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## An SE1 Christmas

The recession hasn't affected the number of Christmas markets and festivals taking place this month. We bring you the definitive guide.

Christmas starts in **Waterloo Quarter** on Thursday 3 December with festivities in Emma Cons Gardens and the unveiling of the new 'Forest' installation.

**London Glassblowing**, recently relocated from the Leathermarket to Bermondsey Street, has a Christmas sale running until Friday 4 December.

On Thursday 3 and Friday 4 December the shops and bars of **Bermondsey Street** have teamed up to stage a two-day Christmas shopping festival with discounts, carol-singing and tours of St Mary Magdalen church.

The **Morley Winter Fair** on Sunday 6 December will have sixty stalls selling unusual gifts created by staff and students of the college.

The **Garden Museum** is offering

a 20 per cent discount to shoppers on the evening of Wednesday 9 December and there's a very tempting offer for dinner in the Garden Cafe.

At Tate Modern artist Rob Pruitt is staging a **Flea Market** on the Turbine Hall bridge on Saturday 12 December in connection with the current pop art show.

For the second year Southbank Centre Square in Belvedere Road will host an unmissable **Chocolate Festival** from 11 to 13 December and the **Slow Food Christmas Market** to be held the following weekend is also bound to be popular.

**Bermondsey Farmers' Market** is staging a small midweek event on 23 December.

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Waterloo Carnival  
 Lower Marsh  
 Participants make their way along Lower Marsh behind Waterloo Station for the annual Community Festival July 2009

The 2010 edition of Southwark-based photographer Steve Hollingshead's popular annual calendar featuring black and white images of unusual London events and customs is now on sale.

March sees Brides of March crossing Millennium Bridge. June features the Horn Fair procession in Rotherhithe. Waterloo Carnival in Lower Marsh graces July's page and August captures The Big Dance on the South Bank.

The calendar can be purchased direct from the Hollingshead Studio at 96 Webber Street at £10 (or plus P&P). Buy 5 get 1 free. Contact Kath Serkis on [kath@takingthepics.com](mailto:kath@takingthepics.com) or 020 7922 1350.

Also available is EVENT, Steve Hollingshead's book which documents a year in the life of the city in celebration. The book is now available at an exclusive 'in SE1' readers' rate of £10 direct from the studio (or plus P&P).



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## This month in brief

## Shop Girl Diaries

Emily Benet is a 24-year-old would-be writer working in her mum's chandelier shop in Tower Bridge Road. Her large following of quirky customers provides ample material for her witty diary. Emily's popular blog has now been turned into a book (Salt Publishing, £9.99) which is launched on Wednesday 2 December at the Fashion & Textile Museum.  
[emilybenet.blogspot.com](http://emilybenet.blogspot.com)

## The Band

The Band is a project run by the London Philharmonic Orchestra for 15 to 19-year-olds in Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham. Instrumentalists and vocalists work with orchestral musicians to compose and perform their own new music.  
[www.lpo.org.uk/jointheband](http://www.lpo.org.uk/jointheband)

## Accommodation wanted

From May to August 2010 24 enthusiastic young volunteers from Yemen, Morocco, Egypt, Netherlands, Bosnia and the UK will live and work in Southwark and complete more than 6,000 hours of voluntary work as part of a VSO/British Council reciprocal exchange programme. Geors Richards is currently looking for host homes for the volunteers. £100 per week is paid towards the cost of taking a pair of volunteers. Geors is also looking for volunteering opportunities. Call 07785 741395 or email [georgina.richards@vso.org.uk](mailto:georgina.richards@vso.org.uk)

## South Bank photo book

Stunning images of South Bank scenes by Jon Cartwright have been collected in a new print-on-demand coffee table book.  
[www.blurb.com/books/920298](http://www.blurb.com/books/920298)

## Present drop off day

On Wednesday 16 December Guy's and St Thomas' Charity is inviting SE1 businesses to donate brand new gifts and toys for sick children at the Evelina Children's Hospital. Businesses will be able to drop off their gifts, have a photo taken with Santa and enjoy a mince pie. If your company can help, call 020 7188 7744 or email [fundraising@gsttcharity.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@gsttcharity.org.uk)

## Imperial War Museum

Closed on Tuesday 15 December

## Southwark Circle

Southwark Circle is a new membership organisation for over-50s. It provides on-demand help with practical tasks through local, reliable helpers and a social network for teaching, learning and sharing. They're offering gift sets that people can buy for older friends and relatives.  
[www.southwarkcircle.org.uk](http://www.southwarkcircle.org.uk)

## Reuben Powell

The Elephant & Castle artist is exhibiting some of his latest work in his new studio at 77-85 Newington Causeway. Reuben's major new work depicting the Elephant & Castle was unveiled last month at Southwark Council's Tooley Street offices.  
[www.reubenpowell.co.uk](http://www.reubenpowell.co.uk)

## Mary Seacole concert

The appeal to raise funds for a statue of Mary Seacole to be erected at St Thomas' Hospital is holding a fundraising concert on Sunday 6 December at the O2 Shepherd's Bush Empire.  
[www.maryseacoleappeal.org.uk](http://www.maryseacoleappeal.org.uk)

## Christmas Concert

St Thomas' Lupus Trust's concert will be held at St Margaret's Westminster on Thursday 3 December at 7pm. Readers include Charles Dance, Graham Cole, Martin Newell and Jasmine Guerrero. Tickets from 020 7188 3562 or on the door.

## London Marathon

WPF Therapy has guaranteed places in the Virgin London Marathon. Will you run so others can talk? Call 020 7378 2022 or email [sarah.buck@wpf.org.uk](mailto:sarah.buck@wpf.org.uk)

## Drug &amp; alcohol services

NHS Southwark is proposing changes to the delivery of drug and alcohol services which will affect the CDAT building in Blackfriars Road. Find out more at a public meeting on Tuesday 8 December at 7pm at Bankside House in Sumner Street.

## Pullens Yards

40+ artists and artisans are holding a Christmas sale in the Victorian Pullens Yards SE17. Food and entertainment. Friday 4 December 6pm-9pm, Saturday 5 &amp; Sunday 6 December 11am-6pm.

# What's On December

Comprehensive local listings

## Special events

### Bermondsey Square

Bermondsey Square  
www.bermondseysquare.co.uk

### Wednesday 23 December BERMONDSEY FARMERS' MARKET

10am-1pm  
Special midweek small-scale farmers' market for collection of items pre-ordered for Christmas and purchase of last-minute essentials. The regular farmers' market is open every Saturday this month 10am-2pm except 26 December.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8215](http://se1.net/8215)

### Bermondsey Street

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### Thursday 3 to Friday 4 December BERMONDSEY STREET CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Two glittering evenings of Christmas shopping discounts and special events in Bermondsey Street.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8128](http://se1.net/8128)

### Bernie Spain Gardens

Upper Ground  
www.coinstreet.org

### Thursday 3 December SANTAS ON THE RUN

6.45pm and all runners are invited to join a mass participation warm-up at 6.30pm

The race is a 2km route along the South Bank. The route is two loops from the Oxo Tower down to the National Theatre and back again. It costs £10 to enter and for this you get a Santa suit, goody bag and a medal. To register for the event visit [www.santasrun.org.uk](http://www.santasrun.org.uk) in aid of Children's Hospices UK.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8021](http://se1.net/8021)

### City Hall

The Queen's Walk T 020 7983 4100  
www.london.gov.uk

### Monday 7 December MAYOR OF LONDON'S CONSULTATION ROADSHOW

8.30am-6pm; free  
Find out more about what the Mayor's Transport Strategy means for you. You can also find out about The Mayor's London Plan and The Mayor's Economic Development Strategy.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8079](http://se1.net/8079)

### Design Museum

Shad Thames T 0870 909 9009  
www.designmuseum.org

### Friday 4 December DESIGN OVERTIME: SPARKLE THE DARK UP

6pm-10pm; £5 in advance; £8.50 on the door  
Tickets: [www.inSE1.co.uk/tickets/7931](http://www.inSE1.co.uk/tickets/7931)  
Late night opening. The winter warmer wonderland returns with glittering glamour at the start of the festive period. Be ahead of the game and make your own Christmas cards, buy presents from the Design Museum Shop and wrap them with a twist. But the wonder continues with animation screenings, talks and hands on workshops curated by animator and director Ranko Andjelic.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7931](http://se1.net/7931)

### East Street Library

168-179 Old Kent Road T 020 7703 0395  
www.southwark.gov.uk

From Monday 14 December

### SECRET SANTA!

Come to the library between now and Christmas and take out one of the mysterious wrapped up books. Try something you might never have considered. And get a free mince pie!

