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WELCOME

Having taken down the Christmas tree and put all the decorations away, we are now looking forward to a new year of entertainment at Taunton Brewhouse and, as always, we have a huge selection for you to choose from.

From top comedians, Dom Joly and Rosie Jones to legendary musicians Steve Harley and Steeleye Span, all the way through to live on stage The Hound of the Baskervilles touring production commemorating the 120th anniversary of Sir Arther Conan Doyle's thriller.

Our popular Movie Mondays cinema screenings continue with blockbuster films such as Wonka and Napoleon coming up in January. Tickets for these 11am screenings are only £5 and our Theatre Café offers the option to stay afterwards for a lovely lunch.

Don't forget, in the dull and dreary winter months of January and February you can join us in our Creative Warm Spaces and join in with daily free activities and nutritious soup, supported by Taunton Town Council. No need to book, just drop in or visit our website to find out more. We look forward to seeing you again soon in 2024.

Vickie Robbins, Executive Director

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We have memberships for every individual.

As a Friend, you'll enjoy a range of great benefits including:

TICKET OFFERS

See your favourite shows at the best prices with exclusive ticket offers – plus no added fees.

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Gain access to the hottest live events ahead of the public with our exclusive priority booking.

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Pass the popcorn and pop the bubbly with 10% off food and drink at our theatre bar.

FRIENDS SOCIALS

Be invited to exclusive events and meet new people at our seasonal socials.

EXCLUSIVE CONTENT

Receive the latest news with our monthly e-newsletters – including exclusive Friends only content.

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Make the most of our state-of-the-art facilities with discounted use of our hire spaces.

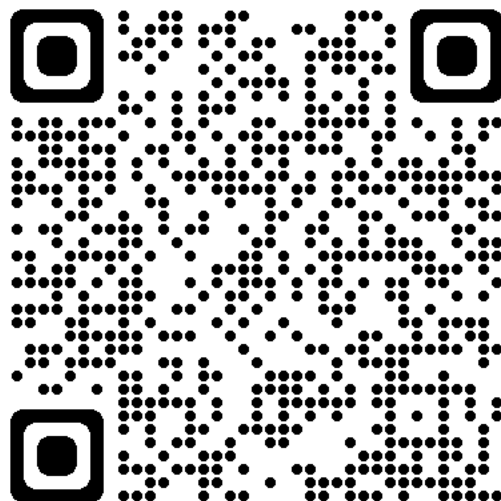
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BOURNEMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA'S NEW YEAR CONCERT

4 JANUARY | 19:30

FROM £15 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | AGE 8+

Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra's stylish Viennese Gala this year takes a trip from Vienna to Kyiv with BSO Chief Conductor, Kirill Karabits, folk singer, Ruslana Lotsman and a selection of specially arranged traditional Ukrainian folk songs. Music by Mussorgsky and Rimsky-Korsakov and three of Tchaikovsky's most famous ballet waltzes from Sleeping Beauty, The Nutcracker and Swan Lake, sit alongside favourites by Johann Strauss II including the Thunder and Lightning Polka, Emperor Waltz and The Blue Danube.

THE 80S MOVIE MIXTAPE

16 JANUARY | 19:30

£28.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | AGE 16+

The 80s Movie Mixtape is a concert experience like no other! Go on a journey through iconic movies of the 80s, featuring the best songs from the decade's most beloved

films. From the upbeat, feel-good hits of The Breakfast Club and Ferris Bueller's Day Off to the emotional power ballads of Top Gun and Dirty Dancing, this show has got it all.

ADAM ROWE

19 JANUARY | 20:00

£24 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | AGE 14+

Widely regarded as one of the most exciting, young comics in the world, Adam Rowe has risen from a prodigious newcomer to an international headline act. His natural, laid-back persona combined with brutally honest, opinionated stand-up and his phenomenal ad-libbing ability make each of his performances unique, gloriously unpredictable, and, most importantly, always hilarious.

THE CARPENTERS - VOICE OF THE HEART

20 JANUARY | 19:30

FROM £21.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | AGE 9+

Celebrate the music of the legendary Carpenters with "Yesterday Once More", "Goodbye to Love", "Only Yesterday" plus many more. With superb vocals from local lady Carole Gordon and outstanding talent from the brilliant

Blue Jeans Band and singers, it will be a sparkling night to remember.

THE UPBEAT BEATLES

25 JANUARY | 19:30

£28.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

“Get Back” to the swinging 60’s with The Upbeat Beatles and relive those ‘Fab’ days and timeless songs! Performing to sell out venues for over 20 years, The Upbeat Beatles have more than earned their reputation as the finest tribute to the music of The Beatles.

LIMEHOUSE LIZZY

26 JANUARY | 19:30

FROM £21.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

Now in their third decade, Limehouse Lizzy continue to keep the spirit of Celtic rock icon Philip Lynott and his band Thin Lizzy alive, still relevant and dominating stages worldwide. The band are showing no signs of letting up on their previous frenetic pace, bringing the inimitable, unique and irresistible rock/pop greatest hits homage to Philip Lynott and his band Thin Lizzy.

DIRTY DUSTING

27 JANUARY | 19:30

£24.50 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | AGE 14+

Gladys, Olive and Elsie are three “vintage style” cleaning ladies who, threatened with redundancy, chance on an ‘unconventional’ way of earning some extra cash. A wrong number requiring a Sex Chat Line rings into the office and gives them a great idea... A hilarious comedy about three pensioner cleaners who start a telephone sex line... and that’s when the fun really begins.

THE WASHING MACHINE OF DESTINY

27 JANUARY | 19:45

**FROM £6.50 | STUDIO | DRAMA | AGE 12+ |
RELAXED PERFORMANCE | FRIENDS <3**

Living Room Theatre presents a comic but powerful play full of bonkers ideas with a knockout musical soundtrack. Devised and performed by Luca Saunders and Philip Robinson who are both on the autistic spectrum, and directed by Pippa Marriott, who isn’t.

THE STORY OF GUITAR HEROES

30 JANUARY | 19:30

£27.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

Prepare to be blown away by the most amazing guitar riffs of the last 50 years. Highly acclaimed as the UK's ultimate guitar-fest, The Story of Guitar Heroes is renowned for its world-class musicianship and use of over 30 authentic guitars. Featuring iconic hits from legends Jimmy Page, Hank Marvin, Chuck Berry, Jimi Hendrix, Brian May, Eric Clapton, Mark Knopfler, Van Halen, Slash and many more.

