

# Welcome

Summer 2022 sees another fantastic season of live events, including music, drama, workshops and more!

We are feeling patriotic as we have a selection of events celebrating Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee including family workshops and a concert.

This season there's music from Katherine Priddy, Le Vent Du Nord, Stamford International Music Festival, and Jazz songstress Claire Martin.

You will have to be quick to get a ticket for Gardner's Question Time recorded in the theatre!

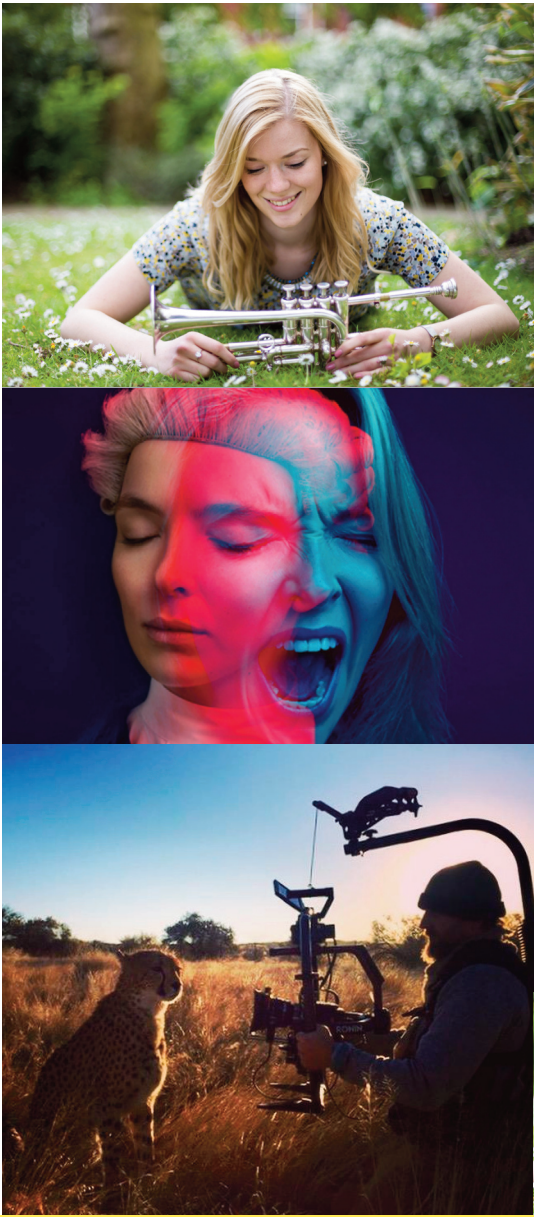
Families will love the The People's Theatre Company show 'I Spy With My Little Eye' and by Golden Toad Theatre Company 'Errol's Garden'.

We have some very special events in the theatre too including Stamford Shoestring Theatre's hard-hitting play 'Blackbird', a double bill of dance from SMACK and Spektakal, Shakespeare's Fool from Tortive Theatre, S.O.E (Special Operations Executive) by Clair Obscur and a performance of Jane Austin at Home.

If that wasn't enough, 2022 also sees the return of Music in Quiet places with concerts in Bourne, West Deepings and Westborough. We hope you will join us out and about in local churches this Summer.

On behalf of the Arts Centre Staff, we look forward to welcoming you soon.

Cllr Rosemary Trollope-Bellew  
Cabinet Member for Culture and Visitor Economy at SKDC.



## Information

### Tickets

You can book online at [www.stamfordartscentre.com](http://www.stamfordartscentre.com). Our phone lines are open Monday to Saturday from 10am to 2pm and 1 hour before shows and films. In person tickets can be purchased Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10am to 2pm and of course before every show or performance.

All tickets can now be sent as E-Tickets! In order to reduce our carbon footprint and have a safe and contactless booking/entry system, this is now the preferred way of issuing tickets. Tickets are sent via email as a PDF and are just shown on your smart phone as you enter the theatre – no need to print!

### Sign Up to our Digital Mailing List

We are moving more towards digital communication in an attempt to cut down on our printing and paper usage.

Please contact the box office if you would like to sign up to receive the brochure via email moving forwards.

### Discounts

Discounts (priced in brackets) vary from show to show. Generally, they are available to children and students, the unwaged, over 60s, disabled patrons and their companion.