→ Full info at [se1.net/8149](http://se1.net/8149)

### Elephant & Castle Shopping Centre

Elephant and Castle

### Saturday 5 December SAFER SOUTHWARK SUPER CHRISTMAS ROADSHOW

1pm-6.30pm; free  
A year on from Safer Southwark's very first roadshow, join an interactive debate on violent crime and safety. Loads of information and freebies will be on offer.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8152](http://se1.net/8152)

### Emma Cons Gardens

The Cut

### Thursday 3 December CHRISTMAS IN WATERLOO

5pm-7pm; free  
Celebrate Christmas in Waterloo with festive fun, food, drink, market stalls and entertainment.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8071](http://se1.net/8071)

### Festival Riverside

Belvedere Road  
www.southbankcentre.co.uk

### Until Wednesday 23 December COLOGNE CHRISTMAS MARKET

South Bank; Sun-Thu 11am-8pm; Fri & Sat 10am-10pm  
German-style Christmas Market with more than 50 stalls along the South Bank.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7542](http://se1.net/7542)

### Garden Museum

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

### Wednesday 9 December FESTIVE SHOPPING EVENING

5pm-9.30pm; free  
Browse the extensive collection of garden-inspired gifts while sipping on a glass of mulled wine. All purchases on the night will receive a 20 per cent discount at the till. There will be an opportunity to enjoy dinner cooked by resident chef Skye Bond in the Garden Cafe (dinner must be pre-booked; £10) and a rare chance to view the Museum's latest exhibition, The Good Life: 100 Years of Grow Your Own, for free.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8157](http://se1.net/8157)

### London Eye

South Bank T 0870 5000 600

### Thursday 31 December NEW YEAR FIREWORKS

Build-up from 11.50pm approx; free  
Once again millions of people around the world will have their eyes on the South Bank firework display around the London Eye, courtesy of the Mayor of London. As a cost-cutting measure this year's display will last 8 minutes compared to 10 minutes in previous years. Renowned pyrotechnician Christophe Berthonneau will light up the sky around the London Eye to mark the start of 2010. Space is severely limited along the Thames to watch the fireworks live. For those able to get into the viewing areas, there will be specially mixed soundtrack from BBC Radio 1 as they wait for the fireworks at midnight. There will be all night free travel on Tube, DLR, Tramlink and selected National Rail services in the Greater London area on New Year's

Eve. 24-hour bus routes will run as normal, but there will be a reduction in bus services leaving central London from around 7pm to 3am, because of road closures. [www.london.gov.uk/newyearseve](http://www.london.gov.uk/newyearseve)

→ Full info at [se1.net/8150](http://se1.net/8150)

### London Glassblowing

62-66 Bermondsey Street T 020 7403 2800  
www.londonglassblowing.co.uk

### Until Friday 4 December CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE AND SALE

11am-5pm daily (till 9.30pm on 3 & 4 Dec)  
London Glassblowing's sale will be an exhilarating alternative to the often frustrating Christmas shopping experience, with an extraordinary display of individual gifts, many at affordable prices. Free admission, nearby parking, continuous demonstrations, mince pies and mulled wine and a warm welcome.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8112](http://se1.net/8112)

### Melior Street Gardens

Melior Street

### Wednesday 9 December CHEER IN THE GARDEN

5pm-6pm; free  
Join Team London Bridge, Snowsfields Primary and the local business community in Melior Street Gardens for carols, festive fun and hot chocolate.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8090](http://se1.net/8090)

### Morley College

61 Westminster Bridge Road T 020 7928 8501  
www.morleycollege.ac.uk

### Sunday 6 December MORLEY WINTER FAIR

11am-4pm; free  
A chance to purchase handmade original work from Morley College's talented arts and crafts community. Sixty stalls of unique:  
• Ceramics; - functional, decorative and sculptural  
• Prints - etching, photo-etching, lithography, relief printing  
• Jewellery - silver, gold, semi precious stones, beads;  
• Textiles -bags, knitted works, hats, cushions, scarves;  
• Handmade Paper Goods - cards. Sculpture and artworks  
Plus cake stall, bric-a-brac, mince pies and mulled wine provided by the Friends of Morley, free family workshops and music by Morley musicians.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8007](http://se1.net/8007)

### Potters Fields Park

Tooley Street  
www.pottersfields.co.uk

### Tuesday 8 December CHRISTMAS CHEER ON THE PARK

5pm-6pm  
Join Team London Bridge and the local business community at Potters Fields Park for carols, festive fun and hot chocolate. Join the crowd next to the Christmas tree, towards the corner of the park beside Tower Bridge.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8089](http://se1.net/8089)

### Red Cross Garden

Redcross Way T 020 7403 3393  
www.bost.org.uk

### Friday 4 December FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVENT

3.30pm-5pm; free  
Listen to stories, sing carols, watch a magician, herbal demonstration or make Christmas decorations and lavender bags.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8142](http://se1.net/8142)

### Rockingham Community Centre

Falmouth Road T 020 7403 7475  
www.rockinghamestate.org.uk

### Wednesday 2 December BOROUGH & BANKSIDE JOBS FAIR

3pm-8pm  
Developers and construction firms have job opportunities exclusively for local residents. Followed at 7pm by Community Council meeting (see page 4).

→ Full info at [se1.net/8172](http://se1.net/8172)

### Southbank Centre Square

Belvedere Road  
www.southbankcentre.co.uk

### Friday 11 to Sunday 13 December CHRISTMAS CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL

10am-8pm (Sun 6pm); free  
Dozens of stalls all focused on chocolate - whether it is making it, drinking it, shaping it or eating it. Look out for kits to make raw chocolate at home, hot chocolate and even chocolate-infused savoury treats.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7343](http://se1.net/7343)

### Saturday 19 to Tuesday 22 December CHRISTMAS SLOW FOOD MARKET

11am-8pm (closes 6pm Sun); free  
The perfect place to buy all your Christmas fare with the knowledge that it is has been carefully produced from known and sustainable sources.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7344](http://se1.net/7344)

### St Thomas' Hospital

Westminster Bridge Road  
www.guysandstthomas.nhs.uk

### Thursday 3 December CHRISTMAS MARKET

11am-3pm  
The Friends of St Thomas' Hospital have a wide range of stalls including cakes and home produce, books, jewellery & cosmetics, toys, linens and gifts.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8151](http://se1.net/8151)

### Tate Modern

Bankside T 020 7887 8888  
www.tate.org.uk/modern

### Saturday 12 December ROB PRUITT'S FLEA MARKET

Turbine Hall Bridge; 11am-10pm; free  
Market stalls selling an array of items including artists editions, photographs, Christmas cards, artist mixtapes, fashion, fruitcakes and stockings all by favourite artists and other surprise guests.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8124](http://se1.net/8124)

### Topolski Century

concert Hall Approach  
www.topolskicentury.org.uk

### Thursday 3 & 10 December GUIDED TOUR & CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

7pm; £10; booking essential on 020 7620 1317  
Tickets include a guided tour of the 600 foot long mural given by Daniel and Teresa Topolski, the artist's children. Also enjoy a glass of wine, mince pies and 10 per cent off in the gallery shop. This is the perfect opportunity to find unusual gifts for those awkward people who have everything.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8160](http://se1.net/8160)

### Saturday 12 & Wednesday 16 December GUIDED TOUR WITH TERESA TOPOLSKI

Sat 4pm-5.30pm & Wed 5.30pm-7pm; £10 (conc £3); booking essential on 020 7620 1317  
A guided tour with Teresa Topolski, the artist's daughter.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8162](http://se1.net/8162)

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## Children &amp; family

## Bankside Community Space

18 Great Guildford Street

Wednesday 2 December

## MEET SANTA

4.15pm-5pm; free

Bring your children to meet Father Christmas and receive a special treat. Enjoy a cup of tea or squash - as well as something sweet - before leaving as a party at 5pm for the Better Bankside service at Southwark Cathedral. Let Santa know how many children will be coming by emailing [santa@betterbankside.co.uk](mailto:santa@betterbankside.co.uk).  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8109](http://se1.net/8109)

## East Street Library

168-179 Old Kent Road T 020 7703 0395  
[www.southwark.gov.uk](http://www.southwark.gov.uk)

Thursday 10 December

## CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS CRAFTAFTEEN

3.30pm; free

Make your own decorations to put up in the library. For children of all ages.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8148](http://se1.net/8148)

## Garden Museum

Lambeth Palace Road T 020 7401 8865  
[www.gardenmuseum.org.uk](http://www.gardenmuseum.org.uk)

Sunday 6 December

## THE GOOD LIFE FAMILY WORKSHOP

11am-4pm; free with admission £6 for adults; under 16s free

Fun family workshops with a Good Life theme.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8048](http://se1.net/8048)

