

Arts in East Herts Programme of Events

September - October
2025



About Arts in East Herts

Running across the district and throughout September and October 2025, the Arts in East Herts showcase event provides an opportunity for residents to access arts and cultural activities that may have previously been inaccessible to them. This is a live programme and so will be updated almost daily with more amazing events, activities and experiences!

Supported by



Art In The Car Park

When: Every day during Arts in East Herts

Where: Northgate End car park, Bishop's Stortford, CM23 2BA



Check out a permanent installation of artwork by 12 Bishop's Stortford artists in this modern public space. Artists featured include Julie Walker, Gunta Andrews, Julia Fonnereau, Nicola Anthony, Amar Devsi, Shveta Main and Gabrielle Vickery.

More information: yvonne.estop@eastherts.gov.uk

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Creative Connections



When: Various, beginning Wednesday, 3 September, 7PM - 9PM

Where: Oasis Lounge, Bishop's Stortford Methodist Church, 34b South Street, Bishop's Stortford, CM23 3SZ

Participants are invited to bring their own craft project to work on at Oasis Lounge in Bishop's Stortford, where they can also meet other like-minded people. At this event, attendees will also be able to learn how to knit and crochet.

More information: katerowe@metronet.co.uk



Sewing & Needlework Group

When: Various, beginning Thursday, 4 September, 6:30PM - 9:00PM

Where: The Goat Pub, 25 Vicarage Causeway, Hertford Heath, SG13 7RT

Stitch & B*tch groups or meet-ups have many nicknames: Sip and Stitch, Knit and Natter, knitting circles, Happy Hookers...you get the idea!

At their core, Stitch & B*tch groups are a social connection for those who appreciate fiber arts and needlework.

Bring along your own craft project to work on at The Goat. People are currently knitting, crocheting, quilting, cross stitching and embroidering. This is a very welcoming group of all ages and abilities.

More information: phelanclaire@outlook.com



Sing With Buntingford Festival Choir!



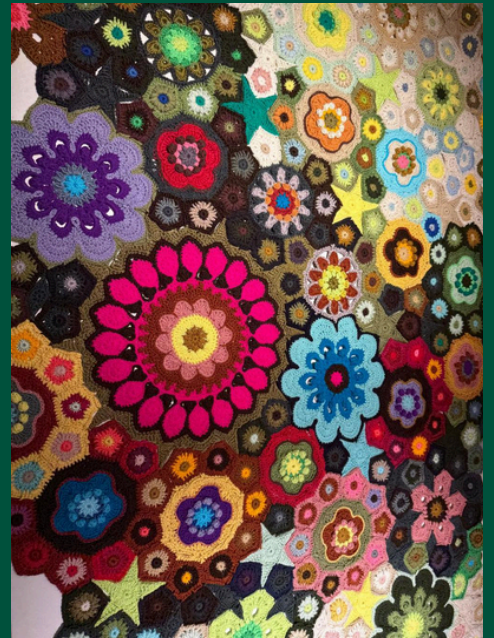
When: Weekly, beginning Thursday, 4 September, 7PM - 8:30PM

Where: St Mary's Church, Aspenden, Buntingford, SG9 9PG

Participants can learn to sing unaccompanied four-part harmony choral music, perfected in weekly rehearsals for public performance. New singers are always welcome, especially those who have a basic knowledge of musical notation and can reliably hold a tune! Join a trial rehearsal, no requirement to sing on your own!

More information: sing@buntingfordfestivalchoir.org

Cottered Village People Crochet Club



When: Thursday, 4 September,
Thursday, 2 October, 7PM - 9PM

Where: The Pavillion, Cottered,
Hertfordshire, SG9 9QR

Cottered Village People Crochet club encourages participation in an activity that brings people together to learn new skills, meet other residents and offer social engagement to the villagers.

More information: cotteredvillagepeople@outlook.com



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St Michael's Church Choir



When: Various, beginning Friday, 5 September, 7PM - 8:30PM

Where: St Michael's Church, Windhill, Bishop's Stortford CM23 2ND

- **Every Friday throughout September and October: Choir Open Rehearsals** - Come and listen to our choir rehearse in this beautiful aesthetic and wonderful acoustic, or join in if you like (some choral experience helpful but not essential). 7pm - 8:30pm - Free to attend.
- **Every Sunday throughout September and October: Choir Singing Sunday Services** - The choir will lead the singing of the communion setting and hymns (which you are welcome to join in with if you wish) - Free to attend.

More information: stmichaelsbsdom@gmail.com



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Sirena13art Workshop



When: Various, beginning Saturday, 6 September, 10AM - 1PM & 2PM - 5PM

Where: Leaside Church & Community Centre, High St, Ware, SG12 9BT

These workshops were designed in such a way to help you level up your skills. Whether you're a beginner looking to explore the world of colour or an experienced artist wanting to deepen your practice.

Through guided exercises, creative exploration, and personalized feedback, you'll learn how to use colour not just as decoration, but as a powerful storytelling tool. Each session is crafted to build your confidence with palettes, composition, and emotional expression—while encouraging your unique artistic voice.

Expect a warm, supportive atmosphere where experimentation is welcome. We'll cover colour theory, layering techniques, intuitive painting, and other fundamentals of art. Learn how to communicate mood and meaning through your choice and write your own colour story.

More information: sirena13art@gmail.com



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Ore Projects



When: Sunday, 7 September, 11AM - 12PM, 1PM - 2PM, 3PM - 4PM

Where: Grandey's Place,
Warren Park, Nr, Green Tye, Much
Hadham, SG10 6FF

After the success of last years welding taster sessions, and with 86 local people on the waiting list, Ore Projects will be providing more open sessions for the public to learn the processes of MIG and TIG welding mild steel.

The session will be one hour long, including a demonstration and a chance to try MIG welding.

The participants will also practice joining two pieces of metal together creating a small coat hook to take home with them.

More information:

<https://www.instagram.com/ore.projects>



Heritage Crafts Open Day



When: Sunday, 7 September, 10AM - 4PM

Where: Grandey's Place,
Warren Park, Nr, Green Tye, Much
Hadham, SG10 6FF

Grandey's Place Heritage & Craft Centre Open Day event. The public will get a chance to enter the world of exceptional and endangered heritage crafts. They can tour the site at their own pace, meet the Centre's master artists and makers, and learn about their specialisms including globemaking, lettercarving, ceramics and sculptural ceramics, millinery, costume making for Oscar winning designers, stained glass making and conservation, watchmaking, orchestral stringed instrument repair and more.

Refreshments will be provided by Grandey's Place on-site craft bakery, Micro Bakery.