### Refunds

We regret that we are unable to give cash refunds. If an event is sold out, we will try to resell unwanted tickets. An administration fee of £1 per transaction is charged for this service. If your tickets are sold on, we will credit your account for you to use against a future purchase.

### Gift Vouchers

You can buy a gift voucher for any amount you require online and from reception.

### Access

The ballroom, gallery, reception and coffee shop are all on the ground floor and easily accessible. The Art Room, Rehearsal, Burley and Exeter Rooms are on the first floor.

There is a platform lift to the theatre with two spaces for wheelchairs. Please let reception know in advance if you wish to reserve a wheelchair space and if you require an adjoining seat for a companion.

The theatre has an induction loop; hearing aids should be switched to the T position. Toilet facilities are available close to both the theatre and the Ballroom. Parking for disabled badge holders is available in St Mary's Street and St George's Square.

### CEA Card

The Card enables a disabled patron to receive a complimentary ticket for someone to go with them when they visit cinema screenings and selected live shows. Please see website for terms and conditions.

### Children

We have baby changing facilities on the ground floor. Under 12s must be accompanied by an adult in the Theatre/Ballroom. A limited amount of babes in arms tickets are available for £1 on selected family shows for children under 2 years old. We reserve the right to alter or amend this allocation without notice.

### Food and Drink

The Coffee Shop is open Mon – Sat, 9.30am – 4pm for a range of food and drinks. Hot and cold drinks, ice creams and sweets are on sale at our kiosk before each show or screening. The Gallery Bar is open for live shows and satellite screenings.

### Hire the Venue

From the magnificent ballroom to the light art room or a meeting room we have a variety of rooms to suit. Visit our website or contact Jack Milligan on [jack.milligan@southkesteven.gov.uk](mailto:jack.milligan@southkesteven.gov.uk). The management reserves the right to change the programme if necessary, without notice.

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## Booking Information

### Find us



Parking is available at Wharf Road, Cattle Market, Bath Row and St Leonard's Street car parks. All are free after 6pm.

There is parking for disabled badge holders close to the Arts Centre in St Mary's Street and St George's Square.

### Seating plans

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**SUN 1ST & MON 2ND MAY**  
**10AM TO 4PM**

**STAMFORD POTTERY MARKET**  
Come along and join us when around 25 local potters will display and sell their work at this 2-day celebration of ceramics.  
**Ballroom Free Entry**

**SAT 7TH MAY**

**LUCY PARHAM I CLARA**  
This concert is a study of the life and compositions of Clara Schumann. Clara's music will be played by Lucy Parham, interspersed with readings from Clara's correspondence, recollections of her life and extracts from her diary.  
**Ballroom £20 (£18)**

**SAT 14TH MAY, 8PM & FRI 1ST JULY 2022, 8PM**

**PINT OF COMEDY**  
Four terrific comics are back to brighten up your summer evenings. Grab a drink and enjoy a laugh in the theatre.  
**Theatre I £10 (£8)**

**THURS 19TH – SUN 22ND MAY**

**STAMFORD INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL**

7 concerts across St Martin's Church, Browne's Hospital and Stamford Arts Centre. Exceptional chamber music, performed by some of the finest young musicians. More info at [simfestival.com](#)

**Thurs 19th May** 7pm Opening Concert St Martin's Church

**Thursy 19th May** 9.30pm Late Night Schoenberg St Martin's Church

**Fri 20th May** 7pm Beethoven, Schubert and Arensky Stamford Arts Centre

**Fri 20th May** 9.15pm Late Night Schubert Stamford Arts Centre

**Sat 21st May** 7.30pm Beethoven Septet Stamford Arts Centre

**Sun 22nd May** 11am Trio Kurtág Coffee Concert Browne's Hospital

**Sun 22nd May** 5pm Finale! Stamford Arts Centre

**Stamford International Music Festival**

**TUES 24TH MAY 7PM**

**PISSARRO – EXHIBITION ON SCREEN**  
Without Camille Pissarro, there is no Impressionist movement. With exclusive access to most extensive archive of any Impressionist painter, and to the first major Pissarro retrospective in four decades, this film explores and highlights the enthralling and hugely important biography and output of an incredible artist.  
**Theatre, £15 (£13) £10 under 26s**

