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Elephant & Castle Shopping Centre this month hosts a series of screenings of an unusual film about the regeneration of the area. Artist, shaman and showman Marcus Coates has made a feature-length film as part of his residency with Nomad. See listing on page 3.

St George in Southwark Festival 6th annual multicultural celebration

This month's St George in Southwark Festival is a multicultural celebration of England's patron saint.

There are many places in Southwark with St George connections – and St George's Day is also celebrated by many of the borough's communities from around the world. The St George in Southwark Festival, now in its sixth year, brings together local groups for a long weekend of fun, artistic and reflective celebrations.

The festival will open on Saturday 21 April with a fun day from 2pm at St George the Martyr Church in Borough High Street.

On Saturday, Sunday and Monday at 12.30pm Mental Fight Club presents the Great Southwark Dragon Quest – a family-friendly opportunity to explore the many depictions of George and the Dragon in and around Borough High Street.

The festival service is at 11am on Sunday 22 April in St George the Martyr Church. Borough Market is hosting a community open day on Sunday afternoon from midday.

A Dragon Cafe at St George the Martyr crypt will be open morning and afternoon on Monday 23 April. This is a Mental Fight Club initiative and plans for its regular cafe events are being revealed on the day over dragon soup and celebration cakes.

Also on the day there will be a Barcelona-style book sale in Southwark Cathedral's churchyard. At 2.30pm in the cathedral Arthur Smith and friends will present their annual celebration of Shakespeare's birthday in word and song – this year with a nod to the bicentenary of Charles Dickens' birth.



The Lions part theatre company, known for their seasonal open-air events around Bankside, will present their short play *The Ballad of St George and the Dragon* which can be seen at several locations on Monday afternoon. Both St George's Cathedral and Southwark Cathedral are hosting performances of the twelve minute play. There is an 'after school' show in Red Cross Garden at 3.45pm. The final performance is to be outside St George the Martyr Church at around 5.45pm.

The day closes with a St George's Day meditation in the church. Morris dancers will also be out and about around Bankside and Borough Market.

- For the full festival programme see the website: www.stgeorgefestival.org.uk
- Follow on Twitter (twitter.com/GeorgeSouthwark) and Facebook (facebook.com/southwarkfestival)

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Listings for most types of local event are free; details of events to be considered for inclusion next month should be sent by **Monday 23 April** to se1events@banksidepress.com or by post.

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This month in brief

Shakespeare's Restless World on BBC Radio 4

A fork discovered during excavations at the Rose Theatre on Bankside will be the subject of a programme presented by British Museum director Neil MacGregor on BBC Radio 4 this month. *Shakespeare's Restless World* is a 20-part series that looks at the world through the eyes of Shakespeare's audience. The fork will be featured in the programme to be broadcast on Wednesday 18 April at 1.45pm and 7.45pm. The Friday 20 April edition will focus on a rapier and dagger found on Bankside. These weapons will be used as a starting point to help address issues of culture and violence in Shakespeare's world and plays. www.bbc.co.uk/radio4

BOST Octavia Hill Award

The charity which manages Red Cross Garden and Waterloo Millennium Green has been shortlisted for an Octavia Hill Award by the National Trust. BOST is competing in the Green Space Guardians category along with the Friends of King Henry's Walk Garden in Islington and Waterloo-based Groundwork London, a charity which works across the capital. The winner will be chosen by public vote at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/octaviaawards – closing date 9 April.

SE1 Cricket

Cricket coach Ingram Jones is working with the Training for Life charity to set up a cricket club for children and adults which will meet indoors at the Downside Centre (Druid Street) in the winter and play in Southwark Park in the summer months. Check the website for details of the Easter cricket school. Ingram is also recruiting volunteer committee members to help run the club. www.downsidecentre.com
www.bayloricworldwide.com

New Bermondsey choir

Kristina Mansbridge is forming a new mixed choir in Bermondsey. It will meet weekly and sing classical repertoire as well as contemporary. Register your interest by emailing kristina.mansbridge@yahoo.co.uk.

Waterloo Netball Juniors

Is your daughter aged 9-14 years and interested in playing sport? Are you keen to get your daughter involved in a team activity with other girls where she will increase her skills and confidence? England Netball has given a grant to support the development of junior netball in Waterloo. Training sessions will begin after Easter at Archbishop's Park and Geraldine Mary Harmsworth Park. Places are limited. Contact waterloonetball@hotmail.co.uk for further information and to register your interest.

Southwark Free School

The group behind a 'free school' that planned to open in SE1 has announced that it has found premises in Rotherhithe New Road SE16. Public meetings for parents and other interested parties will be held at the Links Community Centre on 3 and 18 April. www.southwarkfreeschool.com

Tino Sehgal Workshops

Tate Modern is inviting local residents to participate in workshops with the artist Tino Sehgal in the Turbine Hall. Those of all ages and experience are welcome and participation is free. Refreshments will be provided. The workshops will take place from Sunday 15 to Wednesday 18 April between 4pm and 9pm. To take part contact ed.howat@tate.org.uk

London Marathon & Kayakathon

London Marathon takes place on Sunday 22 April and the usual road closures and diversions will be in place in the Tower Bridge area. Look out for Southwark Council leader Peter John who is running in aid of King's College Hospital Charity. The Kayakathon takes place on the Thames on the same day. www.virginlondonmarathon.com

Balcony Project

Do you have a balcony? A postgraduate student at London South Bank University needs your balcony photos, videos, stories and thoughts for her project on urban balconies. www.myurbanbalcony.co.uk

Mental Fight Club presents

The Great Southwark Dragon Quest for Adults & Children

Leaving daily, 12.30 pm from St George The Martyr Church, (right opposite Borough tube). **Saturday 21st, Sunday 22nd & Monday 23rd April.** Led by John Constable & Katie Nicholls to find the Georges & Dragons hidden in and around Borough High St. Finishes 2.00 pm. Booking advised.

£3 donation per person, for those who can afford it.
To book email mentalfightclub@btinternet.com.

