

Under 4s can join in with the mini challenge

A bite sized version of the challenge for our youngest readers, collect 6 stickers to earn a special gold sticker.



THE
READING
AGENCY

Celebrating
creativity

CREATE
FOR ALL





Author: Mark Grist

MEET THE 2024 ARTIST AND AUTHOR IN RESIDENCE!

Inspire are delighted to announce that artist **Amanda Rigby** and author **Mark Grist** have been selected as the 2024 Artist and Author in Residence and will co-create the exhibition and workshops.

To find out more and to join them at a FREE workshop in the summer visit:

inspireculture.org.uk/ArtistAndAuthor



Exhibition

EXPRESSION

FREE Workshop, Newark, Retford & Southwell Libraries 

Saturday 13 July – Sunday 8 September

Amanda Rigby and Mark Grist have worked with groups of primary aged children to make explosive artwork and poems that celebrate the wide range of emotions we feel every day as human beings. Through playful use of metaphor, personification (and a little imagination!) they've collaborated to create this expressive exhibition, inspired by the Summer Reading Challenge theme.

Artist: Amanda Rigby



Creature illustrations by Amanda Rigby.



Booking Info:  Booking required  Advised booking  No booking needed

Under 5s

**LITTLE
CREATIVES
WORKSHOPS****FREE** at 13 Inspire Libraries ^(B)**Arnold** 13 April / 11 May / 8 June / 13 July**Balderton** 2 April / 7 May / 4 June**Beeston** 9 April / 14 May / 11 June / 9 July**Bingham** 11 April / 9 May / 13 June / 11 July**Hucknall** 12 April / 10 May / 14 June / 12 July**Kirkby-in-Ashfield**

4 April / 2 May / 6 June / 4 July

Mansfield Central

5 April / 3 May / 7 June / 5 July

Newark 2 July**Retford** 2 April / 7 May / 4 June / 2 July**Southwell** 11 April / 9 May / 13 June / 11 July**Sutton-in-Ashfield**

12 April / 10 May / 14 June / 12 July

West Bridgford

18 April / 16 May / 20 June / 18 July

Worksop 6 April / 4 May / 1 June / 6 July

**JOIN US FOR CREATIVE ART
SESSIONS DESIGNED BY ARTISTS
FOR VERY YOUNG CHILDREN.**

Let the workshops help your little one to develop new skills as they splodge, splat, squidge and shine. Share in their active, playful, sometimes messy fun. See their confidence grow as they explore stimulating and creative activities.

There's two sessions available to book:

Either 10am – 10.45am or 11.15am – 12pm

For children aged 2 – 5.

All children must be accompanied.

inspireculture.org.uk/LittleCreatives

Under 5s

ADVENTURES IN MUSIC**FREE** at 15 Inspire Libraries ^(A)**Starting from 15 April**

Adventures in Music uses rhythm, music and movement to develop your child's language skills, spark their imagination and build their confidence in exploring and making music.

From pirates to fairies, a mermaid city to a monster mountain – there are 10 FREE 45-minute sessions in total with a different enchanting theme each week, so you and your little one can clap, stamp, shake, dance and sing!

Suitable for children aged 2 – 5.

Children must be supervised throughout the sessions.

Libraries include: Arnold, Balderton, Beeston, Bingham, Carlton Hill, Cotgrave, Eastwood, Hucknall, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Mansfield Central, Retford, Southwell, Stapleford, Sutton-in-Ashfield and Worksop.

For full dates & times visit

inspireculture.org.uk/Adventures



Booking Info: ^(B) Booking required

^(A) Advised booking

^(N) No booking needed

Under 5s

THE LULLABY BANK**FREE** Inspire Libraries **Beeston Library****10.30am / Thursdays starting 18 April****Bingham Library****10.30am / Tuesdays starting 16 April****Carlton Hill Library****10.30am / Wednesdays starting 17 April****Cotgrave Library****1.30pm / Wednesdays starting 17 April****Eastwood Library****9.30am / Thursdays starting 18 April**

The Lullaby Bank is a chance for mums and babies to relax and bond in a calm space.

SING AND LISTEN TO MELODIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD TO SOOTHE AND UPLIFT.

We will sing a variety of lullabies from around the globe, in English and other languages, learn some baby-massage and basic signing, as well as some play time rhymes and songs in a quiet and relaxing space. The class also offers a breast-feeding safe space, and a chance to connect with other new mums in what can often be a very isolating and exhausting time.

Babies aged 0 – 9 months.

A partnership between Inspire Music and Music for Everyone.

FREE
10 weeks
of sessions

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Family Concert

FANTASTIC FESTIVALS

£4 library members /
£7 non-library members

Inspire Libraries **Sutton-in-Ashfield Library****12pm / Saturday 18 May****Mansfield Central Library****1pm / Saturday 8 June****Bingham Library****1pm / Saturday 22 June**

Take front row seats as we explore some well-known festivals (and great music!) and give you and your families a trip to remember. Relive those summer vibes in the warmth and comfort of your local library.

Our concert series aims to introduce little ears to the music we all love and explain the story as we go. Grab a hat and sit back and enjoy.

After the performance meet the musicians and try out some of the instruments.

For children ages 5 – 11.

inspireculture.org.uk/FamilyConcerts



JOIN US FOR
A FUN VISIT TO
OUR FESTIVAL
OF TUNES



Children's Author Event

PETR HORÁČEK

£3 children /

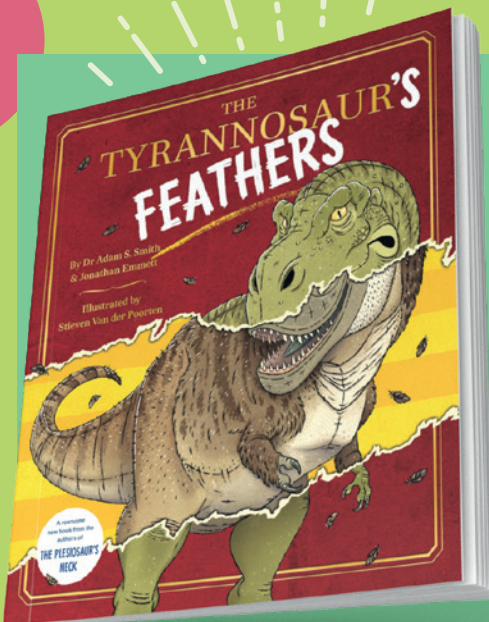
FREE accompanying adultsInspire Libraries **(A)****Beeston Library****10.30am / Saturday 27 April****West Bridgford Library****2pm / Saturday 27 April**

Join author and illustrator Petr Horáček for a fun filled session. Hear Petr read from his hugely popular books. Watch as he shares illustrations and demonstrates how to draw the characters, and find out how he develops ideas for his amazing stories.