WAYFARERS PRESENTS

DICK WHITTINGTON

7-13 JANUARY | TIMES VARY

FROM £14.50 | MAIN HOUSE | COMMUNITY | AGE 3+

Experience the magic of 'Dick Whittington' with the award-winning Wayfarers this winter! Join our hero in an adventurous tale in the season's most dazzling pantomime. Celebrating their 2022-2023 Cinderella Awards triumph, Wayfarers promise nothing less than excellence and enchantment. Brace for a remarkable journey featuring a courageous hero, fabulous fortune, and a faithful feline friend!

SIR TOM & THE TJ B1G BAND

2 FEBRUARY | 19:30

FROM £17.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

Adam Parker Brown delivers a definitive tribute to the greatest singer in the world, Sir Tom Jones. With his live band and sensationally sassy backing singers, this show pays the ultimate tribute to the legend himself and his incredible catalogue of music. Adam delivers the look, the songs, and most importantly... 'The Voice'.

SOLVE-ALONG-A-MURDER-SHE-WROTE

3 FEBRUARY | 19:30

£21 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | AGE 18+

An interactive screening of the classic Murder, She Wrote episode "If It's Thursday, It Must Be Beverly". A unique and hilarious night featuring games, prizes and audience participation, this critically acclaimed show was rated one of Time Out 50 Great Nights Out in London in 2021.

I DON'T HAVE A MATHS GCSE

3 FEBRUARY | 19:45

FROM £11.50 | STUDIO | DRAMA | AGE 18+ | <3

FRIENDS

Do you feel like you're constantly falling short of society's expectations? Do you dread telling others that you never got your maths GCSE? Well, you're not alone. Mia Borthwick takes us on a laugh-out-loud musical comedy journey through her own insecurities and low self-esteem. From struggling with school to feeling like a failure in her career, Mia turns her personal struggles into relatable and hilarious anecdotes.

GARTH MARENGHI

6 FEBRUARY | 19:30

£21.50 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | AGE 16+

Following the massive success of his long-lost novel Terrortome, Sunday Times Bestseller and Archduke O' Darkdom, Garth Marenghi is back on the road with his latest masterpiece, Incarcerat. The highly anticipated novel is a sequel to his previous Sunday Times bestseller which continues on the adventures of horror author Nick Steen as he battles his own imagination and navigates a terrifying world. Garth Marenghi is the pseudonym of writer and director Matthew Holness, who is best known for his role as the fictional horror author in the cult Channel 4 comedy series Garth Marenghi's Darkplace.

MADE IN TENNESSEE

9 FEBRUARY | 19:30

FROM £24 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

With a band made up of some of the UK's finest country musicians, Made in Tennessee takes you through the decades of the nation's fastest growing music genre. Featuring classics from Johnny, June, Dolly and Hank, legends like Garth Brooks and Carrie Underwood, and modern country superstars such as Kacey Musgraves and Chris Stapleton.

JANEY GODLEY: THE NOT DEAD YET TOUR

15 FEBRUARY | 19:30

£27 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | AGE 16+ | <3 FRIENDS

Janey Godley is 'still alive, by popular demand' and will be bringing her emotive and hilarious brand new show Not Dead Yet to England, following her recent sellout tour of Scotland. There will be voiceovers and anecdotes, straight from the woman who wouldn't die or shut up. Join Janey as she's back, and doing what she does best.

THE DAZZLING DIAMONDS

COMEDY DRAG SHOW

16 FEBRUARY | 19:30

£21.50 | MAIN HOUSE | VARIETY | AGE 16+

This comedy variety show is packed with high energy dance routines, stunning live vocals, and side-splitting comedy sketches, not forgetting spectacular costumes. Featuring favourite singalong songs from artists such as Cher, Adele, and Dolly Parton, as well as songs from some of your favourite movies.

PURPLE ZEPPELIN

17 FEBRUARY | 19:30

£24 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES | <3

FRIENDS

Featured in the BBC TV documentary The Joy of the Guitar Riff (alongside Brian May, Tony Iommi & Dave Grohl) Purple Zeppelin are proud to pay tribute to the two greatest rock bands of all time, Deep Purple and Led Zeppelin. In a full on two and a half hour show complete with costume changes for each band, you'll hear their most famous songs – basically the best bits, all of the time.

SHUSH

17 FEBRUARY | 19:45

FROM £10.50 | STUDIO | DRAMA | ALL AGES

Absurd, satirical and sincere, Shush is a new piece of writing exploring hearing loss and social identity; existing between worlds of the hearing and the Deaf whilst belonging to neither. Highlighting the silent, undefined connections that we all share, where the loudest actions are lost in translation, and the tiniest looks become deafening

TAUNTON SCHOOL PRESENTS

THE ADDAMS FAMILY

28 FEB - 2 MAR | TIMES VARY

FROM £5 | MAIN HOUSE | COMMUNITY

Get ready to snap your fingers and join the kookiest family in town as they make their way to Taunton. This uproarious and darkly delightful production brings the family to life in a side-splitting, toetapping spectacle. With a mix of humour, romance, and a touch of the macabre, this wickedly funny musical is a perfect treat for all ages!”

THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES

5 MARCH | 19:30

**FROM £16.50 | MAIN HOUSE | DRAMA | AGE 10+ |
<3 FRIENDS**

Live on stage, Colin Baker (Doctor Who) & Terry Molloy (The Archers) join forces to play Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson, in this tale of murder, mystery and horror that's surely the greatest detective story ever told! The legend of the Hound Of The Baskervilles has haunted the Baskerville family for generations – none more so than Sir Charles Baskerville, who died in mysterious circumstances worthy of the legend. This leads Doctor Mortimer to consult Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson, in the hope of preventing the heir to the Baskerville estate, Sir Henry, from suffering the same fate. But the supernatural seems a very long way from 221B Baker Street...

SOME GUYS HAVE ALL THE LUCK

7 MARCH | 19:30

£27.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

Direct from the West End and endorsed by Rod's own family, Some Guys Have All The Luck celebrates one of the UK's most influential icons, Rod Stewart. Charismatic front

man, Paul Metcalfe, takes you on a musical journey that spans six decades from humble beginnings in the R'n'B clubs through to world-famous rock sensation.