More information: events@grandeysplace.co.uk (no fee to attend, but £5 parking fee must be paid in advance:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/grandeysplace)

A decorative background at the bottom of the page featuring a colorful stained glass pattern with various shades of yellow, orange, green, and blue, separated by dark, irregular lines.

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Afternoon Cinema - (Ware Town Council)



When: Tuesday, 9 September, 2PM

Where: Fletcher's Lea, Ware Priory,
High Street, Ware, Hertfordshire, SG12
9AL

A screening of the film Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy (£6 per ticket). After jumping back into the dating pool, single mother Bridget Jones finds herself caught between a younger man and her son's science teacher.

Tickets can be booked [here](#).

More information: amelia@waretowncouncil.gov.uk



Rubino Wilson

When: Wednesday 10
September,
10am - 12pm & 2pm - 4pm

Where: Grandey's
Place, Warren Park, Much
Hadham SG10 6FF



Daniela Rubino and Lauren Wilson, are artists and makers who studied Sculpture at Central Saint Martins and The Slade School of Fine Art respectively. They specialise in working with steel.

In this workshop participants will make four tea lights and a fragrant candle, blending a choice of high-quality oils. Participants will also prepare a 6oz glass vessel before heating organic soy wax and adding a chosen fragrance blend. No previous experience required. Everyone is welcome.





HERTFORD MUSEUM

Hertford Museum

When: Various, beginning Thursday, 11 September

Where: Hertford Museum, 18 Bull Plain, Hertford, SG14 1DT

- **Thursday 11th September:** Exhibition Lates: We Need To Talk. Discover 2000 years of human connection. 7pm-8pm
- **Saturday 13th September:** Go behind the scenes at the museum with a guided tour. 10:15am
- **Saturday 13th September:** Discover the story of Hertford Museum. 2:30pm

More information and to book tickets:

<http://www.hertfordmuseum.org>



Fantasy Art Course for Teenagers



When: Thursday evenings, beginning Thursday, 11 September, 7PM - 8PM

Where: Sawbridgeworth Memorial Hall, The Forebury, Sawbridgeworth CM21 9BD

A 6-week Fantasy Art Course designed specifically for young people in Years 7, 8 and 9. The course will explore imaginative themes such as dragons, fairies, and gnomes, while introducing a variety of artistic techniques including stippling, sketching, and painting.

More information: manager@smht.org.uk



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Ware Arts Centre

When: Throughout September and October

Where: Southern Maltings, Kibes Ln, Ware, SG12 7BS

Arts and crafts events in the Malt Garden, including nature collage, pot decorating and building bug hotels.

Little Growers - 9:40am (for 40 minutes)

- September 11th, 18th and 25th
- October 2nd

Garden Crafts

- September 11th, 18th and 25th
- October 2nd

For more information, please visit:

<https://southernmaltings.co.uk/>



Ware Poets Evening



When: Friday, 12 September, 8PM - 10PM

Where: Southern Maltings (in the Lower Function Room), Kibes Lane, Ware, SG12 7BS

The evening will start with an open mic session, so please feel free to bring and read a poem, followed by readings from our featured local poets Suzanne Pountney, Ashton Read and Thomas Anthony Ginn. Everyone is welcome - whether to read a poem or to enjoy listening. Bar available. Full details on the Ware Poets website: www.warepoets.org
More information: warepoets@gmail.com



Donna Reeves



When: Various

Where: 27a Baldock St, Ware,
SG12 9DH

Interactive activities: workshops & live demos

- **Friday 12th September:** Free portrait workshop for children. 5pm -6pm
- **Friday 26th September:** Free evening event for the local community displaying artwork created at & by Donna Reeves. 6.30pm - 9pm
- **Meet the Makers:** series of live demos & talks. Dates tbc in October
- **Artist in the Window:** more dates to follow

More information and to register:

<https://www.andbydonnareeves.com/>



The Company of Players Hertford

The group allows young people to experience and develop theatre skills alongside other valuable life skills like teamwork, confidence and social skills, as well as building their experience to be able to take part in mainstage productions with the full Company.

Joining the group in autumn 2025 will open up opportunities for performance in 2026 both at the Little Theatre and at the Welwyn Youth Drama Festival.

- **The Little Theatre, 6 Christchurch Place, Balfour Street, Hertford, SG14 3BB** - Saturday 27 September, 10am-2pm
- **3rd Hertford Scout Hut, Port Vale, Hertford, SG14 3AF** - Fridays 6:30pm-8:30pm (12, 19, 26 September & 3, 10, 17, 24 October)
- **The Little Theatre, 6 Christchurch Place, Balfour Street, Hertford, SG14 3BB** - 3-11 October (except Sunday) at 7:45pm and 4 October at 2:30pm



Machine Embroidery Workshop with Sue Nicholls



Sue Nicholls Designs

When: Saturday, 13 September,
10AM - 3PM

Where: 66 Baldock Rd, Buntingford
SG9 9DH

This is a free machine embroidery taster workshop, which will start with observational drawing and painting of flower stems and seed heads. These sketches will then act as a starting point for creating a plant portrait in fabric and machine embroidery. Participants will first create a collaged fabric background and use this as a base to create a machine embroidered interpretation of their earlier line and watercolour sketches to create a finished piece, which they can take home with them.

More information and to register:
sue@suenichollsdesigns.co.uk



Hertfordshire Visual Art - Jude O'Sullivan



When: Various, beginning Saturday, 13 September, all dates 10am - 4pm

Where: Croft House, Wadesmill Road SG14 3HJ

- Saturday 13 September
- Sunday 14 September
- Saturday 20 September
- Saturday 27 September
- Sunday 28 September

Examples and Sale of Lino prints, tetrapak, collagraph and screen prints.

Try your hand at mono printing in the studio.

Refreshments will be available.

For more information visit: <https://www.hvaf.org.uk/open-studios/jude-osullivan/>



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Choral Evensong



When: Sunday, 14 September, 6PM

Where: St Michael's Church, Windhill,
Bishop's Stortford, CM23 2ND

Come and listen to a completely immersive sung service of Choral Evensong for the feast of Holy Cross.

The choir will sing a selection of wonderful music by Bruckner, Collins, Sumsion and Goss.

Free to attend.

Contact: stmichaelsbsdom@gmail.com



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East Herts Scottish Country Dance Society 'Come And Try It!' Evening



When: Tuesday, 16 September, 7PM

Where: Sele Farm Community Centre,
25 Perrett Gardens, Hertford, SG14
2LW

A display of Scottish Country dancing followed by the dancers joining visitors to take part in having a go. There will be a break for refreshments and a chance to chat with the Scottish Country Dance members.