## Imperial War Museum

Lambeth Road T 020 7416 5000  
[london.iwm.org.uk](http://london.iwm.org.uk)

Saturday 5 to Sunday 6 December

Saturday 12 to Sunday 13 December

## CHRISTMAS TRUCE

12 noon, 1pm, 2pm &amp; 3pm; free

An actor in role will talk about the Christmas Truce of 1914 and how soldiers coped in winter in the trenches during the First World War.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8054](http://se1.net/8054)

Saturday 19 to Wednesday 30 December

## A WARTIME CHRISTMAS

11am-12.30pm &amp; 2.30pm-4pm (not 24-26 Dec); free

Find out how the first Christmas of the Second World War was celebrated and create your own wartime Christmas decoration.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8056](http://se1.net/8056)

## Royal Festival Hall

Belvedere Road T 0871 663 2501  
[www.southbankcentre.co.uk](http://www.southbankcentre.co.uk)

Saturday 12 December

## BABY LOVES DISCO CHRISTMAS PARTY

Clare Ballroom; 2pm; free

Baby Loves Disco is a worldwide phenomenon sweeping the UK giving parents and their children from six months to seven years the chance to strut their stuff on the dance floor to an afternoon of disco favourites.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8206](http://se1.net/8206)

## Tate Modern

Bankside T 020 7887 8888  
[www.tate.org.uk/modern](http://www.tate.org.uk/modern)

## Saturday 5 December FAMILY WORKSHOP WITH MASANORI HANDA

Turbine Hall Bridge; 2pm-4pm; free  
Explore the spaces in and around Tate Modern in unexpected ways with young Japanese artist Masanori Handa in this fun family workshop. Masanori is known for his playful and interactive works of art, and was recently mentored by the acclaimed artist Rebecca Horn as part of the Rolex Mentor and Protégé Arts Initiative.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8126](http://se1.net/8126)

## Topolski Century

Concert Hall Approach  
[www.topolskicentury.org.uk](http://www.topolskicentury.org.uk)

## Saturday 5 December CHRISTMAS CARD-MAKING EXTRAVAGANZA!

2pm-5pm; Workshop free, usual admission fee applies  
Christmas art workshop for children of all ages.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8158](http://se1.net/8158)

## Public meetings

## Ability Media Centre

56 Southwark Bridge Road T 08456 717173  
[www.abilitymedia.org](http://www.abilitymedia.org)

## Thursday 10 December BANKSIDE OPEN SPACES TRUST AGM

From 6pm  
This year the event will be all about BOST's volunteering work. A supervised quiet craft table will be available for younger volunteers, or children of volunteers who would like to attend.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8114](http://se1.net/8114)

## Southwark Council

[www.southwark.gov.uk](http://www.southwark.gov.uk)

## Wednesday 2 December BOROUGH &amp; BANKSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

7pm at Rockingham Community Centre, Falmouth Road  
Meeting for Cathedrals and Chaucer wards. Themed meeting on employment following on from the Borough & Bankside Jobs Fair. Find out about the council's employment strategy and join a panel discussion about the challenges and opportunities for helping local people to find jobs. Plus an update from the local Safer Neighbourhoods Teams and the launch of this year's Cleaner Greener Safer funding round.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7003](http://se1.net/7003)

## Tuesday 8 December BERMONDSEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

7pm at City of London Academy, 240 Lynton Road  
Meeting for Riverside, Grange & South Bermondsey wards. This meeting has a focus on young people in Bermondsey. Meet the new Bermondsey Youth Community Council members. Children & Young People's Plan presentation by

Clr Lisa Rajan. Preceded by a drop-in community safety surgery from 6.30pm.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/6995](http://se1.net/6995)

## Coin Street Neighbourhood Centre

108 Stamford Street T 020 7021 1600  
[www.coinstreet.org](http://www.coinstreet.org)

## Thursday 10 December SOUTH BANK FORUM

7pm-9pm  
Quarterly meeting convened by MPs Kate Hoey and Simon Hughes. Find out about National Theatre development plans, recycling tips for residents, local shopping and fire safety.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/5857](http://se1.net/5857)

## Talks &amp; literature

## Calder Bookshop

51 The Cut T 020 7620 2900  
[www.oneworldclassics.com](http://www.oneworldclassics.com)

## Thursday 3 December DAVID NOKES ON SAMUEL JOHNSON

7pm; £6 (conc £4)  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8141](http://se1.net/8141)

## Thursday 10 December ALEXANDER TROCCHI: THE MAN, THE INFLUENCE, THE WORK

7pm; £6 (conc £4)  
Readings from his best-known novels followed by John Calder's account of his life.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8190](http://se1.net/8190)

## Thursday 17 December A CHRISTMAS CAROL

7pm; £6 (conc £4)  
Actors from the Godot Company bring Dickens's novel to life.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8191](http://se1.net/8191)

## Christ Church Southwark

27 Blackfriars Road T 020 7928 4707  
[www.christchurchsouthwark.org.uk](http://www.christchurchsouthwark.org.uk)

## Saturday 5 December THE WORCESTER PILGRIM: A PROBLEM SOLVED?

John Marshall Hall; 3.30pm; £5  
Illustrated lecture by Dr Katherine Lack (author of *The Cockleshell Pilgrim*).  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8164](http://se1.net/8164)

## Museum of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society

1 Lambeth High Street T 020 7572 2210  
[www.rpsgb.org.uk/museum](http://www.rpsgb.org.uk/museum)

## Wednesday 2 December DICKENS AND DISEASE

6pm-7pm; free  
Dr Tony Williams will discuss public health and the plight of the poor in the 1800s, so vividly portrayed in the novels and journalism of Charles Dickens. Email [museum@rpsgb.org](mailto:museum@rpsgb.org) to book a place.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7526](http://se1.net/7526)

## New Cut Housing Co-Operative Hall

106 The Cut

## Tuesday 8 December FROM MINSTER TO MORLEY: MUSIC, MUSICIANS AND MUSIC MAKING IN SOUTHWARK AND LAMBETH

7.30pm (refreshments from 7pm); £1  
Annual General Meeting of Southwark & Lambeth Archaeological Society and

presidential lecture by Len Reilly (archive manager, Lambeth Council).  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7515](http://se1.net/7515)

## Shakespeare's Globe

New Globe Walk T 020 7401 9919  
[www.shakespeares-globe.org](http://www.shakespeares-globe.org)

## Tuesday 1 December SHAKESPEARE STILL SEARCHING

Nancy W Knowles Lecture Theatre; 7pm; £10 (conc £8)  
Michael Wood gives his personal perspective on Shakespeare.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7757](http://se1.net/7757)

## Siobhan Davies Studios

85 St George's Road  
[www.siobhandavies.com](http://www.siobhandavies.com)

## Friday 4 December TIM CROUCH WITH KARL JAMES: CONVERSATIONS ON MAKING

7pm; £5  
Choreographer Siobhan Davies invites a number of eminent artists to her RIBA award-winning studios, to talk with other artists about how they make their work.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7995](http://se1.net/7995)

## Topolski Century

Concert Hall Approach  
[www.topolskicentury.org.uk](http://www.topolskicentury.org.uk)

## Sunday 6 December OPEN MIC POETRY NIGHT

6pm-8pm; £3 (conc £2)  
Late-night at Topolski Century. Please arrive before 6.30pm if you want to perform.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8159](http://se1.net/8159)

## Church services

## Christ Church Southwark

27 Blackfriars Road T 020 7928 4707  
[www.christchurchsouthwark.org.uk](http://www.christchurchsouthwark.org.uk)

Thursday 17 December

## CAROL SERVICE

1.10pm-1.50pm  
Portcullis Singers and Brass Ensemble.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7177](http://se1.net/7177)

## Southwark Cathedral

London Bridge T 020 7367 6700  
[www.southwarkcathedral.org.uk](http://www.southwarkcathedral.org.uk)

## Wednesday 2 December BETTER BANKSIDE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

5.30pm  
St Nicholas Day Evensong. Music by Merbecke Choir and jazz band The Dixie Ticklers. Followed by Christmas lights switch-on, mulled wine and mince pies.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8108](http://se1.net/8108)

## Saturday 12 December CRISIS CAROL SERVICE

6.30pm; free (register online)  
Readings and performances by Crisis members and supporters. Thames Philharmonic Choir. Mince pies and wine served.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7980](http://se1.net/7980)

## Tuesday 15 December MAYOR OF LONDON'S CAROL SERVICE

7pm  
All are welcome at GLA service.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8078](http://se1.net/8078)

## + SOUTH BANK FORUM +

Kate Hoey MP, Simon Hughes MP, and your local Councillors invite you on:

## Thursday 10 December 2009, 7-9pm

Coin Street neighbourhood centre, 108 Stamford Street, SE1 9NH

## CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Grand Prize Draw!

Mince Pies &amp; Mulled Wine

## + OPENING UP THE NATIONAL THEATRE

The National Theatre is planning interesting changes to its building over the next ten years. Enjoy an insight into the proposals, which will include a new entrance, riverside café and education space.