Call Declan on 07813 900062



What's On

April

Comprehensive local listings

Special events

Borough Market

8 Southwark Street
www.boroughmarket.org.uk

Saturday 7 April
BIG CHOCOLATE TEA PARTY CAKE SALE

8am-5pm
Staff from the Sick Children's Trust will be on hand in the market throughout the day to sell chocolatey cakes and goodies to raise money for the charity.
→ Full info at se1.net/12359

Sunday 22 April
ST GEORGE'S DAY
12 noon-4pm

Community-focussed event to celebrate St George's Day with music and cookery demonstrations for the whole family. Part of **St George in Southwark Festival**
→ Full info at se1.net/12361

Cross Bones Graveyard

Redcross Way
www.crossbones.org.uk

Monday 23 April
ST GEORGE'S DAY VIGIL
7pm (gather from 6.45pm); free

A vigil to honour the outcast dead of Cross Bones Graveyard. Poetry, songs and simple participatory rituals led by John Constable and other local artists. Bring flowers or a memento to renew the living shrine at the gates, and a poem, song or something else to share. Part of **St George in Southwark Festival**
→ Full info at se1.net/12376

Downside Centre

Coxson Place, Druid Street T 020 7939 7400
www.downsidecentre.com

Sunday 29 April
CHARITY ZUMBATHON

2pm-4pm; Zumbathon £20; chef tuition £10; personal trainers £5 to book call 020 7403 1171

Six instructors, great music and a total of two hours of non-stop Zumba. Also including a 'healthy food' cooking class for 10-20 people in a chef's school kitchen taught by a Latin American chef, 5-a-side indoor soccer training, cricket tuition, table tennis and swimming. Fitness trainers will be available to give individual cross training and gym assessments. All in aid of five charities: Myasthenia Gravis, Cancer Research UK, British Heart Foundation, Asthma UK and Training for Life.
→ Full info at se1.net/12406

Elephant & Castle Shopping Centre

Elephant and Castle

Thursday 12 to Thursday 26 April
VISION QUEST: A RITUAL FOR ELEPHANT & CASTLE

Thu-Sun 6.30pm, 8pm & 9.30pm; £5.95
Artist, shaman and showman Marcus Coates presents his feature-length film - part documentary, part performance, part art, part archive - exploring the major transitions currently taking place at Elephant & Castle.
vision-quest.eventbrite.co.uk
→ Full info at se1.net/12380

Garden Museum

Lambeth Palace Road T 020 7401 8865
www.gardenmuseum.org.uk

Sunday 29 April
SPRING PLANTS AND GARDENS FAIR

10.30am-4pm; £5
The museum's largest plant fair of the year takes place both inside and outside in the garden.
→ Full info at se1.net/12239

Henry Wood Hall

Trinity Church Square
www.hwh.co.uk

Saturday 14 April
TNRA PORCH SALE

10am-3pm; free
Hundreds of secondhand books very cheap, plus CDs, DVDs and bric-a-brac at great prices.
→ Full info at se1.net/12355

Setchell TRA Hall

Hazel Way

Saturday 14 April
JUMBLE SALE

2pm-4pm; 20p
A Longfield Estate TRA event.
→ Full info at se1.net/12322

Shakespeare's Globe

New Globe Walk T 020 7401 9919
www.shakespearesglobe.com

Sunday 22 April
SONNET SUNDAY

10am-4.30pm; free
Open day to launch the theatre's ambitious Globe to Globe Festival, where all 37 Shakespeare plays will be performed in 37 different languages over six weeks. In a further celebration of language, Sonnet Sunday will offer a once in a lifetime opportunity to see all 154 of Shakespeare's sonnets performed in over 25 different languages, in addition to those featured in the festival. Alongside the sonnet marathon, there will be an international food market in the Underglobe as well as live music.
→ Full info at se1.net/12360

Southbank Centre Square

Belvedere Road
www.southbankcentre.co.uk

Friday 13 to Sunday 15 April
Friday 20 to Sunday 22 April
TASTE OF INDIA FOOD MARKET

Fri 12 noon-8pm; Sat 11am-8pm; Sun 12 noon-6pm
For two weekends during the Alchemy festival, a bustling Indian market with

food, fashion, jewellery and crafts.
→ Full info at se1.net/12381

Friday 27 to Sunday 29 April
THE CHEESE & WINE FESTIVAL

Fri & Sat 11am-8pm; Sun 11am-6pm
→ Full info at se1.net/11983

Southwark Cathedral

London Bridge T 020 7367 6700
www.southwarkcathedral.org.uk

Monday 23 April
CELEBRATING SHAKESPEARE AND DICKENS

2pm; free
Rick Jones, Jane Jones and Arthur Smith will tell in words and music how Dickens wouldn't have been Dickens without Shakespeare.
→ Full info at se1.net/12140

St George the Martyr

Borough High Street T 020 7357 7331
www.stgeorge-themartyr.co.uk

Saturday 21 April
ST GEORGE FESTIVAL FUN DAY

The Crypt; 2pm-5pm; free
Come and discover what St George means to some of Southwark's diverse communities. With dance, music, food and gardening. Part of **St George in Southwark Festival**
→ Full info at se1.net/12430

Saturday 21 to Monday 23 April
THE GREAT SOUTHWARK DRAGON QUEST

12.30pm-2pm; £3 per person; booking advised mentalfightclub@btinternet.com or call 07813 900062

Join John Constable & Katie Nicholls on a quest to find the Georges and dragons hidden in and around Borough High Street. A Mental Fight Club event for adults and children.

Part of **Mental Fight Club** & **St George in Southwark Festival**
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The George Inn

77 Borough High Street

Saturday 14 April

HIDDEN WONDERS MYSTERY HUNT: THE SINS OF SOUTHWARK1pm; suggested fee £10; booking essential www.hiddenwonders.co.uk

Explore the dark past of Bankside and Borough, solving clues to reveal the truth behind a Dickensian crime. Come as a team or join one at the start. The hunt lasts about two hours.

→ Full info at se1.net/12266

The Goldsmith

65 Southwark Bridge Road T 020 7593 1312

Sunday 1 April

A WARDROBE SPRING FLING SAMPLE SALE12 noon-5pm
In celebration of melle j cleaning out her closet for Spring, designer samples from LAGA of Spain will be featured at this one day event on the second floor of the pub at 75 per cent off retail prices.
→ Full info at se1.net/12379

Various locations

Monday 23 April

THE BALLAD OF ST GEORGE & THE DRAGON2.30pm at St George's Cathedral Primary School, Lambeth Road; free
3.45pm at Redcross Garden, Redcross Way; free
4.45pm in Southwark Cathedral Millennium Courtyard, Montague Close
5.45pm in Tabard Street Piazza next to St George the Martyr

Open-air theatre with the Lions part. Featuring our hero St George and a magnificent dragon created by the company, the Ballad celebrates our national day in 12 exciting musical minutes.