More information: www.rscdsherts.org/south-east-herts

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ArtSpace Exhibition Featuring Julie Arnall and Keith Bird



When: Throughout September (Mon - Sat)

Where: Bishop's Stortford Museum,
South Mill Arts, 1-2 South Road,
Bishop's Stortford, Herts, CM23 3JG

Our ArtSpace celebrates the work of creatives within the local community. With several different artists and exhibitions on rotation throughout the year, we display a variety of work and mediums so there is something for everyone to enjoy!

September's Exhibition: Julie Arnall and Keith Bird

Come and visit the ArtSpace on the first floor at South Mill Arts!

More info: <https://southmillarts.co.uk/stortford-museum/>



Bell Tower Tour with St. Michael's Bellringers



When: Saturday, 20 September, 2PM - 4PM

Where: St Michael's Church, Windhill,
Bishop's Stortford CM23 2ND

A guided tour of St Michael's Tower, seeing the Ringing Chamber, Clock Chamber, Bells and the far reaching views from the roof. A demonstration of bellringing and the opportunity to have a go. £5.00 for adults, free for children. No booking required.

More information: bells@saintmichaelweb.org.uk



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Much Hadham Forge Museum



When: Saturday, 20 September, 10AM to 5PM

Where: Much Hadham Forge Museum, Much Hadham, SG10 6BS

Have a go at Blacksmithing in our historic forge with expert Rich Maynard. He will show you the basic traditional techniques in a 40 minute workshop. You will be able to choose from a small selection of items to make, like a bottle opener, a coat hook, or a keyring fob. You will discover the magic of moulding metal with heat and force!

Workshops will take place across one day, with up to three people (aged 11+) able to take part each hour.

Free, with a returnable deposit required to secure a place.

Contact: hadham.museum@btinternet.com



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Genevieve Sweeney



When: Saturday, 20 September and
Saturday, 18 October

Where: Grandey's Place
Warren Park, Nr, Green Tye, Much
Hadham, SG10 6FF

Genevieve is a British Knitwear Designer, championing heritage craft, British manufacturing and responsible design to craft knitwear that becomes a part of the wearer's story and celebrates the beauty of slow fashion.

This is an opportunity (free of charge) to see demonstrations of heritage knitting techniques and try out the heritage knitting machine and linker.

More information: me@genevievesweeney.com



Sue Nicholls Designs

Sue Nicholls Artist Open Studio

When: Saturday, 20 September,
10AM - 4PM

Where: 66 Baldock Rd, Buntingford
SG9 9DH

An opportunity to view and buy a range of fine art textiles, prints and wearable art at Sue Nicholls' working studio in Buntingford. Why not try your hand at machine embroidery with free taster sessions being offered throughout the day.

More information: sue@suenichollsdesigns.co.uk



Coruscate Stained Glass



When: Saturday, 20 September, 10AM - 5PM

Where: Grandey's Place
Warren Park, Nr, Green Tye, Much
Hadham, SG10 6FF

This is an opportunity for visitors to come and explore a working stained glass studio. Demonstrations will be given for the processes involved in producing a stained glass window. Visitors will also be given the opportunity (for free) to learn how to cut glass to shape, a core skill in making a stained glass window.

More information: <https://www.coruscateglass.com/>



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Hart Studios

When: Saturday, 20
September, 10AM - 5PM

Where: Unit 6, Barn 5,
Grandey's Place
Warren Park, Nr, Green Tye,
Much Hadham SG10 6FF



Hart Studios will open its doors to the public to showcase letter carving. Visitors will be able to see any current work in progress, some finished pieces and photographs of others.

Visitors will be taken through the process and the tools, and demonstrations will be given in each area. You will be able to have a little go at carving in stone and/or wood, and/or engraving in glass. This is a walk-in event.

More information: hello@hartstudios.co.uk





Bryony Applegate Artist

When: Saturday, 20 September & Saturday, 18 October, 10AM - 4PM

Where: Unit 3, Barn 4, Grandey's Place
Warren Park, Nr, Green Tye, Much Hadham, SG10 6FF

Bryony's studio will be open to the public from 10am to 4pm, offering a behind-the-scenes look at her creative practice. Throughout the day, Bryony will be working on new pieces using the slip-casting technique, allowing visitors to observe the craftsmanship that goes into each item. Guests will also have the opportunity to learn more about pottery through hands-on experiences (11:30AM & 2:30PM). Bryony will be offering two drop-in sessions during the day, free of charge, where visitors can try their hand at making a simple pinch pot—an ideal way to explore the feel of clay and the joy of shaping something by hand.

More information: <https://bryonyapplegate.co.uk/>



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J. Wright Globemaker



When: Saturday, 20
September, 10am-5pm

Where: Grandey's Place
Warren Park, Nr GreenTye,
Much Hadham, SG10 6FF

Jonathan Wright is a master globemaker specialising in the creation of exquisite, bespoke globes and the conservation and restoration of historic and antique globes. Participants will have hands-on opportunities to engage in traditional globe-making techniques. The event is designed to be welcoming to those unfamiliar with heritage crafts, offering a rare chance to engage with a historical and artistic discipline that is usually not accessible to the general public.

More information: info@jwrightglobemaker.com

A close-up photograph of a globe, showing the map of Europe and Africa. The globe is slightly out of focus, with the colors of the continents visible.

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Jade Dawn: Adult Art Workshop

When: Saturday, 20 September, 2PM-5PM

Where: 27a Baldock St, Ware, SG12 9DH

Join this fun workshop and discover how to create a mesmerising agate/malachite inspired artwork onto a Lazy Susan.

You'll be guided through exciting techniques and apply your new skills to design and transform a practical Lazy Susan into a gorgeous piece of functional art. Perfect for beginners and a fantastic way to create a stunning centre piece for your home.

More information and book your place:

<https://www.jadedawn.com/shop/p/malachiteagate-lazy-susan>

Organ Recital by Richard Carr



When: Sunday, 21 September, 3.00 - 3.45pm

Where: St Michael's Church, Windhill, Bishop's Stortford, CM23 2ND

Richard will play a rich selection of organ music by Bach, Finzi, Holst, Rawsthorne, Vaughan-Williams and Walton. The organ console will be visible to the audience via screen projection. The recital will last approximately 45 minutes. Tea and homemade cake will then be served.

Following the recital, there will also be an opportunity to play our wonderful instrument, regardless of musical experience or ability, as part of the RCO 'Play The Organ Year 2025' initiative. All ages welcome!

