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London 2012 Festival and the

CULTURAL OLYMPIAD

SOUTH EAST



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Welcome to the Cultural Olympiad and London 2012 Festival in the South East

You're invited to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games this summer with the climax of the Cultural Olympiad, the largest cultural celebration in the history of the modern Olympic and Paralympic Movements. The past four years have already seen more than 18 million people all over the UK participating in or attending over 9,000 performances and more than 8,000 workshops as part of the Cultural Olympiad. Now is your chance to be part of this once-in-a-lifetime experience.

The programme across the South East is a wonderful mix of ambitious new work, including; a wooden boat crafted from stories, new visual arts and museum exhibitions, work by Deaf and disabled artists, large-scale spectacular outdoor work, choral projects, and innovative work culminating in a celebration of London 2012. Visit www.london2012.com/festival to find out more and here is a flavour of what's on near you...

Join in the national celebration this summer – there's something for everyone

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ARTISTS TAKING THE LEAD

The Boat Project

A 30ft sailing boat called *Collective Spirit*, built from donated wooden objects started its epic journey along the south coast in May. The boat has been a year in the making, supported by 1,200 donations from people across the region. These include tiny pieces from the *Mary Rose*, *HMS Victory* and Jimi Hendrix's guitar. *The Boat Project* was designed by Lone Twin, one of Europe's leading performance companies. It is one of 12 commissions in the UK Arts Councils' flagship Cultural Olympiad project, Artists Taking the Lead. You can celebrate the project at one of 20 stop off points/ viewing opportunities throughout the summer, including:

► **23 Jun–1 Jul: Portsmouth**

Upon arrival at Gunwharf Quays, the boat will be greeted by a choir and the departure will be marked by the Royal Marine Fanfare Trumpeteers and Flying the Flag, an intergenerational dance performance. A week of celebratory activities is also programmed.

► **6–8 Jul: Hastings**

Hastings and St Leonards' vessels and Hasting Fishing Fleet will accompany the boat from Eastbourne, and Hastings Shanty Singers will start a two-day singathon.

► **13–16 Jul: Margate**

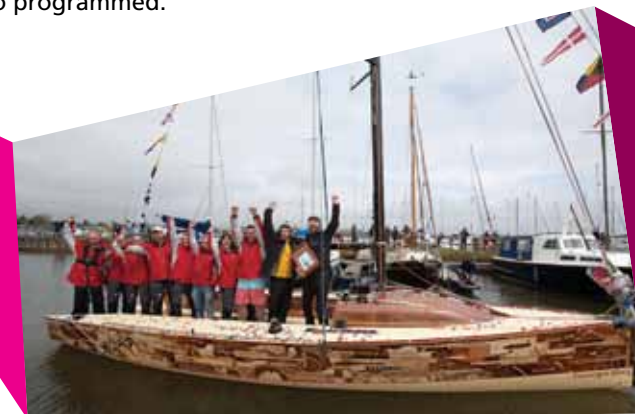
Local cultural organisations, including a choral commission, will take part in three days of activities, including *Late Night Live* at the Turner Contemporary.

► **20–29 Jul: Milton Keynes**

The boat will take centre stage at the Milton Keynes International Festival.

For full programme details and a list of viewing opportunities please visit www.theboatproject.com A London 2012 Festival event

Photo: *The Boat Project*
Credit: Toby Adamson





Tree of Light

The *Tree of Light* brings together 1,200 performers and a choir of 450 for a major new large-scale outdoor performance telling an epic tale from a mythical tree. It's a story of a forest born, inhabited, invaded, plundered, burned and reborn.

The piece will be a visual and sonic feast for the senses – full of drama, excitement and joy. An exuberant and highly physical celebration of the natural world and of our part in it.

Performed by people of all ages from across the South East, it is a culmination of a wider project exploring the science and art of trees, this piece is a grand community celebration highlighting the rich and fragile relationship between people and their environment.

Based on original ideas by Stewart Collins, the creative team includes artistic director, Charlie Morrissey, the innovative high tech theatrical design duo Block 9 and leading composer Orlando Gough, who is one of the UK's most highly rated composers for ballet, contemporary dance and theatre. Electric Pedals are providing bicycle generated electricity to help power the event. *Tree of Light* is one of four national Community Celebrations funded by Legacy Trust UK.

- ▶ **9 Jul:** South Park, Oxford
- ▶ **10 Jul:** Madejski Stadium, Reading
- ▶ **21 Jul:** Stonor Park, Henley-on-Thames

www.thetreeoflight.org

Image credit: Michael England

Peace Camp

For four nights only, you can experience installation on a grand scale with a series of glowing camps at eight stunning coastal locations around the UK. These light installations are open to visitors who will see poignant and ethereal artwork – accompanied by a soundscape created by Mel Mercier and inspired by great British love poetry as well as the natural environment.

One of the *Peace Camps* is situated at the stunning Cuckmere Haven near Seven Sisters. Director Deborah Warner has chosen this East Sussex beauty spot as the location for her London 2012 commission in collaboration with actor Fiona Shaw.