Part of St George in Southwark Festival
→ Full info at se1.net/12431

Waterloo Library

114-118 Lower Marsh T 020 7926 8750
www.lambeth.gov.uk

Wednesday 11 April

LAMBETH COOPERATIVE LIBRARIES CONSULTATION10am-12 noon
Do you want to 'coproduce' the library service in Waterloo? Find out more at Lambeth Council's consultation on the creation of a borough-wide network of cooperative libraries.→ Full info at se1.net/12212

Woolfson & Tay

12 Bermondsey Square T 020 7407 9316
www.woolfsonandtay.com

Wednesday 4 April

SOUTHWARK LGBT MONTHLY7pm-9pm; free
Southwark LGBT Network welcomes Remi F and Jules Enever to its monthly social and networking events for a Reggae / Rock Blue / Latin / Ska Punk performance with a queer twist. Free tea & coffee.→ Full info at se1.net/12371

Children & family

Bankside Gallery

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

Friday 13 April

YOUR LONDON: FAMILY ART WORKSHOP11.30am; free
A fun day for children and families. Led by Royal Watercolour Society artists who will help you get creative and paint a panorama of what you see around you just outside the gallery - St Paul's, the Millennium Bridge, Shakespeare's Globe, the River Thames, the new Blackfriars Bridge and the City over the river.→ Full info at se1.net/12282

Downside Centre

Coxson Place, Druid Street T 020 7939 7400
www.downsidecentre.com

Wednesday 4 April

EASTER ANIMAL ANTICS9.30am-12.30pm; £20; booking required
020 7939 7400 or 07729 455486
Face painting, refreshments, games, yoga, arts and crafts.→ Full info at se1.net/12405

Imperial War Museum

Lambeth Road T 020 7416 5000
london.iwm.org.uk
Daily 10am-6pm; free

Friday 6 to Sunday 15 April

MEET THE FAMILY11am-1pm & 2pm-4pm; free
Find out more about the Allpress Family, the Stockwell family who feature in the new exhibition, *A Family in Wartime*. Through hands-on activities discover how the family coped with the difficulties of living on the home front during the Second World War. Free drop-in activities for all ages with parental supervision.→ Full info at se1.net/12390

Globe Education Sackler Studios

Park Street/Bear Gardens
www.shakespeares-globe.org

Tuesday 3 to Saturday 14 April

THE DREAM SPACE11am & 2pm; £8 (family £25)
Families can enjoy enchanting 60 minute storytelling performances as part exploring the magic and mayhem of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The performances are designed for children aged 5 and upwards. Created especially for children and their families, *The Dream Space* explores the illusion and mystery of one of Shakespeare's best loved and funniest plays through a mixture of performance and puppetry.→ Full info at se1.net/12391

Shortwave Cinema

10 Bermondsey Square T 020 7357 6845
www.shortwavefilms.co.uk

Saturday 21 April

HAPPY FEET TWO

11am-1am; £4 per child; accompanying adult free

Kids' club screening.

→ Full info at se1.net/12389

St Mary Magdalen

Bermondsey Street
www.stmarysbermondsey.org.uk

Friday 13 April

CLASSICS WITH MY BABY: THE ART OF SONG

10.30am (eat cake and mingle from 10am); adults £10 (children free) at the door

Featuring Norbert Meyn (tenor), Philippa Mo (violin) and Miaomiao Yu (piano). From performances in the major halls of Europe, Norbert Meyn (tenor) brings you a programme of art songs from the classical masters. Hear of a child's longing for Spring (here was Mozart in 1791 stuck in Viennese snow); flowers and burning love (Haydn felt this long before Elvis); the hurly-burly of roaring cannons and ships at sea (Haydn again) and tales of wandering spirits... The classical series for babies and toddlers this month opens its doors to children of all ages for this Easter holiday concert.

→ Full info at se1.net/12130

Public meetings

Bankside Community Space

18 Great Guildford Street T 020 7928 3998

Monday 16 April

BANKSIDE RESIDENTS' FORUM: OPEN FORUM6.30pm
→ Full info at se1.net/12432

Coin Street Neighbourhood Centre

108 Stamford Street T 020 7021 1600
www.coinstreet.org

Thursday 19 April

SOUTH BANK FORUM7pm-9pm
Quarterly meeting for South Bank and Waterloo residents convened by Kate Hoey MP and Simon Hughes MP.
→ Full info at se1.net/12330

Southwark Council

www.southwark.gov.uk

Wednesday 25 April

BOROUGH & BANKSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL7pm; venue to be announced
Meeting for residents of Cathedrals and Chaucer wards. Learn about local projects and talk to your councillors and neighbours. Final Borough & Bankside meeting before merger with Walworth.
→ Full info at se1.net/10938

Thursday 26 April

BERMONDSEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL7pm; venue to be announced
Meeting for residents of Riverside, Grange and South Bermondsey wards. The theme is Olympics legacy, sport and leisure. Final Bermondsey meeting before planned merger with Rotherhithe.
→ Full info at se1.net/10932

Talks & literature

Calder Bookshop

51 The Cut T 020 7620 2900
www.calderbookshop.com

Monday 16 April

IRISH HUMOUR: CALDER'S THEATRE OF LITERATURE7pm; £7 (conc £5)
John Calder's monthly presentation. Flann O'Brian, Joyce, and other wits. In association with Cockpit Theatre.
→ Full info at se1.net/12079

New Cut Housing Co-operative Hall

106 The Cut

Tuesday 10 April

EXCAVATIONS OF ROMAN WORKSHOPS AT 8-10 MOORGATE7.30pm (refreshments from 7pm); £1
Lecture by Alison Telfer from Museum of London Archaeology. A Southwark & Lambeth Archaeological Society event.
→ Full info at se1.net/11425

St John's Waterloo

Waterloo Road T 020 7633 9819
www.stjohnswaterloo.org

Tuesday 17 April

FRIENDS ACROSS FAITHS? JUSTICE, ISLAM AND CHRISTIANITY6pm; free
Talk by Rt Revd Richard Cheetham, Bishop of Kingston. First of the Isaiah Community's 'Just Good Friends?' season of reflections on friendship, justice and spirituality. The Isaiah Community meets every Tuesday at 6pm to pray for love and justice in the world.
→ Full info at se1.net/12423

Tuesday 24 April

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE: A NEW KIND OF JUSTICE6pm; free
Mark Woodruff, The Monument Trust.
→ Full info at se1.net/12424

The Old King's Head

45-49 Borough High Street T 020 7407 1550
www.theoldkingshead.uk.com

Thursday 12 April

THAMESLORE: MERMAIDS, PIRATES AND THINGS THAT GO SPLASH IN THE NIGHT8pm; £2.50 (conc £1.50)
Tony Malone will be talking about the lore and contemporary traditions of water-folk, journeying from the coast to the estuary to the tidal and beyond. South East London Folklore Society.
→ Full info at se1.net/12362

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Thursday 12 April

DICKENS, LAMBETH AND THE RIVER THAMES7pm; free
Dickens the novelist, Dickens the journalist and Dickens the social reformer: the man came to Lambeth in many guises. Lambeth Archivist, Jon Newman, explores his overlapping accounts and descriptions of the placeGet your advert
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and in particular of the River Thames that flowed around it and made Lambeth distinct from the rest of London.

