

EASTSIDE
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FESTIVAL 2024

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25 JULY- 4 AUGUST

EASTSIDE ARTS FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS 2024



WHISK(EY) WARS

Friday 26 July | 8pm | £18 | Titanic Distillers

Tam Tully fights tragedy and treachery to save her Ulster family distillery from ruin - by crafting the perfect single malt. Laced with dry Northern Irish wit and casked in raw emotion, it's a story you won't forget. Written by and starring Joyce Greenaway. Complimentary cocktail on arrival!



THE SHORT STORY WRITERS' TOOLKIT

Saturday 27 July | 10am | £25 | EastSide Visitor Centre Gallery

Interested in writing short stories? Struggling to know where to start? Wondering how and when to end your story? This interactive course, facilitated by Belfast-based writer Jan Carson, will guide you through the basics of writing imaginative and engaging short stories. All you need is a notebook, a pen and a fully functioning imagination.



THE NIGHT INSTITUTE PRESENTS: EASTSIDE ELECTRONICS: LIL' LOUIS (THE FOUNDING FATHER OF HOUSE)

Saturday 27 July | 5pm | £25 | C.S. Lewis Square

The Night Institute returns with their flagship open-air celebration of electronic music at C.S. Lewis Square... and a very special guest. Lil' Louis, international artist, producer, songwriter, DJ, author and director celebrates 50 years in music this summer alongside Timmy Stewart, Jordan Nocturne, Ricky Chong and Kate Harahan.



PARKFEST

Sunday 28 July | 12pm | FREE | C.S. Lewis Square & Orangefield Park

Come and enjoy a whole host of activities, performances and pop-ups for the whole family. With creative events in C.S. Lewis Square and games and environmental activities in Orangefield Park, this is the perfect chance to make the most of the weekend with your friends, family and neighbours along the Connswater Greenway.



THREE PAY DAYS

**Wednesday 31 July | £10 | 5:30pm & 8:30pm
The Sanctuary Theatre**

Directed by Paula McFetridge, *Three Pay Days* is a riveting new play from Alice Malseed, author of *The Half Moon*. It's a searing portrayal of the human cost of austerity within a rigged social security system.



A NIGHT OF CLASSIC COUNTRY MUSIC WITH THE BOONDOCKS

Thursday 1 August | 8pm | £15 | Harland & Wolff Staff Club

Anthony Toner, Mark Crockard and Marcus McAuley have come together as 'The Boondocks' to play the old-school country songs by Hank Williams, Glen Campbell, Willie Nelson, Kris Kristofferson, Gram Parsons and John Prine (amongst others) that they love playing together.



DRAGTASTIC CABARET WITH BSL INTERPRETATION

Friday 2 August | 8pm | £15 | Shorts Sports & Rec Club

Our Gaggle of Glam - Lady Portia, Cherrie Ontop and Miss Onya Becks will be joined by Californian glamor duo Deven Green & Handsome Ned, making an exclusive UK and Ireland guest appearance, and the incredible Miss Dora Belle who will provide BSL interpretation. Don't miss this really special night!



JAZZIE B DJ SET

Friday 2 August | 9pm | £22 | Banana Block

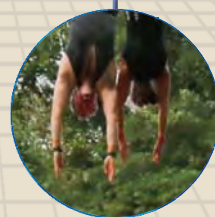
There aren't many names in the UK better-loved or more legendary than Trevor Beresford Romeo, aka Jazzy B. As the founder of one of the most iconic soul bands of all time in Soul II Soul, he's since forged a path as one of the most in demand soul and funk DJs on the circuit.



CIARAN BARTLETT'S COMEDY CLUB WITH COLIN GEDDIS, AARON BUTLER AND JAZMYNNE SIERRA

Saturday 3 August | 6:30pm & 9:30pm | £22 | Banana Block

Following last year's sell-out show, MC Ciaran Bartlett is pleased to return to Banana Block with another sensational lineup of Belfast's premiere comedians. Tickets are sure to go fast for this one-off lineup that promises to bring you the funniest stories and most epic one-liners around.