**FRI 27TH MAY | FRI 24TH JUNE | FRI 29TH JULY | FRI 26TH AUGUST 7PM TO 9PM**

**THE GROOVE**  
An exciting, fun-filled night for adults with disabilities aged 16+, their families and support workers. Wheelchair access is available.  
**Ballroom £3.50 (support workers free)**

**WED 1ST JUNE 2022, 7:30PM**

**SMACK AND SPEKTAKAL**  
An adventurous double bill of dance, refreshing the commentary on the empowered female body, while questioning the relationship between performance and identity. Curtain raiser from local dance group.  
**Theatre, £15 (£8)**

**SAT 4TH JUNE, 2:30PM**

**THE PEOPLE'S THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS I SPY WITH MY LITTLE EYE**  
Based on the picture book by Steven Lee  
To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee Molly and Bingo the puppy are having a party and, best of all, you're invited!  
There'll be a terrific treasure hunt, sensational sing-along songs and lots of fantastic games to play, including Molly's favourite game, I Spy With My Little Eye!  
So put on your party clothes and come join us for what promises to be a magical day of fun and laughter. It's going to be the best party ever!  
**£12 (£10) £40 family of four**

**FRI 6TH MAY 7.30PM**

**SAM SWEENEY**  
Sam is a veteran of the mighty Bellowhead, former artistic director of the National Folk Youth Ensemble, founder member of the acclaimed instrumental trio Leveret, and a superb instrumentalist at the forefront of the revival in English traditional music.  
**Ballroom £18 (£16)**

**FRI 13TH MAY, 7:30PM**

**SHAKESPEARE'S FOOL – TORTIVE THEATRE**  
Join Elizabethan superstar Will 'Cavaliero' Kempe as he gives his final performance to an audience of a mouse and a marrote and tells us what really happened between him and Will 'git-face' Shakespeare.  
**Theatre I £16 (£15) £14 under 26s**

**SPOKEN WORD EVENTS SUMMER 2022**

The Stamford Poetry scene continues to thrive...here are a few of the events to look out for over the summer; further details on our website [www.stamfordartscentre.com](#) and check out Stamford Poetry on facebook.

**18th May** - Pint of Poetry Special with guest poet Alison Brackenbury, who will be reading from her latest book, Thorpeness. Gallery Bar 7.30pm - also open mic.

**22nd June** - Pint of Poetry special-come and enjoy the wonderful words of Sylvester, a much loved poetry regular from Melton Mowbray, who only started writing poetry in 2015 and to date has written some 230 poems! Gallery Bar 7.30pm - also open mic

**20th July** Becoming Marvellous with Cathy Carson - theatre show, 7.30pm This first full show from Irish poetry superstar is seriously not to be missed....sponsored by Pic n' Mix. See website for further info.

**27th July** Pint of Poetry- 7.30pm Gallery Bar - our regular open mic.

**31st August** John Poet - Pint of Poetry/Stamford Diversity Festival, 7.30pm Gallery Bar. John Bernard is a Coventry based Poet, Rappper & Writer who uses his artistry to inspire, influence and invigorate his listeners with meaningful messages.

**Also look out for our Stamford Poetry Stone days, usually 1st Saturday of every month! from 10.30am**

**SAT 21ST MAY - JUBILEE BUNTING**  
**SATURDAY 25TH JUNE - BEAD & BUTTON HEARTS**

**JANE SCHOFIELD – CRAFT WORKSHOPS**  
Spring is upon us and has lifted our spirits, so our early summer craft programme is looking to the outdoors for inspiration. 10am to 12.30pm  
**Art Room, £10**

**WED 25TH MAY 2022, 7:30PM**

**KATHERINE PRIDDY**  
Priddy's haunting vocals and distinctive finger-picking guitar style have seen her sell out a headline tour, support world class artists including The Chieftains, John Smith and Vashli Bunyan and earn spots at prestigious festivals such as Cambridge Folk. Plus support.  
**Ballroom, £14 (£13)**

**TUES 31ST MAY, 10AM-3:30PM**

**JUBILEE CRAFT WORKSHOP**  
Come and make your own paper craft Jubilee lantern to help light up the night in celebration with artist Sam Roddan of Art Pop-Up. Adults and families welcome, children must be accompanied.  
**Ballroom, FREE – drop in no ticket required**