More information: stmichaelsbdom@gmail.com



Master Arts Workshop



When: Sunday, 21 September 2025,
Sunday, 12 October 2025,
Saturday, 18 October 2025, 10AM - 1PM
Where: 1 Little Berkhamsted Lane, Little
Berkhamsted, Hertford, SG13 8LU

Three workshops delivering crafts. Mandala Dotting is an art technique where dots are grouped together to form a pattern on a plant pot, dish or wine bottle. Gel Printing is a technique of applying paint to a flexible gel plate and then pressing paper onto the plate to transfer the paint, allowing for layering and the creation of textures and patterns. Glass Fusion is joining together pieces of glass to form a pattern. Discounted rate of £30 per workshop.

More information: <https://www.masterartworkshops.com/>



Mandala Dotting

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When: Sunday, 21 September, 10am-1pm

Where: Little Berkhamsted Village Hall,
Church Road, Little Berkhamsted, Herts
SG13 8LY

The art and principles of Mandala Dotting, clients will practice first their new skills then produce a sunflower trinket dish.

There will be refreshments and cake provided.

More information:

<https://www.masterartworkshops.com/>



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Creative Writing Workshop



When: Wednesday, 24 September & Monday, 29 September, 8PM - 9:30PM

Where: BEAM (The Kitchen Bar), The Wash, Hertford, SG14 1PS

These sessions will be informal and low-key Creative Writing sessions to share ideas and provide gentle encouragement. Group prompts and writing exercises will be provided, which will hopefully spark ideas you might never have thought of on your own, and hearing other people's stories can be both moving and motivating. Everyone brings their own voice and life experience, and you can share or not as you prefer. Writing in a group makes the experience even more enjoyable. Far from being competitive or intimidating, this writing group will be a warm, friendly space where everyone supports each other. There's no 'right' - only pieces of writing that you may or may not want to share or keep or discard at will. The focus will be on exploring, playing with language, and sharing stories if—and only if—you feel like it!

More information: storysanctuaryinfo@gmail.com



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Buntingford Live!



When: Thursday, 25 September and
Thursday, 7PM - 10:00PM

Where: St Mary the Virgin Church,
Flint Cottages, Westmill, Buntingford
SG9 9LN

Talented musicians from Haileybury College will be returning to Westmill with their new look Chamber Cantorum, as well as quartets, soloists and small ensembles.

- Donations to the Isabel Hospice will be gratefully received on the evening.
- Bring a cushion as the benches can be a little hard!
- There will be a licensed bar with competitively priced drinks

More information: <https://buntingfordlive.org/>



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All Sorts Dementia Group



When: Thursday, 25 September,
10:30AM - 12:30PM

Where: Sawbridgeworth Cricket Club,
Town Fields (Main Ground),
Sawbridgeworth, CM21 9HJ

Dementia friendly, accessible wreath making workshops for people living with dementia in East Herts. This is an adult activity. The workshops will be hosted by a professional florist, as well as All Sorts trained support workers and volunteers, who will provide the expertise needed to initiate and assist a group in our community known for inactivity as part of their illness. These sessions will encourage interaction and shared creative experiences can strengthen bonds between individuals, promoting a sense of community and reducing loneliness.



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South Mill Arts: Sherlock Holmes and the Sign of Four

When: Saturday, 25 September, 7:30PM

Where: South Mill Arts, 1-3 South Road,
Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire, CM23 3JG

After their hugely successful portrayals as SHERLOCK HOLMES & DOCTOR WATSON in *The Hound Of The Baskervilles*, COLIN BAKER (*Doctor Who*, *The Brothers*) & TERRY MOLLOY (*The Archers*, *Doctor Who*) are back on stage in another classic adventure for the world's only consulting detective! Presented by Crime And Comedy Theatre Company as a radio-play-live-on-stage.

More information: 01279 710 200



Much Hadham Drama Group



When: Saturday, 27 September, 7PM

Where: Much Hadham Village Hall,
Oudle Ln, Much Hadham, SG10 6DQ

Much Hadham Drama Group are joining with the Green Tye Players to host an evening of Murder and Mystery at Much Hadham Village Hall.

This is an ambitious production of "Macbeth", where the leading actor collapses mid-soliloquy and doesn't get back up – he's dead!

Over dinner, the audience must work together to interrogate suspects, uncover secrets and untangle the backstage rivalries that led to murder. (£25, Dinner included, BYOB)

More information and booking: Suewetherall@gmail.com



Artshed Arts

When: Various, beginning Saturday, 27 September

Where: Artshed Arts, Westmill Farm,
Westmill Rd, Ware, SG12 0ES

- **Saturday, 27 Sept (2PM - 4:30PM)** - Family Pottery Bear Pot - 10+ families
- **Sunday, 28 Sept (10AM, 12PM, 2PM)** - Childrens 1h Art Classes - 48+ children
- **Monday, 29 Sept (12PM - 2:30PM)** - Adult Pottery Class - 12 adults

The sessions will:

- Encourage creativity and self-expression in children.
- Support well-being through art-based experiences and simple garden tasks

The sessions are aimed at but not exclusively to:

- Children aged 4–12 and their families.
- Inclusive of all abilities and backgrounds

For more information visit: <https://www.artshedarts.co.uk/>



Hertford Social Sewing



When: Sunday 28 September & Sunday 26 October, 9:30AM - 1:30PM

Where: Waterford Village Hall, 2 High Rd, Hertford SG14 2PR

Join Hertford Social Sewing for adult (18+) social sewing mornings with like minded others to work on your own project. Uninterrupted sewing time with tea, coffee & cake.

This is a great opportunity to share ideas, inspiration and learn from others. All stitching crafts welcome, member projects range from dressmaking, quilting, textile art and crafts.

Please bring along:

- Your own project including pattern, materials and tools.
- Your own sewing machine if required
- Lots of sewing chat and fabric admiration!

More information: hertfordsocialsewing@gmail.com



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Drawing Voices



When: Various, beginning Tuesday, 30 September

Where: Various (Ware, Sawbridgeworth)

- Tuesday, 30 September, 7:45PM - 8:30PM (Online Drawing From Art History)
- Tuesday, 7 October, 7:45PM - 8:30PM (Online Singing and Voice Work)
- Tuesday, 14 October, 7:45PM - 8:30PM (Online Drawing Trees)
- Tuesday, 21 October, 7:45PM - 8:30PM (Online Mindful Drawing)
- Wednesday, 15 October, 10:45AM - 12:15PM (Creative Mark Making at Christ Church Memorial Hall, Ware, SG12 7BS)
- Wednesday, 22 October, 10:45AM - 12:15PM (Creative Mark Making at Sawbridgeworth Memorial Hall, CM21 9BD)

In all of these sessions attendees are invited to participate through guided creative work, drawing exercises, and games. A warm welcome is extended to those who say they cannot draw!