Everyone is invited to take part in the project to create an audible portrait of the nation during its Olympic and Paralympic year. You can join in by recording your own lines of poetry at the *Peace Camp* website.

- ▶ **19–22 Jul:** Cuckmere Haven, East Sussex

www.peacecamp2012.com
A London 2012 Festival event

Image: *Peace Camp*
Credit: South East Photography



All the Bells

People across the UK are invited to rise and join the growing numbers across the UK to take part in Martin Creed's *Work No.1197: All the bells in a country rung as quickly and as loudly as possible for three minutes* at 8am on Friday 27 July.

- ▶ **27 Jul**
- ▶ **Across the UK**

www.allthebells.com
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Milton Keynes Festival Fringe

Local people, artists and performers can take part in a 20-day celebration. Enjoy a Summer of Culture coordinated by specialist groups from across the borough, including The Parks Trust, Destination Milton Keynes, Milton Keynes Council, Milton Keynes City Centre Management, FRINGE MK@Westbury and Festive Road.

The Fringe is welcoming *The Boat Project* and *Godiva Awakes*. There will also be responses to *Big Dance* and *Summer Reading Challenge*.

- ▶ **10–29 Jul:** Milton Keynes
www.destinationmiltonkeynes.co.uk

The Bloom Project

The Bloom Project is Forest Forge Theatre Company's new immersive theatre project that will take place from August to October. It will see the company visit seven different arts and community venues in Hampshire, taking up residency in each for one week and presenting a new play that will involve the audience.

- ▶ **30 Aug–1 Sep / 6–8 Sep / 13–15 Sep / 20–22 Sep / 27–29 Sep / 4–6 Oct / 11–13 Oct**

www.forestforge.co.uk

Godiva Awakes

Imagineer Productions' 21st Century Godiva will awake to a spectacular performance involving dancers, actors, aerialists and musicians. The 10-meter high puppet will then process through Milton Keynes on 1 August as part of her journey from Coventry to London. Powered by 100 cyclists she will stop traffic and capture the imagination of everyone as she heads to Campbell Park for entertainment and activities, with MK City Orchestra offering a free performance in the evening. *Godiva Awakes* is part of Artists Taking the Lead, a series of 12 public art commissions across the UK to celebrate the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad.

- ▶ **1 Aug:** Bradwell Abbey & Campbell Park, Milton Keynes

www.imagineerproductions.co.uk

Photo: *Godiva Awakes*

Credit: Cogent Elliott and Imagineer Productions



The Seed

Experience an original narrative adventure with an online mystery, live performance and a treasure hunt. Created by Goat and Monkey, the story is based on the history of the Great Gardens of Sussex and follows the discoveries of a fictional research assistant at the Millennium Seed Bank.

- ▶ **9–10 Jun:** Nymans Gardens, Handcross
- ▶ **23–24 Jun:** High Beeches Gardens, Handcross
- ▶ **7–8 Jul:** Wakehurst Place, Ardingly
- ▶ **19–22 Jul:** Borde Hill Gardens, Hayward's Heath

www.westsussex-aheadofthegame.com

Dromos Travelling Festival

This travelling multi-art pop-up festival is perfect for families from village and urban communities. The exciting programme of music, theatre and dance was created by young people for young people.

- ▶ **15 Jul:** Church Farm, Coombes
- ▶ **21 Jul:** Horsham Park, Horsham

www.westsussex-aheadofthegame.com

The Child & The Magic

Bring your family to this 45 minute masterpiece inside a circus tent. This bold new production of Ravel's children's opera is set within a magical garden and brought to life by a 35-piece orchestra, singers, aerialists, animation, puppets and a local children's chorus.

- ▶ **19–23 Sep:** Bignor Park, Pulborough
www.westsussex-aheadofthegame.com

Whispering Woods

Join 200 singers from all over West Sussex in this magical after dark promenade music performance. Journey through woodlands from twilight and experience the landscape accompanied by six choirs performing acapella songs.

- ▶ **14–15 Jul:** West Dean
www.westsussex-aheadofthegame.com

Image: *Whispering Woods*
Credit: Colin Barker



Creative Campus

The award-winning *Creative Campus Initiative* has been a once in a lifetime opportunity to create an unprecedented level of cultural collaboration between universities. The 12 South East universities that took part were inspired by London 2012 and the coming together of sport and art; they have commissioned three new outdoor arts pieces which you can see this summer.

Iron Gym is a heritage design and architecture programme led by the University of Kent in partnership with artist designer Wendy Daws. Follow their sculptural exercise trail created both for the Fuse Festival and to welcome the Olympic Flame.

1908, Lightening Ensemble working with Brighton University recreate some of the most exciting and eccentric moments of the 1908 Games through street arts and circus.

The Art of Demonstration is an ambitious, large-scale, site-responsive participatory performance project which explores and celebrates the history of social engagement that has sprung from universities into the public realm. Led by Periplum with the University of Winchester.