Suitable for ages 4 – 8 and their families.**ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

Petr Horáček grew up in the Czech Republic where he studied painting at the Academy of Fine Art. Petr has written and illustrated numerous picture books including bestsellers *Blue Penguin*, and *Puffin Peter*, that was shortlisted for the prestigious *Kate Greenaway Award*.

**PETR HAS SOLD OVER
4.5 MILLION COPIES WORLDWIDE.**



Children's Author Event

**TYRANNOSAUR'S FEATHERS
WITH JONATHAN EMMETT**

£3 children /

FREE accompanying adultsMansfield Central Library **(A)****11am / Saturday 11 May**

**TYRANNOSAURUS REX MAY BE
THE KING OF THE DINOSAURS, BUT
THAT DOESN'T STOP KNOW-IT-ALL
VELOCIRAPTOR FROM TELLING HIM
HE LOOKS OLD-FASHIONED AND
NEEDS A MAKEOVER.**

Join author Jonathan Emmett for an amusing and informative look at how and why T. Rex's appearance has changed dramatically since the giant prehistoric predator was first unearthed over a century ago.

Suitable for children aged 6 – 11.

Children's Author Event

LORETTA SCHAUER

£3 children /

FREE accompanying adultsInspire Libraries **Retford Library****10.30am / Saturday 27 April****Workshop Library****2pm / Saturday 27 April**

Join author and illustrator Loretta Schauer for a session packed full of fun and creativity. Watch Loretta bring some of her characters to life as she draws them and then be inspired to create your own creatures and characters that could feature in your own stories.

Loretta is the illustrator of *Welcome to Dinosaur School*, *Rabunzel* and *Cindergorilla* amongst many others.

Suitable for children aged 4 – 8 and their families.



TEACHERS!
Performances for schools also available at 5 libraries.

inspireculture.org.uk/RubyForSchools

Family Theatre

MISHMASH PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS: RUBY'S WORRY

£4 library members /

£7 non-library membersInspire Libraries **Mansfield Central Library****11.30am & 1.30pm / Sunday 16 June****Beeston Library****10.30am / Saturday 29 June**

Ruby had always been happy, perfectly happy... until one day... she discovered a worry.

Ruby tries and tries to get rid of her worry, which grows bigger and bigger! Eventually she meets a boy who has a worry too. Together they discover that everyone has worries, and that if you talk about them, they never hang around for long!

Told through live music, song, puppetry and physical theatre, Ruby's Worry takes the audience on a delightful musical adventure.

Suitable for children aged 3 – 7 and their families.

Based on the book *Ruby's Worry*, written and illustrated by Tom Percival and published by Bloomsbury.

Created by MishMash Productions in partnership with Nottingham City Libraries. With support from Inspire: Culture, Learning and Libraries; Leicestershire Libraries and with funding from Arts Council England.

inspireculture.org.uk/Ruby

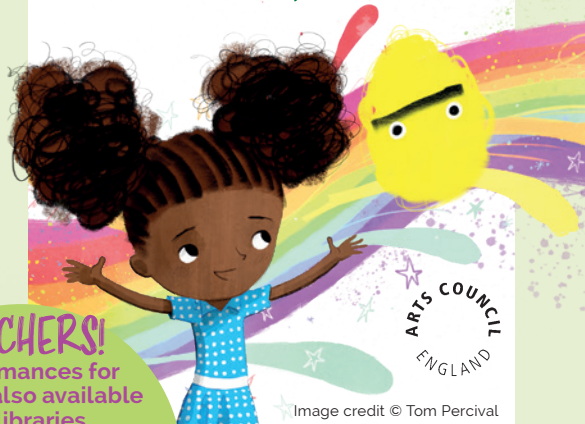


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I AM A WRITER



Workshop

I AM A WRITER: WRITING WORKSHOPS

FREE Inspire Libraries **(A)**

Throughout the month of May, we'll be running FREE creative writing workshops at libraries across the county.

WITH THE GUIDANCE OF A PROFESSIONAL WRITER, YOU'LL HAVE THE CHANCE TO EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVITY IN A RELAXED AND WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT.

There'll be space for you to share your thoughts and stories and to try different types of writing – from poetry and memoir to fiction and playwriting.

No previous writing experience is necessary, and this is all about trying something new and having a go.

Suitable for adults, and children aged 9+ and their families.



Andrew Graves



Anna Mansell



Annie Warren



Clare Harvey



Lucy Grace



Pippa Hennessy



Jack Burrows

Inspire's I Am A Writer is the first stage of our **I Am A Creator** programme, which is funded by investment from Arts Council England, through our status as an ACE National Portfolio Organisation.



I AM A WRITER EVENTS DIARY

WRITER	VENUE	DATE	TIME
Lucy Grace	Ollerton Library	Wednesday 1 May	3pm – 5pm
Jack Burrows	Kirkby-in-Ashfield Library	Thursday 2 May	11am – 1pm
Anna Mansell	Mansfield Central Library	Friday 3 May	2pm – 4pm
Clare Harvey	Warsop Library	Friday 3 May	11.30am – 1.30pm
Pippa Hennessy	Sutton-in-Ashfield Library	Saturday 4 May	10am – 11am
Andy Graves	Worksop Library	Saturday 4 May	10am – 12pm
Lucy Grace	Edwinstowe Library	Saturday 4 May	10am – 12pm
Pippa Hennessy	Balmoral Library	Wednesday 8 May	11:30am – 1:30pm
Jack Burrows	Harworth & Bircotes Library	Thursday 9 May	10am – 12pm
Annie Warren	Bilsthorpe Library	Friday 10 May	2pm – 4pm
Pippa Hennessy	Sutton-in-Ashfield Library	Saturday 11 May	10am – 11am
Andy Graves	Retford Library	Saturday 11 May	12pm – 2pm
Andy Graves	Retford Library	Monday 13 May	12pm – 2pm
Jack Burrows	Skegby & Stanton Hill Library	Monday 13 May	2pm – 4pm
Pippa Hennessy	Collingham Library	Wednesday 15 May	3pm – 4pm
Lucy Grace	Forest Town Library	Thursday 16 May	2pm – 4pm
Annie Warren	Hucknall Library	Friday 17 May	3pm – 5pm
Anna Mansell	Mansfield Central Library	Saturday 18 May	10am – 12pm
Pippa Hennessy	Southwell Library	Saturday 18 May	10am – 11am
Andy Graves	Retford Library	Saturday 18 May	12pm – 2pm
Anna Mansell	Blidworth Library	Monday 20 May	2pm – 4pm
Clare Harvey	Ladybrook Library	Tuesday 21 May	2pm – 4pm
Pippa Hennessy	Collingham Library	Wednesday 22 May	3pm – 4pm
Anna Mansell	Balderton Library	Thursday 23 May	10am – 12pm
Jack Burrows	Langold Library	Thursday 23 May	2pm – 4pm
Pippa Hennessy	Sutton-on-Trent Library	Friday 24 May	2pm – 3pm
Clare Harvey	Huthwaite Library	Friday 24 May	3pm – 5pm
Pippa Hennessy	Southwell Library	Saturday 25 May	10am – 11am
Lucy Grace	Mansfield Woodhouse Library	Saturday 25 May	10am – 12pm
Pippa Hennessy	Sutton-on-Trent Library	Friday 31 May	2pm – 3pm
Clare Harvey	Newark Library	Thursday 20 June	2pm – 4pm

