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Octavia Hill's Red Cross Garden reopens



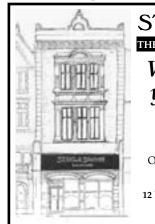
Red Cross Garden has opened after a £500,000 restoration made possible by Lottery Heritage funding.

The Victorian garden in Redcross Way was first laid out in 1887 on the site of a derelict paper factory by social reformer and National Trust founder Octavia Hill. The backdrop to the garden is a row of Octavia Hill cottages.

Work started in January when Gillian Darley, vice-president of the Octavia Hill Society, was present.

The project is being managed by Bankside Open Spaces Trust who hope that people will enjoy watching the garden mature over the coming years. There is a fountain, pond and seats. A community gardener based at Red Cross Garden, and assisted by volunteers, is taking care of the re-greening.

"We shall be adding more plants in the autumn, in particular planting the Octavia Hill rose in her honour as she did so much to bring beauty and nature to the city" says project manager Verena Cotton.



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Lyra's Oxford by John Lawrence – part of the Society of Wood Engravers' 68th Annual Exhibition which opens on Thursday 25 August at the August at the Bankside Gallery - see listings on page 6

South Bank glows again

New lighting runs along the South Bank riverside from the IBM building to Blackfriars Bridge.

The scheme, switched on by Mayor of London Ken Livingstone, lights up both the trees and the swags attached to the refurbished Sturgeon lamps, dating from 1878, on the river wall. The trees have twinkling blue and white light using light emitting diodes which have a long life and low power requirements.

Ted Inman of the South Bank Employers' Group said: "The aim of this project is not only to make a stroll along the river even more enjoyable but also to help reduce fear of crime which is a key priority for South

Bank Employers' Group."

Most of the light is cast on to the riverside walkway in order to improve the safety and comfort of visitors whilst ensuring minimal light pollution.

The project is funded by Waterloo Project Board, Transport for London and Southwark Council commissioned and managed by the South Bank Employers' Group working in partnership with Coin Street Community Builders, Lambeth Council, the Metropolitan Police and English Heritage.



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Festival Riverside to open

Wagamama, EAT, Giraffe and Strada are due open alongside the new Foyles bookshop on the South Bank's Festival Riverside early this month.

Also now open is MDC Music & Movies shop. Most of the Royal Festival Hall will be closed for a full two years following the discovery of asbestos. The 54-year-old hall, built for the Festival of Britain, closed last month for refurbishment but was due to reopen in early 2007 after a £91 million refurbishment. Now the planned opening concert series, which was to have included Daniel Barenboim conducting the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, has been cancelled.

It is feared that the promised National Lottery cash, the government grant and a £5 million donation from Vivien Duffield will be unlikely to be enough to cover the rising costs of the arts centre's relaunch.

Little Dorrit church set for refurb

St George the Martyr Church in Borough High Street is to close this month for a £3.6 million restoration.

The announcement was made by Parish Clerk Ken Hayes during a reception at the church to thank donors including the Corporation of London. St George's is one of the City's ten benefices.

Also announced was a plan to set up a music teaching facility at St George's to be overseen by director of music David Adkins. Students will be able to study for GCSE and A Level music exams. Lessons will be held at St John's Waterloo until St George's reopens.

Southwark historian Stephen Humphry, delivering a lecture on the historic church's long history, claimed that it was one of the oldest St George's churches in London. He also recalled Southwark's long assocition with the City of London and its livery companies which in the past had

contributed towards maintaining the church fabric.

In addition to Charles Dickens, who lived in the parish and set part of *Little Dorrit* in the church, the great names associated with the church include General Monck, who came for his secret wedding during Cromwell's rule, and Nahum Tate, author of the Christmas carol *While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night*, who is buried there.

Guests were asked not to walk down the main aisle due to the unstable ceiling.

£500,000 needs to be raised to restore the organ, retune the peal of bells and convert the crypt which may become a restaurant.

The St George's congregation will be worshipping in Guy's Hospital Chapel during the closure of their church building.



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What's On

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Special Events

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Sunday 7 August OPEN DAY

10am-5pm; free Visit the Chamber, London's Living Room and the spiral ramp/stairs which wind through the building, offering glimpses of the open-plan offices and the Mayor's Conference Room. Views of the Thames and the Tower of London.

Coin Street Festival

Bernie Spain Gardens & Oxo Tower Wharf www.coinstreetfestival.org

Sunday 21 August CAPITAL AGE FESTIVAL

2pm-6pm; free Celebration of the cultural diversity of London's older people. Sing-a-long to the Dr Tooth Big Band, dance demonstrations and workshops led by The Jiving Lindy Hoppers, foot-stomping from tap dancer Will Gaines, tunes from veteran dancer Will Gaines, tunes from veteran steel-pan players Nostalgia and the all-senior big band Sound of 17 plus festival favourite Geno Washington & the Ram Jam Band. Also a Well Being area, street performance, a tea tent, information stalls, creative workshops and exhibitions including the Imperial War Museum exhibition 'Their Past, Your Future'.