More details and listings on: www.creativecampusinitiative.org.uk

The Berkshire Giant

John Ever Afraid, a gentle giant made an unfortunate mistake. Now, after 600 years, our unlikely hero comes out from hiding.

A week of extraordinary giant puppetry, carnival parade, installations, music & performance from the Corn Exchange collaborating with Irish outdoor theatre company, Macnas, to present its most ambitious and exciting outdoor production yet.

► **17–23 Jun:** Newbury & West Berkshire

www.theberkshiregiant.co.uk

Brewing Up

What does it take to make a great cup of tea? This award-winning carnival arts project from Festive Road looks for the answer and celebrates the great British tradition that brings us all together.

► **9 Jul:** Oxford

► **1 Aug:** Milton Keynes

www.mkfestivalfringe.com

Pi Leau

This fantastic event is brought to you by the world renowned Dutch street arts company, Close-Act. The evocative performance explores a world where the ice caps have melted and follows a fisherman on a quest to save the world. Performers dazzle with acrobatics, dance, music, pyrotechnics and theatre to create an underwater world of whales, mermaids and deadly fish

► **23 Jun:** Procession: 12 noon, Hastings Town Centre & 3pm, Alexandra Park, Hastings
Performance: 10pm, Stade Open Space, Hastings

www.hastings.gov.uk/community_living/2012_events/stadesaturdays/
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Image: *Close-Act*
Credit: Rene Wopereis

Creative Landscapes

As part of Heritage Open Days you can explore local and regional heritage in a uniquely integrated way. *Creative Landscapes* works with disabled people and artists in Hastings and Gosport to find accessible ways to talk about and share our history. The project was established by English Heritage as part of our Legacy Trust UK Programme for the South East, Accentuate, and is now hosted by Screen South.

► **6–9 Sep:** Hastings, St. Leonards, Gosport

www.accentuate-se.orgcreative-landscapes





Blue Touch Paper Carnival

An exciting new disabled led Rio style carnival project which includes samba and a float, will pave the way for a creative exchange with Rio's leading disabled carnival group Embaixadores da Alegria. This project is part of West Sussex's Ahead of the Game programme working with The New Carnival Company on the Isle of Wight and Legacy Trust UK's Accentuate. You can enjoy viewings at various events near you.

- ▶ **30 Jun:** Isle of Wight Carnival Parade
- ▶ **15 Jul:** Horsham Carnival
- ▶ **24–25 Aug:** as part of the Paralympic Flame Festival

www.btpcarnival.co.uk

Photo: *Blue Touch Paper Carnival*
Credit: Paul Ackerley



Freewheelers Theatre Company

Trust

Experience a stunning dance duet performed by two disabled dancers, Anthony O'Sullivan and Sonas Musana. They will be accompanied by primary schoolchildren dancing the same routine during some performances. The project will help the children understand disability.

Steep Rain

This stunning short film will be projected onto screens or buildings, shown on TV and iPads, as well as in schools.

For dates and details see www.freewheelers.com

Photo: *Freewheelers Trust*
Credit: Ave de Souza

Spun TV Productions

Enjoy a fantastic new outdoor work by StopGAP, the UK's only integrated dance company. Performers with and without disabilities will bring high energy and vibrant shows to public spaces across the nation. Spun TV is part of the Legacy Trust UK's Accentuate programme.

- ▶ **17 Jun:** The Point, Eastleigh
- ▶ **20 Jul:** Guildford
- ▶ **2 Sep:** National Theatre, London

www.stopgap.org.uk

Big Dance

Big Dance is spreading across the UK throughout the summer with lots of events and activities taking place here in the South East of England led by South East Dance. *The Big Dance Trail* is already underway culminating in *Big Dance* week between 7–15 July. *Big Dance* is aimed at anyone who can or wants to dance, as well as those who simply enjoy watching. More than 30 dance events and activities are taking place across seven counties, with lots of them free to attend. All of the events will be celebrating dance, with many of them highlighting our culture, Olympic and Paralympic values and sport. So whether you are a child or an adult, an expert or a beginner, come along and join in the UK's biggest ever celebration of dance.

- ▶ **7–15 Jul:** Various locations across the region

www.southeastdance.org.uk
www.bigdance2012.com
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Photo above: *Big Dance in the South East*
Credit: Elaine Mayson
Photo right: *Big Dance*
Credit: Adam Jacobs



Driving Inspiration

This project, led by Creative Bucks as part of Legacy Trust UK's Accentuate, has been delivered over four years in schools across the region. Paralympians and disabled artists have been working with young people to create a living archive for Stoke Mandeville. This summer the project goes international and will depict a virtual journey for the Paralympic Flame starting at Stoke Mandeville, going around the globe embracing many different cultures and aspirations, before returning once more to the Birthplace of the Paralympic Movement.

