

WHAT'S ON

EXHIBITIONS

INVENTING IMPRESSIONISM

Masterpieces of the Impressionists who were discovered and championed by the Paris art dealer, Paul Durand-Ruel. From 4 Mar. £16, £14, £8 concs

PEDER BALKE One of the most pioneering painters of 19th-century Scandinavia, now recognised as one of the forerunners of modernism. Free

MAGGI HAMLING Walls of Water. New series of dramatic paintings are a contemporary parallel to the seascapes by Norwegian artist Peder Balke. Until 15 Feb. Free

The National Gallery, Trafalgar Sq. Map C6 Tel 020 7747 2885

THE REAL TUDORS

Kings and Queens rediscovered. **OLD TITLES AND NEW MONEY** American heiresses and the British aristocracy. **SNOWDON** A Life in View. **SUFFRAGETTES:** Deeds Not Words. **THOMAS CARLYLE:** Historian of Heroes.

National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place. Map C5 Tel 020 7306 0055

GUY BOURDIN: Image Maker. Guy Bourdin's imagery was a highpoint in twentieth century fashion photography. £9, £7 concs

MAPPING THE CITY Works by established and emerging artists from the street and graffiti art scenes. Until 15 Feb. Free



EVENTS

VODAPHONE LONDON FASHION WEEKEND

See review. London's exclusive fashion and designer shopping experience with catwalk shows, pop-up shops, talks and demonstrations from fashion industry experts and style leaders. 26 Feb-1 Mar. Book at www.londonfashionweekend.co.uk

HIDDEN SPACES & HISTORY Every Thurs 13.15, 14.45, every Sat 12.15, 13.15, 14.15, 15.15. Free

Somerset House, Strand. Map F4 Tel 020 7420 9406

WORLD FAMOUS STREET THEATRE

Jugglers, acrobats, comedians and magicians entertain you every day around the Market.

THE REAL FOOD MARKET

Every Thurs 11.00-19.00. Covent Garden Market, 41 The Market. Map E4 Tel 0870 780 5001

FRIDAY LATES Guided tours, talks and events. 18.00-21.00. Includes:

BELLE SHENKMAN MUSIC PROGRAMME Musicians from the Royal College of Music. 6, 20 Feb 18.00-19.00. Free

LIFE DRAWING SALON Vermeer and body language 13 Feb 18.30-20.30. £12, £10 concs

VAN GOGH THEN & NOW 125 years since the death of Van Gogh. Lecture. 20 Feb 18.30-19.30. £6, £4 concs

IN THE NAME OF THE ARTIST Explore the questions of fame and our perception of artists' identities in their work. Friday late social. 27 Feb 18.30-20.00. £25, £20 concs includes a complimentary glass of wine and 25% off food in the café

GUIDED TOURS Every day, 11.30 and 14.30, Fridays 19.00, Sat, Sun 11.30 and 16.00. Free

10 MINUTE TALKS Every Mon-Fri 16.00. Free

LUNCHTIME TALKS Every Mon, Tues 13.00-13.45. Free

ON THE CONTRARY Two viewpoints on one painting. Every Thurs 13.00-13.30. Free

TALK & DRAW Artist-led drawing session. All materials provided. Every Fri 13.00. Free

TOUR & DRAW Meet an artist at the Sainsbury Wing Information Desk and set off into the galleries for 90 minutes of working in your own sketchbook. 7, 28 Feb 13.00-14.30. Free, limited to 40 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

THE PAUL MELLON LECTURE: Sculpture on the Threshold. The Closed, from Pandora's Box to Damien Hirst 2 Feb 18.30-19.30. £6, £4 concs

The Open, from Martin Creed to Castle Howard 9 Feb 18.30-19.30. £6, £4 concs
 The Ensemble, from Bethan Huws to Rike's Rodin 16 Feb 18.30-19.30. £6, £4 concs

WHO WERE THE ROCOCO PAINTERS? Taster course 19 Feb 14.00-16.00. £10

A LONGER LOOK Ingres: Madame Moltessier 14 Feb 10.30-13.00. £30, £24 concs

FAMILY FUN Sunday workshop. 11.00-13.00, 14.00-16.00. Ages 5-11. Free

MAGIC CARPET STORYTELLING Sundays at 10.30-11.00, 11.30-12.00 for under 5s. Free

HALF TERM FUN Messy Monday, Talking Tuesday, Artist's Apprentice Workshop and a host of activities and story telling throughout the half term week for families and children of all ages. 16-21 Feb, sessions from 10.00 to 16.00

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LATE SHIFT Gallery talks, tours, and musical performances every Thurs, Fri from 18.00. Includes:

GALLERY TALKS Queer Perspectives: Outcasts and Exiles 5 Feb, General Reputations of the First World War 26 Feb, 19.00. Free

GALLERY TOUR The Real Tudors 12 Feb 19.30

LIVE MUSIC Le Petit Orchestre 6 Feb, Adam Brown 'The A Train to Argentina' 20 Feb, Gasa Duo: Bach and Bartok 27 Feb. All at 18.30. Free