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Woolfson & Tay

12 Bermondsey Square T 020 7407 9316
www.woolfsonandtay.com

Friday 6 April
LIFE STORIES CAFE: TRUE STORYTELLING EVENT

7pm; £5
Quarterly storytelling event returns with an opening session on theme of 'Womb.' Featuring: Writer-performer, singer-songwriter and cabaret artist Marcus Reeves, writer/poet Malika Booker, literary activist, editor and publisher Kadija 'George' Sesay, performance poet Zena Edwards and poet/publisher Dorothea Smartt. Booking advised.
→ Full info at se1.net/12331

Tuesday 17 April
AFTERKLEIST ANORATORIO

7.30pm; Free but booking advised
A Four Second Decay Production featuring Marcia Farquhar, Ella Finer, Matthew Fink, Ernst Fischer, Joe Hales, Justin Hunt, Robbie Jack, Flora Pitrolo, Maggie Pittard and P A Skantze.
→ Full info at se1.net/12338

Church services

Southwark Cathedral

London Bridge T 020 7367 6700
www.southwarkcathedral.org.uk

Wednesday 4 April
CHORAL EVENING

3.30pm-4.30pm
Sung by the Girls' Choir and lay clerks. Broadcast live on BBC Radio 3. Please be seated before 3.15pm to be part of the broadcast.
→ Full info at se1.net/12415

Guided walks

London Trails

londontrails.wordpress.com

Saturday 7 April
WATERLOO WALK WITH OLD MAPS

11am; £8 (conc £6); email kenitmiss@yahoo.co.uk to book
Join Ken Titmuss for a walk with old maps round the neighbourhood that lies beyond the South Bank.
→ Full info at se1.net/12363

Rose Theatre Exhibition

56 Park Street T 020 7261 9565
www.rosetheatre.org.uk

Monday 9 April
A TOUR OF ELIZABETHAN BANKSIDE WITH THE ROSE

7pm; £15 (conc £12) from 020 7261 9565
or boxoffice@rosetheatre.org.uk
Explore the Liberty of the Clink.
→ Full info at se1.net/11991

Southwark Mysteries

Saturday 14 April
ELEPHANT LOST AND FOUND

11am (meet 10.45am) outside Cuming Museum, 151 Walworth Road SE17; £7 (conc £5)
This walk around Elephant & Castle and the Walworth Road explores the sites of the old pubs and music halls, the zoo and pleasure gardens, and much more - from Georgian times through the Blitz to the latest redevelopments. Rediscover long lost places and famous or forgotten residents - from Charlie Chaplin to Austin Osman Spare. Led by John Constable, author of *The Southwark Mysteries* and *Secret Bankside*. No advance booking. Please arrive early to be sure of a place.
→ Full info at se1.net/12374

Tuesday 17 April
THE DICKENS

7pm (meet 6.45pm) at Tabard Street Piazza next to St George the Martyr; £7 (conc £5)
In 1824, Charles Dickens' father was imprisoned for debt in the Marshalsea Prison. This walk explores Dickens' childhood encounter with the Victorian underworld, visiting the places which cast a shadow over his entire life and inspired scenes in novels from Little Dorrit to Oliver Twist. Led by John Constable. No advance booking. Please arrive early to be sure of a place.
→ Full info at se1.net/12375

Old Operating Theatre, Museum and Herb Garret

9a St Thomas Street T 020 7188 2679
www.thegarret.org.uk

Friday 6 April
VICTORIAN HEALTH WALK

11am; £8; booking essential
The walk covers fascinating aspects of the historic development, health history and heritage of the area. Southwark's location at the south end of London Bridge has made it a key strategic development site since Roman times. Suitable for all ages.
→ Full info at se1.net/12393

Saturday 7 April
KING CHOLERA WALK

11am; £8; booking essential
A tour of the London Bridge area incorporating the reports of the infamous diseases that threatened the lives of the working poor of London. Death by infection, death by water.
→ Full info at se1.net/12394

Comedy

The Horse

122-124 Westminster Br Rd T 020 7928 6277
www.horsebar.co.uk

Friday 13 April
WHY THE LONG FACE?

8pm; free
Pat Cahill, Chris Mayo, Tony Cowards, Samantha Hannah, Andrew West, Sahar Mihardi, Sunna Jarman, Simon Caine, Steph Peart. MC: Damien St John.
→ Full info at se1.net/12254

Friday 27 April
WHY THE LONG FACE?

8pm; free
Daniel Simonsen, Matthew Crosby, Jay Cowle, Adam Belbin, Christian Elderfield, Andrew West, Steph Peart, Simon Caine, Andrew West and Damien St John. MC: Dan Green.
→ Full info at se1.net/12255

The Miller

96 Snowsfields
www.themiller.co.uk

Monday 2 April
HUNGRY MILLER'S COMEDY LAUGH BAG

8pm-10.30pm; £5 (students/online £3)
Gordon Southern and Tom Craine.
→ Full info at se1.net/12030

Tuesday 3 April
HOOPLA IMPROV COMEDY CLUB

8pm-10pm; £5
Short-form games and scenes from Arthur, followed by an improvised television schedule from Do Not Adjust Your Stage.
→ Full info at se1.net/12395

Wednesday 4 April
PROJECT TWO AND AUSTENTATIOUS

8pm-10pm; £5
Two person improv featuring Chris Mead and Jon Monkhouse, followed by Austentatious the improvised Jane Austen novel.
→ Full info at se1.net/12400

Monday 9 April
HUNGRY MILLER'S COMEDY LAUGH BAG

8pm-10.30pm; £5 (students/online £3)
Ed Aczel and Rosie Wilby.
→ Full info at se1.net/12031

Tuesday 10 April
HOOPLA IMPROV COMEDY CLUB

8pm-10pm; £5
Improvvised musical followed by improvised storytelling.
→ Full info at se1.net/12396

Wednesday 11 April
HAPPY PLACE

8pm-10pm; £5
Music and comedy from acalimed musical comedy duo Horse and Louis, as they present their pick of the London cabaret circuit.
→ Full info at se1.net/12401

Tuesday 17 April
HOOPLA IMPROV COMEDY CLUB

8pm-10pm; £5
Short-form games and scenes from Arthur, followed by debut solo show The Rozone.
→ Full info at se1.net/12397

Wednesday 18 April
SHOTGUN IMPRO

8pm-10pm; £5
"Whose Line Is It Anyway?" style fast-paced comedy improvisation, with no rehearsal, preparation or script. All based on audience suggestion.
→ Full info at se1.net/12402

Tuesday 24 April
HOOPLA IMPROV COMEDY CLUB

8pm-10pm; £5
Improvvised karaoke where some of the

finest musical improvisers attempt to invent brand new and hilariously funny songs on the spot.