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Morgan's Lane T 020 7940 630 hmsbelfast.iwm.org.uk 10am-6pm; 10am-5pm; £7 (conc £5; child free with adult)

Friday 5 August 1940S DANCE

A celebration of 1940s music and dance with the London Swing Dance Society. Music by The Ronnie Scott's Rejects. Tickets include a glass of summer fruit punch and a hot bap. www.swingdanceuk.com

National Theatre

South Bank www.nationaltheatre.org.uk T 020 7452 3000

WATCH THIS SPACE

Free outdoor summer festival of innovative arts, contemporary music and entertainment in Theatre Square. There is music including flamenco dancers on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday early evenings and street theatre on Thursday, Friday and Saturday lunchtimes. See page 5 for Flytower

Tooley Street (coach park site) T 020 8983 0362 www.dreamspace-agis.com

DREAMSPACE

DREAMSPACE
Daily Ipm to 8pm; £5 (conc £3)
Dreamspace, a multicoloured walkthrough sculpture, has come to
Southwark this summer for the second
year running. To be part of Dreamspace,
visitors take off their shoes, wear a
coloured cape and are then free to
wander inside the structure. Natural light
penetrates the thin translucent sheets
flooding the space with a spectacular flooding the space with a spectacular display of continuously changing colours. Created by artist Maurice Agis, with ambient music by composer Stephen Montague, Dreamspace is attracting a cult following amongst its 200,000 visitors. One described his experiences as "...surreal, magic, like swimming in a sea of changing colours."

RSPB

T 020 7940 8782

www.rspb.org.uk

Monday 1 to Wednesday 31 August WATCH PEREGRINES AT TATE MODERN

Daily 10am-6pm on the Tate Modern

Daily Tuam-opm on the late Modern riverside lawn; free After fledging near Regent's Park, the RSPB expects a family of peregrines to move to the chimney of Tate Modern, where the parents will continue to feed the youngsters as they learn to hunt for themselves. Telescopes will be available for fine views of the fastest hunters in the world.

Children & Family

Design Museum

28 Shad Thames www.designmuseum.org

SURF'S UP!

£6 (child free); booking essential Inspired by the dozens of rare and special surfboards in Shape and Shapers, the evolution of the surfboard exhibition, children are encouraged to design, make and decorate their own surfing accessories including surfers' T-shirts, hats, armbands and badges, as well as customised bags in which they can carry their new surfing gear home. Suitable for 6-12 year olds.

Every Wednesday

ANIMATE!

£6 (child free); booking essential Wednesday is children's day at the Design Museum when the would-be animators, video game and multimedia designers of the future can develop, direct and produce short animated films in the Animate! workshops. The young animators can draw inspiration from the ingenious websites and games in The European Design Show. Suitable for 6-12 year olds who must be accompanied

St Thomas' Hospital www.florencenightingale.co.uk

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Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 August VICTORIAN PASTIMES 12 noon-3pm; £5.80 (conc £4.20)

Victorian ladies had lots of leisure time. Florence found this lack of activity 'sew, sew boring', but her sister Parthe loved it. Find out how the sisters passed their time, and design and sew a small sampler to take home. Trails and prizes available.

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Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 August LIVING HISTORY ON BOARD

3pm-9.30am: £39.95
A night aboard an historic sailing ship. Dressed in period clothes, Sir Francis Drake's new recruits learn 16th-century brake's new recruits learn loth-century skills, eat Tudor food and experience life at sea for officers, gunners, sailors and barber surgeons. For small parties and families. Booking essential.

HMS Belfast

Tooley Street www.hmsbelfast.iwm.org.uk T 020 7940 6320

Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 August COMMUNICATIONS WEEKEND

£8 (conc £5; children under 16 free)
Join others on the Boat Deck to learn all about Morse code, flags and semaphore. Included in standard admission

Imperial War Museum

Lambeth Road

T 020 7416 5320

Friday 5 to Monday 8 August **THE GO GAME**

11am-4pm; free
A chance to play 'Go' the ancient
Samurai game of strategy with members
of the Go Association. 'Go' was played in
Hiroshima just before the atomic bomb was dropped on 6 August 1945.

Saturday 13 to Monday 15 August **ESCAPISM**

11am–4pm; free look, during VJ Weekend, at the drawings produced by prisoners of war such as Ronald Searle as a record of their life in the camps and as a form of therapy and escapism. Linked to special art exhibition Captive. A drop-in art activity using bamboo pens for all ages.

Tuesday 16 August to Sunday 4 Septembe THEY ALSO SERVED: ANIMALS &

12-5pm; free Animals have worked and died alongside their masters in wars throughout the centuries. Horses, mules and camels to dogs, cats, pigeons and dolphins have contributed in different and often surprising ways. Some have even been awarded medals. Drop-in animation project

Saturday 20 & Sunday 21 August **DISNEY WEEKEND**

2pm: free

Fantasia (1940) film. A concert of classical music given a visual interpretation by the team of animators from Walt Disney. Also showing The Thrifty Pig.