THE HISTORY OF ROCK

8 MARCH | 19:30

FROM £23 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

The History of Rock is a celebration of rock music through the decades. A jawdropping night transporting you through the golden ages of rock, featuring the music of artists such as Led Zeppelin, Cream, Guns n Roses, AC/DC, Queen, and many more.

DOM JOLY'S CONSPIRACY TOURIST

9 MARCH | 19:30

£26 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

For his new book *The Conspiracy Tourist*, Dom Joly has travelled the globe looking into some of the strangest and weirdest conspiracy theories in existence. Providing a hilarious, fascinating and often surprising guide to the wacky world of conspiracies, Dom Joly takes this form of

extreme Powerpoint to the masses.

MERCURY

10 MARCH | 19:30

£25.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

Celebrating 25 years on the road in 2024, Mercury have firmly established themselves as one of the world's most authentic tributes to Freddie Mercury and the legendary Queen. This award-winning stage show will feature performances of the most popular Queen hits such as "Bohemian Rhapsody", "Radio Ga Ga", "We Are the Champions", "We Will Rock You", and many more.

THE CIRCUS OF HORRORS:

CABARET OF CURIOSITIES

11 MARCH | 19:30

**FROM £22.50 | MAIN HOUSE | VARIETY | AGE 16+ |
<3 FRIENDS**

This FANGtastic new show is set to blow your mind with an amazing set, stellar lights, special effects, and of course beautifully bizarre circus acts, a sinister story, and the darkest of magic – all performed to an original rock score.

This almighty cast stormed into the finals of Britain's Got Talent and the show is now a West End and worldwide hit.

AN EVENING WITH LAUREL & HARDY

13 MARCH | 19:30

£21 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | ALL AGES

Join Neil Brand, composer, writer, broadcaster, musician with his all-new show about the immortal comedy duo. Neil Brand is acclaimed as the leading world expert on silent film and silent comedy, with his original composed music.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF MUSIC

14 MARCH | 19:30

£13.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | AGE 8+

The latest show from acclaimed musicians Chris Green and Sophie Matthews takes in 600 years of musical history in 90 minutes! Featuring long forgotten songs and tunes (not to mention jokes!), Chris and Sophie paint a vibrant and vivid picture of our musical DNA, mixing the familiar and the obscure, the raucous and the reflective, and the courtly and the commonplace. Complete with a bewildering array of instruments such as cittern, rauschpfeife and virginal (and that's just the first 100 years!), A Brief History of Music uses

tunes, songs and humour to take you on a musical journey from which you won't want to return!

THE DRIFTERS

20-21 MARCH | 19:30

£33.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

The Drifters are back on tour in the UK performing all their classic hits including "Saturday Night at the Movies", "You're More Than A Number", "Come on Over to My Place", "Under the Boardwalk" and many more! The legendary group have been inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, performed for the President of the United States, and listed among the 'Greatest Artists of All Time' by Rolling Stone magazine.

BACK TO BACHARACH

22 MARCH | 19:30

FROM £24 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

Featuring breathtaking performances from a West End cast and the amazing musicianship of The Magic Moments Orchestra, Back to Bacharach celebrates the timeless

masterpieces of Burt Bacharach – the hitmaker behind one of the greatest American songbooks of the 20th century.

ALFIE MOORE: A FACE FOR RADIO

23 MARCH | 19:30

£19 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | AGE 14+ | <3

FRIENDS

Thirty years of shift work, and being punched in the face had left 'Fair Cop' Alfie Moore with a 'face for radio'. A face not so much 'lived in' as inhabited by squatters with little regard to property maintenance! This is the true story of Alfie's big plan to transition from radio to TV star. Could it be done? Or had Father Time decided that his time had passed?

RIGHT OF WAY

22 MARCH | 19:45

FROM £11.50 | STUDIO | DRAMA | AGE 14+ | <3

FRIENDS

Half submerged in a cramped bathtub, and flooded by her grief, Beth decides to walk the South West Coast Path – in choosing to walk, grow, and to reclaim space, she finds

radical joy. Using lyrical movement and projections of the Coast Path, Right of Way explores our intimate connection with the coastline, bodies of water, and our heritage, reflecting on disability, chronic illness and being a Young Carer.

NT CONNECTIONS: THE PERIODICALS

PERFORMED BY TAUNTON BREWHOUSE YOUTH THEATRE

25 MARCH | 19:30

£10 | MAIN HOUSE | DRAMA | AGE 13+

Connections is the National Theatre's annual youth theatre festival and this year, Taunton Brewhouse Youth Theatre have been selected to take part by performing The Periodicals by Siân Owen. Set in the near future - a group of young people live as a feral group of technosavvy fugitives, living off the land which is a rubbish dump. When the young people are in school, they are overlooked and underestimated - seen as being more trouble than they are worth. So now, for this group, school's out forever.

SHAPE OF YOU

27 MARCH | 19:30

FROM £16.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

The hit stage production Shape of You features the amazing music of one of the world's greatest singer-songwriters, Ed Sheeran, offering all of his classics in a completely live performance that will captivate you throughout. Shape of You has it all: trademark loops, heartfelt singalongs, beatbox raps, emotional acoustic compositions, an extraordinary band, and excellent visuals – including a spectacular light performance.

SIMON YATES TOUCHING THE VOID

30 MARCH | 19:30

£20.50 | MAIN HOUSE | TALK | ALL AGES | <3 FRIENDS

Simon is best known for his role in Joe Simpson's bestseller 'Touching The Void' and is one of the most accomplished exploratory mountaineers of all time. This is his amazing journey from that mountain in Peru to some of the remotest on the planet. A fascinating and humorous evening, acclaimed by both regular theatre patrons and outdoor enthusiasts alike.

YOU'RE BARD

5 APRIL | 19:30

£21.50 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | AGE 14+ | <3 FRIENDS

Four actors. Four Shakespeare shows. Endless possibilities. You – the audience – decide everything, from the play to the performance style. Even which actor plays which part. This hilarious, unpredictable new show, featuring actors whose past experience includes the RSC, Bristol Old Vic, Cheltenham Everyman, Dubai and the West End promises an unforgettable evening of Shakespeare unlike anything you've ever seen before!