TUMBLE CIRCUS PRESENTS 'BANJAXED'

Sunday 4 August | 12pm & 4:30pm | £5 | Malone Rugby Club

Class circus, big laughs and dead-on skill - 35 minutes of death-defying aerial hula hoops, duo trapeze, slapstick, and loads of craic for the whole family. Come and experience hammer-smashing inspired circus crafted in Belfast by Tumble Circus: the Irish Cirque de Soleil - if Cirque de Soleil was hit by a bus.

EASTSIDE ARTS FESTIVAL 24 AT A GLANCE

WELCOME FROM THE ARTS COUNCIL OF NORTHERN IRELAND

The Arts Council is proud to be EastSide Arts’ principal investor, through our National Lottery funds. It’s the Arts Council’s mission to develop and champion the arts, and one of our priorities is to ensure that more people from all backgrounds can enjoy arts experiences. EastSide Arts plays a pivotal role in promoting creativity in the east of the city and in attracting people from all parts to come and experience the vibrant arts and cultural scene which continues to flourish here. The annual flagship festival is always an outstanding event, and this year is no exception, showcasing the brilliant work of local artists, writers and performers in East Belfast. However, equally important is the work that EastSide Arts does across the

year, creating opportunities for people to engage with the arts through their ambitious Creative Citizens programme, and supporting artists and the emergence of new talent in the area through training, mentoring and commissioning. The EastSide Arts Festival shows everyone, proud locals and curious visitors, the best side of East Belfast, as a lively and entertaining place, full of character and creativity, and with something uniquely interesting to offer everyone. Enjoy the festival!

Roisin McDonough, Chief Executive, Arts Council of Northern Ireland

THURSDAY 27 JUNE		
WEDNESDAYS 3, 10 & 17 JULY		
GET YOUR GIGGLE ON – EASTSIDE COMEDY SCHOOL		
7pm – 9pm	EastSide Visitor Centre Gallery	£100

THURSDAY 25 JULY		
SILVER SCREENINGS: THE ODD COUPLE (1968)		
2pm	Strand Arts Centre, Connswater Shopping Centre	£4 (carers free)

BELFAST LITERARY SUMMER YARD SESSIONS 2024		
7:30pm	Templemore Baths	£12

THE EAST LAFFS FESTIVAL SPECIAL		
7:30pm	Harland & Wolff Staff Club	£12

BOUNDARY BOARD GAMES CODENAMES CHAMPIONSHIP		
7:30pm	Boundary Brewery	FREE

GLOBAL MELODIES		
8pm	The Gathering at St. Martin’s Church	£10

FRIDAY 26 JULY		
EAST BELFAST-THEMED TOUR OF FRIARS BUSH GRAVEYARD		
7pm	Friars Bush Graveyard	£10

WHISK(EY) WARS		
8pm	Titanic Distillers	£18

STEPHEN LARGE – SABOTAGE		
8pm	Harland & Wolff Staff Club	£12

SPOKEN WORD FLIGHT		
8pm	Boundary Brewery	£15 (includes 4 half pints)

SATURDAY 27 JULY		
THE SHORT STORY WRITERS’ TOOLKIT		
10am	EastSide Visitor Centre Gallery	£25

WALKING THE MARITIME MILE AND BEYOND – BSL INTEGRATED WALKING TOUR		
10am	Meet at SSE Area Cineworld Front Entrance	£15

TULLYCARNET LIBRARY – 50 YEARS OLD!		
11am	Tullycarnet Library	£5

EATS–SIDE FOOD & DRINK TOUR		
2pm	Meet at Samuel Beckett Mural, Belmont Road	£55

MINORS CLUB – WITH WORKSHOP: ICE AGE (2002) CERTIFICATE U		
2.10pm	Strand Arts Centre, Connswater Shopping Centre	£5

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5pm	C.S. Lewis Square	£25

CLOUDS & MARK BRAIDNER IN CONCERT		
8:30pm	Cregagh Sports Club	£10

SUNDAY 28 JULY		
TEMPLEMORE AVENUE TOUR		
10:30am	Templemore Avenue	FREE donations welcome

