Live shows and event listings!

10.30am-12.30pm. Monthly on Saturdays, Jeffug JyA begins week of 22 September with half term week from 27 October Our weekly classes run for 10 weeks at a time. The Autumn Term Weekly Classes for Adults

Professional pantomime arrives at Cornerstone Arts Centre, Didcot this

Christmas as we welcome award winning Polka Dot Pantomimes to present a

tale as old as time - BEAUTY AND THE BEAST.

effects, toe tapping tunes and plenty of audience participation, as well as real panto pooches! This is family

Thu 25 Dec

Fri 26 Dec

Sat 27 Dec

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Tue 30 Dec

Wed 31 Dec

6.30pm P

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implement self-care tools.

Self-Care

drawing materials.

line and tone using different

and scale, treatment of light,

drawing such as proportion

Learn technical aspects of

Tuesdays, 7-9pm. £231

Life Drawing

weeks of portraiture.

weeks of still life and five

(Intermediate)

this class comprised of five

skills and learn more drawing techniques, with

Tuesdays, 10.30am-12.30pm. £116.

Drawing with Pencil

In a calm and friendly environment, further your

in a completely informal and pressure-free setting!

at adults who want to explore their creative side

These 2 hour playful art sessions are aimed

£10 for one session or £36 for all 4.

20 Dec: Felt Christmas Friends

MORNING MATINEE EVENING

Merry Christmas - No performances

1.00pm

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Preview performance - Join us for our exclusive Preview I Thu 18 Dec at a discounted price of £21. £17 Concession

Relaxed performance with touch tour at 10am - Suitable for

M Meet and Greet shows Your chance to meet the cast after the

5.00pm

6.30pm

25 Oct: Junk Modelling

27 Sep: Playing with Paint

22 Nov: Clay

journalling prompts and learn simple to

class will follow creative exercises and

different materials and techniques. The

journalling and artistic exploration, using

Wednesdays, 7:00pm-8:30pm. £120.

A creative class where you combine

Art Journalling for

abilities to develop their artistic, personal and social skills. techniques to help children and young people of all This fun and engaging class explores various theatre E89. School years 7+. Thursdays, 4.30-6pm. E74. School years 1-6. Tuesdays, 4.15-5.15pm. Youth Theatre

**AUTUMN 2025** 

September - December

Live shows and event listings!

welcomes everyone! energetic and physical dance class wanting to try something new, this From experienced dancers to those £74. School years 9+ £68. School years 5-8 Saturdays, 10.30-11.15am. Street Dance

décor with this relaxing craft activity. enjoy adding a unique, handmade touch to your home mindful knotting. Choose your favourite colours and Create beautiful, personalised coasters through slow, Thursday 13 Nov 10.30am - 12pm Your Own Macrame Coasters Craft Club's Make accessory that reflects you. help you create a unique, creative We'll share ideas and techniques to paint your own personalised tote bag. Join our new Craft Club to design and Thursday 9 Oct 10.30am - 12pm. Own Tote Bag Craft Club's Paint Your Please note that the workshops are not included in the early bird offer on classes. One Off Workshops

Be inspired by nature and our environment. 18 Oct, 15 Nov, 13 Dec £8 a session or £21 for all 3. Monthly on Saturdays, 11am-12.30pm. Art Club for Teens and save £10! advantage of our self of the offer before the season starts and take

to our classes

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email cornerstone@southoxon.gov.uk

website cornerstone-arts.org or

For more information please visit our

and try it out for a week.

Call our Box Office to book a free taster session

Not sure a class is for you?

Wednesdays, 4.30-5.30pm.

their creativity, without you having to worry about clearing up

This class gives your pint-sized Picasso a chance to explore

the mess afterwards!

School years 1-6

Mess Makers

(\*\*Street Dance starts one week earlier on 20 September) begins week of 22 September with half term week from 27 October. Our weekly classes run for 10 weeks at a time. The Autumn Term **B Young People** 

Weekly Classes for Children

and event listings!

a playful, supportive group.