SATURDAY
SESSIONS GREAT
FOR FAMILIES
WITH CHILDREN
AGED 9+

FIND OUT MORE

About our exciting I Am A Writer workshops and the writers involved

inspireculture.org.uk/IAMAWriter

Author Event

LOUISE BEECH/SWANSON£3 **Workshop Library** **2pm / Thursday 2 May**

Join Louise Beech author of nine novels and a memoir, *Eighteen Seconds* (2023) for a talk about her works and life.

Her debut *How to be Brave* was a Guardian Readers' Pick; *The Lion Tamer Who Lost* was shortlisted for the Romantic Novel Awards in 2019 and longlisted for the Polari Prize that same year; *Call Me Star Girl* was Best magazine's Book of the Year; This Is How We Are Human was a Clare Mackintosh Book Club pick; and audiobook *Daffodils* was shortlisted for the Audies23.

Her dystopian thriller *End of Story*, set in a future in which fiction has been banned by the government for five years, is written as Louise Swanson. Swanson's next book will be released in summer 2024.



BOOK
YOUR
PLACE



Poetry Workshop

**BAD IDEAS CLUB
WITH SOPHIE SPARHAM**FREE **Inspire Libraries** 

Sutton-in-Ashfield Library
2pm / Thursday 20 June
or 1pm / Saturday 22 June

Mansfield Central Library
2pm / Tuesday 25 June
or 1pm / Saturday 29 June

**POETS! SHARE NEW WORK,
FIRST DRAFTS AND 'BAD' IDEAS
IN A WARM, INCLUSIVE SETTING.**

Come and join local poet and writer Sophie Sparham and Nottingham-based independent publishers Bad Betty Press for a free, relaxed poetry workshop where you can share your ideas and work on new projects.

**Choose one of the above dates
and come along to share your work.**

This workshop has been programmed in association with Bad Betty Press using funding from Arts Council England.



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Author Event

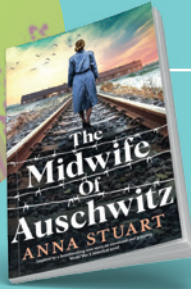
**WRITING WOMEN
BACK INTO HISTORY –
JOANNA COURTNEY /
ANNA STUART IN CONVERSATION**
£3 Retford Library ^(A)
2pm / Monday 24 June

Real name, Jo Barnden, this historical author has long been on a mission to explore the female stories that have been pushed into the shadows of history.

Join Jo in conversation as she talks about how women throughout the ages have done amazing, often unnoticed things, and how much fun it is writing about them!

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

As Anna Stuart, Jo has written the *Midwife of Auschwitz* and the *Midwife of Berlin*. As Joanna Courtney she has written the *Queens of Conquest* and *Shakespeare's Queens* series as well as latest novel *Cleopatra* and *Julius*.


**NOTTINGHAM
POETRY FESTIVAL**

Author Event

**POETRY HOUR
WITH HENRY NORMAL**
FREE Inspire Libraries ^(A)
**Retford Library
1pm / Monday 10 June**
**Southwell Library
4pm / Monday 10 June**
**Kirkby-in-Ashfield Library
12pm / Tuesday 11 June**
**West Bridgford Library
3.30pm / Tuesday 11 June**

As a part of Nottingham Poetry Festival 2024, Henry Normal and his hand picked guests team up with Inspire Culture, Learning and Libraries to undertake a tour of four Nottinghamshire Libraries. Book your tickets for an hour of poetry and comedy that will have you laughing and crying, most likely at the same time.

For more information on Nottingham Poetry Festival check out nottinghampoetryfestival.com.

ABOUT HENRY

Henry Normal is a writer, poet, TV & Film producer, founder of the Manchester Poetry Festival (now the Literature festival) and co-founder of Nottingham Poetry Festival. He co-wrote and script edited the multi-award winning Mrs Merton show and the spin-off series Mrs Merton and Malcolm, and co-created and co-wrote the first series of *The Royle Family*. In June 2017 Henry was honoured with a special BAFTA for services to Television after retiring from Baby Cow Productions in 2016, where highlights of his tenure as MD include the Oscar-nominated film *Philomena*, *I Believe in Miracles*, *Gavin and Stacey*, *Moone Boy*, *Uncle, Marion and Geoff*, *Nighty Night*, *The Mighty Boosh*, *Red Dwarf*, *Hunderby*, *Camping* and *Alan Partridge*. Henry has written and performed 11 BBC Radio 4 shows combining comedy, poetry and stories about family. He was recently given an honorary doctorate of letters by Nottingham Trent University, another by Nottingham University, he has a beer and a bus named after him in Nottingham and has just completed a nationwide sell-out theatre tour with the *Banksy* of poetry, Brian Bilston.

HENRY'S
LATEST BOOK
A MOONLESS NIGHT
WAS RELEASED ON
28TH FEBRUARY
2024.

Author Event

MILLY JOHNSON
£3 Sutton-in-Ashfield Library ^(A)
2pm / Tuesday 23 July

Join Sunday Times bestselling author Milly Johnson as she celebrates the publication of her 21st novel *The Happiest Ever After*.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Milly was born, raised and still lives in Barnsley, South Yorkshire and is one of the Top 10 Female Fiction authors in the UK with over 2.5 million sales in the UK.

In 2020, she was honoured with the Romantic Novelists' Association's Outstanding Achievement Award and is a fierce defender of romantic and commercial fiction.

A writer who champions women and highlights the importance of friendship and community, Milly's characters are celebrations of the strength of the human spirit.



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FILM EVENTS AT INSPIRE

All films supported by:



Dementia Friendly EASTER PARADE (U)

£1 Mansfield Central Library (A)
1.30pm / Wednesday 3 April

A nightclub performer hires a naïve chorus girl to become his new dance partner to make his former partner jealous and to prove he can make any partner a star.

Dementia Friendly THE GREAT ESCAPER (12A)

£1 Inspire Libraries (A)
Eastwood Library
10.30am / Wednesday 5 June
Stapleford Library
10.30am / Monday 15 July

BASED ON A TRUE STORY

In the summer of 2014, a World War II veteran sneaks out of his care home to attend the 70th anniversary commemoration of the D-Day landings in Normandy.