Southwark Street www.comedy4kids.co.uk T 020 7907 7060

Sundays 7 & 14 August COMEDY CLUB 4 KIDS

James Campbell's unique comedy club for children aged over six and parents

with special guests.
Sun 7: Guest Host: Silky. With James Campbell Sun 14: **Cocoloco**

Museum of Garden History

Lambeth Palace Road T 020 7401 8865 www.museumgardenhistory.org

Wednesday 3 August ANDY HARPER

2pm-4.30pm; free Create 'new plants' using special painting techniques with Andy Harper whose work is in the summer exhibition Cloud & Vision about William Blake. Aimed at families with children 7-10.

Wednesday 10 August **LESLEY HOWES**

2pm-4.30pm; free Create shell grottos (as incorporated in gardens, often as water-work features and jokes by the Stuarts), using shells and stones, casting shells and fossils and making mythological creatures from plasticine to decorate them. Aimed at families with children 7-10.

Wednesday 17 August BILL HUDSON

2pm-4.30pm; free

Create coloured wooden garden collages reflecting 17th-century garden shapes, including topiary shrubs and geometric knot gardens, using coloured plywood shapes sanded and stuck onto wooden bases which can be hung on your wall.

Aimed at families with children 7-10.

Wednesday 24 August **SARAH WOODFINE**

2pm-4.30pm; free Create 2D and 3D models of 'curious objects', either inspired by the Tradescants' collection in their 'Cabinet of Curiosities' or the MGH's current exhibition and displays, using pencil drawings. Aimed at families with children 7-10.

Wednesday 31 August JAN GREENLAND

2pm-4.30pm; free Create 'tussie-mussies' (posies Create 'tussie-mussies' (posies or nosegays), as used by the Tudors & Stuarts to ward off evil smells and plagues, as well as for special occasions, from colourful summer flowers and herbs. Aimed at families with children

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Bring Out Your Dead...the fearsome Black Death continually devastated the world's population and was responsible for the death of millions. Talk recommended for age 12 upwards. Children's Plague Trail also available.

Wednesdays 10 and 17 & Friday 26 August VICTORIAN SURGERY

2pm; £4.75 (conc £3.75; child £2.75; family f12)

"I have broken my arm, I am a dead man!" Experience surgery without anaesthetics, when infection was fatal. Will the surgeon's speed and skill save your life? Suitable for all ages.

Saturdays 6 & 20 August SPEED SURGERY 11am, 2 & 3pm; £4.75 (conc £3.75; child £2.75; family £12)

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Saturdays 13, 27 & Friday 19 August FROM GARDEN TO GARRET

2pm at St George's Garden, Borough High Street; £4.75 (conc £3.75; child £2.75; family £12)

Starting within the fresh herb garden of St George the Martyr Church, there will be a short walk to the oak beamed Herb Garret of Old St Thomas' Hospital for a demonstration of traditional medicinal preparations - infusions, poultices, pills.

Saatchi Gallery

County Hall www.saatchi-gallery.co.uk

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Daily until Saturday 3 September KIDS ART WORKSHOP

2-4pm; £9 (conc £6.75; family £26) Experiment with materials, explore themes and develop ideas guided by practising artists. For ages 6-14.

St Jude's Community Centre

St George's Road

Wednesdays from 3 August LONDON LINX MARTIAL ARTS

5pm-6pm; free (booking advised london linx@hotmail.co.uk) For 8-16 year-olds. With teachers from Dojo Physical Arts. Supported by Trust

Thursdays from 4 August LONDON LINX DRAMA

WORKSHOPS

5.30pm-7pm; free (booking advised -london_linx@hotmail.co.uk)

For 8-16 year-olds. With teachers from Bigfoot Theatre Company. Supported by Trust in Children

More London Riverside www.suzannarosenthal.co T 020 8340 4421

TAKE TO THE STAGE

11am-6pm; free

Week-long drama workshop for 15-24 year olds. Public performance on last day at 3pm. Advance booking advised.

New Globe Walk www.shakespeares-globe.org

T 020 7401 9919

Saturdays 13, 20 & 27 August CHILDSPLAY

Introducing to 8-11 year olds to the matinee play by using drama, art and story-telling. Children join the audience in the Globe for last 15 minutes. Booking

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Monday 1 August to Friday 2 September OUR PLACE

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Southwark Playhouse

Southwark Bridge Road www.southwarkplayhouse.co.uk T 020 7652 2224

Monday 8 to Saturday 13 August THE JOURNEY

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Sunday 7 August LOST INDUSTRIES OF SOUTHWARK

Meet at Old Operating Theatre in St Thomas Street at 11.30am; £5 (conc £4) Introduction to an area changing from an industrial zone into a post-industrial cultural quarter

National Trust

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Thursday 11 August EXPLORE THE RIVERSIDE

6.30pm; £6 (conc £4) Looking at the regenerated riverside between London Bridge and Tower

Saturday 13 August DISCOVER THE SOUTH BANK

2.30pm; £6 (conc £4) Including the Royal Festival Hall, National theatre and Tate Modern.