- ▶ **Ongoing:** Buckinghamshire and online

www.mandevillelegacy.org.uk

Gold Run

Gold Run comprises of film, music and sculpture inspired by the London 2012 Paralympic Games, specifically the re-introduction of learning disabled athletes. Glyndebourne, Pallant House Gallery and Carousel are working together to support learning disabled and marginalised artists with the creation of a multi-genre performance piece.

- ▶ **4 Sep:** Pallant House Gallery, Chichester

- ▶ **30 Oct:** Chichester Festival Theatre

www.goldrun.org.uk

Photo: *Gold Run*
Credit: Courtesy of David Illman

Guttmann Legacy

You can access archives documenting the Paralympic story at Stoke Mandeville, the birthplace of the Paralympic Movement, for the first time. As part of Accentuate, a new website collates the records from across the region to tell the history of the Paralympic Movement. A selection will also be on display in Buckinghamshire as part of the Our Sporting Life exhibition programme.

- ▶ **Summer 2012** Buckinghamshire County Museum & Online

www.mandevillelegacy.org.uk

Our Sporting Life

Celebrate the best of British sport and your own local sporting heritage with *Our Sporting Life* (OSL). This nationwide programme of community exhibitions has been developed by the Sports Heritage Network and is managed by Henley's River and Rowing Museum. OSL asks what sport means to you so we can help identify the key sporting moments, heroes, objects, photographs and experiences that have inspired us as a nation. Community exhibitions let you share regional contributions through personal, family and local memories.

Surreys' Sporting Life brings together borough and district councils, sports bodies and clubs, museums, voluntary organisations and more as part of the OSL programme.

- ▶ **6 Apr–10 Jun:** Maidenhead Heritage Centre
- ▶ **12 May–16 Sep:** The Museum Of Rural Life, Reading
- ▶ **12 May–28 Oct:** Bikes, Balls and Biscuitmen, Reading Museum
- ▶ **2 Jun–3 Nov:** County Museum and Roald Dahl Children's Gallery, Aylesbury
- ▶ **4–31 Aug:** Eden Valley Museum, Edenbridge

www.oursportinglife.co.uk
www.gosurrey.info

Credit: River & Rowing Museum

Stoke Mandeville Stadium Exhibition

Take part in the first ever Paralympic Games exhibition, at the birthplace of the Paralympics, that tells the story of the Games, from its origins right through to today. The exhibition will include a short documentary on Sir Ludwig Guttmann and Stoke Mandeville. You can also see the film at the Flame Festival at Stoke Mandeville and in Aylesbury on 28 August. The exhibition is part of the Legacy Trust UK's Accentuate programme. See www.stokemandevillestadium.co.uk for more details.



RELAY

RELAY, led by Turning Point South East allows you to explore the relationship between sport and art in a series of connected programmes. Contemporary arts organisations are working with higher education and sporting groups – some for the first time – to bring new and exciting work to the region. You can enjoy exhibitions at the following venues and more.

Modern Art Oxford

The world premier of a major new simulation work by John Gerrard, in collaboration with the Ruskin School of Drawing & Fine Art, that looks at expression and representation of sporting and military power.

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Turner Contemporary, Margate

Video work by John Smith and a dance work by choreographers Dog Kennel Hill Project, which explores movement, action and rest within different Kentish landscapes. The choreographers have been working with local sporting groups to create site responsive dance.

Aspex, Portsmouth

A Hundred Seas Rising by Suki Chan was commissioned by Aspex, University of Portsmouth and Quay Arts. The work celebrates Charles Dickens' birthplace with a *Tale of Two Cities* theme.

MK Gallery, Milton Keynes

You can enjoy the work of Norwegian Stian Ådlandsvik as he works with the archives at Stoke Mandeville Hospital.

- ▶ **4 May–30 Sep:** Other venues include De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill; John Hansard Gallery, Southampton; and Pallant House, Chichester

www.relaysoutheast.org.uk

Image: *Hydra Decapita, film still, 2010*
Credit: Copyright The Otolith Group.
Courtesy the artists

Look About

Look About is a two-year mapping and collecting project led by Portsmouth based artist/geologist Jon Adams in response to our Legacy Trust UK programme, Accentuate, and the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad in the south east of England. This creatively driven, multi-layered project weaves together science and art, digital and analogue, and Jon's autobiographical experiences.

- ▶ **5 May–8 Jun:** Stour Valley Arts, Ashford
- ▶ **28 May–31 Aug:** Discovery Centre, Winchester
- ▶ **27 Jul–3 Aug:** BGS at Natural History Museum, London
- ▶ **16 Aug–2 Sep:** Pallant House Gallery, Chichester
- ▶ **16 Aug–22 Sep:** Kaleidoscope Gallery, Seven Oaks

www.port.ac.uk/departments/faculties/ci/projects/lookabout/

Hang On A Minute Lads, I've Got A Great Idea...

De La Warr Pavillion brings you one of the most daring and ambitious commissions to date – sponsored by the gallery's Honorary Patron Eddie Izzard. You can see a life-size recreation of the final scene from the iconic film *The Italian Job*. Artist Richard Wilson will balance a replica coach from the roof of the building, creating a jaw-dropping spectacle for thousands of visitors, including you.