ROSIE JONES

6 APRIL | 19:30

£16.50 | MAIN HOUSE | COMEDY | AGE 14+

Rosie Jones is on the road for a UK tour and, boy, she is EXCITED. This show is guaranteed to be full of unapologetic cheekiness, nonsensical fun and unadulterated JOY from the triple threat herself. Best known for her hit travel series' Trip Hazard and Mission: Accessible, and for numerous appearances on shows The Last Leg, 8 Out of 10 Cats, Cats Does Countdown, Hypothetical, Mock the Week,

The Ranganation and Joe Lycett's Got Your Back to name just a few!

SHOW OF HANDS

10 APRIL | 19:30

£36.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

Music enthusiasts and folk fans across the nation are in for a treat as Steve Knightley and Phil Beer prepare to embark on a journey back to where it all began. Following this tour, Steve and Phil will be taking a well-deserved break from the limelight. The spring of 2024 promises to be a time of reflection and celebration as we bid farewell to an era while eagerly anticipating the next chapter in their incredible journey.

OLD DOG, NEW TRICKS - A BLUES EXPERIENCE

11 APRIL | 19:30

FROM £10 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | AGE 12+ | <3 FRIENDS

If you love the blues, then this is the show for you! Rising blues star, Alex Voysey, is joined by three stunning musicians for this whistle-stop tour through the long history

of the genre that became the foundation of modern music. Expect a night packed with incredible guitar playing, husky vocals and phenomenal musicianship.

THE MANFREDS

12 APRIL | 19:30

£29 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES | <3 FRIENDS

The Manfreds return as part of their 60th anniversary celebrations. With original front man Paul Jones, they will be performing many of their hits, including “Do Wah Diddy Diddy”, one of the most popular and instantly recognisable songs of the 60’s, along with a mix of jazz and blues covers and tracks from their individual solo albums.

THE KING OF POP STARRING NAVI & SPECIAL GUEST JENNIFER BATTEN

13 APRIL | 19:30

£26.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

This incredible production stars the world’s leading MJ tribute artist Navi, who is joined on stage by Michael Jackson’s iconic guitarist – Jennifer Batten. They have

teamed up for an unforgettable experience – taking fans closer than ever dreamed to an original MJ concert. Featuring all the greatest hits along with an incredible live band and dancers.

STEVE HARLEY

20 APRIL | 19:30

FROM £29.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES | MEET & GREET

Come Up And See Me... And Other Stories will feature music and stories, as Steve talks about his career, while playing acoustic versions of the biggest hits. Steve will be accompanied by longstanding band member Barry Wickens.

MARK HARRISON & CHARLES BENFIELD

20 APRIL | 19:45

£16.50 | STUDIO | MUSIC | ALL AGES | <3 FRIENDS

Frequently heard on BBC Radio 2, including its Pick of the Week show, and described by countless audience members and reviewers as ‘uplifting’ and ‘inspirational’, Mark Harrison is a totally original songwriter, a stunning guitarist, and a master storyteller. With catchy tunes, lyrics that

intrigue and engage, and striking rhythms, these songs will make you smile, think and move.

WOMEN IN ROCK

25 APRIL | 19:30

FROM £21.50 | MAIN HOUSE | MUSIC | ALL AGES

Dance and sing along to this spectacular show celebrating five decades of the world's greatest female rock legends. From Quatro to Joplin, Cher to Turner, Pink to Blondie, Heart to Benatar, the set list is one endless classic after another and has something for everyone. Since 2016, Women in Rock have been wowing audiences across the UK & Europe with their sell out show. Backed by a band of world-class musicians, Women in Rock has built a reputation as one of the most enjoyable music shows now touring the UK theatres. A show for the whole family to enjoy and an unforgettable night of female rock music.

FRAMED!

11 FEBRUARY | 14:00

FROM £9.50 | MAIN HOUSE | FAMILY | AGE 8+

The legendary detective Rufus Caper has been framed and needs your help to uncover the truth! PaddleBoat Theatre Company presents a thrilling family whodunnit with their distinctive fingerprints all over it! Expect music, puppetry, physical comedy and more. Come and help us catch the clues and spot the suspects before Rufus goes down for a crime he didn't commit!

DINOSAUR ADVENTURE LIVE TROUBLE ON VOLCANO ISLAND

12 FEBRUARY | TIMES VARY.

£15 | MAIN HOUSE | FAMILY | ALL AGES | <3 FRIENDS

Dinosaur Adventure Live is back and even more roarsome! Join our brave Rangers for another action packed Dinosaur Adventure in the all new and exciting show: *Trouble On Volcano Island*. This amazing, immersive and interactive show is guaranteed to be an unforgettable adventure for the whole family.

MINISTRY OF SCIENCE LIVE! SCIENCE SAVED THE WORLD

13 FEBRUARY | 15:30

FROM £18 | MAIN HOUSE | FAMILY | AGE 6+ | <3 FRIENDS

The UK's favourite science team are back and more explosive than ever! Join our presenters as they dive deep into the world of science and look at how science shapes the modern world we live in with a few loud bangs along the way.

CHARLIE COOK'S FAVOURITE BOOK

15-17 MARCH | TIMES VARY

FROM £14.50 | MAIN HOUSE | FAMILY | AGE 3+ | Schools £11.50

Based on the original book Charlie Cook's Favourite Book - written by Julia Donaldson and illustrated by Axel Scheffler Charlie loves reading. Especially books about pirates. But his sister hates it - it's boring! Can Charlie convince her that reading is fun? Perhaps if she read a book about a pirate, who is reading a book about Goldilocks, who is reading a book about a knight... Come and delve into a range of books with Charlie Cook, brought to life with puppetry and enchanting songs, and perhaps you will be able to help his sister discover the wonderful world inside a book...

POP PRINCESSES

31 MARCH | 14:00

FROM £21 | MAIN HOUSE | FAMILY | ALL AGES

A magical show where beautiful Princesses become pop stars! This is the children's pop concert with a big difference. A musical spectacular starring four fabulous fairytale princesses who just love to sing! Featuring a soundtrack of top pop hits from artists such as Little Mix, Ariana Grande, Taylor Swift, Meghan Trainor, and internet sensation, JoJo Siwa, plus songs from all your favourite films and musicals

ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND

3 APRIL | 14:00

FROM £10 | MAIN HOUSE | FAMILY | AGE 3+ | <3 FRIENDS

Box Tale Soup invite you down the rabbit hole into a timeless world of wondrous fantasy. Carroll's Wonderland floods onto the stage in a whirl of strange contraptions and curious characters. No matter how young or old, everyone will find their own moment of magic in Wonderland and make it safely home again – the only danger is, you may not want to leave!