Levels 5 and 4

Levels 1 and 2

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Tuesdays, 6.15pm-7.15pm. £116.

Tuesdays, 5.30-6.30pm. £116.

Students work towards annual LAMDA examinations in

Training in acting, verse and prose, or public speaking.

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**Opening Times** 

Building open from 10am-5pm, Box Office and Cafe close at 4.30pm

Mon-Sat: 10am-4.30pm (open later on show days)

Whether you're visiting Cornerstone to see a show, take part in a class or catching up with friends and family you can enjoy light lunches, delicious locally sourced cakes and exquisite coffee from UE coffee Roasters and tea from Jeeves and Jericho in the Nourish Café. All locally sourced ingredients and service from our friendly team.





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Members 20% discount available

on selected performances

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develop their technique.

Two classes.

(Beginners)

Learn to Paint

confidence to give it a go or

wants to express themselves

This course is for anyone who

2. Thursdays, 7-9pm. £231.

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and save £10!

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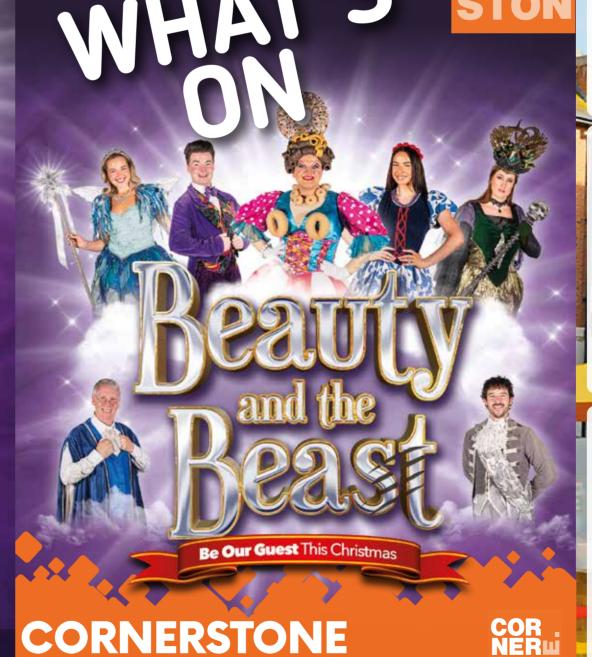
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**TICKETS** 

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Your Visit

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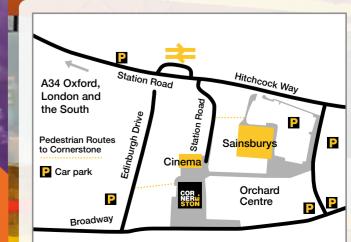
For all the latest information on shows, workshops and classes, or

to book tickets, visit our website cornerstone-arts.org drop by in person or call the Box Office on 01235 515144.

Our building is fully

accessible for visitors with wheelchairs; we have a lift to all on all floors and a Changing Places

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## Finding us Cornerstone is located in Didcot's

town square. 8-minute walk from Didcot

Parkway train station. 1-minute walk from Orchard Centre car park.

There are also four bus stops within walking distance.

Disabled parking

is available in the Orchard Centre car park next to Sainsbury's, in front of PureGym on Broadway and in Edinburgh Drive car park.

toilet onsite.

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floors, spaces for wheelchairs in the auditorium, accessible toilets

STAGE

# LIVE SHOWS

## **SEPTEMBER**

### Sam Avery: Thunderstorm

Fri 19 (1) 8pm

£21 | Members £16.80 Concessions £18.90

**£25** 

Comedy | Age guidance 16+ Award-winning comedian Sam Avery returns with Thunderstorm, an electrifying show tackling parenting, culture wars, and modern chaos. Expect sharp wit, thunderous punchlines, lightning-fast jokes, and unforgettable belly laughs.

### **Bill Bailey: Work In Progress** Mon 22 & Tues 23

Comedy

(L) 6pm & 8pm

Join TV and West End star Bill Bailey as he tries out new material.