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Mon 22: Georgia Mancio (jazz vocalist) Mon 29: Katriona Taylor (jazz trio)

St Thomas' Hospital

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LUNCHTIME JAZZ

1pm outside North Wing; free Wed 3: Sam Crockatt Trio Wed 10: Giulio Risi Trio

Wed 17: **Symeon Cosburn** (Singer/songwriter)

Wed 24: **Georgia Mancio** (jazz vocalist) Wed 31: **Katriona Taylor** (jazz trio)

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Thu 18: Matices Latinos Fri 19: The David Mian Quintet

Wed 24: Doug Horner

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Tuesday 16 August to Friday 9 September EVENING MORE MUSIC

Tue-Fri 6.30pm: free

Tue 16: All Stars Wed 17: The Sheena Davis Group Thu 18: Conjunto Sabroso Fri 19: The Hamish Stuart Band Tue 23: Errol Linton's Blues Vibe Wed 24: Jim Mullen

Thu 25: Klaus White & The Troubadours

Tri 26: Elements
Tue 30: The Nuff Orchestra
Wed 31: The Ronnie Scott's Rejects

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1.10pm; free Tue 2: Ludmila Marchadier (soprano) Tue 9 Elizabeth Ward (contralto) Tue 16: Hazel Ramsey & Verity Cash
Tue 23: Bloomsbury Trio (cello, violin & piano) Tue 30: Sara Tyler

Saturday 13 August
NATIONAL DANISH GIRLS CHOIR

1pm; free Music by Holst, Hovland, Nørgård and Hatfield.

Theatre

HMS Belfast

Morgan's Lane hmsbelfast.iwm.org.uk

Saturday 27 to Monday 29 August LETTERS OF WAR

2pm (also Sat 7pm); £8 (conc £5; child

National Youth Theatre actors bring to life people's correspondence with their loved ones during wartime over the past

Menier Chocolate Factory

51-53 Southwark Street T 020 7907 7060 www.menierchocolatefactory.com

Until Saturday 3 September **TICK, TICK ... BOOM!** *Tue-Sat 8pm; Sat 4pm & Sun 6pm; £10* UK premiere of Pulitzer Prize winner Jonathan Larson's autobiographical musical of a success-starved artist, fast inusical of a success-starved artist, fast (and frustratedly) approaching his 30th birthday. It's the week of Jonathan's 30th Birthday. His girlfriend wants to get married and move out of the city Tick... His best friend has bought a BMW and is moving uptown - Tick... and Jon's waiting tables, trying to write the great American musical, and feeling the pressure to choose between holding onto dreams or selling out for money Boom! Jonathan Larson, who tragically died of an aortic aneurysm shortly before the opening of his huge smash hit Rent, first conceived of Tick, Tick...Boom! in 1990 as a one man musical monologue about a young composer on the brink

of turning 30. David Auburn (who also wrote Proof) has taken Larson's multi-character musical monologue and turned it into a show for 3 actors portraying numerous characters.

National Theatre

T 020 7452 3000

South Bank

www.nationaltheatre.org.uk

Until Tuesday 23 August
ON THE SHORE OF THE WILD WORLD

Cottesloe Theatre; in repertory; £10-

Love across three generations.

Until Thursday 25 August ARISTOCRÁTS

Lyttelton Theatre: in repertory: £10-£35 Play by Brian Friel set in County Donegal. Cast includes Dervla Kirwan.

⇒ Full review at www.London-SE1.co.uk

Until Saturday 27 August

THE PRESIDENT OF AN EMPTY ROOM

Cottesloe Theatre; in repertory; £10-

A story of heroin and tobacco.

Until Saturday 27 August THEATRE OF BLOOD

Lyttelton Theatre; in repertory; £10-£36 Based on screenplay by Anthony Greville Bell.

HENRY IV PART ONE

Olivier Theatre; in repertory; £10-£25 With Michael Gambon as Falstaff.

Until Wednesday 31 August **HENRY IV PART TWO**

Olivier Theatre; in repertory; £10-£25
The Prince's riotous life is interrupted, as a second insurrection is deftly if ignobly crushed. This victory of a sort hastens Henry to his deathbed, causing Hal to reflect on his imminent sovereignty.

Until Wednesday 5 October THE UN INSPECTOR

Olivier Theatre; in repertory; £10-£36 Adapted from Gogol's The Government

The Old Vic

The Cut www.oldvictheatre.com

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Until Saturday 3 September THE PHILADELPHIA STORY

Mon-Sat 7.30pm; Wed & Sat matinées 2.30pm; £10-£42.50 Cast includes Jennifer Ehle, Julia McKenzie and Adrian Lukis.

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Until Sunday 14 August CHILDREN OF HERCULES

Thu-Sun 9pm; free Open-air production of Euripides' tale of dispossessed refugees seeking asylum.

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MAN FALLING DOWN: A MASK

PLAY

in repertory; £5-£29 Jack Shepherd and the Pericles Company explore the full mask, the comic half mask and the three-quarter mask employed in classical Greek and Roman

Wednesday 24 August to Wednesday 28

TROILUS AND CRESSIDA

in repertory; £5-£29 Just six performances of Shakespeare's play with original pronunciation, live music and minimalist settings.

Until Friday 30 September **THE STORM**

In repertory; £5-£29

A new play by Peter Oswald after a lost Greek comedy. A modern practices production exploring clothing, music, dance and settings possible in the Globe

Until Saturday 1 October **PERICLES**

In repertory; £5-£29 A modern practices production.

Until Saturday 1 October THE WINTER'S TALE

In repertory; £5-£29 An original practices production.