SPOT'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

8 APRIL | TIMES VARY

FROM £15.50 | MAIN HOUSE | FAMILY AGE | 2+

Based on the beloved Eric Hill classic, Happy Birthday Spot, this brand new adaptation brings your favourite pup and his friends to life in an interactive and accessible show Spot is having a very special birthday party and you're invited! With party hats, songs, dancing, and lots of interactive party games, this is going to be the best birthday party ever!

THE LION INSIDE

26-28 APRIL | TIMES VARY

£16.50 | MAIN HOUSE | FAMILY | AGE 3+

A heartwarming tale about confidence, self-esteem, and a shy little mouse who sets out on a journey to find his roar. In a dry dusty place where the sand sparkled gold, stood a mighty flat rock, all craggy and old. And under that rock in a tinyful house, lived the littlest, quietest, meekest brown mouse. Fed up of being ignored and forgotten by the other animals, Mouse wishes he could roar like Lion. But, as he

discovers, even the biggest, bossiest people are scared sometimes... and even the smallest creatures can have the heart of a lion! Based on the best-selling story by Rachel Bright and Jim Field.

VENUE HIRE

CONCERT, CONFERENCE, COFFEE MORNING?

Whatever your function, we have a variety of spaces to suit your needs.

Taunton Brewhouse is a multi-purpose venue catering for professional arts organisations, community groups, schools and businesses.

Our spaces include:

- A 350-seat auditorium, which hosts a variety of productions and films.
- A 60-seat studio theatre (pictured), which also serves as a rehearsal studio and conference space.
- A creative hub classroom space for visual arts and other workshops.
- An adaptable gallery space for exhibitions, workshops, or presentations.
- A large foyer area with a bar and café style servery.

- And the newly refurbished Westward Room, perfect for group meetings, parties and intimate performances.

All facilities are fully accessible, and we offer a range of optional extras – from technical support to catering. For more information, please visit our website or email

hire@tauntonbrewhouse.co.uk

FEBRUARY HALF TERM WORKSHOPS

MYSTERY STORIES WRITING WORKSHOP

11 FEB | 11:00 - 12:30

£14.50 | AGE 8-14

Learn the building blocks for what makes a great whodunnit with Paddleboat Theatre, ahead of their performance of *Framed!*

POM POM FOX AND HEDGEHOG WORKSHOP

12 FEB | 10:30 - 12:30

£18.50 | AGE 5+

Join Pom Stitch Tassel for a fabulous crafty morning learning how to make pom poms using our sustainable wooden pom pom makers, creating a fox and hedgehog. A grown up must attend.

LOVE HEART STITCH BANNER WORKSHOP

12 FEB | 13:30 - 15:30

£18.50 | AGE 8+

Learn how to applique and hand sew a felt heart onto a banner and decorate it with pom poms, tassels, trims and anything else from our haberdashery.

JUNIOR DETECTIVES WORKSHOP

16 FEB | 10:30 - 12:00

£13.50 | AGE 11+

Gather clues and line up suspects ready to create the beginnings of our very own mystery story. Come along with a sense of adventure and the nose for solving crime.

EASTER HOLIDAYS ACTIVITIES

MAD HATTERS FAMILY CRAFT WORKSHOP

3 APR | 10:30 - 12:30

£5.50 | AGE 3+

Join us as a family to make some funny hats perfect for a Mad Hatters tea party. The perfect activity to enjoy before watching Alice's Adventures in Wonderland in the afternoon. A grown up must attend.

MAKE A TV PROGRAMME IN A DAY - FILM WORKSHOP

4 APR | 10:30 - 16:00

£41.50 | AGE 8-12

A chance to get both in front of the camera and behind to present the news, weather, sports report and much more - LIVE!

POM POM CHICKS AND BUNNIES WORKSHOP

5 APR | 10:30 - 12:30

£18.50 | AGE 5+

Join Pom Stitch Tassel for a fabulous crafty morning learning how to make pom poms using our sustainable wooden pom pom makers, creating a bunny and chick. A grown up must attend.

POM POM SPRING HOOP WORKSHOP

5 APR | 13:30 - 15:30

£18.50 | AGE 8+

Spend the afternoon learning how to make pom poms using sustainable wooden pom pom makers. Have a go at creating two pom pom birds and then decorate them.

THEATRE *Café*

LUNCH

COFFEE

TREATS

Open weekdays from 10am - 3pm, we're serving up a selection of light lunches, delicious cakes, and other sweet treats. With lots of seating options, including our social foyer/bar area and cosy Westward Room, you're sure to find the perfect spot.

CINEMA

WONKA

15-17 JANUARY | TIMES VARY

FROM £5 | CINEMA | PG

Based on the extraordinary character at the center of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Wonka tells the wondrous story of how the world's greatest inventor, magician and chocolate-maker became the beloved Willy Wonka we know today.

NAPOLEON

22-23 JANUARY | TIMES VARY

FROM £5 | CINEMA | 15+

The film takes a personal look at Napoleon Bonaparte's origins, and his swift, ruthless climb to emperor viewed through the prism of his addictive, and often volatile, relationship with his wife and one true love, Josephine.

MAY DECEMBER

29 JAN - 1 FEB | TIMES VARY

FROM £5 | CINEMA | 15+

Twenty years after their notorious tabloid romance gripped the nation, a married couple buckles under pressure when an actress arrives to do research for a film about their past.

NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE

NT LIVE: SKYLIGHT

18 JANUARY | 19:30

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | 15+

Returning to the big screen after nearly ten years, Bill Nighy (Living) and Carey Mulligan (Promising Young Woman) feature in the critically acclaimed revival of David Hare's play, directed by Stephen Daldry (The Audience).

NT LIVE: DEAR ENGLAND

31 JANUARY | 19:30

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | AGE TBC

Joseph Fiennes (The Handmaid's Tale) plays Gareth Southgate in James Graham's (Sherwood) gripping examination of nation and game. Filmed live at the National

Theatre, Rupert Goold (Judy) directs this spectacular new play.

