

YOUNG NORFOLK ARTS FESTIVAL 27th JUNE to 6th JULY 2014 OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Art and Design

The Norfolk Schools Art Exhibition, led by the Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts (SCVA) and Norwich School, takes place in the Cathedral Hostry and Norwich School Crypt from 1st -11th July. The theme of the exhibition is "Monument" to tie in with the exhibition of that name running at SCVA from 29th March to 14th September. There are opportunities for secondary schools who will be contacted direct by SCVA.

During the Festival period, Norwich Arts Centre will be launching a digital art trail with a supporting app. This will be aimed at everyone but will have particular appeal to young people.

YNAF can also help to find venues for other proposed exhibitions.

Music

There will be a Musical Picnic at the stately home, Elsing Hall, during the afternoon and evening of Sunday 29th June. Opportunities are available for school and independent groups of all ages.

For contemporary music and rock bands, the Norwich Sound & Vision live showcase takes place at EPIC on Wednesday 2nd July, while BBC Introducing in Norfolk will be hosting a two day showcase of bands during the Lord Mayor's Celebrations.

There also opportunities for workshop participation with the National Youth Jazz Orchestra at the Norwich Playhouse on Saturday 28th June

On Friday 27th June, Sistema in Norwich are putting on a very special concert which will be live streamed with an equivalent group in Canada. There will be other opportunities to listen to music throughout the week.

Moving Image

In collaboration with both BBC Voices Young Film Makers and Cinema Plus, YNAF will be hosting a Young Norfolk Film Festival. Films made by young people can be shown both at the Forum and online at www.bbcvoices.tumblr.com. BBC Voices are offering associated training to young people and their teachers – see bbcvoices@bbc.co.uk. It is also intended to hold a showcase event at Cinema City during the Festival. Cinema Plus is offering mentoring and organisational support to young people who wish to curate that showcase event.

Radio

Opportunities for young people to be involved in all aspects of making radio programmes are being offered by BBC Introducing and Future Radio.

Spoken and Written Word

The Norfolk Children's Book Festival will take place on Wednesday 2nd July. It is aimed at pupils aged 9-13. Guest authors are Marcus Sedgwick, Simon Mayo, Catherine MacPhail and Paul Dowswell. In advance of this the Creative Writing Workshop takes place on 29th April. Author Paul Dowswell will be writer-in-residence. He will be joined by a team of Creative Writing experts from UEA and the Norwich Writers' Centre. Information and booking forms about both the Festival and the Workshop will be sent out in a separate mailing.

There are opportunities for pupils of all ages to have Creative Writing workshops with author Rafaella Barker.

Dance

The Garage will be performing their Academy showcase at a special evening event at Holkham Hall on Saturday 28th June. There is an opportunity for other dance groups to be involved in the remainder of their programme.

YNAF has formed links with the Gecko Theatre Company. They are keen to provide workshops to groups in schools which can be tailored to individual school's requirements.

In addition to a full programme of music concerts, the Norfolk Music Education Hub is presenting a very special choral and dance event at EPIC on Thursday 3rd July.

Drama

Shakespeare related workshops will run in the Cathedral Cloister from 1st to 4th July.

There will be a free performance of the Norwich School Gala Night for local primary schools in the Theatre Royal during the afternoon of Wednesday 2nd July.

A speaker event is also being planned to take place at the Theatre Royal for secondary schools during the afternoon of Tuesday 1st July.

Venue Hire

YNAF has hired the Puppet Theatre for the Festival so that groups can have a venue to showcase anything of performance standard to a wider audience. The Playhouse is also available to book on Friday 4th July for a reasonable cost.

Street Theatre

NORCA will be producing an entry for the Lord Mayor's Parade and will welcome contributors. They also run associated workshops; for further details see www.norcaarts.org.uk

Volunteers

The Festival will need volunteers to work in many different capacities to ensure its smooth running. Interested individuals should apply to the Festival Coordinator.