Until Sunday 2 October **THE TEMPEST**

In repertory; £5-£29 Mark Rylance playing Prospero.

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Every Monday & Wednesday A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DRINK

7pm at Mug House in Tooley Street; £7

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See review on page 7

Southwark Playhouse

62 Southwark Bridge Road T 020 7620 3494 www.southwarkplayhouse.co.uk

GOBLIN MARKET

Mon-Sat 7.30pm; Sat 29 matinee 3pm;

£12 (conc £8; Mon £6)
By Abigail Docherty and based on a poem by Christina Rossetti. A blending of classical music with contemporary club sounds designed to captivate the senses.

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Union Theatre

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Wednesday 3 to Saturday 13 August **SEXUAL PERVERSITY IN CHICAGO &** SIX DEGREES SEPARATION

Tue-Sat 7.30pm; £12.50 (conc £8) Two one act plays. David Mamet's Sexual Perversity in Chicago is a funny play set in his home town during the 1970s where he captures the immediate response to situations and comments with pummelling in-your-face banter. John Guare's Six Degrees of Separation has a nine strong cast is set in New York and based on a real story which explores the cult of the celebrity. Both plays are part of the SEDOS centenary celebration. . www.sedos.co.uk

Movie Highlights

BFI London IMAX Cinema

The Bullring, South Bank T 0870 787 2525 www.bfi.org.uk/imax

ALIEN ADVENTURE 3D (U) 33MINS Daily 12 & 3pm; £7.90 (conc £6.50; child £4.95)

A new animated 3D feature follows a group of alien space travellers seeking a new planet to call home. For hundreds of years, the Glagoliths, a small tribe of wayward space gypsies, have roamed the Universe in search of a new home, their previous planet having been obliterated

through operator error.

Tull review at www.London-SE1.co.uk

National Film Theatre

South Bank www.bfi.org.uk T 020 7928 3232

Monday 1 to Wednesday 31 August MICHAEL POWELL SEASON

Working with writer Emeric Pressburger, Michael Powell made some of the most important films of the 40s and 50s, including The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp, I Know Where I'm Going and The Red Shoes. Powell went solo to make the controversial Peeping Tom, which is now regarded as a modern classic, and Age of Consent with James Mason. www.bfi.org.uk/powell

National Theatre

South Bank

www.nationaltheatre.org.uk/wts

FLYTOWÉR FILMS

10.15pm; free Classic movies projected onto the

Lyttelton Flytower. Fri 5: Twentieth Century (1934)

Fri 12: The Threepenny Opera (1931) Fri 19: First a Girl (1935) Fri 26: Silent Shakespeare (1899–1911)

Tate Modern

Bankside www.tate.org.uk/modern

T 020 7887 8008

Until Sunday 9 October ANGEL OF FIRE: FRIDA KAHLO FILM PROGRAMME

A celebration of Mexico's rich cinematic history. The series draws on a broad range of documentary and feature films that illuminate Kahlo's involvement in Mexico's cultural and political landscape and examines her complex personal relationships. Free programmes of documentaries about Kahlo are held on Sunday afternoons throughout the Frida Kahlo exhibition run.

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All Hallows Church, Copperfield Street

Events in Potters Field Park White's grounds estate danger factor Anti Social Behaviour - Tanner Street Toys, clothes, book donations to charity

Pool of London improvements to tunnels

and roads **Tooley Street Red Route**

The Crown, 108 Blackfriars Road Williams Curtis Ecological park...?

Nelson Square

Smelly Bermondsey Street

Motorcycle parking Grange road area

In the forum this month....

"The British Working Class" Princess Street Group Practice Fridge/Freezer repairs

Bermondsey Street & Square Lovely Japanese Hairdressers...

St Georges Circus - derelict Georgian terraces

Evening classes Old Blackfriars Station in SE1 8 Roupell Street

St Saviour's and St Olave's Girls' Secondary School

Canterbury Tales

The Angel

The White Hart

Gun salute at HMS Belfast History of Rose and Crown

Elephant and Castle newsletter Empty Shop Next To SoBo on Tower

Bridge Road Miraculous Image in Shad Thames

Tate Scavenger Hunt... Volunteering

> Join the debate at www.London-SE1.co.uk

Exhibitions

Advanced Graphics London

www.advancedgraphics.co.uk

T 020 7407 2055

Mon-Sat 10am-6pm; free Until Saturday 3 September

ADVANCED TO GO Mixed exhibition of paintings and prints by gallery artists and newcomers.

Baillie Gallery

1a Copper Row Tower Br Piazza T 07711 255613 www.bailliegallerv.com

Wed-Sun 12 noon-6pm

Until Sunday 11 September SUMMER EXHIBITION

Paintings by gallery artists including lan Scott Elliot, Henrik Simonsen and Emma

Bankside Gallery

48 Hopton Street www.banksidegallery.com T 020 7928 7521 Daily 11am-6pm; free

Thursday 4 to Sunday 21 August **SUMMER EXHIBITION**

Watercolours and prints by Royal Watercolour Society artists for sale from £100 to £4,000.