- ▶ **7 Jul–1 Oct:** De La Warr Pavillion

www.dlwp.com

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She Lay Down Deep Beneath the Sea: Tracey Emin

Tracey Emin's first major solo exhibition at Turner Contemporary is conceived specially for Margate, where Emin grew up and which has provided inspiration for many of her most famous art works.

The exhibition will explore the themes of love, sensuality and romanticism in Emin's oeuvre, featuring both new and existing works including drawings, monoprints, sculptures and neons.

The exhibition's central themes will continue in a display of paintings, sketches and watercolours of erotic subjects by Tracey Emin as well as JMW Turner and Auguste Rodin, whose iconic

sculpture *The Kiss* is on show at Turner Contemporary until 2 September 2012. These three very different artists have not been considered jointly before and yet their works share, to varying degrees, an interest in the sexual side of life and female sexuality in particular.

► **26 May–23 Sep:** Turner Contemporary

There will be events at Turner Contemporary associated with this exhibition. Please check website for details. www.turnercontemporary.org
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Image: *Sex 1*

Credit: Courtesy of Tracey Emin



World Stories: Young Voices

World Stories: Young Voices is a new permanent gallery for Brighton Museum's World Art collection, created with the involvement of young people and members of source communities. Young people have been working with curators, film-makers, artists, writers and musicians to explore and reinterpret the museum's collection, featuring new perspectives and stories that tell us about our place in the world. The new gallery will include objects not previously on public display, together with major new purchases and exciting new commissions including films and contemporary artworks.

Be the first through the door to see the brand new gallery by joining the Grand Opening Ceremony on 23 June! A day of performances, arts workshops and tours organised by young people from across the city who have been involved in the project.

World Stories: Young Voices is part of the UK wide London 2012 museum programme, Stories of the World, where people of all backgrounds have become 'curators' of the collections and objects held in museums, libraries and archives. There will also be exhibitions as part of Stories of the World in Hastings, Reading, Southampton and Bexhill on Sea.

Brighton Museum

- **6–8 Jun:** Artist Masterclass
- **23 Jun:** Grand Opening
- **14 Jul:** MOSAIC Family Day
- **24–28 Jul:** Digitalize: An Artist Residency Project

www.brighton-hove-museums.org.uk
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Image: *Young curator, viewing glazed, gilded tile. Iran, probably Kashan, 1260-1300*

Olympic Torch Relay

The Olympic Flame will be touring the region from 9 July, full listings on www.london2012.com/torch-relay; join one of our evening celebrations listed below

- ▶ **9 Jul:** Oxford
- ▶ **10 Jul:** Reading
- ▶ **14 Jul:** Southampton
- ▶ **15 Jul:** Portsmouth
- ▶ **16 Jul:** Brighton
- ▶ **17 Jul:** Hastings
- ▶ **18 Jul:** Dover
- ▶ **19 Jul:** Maidstone
- ▶ **20 Jul:** Guildford

Jubilee Oak

The Surrey landscape will become an artistic vision with this large scale public artwork. Artists from eight boroughs will descend on a quiet copse in Guildford's Stoke Park – providing a beautiful backdrop to celebrate the arrival of the Olympic Flame.

- ▶ **20 Jul:** Stoke Park, Guildford

Song for Dover

On 18th July 2012 the Olympic Flame is coming back to Dover after 64 years. Knitted bunting and an impressive woollen archway of flowers and pompoms knitted by Dover Arts Developments will lead people to a once-in-a-lifetime evening celebration on Dover seafront. Highlights include the Pass the Passion choir with children from every district school, a specially choreographed acrobatic display integrating dance and gymnastics and climaxing in a spectacular symphony of local choirs and fireworks on a massive scale from The World Famous.

- ▶ **18 Jul:** Dover
www.dover.gov.uk

Image: *Light Up Dover – The World Famous*
Credit: Pepper Pictures



London 2012 Paralympic Flame Festival

Four flames lit in Belfast, Cardiff, Edinburgh and London travel to the birthplace of the Paralympic Movement in Stoke Mandeville to create the Paralympic Flame.

Everyone is invited to Aylesbury town centre to celebrate and share the landmark

Welcome Songs

Folk artist Eliza Carthy, and Robert Hollingworth, with internationally renowned solo-voice ensemble I Fagiolini, will lead communities across the country in performing celebratory *Welcome Songs*. The songs, sourced by Eliza, take inspiration from geographical areas with historical links to the Games.

The songs form a narrative suite inspired by the values of the modern Olympic and Paralympic movements. Bedded in English traditional music, the suite has been arranged for choral voices by I Fagiolini. Massed choirs will come together to perform the songs, joining Eliza Carthy and her Band, Robert Hollingworth and I Fagiolini on stage.

- ▶ **28 Aug:** Aylesbury Town Centre
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moment when the 24-hour relay starts. The evening will culminate in a spectacular fire and light finale from The World Famous and Shared Space and Light.