More information and to book online sessions:

laura@drawingvoices.org



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Bishop's Stortford College - Invite & Inspire

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When: Wednesday, 1 October & Saturday, 11 October

Where: Bishop's Stortford College, 10 Maze Green Rd, Bishop's Stortford CM23 2PJ

Free practical and fun art activities with art teachers or self-employed artists.

Wednesday 1st October - Afternoon artist workshop with Sam Wootton, and evening lecture by the artist

Saturday 11th October - Morning and afternoon workshops for young people/adults in the community.

More information:

<https://www.bishopsstortfordcollege.org/about-us/in-the-community/>



South Mill Arts: Penned Up by Danusia Iwaszko

When: Wednesday, 1 October, 7:30PM

Where: South Mill Arts, 1-3 South Road,
Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire, CM23 3JG

PENNED UP is a new play by Danusia Iwaszko

Can words be the greatest escape?

Welcome to HMP Ditchfield, where every week a group of prisoners are challenged to write their own plays. From boxing rings to the Brazilian rainforest, from painful pasts to wildly imaginative futures, these men discover that theatre is more than words on a page—it's a lifeline, a way to reclaim their voices.

More information: 01279 710 200



Hertford Regional College

hrc

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays
throughout October, 6:30PM - 8:30PM

Where: Hertford Regional College, Ware
Campus, SG12 9JF

All activities are hands-on. This is an opportunity for people to engage in arts-based activities by taking part in a wide range of free, impactful learning experiences.

Activities include:

Calligraphy, cushion-making, Cyanotype, heat press printing, invisible mending, jewellery-making, lampshade-making, oil painting and print-making.

More information and to register: kdougherty@hrc.ac.uk



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Sirena13art Exhibition



When: Friday, 3 October, 7PM - 9PM
& Saturday, 4 October, 10AM - 5PM

Where: Leaside Church & Community
Centre High St, Ware, SG12 9BT

New paintings collection named "Gratitude" by Sirena13art. Gratitude is the quality of being thankful, readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness.

Each painting is filled with emotions and made to show and remind us simple joys of life we sometimes forget to be grateful. This collection consists of large format paintings and affordable small paintings for every person.

Looking at these paintings can transfer you to this quiet and calm place, where you can find great solutions for difficult problems and fulfil with a warm feeling of gratitude.



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Oleanna by COPS (Company of Players)



When: Daily, beginning Friday, 3
October, 7:45PM

& Tuesday, 11 October, 2:30PM

Where: Leaside Church & Community
Centre High St, Ware, SG12 9BT

Production of the play "Oleanna" by David Mamet, directed by
Jonathon Wallis. There is a small charge of £15 for members and
£17 for non-members to take part.

More information: <https://cops.org.uk/>



The Bishop's Stortford Choir Festival



When: Saturday 4 October, 2-5pm

Where: The Methodist Church, 34B
South St, Bishop's Stortford CM23 3AZ

On Saturday, 4 October, The Bishop's Stortford Choir Festival invites all the adult choirs in Bishop's Stortford and local villages to come together to celebrate songs and music of all styles/abilities and genres. This is an annual event which raises money for Isabel Hospice through donations for refreshments.



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Ware's The Fun Palace

When: Saturday, 4 October - Friday, 10 October, 10AM - 4PM

Where: Southern Maltings, Kibes Lane Ware, SG12 7BS

Celebrating World Space Week (October 4th to 10th), there will be a variety of free activities at Southern Maltings for both children and adults focusing on learning something new plus adding some creative flair.

Plans are in place to set up an 8m outdoor planetarium dome to run educational sessions about space. Alongside this, there will be activities such as rocket building and rocket launching, solar system model-making, as well as other related space activities.

These activities will be tailored to the general public of all ages and all abilities.

Visit <https://waresthefunpalace.co.uk/> for more information.

Life Drawing with Generation Circus

When: Sunday, 5 October, 5PM - 8PM

Where: Drill Hall, 17 Amwell End,
Ware, SG12 9HP

Generation Circus brings a unique life drawing experience with a circus twist! Capture the movement and drama of a professional aerialist performing high above, alongside colourful seated poses from our over 50s circus artists. Artist and tutor Julie Arnall will be on hand to offer tips and guidance. No previous drawing experience is needed - just come along and give it a try!

Homemade cakes, tea and coffee will be available throughout the evening, and all basic drawing materials are provided (though you are welcome to bring your own).

To book visit: www.generationcircus.co.uk



Afternoon Cinema - (Ware Town Council)

When: Tuesday, 7 October, 2PM

Where: Fletcher's Lea, Ware Priory,
High Street, Ware, Hertfordshire, SG12
9AL

A screening of the film Mr Burton (£6 per ticket). The story of the wild school boy Rich Jenkins, son of a boozy miner, and an English teacher who recognised his talent, Philip Burton.

Tickets can be booked [here](#).

More information: amelia@waretowncouncil.gov.uk



Ware Poets Evening



When: Friday, 10 October, 8PM - 10PM

Where: Southern Maltings (in the Lower Function Room), Kibes Lane, Ware, SG12 7BS