## + RECYCLING: MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR LOCAL SERVICES

We all need to use less and recycle more. Representatives from Lambeth and Southwark share their top tips for Christmas recycling and give an overview of local services, including waste collection.

## + CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IN SOUTH BANK AND WATERLOO

Shop local! Find out about special Christmas shopping events, discounts, deals and new outlets in the area which will make shopping a festive treat.

## + GET A FREE FIRE ALARM

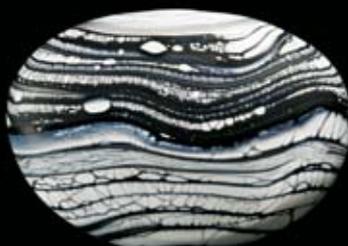
Stay safe and aware this Christmas. Meet your local Fire Station Manager who will be offering information on free home fire safety visits and fire alarms for residents.

To book a place at the free crèche with arts and crafts: 020 7202 6918, [forum@southbanklondon.com](mailto:forum@southbanklondon.com)

YOUR LIFE, YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD, YOUR SAY

## London Glassblowing and the Glass Art Gallery

Visit our new studio and gallery at  
62-66 Bermondsey Street, London, SE1 3UD  
[www.londonglassblowing.co.uk](http://www.londonglassblowing.co.uk)



Christmas Open House and Sale 27th Nov - 6th Dec, 11am - 5pm  
also open daily until 20th December, 11am-5pm

Wednesday 16 December

**CATHEDRAL SING-IN**

12.45pm  
Lunchtime sing-along carols for local workers accompanied by brass band.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8093](http://se1.net/8093)

Sunday 20 & Tuesday 22 December

**CATHEDRAL CAROL SERVICE**

6.30pm  
Carols sung by the boys, girls and men of the Cathedral Choir in candlelight.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8030](http://se1.net/8030)

Thursday 24 December

**BUILDING THE CRIB SERVICE**

4pm  
A service for children and their families in which the Christmas story is re-told as the children help in preparing the crib with hay and figures of the nativity characters.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8096](http://se1.net/8096)

Thursday 24 December

**MIDNIGHT MASS**

11.30pm  
Begins with the blessing of the crib by the Bishop of Southwark, Rt Revd Tom Butler, who will preside and preach.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8094](http://se1.net/8094)

Friday 25 December

**CHORAL EUCHARIST**

11am  
Sung by the Great Choir, the boys, girls and men.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8095](http://se1.net/8095)

**St Anne's**

Thorburn Square T 020 7237 3950  
[www.stannesbermondsey.org.uk](http://www.stannesbermondsey.org.uk)

Sunday 20 December

**CHRISTINGLE AND CAROL SERVICE**

6pm  
Followed by refreshments.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8170](http://se1.net/8170)

Thursday 24 December

**MIDNIGHT CANDLELIT COMMUNION**

11.30pm  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8171](http://se1.net/8171)

**St George the Martyr**

Borough High Street T 020 7357 7331

Thursday 17 December

**CAROL SERVICE**

7pm  
Come and sing traditional carols.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8169](http://se1.net/8169)

Thursday 24 December

**MIDNIGHT MASS**

11pm  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8176](http://se1.net/8176)

Friday 25 December

**CHRISTMAS DAY EUCHARIST**

11am  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8175](http://se1.net/8175)

**St George's RC Cathedral**

Lambeth Road T 020 7928 5256  
[www.southwark-rc-cathedral.org.uk](http://www.southwark-rc-cathedral.org.uk)

Thursday 24 December

**CHILDREN'S CRIB SERVICE**

3.30pm  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8211](http://se1.net/8211)

Thursday 24 December

**MIDNIGHT MASS OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

Midnight (carols from 11.30pm)  
Celebrant: Most Revd Kevin McDonald, Archbishop of Southwark. Preceded at 11.30pm by carols and readings.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8212](http://se1.net/8212)

Friday 25 December

**CHRISTMAS DAY MASS**

8am, 10am, 11.30am & 1pm (Spanish)  
8am Mass with Carols; 10am Family Mass; 11.30am Solemn Mass; 1pm Mass in Spanish  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8213](http://se1.net/8213)

Thursday 31 December

**MIDNIGHT MASS**

11.30pm  
Midnight Mass in thanks for God's gifts during the past year and to ask for God's blessings on the coming year.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8214](http://se1.net/8214)

**St John's Waterloo**

Waterloo Road T 020 7633 9819  
[www.stjohnswaterloo.co.uk](http://www.stjohnswaterloo.co.uk)

Sunday 13 December

**CAROL SERVICE**

5pm  
Followed by mince pies and mulled wine.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8177](http://se1.net/8177)

Thursday 24 December

**CRIB SERVICE**

5pm  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8178](http://se1.net/8178)

Thursday 24 December

**MIDNIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE**

11.30pm  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8179](http://se1.net/8179)

Friday 25 December

**CHRISTMAS PARISH COMMUNION**

10.30am  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8180](http://se1.net/8180)

Thursday 31 December

**WATCH NIGHT SERVICE**

7pm  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8181](http://se1.net/8181)

**St Mary Magdalen**

Bermondsey Street  
[www.stmarysbermondsey.org.uk](http://www.stmarysbermondsey.org.uk)

Sunday 20 December

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT**

6.30pm  
Service of Nine Lessons and Carols.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8097](http://se1.net/8097)

Thursday 24 December

**THE WONDER OF CHRISTMAS**

4pm  
Children's Nativity event.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8098](http://se1.net/8098)

Thursday 24 December

**MIDNIGHT COMMUNION**

11.30pm  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8099](http://se1.net/8099)

Friday 25 December

**FAMILY SERVICE**

10.30am  
Christmas Holy Communion.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8100](http://se1.net/8100)

**Welsh Chapel**

90 Southwark Bridge Road  
[welshchapel.com](http://welshchapel.com)

Sunday 6 December

**FAMILY CAROL SERVICE**

11am; free  
Bilingual service followed by lunch (£10).  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8088](http://se1.net/8088)

**Cycle rides**

**Southwark Needle**

London Bridge

Friday 25 December

**2512 RIDE**

11am; free  
Slow and very sociable Southwark Cyclists bike ride round deserted London in diverse company. Join in/drop out whenever or stay for a late lunch up Edgware Road.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7866](http://se1.net/7866)

**Music**

**1901 Arts Club**

7 Exton Street T 020 7620 3055  
[www.1901artsclub.com](http://www.1901artsclub.com)

Wednesday 9 December

**STEINBERG DUO RECITAL**

7.30pm; £18 (conc £15)  
Louisa Stonehill (violin) and Nicholas Burns (piano) return to Waterloo for the second in their recital series.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7558](http://se1.net/7558)

**Rose Theatre Exhibition**

56 Park Street  
[www.rosetheatre.org.uk](http://www.rosetheatre.org.uk)

Thursday 17 December

**CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT**

8pm; £5  
Enjoy carols, mince pies and mulled wine.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7760](http://se1.net/7760)

**Royal Festival Hall**

Belvedere Road T 0871 663 2501  
[www.southbankcentre.co.uk](http://www.southbankcentre.co.uk)

Sunday 20 December

**VOICELAB'S CHRISTMAS CAROLS**

Close Ballroom; 10am (rehearsal) 1.30pm (performance); free  
Join Voicelab in the morning to learn the carols, then perform to friends and family in the afternoon.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8204](http://se1.net/8204)

Saturday 26 December

**STRICTLY CHRISTMAS TANGO**

Close Ballroom; 12 noon-8pm; free  
Live tango music, demonstrations and opportunities to learn the basic steps.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8205](http://se1.net/8205)

**Shakespeare's Globe**

New Globe Walk T 020 7401 9919  
[www.shakespeares-globe.org](http://www.shakespeares-globe.org)

Thursday 10 December

**A CONCERT FOR WINTER**

1pm; free; booking essential  
Annual celebration of the Southwark community through song and music. To reserve a ticket email [communitytickets@shakespearesglobe.com](mailto:communitytickets@shakespearesglobe.com)  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7745](http://se1.net/7745)

**Southwark Cathedral**

London Bridge T 020 7367 6700  
[www.southwarkcathedral.org.uk](http://www.southwarkcathedral.org.uk)