### NT Live: Inter Alia

🞹 Thu 25 🕒 7.30pm

£15 | Concessions £13

Film/Theatre

Oscar-nominated Rosamund Pike stars in Suzie Miller's powerful new play about Judge Jessica Parks, whose world is shaken by a crisis. A gripping exploration of motherhood, masculinity, and

### Stephen K Amos: Now We're Talking **£22**

Sat 27 🕒 8pm

Comedy | Age guidance 16+

**OCTOBER** 

Thu 2 ( 7.30pm

🇰 Fri 3 🕒 7.30pm

Theatre/Comedy

How good is a laugh? Stephen K Amos's joke book is overflowing, so it's time to dive into what gives him the ick and what makes him tick. It's all about getting down to the nitty gritty - no filter, no limits.

The Complete Works of Jane Austen, Abridged

Three lively actors race through Jane Austen's entire canon in

beloved heroines, sharp satire, and big-hearted comedy for all!

🔏 £21

Pete brings his trademark blend of magic and comedy from the small screen to stages around the UK with this brand-new show.

Expect impossible feats, sleight of hands and big laughs from one

As seen on Live at the Apollo, Mock The Week, Have I Got News

For You, and Pointless, multi-award-winning comedian Ria Lina

returns after her acclaimed Riawakening tour with razor-sharp

Legendary Canadian stand-up Tom returns with a brand-new

show, delivering mischievous, uncompromising comedy and

sharp observations. Fresh from Edinburgh and TV hits, expect

Award-winning Dyad Productions return with a captivating show

about Sir Walter Raleigh - explorer, poet, lover, traitor. Discover

the highs, lows, and secrets of this magnetic historical figure,

Pete Firman: Tricks & Giggles

Magic & Comedy | Age guidance 11+

of magic's most exciting performers.

comedy on life, gender and rebellion.

an hour of first-class, playful laughs.

**Didcot Concert Orchestra** 

Tom Stade: Naughty by Nature

Ria Lina: Riabellion

Comedy | Age guidance 16+

🛗 Sat 4 🕒 7.30pm

🎹 Thu 9 🕒 7.30pm

Comedy | Age guidance 16+

That Knave, Raleigh

vividly brought to life.

**Sun 12** 4pm

just 80 minutes. Expect a fast-paced, hilarious romp packed with

£16 | Members £12.80

Concessions £14.40

£20 | Concessions £18

£23 | Members £23

# LIVE SHOWS

## **OCTOBER**

**Comedy Special:** Ed Byrne and Comedians TBA!

Thu 23 (1) 7.30pm

Comedy legend Ed Byrne headlines this huge night of stand-up with an extended set, following decades of TV fame and sell-out tours. Two more top comedians are to be announced to complete this unmissable line-up!

## NT Live: Mrs Warren's Profession

Fri 24 🕒 7.30pm 🧣 £ 15 | Concessions £13

Relaxed & Captioned screening Sat 22 Nov, 2.30pm

Film/Theatre

Imelda Staunton and daughter Bessie Carter star as mother and daughter in Mrs. Warren's Profession, a powerful West End production exploring morality, independence, and generational

## Spot's Birthday Party

Sat 25 (-) 2pm Sun 26 11am & 2pm

£15 | Family Ticket £55 Under 16s £13.50

Spot is throwing a fun-filled birthday party with his friends! Based on the beloved Eric Hill classic this interactive show for ages 2+ features Makaton, songs, dancing, and games. A perfect, joyful theatre introduction for little ones.

### Peatbog Faeries Fri 31 (-) 7.30pm

€ £25 | Members £20 Concessions £22.50 Fall festiva

Peatbog Faeries deliver an electrifying live show blending traditional Scottish melodies with dance, jazz, and global grooves. Their gigs create a spine-tingling, feel-good atmosphere where every song feels like an encore.