→ Full info at se1.net/12398

Wednesday 25 April
IMPROV COMEDY SMACKDOWN

8pm-10pm; £5
Monthly improv smackdown continues to divide friendships as teams of (previously friendly) rival improv teams battle to the death.
→ Full info at se1.net/12403

Music

1901 Arts Club

7 Exton Street T 020 7620 3055
www.1901artsclub.com

Wednesday 18 April
LUNCHTIME RECITAL

1pm; £7.50 (booking essential)
Mikhail Petrov (cello). Part of the Philharmonia Orchestra's Martin Musical Scholarship Fund lunchtime recital series.
→ Full info at se1.net/11813

St John's Waterloo

Waterloo Road T 020 7633 9819
www.stjohnswaterloo.org

Thursday 19 April
RUSH HOUR CONCERT

6pm; free
Free after-work concert with Southbank Sinfonia. Enjoy a complimentary glass of wine while you listen.
→ Full info at se1.net/12296

Friday 20 April
FLUTEMUSIC

1.10pm; free
Join Colleen Muriel (flute), Eric Stevens (piano) and Keith Long (baritone soloist) for a lunchtime programme of light classics, serious classics, folk songs, hymns and some new music.
→ Full info at se1.net/12121

Thursday 26 April
RUSH HOUR CONCERT

6pm; free
Southbank Sinfonia after-work concert.
→ Full info at se1.net/12297

Friday 27 April
LUNCHTIME RECITAL

1.10pm-1.50pm; free
Thai/Swiss pianist Nina Leo plays Debussy, Bach-Busoni and Liszt.
→ Full info at se1.net/12377

Theatre

Menier Chocolate Factory

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

Until Saturday 21 April
ABIGAIL'S PARTY

Tue-Sat 8pm; Sat & Sun 3.30pm; £29.50 (conc £27); meal deal £37
Mike Leigh's play is directed by Lindsay Posner, with Jill Halfpenny as Beverly.
→ Full info at se1.net/12113

Wednesday 25 April to Saturday 12 May
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Matthew Kelly and Claire Sweeney star in Willy Russell's modern classic, directed by Tamara Harvey.

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Rose Theatre Exhibition

56 Park Street T 020 7261 9565
www.rosetheatre.org.uk

Tuesday 3 April to Friday 4 May
THE COMEDY OF ERRORS

Tue-Sat 7.30pm; Sun 3pm; £12 (conc £10) from 020 7261 9565 or boxoffice@rosetheatre.org.uk

Regarded by some as Shakespeare's first play, *The Comedy of Errors* comes to The Rose Theatre Bankside for the first time.

→ Full info at se1.net/11994

Southwark Playhouse

Shipwright Yard T 020 7407 0234
www.southwarkplayhouse.co.uk

Until Saturday 14 April
SHIVERED

Mon-Sat 7.45pm; Sat 3.15pm; £10, £14, £18

Olivia Poulet, best known as Tory staffer Emma Messinger in *The Thick of It*, stars opposite Joseph Drake in the world premiere of Philip Ridley's new play.

→ Full info at se1.net/12244

Wednesday 11 April to Saturday 5 May
BLACK FIGHTS WITH DOGS

The Vault; Mon-Sat 7.30pm; Sat 3pm; £9, £13, £17

The first London revival of Bernard-Marie Koltes' play in over 20 years. Translated by David Bradby and Maria M. Delgado. Directed by Alexander Zeldin.

→ Full info at se1.net/12242

Wednesday 18 April to Saturday 12 May
SOMEONE WHO'LL WATCH OVER ME

Mon-Sat 7.45pm; Sat 3.15pm; £10/£14/£18

20th anniversary production of Frank McGuinness's play.

→ Full info at se1.net/12404

The Old Vic

103 The Cut T 0844 871 7628
www.oldvictheatre.com

Until Saturday 9 June

THE DUCHESS OF MALFI

Mon-Sat 7.30pm; Wed & Sat 2.30pm; £12-£49.50

Eve Best in John Webster's Jacobean tragedy directed by Jamie Lloyd.

→ Full info at se1.net/12314

Unicorn Theatre

147 Tooley Street T 020 7645 0560
www.unicorntheatre.com

Until Sunday 15 April

THE LEGEND OF CAPTAIN CROW'S TEETH

2pm; £15 (conc £12; child £10)

A pirate story based on best selling book by Eoin Colfer. Directed by Matthew Lenton. For ages 7+.

→ Full info at se1.net/12349

Union Theatre

204 Union Street T 020 7261 9876
www.uniontheatre.biz

Until Saturday 7 April

HOW'S THE WORLD TREATING YOU?

Tue-Sat 7.30pm; Su 2pm & 6pm; £14

Roger Milner's surreal comedy.

→ Full info at se1.net/12106

Wednesday 18 April to Saturday 12 May
BABES IN ARMS

Tue-Sat 7.30pm; Sun 2pm & 6pm; £18

Set in a 1950s Summer stock theatre, *Babes in Arms* follows a young group of apprentices as they try to mount a musical revue.

→ Full info at se1.net/12283

Waterloo East Theatre

Brad Street T 020 7928 0060
www.waterlooeast.co.uk

Thursday 12 & Friday 13 April
OLIVER TWIST

7.30pm; £10

In addition to powerful drama, comedy and fast-moving action, the TNT production has been highly praised for its capella score by the composer Thomas Johnson. Directed by Paul Stebbings.