Saturday 5 December

**A VENETIAN CHRISTMAS**

7.30pm; £7 & £5  
Merbecke Choir with His Majestys Sagbutts & Cornetts.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7536](http://se1.net/7536)

Tuesday 8 December

**GKT MUSIC SOCIETY CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

7.30pm; £10 (conc £7) on the door  
Mozart's Missa Brevis in C and more.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8192](http://se1.net/8192)

Friday 18 December

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

7.30pm; £10 (£12 reserved)  
Handel's Messiah part 1 and carols by candlelight with Southwark Cathedral choir and Chameleon Arts Orchestra.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8028](http://se1.net/8028)

**St John's Waterloo**

Waterloo Road T 020 7633 9819  
[www.stjohnswaterloo.co.uk](http://www.stjohnswaterloo.co.uk)

Thursday 3 December

**RUSH HOUR CONCERT**

6pm; free  
Free music with Baldaccio String Quartet.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8166](http://se1.net/8166)

Saturday 5 December

**HANDEL'S MESSIAH**

7.30pm; £10  
East London Chorus  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8193](http://se1.net/8193)

Thursday 10 December

**RUSH HOUR CONCERT**

6pm; free  
Sb5 Cello Ensemble  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8167](http://se1.net/8167)

Thursday 17 December

**RUSH HOUR CONCERT**

6pm; free  
Beethoven Septet Op.20  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8168](http://se1.net/8168)

**Comedy**

**Belushi's**

161 Borough High Street T 020 7939 9700

Tuesday 1 December

**THE FALLING DOWN WITH LAUGHTER EXPERIMENT**

8.30pm; £7  
Robert White, Pajama Men, Rob Rouse, Two Episodes Of MASH, The Boom Jennies and The Sunday Defensive. Marcel Lucont as MC.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7893](http://se1.net/7893)

Tuesday 8 December

**FALLING DOWN WITH LAUGHTER**

8.30pm; £7  
Steve Hughes, Diane Morgan, Chris Martin and Rachel Stubblings. With Joel Dubus & Sy Thomas as MCs.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8080](http://se1.net/8080)

Tuesday 15 December

**THE FALLING DOWN WITH LAUGHTER EXPERIMENT**

8.30pm; £7  
Phil Kay, Isy Suttie, Two Episodes Of MASH, Bridget Christie, Pippa Evans and Tom Bell. Marcel Lucont as MC.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8081](http://se1.net/8081)

Tuesday 22 December

**FALLING DOWN WITH LAUGHTER**

8.30pm; £7  
Gary Delaney, Andrew O'Neill, Ahir Shah, and Lee Kern. With Alexis Dubus & Sy Thomas as MCs.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8082](http://se1.net/8082)

**Doggett's**

1 Blackfriars Bridge T 020 7633 9081  
[www.doggettscoatandbadge.co.uk](http://www.doggettscoatandbadge.co.uk)

Tuesday 15 December

**COMEDY @ DOGGETT'S**

7.30pm-10pm; £8 (£6 in advance)  
Angelos Epithemiou, Paul Foot and Terry Saunders. Plus Bob Slayer (MC).  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8125](http://se1.net/8125)

**The Old King's Head**

45-49 Borough High Street T 020 7407 1550  
[www.theoldkingshead.uk.com](http://www.theoldkingshead.uk.com)

Thursday 3 December

**SOUTH WARK COMEDY**

8.30pm; £8 (conc £6)  
Henning Wehn, Brian Gittins and Nathan Caton. Plus Paul Ricketts (MC).  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7843](http://se1.net/7843)

**Theatre**

**Menier Chocolate Factory**

51 Southwark Street T 020 7907 7060  
[www.menierchocolatefactory.com](http://www.menierchocolatefactory.com)

Until Sunday 8 March

**SWEET CHARITY**

Tue-Sat 8pm; Sat & Sun 3.30pm; £25  
Tamzin Outhwaite stars as Charity Hope Valentine in the acclaimed musical comedy by Neil Simon and Cy Coleman. Sweet Charity follows the misadventures of love encountered by the gullible and guileless Charity Hope Valentine, a woman who always gives her heart and her dreams to the wrong man. Featuring favourite hits such as Hey, Big Spender, If My Friends Could See Me Now and The Rhythm of Life. The cast also includes Josefina Gabrielle, Tiffany Graves, Paul J Medford and Mark Umbers.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7824](http://se1.net/7824)

**National Theatre**

South Bank T 020 7452 3000  
[www.nationaltheatre.org.uk](http://www.nationaltheatre.org.uk)

Until Tuesday 8 December

**MOTHER COURAGE AND HER CHILDREN**

Olivier Theatre; In repertory; £10-£30  
Tickets: [www.inSE1.co.uk/tickets/7307](http://www.inSE1.co.uk/tickets/7307)  
Fiona Shaw takes the title role in Bertolt Brecht's play in a translation by Tony Kushner.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7307](http://se1.net/7307)

Until Sunday 11 January

**THE POWER OF YES: A DRAMATIST SEEKS TO UNDERSTAND THE FINANCIAL CRISIS**

Lyttelton Theatre; In repertory; £10-£35  
The National asked David Hare to write an urgent and immediate work that sought to find out what had happened to the economy and why.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7302](http://se1.net/7302)

Until Tuesday 13 January

**OUR CLASS**

Cottesloe Theatre; In repertory; £10-£30  
A new play by Tadeusz Slobodzianek, in a version by Ryan Craig directed by Bijan Shebani.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7308](http://se1.net/7308)

Until Monday 19 January

**THE PITMEN PAINTERS**

Lyttelton Theatre; In repertoire; £10-£42.50  
Lee Hall's play is a deeply moving and timely look at art, class and politics.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7437](http://se1.net/7437)

Until Thursday 22 January

**PAINS OF YOUTH**

Cottesloe Theatre; In repertoire; £10-£31  
Directed by Katie Mitchell.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7626](http://se1.net/7626)

Until Sunday 25 January

**THE HABIT OF ART**

Lyttelton Theatre; In repertoire; £10-£42.50

A new play by Alan Bennett directed by Nicholas Hytner.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7627](http://se1.net/7627)

Until Sunday 22 February

**NATION**Olivier Theatre; In repertoire; £10-£30  
Tickets: [www.inSE1.co.uk/tickets/7309](http://www.inSE1.co.uk/tickets/7309)

Based on a novel by Terry Pratchett, adapted by Mark Ravenhill.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7309](http://se1.net/7309)**Network Theatre**246a Lower Road  
[www.networktheatre.org](http://www.networktheatre.org)

Tuesday 1 to Saturday 5 December

**HAPPY CHUFFING CHRISTMAS**

7.30pm; £10

New work written by Kirsty Eyre. Athena Warburton, Goddess of Barnsley, prides herself on her bacon butties. Sophia Ferrari, Siren of Siena, prefers Prosciutto di Parma. A clash of cultural differences fans the fire which burns the turkey in a spectacular showdown on Christmas Day.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7880](http://se1.net/7880)**Rose Theatre Exhibition**56 Park Street  
[www.rosetheatre.org.uk](http://www.rosetheatre.org.uk)

Tuesday 1 &amp; 22 December

**MULTI-STORY**

8pm; £7

Multi-Story is a London based dramatic improvisational group. Taking suggestions from the audience that range from the topical to the tender, the harsh to the humorous, the everyday to the exotic, six actors create poignant, thoughtful, funny and fiery moments, merging the familiar with the unexpected in a way that creates surprising and absorbing theatre. You will never see the same show twice.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7765](http://se1.net/7765)

Thursday 3 to Saturday 12 December

**OTHELLO**

7.30pm; £10 (conc £8)

Carpe Diem Theatre Company presents a contemporary revival of Shakespeare's timeless and tragic tale of innocence, love, duplicity and vengeance. Set amid the turbulent social and economic world that came to define the yuppie dream of Margaret Thatcher's Britain. If you missed this the first time be sure to catch it now. Directed by Nicholas Kempsey.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8053](http://se1.net/8053)**Shakespeare's Globe**New Globe Walk T 020 7401 9919  
[www.shakespeares-globe.org/Exhibition](http://www.shakespeares-globe.org/Exhibition) £9 (children £6.50; family £25)

Tuesday 22 December to Sunday 4 January

**CHRISTMAS CRACKER**

combination of 11am, 2pm and 5.30pm performances; £5-£20 (family tickets available)

Tickets: [www.inSE1.co.uk/tickets/7508](http://www.inSE1.co.uk/tickets/7508)

For the first time ever Shakespeare's Globe will open its doors over the festive season for a Christmas production.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7508](http://se1.net/7508)**Shunt Bermondsey Street**42-44 Bermondsey Street  
[www.shunt.co.uk](http://www.shunt.co.uk)