Thursday 25 August to Sunday 11 September **SOCIETY OF WOOD ENGRAVERS**

Over 50 artists including members of the Society of Wood Engravers and other international artists whose work has been specially selected. The only London venue for this touring show.

Design Museum T 0870 833 9955

28 Shad Thame designmuseum.org

Daily 10am -6pm (last admission 5.15pm); £6 (conc £4)

Until Sunday 27 November **DESIGNING MODERN LIFE**

How design has transformed modern life.

Until Sunday 9 October
CEDRIC PRICE - DOUBT, DELIGHT AND CHANGE Includes 1983 South Bank Project.

Until Sunday 9 October SHAPE AND SHAPERS

Exploration of surfboard design

83 Bermondsey Street www.ftmlondon.org

T 020 7403 0222

Tue-Sun 10am-4pm; £6 (conc £4)

Until Tuesday 30 August
ZANDRA RHODES: A LIFELONG
LOVE AFFAIR WITH TEXTILES

Extended run of the comprehensive look at Zandra's textile and fashion designs
– see the creative process from her initial inspiration through to the exotic finished

Florence Nightingale Museum

St Thomas' Hospital T 020 762 www.florence-nightingale.co.uk Mon-Fri 10am-5pm; weekend 10am-T 020 7620 0374

4.30pm; £5.80 (conc £4.20)

THE WONDERFUL MRS SEACOLE Mary Seacole bicentenary exhibition.

Gallery 33

33 Swan Street

T 020 7407 8668 Mon-Fri 10am-5pm; frree

Until Wednesday 31 August **RESORT (III)**

Judith Tucker's recent paintings and drawings exploring the Baltic seaside resort Ahlbeck. The incentive for this series of exhibitions was pre-war holiday photographs that her grandmother

brought with her when she escaped from Germany in 1938. Through visiting the resort and making work on location exploring the evocative mixture of decay and lavish restoration against the flat vastness of the Baltic, she became intrigued with the relation between certain temporary structures and the landscape

Hayward Gallery

South Bank www.havward.org.uk T 020 7960 5226

Daily 10am-6pm (Tue & Wed 8pm; Fri 9pm); £9 (pensioners £6; students £5; children £3) Monday 50% off

Until Monday 29 August REBECCA HORN: BODYLANDSCAPES

Drawings, installations. film sculpture,

HMS Belfast

Morgan's Lane, Tooley Street T 020 7940 6320

Daily 10am-6pm £8 (conc £5); under

Until Friday 31 March

A SHARED TRADITION Contribution made

Commonwealth navies to the Second World War victory.

Imperial War Museum

Lambeth Road T 020 7416 5320 ww.iwm.org.uk Daily 10am-6pm; free

Until Sunday 5 February **CAPTIVE**

Experiences of prisoners of war from the fall of Singapore in February 1942 until the end of the war. Drawings and paintings

Until Monday 31 July 2006 GREAT ESCAPES

A previously unseen escape kit belonging to Oliver Philpot, one of the three men who successfully escaped from Stalag Luft III using the famous 'Wooden Horse', has gone on display in Imperial War Museum London's Great Escapes exhibition. The material, which has never been exhibited before, was formally presented to the Museum by Oliver Philpot's widow Dr Rosl Philpot and son James Philpot on Thursday 14 July. The inclusion of the new material coincides with the extension of the exhibition, due to popular demand, until July 2006.

Jerwood Space

T 020 7654 0171 171 Union Street www.ierwoodspace.co.uk Daily 10am-6pm; free

Until Friday 12 August

ROSL ARTS

Royal Overseas League travel scholars.

Until Tuesday 6 September NEW JERWOOD MUSEUM

Cafe Space; Mon-Fri 9am-5pm; weekend

11am-3pm: free

Re-constructed domestic objects taken from an inventory which once existed as a cabinet of curiosities in No. 177 Union Street around 1840. The 'narrative of objects' is radically reconstituted, through computer generated drawings, into a 'new museum' which operates as a virtual rendering of an immaterial past.

Llewellyn Alexander Fine Paintings

www.llewellynalexander.com Mon-Sat 10am-7pm; free

Until Wednesday 31 August
NOT THE ROYAL ACADEMY 2005
The best of the rejects from the Royal

Academy Summer Exhibition.

ier Chocolate Factory Gallery

51 Southwark Street www.menierchocolatefactory.com

Mon-Fri 10am-6pm (Thu till 8pm); free

Until Friday 26 August PAINTINGS IN HOSPITALS SUMMER

SELECTION EXHIBITION

New loans and donations to the
Collection available to hospitals, hospices
and healthcare centres through the charity's loan scheme.

Museum of Garden History

Lambeth Palace Road T 020 7401 www.museumgardenhistory.org Daily 10.30am-5pm; voluntary fee £3 (conc £2.50)

Until January 2006 A COMPANY OF PLEASURES

Exploration of how new plants in the 16th and 17th centuries changed gardens and the story of Lady Salisbury's 20th century restoration work in the Hatfield House garden. ⇒ Full review at www.London-SE1.co.uk

Until Sunday 4 September CLOUD & VISION: WILLIAM BLAKE IN LAMBETH

William Blake in SE1. Lambeth. Artists and writers develop works in response to Blake's images and texts

National Theatre

020 7452 3400 www.nationaltheatre.org.uk

Until Monday 29 August
A GOOD CIGAR IS A SMOKE Photographs exploring Cuban passions.