→ Full info at se1.net/12413

Until Saturday 14 April

MONTY & MIRABELLA: THE LITTLE THINGS

times vary; £9 (conc £70; family tickets available)

Step into a storybook world of imagination and investigation as Monty and Mirabella take you on a musical uplifting slapstick journey.

→ Full info at se1.net/12306

Young Vic

66 The Cut T 020 7928 6363
www.youngvic.org

Until Saturday 7 April

AFTER MISS JULIE

7.45pm (Wed & Sat matinee 2.45pm); £17.50 (previews £10)

Natalie Abrahami, co-artistic director of The Gate, directs Patrick Marber's passionate tragedy.

→ Full info at se1.net/11623

Friday 13 April to Sunday 13 May

WILD SWANS

Times vary; £10-£29.50

This first-ever stage version brings together Jung Chang with playwright Alexandra Wood, director Sacha Ware, designer Miriam Buether and Beijing video artist Wang GongXin.

→ Full info at se1.net/11790

Cinema

Shortwave Cinema

10 Bermondsey Square T 020 7357 6845
www.shortwavefilms.co.uk

Until Thursday 5 April

WUTHERING HEIGHTS

Sun/Wed/Thu 8pm; £8 (conc £7)

A bold new adaptation of Emily Brontë's classic novel. Director: Andrea Arnold. Starring: Kaya Scodelario, James Howson.

→ Full info at se1.net/12312

Friday 6 to Wednesday 11 April

MY WEEK WITH MARILYN

Fri/Sat/Sun/Wed 8pm; £8 (conc £7)

Director: Simon Curtis. Starring: Michelle Williams, Eddie Redmayne, Kenneth Branagh, Dominic Cooper.

→ Full info at se1.net/12386

Wednesday 18 to Thursday 26 April

OSLO, AUGUST 31ST

Wed 18/Wed 25/Thu 26 8pm; £8 (conc £7)

From critically acclaimed director Joachim Trier comes a film about one man's attempts to reconcile his past.

→ Full info at se1.net/12387

Friday 20 to Sunday 29 April

THE DEEP BLUE SEA

Fri 20 12 noon; Sat 28/Sun 29 8pm; £8 (conc £7)

Hester Collyer (Rachel Weisz) leads a privileged life in 1950s London as the beautiful wife of high court judge Sir William Collyer (Simon Russell Beale).

→ Full info at se1.net/12388

Exhibitions

Anise Gallery

13a Shad Thames T 020 7403 9938
www.anisegallery.co.uk
Sat & Sun 10am-6pm; free

Until Wednesday 18 April

MASKED

Rising South London artist Tess Greig.

→ Full info at se1.net/12267

ASC Gallery

Erlang House, 128 Blackfriars Road
Mon-Sat 1.30pm-5pm; free

Until Friday 18 May

APPLE AND PEAR: JOHANN ARENS

A new installation by Johann Arens.

→ Full info at se1.net/12364

Bankside Gallery

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

Until Saturday 21 April

ROYAL WATERCOLOUR SOCIETY SPRING EXHIBITION

→ Full info at se1.net/11109

Tuesday 24 to Sunday 29 April

NEW ENGLISH ART CLUB

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Bermondsey Project Space

46 Willow Walk
www.bowarts.org/studios/se1-studios
Thu-Sun 1pm-6pm;

Friday 20 April to Sunday 13 May

DAVE PEARSON: BYZANTIUM AND BEYOND

When the artist Dave Pearson died in 2008 he left behind a colossal body of work - well over 15,000 paintings, drawings and prints - in a ramshackle studio in the small mill town of Haslingden, in Lancashire.

→ Full info at se1.net/12373

Design Museum

Shad Thames T 0870 909 9009
www.designmuseum.org
Daily 10am-5.45pm (last admission 5.15pm); £10 (conc £9; students 6); Under 12s free

Until Saturday 14 April

SIR TERENCE CONRAN: THE WAY WE LIVE NOW

→ Full info at se1.net/11176

Until Sunday 15 July

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Drawing Room

12 Rich Estate, Crimscott Street
www.drawingroom.org.uk
Tue-Sat 12 noon-6pm; free

Until Saturday 28 April

FRANZ ERHARD WALTHER: DRAWINGS

First solo exhibition in the UK.

→ Full info at se1.net/12356

Fashion & Textile Museum

83 Bermondsey Street T 020 7407 8664
www.ftmlondon.org
Exhibitions Tue-Sat 11am-6pm; £7 (conc £5); under-12s free

Until Saturday 16 June

DESIGNING WOMEN: POST-WAR BRITISH TEXTILES

A unique British brand of modernism (1950s-1970s) that influenced the world.

→ Full info at se1.net/11753

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Oxo Tower Wharf T 020 7021 1686
www.coinstreet.org
Daily 11am-6pm; free

Until Sunday 1 April

THE GLAXOMITHKLINE SHIFTING PERSPECTIVES 2012

A photographic exhibition created to challenge commonly-held misconceptions about people with Down's syndrome.

→ Full info at se1.net/12271

Wednesday 4 to Sunday 15 April

ALL THAT GLISTERS

Calligraphy and Lettering Arts Society.

→ Full info at se1.net/12277

Garden Museum

Lambeth Palace Road T 020 7401 8865
www.gardenmuseum.org.uk
Daily 10.30am-5pm (closed 1st Mon of month); £7 (conc £6; under-16s free)

Tuesday 24 April to Sunday 24 June

GARDEN OPEN TODAY: 300 YEARS OF GARDEN VISITING

The story of our love affair with other people's gardens.

→ Full info at se1.net/12240

George and Jorgen

9 Morocco Street
www.georgeandjorgen.com
Wed-Fri 10am-6pm; Sat 11am-6pm; Sun 12 noon-5pm;

Until Sunday 22 April

DRIP INTO SOMETHING MORE COMFORTABLE: PADDY GOULD AND ROXY TOPIA

The sculptures, drawings and video collage of artists and lovers Roxy Topia and Paddy Gould explore themes of sexuality, creativity, dynamism and duality in the context of contemporary hetero "normative" relationships.