Until Tuesday 22 December

**MONEY: A SHUNT EVENT**

Tue-Sat 7.30pm; £20

Fractured narrative, electrifying imagery and all-out sensory assault.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7669](http://se1.net/7669)**Southwark Playhouse**Shipwright Yard T 020 7407 0234  
[www.southwarkplayhouse.co.uk](http://www.southwarkplayhouse.co.uk)

Wednesday 9 December to Saturday 10 January

**A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

Mon-Sat 7.30pm; £15 (family £40)

An epic promenade production of Neil Bartlett's adaption of Dickens' classic Christmas story. Deep within the sprawling Victorian vaults under London Bridge station, you the audience will become participants in the story as you join Scrooge on his terrifying and transformative journey. Professional actors will join a supporting cast from the local Southwark community to immerse

you within the world of Dickens' much loved tale.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7981](http://se1.net/7981)**St Anne's Church Hall**

Thorburn Square

Wednesday 2 to Saturday 5 December

**ONCE UPON A TIME**

Wed-Sat 7.30pm; Sat 2.30pm; £8 (conc £6) from 020 8690 4925

Annual pantomime by local drama group The Quay Players.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8009](http://se1.net/8009)**The Movieum of London**County Hall T 020 7202 7040  
[www.themovieum.com](http://www.themovieum.com)

Tuesday 1 December

**THE HAND FACTORY**

7.30pm; booking 07984 226097; free

Rehearsed reading in the old GLC chamber. A screenplay by Greg Loftin starring Patricia Quinn. A Gothic tale about a divided family. The women make hands, the men make trouble.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8197](http://se1.net/8197)

Wednesday 2 December

**FROZEN IN ICELAND**

7.30pm; booking 07984 226097; free

Rehearsed reading in the old GLC chamber. Tommy Kearney's funny and dramatic tale about coping with change, redundancy and learning to follow your dreams with Phyllis Logan and Marion Bailey.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8199](http://se1.net/8199)

Thursday 3 December

**I SCHEMMINGS**

7.30pm; booking 07984 226097; free

Rehearsed reading in the old GLC chamber at County Hall. A film documentary screenplay by Paul McNeilly. Arthur Schemmings is back, and this time it's personal.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8200](http://se1.net/8200)

Friday 4 December

**DREAMING OF FITZROVIA**

7.30pm; booking 07984 226097; free

Rehearsed reading in the old GLC chamber at County Hall. A new play by Matt Phillips directed by Laurence Moody. The 'odd couple' face their fears and desires in darkest Shepherds Bush.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8201](http://se1.net/8201)

Saturday 5 December

**STOP FOUR HEARTS**

7.30pm; booking 07984 226097; free

Rehearsed reading in the old GLC chamber at County Hall. A play by Rachel Edwards directed by Andrew Hall with Christopher Parker. Summer in the city, four friends, three rounds of bridge, one shocking revelation.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8202](http://se1.net/8202)

Sunday 6 December

**OFF THE RECORD**

7.30pm; booking 07984 226097; free

Rehearsed reading in the old GLC chamber. The latest play by the acclaimed author Nigel Williams, directed by Bill Alexander and starring Nigel Planer, Robert Portal and Sarah Berger.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8203](http://se1.net/8203)**The Old Vic**103 The Cut T 0870 060 6628  
[www.oldvictheatre.com](http://www.oldvictheatre.com)

Until Sunday 20 December

**INHERIT THE WIND**

Mon-Sat 7.30pm; Sat 2.30pm; Sun 5pm; £10-£48.50

Trevor Nunn directs Kevin Spacey in Lawrence and Lee's grippingly relevant drama.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7187](http://se1.net/7187)**Unicorn Theatre**147 Tooley Street T 020 7645 0560  
[www.unicorntheatre.com](http://www.unicorntheatre.com)

Until Sunday 13 December

**HANDA'S HEN**

Times vary; £10 (conc £7.50)

Based on the book by Eileen Browne.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7267](http://se1.net/7267)

Wednesday 16 to Sunday 20 December

**EGG AND SPOON**

Times vary; £10 (conc £7.50)

Welcome to a magic circle to celebrate the wonders of nature. Sit down and relax on comfy cushions as Percy and April guide you through the four seasons.

In this highly interactive show you can play peek-a-boo in our puddles or dance at the butterfly party. Ages 1-3.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7268](http://se1.net/7268)

Tuesday 22 to Sunday 27 December

**WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD**

Times vary; £10 (conc £7.50)

Before anything new is made it must be dreamed. Welcome to the Sea of Tranquility where we make the new day every night. What do you want in tomorrow's world? Snowballs and flamingos of course. Hop on the sleeper train and take a journey through the space before time. Ages 2-5.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7269](http://se1.net/7269)

Tuesday 29 December to Sunday 4 January

**CIRCUS MINIMUS**

Times vary; £10 (conc £7.50)

Every family is a circus - toddling clowns, teenage lions, mums who spin plates, dads who fly by the seat of their pants. But it doesn't stop there as you dive into dreams and fly up to the stars and beyond. This circus puts you in the ring and lets you do your thing! Ages 2-4.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7270](http://se1.net/7270)

Monday 7 December to Sunday 25 January

**CINDERELLA**

Times vary; £18 (conc £12); previews £8

The Unicorn's Cinderella takes place aboard a giant revolving boat. Not just any boat, but the Floating Cassandra, a (just about) waterborne retirement home for elderly magicians. Packed with magic tricks, humour, butterflies and live music by Martin Ward, this screwball take on the classic rags-to-riches story is the creation of *My Parents are Aliens* writer Phil Porter.→ Full info at [se1.net/7271](http://se1.net/7271)**Union Theatre**204 Union Street T 020 7261 9876  
[www.uniontheatre.biz](http://www.uniontheatre.biz)

Wednesday 9 December to Saturday 17 January

**OH NO IT ISN'T!**

Wed-Sat 7pm; Sun 3pm; £15 (conc £12); Wed £10

Adult panto - not for children!

→ Full info at [se1.net/7905](http://se1.net/7905)**Young Vic**66 The Cut T 020 7928 6363  
[www.youngvic.org](http://www.youngvic.org)

Wednesday 9 to Thursday 24 December

**THE FOREST**

The Maria; Mon-Sat 10.30am &amp; 1.30pm; £8

A thrilling dance performance for 5-7 year olds and their families. Come to the very heart of the forest, a place of physical adventure, full of vivid images and bursting with life.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7192](http://se1.net/7192)

Until Saturday 10 January

**ANNIE GET YOUR GUN**

Mon-Sat 7.30pm; Wed &amp; Sat 2pm; from £22.50

Jane Horrocks, Julian Ovenden and multi prize-winning director Richard Jones.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7191](http://se1.net/7191)**Movie highlights****Keyworth Centre**

Keyworth Street

Tuesday 1 December

**RENT**5.45pm-8pm; free (RSVP [brooks@lsbu.ac.uk](mailto:brooks@lsbu.ac.uk))

World AIDS Day screening of Rent plus Q&amp;A with LEAT (London Ecumenical AIDS Trust).

→ Full info at [se1.net/8194](http://se1.net/8194)**Shortwave Cinema**10 Bermondsey Square T 020 7357 6845  
[www.shortwavefilms.co.uk](http://www.shortwavefilms.co.uk)

Thursday 3 to Sunday 6 December

**MID-AUGUST LUNCH**

Thu &amp; Sun 8.45pm; £6 (conc £5)

Director: Gianni Di Gregorio. 72 mins

→ Full info at [se1.net/8186](http://se1.net/8186)

Thursday 3 to Saturday 12 December

**MOON**

Thu 3 7pm; Sun 6 7pm; Thu 10-Sat 12 8.45pm; £6 (conc £5)

Director: Duncan Jones. 93 mins.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8185](http://se1.net/8185)

Saturday 19 December

**SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARVES**

11am; £4

The world's first full-length animated feature in newly restored high definition.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8189](http://se1.net/8189)

Thursday 10 to Sunday 20 December

**FISH TANK**

Thu 10-Sat 12 6.30pm; Thu 17 &amp; Fri 19 8.45pm; Sat 19 &amp; Sun 20 8pm; £6 (conc £5)

Director: Andrea Arnold. 120 mins

→ Full info at [se1.net/8187](http://se1.net/8187)

Thursday 17 to Sunday 20 December

**IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE**

Thu &amp; Fri 6.15pm; Sat &amp; Sun 4pm; £6 (conc £5)

Director: Frank Capra. 130 mins.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8188](http://se1.net/8188)**Tate Modern**Bankside T 020 7887 8888  
[www.tate.org.uk/modern](http://www.tate.org.uk/modern)