PARKFEST		
12pm	C.S. Lewis Square & Orangefield Park	FREE

SOUND HEALING SPA		
12pm	Templemore Baths	£20

EAST BLOCK BAZAAR		
1pm	Banana Block	FREE

FAMILY CHILL & CHIMES		
2pm	Open Arts Space, Connswater Shopping Centre	FREE

RETURN TO STILLNESS: POETRY READING & Q&A		
3pm	The Gathering at St. Martin’s Church	£10

SPORTING EASTSIDE ON FILM		
8pm	The Sanctuary Theatre	£12

TUESDAY 30 JULY		
HAND–BUILDING IN CLAY WORKSHOP: EAST BELFAST LANDMARKS		
6:30pm	Belfast Ceramics Studio	£50

TEMPLEMORE BATHS TOUR		
7pm	Templemore Baths	£6.10

SCOTCH RHYMES & BUSKIT BRIDES: AN ULSTER–SCOTS PREHISTORY OF WRITING IN EAST BELFAST		
7:30pm	EastSide Visitor Centre Gallery	£8

WEDNESDAY 31 JULY		
THE SODA POPZ LUNCHTIME BOP!		
12pm	Strand Church	FREE

THREE PAY DAYS		
5:30pm & 8:30pm	The Sanctuary Theatre	£10

HAND–BUILDING IN CLAY WORKSHOP WITH BSL INTERPRETATION		
6:30pm	Belfast Ceramics Studio	£50

WRITING HOME – JAN CARSON AND AIMEE WALSH IN CONVERSATION		
7:30pm	EastSide Visitor Centre Gallery	£12

MY NAME IS JEAN		
7:30pm	Willowfield Church Hall	£10 suggested donation

CANDLE MAKING WORKSHOP		
7:30pm	Boundary Brewery	£28

THURSDAY 1 AUGUST		
THE SUN ALWAYS SHINES IN THE EAST		
11am	Brain Injury Matters	FREE

ROSIE MCGURRAN EXHIBITION TOURS WITH BSL INTERPRETATION		
2–4pm	ArtisAnn Gallery	FREE

LATE NIGHT ART		
6pm	Connswater Shopping Centre	FREE

TEMPLEMORE BATHS TOUR		
7pm	Templemore Baths	£6.10

BOUNDARY BOARD GAMES SWAP SHOP		
7:30pm	Boundary Brewery	FREE

MURDER SHE GOT WROTE OFF		
8pm	Belmont Bowling Club	£15

THE REHEARSED READING CIRCLE: LOVE ON THE RADIO		
8pm	The Sanctuary Theatre	£10

A NIGHT OF CLASSIC COUNTRY MUSIC WITH THE BOONDOCKS		
8pm	Harland & Wolff Staff Club	£15

FRIDAY 2 AUGUST		
LOOK UP EAST WALKING TOUR		
2pm	Meet at EastSide Visitor Centre	£10

UNWIND: MOVING IMAGE / SLOW MUSIC		
4pm	Harland & Wolff Staff Club	£10

GUY MITCHELL’S DOG’S DEAD... PASS IT ON		
7:30pm	The Sanctuary Theatre	£16/£14

DRAGTASTIC CABARET WITH BSL INTERPRETATION		
8pm	Shorts Sports & Rec Club	£15

DOWN THE ROAD – SONGS ABOUT PLACES AND JOURNEYS WITH ANTHONY TONER AND FRIENDS		
8pm	Harland & Wolff Staff Club	£15

MURDER SHE GOT WROTE OFF		
8pm	Belmont Bowling Club	£15

JAZZIE B DJ SET		
9pm	Banana Block	£22

SATURDAY 3 AUGUST		
GEORGE BEST TOURS FESTIVAL SPECIAL		
10am, 11am & 2pm	George Best House	£15

CREATIVE PLAY DAY		
10am	Carew Centre	FREE

FORGE 24		
11am	Malone Rugby Club	£17/£15

THE PICTURE HOUSE		
12 noon, 2:30pm & 5pm	Strand Arts Centre, Connswater Shopping Centre	£6

DRAG QUEEN STORYTIME WITH BSL INTERPRETATION		
2pm & 3.15pm	Arts Care, Connswater Shopping Centre	£3