NT LIVE: VANYA

6 MARCH | 19:30

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | AGE TBC

Andrew Scott (Fleabag) brings multiple characters to life in Simon Stephens' (The Curious Incident of the Dog in the NightTime) radical new version of Chekhov's Uncle Vanya. Filmed live during its sold out run in London's West End, Vanya will be playing exclusively in cinemas in 2024.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE SEASON

Share the joy of live performance, and the beauty of world class art, with astonishing screenings of Royal Opera House productions.

Book 3 or more screenings and save 5%

RUSALKA

24 JANUARY | 18:45

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | <3

This poetic, contemporary new staging of Dvořák's lyric fairy tale reveals our uneasy relationship with the natural world and humanity's attempts to own and tame it.

MANON

7 FEBRUARY | 19:30

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | <3

Torn between her desire for a life of splendour and riches and her devotion to her true love Des Grieux, the feckless and capricious Manon pays the ultimate price.

MADAMA BUTTERFLY

26 MARCH | 19:15

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | <3

Puccini's devastating tragedy about a young geisha who falls in love with an American naval officer.

MACMILLAN CELEBRATED

9 APRIL | 19:15

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | <3

The Royal Ballet celebrates the breadth of Principal Choreographer Kenneth MacMillan's one-act ballets, Dances Concertantes, Different Drummer and Requiem.

SWAN LAKE

24 APRIL | 19:15

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | <3

Classical ballet's most powerful tale of love, treachery and forgiveness returns to the Royal Opera House stage.

EXHIBITION ON SCREEN

KLIMT & THE KISS

14 FEBRUARY | 19:30

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | 12A

The Kiss by Gustav Klimt is one of the most recognised and reproduced paintings in the world. From the director of Frida Kahlo and Mary Cassatt – Painting the Modern Woman, and the producers of Vermeer: The Greatest Exhibition, comes a powerful, gripping and passionate new film.

PAINTING THE MODERN GARDEN: MONET TO MATISSE

4 APRIL | 19:30

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | U

Claude Monet was an avid horticulturist and arguably the most important painter of gardens in the history of art, but he was not alone. Great artists like Van Gogh, Bonnard, Sorolla, Sargent, Pissarro and Matisse all saw the garden as a powerful artist subject.

JOHN SINGER SARGENT

16 APRIL | 19:30

£15.50 | EVENT CINEMA | TBC

Step into the glittering world of fashion, scandal and shameless self-promotion that made John Singer Sargent the painter who defined an era. This filmed exhibition reveals Sargent's power to express distinctive personalities, power dynamics and gender identities during this fascinating period of cultural reinvention.

GALLERY

CLIMATE ACTION EXHIBITION

18 JANUARY TO 14 FEBRUARY

Private viewing: 17 JANUARY

Follow on discussion: 15 FEBRUARY

Collaborative work between students at Bridgwater and Taunton College and Climate Action Taunton.

THE EARTH, THE SEA, THE SKY

23 FEBRUARY TO 6 MARCH

A diverse and exciting exhibition of creative and visual artwork from the Level 3 Foundation Diploma Art and Design students at Bridgwater and Taunton College

Did you know you can hire our gallery?

Contact hire@tauntonbrewhouse.co.uk to discuss exhibiting in our space.

WEEKLY CLASSES

RETURNING TO ART

MONDAYS | 10:00 – 12:00

FROM £37.50 (PER COURSE) | ART | 18+

Rekindle your love of art and reignite the spark for the creative subject. This popular refresher class will be split into three short courses, allowing you to work with a variety of different materials and discover a range of techniques. Course 1: Lino Printing Course 2: Pet Portraits Course 3: Watercolours

TINY DANCERS

TUESDAYS | 10:15 – 11:00

£6.50 (PER CLASS) | DANCE | AGE 2-5

Creative dance and play for under 5s and their adults. Each session includes child-friendly warm-ups, action songs, improvisation, free play and various themes.

CREATIVE MOVEMENT

TUESDAYS | 11:15 – 12:00

JAN-FEB FREE, MAR - £6.50 (PER CLASS) | DANCE | AGE 55+

It is never too late to join a dance class. This class offers a collaborative space to play and engage with movement creatively. This class is open to all abilities and allows you to work at your own pace. Part of our Creative Warm Spaces project, funded by Taunton Town Council.

YOUTH CHOIR

WEDNESDAYS | 16:00 - 17:30

£7.50 (PER CLASS) | MUSIC | AGE 11-17

Sing your heart out working on music ranging from show tunes to pop anthems. We'll be building towards a showcase performance for the TYCA festival in July 2024. The choir is run by Sasha Herriman, a professional singer, singing teacher and vocal coach.

BOOK THE WHOLE TERM AND SAVE!

OPEN DANCE CONTEMPORARY

WEDNESDAYS | 17:30 – 18:30

£7.50 (PER SESSION) | DANCE | AGE 18+

Join Tabby Somerfield, Rambert School of Ballet and Contemporary graduates. This class will focus on a mixture of floor and corner work, choreography, and improvisation.

COMMUNITY CHOIR

WEDNESDAYS | 18:30 – 20:00

£8.50 (PER CLASS) | MUSIC | AGE 18+

Discover the joy of singing together in harmony while embracing the many benefits of group singing. Become part of our musical family and connect with likeminded individuals who share your passion for singing. We welcome all abilities, and no prior experience is necessary.

ADULT OPEN BALLET

WEDNESDAYS | 18:45 - 19:45

£7.50 (PER CLASS) | DANCE | AGE 18+

From beginners to advanced, our open ballet class is taught in a fun and friendly environment and is an excellent

opportunity to improve technique, boost confidence and develop your technique.

YOUTH STREET DANCE

**THURSDAYS | BEGINNERS 17:00 | INTERMEDIATE
18:00**

£71.50 PER TERM | DANCE | AGE 6-16

Join Lucy Hartland-Mann and cover hip-hop, house, breaking, popping, locking, waacking, waving, and tutting. Each term you will uncover the tools and techniques that are at the forefront of the commercial industry, combining these into fun-filled routines.

SHORT COURSES AND WORKSHOPS

NEW YEAR CALLIGRAPHY

WEEKLY 16 JAN - 6 FEB | 18:30 – 20:00

£73.50 (PER COURSE) | ART | AGE 18+

A fun introduction to the art of calligraphy where you'll learn the basic elements of design, writing, decoration, and embellishment throughout a 4-week course.