Dementia Friendly CALAMITY JANE (U)

£1 Mansfield Central Library (A)
1.30pm / Wednesday 12 June

The all singing and dancing story of Calamity Jane, her saloon, and her romance with Wild Bill Hickok.



Dementia Friendly THE ADVENTURES OF PRISCILLA: QUEEN OF THE DESERT (15)

£1 Mansfield Central Library (A)
1.30pm / Wednesday 5 June
Two drag performers and a transgender woman travel across the desert to perform their unique style of cabaret.



Dementia Friendly film screenings are relaxed, with a break and refreshments. They're suitable for all, particularly those with memory challenges.

In partnership with Film Hub Midlands, with support from:



DID YOU KNOW?

You can now hire Mansfield Central Library Auditorium.

inspireculture.org.uk/Roomhire



Relaxed Film Screening
WONKA (PG)

£1 Eastwood Library (A)

10am / Thursday 30 May

With dreams of opening a shop in a city renowned for its chocolate, a young and poor Willy Wonka discovers that the industry is run by a cartel of greedy chocolatiers. Immerse yourself in a world of pure imagination and you'll leave with a smile on your face.

Our Relaxed films screenings are suitable for all but particularly neurodiverse families.

Relaxed Film Screening
THE LEGO BATMAN MOVIE (U)

£1 Mansfield Central Library (A)

11am / Saturday 4 May

A cooler-than-ever Bruce Wayne must deal with the usual suspects as they plan to rule Gotham City, while discovering that he has accidentally adopted a teenage orphan who wishes to become his sidekick.



Relaxed Film Screening
THE BORROWERS (U)

£1 Mansfield Central Library (A)

11am / Wednesday 31 July

A secret family of four-inch people living inside the walls of a house must save their home from an evil real estate developer.

Relaxed Film Screening
101 DALMATIANS (U)

£1 Mansfield Central Library (A)

1.30pm / Thursday 11 April

When a litter of Dalmatian puppies are abducted by the minions of Cruella De Vil, the owners must find them before she uses them for a diabolical fashion statement.



Sensory Film Screening

TOUCHSCREEN:
MY NEIGHBOUR TOTORO (U)

£1 Mansfield Central Library (A)

1pm / Wednesday 22nd May

When two girls move to the country to be near their ailing mother, they have adventures with the wondrous forest spirits who live nearby.

Join us for a mesmerizing Studio Ghibli Classic where the boundaries between film and audience blur.

ABOUT TOUCH SCREEN

Step into a world of sensory enchantment with touch screen - feature by artist Sarah Hamilton-Baker.

Immerse yourself fully in the magic of the film as you explore a curated collection of sensory objects designed to engage your senses throughout the screening. Touch, taste, feel and smell the essence of the movie in a way that goes beyond the screen, creating a multi-dimensional experience that transcends the traditional cinema outing.

This relaxed film screening is suitable for all but particularly those that are neurodiverse their friends and family.



(N) No booking needed
 (A) Advised booking
 (B) Booking required
 Booking Info:

BEST OF MANSFIELD FILM FESTIVAL

£2 Various Venues (A)

Kirkby-in-Ashfield Library
2pm / Friday 26 April

Eastwood Library
10.30am / Wednesday 8 May

Stapleford Library
1pm / Thursday 20 June

Join us for a showing of the very best films from the 2023 Mansfield Town Film Festival.

Enjoy a specially curated selection of short films, documentaries, animation and music videos. These include several prize winners showcasing a range of women's, LGBTQIA+ and working-class voices as well as local and international talent. Each short film will be introduced by the festival organisers who will share an insight into the film making process and judging decisions.

For adults only.

ABOUT MANSFIELD FILM FESTIVAL

The 2024 Film Festival runs from 26–28 July 2024 and features live screenings, masterclasses, awards evenings and much more all based in the heart of Mansfield.

mansfieldtownfilmfestival.com

IF YOU LOVE FILM, YOU'LL LOVE THIS EVENT

Booking Info: (B) Booking required (B) Advised booking (A) No booking needed (N)

Live Music
SONGS AND SCENES

£2 Inspire Libraries (A)

Eastwood Library
2pm / 15 April, 20 May, 17 June & 15 July

Retford Library
2pm / 7 June, 5 July, 2 August & 6 September

Sutton-in-Ashfield Library
2pm / 9 April, 14 May, 11 June & 9 July

WHO DOESN'T LOVE A CUP OF TEA, A LOVELY SCONE AND SOME SOCIAL MUSIC-MAKING?

Live Music Now's Songs & Scenes programme brings people together to regularly engage with live music and connect with others in their local community over a cup of tea, a scone and uplifting live performances from professional musicians.

The events are particularly suitable for older people – including those living with dementia and their carers – but all are welcome to attend.

inspireculture.org.uk/SongsAndScenes



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JAZZ STEPS

live at the libraries

Live Music

LEEDS CITY STOMPERS

£13 Inspire Libraries ^(B)

Beeston Library

7.30pm / Monday 15 April

Workshop Library

7.30pm / Tuesday 16 April

West Bridgford Library

7.30pm / Wednesday 17 April

Standby for a 'retro' evening of 1920s and 1930s blues, jazz, swing and ragtime. With their beloved 1930s drum kit, shiny resonator guitar, tweed suits, washboard, double bass, banjo and brogues, this life-affirming trio are infectiously wild about the music of yesteryear.

PUTS A
SPRING IN
YOUR STEP!



Live Music

SHELL'S BELLES

£13 Inspire Libraries ^(B)

Beeston Library

7.30pm / Monday 13 May

Workshop Library

7.30pm / Tuesday 14 May

West Bridgford Library

7.30pm / Wednesday 15 May

Shell's Belles are Nottingham's ever-popular, all-female swing band who have been delighting audiences since their formation in 2014. With a wide repertoire the band thrive on their love of swing!

You'll know the tunes – so swing along for a great night out!

Live Music

ALAN BARNES – THE MUSIC OF CHARLIE PARKER

£13 Inspire Libraries ^(B)

Beeston Library

7.30pm / Monday 10 June

Workshop Library

7.30pm / Tuesday 11 June

West Bridgford Library

7.30pm / Wednesday 12 June

A firm favourite with Nottingham audiences, inimitable saxophonist Alan Barnes channels the music of Charlie Parker, a pioneer of the 'bebop' style in jazz. Aply backed by local Peggy's Skylight house band, Barnes uses his phenomenal stylistic range on tunes such as Yardbird Suite and Moose The Mooche; while his humorous introductions neatly provide period context.

A 'jazz on a summer's evening' treat – see you there!





Living Knowledge Network

BRITISH LIBRARY



BEYOND THE BASSLINE

500 Years of Black British Music

Exhibition

BEYOND THE BASSLINE

FREE Inspire Venues [®]

Nottinghamshire Archives

Friday 26 April – Wednesday 29 May

Mansfield Central Library

Friday 31 May – Friday 12 July

Beeston Library

Friday 19 July – Monday 26 August

We are delighted to be hosting a taster of the Beyond the Bassline exhibition currently on show at the British Library in London.