Monday 14 December

**LOCK, STOCK AND TWO SMOKING BARRELS: COMMUNITY FILM CLUB**

Starr Auditorium; 7pm (refreshments from 6.30pm); free

Guy Richie's 1998 comedy thriller. Look out for scenes filmed in Park Street, Borough Market. Membership of the Community Film Club is aimed at those living in Southwark and Lambeth. To become a member (it's free) email [communityfilmclub@tate.org.uk](mailto:communityfilmclub@tate.org.uk) or join at door.→ Full info at [se1.net/8058](http://se1.net/8058)**The Movieum of London**County Hall T 020 7202 7040  
[www.themovieum.com](http://www.themovieum.com)

Saturday 19 to Sunday 20 December

**CHARLIE CHAPLIN SHORT FILMS**

2pm &amp; 4pm; £5

Neil Brand plays a live accompaniment to two Charlie Chaplin shorts: *The Immigrant* and *Easy Street*.→ Full info at [se1.net/8198](http://se1.net/8198)**Exhibitions****151-189 Harper Road**

Until Sunday 4 January

**SEIZURE: ROGER HIORNS**

Thu-Sun 11am-5pm; free

Hiorns has been shortlisted for the Turner Prize for this transformation of a vacant flat into a glittering cave of blue copper sulphate crystals. The Turner Prize winner will be announced live on Channel 4 on 7 December.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7439](http://se1.net/7439)**Advanced Graphics London**32 Long Lane T 020 7407 2055  
[www.advancedgraphics.co.uk](http://www.advancedgraphics.co.uk)  
Tue-Sat 10am-6pm; free

Until Saturday 19 December

**KITCHING STOTHARD: THE TYPOGRAPHY WORKSHOP**

20 years of new letterpress prints.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7654](http://se1.net/7654)**Alma Enterprises**38-40 Glasshill Street  
[www.almaenterprises.com](http://www.almaenterprises.com)

Until Sunday 13 December

**MTB [MILITARY TRAINING BASE]: SUZANNE TREISTER**

Temporary showroom presenting designs and ideas for a hypothetical military training base of the future.

→ Full info at [se1.net/8210](http://se1.net/8210)**Bankside Gallery**48 Hopton Street T 020 7928 7521  
[www.banksidegallery.com](http://www.banksidegallery.com)  
Daily 11am-6pm; free

Thursday 10 December to Friday 23 January

**MINI PICTURE SHOW**

Work on a small scale.

→ Full info at [se1.net/7651](http://se1.net/7651)

**BFI Southbank**

Belvedere Road T 020 7928 3535  
www.bfi.org.uk/southbank  
Tue-Sat 11am-8pm; free

Thursday 10 December to Sunday 15 February  
**PETER CAMPUS OPTICKS**  
Three of the acclaimed visual artist's seminal close-circuit camera pieces of video art.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8119](http://se1.net/8119)

**Design Museum**

Shad Thames T 0870 909 9009  
www.designmuseum.org  
Daily 10am-5.45pm (last admission 5.15pm); £8.50 (conc £6.50; students £5); Under 12s free

Until Sunday 1 February  
**DAVID CHIPPERFIELD: MAKING SPECIAL**  
One of the most important architects working today.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/6020](http://se1.net/6020)

Until Sunday 8 March  
**ERGONOMICS: REAL DESIGN**  
Ergonomics has been described as the science of everyday life.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/6022](http://se1.net/6022)

Until Sunday 15 March  
**DIETER RAMS: LESS AND MORE**  
For 40 years, from 1955 until 1995, Dieter Rams designed or oversaw the design of over 500 products for Braun.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7661](http://se1.net/7661)

**Fashion & Textile Museum**

83 Bermondsey Street T 020 7407 8664  
www.ftmlondon.org  
Exhibitions Wed-Sun 11am-6pm; £7 (conc £4); under-12s free

Until Wednesday 25 February  
**FOALE AND TUFFIN: MADE IN ENGLAND**  
Two influential designers who were at the heart of the 1960s cultural explosion.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7571](http://se1.net/7571)

**gallery@oxo**

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

Thursday 10 December to Sunday 11 January  
**I:CLICK PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS**  
Winners of a photography competition for teenagers based on body language.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/541](http://se1.net/541)

**Garden Museum**

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

Until Sunday 8 March  
**THE GOOD LIFE**  
Explores 100 years of 'growing your own', through the good times and bad.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7186](http://se1.net/7186)

**Hayward Gallery**

Southbank Centre T 020 7921 0813  
www.southbankcentre.co.uk/visualarts  
Daily 10am-6pm (Fri till 10pm); £10 (seniors £9, conc £6, under-16 £4.50; under 12 free)

Until Sunday 11 January  
**ED RUSCHA: FIFTY YEARS OF PAINTING**  
Great Los Angeles-based artist.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/5893](http://se1.net/5893)

Until Wednesday 21 January  
**ROOMS WITHOUT WALLS: SILBERKUPPE**

Project Space; free  
Reflects on the history of project based independent and collective cultural production in Berlin since the fall of the Wall, twenty years ago.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8037](http://se1.net/8037)

**Imperial War Museum**

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

Until Sunday 12 April  
**FROM WAR TO WINDRUSH**  
→ Full info at [se1.net/4332](http://se1.net/4332)

Until Sunday 6 September  
**OUTBREAK 1939**  
The build-up and preparations for war.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/6283](http://se1.net/6283)

Until Sunday 1 November  
**HORRIBLE HISTORIES: TERRIBLE TRENCHES**  
£4.95 (conc £3.95, child £2.50, family ticket £13) from 020 7416 5439  
A family exhibition based on the Trenches Handbook.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/6282](http://se1.net/6282)

**Jerwood Space**

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

Until Sunday 13 December  
**PASSING THOUGHTS AND MAKING PLANS**  
Artists who use photography as part of their thought process.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7999](http://se1.net/7999)

**Menier Gallery**

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

Tuesday 1 to Saturday 12 December  
**TOM O'KELLY: NEW PAINTINGS**  
Although a traditional painter, his large canvases are original and contemporary.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8143](http://se1.net/8143)

**Morley College**

61 Westminster Bridge Road T 020 7928 8501  
www.morleycollege.ac.uk  
Gallery Mon-Fri 11am-6pm; Thu until 7pm; Sat 12 noon-4pm;

Wednesday 2 to Wednesday 16 December  
**LONDON POTTERS**  
Work for sale.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8208](http://se1.net/8208)

**National Theatre**

South Bank T 020 7452 3000  
www.nationaltheatre.org.uk  
Foyers open Mon-Sat 9.30am-11pm; Sun 12 noon-6pm; free

Until Sunday 11 January  
**DAZZLE**  
Work of leading European designers who create unique and exquisitely beautiful handcrafted pieces of jewellery, metalwork and prints.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7543](http://se1.net/7543)

Saturday 5 December to Sunday 25 January  
**TAKE A VIEW: LANDSCAPE PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 2009**  
Stunning exhibition of photographs.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7631](http://se1.net/7631)

**Nolia's Gallery 2**

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

Thursday 3 to Monday 21 December  
**POSTCARDS FROM DYSTOPIA**  
Curated by Tutte Newall.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7996](http://se1.net/7996)

**Old Operating Theatre, Museum and Herb Garret**

9a St Thomas Street T 020 7188 2679  
www.thegarret.org.uk  
Daily 10.30am-5pm; £5.60; conc £4.60; child £3.25; family (2+4) £13.75

Until Monday 7 December  
**EXPLORING THE INVISIBLE**  
A unique live installation and exhibition

displaying people and objects photographed using the natural light emitted by certain strains of bacteria.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7974](http://se1.net/7974)

**Purdy Hicks Gallery**

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

Until Saturday 12 December  
**STEPHEN FARTHING: PAINTINGS 1980-2010**  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7376](http://se1.net/7376)

**Royal Festival Hall**

Belvedere Road T 0871 663 2501  
www.southbankcentre.co.uk  
Foyers daily 10am-11pm;

Until Sunday 6 December  
**ART BY OFFENDERS, SECURE PATIENTS AND DETAINEES**  
Annual Koestler Awards exhibition.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7990](http://se1.net/7990)

Until Sunday 13 December  
**WORLD PRESS PHOTO 2009**  
The 196 photographs on display capture the most powerful, moving and sometimes disturbing images of the year.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7632](http://se1.net/7632)

**Southwark Cathedral**

London Bridge T 020 7367 6700  
www.southwarkcathedral.org.uk  
Daily 8am-6pm; free

Saturday 5 December to Tuesday 27 January  
**KAREN NEALE: LONDON IN LANDSCAPE**  
Watercolours of London scenes by artist and architect Karen Neale. Her book is on sale in the Cathedral shop.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8195](http://se1.net/8195)