Until Saturday 13 August

Daily 10am-11pm; free

HIRSCHFELD'S HOLLYWOOD Witty and stylish celebrity caricatures.

Neckinger Mills

Abbey Street

Until Sunday 30 October TRACE

Alison Marchant's site-specific artwork in the first floor windows of Neckinger Mills. Artist-led evening tours by appointment 020 8257 0589/07747 134064. The piece is best as a nightime viewing from 10pm.

Nolia's Gallery at Thomas a Becket

T 020 7701 9111

322 Old Kent Road Daily 12 noon-6pm; free

Until Wednesday 3 August START MY ART

Camberwell School undergraduates.

ırsday 4 to Wednesday 10 August CURRENT

Goldsmiths' College MA interactive media final show.

Purdy Hicks Gallery

65 Hopton Street

T 020 7401 9229 www.purdvhicks.com

Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm (Wed 7pm); Sat & Sun 12 noon-5pm; free

Until Saturday 3 September **SUMMER EXHIBITION** New work.

RKB Gallery

61 Union Street www.rkburt.co.uk/gallery

Tuesday 30 August to Friday 9 September KINGSTON UNIVERSITY GROUP SHOW

Graduate show.

The Saatchi Gallery

County Hall, Belvedere Road T 020 7928 8195 www.saatchi-gallery.co.uk

Sun-Thu 10am-8pm: Fri & Sat 10am-10pm; £8.75 (conc £6.75)

Until Sunday 30 October THE TRIUMPH OF PAINTING PART 2 Albert Oehlen, Thomas Scheibitz, Wilhelm Sasnal, Kai Althoff, Dirk Skreber and Franz Ackermann

Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition

T 020 7902 1500

Daily 9am-5pm; £8.50 (conc £6.50; child

Until February 2006 SHAKESPEARE & THE GUNPOWDER

400th anniversary exhibition

Tara Bryan Gallery

10 Marshalsea Road T 020 7403 0091 w.tarabryan.co.uk Mon-Fri 2pm-5pm; free

Until Sunday 21 August IN YOUR HEADLIGHTS New Haruka East exhibition.

Bankside T 020 7887 8008 www.tate.org.uk Daily 10am-6pm (Fri & Sat 10pm); free

Until Monday 29 August HERZOG & DE MEURON

An exhibition of the architects' work. Until Sunday 18 September

OPEN SYSTEMS: RETHINKING ART C1970

£7 (conc £5.50) Artists who radically rethought the object of art in the late 1960s and 1970s.

Until Sunday 9 October FRIDA KAHLO

£10 (conc £8; under 18 free) First UK solo show.

> Full review at www.London-SE1.co.uk

the.gallery@oxo

Oxo Tower Wharf T 020 7401 2255 Daily 11am-6pm; free

Until Monday 29 August IN PRAISE OF WOMEN

Stone scuplture created or inspired by the women of Zimbabwe.

Tom Blau Gallery

21 Queen Elizabeth Street T 020 7940 9171 www.tomblaugallerv.com Mon-Fri 10am-6pm; free

Until Friday 19 August JILLIAN EDELSTEIN: INTIMATE AND

Portrait photography from the Camera Press archive.

Union

T 020 7928 3388 57 Ewer Street www.union-gallerv.com Mon-Fri 10am-6pm; Sat 12 noon-5pm

Until Saturday 24 September
JULIA SCHMIDT, OLIVER KOSSACK,
JULIUS POPP, RIGO SCHMIDT New works by emerging German artists.

Waterloo Gallery

14 Baylis Road

www.waterloogallerv.co.uk Tue-Sat 12 noon-6pm; free

Thursday 4 to Sunday 28 August

Paintings by Matthew Sibley. Loving couples to ghostly images in haunted houses.

Sale of Catering Equipment

Wednesday 3 to Friday 5 August • 12 noon-4pm John Marshall Hall, Christ Church Blackfriars Road SE1 (corner of Colombo Street) 020 8870 1313

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THEATRE REVIEW

A Midsummer Night's Drink

The Mug House, 1 Tooley Street (under London Bridge) See listing on page 4

The Mug House under London Bridge may be a surprise to visitors with its 17th-century atmosphere only broken by the rolling news screen in one corner.

But on Mondays and Wednesdays one's attention will be drawn to an exuberant actress in costume welcoming you to *A Midsummer Night's Drink*.

A troupe of four actors from Streetwise Productions take the drinkers on a walk around Bankside stopping snatches perform Shakespeare interspersed with much banter. The four are Burbage (Joe Lombardelli whose credits include the Young Vic), Vivienne Smailes (Helen Herman), Decker (Philippa Tatham) and Autolycus Bartholomew Schmit (Bode Olaleye).

Aloof Burbage is the great actor Richard Burbage whose father helped to dismantle the Globe in Shoreditch and bring the timbers to Bankside. Vivienne is a young simple actress/prostitute and Dorcas is a more experienced actress/prostitute.