The exhibition shines a spotlight on different voices and perspectives to celebrate Black British music as a form of entertainment and vehicle for community, as well as a source of liberation, protest and education. Stepping into carnivals, clubs and record shops across the country, Beyond the Bassline draws on different places that have cultivated creative expression and inspired a number of Black British music genres.

See our collection of local history linked to the Beyond the Bassline themes at Nottinghamshire Archives.

inspireculture.org.uk/LKN

We are members of the Living Knowledge Network!

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Family Workshop

DRUM & DANCE! A TASTER SESSION OF RHYTHM AND EXPRESSION

FREE Mansfield Central Library [®]

10.30am / Saturday 1 June

Join Community Arts Practitioners, Janet and Jude, for a taster of good mood-boosting fun through drumming and dance.

Grab a hand drum and join the drumming circle, delving into the world of rhythm and song from around the world, then tease out your inner-dancer and feel the beat all over your body as you shimmy.

Suitable for families.

Just drop in between 10.30am and 12.30pm.

MANSFIELD CARNIVAL

Mansfield Market Place

12:30pm to 6:30pm / Saturday 22 June

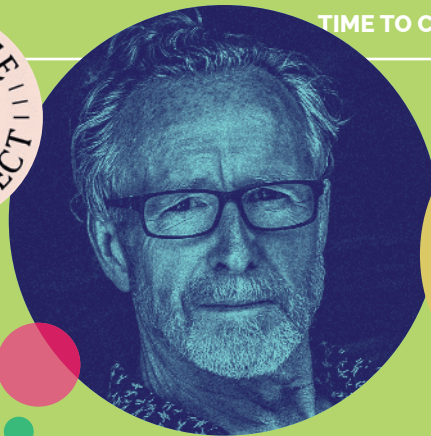
GET READY FOR A DAY OF LAUGHTER, JOY, AND ENDLESS FUN!

Mansfield will be transformed into a carnival extravaganza.

Visit Mansfield.gov.uk/museum to sign up and be the first to hear about what's on.

CHECK THIS OUT
Beyond the Bassline Stage

Live outside the Library as part of Mansfield Festival!



LOOK AT THIS
HANDS ON HERITAGE
DAY EXHIBITION

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Exhibition

TIME TO CONNECT NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

FREE Mansfield Central Library ^(N)

Friday 19 April – Thursday 23 May

TIME TO CONNECT IS A PROJECT
CONCEIVED BY PHOTOGRAPHER
ALISTAIR MORRISON TO CREATE
AN ART TRAIL THROUGH EACH
OF THE 166 COUNTIES IN THE U.K.

A five-year journey will take him around the UK in a converted camper van, which also doubles as a mobile studio, to capture a portrait of the UK, post Brexit, post pandemic, in all its richness and diversity.

At the heart of the project is the idea of connection. Morrison aims to meet and connect with individuals, families and groups of people of all shapes, sizes, races, religions, abilities, genders, sexualities – young, old and in the middle. He is creating space for personal conversations, allowing people to connect deeply with themselves, each other, and the world around them, enabling them to tell their stories of who they are. The journey is being captured, using photography, film, podcasts and other creative mediums.

Time to Connect Nottinghamshire launches the project with this exhibition, featuring local people whose stories form part of the diverse map of the area – a small representation of the importance of community in all counties.

Talk

TIME TO CONNECT: ALISTAIR MORRISON IN CONVERSATION

£3 Mansfield Central Library ^(A)

1pm / Thursday 23 May

Alistair Morrison is a prominent British photographer whose work is included in the Primary Collection of The National Portrait Gallery, London, with over 80 pieces on display. For the past 40 years he has worked alongside some of the most notable international icons and dignitaries. His portraits are collected by private and corporate clients worldwide and he has exhibited in Paris, New York, Palm Beach, Miami, Florence, Berlin, Barcelona and London.

INSPIRE ARE EXCITED TO HAVE
ALISTAIR AT MANSFIELD CENTRAL
LIBRARY FOR THIS ONE-OFF TALK
ABOUT HIS WORK AND THE TIME
TO CONNECT PROJECT.

inspireculture.org.uk/TimeToConnect



(N) No booking needed

(A) Advised booking

(B) Booking required

Booking info:

PICK UP A TIME TO CONNECT
ART TRAIL BOOKLET
EITHER AT THE EXHIBITION OR ONLINE

I AM A WRITER



Exhibition

I AM A WRITER

FREE Mansfield Central Library 

Tuesday 5 March – Tuesday 16 April

I AM A WRITER IS INSPIRE'S NEW PROGRAMME OF CREATIVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR AUDIENCES ACROSS NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

Featuring brilliant photography by Neil Pledger, this exhibition gives an inspiring introduction to the programme's seven professional writers, and offers a behind-the-scenes glimpse of their writing lives.

Get an insight into their work so far and find out about the exciting workshops that start on 1 May.

inspireculture.org.uk/IAMAWriter



CHECK THIS OUT

**I AM A WRITER:
WRITING WORKSHOPS**

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Sculptor: Michael Johnson / Photo credit © Neil Pledger



OPEN STUDIOS NOTTS 2024



Exhibition

**OPEN STUDIOS NOTTS:
BRINGING ARTISTS INTO VIEW**

FREE Worksop, West Bridgford and Southwell Libraries 

Saturday 27 April – Sunday 9 June

DON'T MISS THIS EXCITING OPPORTUNITY TO DISCOVER AND MEET NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ARTISTS!



The Open Studios Notts exhibition highlights the work and workplaces of artists and craftspeople taking part in this year's event.

On display is a mixed exhibition of photographs and artwork that reveals a fascinating insight into the working worlds of artists and craftspeople, alongside information about where to visit all the Open Studios in Nottinghamshire.

inspireculture.org.uk/OSNotts





Your Health
Notts

Charity Knitting Challenge

CARE SQUARES

FREE Online and Inspire Libraries **(N)**

**LOVE TO MAKE, LOVE TO GIVE?
THEN CAST ON AND CRAFT
AWAY WITH US IN 2024!**

Inspire, Your Health Notts, Dementia Action for Nottingham & Nottinghamshire, Newark & Sherwood District Council, and Creative Lives are supporting crafters to make knitted and crocheted squares into homely warm blankets for people to cherish. Striking design and 'yarnspertise' this year is from Nottinghamshire knitwear designer Jane Withers – Jane's inspiring patterns are available from libraries and online.

inspireculture.org.uk/Knit

Dementia Action

Nottingham & Nottinghamshire



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SHERWOOD
DISTRICT COUNCIL



**Creative
Lives**



Workshop

**GET KNITTING!
CREATIVE
STITCHING
WITH JANE
WITHERS**

FREE Online **(N)**

Available from
Saturday 18 May



**JOIN JANE'S ONLINE
WORKSHOP AND HAVE
FUN WITH CREATIVE
WOOLLY STITCHES.**



Take a closer look at the knit stitch to make a unique embellishment that will add some style to any knitted or crocheted piece. It is great for using up oddments of yarn and a super way to add a decorative flourish to a blanket square for the Care Squares challenge!