## **NOVEMBER**

## **Nick Sharratt's Picture Book Drawalong**

Sat 1 🕒 2pm

£12 | Concessions £10.80

Join beloved illustrator Nick Sharratt for a fun family drawalong! Discover favourite books, learn to draw exciting characters, play games, and get creative. Suitable for ages 4+, with signed books available.

## Nosferatu - With Live Score

Thu 6 🕒 7.30pm

£13.50 | Members £10.80 Concessions £12.15

Composer and musician Chris Green reimagines silent horror classic Nosferatu with a bold new score. Striking eerie visuals combined with haunting live music promise a chilling cinematic

## The Dreaming Spires

Fri 7 (-) 7.30pm

Bark Bark

📆 Wed 12 🕒 7.30pm

**£** £15 | Members £12

£17 | Members £13.60

Concessions £13.50 Fall Folk







## **NOVEMBER**

UFQ blend Celtic folk with Afrobeat, Indian classical, funk, and rock, delivering high-energy, multi-instrumental performances. Touring their seventh album True Story, they promise an exhilarating, humorous acoustic music experience.

LIVE SHOWS

As the apocalypse looms—crime, climate change, AI, and culture wars - Alfie takes to the stage with sharp humour, hard-won wisdom, and riotous tales to steer us from doom (and potholes).

## A Celebration of The Music iiii Thu 27 (-) 7.45pm

Music

world. This immersive and fun driven show features Xylobands, lasers, back projection, confetti, and all of the biggest hits from Yellow. Hymn For The Weekend, to A Viva La Vida and Paradise.

## The Nutcracker

Ϊ Sat 29 🕒 1pm & 3pm 🛮 😤 £12

Let's All Dance Ballet Company returns with a magical, family-

## **DECEMBER**

## Pantomime: Beauty and the Beast

for times Wed 31



# Café Music Nights

Friday Night Music

Start your weekend wind down with music and a drink in our café! There's no need to book - just grab a table, some drinks, and your friends, and relax to one of our fabulous acts.

## Check our website for more details and exact timings for these free music!

## Fleur Stevenson & Hugh Turner

No booking necessary to see this incomparable jazz duo and Cornerstone favourites Fleur Stevenson and Hugh Turner for a chilled Friday evening of Jazz.



## **Billy Watman**

Billy is an award-winning Anglo-Brazilian instrumental guitarist inspired by Rodrigo y Gabriela, Tommy Emmanuel & Mike Oldfield his style fuses across the genres of Flamenco, Classical and Fingerstyle Acoustic.



## **Tuesday Open Mics**

Join us for your free monthly fix of musical talent at Cornerstone's Open Mic Night! We host a variety of local artists from all genres in this intimate setting. A delightful evening for performers and music lovers alike!

Monthly on Tuesday evenings from 7.30pm-9.30pm.

# **Gallery Exhibitions**

### THERE'S A HOLE IN THE BUCKET - OBU Atelier

wed 3 September - Sat 1 November

This exhibition explores how our connection to nature supports wellbeing and how environmental crises affect daily life.

Through personal reflections, four artists consider our collective inaction and suggest that rebuilding community and connection could offer a path forward.



# THE LONDON COLLECTION **DR OLA RUTTER** Dr Ola Rutter is an

Wed 31 December

in West Berkshire, best known for her bold use of colour in uplifting acrylic paintings. Inspired by the multitude of colours found in nature, each unique painting is an expression of imagination and creativity - evoking a continuous dialogue that slowly unfolds during viewina.

### IN OUR MAIN BOX OFFICE AREA, WE HAVE BEAUTIFUL CRAFTS ON OFFER. Crafts at Cornerstone. Stuck for a present? Or a treat for yourself? We sell a wide range of

beautiful items made my local artists such as jewellery, pottery, fashion and prints.

Are you interested in exhibiting in our gallery or selling your crafts through our venue? Contact us at cornerstone@southoxon.gov.uk to find out more.

# **Community Groups**



## **Knitting Group**

Every Monday excluding first Monday of the month (10.30am-12.30pm) A friendly knitting and crochet group, we work on our own projects, swap ideas and chat.