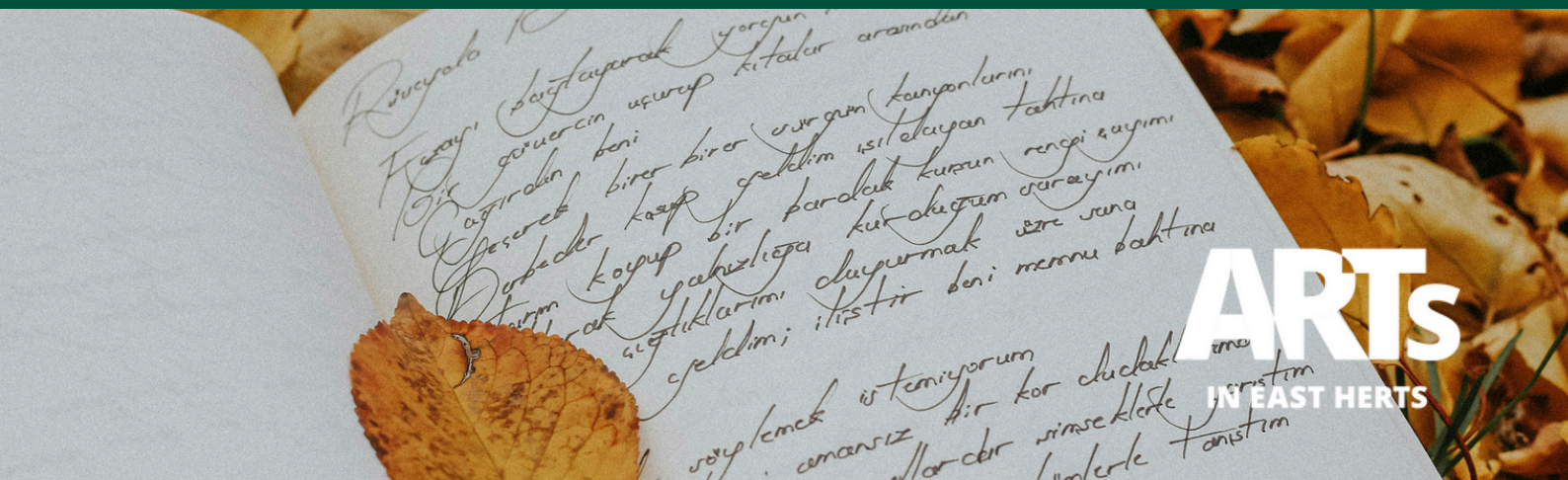
Ware Poets are delighted to welcome Patience Agbabi as our guest poet for this evening. Patience is a dynamic and award-winning poet and novelist. She has written 4 poetry collections, performed all over the world, and taught Creative Writing from primary to PhD level. Her poem 'Eat Me' features on the Edexcel 'A' level curriculum.

The evening will start with an open mic session, so please feel free to bring and read a poem, followed by a reading by Patience. Everyone is welcome - whether to read a poem or to enjoy listening. Bar available.

Patience's visit is part of a Ware Poets collaboration with Presdales and Chauncy Schools, and we are very grateful for the support of Ware Town Council. Bar available.

Full details on the Ware Poets website: www.warepoets.org

More information: warepoets@gmail.com



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Roxana Parker

When: Various, beginning Friday, 10 October, 1:30PM - 3:30PM

Where: Sele Wellbeing Hub, Glenfield Close, Hertford

Roxana will teach basic gel printing to adults using stencils and natural materials, such as leaves, also showing how to collage these printed papers into amazing unique artworks that they can take home and be proud of.

For more information and to book, please click [here](#)



Standon SingCommunity Choir and Rib Singers Chamber Choir

When: Saturday, 11 October, 7PM

Where: St. Mary's Church, High Street,
Standon, SG11 1LA

A choral concert performed jointly by two local choirs,
StandonSing Community Choir and Rib Singers Chamber
Choir.

More information: ranfordd@gmail.com



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South Mill Arts: Story of Swing

South
Mill Arts

When: Saturday, 11 October, 7:30PM

Where: South Mill Arts, 1-3 South Road,
Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire, CM23 3JG

An Evening of Swing with the Story of Swing Quintet Hosted by
Gareth John

Join South Mill Arts for an unforgettable night of timeless swing, jazz
flair, and captivating storytelling as celebrated trumpeter and
vocalist Gareth John brings his acclaimed Story of Swing to life in an
intimate, up-close-and-personal setting.

More information: 01279 710 200



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Jade Dawn: Halloween Fun

When: Various in October

Where: 27a Baldock St, Ware, SG12
9DH

Saturday, 11 October 7pm-9:30pm - Adults Halloween Craft Party

Thursday, 16 October 7pm-9:30pm - Adults Halloween Craft Party

Friday, 17 October 7pm-8pm - Adults Pumpkin Paint Pour
Workshop

Wednesday, 29 October 11am-12pm - Kids Mini Pumpkin Paint
Pour

Thursday, 30 October 10:30am-11:30am - Kids Spider Web Ink Art

More information and book your place:

<https://www.jadedawn.com/shop>



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Ware and District Photographic Society

When: Saturday, 11 October, 10AM - 4PM

Where: Thundridge Village Hall, Ermine Street, Thundridge, SG12 0SY

This annual exhibition will feature c. 80 printed images and a similar number of digital projected images, all produced by members of the Society. The exhibition is free to enjoy, with refreshments available for purchase by visitors if they wish. Members of the Society will be on hand to answer questions about the works exhibited, our Society and photography in general.

More information: <http://www.wareps.co.uk/>



Buntingford Live!



When: Saturday, 11 October, 7:30PM - 10:30PM

Where: Seth Ward Community Centre,
Luynes Rise, Buntingford SG9 9SG

Alex Jones and her jazz band will be thrilling us with vintage classics from the 1930's to the 1960's which may well have you up on your feet and dancing to the beat!

If you're not a fan of dancing, you will certainly be tapping your feet and enjoying the musical talent throughout the evening.

- Tickets are just £10
- Doors open 7:30 performance starts at 8:15pm
- There will be a licensed bar with competitively priced drinks

More information: <https://buntingfordlive.org/>



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Pins and Feathers Theatre Group



When: Sunday, 12 October, 11PM - 4PM,
and Sunday, 19 October, 11PM - 6PM

Where: BEAM (Room: Social 1), The
Wash, Hertford SG14 1PS

This is your chance to step into the spotlight with Act and Explore – two completely FREE drama workshops, with the opportunity to take part in the public reading of two new plays on 19th October.

Whether you're a complete beginner or a seasoned practitioner, come and join these fun and friendly sessions. Suitable for all, age 14 upwards.

For more information and to book, contact:
pinsnfeathers@gmail.com



The Fabric Folk



When: Various, beginning
Saturday, 18 October

Where: Across East Herts

A series of textile reuse workshops and pop-ups that invite the public to creatively repair and upcycle their clothing to prevent waste. Led by The Fabric Folk, a creative textile reuse project, each event will include hands-on instruction in visible mending techniques such as darning, Sashiko and patchwork, using discarded scrap fabrics and thread. Alongside workshops, we will host rescued fabric and yarn pop-up stalls to provide low-cost creative materials to the community to encourage sustainable reuse.

By blending craft with sustainability, this project empowers people to engage in the circular economy through creativity. It offers an accessible route into textile arts and a meaningful way to reduce waste. Participants will take home new skills, a repaired garment, and information about how to stay involved in textile reuse beyond the event.

- **Saturday, 18 October at Hertford Quaker Meeting Hall, 2PM - 4PM**
- **Saturday, 25 October at Southern Maltings (Ware), 1:45PM - 4PM**
- **Tuesday, 28 October at Bishop's Stortford Library, 2PM - 4PM**
- **Wednesday, 29 October at Gt. St Mary Church Parish Hall (Sawbridgeworth), 1:30PM - 2:30PM**
- **Thursday, 30 October at Seth Ward Community Centre (Buntingford), 2PM - 4PM**

Julie Arnall Life Drawing

When: Saturday, 18 October,
1:30PM - 3:30PM

Where: Much Hadham Village
Hall, Oudle Ln, Much Hadham,
SG10 6DQ



A free two hour life drawing class for people who have not attended a life class before, but are curious to find out what it is like.