Suitable for beginners and anyone who wants to get crafty with yarns and have fun with all things woolly!
inspireculture.org.uk/Knit



**CHECK
THIS OUT**
**Care Squares
Exhibition**
Mansfield Central
Library Gallery
Wednesday 14 August - Tuesday 24 September



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Jamie

Booking Info: **(B)** Booking required **(A)** Advised booking **(N)** No booking needed

HANDS ON HERITAGE 2024



BOOK SALES



FUN



CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

Heritage
HANDS ON HERITAGE DAY
FREE Mansfield Central Library [Ⓝ]
10am – 2pm / Saturday 18 May

HANDS ON HERITAGE DAY RETURNS TO MANSFIELD LIBRARY THIS MAY.

Bringing a variety of fun and free activities from heritage groups and organisations from across the county. Come along and meet costumed characters, play archaeologist for the day, or try your hand at traditional circus skills! Visitors can also explore pop-up museums and mining heritage, discover more about local and family history, browse the books for sale, and get hands-on with fun crafts and activities for all the family!

We'll have live music throughout the day and Mrs B's café will be open for refreshments on the mezzanine floor.

Booking Info: [Ⓟ] Booking required [Ⓐ] Advised booking [Ⓝ] No booking needed





Heritage Talk

THE RISE OF THE DUKERIES

£3 Worksop Library 

2pm / Wednesday 17 April

The four Dukeries have had an enduring effect on the Bassetlaw region but how did they come into being? Benedict Jephcott charts how each of the ducal areas developed; through the large-scale changes of the dissolution and civil war, the fates of various bloodlines, and the creation and losses of some of the grandest buildings to grace the East Midlands.

Heritage Talk

THE CURIOUS WORLD OF OLDE TIME PUNISHMENTS

£3 Mansfield Central Library 

2pm / Tuesday 23 April

From birching to branding and beheading to burning, the strange and curious world of olde time punishments is something to behold. Join Ian Morgan to hear stories of ducking stools and witches, the pillory and perjurers and many more. We all know of corporal and capital punishment, but how do you punish the dead? And how do you punish a horse and cart or a train? Just what is a deodand or a Newcastle cloak, and what about the Branks or the Hand of Glory?

Heritage

FAMILY HISTORY ONE TO ONE SESSIONS

FREE Online or phone 

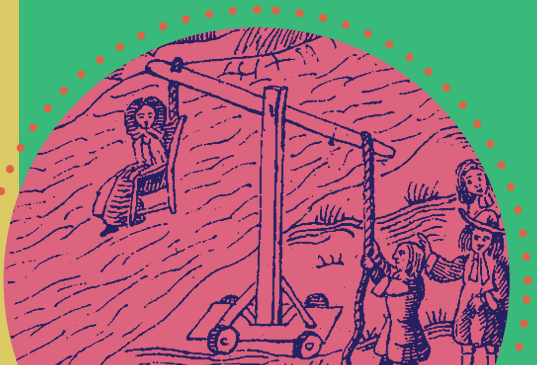
2pm, 2.45pm or 3.30pm / Tuesday 7 May

2pm, 2.45pm or 3.30pm / Tuesday 25 June

Looking for hints on how to discover more about your family's history?

Sign up for a FREE one-to-one conversation with one of our librarians.

Family History Surgery for beginners – by phone or video call.





Heritage Talk

THE EXPLOSIVE LIFE OF BEESTON'S COLONEL B.D. SHAW

£3 Beeston Library 

2pm / Wednesday 24 April

A war hero, serving in both World Wars, explosives expert, TV personality and Beeston resident, Col Brian D Shaw was all these things (and more). His amazing life story, from birth in Ilkeston in 1898 to his death in 1999 will be revealed by his biographer, Clare Wilkes, in this illustrated talk.

Heritage Talk

CLASSIFIED! ADVERTISING IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS IN THE 18TH AND 19TH CENTURIES

£3 West Bridgford Library 

2pm / Tuesday 30 April

Advertising is all around us nowadays, but it hasn't always been like this. In this talk, local historian Robert Mee will look at just one aspect of early advertising – local newspapers from the 18th and 19th centuries, focussing on Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. Along the way, we will also discover some surprising facts about our local area in the past.

BOOK NOW



Heritage Talk

DANGEROUS WOMEN OF NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

£3 Worksop Library 

2pm / Wednesday 15 May

This lively presentation by Adrian Gray looks at some of the women of Nottinghamshire who have had a significant impact in challenging the man's world that they were forced to live in. The selection includes a mix of social and spiritual revolutionaries who had an impact way beyond the county boundary.

Workshop

HERITAGE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

£5 Mansfield Central Library 

1pm / Tuesday 21 May

Old photographs give us a fascinating glimpse of people and places in the past. This hands-on workshop with photographer Neil Pledger will inspire you to record the local area as it is now for future generations to see. The 2-hour session will begin at Mansfield Central Library with a look at the Inspire Picture Archive, and Neil's introduction to photo composition techniques, specifically tailored to architectural and heritage photography. Following this, we will take a walk around some of the key features of Mansfield town centre to practice these skills and learn something of the history all around us.

For ages 16+.

Bring your own camera or phone. Please wear suitable clothing and footwear for the outdoor part of the workshop, taking weather conditions into account.





Heritage Talk

FOOTPADS, KINGS AND HIGHWAYMEN

£3 West Bridgford Library **B**

2pm / Tuesday 28 May

The journey described by Ian Morgan covers just 34 miles following the old Great North Road through Nottinghamshire, and in that short distance we will see the scenes of horrific battles, the haunts of highwaymen, the sites of murder and much, much more... Get ready for a rollercoaster ride of horror and humour as the stories of this ancient highway unfold.