THE PORTRAIT CHOIR The Poet, the Lover and the Lunatic. Performed in rooms across the second floor of the Gallery, this multi-art performance will combine the music of Elgar and Vaughan Williams. 13 Feb 18.30-19.45. Free

DROP-IN DRAWING 6, 13, 20, 27 Feb 18.30-20.30. Free

LECTURES A 'Paradoxical Portrait' 19 Feb. All at 19.00. £7, £5 concs

LIFE DRAWING: Sargent Style. Taking inspiration from Sargent's approach, artist Andy Pankhurst guides you through his style in a series of quick drawings. 27 Feb 18.30-20.30. £9, £7 concs



PORTRAIT OF THE DAY Every day 12.00. Free

LUNCHTIME LECTURES Sophia: Princess, Suffragette, Revolutionary 5 Feb, Behind the Mask: The Life of Vita Sackville-West 19 Feb 13.15. Free

WEEKEND WORKSHOP Working Photography. 7, 8 Feb 11.00-17.00. £125, £100 concs

WEEKEND WORKSHOP Sargent's Sight-Size Technique. 21, 22 Jan 11.00-17.00. £125, £100 concs

SUNDAY SESSION Wear it out. Taking inspiration from Grayson Perry: Who are You? 1 Feb 13.00-16.00. Free. Book at youthbookings@npg.org.uk or tel 020 7312 2483. Ages 14-21

PAINTERLY PORTRAITS Young people's three-day workshop. Join us for an extended painting workshop, inspired by Sargent: Portraits of Artists and Friends, to refine your sketching and acrylic painting skills. 17, 18, 19 Feb 11.00-16.00, showcase 19 Feb 17.00. Free. Book at youthbookings@npg.org.uk or tel 020 7312 2483. Ages 14-21

PICK UP A PENCIL Drop-in drawing sessions for young people. 21 Feb 14.00-16.00. Free. Ages 14-21

FAMILY DROP-IN SESSION Out of The Shadows. 15 Feb 13.00-14.30, 15.00-16.30. Free. Ages 3+

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES Friendship: activities inspired by Sargent: Portraits of Artists and Friends. There will be a range of ticketed and drop-in activities. For ages 5+. 16-20 Feb 11.00-16.00. Free

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BOOK LAUNCH Mátyas Székely's biography of László Cs. Szabó, entitled Csé follows the happenings of his eventful life and summarizes the critical reception of his work. 4 Feb 19.00

HUNGARIAN AVANTGARD Lecture by László Beké giving an overview of the most remarkable artists and works from the period of the 1960s to the present day in Hungary. 5 Feb 19.00

Free, booking required on 020 7240 8448 or email bookings@hungary.org.uk

Hungarian Cultural Centre, 10 Madder Lane. Map E5 Tel 020 7240 6162

FAREWELL LEICESTER SQUARE

Celebrate the dawn of the jazz age with lots of glamorous activities. As well as music from a 1920s style live jazz band, a pub quiz and a scavenger hunt, there will be a make and take Art Deco workshop and illustrated talks: Sex and Scandal in the 1920s by Lucinda Gosling, From Depression to Boom by London Transport Museum curator Simon Murphy and The Essence of 1920s Cocktails by Erik Lonnitz, award winning head bar tender from the American Bar at the Savoy Hotel. 6 Feb 18.45-22.00. £10, £8 concs

HALF TERM FUN Creative workshops with shadow puppet cinema. Drop-in sessions 16-20 Feb 11.30, 14.30. Ages 5-12
 Storytime. Constance, the First World War 'Conductorette', has some clever tricks for catching thieves and cheats who try to short change her under the cover of wartime blackouts. 16-20 Feb 11.00, 14.00. Ages 3-7

FAMILY STATION Choose free activities to do as you explore the Museum. For families with children of all ages. Weekends and school holidays.

Entrance to the Museum is free for children and young people aged 17 and under. Adult admission is £15.00, £11.50 concs, tickets allow unlimited entry for a whole year.

London Transport Museum, The Piazza. Map E4 Tel 020 7379 6344

PICADOR CLASSIC DAY With Alan Hollinghurst, Carol Ann Duffy, John Lanchester, William Fiennes, Philip Hensher, John Banville and more. 7 Feb 11.00-18.30. £25, £12 concs

FOYLES BOOK CLUB Customers and staff discuss a book chosen by club members. The Shock of The Fall by Nathan Filer. 17 Feb 19.00-20.30. Free, booking required

THE SHIP Book launch with author Antonia Honeywell and guest Cheryl Morgan. 19 Feb 18.00-19.30. Free, booking required

VERSO FUTURES Franco 'Bifo' Berardi launches his latest and most unsettling book to date: Heroes: Mass Murder and Suicide, from the Verso Futures series. 25 Feb 18.30-20.30. £5

Free, booking required on 020 7240 8448 or email bookings@hungary.org.uk

No tickets issued, email confirmation will act as proof of reservation.

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