**Tate Modern**

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

Until Sunday 11 January  
**JOHN BALDESSARI: PURE BEAUTY**  
£10 (conc £8.50)  
Californian conceptual artist.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/5425](http://se1.net/5425)

Until Sunday 18 January  
**POP LIFE: ART IN A MATERIAL WORLD**  
£12.50 (conc £10.50)  
A radical re-reading of Pop Art and its legacy. See page 3 for details of Rob Pruitt's Flea Market.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/5424](http://se1.net/5424)

Until Monday 6 April  
**MIROSLAW BALK: HOW IT IS**  
Walk into a pitch black chamber in the Turbine Hall.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/5426](http://se1.net/5426)

**The Wapping Project Bankside**

65a Hopton Street T 020 7981 9851  
www.thewappingprojectbankside.com  
Tue-Sat 11am-6pm; free

Until Sunday 11 January  
**PETER MARLOW: LONDON AT NIGHT**  
A collection of images by the acclaimed Magnum photographer from his London at Night series.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8209](http://se1.net/8209)

SHOPPING INFORMATION

**Borough Market at Christmas**

Sunday 20	10am-4pm
Monday 21	11am-5pm
Tuesday 22	9am-6pm
Wednesday 23	9am-6pm
Thursday 24	8am-2pm
Friday 25-Monday 28	closed
Tuesday 29	9am-4pm
Wednesday 30	9am-6pm
Thursday 31	9am-2pm
Friday 1	closed
Saturday 2	8am-5pm

**What's On New Year**

Events in early January 2010

Special events

**Bankside Pier**

Bankside

Sunday 3 January 2010  
**TWELFTH NIGHT**  
Time TBC; free

An annual event held in the Bankside area by The Lions part. It is a celebration of the New Year, mixing ancient seasonal customs with contemporary festivity. It is free, accessible to all and happens whatever the weather. To herald the celebration, the extraordinary Holly Man, the Winter guise of the Green Man from pagan myths and folklore, decked in fantastic green garb and evergreen foliage, appears from the River Thames brought by the Thames Cutter, Master Shipbroker (boat subject to weather!). With the crowd, led by the Bankside Mummies, the Holly Man 'brings in the green' and 'wassails' or toasts the people and the River Thames - an old tradition encouraging good growth. The Globe is wassailed in like fashion. The Mummies then process to the Bankside Pier, and perform the traditional 'freestyle' Folk Combat Play of St. George, featuring the Turkey Sniper, Clever Legs, the Old 'Oss and many others, dressed in their spectacular 'guizes'. The play is full of wild verse and boisterous action, a time-honoured part of the season recorded from the Crusades. Cakes distributed at the end of the play have a bean and a pea hidden in two of them. Those who find them are hailed King and Queen for the day and crowned with ceremony. They then lead the people through the streets to the George Inn in Borough High Street for a fine warming up with Storytelling, the Kissing Wishing Tree and more dancing.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/7548](http://se1.net/7548)

Music

**Southwark Cathedral**

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

Saturday 2 January 2010  
**CHRISTMAS MESSIAH**  
7.30pm; £7.50 on the door (under-12s free)

The performance of Handel's Christmas Messiah will be given by a collection of five talented American choirs combining over 100 voices, accompanied by a celebrated American youth orchestra. The concert is held in aid of Kids Company, a local charity which helps provide practical, emotional and educational support to vulnerable inner-city children and young people.  
→ Full info at [se1.net/8196](http://se1.net/8196)

**londonSE1 community website**

**This month's forum topics**

- Charlotte Court
- Gym on Tower Bridge Road
- Pilates in SE1 or SE16
- 200 Great Dover Street
- SE1 Indian takeaways
- MOT testing in SE1
- C10 bus complaints
- Old Maps
- Old Waterloo Library
- Looking for a cleaning lady
- Lost cat in Shad Thames
- Vinopolis eyes expansion?
- Tooley Street road works

- Passport photo for baby
- Removal of railings
- Students escorted from ICC
- The Britannia, Kipling St
- Decently priced BYO?
- Spooks on Melior Street
- College Street, Lambeth

...and dozens more topics  
Join the debate at  
[www.London-SE1.co.uk](http://www.London-SE1.co.uk)

## BOOK REVIEW

## The London Poverty Map

Charles Booth  
Old House Books • £12.99

### This is an 1889 street map of central London.

Every street is colour coded according to wealth by Charles Booth who was assisted in his famous poverty investigations by his relative Beatrice Webb. She knew the Tower Bridge area well. Booth himself sometimes stayed in lodgings with deprived families.

Yellow stands for 'the servant keeping class' but the only yellow building in SE1 is Lambeth Palace.

Red is 'well-to-do middle class' and can be found down both sides of Blackfriars Road and in Nelson Square. But just behind is Pocock Street marked deep black for 'lowest class, vicious, semi-criminal'.

The middle classes seem to line the main roads. even Dockhead and the Elephant & Castle are red whilst Butler's Wharf and Bermondsey have black spots.

However, Roupell Street is by this time already 'fairly comfortable'.

Buy this map to check your social status under Queen Victoria.

## BOOK REVIEW

## My Ward

Wendy Mathews • Walpole House • £5  
Available from the Friends' shop at St Thomas' Hospital  
Email mathews.myward@gmail.com for mail order details

### This is the story of St Thomas', Guy's and the Evelina Children's Hospitals and their ward names.

The author is Wendy Mathews who has devoted all her adult life to St Thomas' Hospital as a nurse, physiotherapist and founder member of the Friends of the Florence Nightingale Museum. With over 50 years experience of three hospitals and a husband also at St Thomas' she is well placed to write this book.

She suggests that St Thomas' dates from 1106 and took its present name in 1173, just three years after St Thomas Becket had been murdered. She is rightly firm about the correct position of the apostrophe. She is also clear and concise on the history of both Guy's and Evelina.

The earliest ward name seems to have been Noah's Ark which was reached by outside stairs. In 1593 there were Abraham, Isaac and Jacob Wards. 1696 was an important landmark as this was the year when patients got their own bed and sharing was abolished.

At St Thomas' today there is Doulton Ward which is named after Henry Doulton who nearby made the hospital's much admired nursery rhyme tiles. Scutari Ward recalls Florence Nightingale's Crimea days.

Guy's still has local boy Charles Dickens giving his name to a ward but Keats Ward, named after medical student turned poet John Keats, has closed. Wendy's history reveals that for a very short period there was Talbot Ward which consisted of beds in the former Tabard Inn known to Chaucer.

This is a very good value paperback full of new and interesting information.

## BOOK REVIEW

## A Murder on London Bridge

Susanna Gregory • Sphere • £19.99

### Susan Gregory has produced one of her Thomas Chaloner mysteries set largely around London Bridge in the year 1664. It is wooden, lined by houses and crowded with cows, geese, sheep, pigs and horses.

Charles II has been back in London for just four years following the fall of the Cromwell regime. Indeed the King's entry into the capital was by way of Borough High Street and London Bridge. He had come up from Dover with General Monck who knew Southwark well. The 350th anniversary of that event is next year.

Chaloner is a spy on the fringes of court life with access to Whitehall. His girlfriend is a lady in waiting to the Queen and his wanderings take him not only on to London Bridge but upstream along both sides of the river.

He drinks at the Dog & Duck in St George's Fields and at the Beggar's Bush in the Paris Garden where the pastime is rat racing. There is early action with a sword fight in Southwark Cathedral.

It's a convincing story and doubt does not creep in until after 150 pages when Tom goes to a Roman Catholic mass in the evening. This is a surprise as mass always had to be celebrated before noon until Pius XII's reign in the 20th century. Was evening mass allowed in 17th-century England due to the priest shortage?

Since Susanna Gregory is really, under her real name, a Cambridge academic I think we should be told.

## Tell us what you think about cycling in South Bank...



## And you could win a gourmet dinner for two

We are developing a cycle strategy which will cover all aspects of cycling in South Bank, from cycle routes and bike parking to crime hotspots. To help us get it right, we need to know what you think.

We want to hear from a wide range of people including residents, local employees and those who regularly enjoy visiting the South Bank. It doesn't matter if you are a cyclist or not. We are keen to understand everyone's views, including pedestrians and drivers.

Take 5 minutes to complete the questionnaire at [www.southbankpartnership.org/cycling](http://www.southbankpartnership.org/cycling)

To say thank you, we'll enter you into a prize draw to win a luxury dinner for two at the fantastic Park Plaza Westminster Bridge hotel which is opening early next year.

Survey closes 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009.

  
Lambeth

  
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