JOIN
THE TALK

Heritage Talk

HISTORIC BUILDING MYTH-BUSTING IN NOTTS

£3 Inspire Libraries **B**

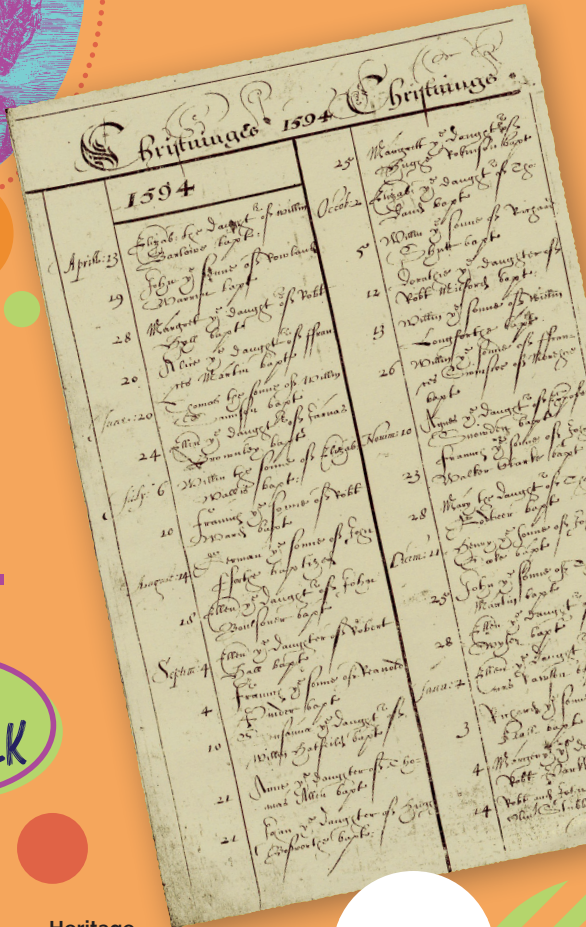
Mansfield Central Library

2pm / Tuesday 18 June

Beeston Library

2pm / Wednesday 17 July

Archaeologist and author James Wright will be speaking about his new book *Historic Building Myth-busting*. Go to any ancient building in Nottinghamshire and there will be interesting, exciting, and romantic stories presented to the visitor. They are commonly believed and widely repeated – but are they really true? Secret passages linking ancient buildings, spiral staircases giving advantage to right-handed defenders, ship timbers used for building, or blocked doors in churches to keep out the devil. James will explain the development of such myths and the underlying truths behind them.



Heritage

EXPLORING PARISH REGISTERS

FREE **Workshop Library** **B**

2pm / Wednesday 19 June

Join one of our heritage librarians for a small group session to talk about the history of Nottinghamshire's parish registers and look at some of the fascinating stories they contain. Parish registers of baptisms, marriages and burials are a major resource for anyone beginning their family history.

The Nottinghamshire parish records are now available via Ancestry.co.uk which is FREE to use in Inspire Libraries, and at Nottinghamshire Archives.

 **ancestry**



Heritage

NEWSTEAD: BEYOND BYRON

£5 Nottinghamshire Archives 

2.15pm / Tuesday 30 April

As the world (and Nottinghamshire) remembers Lord Byron on the 200th anniversary of his death, join staff from Nottinghamshire Archives to explore the history of Newstead beyond the Byron family.



Heritage

ASYLUM TO HOSPITAL: MENTAL HEALTH RECORDS WORKSHOP

£5 Nottinghamshire Archives 

2.15pm / Thursday 16 May

In 1812, England's first county asylum opened in Nottingham. Join staff at Nottinghamshire Archives to discover the history of mental health care in Nottinghamshire, from the records of the people who experienced it first-hand. Find out how and why people were admitted to the asylum from delving into the case books and other records, as we discover how mental health care evolved from asylum to hospital.

Heritage

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ARCHIVES TOUR

£3 Nottinghamshire Archives 

11am / Thursday 9 May

2.30pm / Tuesday 2 July

An introduction to the Archives with a tour of the search room and storage areas. Your chance to view some unique and incredible highlights from the collections. Enjoy a display and tour of the conservation studio as an introduction to what conservation is, and learn the different types of materials treated, and the techniques used.

Tour will also include a demonstration of how we would repair a torn page and then how to sew on a traditional book binder's sewing frame.





CAN YOU ESCAPE THE ARCHIVES?

Heritage

ARCHIVES ESCAPE!

£5 Nottinghamshire Archives **(B)**

10am, 11.30am, 1.30pm or 3pm / Saturday 25 May

You have become trapped inside Nottinghamshire Archives! Solve the fiendish clues scattered throughout records of the past to escape – time is running out!

Heritage

BEHIND THE SCENES CONSERVATION WORKSHOP

£3 Nottinghamshire Archives **(B)**

11am / Tuesday 11 June

Come behind the scenes to see the work of the Archives Conservation team and find out more about what they do.

With displays and demonstrations of the conservation treatments, book binding, and preservation work they carry out.

Heritage

INTRODUCTION TO BOOK BINDING: PAMPHLET BINDING WORKSHOP

£10 Nottinghamshire Archives **(B)**

10.30am / Thursday 11 July

JOIN THE CONSERVATION TEAM AT NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ARCHIVES FOR A RELAXED MORNING MAKING A PAMPHLET BOOK.

This workshop is an introduction to book binding including the tools, materials and terminology. A pamphlet binding is a single section book block with boards covered in paper or cloth, which make ideal notebooks or sketchbooks to keep or give as gifts to family and friends.

All materials and equipment will be provided.



No booking needed

(N)

Advised booking

(A)

Booking required

(B)

Booking info:

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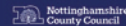
Visit us at Beeston, Mansfield Central and Sutton-in-Ashfield libraries to access online resources and databases or book a one-to-one appointment with our BIPC Advisors to discuss support for your business and ideas.

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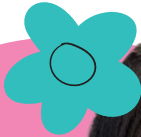