## MyVision Coffee Morning

🏢 Monthly on Wednesdays 🕒 1pm-2pm

This is a great way to meet other visually impaired members from around the local areas.



## **Age UK Bereavement Support Service**

🗰 Second and Fourth Thursday of the month 🕒 1.20pm-2.30pm Places are limited and need to be booked. Second Thursday every month 1.30pm-2.30pm Kate Hart katehart@ageukoxfordshire.org.uk 07827 235403 Fourth Thursday every month 1.30pm-2.30pm

Rachel Dawson racheldawson@ageukoxfordshire.org.uk 07827 235428



## **Touched by Cancer**

First Thursday of the month 🕒 1pm-3pm

A place to escape from the cloud of worries and where people are free to chat about their experiences.

## Fruitcakes

iii Second Saturday of the month (1) 2pm-4pm This is a safe space for anyone in the LGBTQ+ community to have coffee, eat cake, meet new people and make new friends.



## LGBTQ+ **Didcot Silver Pride**

Forth Friday of the month 🕒 11am-12pm

A safe, welcoming group for older members of the LGBTQ+ community to meet and make friends over coffee and cake. Kate Hart katehart@ageukoxfordshire.org.uk 07827 235403 Gaynor Williams gaynorwilliams@ageukoxfordshire.org.uk 07785 425601

Groups are subject to change and availability is not guaranteed

## **Urban Folk Quartet**

Sat 15 (-) 7.30pm

£18 | Members £14.40 Concessions £16.20

### Alfie Moore: Acopalypse Now Fri 21 (1) 7.30pm

Comedy

## A Head Full of Coldplay -

£22 | Concessions £20

Capturing the energy and sound of one of the biggest bands in the

friendly ballet with stunning dancing, beautiful costumes, and enchanting characters. Perfect for children, it's an accessible festive treat for all ages.

## Thu 18 - 🕒 See back page 🛮 🤗 Adult £26

Concessions/Child £21





Acclaimed Oxfordshire five-piece The Dreaming Spires mark their eagerly awaited return with a special hometown show following the release of their new album, Normal Town, on Clubhouse Records

Concessions £15.30 Bark Bark is a live cinema play told through a dog's eyes. Using cameras, puppets, and foley, five performers reveal secrets of

## The Secret Life of a Sleepless Anaesthetist

NHS anaesthetist and comedian Ed Patrick delivers a hilarious show about life as a junior doctor, the NHS, and modern medicine's pitfalls. He hosts the Comedians Surgery podcast with celebrity guests including Joe Lycett, Rose Matafeo and **Reginald D Hunter** about their health stories and experiences.

## Rich Hall: Chin Music

Concessions £12.15





## couple's relationship in a taxidermy-filled house. Ed Patrick - Catch Your Breath: 🏢 Thu 13 🕒 7.30pm 🧼 £16, £14.40 Concession inc Blue Light Discount, £12.80 Members and age Comedy guidance 16+

Fri 14 (-) 7.30pm

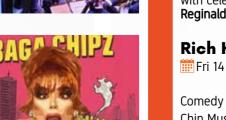
Chin Music perfectly describes Rich Hall's comedy: sharp, quick, and improvisational like idle talk and a brushback pitch. Don't miss this splenetic, hilarious show; he never disappoints.







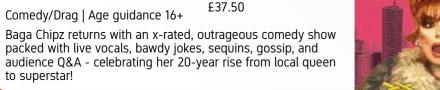




## Under 16s £9 Join Didcot's Concert Orchestra as their concert explores landscapes inspiring composers: Goldmark's tuneful overture, Karłowicz's melodic Eternal Songs, Elgar's Italian Riviera

overture, and Respighi's vivid Pines of Rome symphonic suite. Baga Chipz: 'Chip Off The Old Block' Tour

packed with live vocals, bawdy jokes, sequins, gossip, and audience Q&A - celebrating her 20-year rise from local queen to superstar!



£25 | VIP with Meet & Greet

£18 | Concessions £14