**FRI 3RD JUNE 7PM**

**PLATINUM PROMS - JUBILEE CONCERT WITH GABRIELLA PINEDA-RODRIGUES, MEZZO-SOPRANO**  
A musical celebration of the Queen's Jubilee featuring classical and opera favourites from Bizet's "Carmen" and Rossini's "Barber of Seville", and popular and musical favourites such as "You'll never walk alone", 'Sing', 'Rule Britannia" and some of the Queen's favourites songs.  
**Ballroom, £13.90 (£10.90 under 18s)**

**TUES 7TH - SAT 11TH JUNE 2022, 7.45PM**

**BLACKBIRD – STAMFORD SHOESTRING THEATRE**  
Winner of the 2007 Laurence Olivier Award for Best New Play. David Harrower's Blackbird is a hard-hitting and challenging exploration of a forbidden relationship. Contains strong language and adult themes, including descriptions of sexual activity.  
**Theatre, £12 (£10) ages 16+**

**SAT 11TH JUNE, 10.30AM – 4PM**

**SING ACAPPELLA! – BRUCE KNIGHT**  
Bruce will be sharing some of his very favourite harmony songs. Be prepared to move your body and sing your heart out and join our singing community for the day!  
**Ballroom, £20 (£18)**

**TUES 14TH JUNE, 5PM**

**GARDENERS' QUESTION TIME**  
GQT has been a staple of the BBC Radio 4 schedule for over 70 years, answering the queries of amateur gardeners since 1947. Here's your chance to join the audience at the recording of the show.  
**Theatre, £4.50 to include a drink.**

**THURS 16TH JUNE, 7:30PM**

**S.O.E**  
The WW2 Special Operations Executive is tasked with espionage, sabotage and reconnaissance. As a wireless operator, life expectancy is 6 weeks.  
This fascinating, moving drama places two remarkable women at the centre of the action.  
**Theatre, £16 (£15) £14 for groups of 8+**

**THURS 23RD JUNE, 7PM**

**STRAIGHT LINE CRAZY NT LIVE**  
Broadcast from the Bridge Theatre. Ralph Fiennes leads the cast in David Hare's (Skylight) blazing account of the most powerful man in New York, a master manipulator whose legacy changed the city forever.  
**Theatre, £15 (£13) £10 under 26s**

**SUN 26TH JUNE 2PM**

**JANE AUSTEN AT HOME**  
This entertaining one-woman show consists entirely of Jane Austen's words. Celebrating the variety and wit of her writings, with extracts from her memoirs, letters, poetry and novels.  
**Ballroom, £16 (£15) £14 groups of 8+ to include a drink after the show.**

**SAT 9TH JULY 2022, 2PM**

**ERROL'S GARDEN BY GOLDEN TOAD THEATRE**  
Filled with catchy songs, humour and imagination, ERROL'S GARDEN is a brand new interactive family musical which explores community, imagination and a passion for plants. For aged 3-11s and their grown-ups.  
**Theatre, £10 (£8) £30 family of four**

**SAT 9TH JULY 7.30PM**

**BRASS SPECTACULAR WITH STAMFORD BRASS**  
Sizzling summer brass to entertain you from the Midlands Area Champion Brass Band. Your local band have been at the heart of the Stamford music community for around the last 150 years.  
**Ballroom £11 for adults (£6 for students)**

**THURS 14TH JULY, 8PM**

**JARMAN**  
This vibrant new solo play written and performed by Mark Farrelly brings Derek Jarman back into being for a passionate, daring reminder of the courage it takes to truly live while you're alive. A journey from Dungeness to deepest, brightest Soho and into the heart of one of our most iconoclastic artists.  
**Theatre, £16 (£15) £14 groups of 8+**

**THURS 21ST JULY 7PM**

**PRIMA FACIE - NT LIVE**  
Jodie Comer (Killing Eve) makes her West End premiere of Suzie Miller's award-winning play. **Theatre, £15 (£13) £10 under 26s**

**22 AUG TO 4 SEPT**

**STAMFORD DIVERSITY FESTIVAL**  
An exhibition in the Gallery from 22 August to 4 September, workshops a special Pint of Poetry on 31 August and much more!

**Saturday 27th August**  
• Stamford Diversity Festival Artisans Fair 10am – 3pm Ballroom  
• MUHA in Concert 7.30pm Ballroom

Combining the melodic beauty of Eastern European folklore, North Indian Kathak rhythms, Cuban beats and original lyrics they mesmerise with a musical feast rooted in the Slavonic tradition.

**MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES**

**£16 (£14) £8 UNDER 26**

**THE ECHÉA QUARTET**  
Thursday 19th May 7.30pm  
All Saints' Church, Westborough NG23 5HN

**ELEANOR TURNER, HARP**  
Thursday 16th June 7.30pm  
St Andrew's Church, West Deeping PE6 9HU

**THE MELLSTOCK BAND - THE SHEPHERD'S CALENDAR**  
Thursday 14th July 7.30pm  
Bourne Abbey Church, Bourne, PE10 9UQ

**WED 15TH JUNE, 7:30PM**

**TOBY STRONG – RGS TALK**  
A talk of great passion and humour from Toby Strong, a multi-Emmy and Bafta winning wildlife cameraman who has travelled across the world and worked on many of the BBC's landmark series.  
**Theatre, £14 (£12) £10 RGS-IBG members**

**FRI 17TH JUNE, 8PM**

**JAZZ IN THE THEATRE. PRICE/RATCLIFFE/WOOD ORGAN TRIO**  
Award winning jazz guitarist Nigel Price's music is a blend of flowing bebop lines, deep blues sensibility and his mastery of chording continue to delight audiences and fellow musicians alike. Nigel will be joined by Matthew Ratcliffe on the Hammond organ & Andrew Wood at the drum kit.  
**Theatre, £12 (£10)**

**SAT 25TH JUNE 7.30PM**

**STAMFORD CHAMBER ORCHESTRA - SEASON FINALE**  
Join SCO for some majestic Beethoven, his popular 1st Symphony and his effervescent Overture: The Creatures of Prometheus, along with Imogen Whitehead performing Haydn's wonderful Trumpet Concerto, and Ives The Unanswered Question.  
**Ballroom, £12.50 (£10.50 concessions, £5 under 26s)**

**WED 29TH JUNE 2022, 7:30PM**

**CLAIRE MARTIN**  
In this brand-new show for 2022, Claire Martin and renowned pianist Dave Newton combine their unique musical talents for an intimate concert celebrating the sublime duo recording by jazz legends Carmen McRae and George Shearing entitled 'Two for the Road' and will be joined international acclaimed Jeremy Brown (bass) and Steve Brown (drums).  
**Ballroom, £25 (£23)**

**WED 13TH JULY, 7:30PM**

**LE VENT DU NORD**  
The award winning Le Vent du Nord is a leading force in Québec's folk movement. The group's vast repertoire draws from both traditional sources and original compositions, while enhancing its hard-driving soulful music with a broad range of global influences.  
**Ballroom, £25 (£23)**

**WED 20TH JULY, 7:30PM**

**BECOMING MARVELLOUS**  
Cathy Carson's new play is set on the streets of 1990s Belfast and focuses on a young woman named Danielle as she struggles to navigate the world around her. It is a partly autobiographical combination of poetry and storytelling. **16 + Sponsored by Pic n Mix Theatre, £6**

**SUMMER WORKSHOPS**

**Wildcats Theatre School – Stamford Arts Centre**  
**An Introduction to We Will Rock You – 31 May**  
**Queen's Jubilee Party 1 June**  
**Jungle Book Kids – Show Week 25 – 29 July**  
**The Little Mermaid Junior – Show Week 1 – 5 August**  
**We Will Rock You – Show Week 22-26 August**  
**A Magical 5 Day Project** culminating in a show in the theatre!  
[www.wildcatstheatre.co.uk/holiday-activities](#)

Wed 27th July 10am to 12noon  
**Storytelling for Families**  
Join Mr Shackleton the Mill worker as he goes on an adventure to find the gold thread for Ademena's wings. Artroom, £3 per child (accompanying parent/carers free, no ticket required)

**More workshops will be added in June – look out on our social media channels for more information.**

**BRITTEN SINFONIA: MUSIC ON YOUR DOORSTEP**

**FRIDAY 10TH JUNE, 7:30PM**  
**BOURNE CORN EXCHANGE**  
Come and meet a group of musicians who love sharing what they do. A day of live music, exploration and plenty of play for adults and children of all ages.

11am: Pushchair Playlist - £3 per family  
3.30pm: After School Drop-In - Free admission, please book your free ticket  
7.30pm: Concert

Relax with an hour of music from all around the world, performed by a group of musicians who have performed all around the world.  
**£12.50 including a drink.**