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EVENTS DIARY

DATE	EVENT	TYPE	LOCATION	£	PAGE
5 Mar – 16 Apr	I Am A Writer	Exhibition	Mansfield Central Library	FREE	12
3 Apr	Easter Parade (U)	Film Screening	Mansfield Central Library	£1	14
From 9 Apr	Songs and Scones*	Live Music	Sutton-in-Ashfield Library	£2	16
11 Apr	101 Dalmatians (U)	Film Screening	Mansfield Central Library	£1	15
2 Apr – 18 Jul	Little Creatives Workshops*	Under 5s	13 Inspire Libraries	FREE	6
From 15 Apr	Adventures in Music*	Under 5s	Various Inspire Libraries	FREE	6
15 Apr	Jazz Steps: Leeds City Stompers	Live Music	Beeston Library	£13	17
From 15 Apr	Songs and Scones*	Live Music	Eastwood Library	£2	16
From 16 Apr	The Lullaby Bank*	Under 5s	Various Inspire Libraries	FREE	7
16 Apr	Jazz Steps: Leeds City Stompers	Live Music	Worksop Library	£13	17
17 Apr	The Rise of the Dukeries	Heritage Talk	Worksop Library	£3	23
17 Apr	Jazz Steps: Leeds City Stompers	Live Music	West Bridgford Library	£13	17
19 Apr – 23 May	Time to Connect Nottinghamshire	Exhibition	Mansfield Central Library	FREE	19
23 Apr	The Curious World of Olde Time Punishments	Heritage Talk	Mansfield Central Library	£3	23
24 Apr	The Explosive Life of Beeston's Colonel B.D. Shaw	Heritage Talk	Beeston Library	£3	24
26 Apr	Best of Mansfield Film Festival	Film Screening	Kirkby-in-Ashfield Library	£2	16
26 Apr – 29 May	Beyond the Bassline	Exhibition	Nottinghamshire Archives	FREE	18
27 Apr	Petr Horáček	Children's Author Event	Beeston and West Bridgford Libraries	£3 / FREE*	8
27 Apr – 9 Jun	Open Studios Notts: Bringing Artists into View	Exhibition	Worksop, West Bridgford & Southwell Libraries	FREE	20
27 Apr	Loretta Schauer	Children's Author Event	Retford and Worksop Libraries	£3 / FREE*	9
30 Apr	Classified! Advertising in Local Newspapers in 18th and 19th Centuries	Heritage Talk	West Bridgford Library	£3	24
30 Apr	Newstead: Beyond Byron	Heritage	Nottinghamshire Archives	£5	26
1 May – 20 Jun	I Am A Writer Workshops*	Writing Workshop	Various Inspire Libraries	FREE	10
2 May	Louise Beech/Swanson	Author Event	Worksop Library	£3	12
4 May	The Lego Batman Movie (U)	Film Screening	Mansfield Central Library	£1	15
7 May	Family History One to One Sessions	Heritage	Online or phone	FREE	23
8 May	Best of Mansfield Film Festival	Film Screening	Eastwood Library	£2	16
9 May	Nottinghamshire Archives Tour	Heritage	Nottinghamshire Archives	£3	26
11 May	Tyrannosaur's Feathers with Jonathan Emmett	Children's Author Event	Mansfield Central Library	£3 / FREE*	8
13 May	Jazz Steps: Shell's Belles	Live Music	Beeston Library	£13	17
14 May	Jazz Steps: Shell's Belles	Live Music	Worksop Library	£13	17
15 May	Dangerous Women of Nottinghamshire	Heritage Talk	Worksop Library	£3	24
15 May	Jazz Steps: Shell's Belles	Live Music	West Bridgford Library	£13	17
16 May	Asylum to Hospital: Mental Health Records Workshop	Heritage	Nottinghamshire Archives	£5	26
18 May	Fantastic Festivals	Family Concert	Sutton-in-Ashfield Library	£4/£7	7
From 18 May	Get Knitting! Creative Stitching with Jane Withers	Online Workshop	Online	FREE	21
18 May	Hands On Heritage Day	Heritage	Mansfield Central Library	FREE	22
21 May	Heritage Photography Workshop	Heritage	Mansfield Central Library	£5	24
22 May	Touchscreen: My Neighbour Totoro (U)	Film Screening	Mansfield Central Library	£1	15
23 May	Time to Connect: Alistair Morrison in Conversation	Talk	Mansfield Central Library	£3	19

*See page event listing for full dates and times. * Free entry for accompanying adults.

April – July 2024

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25 May	Archives Escape!	Heritage	Nottinghamshire Archives	£5	27
28 May	Footpads, Kings and Highwaymen	Heritage Talk	West Bridgford Library	£3	25
30 May	Wonka (PG)	Film Screening	Eastwood Library	£1	15
31 May – 12 Jul	Beyond the Bassline	Exhibition	Mansfield Central Library	FREE	18
1 Jun	Drum & Dance! A Taster Session of Rhythm and Expression	Family Workshop	Mansfield Central Library	FREE	18
5 Jun	The Great Escaper (12A)	Film Screening	Eastwood Library	£1	14
5 Jun	The Adventures of Priscilla: Queen of the Desert (15)	Film Screening	Mansfield Central Library	£1	14
From 7 Jun	Songs and Scones*	Live Music	Retford Library	£2	16
8 Jun	Fantastic Festivals	Family Concert	Mansfield Central Library	£4/£7	7
10 Jun	Jazz Steps: Alan Barnes - The Music of Charlie Parker	Live Music	Beeston Library	£13	17
10 – 11 Jun	Poetry Hour with Henry Normal	Author Event	Retford, Southwell, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, West Bridgford Libraries	FREE	13
11 Jun	Behind the Scenes Conservation Workshop	Heritage	Nottinghamshire Archives	£3	27
11 Jun	Jazz Steps: Alan Barnes - The Music of Charlie Parker	Live Music	Worksop Library	£13	17
12 Jun	Calamity Jane (U)	Film Screening	Mansfield Central Library	£1	14
12 Jun	Jazz Steps: Alan Barnes - The Music of Charlie Parker	Live Music	West Bridgford Library	£13	17
16 Jun	MishMash Productions Presents: Ruby's Worry	Family Theatre	Mansfield Central Library	£4/£7	9
18 Jun	Historic Building Myth-busting in Nottinghamshire	Heritage Talk	Mansfield Central Library	£3	25
19 Jun	Exploring Parish Registers	Heritage	Worksop Library	FREE	25
20 Jun	Bad Ideas Club With Sophie Sparham	Poetry Workshop	Sutton-in-Ashfield Library	FREE	12
20 Jun	Best of Mansfield Film Festival	Film Screening	Stapleford Library	£2	16
22 Jun	Fantastic Festivals	Family Concert	Bingham Library	£4/£7	7
22 Jun	Bad Ideas Club With Sophie Sparham	Poetry Workshop	Sutton-in-Ashfield Library	FREE	12
22 Jun	Mansfield Carnival	Community	Mansfield Market Place	FREE	18
24 Jun	Writing Women Back Into History - Joanna Courtney/Anna Stuart	Author Event	Retford Library	£3	13
25 Jun	Bad Ideas Club With Sophie Sparham	Poetry Workshop	Mansfield Central Library	FREE	12
25 Jun	Family History One to One Sessions	Heritage	Online or phone	FREE	23
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2 Jul	Nottinghamshire Archives Tour	Heritage	Nottinghamshire Archives	£3	26
6 Jul – 1 Sept	Summer Reading Challenge	Children's Reading	All Inspire Libraries	FREE	4
13 Jul – 8 Sept	Expression	Exhibition	Worksop, Retford, Newark & Southwell Libraries	FREE	5
11 Jul	Introduction to Book Binding: Pamphlet Binding Workshop	Heritage	Nottinghamshire Archives	£10	27
15 Jul	The Great Escaper (12A)	Film Screening	Stapleford Library	£1	14
17 Jul	Historic Building Myth-busting in Nottinghamshire	Heritage Talk	Beeston Library	£3	25
19 Jul – 26 Aug	Beyond the Bassline	Exhibition	Beeston Library	FREE	18
23 Jul	Milly Johnson	Author Event	Sutton-in-Ashfield Library	£3	13
31 Jul	The Borrowers (U)	Film Screening	Mansfield Central Library	£1	15

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