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Southbank Centre, T 020 7921 0813
www.southbankcentre.co.uk/visualarts
Daily 10am-6pm (Thu & Fri till 8pm);
£11 (seniors £10, students £8, under-16
£4.50; under 12 free)

Until Sunday 13 May
DAVID SHRIGLEY: BRAIN ACTIVITY
British artist David Shrigley is best known
for his humorous drawings that make
witty and wry observations on everyday
life.
→ Full info at se1.net/11325

Until Sunday 13 May
JEREMY DELLER: JOY IN EVERYTHING
A hugely influential artist for much
of the past two decades, Turner Prize
winner Jeremy Deller has helped to
rewrite the rules of contemporary art.
→ Full info at se1.net/11326

Imperial War Museum

Lambeth Road T 020 7416 5000
london.iwm.org.uk
Daily 10am-6pm; free

Until Sunday 15 April
SHAPED BY WAR: PHOTOGRAPHS BY DON MCCULLIN
£7 (conc £6)
The largest ever UK exhibition about the
life and work of one of the world's most
acclaimed photographers.
→ Full info at se1.net/11319

Until Sunday 29 April
ORI GERSHT: THIS STORM IS WHAT WE CALL PROGRESS
Two recent film works by the Israeli-born
London-based artist that reflect on
individuals' life experiences which were
shaped by the Second World War.
→ Full info at se1.net/12009

Until Friday 30 November
WAR STORY: SERVING IN AFGHANISTAN
10 years after British troops first entered
Afghanistan, the display features 15
personal artefacts as well as digital
screens packed with video footage,
images and interviews.
→ Full info at se1.net/11695

Thursday 5 April to Monday 31 December
A FAMILY IN WARTIME
On 3 September 1939, Britain declared
war on Germany. For every family
in Britain life would never be the
same again. Through the eyes of the
Allpress family this exhibition tells the
story of how ordinary people braved
the challenges of life on the home front
during the Second World War.
→ Full info at se1.net/12368

Jacob's Island Gallery

10-11 Shad Thames T 020 7407 8850
www.jacobisland.co.uk
Thu-Sun 12 noon-5pm; free

Until Saturday 12 May
RESPONSIVE EYES
Anthony Antonellis, Paul B Davis,
Thomas Lock, Sara Ludy, Mike Ruiz, Lucy
Stokton, Mark Titchner, Artie Vierkant.
→ Full info at se1.net/12315

Jerwood Space

171 Union Street T 020 7654 0171
www.jerwoodspace.co.uk
Mon-Fri 10am-5pm; Sat & Sun
10am-3pm; free

Until Sunday 22 April
TOMORROW NEVER KNOWS
Jerwood/Film & Video Umbrella Awards.
→ Full info at se1.net/12307

Until Saturday 28 April
MY (WE): KATIE SCHWAB AND JAMIE GEORGE
New sculptural and photographic works
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Llewellyn Alexander Fine Paintings
124-126 The Cut T 020 7620 1322
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Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; free

Monday 16 April to Saturday 5 May
THE LONDON ART SHOW
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Menier Gallery

51 Southwark Street T 020 7407 3222
www.meniergallery.co.uk
Mon-Sat 10am-6pm; free

Tuesday 3 to Saturday 14 April
TALES OF THE SNAKE & CROW
Crow's work explores the equilibrium
which exists between the intellect and
instinct. Closed over Easter weekend.
→ Full info at se1.net/12411

Tuesday 3 to Saturday 14 April
BEGIN MY MUSES: JOHN WOODMAN
Debut solo show by English painter.
Closed over Easter weekend.
→ Full info at se1.net/12412

Wednesday 25 to Saturday 28 April
MOONSTRUCK
Animals Asia Foundation exhibition of
drawings and sculptures featuring moon
bears and other Chinese wildlife.
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National Theatre

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Nolia's Gallery

60 Great Suffolk Street T 020 7701 9111
www.noliassgallery.co.uk
Daily 1pm-6pm; free

Until Wednesday 4 April
QUICK IN THE MOMENT
→ Full info at se1.net/12407

Sunday 29 April to Wednesday 2 May
NOBODY LIKES US: PHOTOGRAPHY AND FINE ART
Photography by Dean Adrian Tanner and
illustration by Mate "Entenn" Jako.
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Old Operating Theatre, Museum and Herb Garret

9a St Thomas Street T 020 7188 2679
www.thegarret.org.uk
Daily 10.30am-5pm; £5.90; conc £4.90;
child £3.40; family (2+4) £13.80

Thursday 19 April to Thursday 17 May
TALES OF MYSTERY & MEDICINE: ROBERTO LARI
Italian illustrator and graphic novel artist
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Poppy Sebire Gallery

Copperfield Street T 020 7928 3096
www.poppysebire.com
Tue-Sat 10am-6pm; free

Until Saturday 5 May
BOO RITSON: ON THE WAY TO THE OCEAN
→ Full info at se1.net/12350

Poussin Gallery

175 Bermondsey Street T 020 7403 4444
www.poussin-gallery.com
Tue-Sat 11am-6pm; free

Until Saturday 14 April
GARTH EVANS: EVOLVING CONSTRUCTIONS 1959-1980
Early works by Garth Evans.
→ Full info at se1.net/12268

Purdy Hicks Gallery

65 Hopton Street T 020 7401 9229
www.purdyhicks.com
Mon-Fri 10am-6pm; Sat 11am-6pm; free

Until Saturday 14 April
SANDRA KANTANEN: PHOTOGRAPHS 2009-2012
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Southwark Cathedral

London Bridge T 020 7367 6700
www.southwarkcathedral.org.uk
Refectory Mon-Fri 8.30am-6pm; Sat &
Sun 10am-6pm; free

Until Monday 16 April
WITHIN A MILE: LES WILLIAMS
Paintings of places within a mile of the
cathedral.
→ Full info at se1.net/12231

Tuesday 17 April to Friday 18 May
MICHAEL GRATER: A RETROSPECTIVE
Prolific children's author and illustrator.
→ Full info at se1.net/12232

Tate Modern

Bankside T 020 7887 8888
www.tate.org.uk/modern
Sun-Thu 10am-6pm; Fri & Sat
10am-10pm; free

Until Monday 9 April
TACITA DEAN: FILM: THE UNILEVER SERIES
Last chance to see Turbine Hall show.
→ Full info at se1.net/9967

Until Sunday 27 May
ALIGHIERO BOETTI: GAME PLAN
£10 (conc £8.50)
The first large-scale retrospective of
Boetti's work to be held outside Italy in
over a decade.
→ Full info at se1.net/12053

Until Tuesday 5 June
YAYOI KUSAMA
£14 (conc £8.50)
Yayoi Kusama's pioneering work spans
over six decades and this exhibition will
highlight the artist's moments of most
intense innovation.
→ Full info at se1.net/12052

Wednesday 4 April to Sunday 9 September
DAMIEN HIRST
£14 (conc £12.20)
The first substantial survey of Damien
Hirst's work ever held in the UK.
→ Full info at se1.net/11290