PAPER FLOWERS

27 JANUARY | 10:30 – 13:00

£31.50 (PER SESSION) | ART | AGE 18+

Join visual artist Kat from the The Paper Florist to create a wonderful Spring inspired bouquet of paper flowers. Using traditional origami folding techniques we will work through different types of folds to create a full bouquet for display in the home.

WILLOW WORKSHOPS

30 JAN | 23 FEB | 28 MAR | 10:30 – 17:00

£71.50 (PER WORKSHOP) | ART | AGE 18+

A series of one day willow workshops with Amanda Webb. Unleash your creative side then join Amanda to learn how to make a willow sculpture using locally sourced Somerset willow.

PAPER QUILLING

1 MARCH | 10:30 – 13:00

£27.50 (PER SESSION) | ART | AGE 18+

Quilling, the art of paper filigree, involves rolling, shaping and manipulating narrow strips of paper which are then set on edge to create intricate designs. This beginners session is a relaxing, fun and sociable experience.

NEW BEGINNINGS CREATIVE WRITING

WEEKLY 8 - 22 MARCH | 10:30 – 12:30

£51.50 (PER COURSE) | WRITING | AGE 18+

Tap into the magic of spring to inspire a range of fun, explorative creative writing exercises. Each week we'll take a different theme and work together through a series of activities designed to free up your creative spirit.

COPPER FOILING GLASS WORKSHOP

14 MARCH | 10:30 – 16:30

£81.50 | ART | AGE 18+

Make beautiful copper foiled, stained glass light catchers to hang as an indoor decoration. You will learn how to cut

glass safely, how to use the grinder, how to apply copper foil to the glass, soldering, cleaning, and finishing.

SATURDAY ART CLUB

MONTHLY 20 JAN - 20 JUL | 10:00 - 11:30

£11.50 (PER CLASS) | ART | AGE 8-17

BOOK ALL 7 SESSIONS AND SAVE

Following the success of our first Saturday Art Club we are now launching a regular monthly art club. We will be offering sessions from a range of different artists and teachers, covering many visual art styles and topics.

YOUTH THEATRE

TUESDAY EVENINGS | TIMES VARY

FROM £64.50 | DRAMA | AGE 5-19

Taunton Brewhouse Youth Theatre is designed to inspire, excite, and celebrate young people with an interest in performing and producing theatre. Over the 10-week term, each of our four groups will learn new skills, develop

performance techniques, build confidence, and form new friendships.

Highlights of being part of our Youth Theatre include:

- Exclusive discounts and offers on some of our most exciting productions and theatre-related workshops.
- Performance opportunities, including the chance to audition for our annual Christmas show.
- Participants in Group 4 (13yrs-19yrs) will have the opportunity to audition for NT Connections: The Periodicals (see page 18).

Taster sessions also available on request by emailing programme@tauntonbrewhouse.co.uk

PHYSICAL THEATRE INTENSIVE COURSE

8-10 APRIL | 10:00 - 16:00

£85 (PER COURSE) | DRAMA | AGE 11-17

YOUTH THEATRE MEMBERS SAVE £10

Drawing on more than half a decade at the top of their game devising high-octane, award-winning physical theatre, Spies Like Us are inviting you to join them for a 3-day intensive course devising exciting physical theatre. This masterclass will empower you to take risks, develop a

keener understanding of your creative potential and - above all else - play.

YOUR VISIT

SHOWTIME We open an hour before each event so please arrive with plenty of time to get seated.

Our bar is stocked with a range of premium drinks, ice creams and snacks. We serve drinks in reusable plastic glasses which can be taken into the auditorium at showtime. Please return them to the bar once you have finished your drink. The bar closes after the interval.

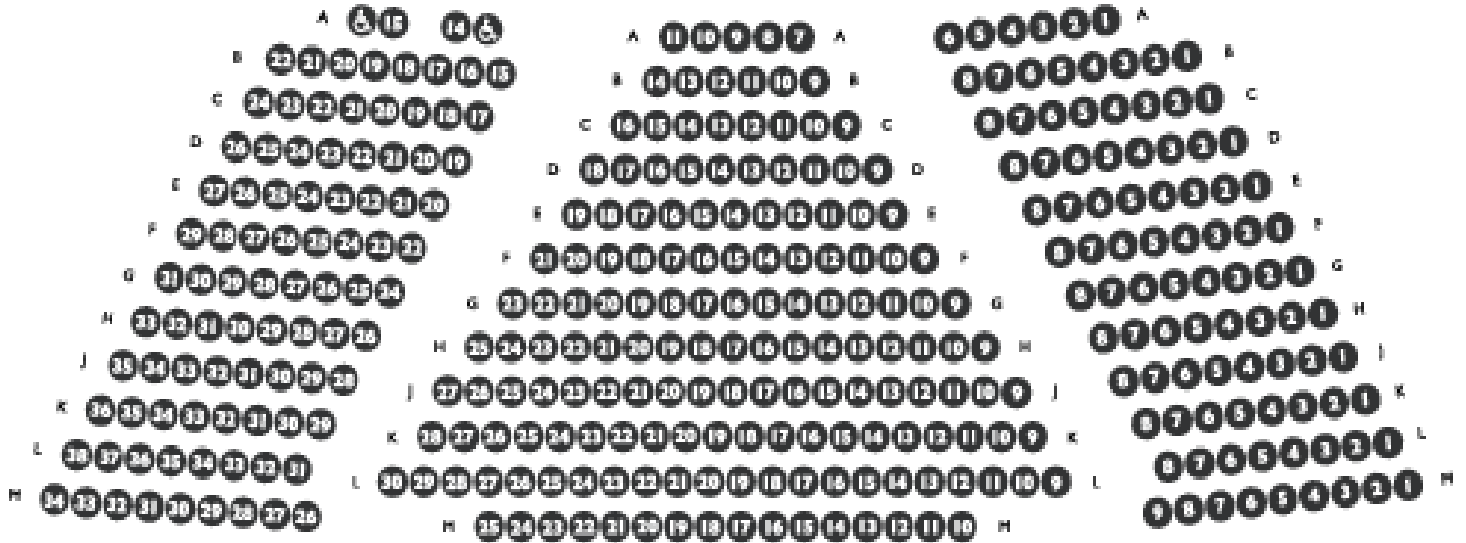
We're in the heart of Taunton on the banks of the River Tone. We're a 15 minute walk from the nearest train station and multiple car parks are nearby. Visit our website for more details.