Pickpocket Autolycus

acts as ringmaster leading the underground theatre company just ahead of the law and taking bets on bear baiting in the Bear Garden.

The asides are packed with historical information which appear to be well-researched and are delivered with careful timing and huge energy. The players remain in character throughout as they lead the way "through Winchester Palace" into the Clink and via an inn to Mr Shakespeare's theatre.

It's a fast moving 90 minutes which can sometimes be longer depending on numbers and weather. We were there for their first wet night but the show went on.

This summer's acclaimed *Canterbury Tales*, performed at locations around the Borough, had too short a run. Those who missed Chaucer should book a place on the Midsummer Night's Drink tour.

LEIGH HATTS

LOCAL HISTORY

Tracing the history of Neckinger Mills

Trace is a site-specific installation across the first floor windows of Neckinger Mills in Abbey Street recalling the female workers who played a key role in the building's past.

Trace is the culmination of a two-year initiative conceived and managed by artist Alison Marchant. The work reveals the otherwise hidden and displaced identities of industrial female workers. The research phase of this project began at Southwark Local History Library in Borough High Street, where Marchant discovered that the current Neckinger Mills building, formerly Bevington & Sons Ltd, produced light leathers for shoes and fancy goods. Women have always worked in finishing the skins and lime painting, and it was said that the fish oil used in the glazing process enhanced Bermondsey women's hair and skin. Bevington's Neckinger mills opened in 1801 and continued production until 1981.

• *Trace* can be seen in Abbey Street until 30 October, with artist-led evening tours by appointment (020 8257 0589/07747 134 064).

EXHIBITION REVIEW

Cloud & Vision

Museum of Garden History See listing on page 6



Cloud & Vision: William Blake in Lambeth recalls his ten years as a resident of Waterloo.

His productive years in SE1 are the inspiration for twelve artists exhibiting at the Museum of Garden History which is a short walk from where Blake lived in Hercules Road. Indeed he knew the museum building

as St Mary-at-Lambeth parish church.

Hanging above the former baptistry is Andy Harper's An Orrery for Other Worlds. Nearby is Phil Coy's autocue showing the words of Jerusalem projected back to front to recall Blake's printing press.

But the star of the show is a real printing press brought up from Sussex and being used to demonstrate the methods used by Blake to produce his words and images. This Floating Press is today connected to a virtual press on the web.

Surprisingly, the Cloud & Vision catalogue (£5) is an important part of the celebration and contains material not on show. Particularly fascinating is a map of Blake's Waterloo showing Cut Throat Lane zig-zagging across the site of the planned Founder's Place development. Michael Phillips and Jon Newman contribute essays on Blake's SE1.



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BOOK REVIEW

Sally Gardner Orion • £8.99

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I Coriander

I Coriander is a fairy story set in Thames-side London during the harsh Cromwellian years.

The very striking cover of the novel is enticing for it depicts the City from above Bankside. Indeed every section is heralded by a detail from Wenceslas Hollar's celebrated 1647 Long View of London showing the panorama from the tower of what we now call Southwark Cathedral.

But this is not a Bankside story for Coriander lives on the north bank in a riverside house where the laundry is sent to a Southwark wash house. The nearby Globe has been closed by the Puritans whose extreme Protestantism and military dictatorship bring great misery even to the home

of someone endowed with money and magic.

Sally Gardner was inspired to write about London under a strict religious regime after staying with a Muslim fundamentalist family in Morocco. This led her to research the Pool of London in the mid 17th century.

Part of the tale takes place in a tailor's on London Bridge where passing sheep sometimes break free. The weather seems always to be snowy and the Thames below frozen hard. The bells of St Magnus on the bridge's north end compete with those of St Saviour's and St George's to the south.

Promoted as "the year's most spellbinding children's novel", *I Coriander* certainly holds one's attention, andis strong on detail and description.

| BOOK REVIEW

The Longest Night

Gavin Mortimer
Weidenfeld & Nicolson• £18.99
Buy this book online at
www.inSE1.co.uk/books

London experienced terrible German air raids on 10-11 May 1941 when 400 bombers headed up the Thames to change the capital for ever.

Author Gavin Mortimer gives a graphic account having traced survivors who knew the familiar smells of Hartley's jam and Sarson's vinegar. The characters include Gladys Jenner who worked at Peek Freans and three firefighters: Fred Cockett at Waterloo fire station, Emily Macfarlane at the Elephant & Castle and fellow firewoman Bobbie Tanner at Dockhead.

That weekend Lambeth Palace crypt was home to 200 people but they were soon evacuated into the street when the upstairs caught fire and no fire engine was available. The emergency services were safeguarding St Thomas' and fighting to save shops in The Cut by pumping dirty Thames water inland. Firefighters at the Elephant were surrounded by walls of fire with only one exit. There it was again the rising tide which eventually allowed much needed water to flow down Newington Causeway past Zetters pools building and on to the remains of Spurgeon's Tabernacle.

Gavin Mortimer puts SE1's darkest hour in context by telling of the simultaneous battle at Westminster where the Commons chamber was lost and the City where the landmark churches including St Mary-le-Bow fell to fire.

This is a timely book which helps one to understand those who envoke the blitz spirit as London faces terrorist bombs.