Vitrine Gallery

Bermondsey Square
www.vitrinegallery.co.uk
24 hours; free

Sunday 1 to Saturday 14 April
EDWIN BURDIS: UCCICA/2012
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→ Full info at se1.net/12383

Wednesday 18 to Sunday 29 April
DAVID PAREDES: AT THE END OF MY THREE STITCHED STEPS
A performance-installation in three acts.
→ Full info at se1.net/12384

White Cube Bermondsey

144-152 Bermondsey Street T 020 7930 5373
www.whitecube.com
Wed-Sat 10am-6pm; Sun 12 noon-6pm;
free

Until Saturday 12 May
GILBERT & GEORGE: LONDON PICTURES
Multi-site exhibition at White Cube's
London galleries featuring works based
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→ Full info at se1.net/12280

Until Saturday 12 May
LIU WEI
Sculpture, painting and installation.
→ Full info at se1.net/12420

Until Saturday 12 May
MADEIN COMPANY
Artists' collective founded by Shanghai-
based artist Xu Zhen.
→ Full info at se1.net/12421

Woolfson & Tay

12 Bermondsey Square T 020 7407 9316
www.woolfsonandtay.com
Mon-Sat 11am-7pm; Sun 11am-5pm;

Tuesday 17 to Sunday 29 April
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BOOK REVIEW

The History of the NME

Pat Long • Portico • £14.99
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NME stands for *New Musical Express* which has been based near Blackfriars Bridge on and off for most of its sixty years.

Pat Long's thorough history recalls in some detail the *NME's* arrival at the new King's Reach Tower in 1972. The building was at once deemed ugly with Jonathan Coe describing it as 'a monstrous symphony of variegated browns, jutting over the others like a sculptured turd'. Strange smells in the building were blamed on the site having been a plague pit.

Staff wondered if the paper could continue to call itself 'underground' when they shared lifts with scribblers from *Horse & Hound* and

the *Shooting Times*. It was also suddenly difficult to buy speed as visitors had to sign in and out at reception. Julie Burchill and Tony Parsons tried to make the office look different from others by buying garden gnomes and lava lamps in a Waterloo shop.

The great fear at *NME* was that if *NME* made itself too unpopular they would be forced to join *Melody Maker* 'whose offices were in a pre-fab Second World War Nissen hut in a forlorn street behind Waterloo'. This was the tennis court site on the corner of Hatfields and Meymott Street.

NME did return to the north bank but in 1988 it was forced back to the 'corporate bosom' to share space on the tower's 25th floor with *Mizz* and *Shoot*. That was the year when *Melody Maker* went to the 26th floor abandoning its 'pre-fab gulag' to nature.

Now *NME* is in even more prestigious accommodation at the Blue Fin Building in Southwark Street where the author was assistant editor.

BOOK REVIEW

An Inner City Guide to Surviving The Credit Crunch

Healing Factory • £9.99
Buy this book at www.inSE1.co.uk/books

Winsome Duncan is a poet and singer-songwriter who has worked with disaffected youth.

Her debut book was a poetry collection on the theme of overeating. Now Winsome, a Southwark resident for over a decade, has produced a practical paperback aimed at helping people to survive the credit crunch.

Her suggestions include washing one's own hair rather than constantly going to a hairdressers, cooking at home but not using ready made meals and shopping around for the best price.

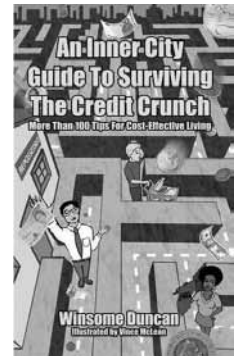
As a performer and radio host the author gets invited to more parties than many people. This she says is a good opportunity to both eat well and adopt the American custom of taking a 'doggy bag' home with any leftover food.

But she is firm about not over eating or allowing your own guests to eat far too much.

Sections have intriguing headings including Making Money While You Sleep, Making Restaurants Work For You and Become A Calculator Whiz. Among other tips is a reminder that it is cheaper to walk but if you must use transport then remember that the bus is cheaper than the train.

Sometimes she writes from experience and recalls being made redundant, having her salary reduced and discovering that she had an unnecessarily high phone bill.

To start saving there is a simple monthly budget plan in the book which can be used by the reader. Her message is that you should "seriously consider taking your destiny into your own hands".



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News you may have missed

Southbank Centre's £43 million makeover of Queen Elizabeth Hall and Hayward Gallery

Southbank Centre has announced that it is raising funds for a £43 million refurbishment of the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Purcell Room and Hayward Gallery complex.

...more at www.London-SE1.co.uk/n5910

Valentine Place Conservation Area created

A new conservation area has been created by Southwark Council in an effort to prevent the demolition of an Edwardian bakery building in Webber Street.

...more at www.London-SE1.co.uk/n5908

Joanna Lumley backs initiative to end rough sleeping in Lambeth

14 years after Waterloo's 'Cardboard City' at the Bullring was finally cleared to make way for the IMAX cinema, the Thames Reach charity and Lambeth Council have launched a new initiative to end rough sleeping in the borough.

...more at www.London-SE1.co.uk/n5906

Councillors veto demolition of Glasshill Street studios

Borough & Bankside Community Council voted unanimously to refuse permission for the partial demolition of early 20th century workshop buildings between Glasshill Street and King's Bench Street.

...more at www.London-SE1.co.uk/n5903

Imperial War Museum to shut for six months from January

The Imperial War Museum's London branch will close its doors to visitors for the first half of 2013 if Southwark Council gives the go-ahead for alterations to the building.

...more at www.London-SE1.co.uk/n5897

First image of 36-storey tower at Elephant Leisure Centre

Developer Lend Lease has released the first image of its proposed 36-storey residential tower on the Elephant & Castle Leisure Centre site.

...more at www.London-SE1.co.uk/n5896

Search back on for cultural tenant at One Tower Bridge

Berkeley Homes has launched a new search to find a cultural organisation to move into its One Tower Bridge development.

...more at www.London-SE1.co.uk/n5887

London Fire Brigade Museum wins temporary reprieve

The Southwark Bridge Road museum will remain open until June after a last-minute budget amendment was agreed by London's fire authority.

...more at www.London-SE1.co.uk/n5881

Basaveshwara bust approved for Albert Embankment

A proposal by former Mayor of Lambeth Cllr Dr Neeraj Patil to install a bust of 12th-century Indian social reformer Basaveshwara in Albert Embankment Gardens has been given the go-ahead by Lambeth Council.

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