SEATING PLAN

STAGE / SCREEN

EMERGENCY EXIT

MAIN ENTRANCE



UPPER ENTRANCE

UPPER ENTRANCE

ACCESS

- Level access to all our theatre spaces.
- Book wheelchair spaces online or by contacting the Box Office.
 - Our Box Office and Auditorium are fitted with a hearing loop. To use the facility, switch your hearing device to the 'T' position.
- Assistance animals welcome. Please contact the Box Office when booking.
 - There are 2 blue badge bays located next to the theatre in the Coal Orchard Car Park. You can find more disabled parking on St James Street, or in the Canon and Wood Street car parks.

- To speak to us about access requirements, please contact us on 01823 283244 between 10:00 - 16:00, Monday – Friday, or email boxoffice@tauntonbrewhouse.co.uk
- We always welcome feedback on what we are doing well or could be improved. Please contact us at feedback@tauntonbrewhouse.co.uk

EVENTS CALENDAR

JANUARY 2024

Sun 7 - Sat 13 Jan | The Wayfarers present Dick Whittington | Community | Times Vary

Tue 16 Jan | The 80s Movie Mixtape | Music | 19:30

Thu 18 Jan | NT Live: Skylight | Event Cinema | 19:30

Fri 19 Jan | Adam Rowe - What's Wrong With Me? | Comedy | 20:00

Sat 20 Jan | The Carpenters - Voice of the Heart | Music |
19:30

Wed 24 Jan | ROH Season 23-24 - Rusalka | Event Cinema |
18:45

Thu 25 Jan | The Upbeat Beatles | Music | 19:30

Fri 26 Jan | Limehouse Lizzy | Music | 19:30

Sat 27 Jan | Dirty Dusting | Comedy | 19:30

Sat 27 Jan | The Washing Machine of Destiny | Drama |
19:45

Tue 30 Jan | The Story of Guitar Heroes | Music | 19:30

Wed 31 Jan | NT Live: Dear England | Event Cinema | 19:30

FEBRUARY 2024

Fri 2 Feb | Sir Tom & The TJ B1G BAND | Music | 19:30

Sat 3 Feb | Solve-Along-A-Murder-She-Wrote | Comedy |
19:30

Sat 3 Feb | I Don't Have A Maths GCSE | Drama | 19:45

Tue 6 Feb | Garth Marengi's Incarcerat | Comedy 19:30

Wed 7 Feb | ROH Season 23-24 - Manon | Event Cinema |
19:30

Fri 9 Feb | Made in Tennessee | Music | 19:30

Sun 11 Feb Framed! | Family | 14:00 | Mon 12 Feb

Dinosaur Adventure Live – Trouble on Volcano Island |
Family | Times Vary

Tue 13 Feb | Ministry of Science Live! Science Saved the World | Family | 15:30

Wed 14 Feb | Exhibition on Screen - Klimt & The Kiss | Event Cinema | 19:30

Thu 15 Feb | Janey Godley - The Not Dead Yet Tour | Comedy | 19:30

Fri 16 Feb | The Dazzling Diamonds - Comedy Variety Drag Show | Variety | 19:30

Sat 17 Feb | Purple Zeppelin | Music | 19:30

Sat 17 Feb | Shush | Drama | 19:45

Wed 28 Feb - Sat 2 Mar | Taunton School presents The Addams Family | Community | Times Vary

MARCH 2024

Tue 5 Mar | The Hound of the Baskervilles | Drama | 19:30

Wed 6 Mar | NT Live: Vanya | Event Cinema | 19:30

Thu 7 Mar | Some Guys Have All The Luck | Music | 19:30

Fri 8 Mar | The History of Rock | Music | 19:30

Sat 9 Mar | Dom Joly's Conspiracy Tourist | Comedy | 19:30

Sun 10 Mar | Mercury | Music | 19:30

Mon 11 Mar | Circus of Horrors | Variety | 19:30

Wed 13 Mar | An Evening of Laurel & Hardy | Comedy |
19:30

Thu 14 Mar | A Brief History of Music | Music | 19:30

Fri 15 - Sun 17 Mar | Charlie Cook's Favourite Book |
Family | Times Vary

Wed 20 - Thu 21 Mar | The Drifters | Music | 19:30

Fri 22 Mar | Back to Bacharach | Music | 19:30

Fri 22 Mar | Right of Way | Drama | 19:45

Sat 23 Mar | Alfie Moore - A Face for Radio | Comedy |
19:30

Mon 25 Mar | NT Connections: The Periodicals |
Community | 19:30

Tue 26 Mar | ROH Season 23-24 - Madama Butterfly | Event
Cinema | 19:15

Wed 27 Mar | Shape of You | Music | 19:30

Sat 30 Mar | Simon Yates of Touching the Void – My
Mountain Life | Talk | 19:30

Sun 31 Mar | Pop Princesses | Family | 14:00

APRIL 2023

Wed 3 Apr | Alice's Adventures in Wonderland | Family |
14:00

Thu 4 Apr | Exhibition on Screen - Painting The Modern
Garden: Monet To Matisse | Event Cinema | 19:30

Fri 5 Apr | You're Bard | Comedy | 19:30

Sat 6 Apr | Rosie Jones | Comedy | 19:30

Mon 8 Apr | Spot's Birthday Party | Family | Times Vary

Tue 9 Apr | ROH Season 23-24 - MacMillan Triple | Event
Cinema | 19:15

Wed 10 Apr | Show of Hands | Music | 19:30

Thu 11 Apr | Old Dog, New Tricks - A Blues Experience |
Music | 19:30

Wed 12 Apr | The Manfreds - Hits & More In '24 | Music |
19:30

Thu 13 Apr | The King Of Pop Starring Navi & Special Guest
Jennifer Batten | Music | 19:30

Sun 16 Apr | Exhibition on Screen - John Singer Sargent |
Event Cinema | 19:30

Thu 20 Apr | Steve Harley - Come Up and See Me... and
Other Stories | Music | 19:30

Thu 20 Apr | Mark Harrison & Charles Benfield | Music
19:45

Mon 24 Apr | ROH Season 23-24 - Swan Lake | Event
Cinema | 19:15

Tue 25 Apr | Women In Rock | Music | 19:30

Fri 26 - Sun 28 Apr | The Lion Inside | Family | Times Vary