- ▶ **28 Aug:** Aylesbury town centre and Stoke Mandeville

Starting Line

Taking their inspiration from the spirit and vision of Paralympic Athletes and celebrating Stoke Mandeville as the birthplace of the Paralympic Games, *Starting Line* builds a dynamic universal performance collaboration between disabled and non disabled young people from around the globe, spinally injured young people from Stoke Mandeville Hospital and Rachel Gadsden (visual artist) Luke Pell (performance maker) Abigail Norris (film maker) and emerging young British dancers. Artistic Director Ryan Laight will lead an extraordinary triumphant outdoor performance to celebrate the arrival of the Paralympic Flame.

Accentuate, the Legacy Trust UK programme for the South East, has worked in partnership with Creative Junction and the London 2012 Creative Programmer to commission this exciting new piece of outdoor work.

- ▶ **28 Aug:** Aylesbury town centre

Shake the Dust

This is the biggest youth poetry slam the UK has ever seen. Enjoy performances from teams of young people coached by professional spoken word artists including Chris Bennett, Michael Parker, Chris Redmond, Rosy Carrick and Steve Larkin. Two-time UK Slam Champion and Female World Beatbox Champion Bellatrix will add some star appeal alongside Kenny Baraka – the polymathic hip hop lyricist and performance poet who will be MC for the night. High profile judges include Ros Barber, poet and novelist; Khadijah Ibrahiim, poet and Artistic Director of *Leeds Young Authors: Voices of a New Generation*; and Max Lindsay, Participation Director of Hampshire Youth Theatre and Nuffield Youth Theatre.

► **25 Jun:** Nuffield Theatre, Southampton

www.shakethedust.co.uk
www.nuffieldtheatre.co.uk
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Image: *Shake the Dust*
 Credit: adrenoimages.com

Summer Reading Challenge

Step into a Story Lab at your local library to begin your adventure as part of the UK's biggest reading event for children. Join fictional characters as they retrieve hidden treasures including a gold medal buried in the Olympic Park.

Story Lab encourages children aged 4–11 years to read six books over the summer holidays, collecting stickers, a certificate or even a medal as they go.

Oxford's Story Museum brings you two exciting Story Lab commissions: *Rochester's Ripping Story Loom* and as part of Alice's Day, *The Caucus Race*.

► **14 Jul–9 Sep:** Various locations

► **21 Jun–9 Sep:** Rochester's Ripping Story Loom

► **8 Jul:** Caucus Race

www.story-lab.org.uk
www.storymuseum.org.uk
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Alan Ayckbourn
Double Bill: Absurd Person Singular and Surprises

8 Aug–10 Sep: Chichester Festival Theatre
www.cft.org.uk

All the Bells
27 Jul: Various
www.allthebells.com

Bandstand Marathon
9 Sep: Various
www.bandstandmarathon.org.uk/

The Berkshire Giant
17–23 Jun: Various, West Berks
www.cornexchange.new.com

Big Dance
7–15 Jul: Various
www.bigdance2012.com/south_east_dance.php

Bloom
30 Aug–1 Sep: Greyfriars Community Centre, Ringwood
6–8 Sep: The Phoenix Theatre, Bordon

14–15 Sep: The Lights, Andover
20–22 Sep: Forest Arts, New Milton
27–29 Sep: The Spring, Havant
4–6 Oct: The Stacey Centre, Portsmouth
11–13 Oct: The Berry Centre, Hedge End
www.forestforge.co.uk

Blue Touch Paper Carnival
30 Jun: Ryde Arts Parade
15 Jul: Sparks in the Park, Horsham Park
www.westsussex-aheadofthegame.com
24–25 Aug: Paralympic Flame Festival, Horsham

The Boat Project
23 Jun–1 Jul: Portsmouth
6–8 Jul: Hastings
13–16 Jul: Margate
20–29 Jul: Milton Keynes
www.theboatproject.com

Brewing Up
9 Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, South Park, Oxford
1 Aug: Godiva Awakes, Milton Keynes
www.festiveroad.org

Cass Sculpture Foundation, Tony Cragg
21 Jun–4 Nov: Cass Sculpture Foundation, Goodwood
www.london2012.com/festival

The Caucus Race
8 Jul: Merton Fields, Oxford
www.storymuseum.org.uk/the-story-museum/caucus

The Child and the Magic
19–23 Sep: Bignor Park, Pulborough
www.westsussex-aheadofthegame.com

Creative Campus Initiative: 1908
14–15 Jun: Jacksons Lane, North London's Creative Space
4–8 Jul: Henley Festival, Henley
10 Jul: River and Rowing Museum, Henley-on-Thames: Torch Relay
4–5 Aug: Royal Artillery: General Gordon Square, Woolwich

The Art of Demonstration
15 Sep: Bracknell Big Day Out, Bracknell

Iron Gym
15–17 Jun & 20 Jul University of Kent at Medway
www.creativecampusinitiative.org.uk/current-projects.html