Life drawing is a great way to improve your general drawing skills and it also provides an opportunity to do a creative activity in a group, however, many people are a little intimidated about what a life class is really like or feel self conscious about their inexperience. This class will provide a friendly and reassuring environment to try a life class amongst others in a similar position.

Full tuition will be provided by Julie Arnall MA Fine Art, who has over 25 years' experience of teaching adults of all abilities, with demonstrations on how to begin drawing from the figure, group and one to one tuition. All materials will be provided including paper, charcoal and drawing boards to make it easy for anyone to attend.

More information: arnall18@gmail.com



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Fiona Martin

When: Sunday, 19 October & Monday, 27 October, 10AM - 3PM

Where: Southern Maltings, Kibes Ln, Ware, SG12 7BS

Celebrating 160 years of the Lewis Carroll book Alice in Wonderland, Fiona will be running two days of art workshops making little vintage style books.

The workshops will run all day to give participants time to sample a host of mixed media options (to include acrylic, collage, watercolour, papercraft, stencilling, recycling, etc).

For more information, please get in touch with Fiona:
<https://www.fionamartin.co.uk/contact-us>



Julie Arnall

When: Saturday 25 October,
9:30AM - 12PM

Where: Leventhorpe School,
Cambridge Rd, Sawbridgeworth,
CM21 9BY



A free two and a half hour workshop for children in Primary school Years 5 or 6 and an accompanying adult, which could be their parent/carer or an adult from the school which they attend (for example their teacher or learning support assistant).

Participants will be introduced to the basic principles of monoprint printmaking via a short demonstration. Working in pairs, they will then produce two A4 monoprints each using different coloured inks and a variety of found objects such as pressed leaves, feathers and fabric.

They will then cut out a paper stencil of their hand and print in a third colour over the top of their prints to produce a unique piece of personalised artwork to take home. Participants should have 3/4 artworks by the end of the session.

The session is entirely practical using brightly coloured inks and found objects and simple paper stencils making it fun and accessible for children and novice adults who may not have any artistic experience (or confidence). The printmaking process is structured and participants will be guided through the morning.

More information and to register: arnall18@gmail.com



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Hertford Film and Play Association

When: Saturday 25 October until Friday,
31 October, available 24hrs a day

Where: Hertford

An interactive Halloween trail around Hertford. Participants just need to use their phones to bring Hertford landscapes to life.

More information:

<https://zombiesinhertford.co.uk/>



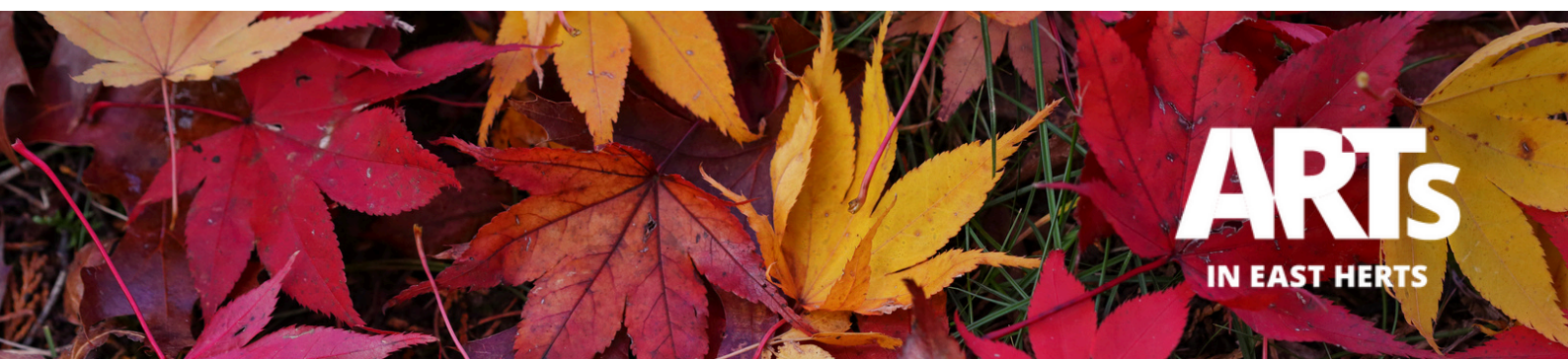
Eloise Pilbeam



When: Saturday, 25 October, 10am-11am, 12pm-1pm & 2pm-3pm

Where: BEAM Hertford (Function Room 2), The Wash, Hertford SG14 1PS

Participants will create a plaster sculpture inspired by the local autumn landscape. The workshop begins with a mindful walk through the surrounding area, where participants collect natural objects such as pine cones, acorns, bark, and conkers. These found items become personally meaningful as they deepen our connection to the natural world. Participants will then press their gathered materials into clay, creating moulds that capture unique patterns and textures. Plaster will then be poured into the clay moulds, transforming these impressions into lasting, three-dimensional sculptures. Each piece becomes a tangible reflection of the participant's journey, creativity, and connection to the season. The final artwork will serve as a meaningful keepsake—capturing both a moment in time and the beauty of the autumn landscape.



Samhain Celebrations



25 years of Wellbeing
through Prehistory

When: Monday, 27 September - Friday, 31 October, 10AM - 4PM

Where: Celtic Harmony Camp, Brickendon Lane, Brickendon, Hertfordshire, SG13 8NY

Enjoy a family day out at Celtic Harmony Camp! Celebrate Samhain, the start of the Celtic New Year, from October 27th to 31st. Explore the art and culture of Prehistory and the Celts with a day full of fun activities and familiar favourites, like the Haunted Forest.

- Cave Art Talk in our reconstructed Palaeolithic Cave
- Make your Mini Broom and Decorate a Chalk Art Auroch
- Build your own Woodland Shelter and Burn your Worries in the Fire
- Explore the Haunted Forest Walk in the Footsteps of our Ancestors...
- Get involved in Drumming Workshops and Listen to a Celtic Story around the Fire
- Pumpkin Clay Crafts
- Take part in a Samhain Procession

With immersive family activities and hearty seasonal food in the Woodland Bistro, it's the perfect way to celebrate the Celtic New Year together.