WRITING WORKSHOP WITH OLGA DERMOTT–BOND AND KATIE GRIFFITHS		
2pm	Walkway Community Centre	£20

EATS–SIDE FOOD & DRINK TOUR		
2pm	Meet at Samuel Beckett Mural, Belmont Road	£55

POETRY READING AND Q&A WITH OLGA DERMOTT–BOND AND KATIE GRIFFITH		
5pm	Walkway Community Centre	£8

CIARAN BARTLETT’S COMEDY CLUB WITH COLIN GEDDIS, AARON BUTLER AND JAZMYNNE SIERRA		
6.30pm & 9.30pm	Banana Block	£20

GUY MITCHELL’S DOG’S DEAD... PASS IT ON		
7:30pm	The Sanctuary Theatre	£16/£14

FORGE 24 HIP–HOP AFTERPARTY		
8pm	Malone Rugby Club	£9

DLA LOCKDOWN		
8pm	Shorts Sports & Rec Club	£15

SUNDAY 4 AUGUST		
TUMBLE CIRCUS PRESENTS ‘BANJAXED’		
12pm & 4.30pm	Malone Rugby Club	£5

BEATS & BITES		
12pm & 2pm	Meet at EastSide Visitor Centre	£45

SHAKESPEARE MASTERCLASS		
1pm	Malone Rugby Club	£5

C.S. LEWIS–THEMED WALKING TOUR		
2pm	Belfast City Cemetery	£12

SEADHEAD STREET ART MARKET		
2pm	Boundary Brewery Front Room	FREE

JOZEF DANI TRIO		
3pm	Harland & Wolff Staff Club	£12

THE BARD AND THE BEVERAGE		
7pm	Malone Rugby Club	£2

FULL PROGRAMME
DETAILS HERE

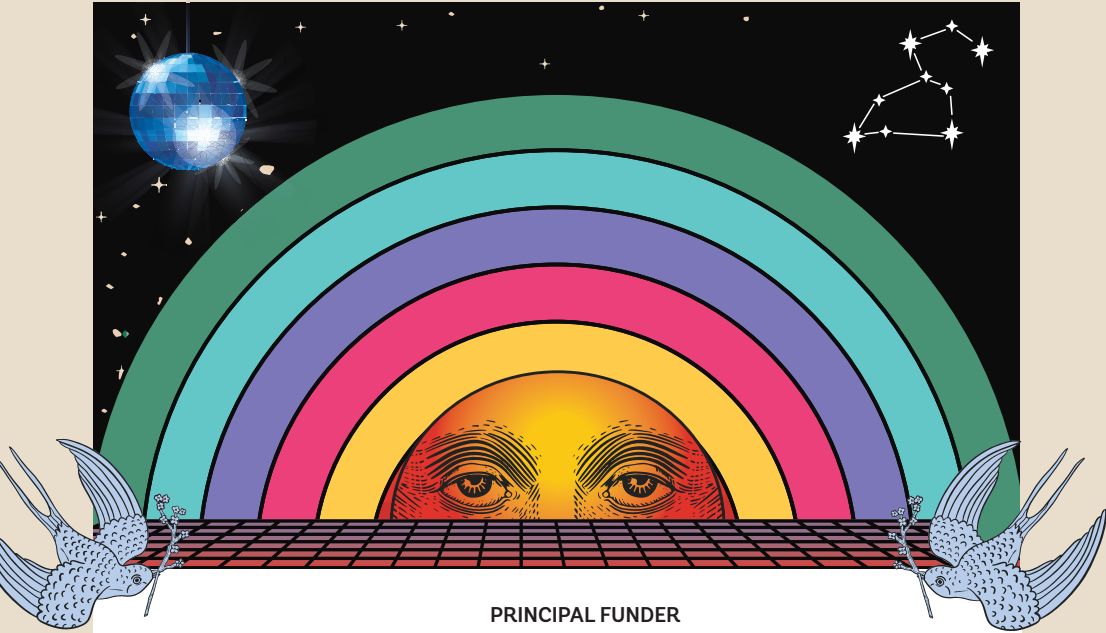


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