Creative Landscapes
8–9 Sep: Various, Hastings, St Leonards and Gosport
www.accentuate-se.org/creative-landscapes

Crystal Ball
11–12 Aug: De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill-on-Sea
www.london2012.com/festival

Devoted and Disgruntled Roadshow
19 Sep: Creek Creative Studios Faversham
21–22 Sep: Theatre Royal, Winchester
www.devotedanddisgruntled.com/roadshow/

The Dog and the Palace
7th Jun: MK Gallery Milton Keynes
20th Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, Stoke Park, Guildford
www.garythomas.co.uk

Driving Inspiration & Guttman Legacy
 Online
www.mandevillelegacy.org.uk

Dromos
15 Jul: Church Farm, Coombes
21 Jul: Horsham Park, Horsham
www.dromosfestival.co.uk

Druid Murphy
18–25 Aug: Oxford Playhouse Theatre
www.druid.ie/productions/druidmurphy-the-plays-of-tom-murphy

Edmund de Waal
20 Apr–28 Oct: Waddesdon Manor, Aylesbury
www.london2012.com/festival

The English Flower Garden, Paul Cummins
11 May–1 Sep: The Secret Gardens of Sandwich
1 Jun–17 Sep: Blenheim Palace, Woodstock
www.london2012.com/festival

Exercise (Dijibouti) 2012, John Gerrard
6–29 Jul: Old Power Station, Oxford
www.modernartoxford.org.uk

Flame Festival
28 Aug: Aylesbury Town Centre & Stoke Mandeville Stadium
www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/leisure-culture/london-2012/pulse/

The Games Walk and Games Walk Festival
28 Jul–11 Aug: Various, Windsor, Eton & Dorney
www.thegameswalk.com

Godiva Awakes
1 Aug: Bradwell Abbey & Campbell Park, Milton Keynes
www.destinationmiltonkeynes.co.uk/Visit_us/milton_keynes_summer_of_culture

Gold Run

4 Sep: Pallant House Gallery, Chichester
9 Sep: Dilston Grove
30 Oct: Chichester Festival Theatre
www.goldrun.org.uk

Hang on a Minute Lads I've Got a Great Idea

7 Jul–1 Oct:
De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill-on-Sea
www.dlwp.com

Hampshire Welcomes the World

23 Jun: Farnborough Airship Hangar, Farnborough (Asia in focus)
30 Jun: Blackwater Arboretum, New Forest
8 Jul: Staunton Country Park (Oceania in focus)
www3.hants.gov.uk/hwtw

A Hansel of a Film – Shetland to Southampton and back

15 July: Harbour Lights Picturehouse, Southampton
www.london2012.com/festival

Horizon

1–17 Jun: Turner Contemporary, Margate and King's Wood, Ashford
www.turnercontemporary.org

A Hundred Seas Rising, Suki Chan

18 May–2 Sep:
Aspex Gallery, Portsmouth
www.aspex.org.uk

International Flag Exchange

20 Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, Stoke Park, Guildford
www.gosurrey.info/flags

Kent Cultural Baton

16–17 Jun: Fuse Festival, Medway
17–18 Jul: Torch Relay events, Dover and Tunbridge Wells.
26 Jul: Colin Priest filming / photography event, Deal
27 Jul: London 2012 Opening Ceremony Celebration–Big Screen, Gravesham
16 Aug: Kent Paralympic Roadshow, Swanley Recreation Ground
1–16 Sep: Whitstable Biennale
www.kentculturalbaton.com/

Look About

28 May–31 Aug: Discovery Centre, Winchester
27 Jul–3 Aug: BGS at Natural History Museum, London
16 Aug–2 Sep: Pallant House Gallery, Chichester

16 Aug–22 Sep:

Kaleidoscope Gallery, Seven Oaks
www.port.ac.uk/departments/faculties/ccj/projects/lookabout/

Meet the Species: Bioblitz

23 Jun: Science Oxford Live, Oxford
1 Jul: Silwood Park Campus, Ascot
www.meetthespecies.org.uk

Memory Marathon, Simon Pope

10–21 Jul: John Hansard Gallery, Southampton
www.hansardgallery.org.uk

Milton Keynes Fringe Festival

10–29 Jul: Various, Milton Keynes
www.mkfestivalfringe.com

Oh We Do Like to be Beside the Seaside (As pleased as Punch)

5 May–1 Sep: Worthing Museum and Art Gallery, Worthing
www.thefedoragroup.com

Our Sporting Life

12 May–16 Sep: The Museum of English Rural Life, Reading
12 May–28 Oct: Bikes, Balls and Biscuitmen, Reading Museum
2 Jun–3 Nov: County Museum and Roald Dahl Children's Gallery, Aylesbury
4–31 Aug: Eden Valley Museum, Edenbridge
www.oursportinglife.co.uk