To book, or for more information:

<https://celticharmony.org/product/october-days-out/>



DancePro Academy



When: Wednesday, 29
October, 10am-4pm

Where: Southern Maltings, Kibes
Ln, Ware SG12 7BS

A Day of Dance is a community project designed to inspire children through movement. This event offers children the chance to try a variety of dance genres, from ballet and jazz to street dance and Musical Theatre, all in a fun, welcoming environment.

A Day of Dance will also give children the chance to make friends outside of school, building social skills and a sense of belonging.

For more information visit: www.danceproacademy.com



Amar Devsi

When: Various

Where: Various Schools & Care Homes



Amar is an architect and artist who will be hosting abstract art sessions in local care homes and primary schools. These sessions will be based on an engaging theme such as an emotion or a movement, and participants will be encouraged to paint with free expression using acrylic paint, brushes, sponges, stencils and palette spatulas.

Amar will give an initial demo using a well known artist as a reference and will let the participants explore their creativity from there. Amar's sessions will feature calming music in the background, and they will last 60 minutes before ending with a 'mini gallery walk' to invite reflection and discussion.

More information: adevsi007@gmail.com



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Love Bengo Community Group

When: Saturday, 11 October, 2:30PM - 4:30PM

Where: Bengo Club, Bengo St, Bengo, Hertford SG14 3ES

This project aims to bring together people of all ages and backgrounds to collaboratively design and build a public mosaic mural that reflects the spirit, diversity, and history of our neighbourhood. Through shared artistic expression, we hope to foster stronger community bonds, promote local pride, and beautify a space that will serve as a lasting symbol of unity and resilience.

More information:



Coming soon...

The following events are
just waiting on some
final details

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I am, I am, theatre company

When: Various

Where: BEAM, The Wash, Hertford

"It's a tree. It's a tree, Trev. A tree's a tree. Don't call him he."

In the dead of night in spring 2023, Trev and Gary meet at the sycamore tree near Hadrian's Wall. They've got a plan, hatched in the pub down the road and fuelled by beer and sheer determination. They're going to cut down the tree.

The question at the heart of SYCAMORE is, "what do we lose when we destroy the world around us?" The play humanises these two men and their intentions, exploring the roots of violence, masculinity and ecocide. The theatre company want the audience to laugh, mourn, and reimagine their relationship to one another.



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Stortford Music Festival

When: TBC

Where:

A showcase of young bands and musicians in the Bishop's Stortford and surrounding area.



BEAM

BEAM
Stage Screen Social

When: Various

Where: The Wash, Hertford

Two masterclasses will be hosted in one BEAM's social spaces, facilitated by local artists. These will be free for the public to attend.

In addition to these masterclasses for Arts in East Herts, you can check out the incredible year-round programme on offer at BEAM, featuring various plays, performances, concerts, workshops and more, by visiting their website: <https://beamhertford.co.uk/>



Rose Collins Millinery

When: During October
Grandey's Place

Where: Warren Park, Nr, Green Tye, Much
Hadham SG10 6FF



As a local milliner specialising in handmade hats and fascinators, Rose will be delivering an engaging talk and hands-on demonstrations showcasing the art of millinery.

The demonstration will guide attendees through the intricate process of designing and crafting headpieces, highlighting traditional techniques and materials used in modern millinery.

Visitors will have the chance to observe, ask questions, and even try simple hands-on techniques under guidance. The showcase will also include exhibits of original work to illustrate the diversity and potential of handmade headwear.

Evans School of Ballroom Dancing



When: During October

Where: Across Hertford

Evans School of Ballroom Dancing are a local dance school aiming to introduce more local people to the world of ballroom dancing, helping residents maintain physical fitness and cognitive function in a fun and social environment.



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Jewellery Making

When: Various

Where: Gilston and Eastwick Village Hall, CM20 2RB

Jewellery making is very interactive. Each individual who attends the event will be able to make their own piece of jewellery. Children of all ages will be offered the opportunity to thread beads as a free activity.



Matipo Arts



When: TBC

Where: Southern Maltings, Kibes Ln,
Ware SG12 7BS

Hands-on creative puppet making workshops where everyone is encouraged to get involved (including accompanying adults). For children and young people aged 2-14.



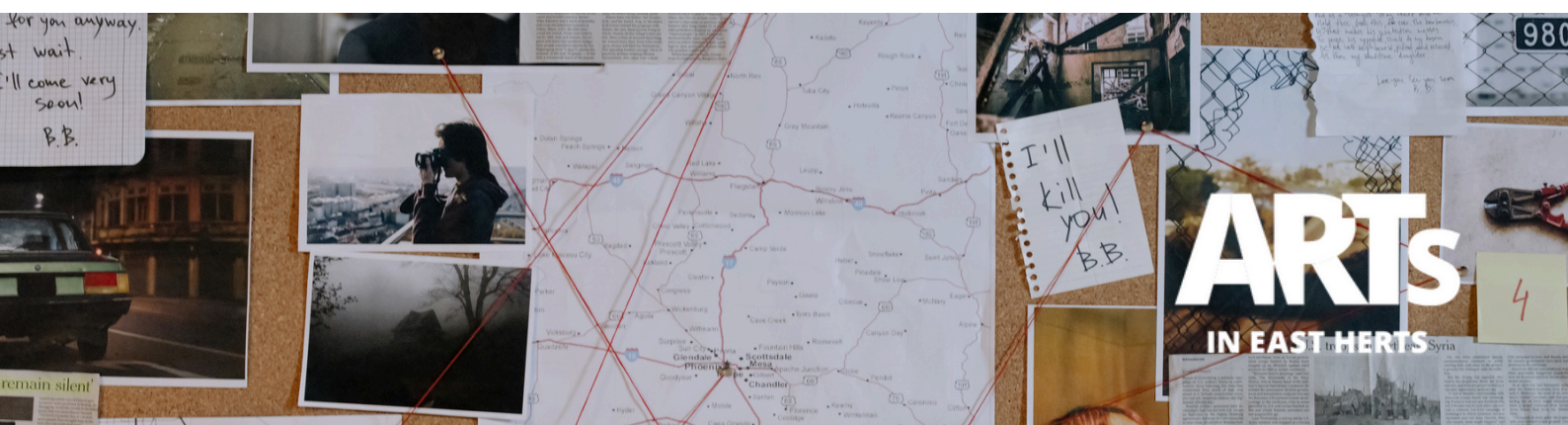
Quintessence Drama Group



When: TBC

Where: Sawbridgeworth Memorial Hall

Quintessence Drama Group will, on request, put on a Murder Mystery evening at venues throughout East Herts. In this, our players will present one of 10 different playlets wherein the inevitable conclusion is that someone is 'murdered'; the 'police' are called and engage with the audience throughout the evening to solve the crime.





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