Peace Camp

19–22 Jul: Cuckmere Haven, East Sussex
www.peacecamp2012.com/

Pi Leau, Close Act

23 Jun: The Stade, Hastings
www.london2012.com/festival

Party in the Park

7 Jul: Woking
www.celebratewoking.info/goingparty.aspx

Red Baraat

1 Sep: South Hill Park, Bracknell
www.london2012.com/festival

Rochester's Ripping Story Loom

26 Jun–9 Sep: The Story Museum, Oxford
www.london2012.com/festival

Rouge

20–23 Jul: MK IF, Milton Keynes
www.ifmiltonkeynes.org

The Sacred Truce Project: The Ripple Effect

29 Jul: Milton Keynes Theatre
www.london2012.com/festival

The Seed, Goat and Monkey

All locations near Haywards Heath
9–10 Jun: Nymans Gardens
23–24 Jun: High Beeches Gardens
7–8 Jul: Wakehurst Place
19–22 Jul: Borde Hill Gardens
www.westsussex-aheadofthegame.com

Shake the Dust

25 Jun: Nuffield Theatre, Southampton
www.nuffieldtheatre.co.uk/events/detail/shake_the_dust_slam_final/

She Lay Down Deep Beneath the Sea, Tracey Emin

26 May–23 Sep: Turner Contemporary, Margate
www.turnercontemporary.org

Song Trees

20 Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, Stoke Park, Guildford
www.musicmindspirit.org

Spun Productions, StopGAP

17 Jun: The Point, Eastleigh
18 Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, Dover
20 Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, Stoke Park, Guildford
www.stopgapuk.com/html-eng/spun_productions.html

Starting Line

28 Aug: Aylesbury Town Centre
www.accentuate-se.org

Stian Adlandsvik

27 Jun–29 Jul: MK Gallery, Milton Keynes
www.mkgallery.org

Story Lab, Summer Reading Challenge

14 Jul–9 Sep: Various
www.readingagency.org.uk/children/summer-reading-challenge/

Stories of the World: World Stories: Young Voices

Brighton Museum
23 Jun: Grand Opening
14 Jul: MOSAIC Family Day
24–28 Jul: Digitalize: An Artist Residency Project
www.brighton-hove-museums.org.uk

A Global Gathering

30 Jun–2 Sep: Bexhill Museum, Bexhill-on-Sea
www.bexhillmuseum.co.uk

Plains Speaking

From Jun: Hastings Museum and Art Gallery
www.hmag.org.uk

Ure View

7 May–31 Aug: The University of Reading Library
www.reading.ac.uk/Ure

Words of the World

21 Jul–31 Aug: Southampton City Art Gallery
www.southampton.gov.uk/s-leisure/olympics/olympiad.aspx

Summer Schubertiade

21 Jul: St Nicolas Church, Brighton
28 Jul: Charleston Barn, Lewes
4 Aug: St Andrew's Church, Alfriston
www.london2012.com/festival

Surrey's Sporting Life

11–17 Jun: Banstead Library
1 Jul–31 Aug: Haslemere Education Centre
20 Jul: Baseball re-enactment, Stoke Park, Guildford
28 Jul: Historic Cycling, Denbies Wine Estate
9 Sep: Cotmandene Cricket Re-enactment, Dorking
16 Sep: Historic Cycling, Brooklands Museum, Brooklands
www.gosurrey.info

Tree of Light

9 Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, South Park, Oxford
10 Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, Madjeski Stadium, Reading
21 Jul: Stonor Park, nr Henley
www.thetreeoflight.org/page/about

Trust, Freewheelers

7 Jul: Party in the Park, Woking Park
20 Jul: Olympic Torch Relay Celebration, Stoke Park, Guildford
28 Jul: Mole Valley
4–7 Sep: Brands Hatch
25 Sep: Farnham Maltings
www.freewheelers-theatre.co.uk/

uScreen

Online
www.uscreen.co.uk

Welcome Songs

28 Aug: Aylesbury Town Centre
www.welcomesongs.co.uk

Whatever Floats Your Boat

19 Sep–26 Oct: The Old Chapel Textile Centre, Newbury
www.tvcq-whateverfloats.blogspot.co.uk/

Whispering Woods

14–15 Jul: St Roche's Arboretum, West Dean
www.westsussex-aheadofthegame.com

White Water Line, Richard Long

28–29 Jul: Box Hill
www.london2012.com/festival

Windows, Walls and Wishes

Various inc.
Dreamboat launch
9 Sep: Various, Burnham and Taplow
www.thefluxgallery.co.uk

Woking's Willow Sculptures

27–29 July: West Byfleet LI:VE, West Byfleet
www.celebratewoking.info/getwestbyfleetcontent.aspx

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www.space.org

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The London 2012 Cultural Olympiad is the largest cultural celebration in the history of the modern Olympic and Paralympic Movements. Spread over four years, it is designed to give everyone in the UK a chance to be part of London 2012 and inspire creativity across all forms of culture, especially among young people. The culmination of the Cultural Olympiad is the London 2012 Festival, a spectacular 12-week nationwide celebration bringing together leading artists from across the world with the very best from the UK, running from 21 June until 9 September 2012. For more details on the programme visit www.london2012.com/festival

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