

WHAT'S ON

MANSFIELD CENTRAL LIBRARY
EVENTS & EXHIBITIONS **APRIL - JUNE 2017**

FAMILY THEATRE
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WELCOME TO YOUR APRIL – JUNE SEASON! ARTS AND CULTURE, LIVE AT YOUR LIBRARY

Welcome to your new look programme featuring a season of great events at Mansfield Central Library.

With a fresh new design and an at a glance listing, we hope you'll find it even easier to find inspiring events at your library.

We have a wonderful programme lined up for you this season, including magical dance theatre for children and the return of the popular Great Nottinghamshire Local History Fair.

Mansfield Central Library is equipped to host a fantastic range of cultural activities from live theatre in our auditorium to exhibitions in our gallery. This enables us to bring you an all year round programme of events in the welcoming setting of your library, and sees us working with a host of exciting artists and organisations along the way.

We hope you'll agree there's something very special about experiencing a range of arts and culture live at your library.

At Inspire we're passionate about bringing great events to you, live at your library. We hope you enjoy them.

INSPIRE
POETRY FESTIVAL
11 – 16 JULY 2017

inspireculture.org.uk/poetry-festival



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ENGLAND**

Mansfield Central Library

Four Seasons Centre
Westgate
Mansfield NG18 1NH

01623 651 337

mansfield.library
[@inspireculture.org.uk](mailto:info@inspireculture.org.uk)

Opening hours

Open seven days a week
Monday to Friday 8.30am – 5.30pm
Saturdays 9am – 4pm
Sundays 11am – 3pm

Contact Inspire

info@inspireculture.org.uk
Ask Libraries: 01623 664 943

Booking events

Tickets for events can be booked online, in person at the library or by phone during opening hours.

Online www.inspireculture.org.uk

Phone 01623 651 337

Tickets are non-refundable unless an event is cancelled.

Programme is subject to change.

Keep up-to-date

Would you like to receive news and information about Inspire, including our events, direct to your inbox? Then visit the website to sign up to our email updates. You'll be able to select from a range of preferences to hear about based on your own interests.

www.inspireculture.org.uk/emails

Access

Mansfield Central Library is accessible for wheelchair users. Please let us know if you require a wheelchair space for ticketed events or have access needs.

A large print version of this brochure is available on the website, and can be made available at the library.

www.inspireculture.org.uk



EXHIBITION

THE STEAM POWERED BIG DRAW EXHIBITION

Until Monday 17 April

Free

Visit a sparkly spectacle and be amazed! People of all ages across Nottinghamshire have turned science into art and created beautiful original drawings with conductive materials. There are lots of light up illustrations to explore and interact with - so come along and illuminate some of the artworks yourself.



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FAMILY THEATRE

Full House Theatre,
in association with Motionhouse, presents:

WHERE THE RIVER RUNS

Monday 3 April, 10.30am

Library members: £3 child, accompanying adults free

Non-library members: £5 child or adults

Booking advised

For ages 5+ and their families

A magical, captivating dance show for children.

Made with young audiences in mind, *Where the River Runs* tells the simple story of a brave adventurer trying to cross a river. When the waters suddenly come to life it leads to a wild and wonderful journey.

With stunning movement and spectacular lifts, this dynamic and beautiful story, set in the rainforest, will delight children and families.

Running time: 50 minutes including family activity.

**You're Among
Ideal Friends...**



the spark
arts for children



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This exciting dance theatre show is part of the brilliant **Among Ideal Friends** initiative - a new theatre touring consortium developed by **The Spark Arts for Children** in partnership with libraries in the East Midlands, including Inspire!

For children aged 5-11 years, Among Ideal Friends gives families new opportunities to enjoy arts and culture - and to see stories brought to life - at venues on their doorstep.

www.thesparkarts.co.uk



HERITAGE TALK

THE RUFFORD PARK POACHERS

Tuesday 4 April, 2pm

£3

Booking advised
Adults

The infamous story of the Mansfield men who, in October 1851, made their way to Rufford Park to take game. The results were violent – injury, death, transportation and imprisonment - and are still remembered in local folk lore.

Sam Millard of the Rattlejag Morris team tells the story that made national news during the times of Luddite unrest.



HEALTH AND COMMUNITY

Let's Get Healthy Together: HEALTH & WELLBEING DAY

Saturday 8 April, 11am – 3pm

Free

Just drop by
Suitable for all

We all know how hard it is to get – and stay - healthy, so to mark World Health Day, Inspire is bringing library, public health and health and wellbeing experts together from across Nottinghamshire to offer free information, hands-on activities, and health and wellbeing taster sessions. There's something for all ages, so come along and join us as we get inspired and healthy together!

Activities include...

Power the Pulp Friction Smoothie Bike, get crafty on the knitting sofa and join the drop-in street and break dancing. Plus, special Rhyme, Rattle and Roll sessions, and pre-book for free taster sessions on mindfulness, reflexology and baby massage. Get your blood pressure checked, plot your BMI, and visit the pop-up health shop.

FILMS

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SCREENINGS

Enjoy an afternoon film on the big screen in the welcoming setting of the library's auditorium. While open to the general public, these screenings are particularly suitable for people living with dementia, their families and friends. Lighting and volume are sensitively set, and the audience is free to talk, sing and move around. Doors open 20 minutes before the screenings, and there will be a 20-minute interval.

About the screenings

The screenings are part of the Connecting Communities project, which provides mentoring, training and support to help deliver film screenings in local communities. The project is supported by Film Hub Central East as part of the BFI Film Audience Network, Broadway Cinema and Creative Nottingham North.

Access notes

The auditorium is on the second floor, and there is lift access. There is tiered seating in the auditorium, with steps.

If you have any additional requirements or questions before booking please contact **artsadmin@inspireculture.org.uk** or visit the website for more details.



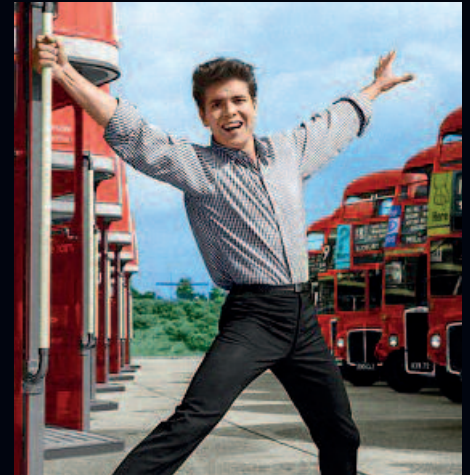
FILM SCREENING
MAMMA MIA (PG)
 Thursday 13 April
 2 – 4.30pm
 £1
Booking essential

The story of a bride-to-be trying to find her real father, featuring hit songs by the popular '70s group ABBA.



FILM SCREENING
SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS (U)
 Thursday 18 May
 2 – 4.30pm
 £1
Booking essential

In 1850 Oregon, when a backwoodsman brings a wife home to his farm, his six brothers decide that they want to get married too. Howard Keel and Jane Powell lead an all-singing, all-dancing cast in this high-energy musical.



FILM SCREENING
SUMMER HOLIDAY (U)
 Thursday 22 June
 2 – 4.30pm
 £1
Booking essential

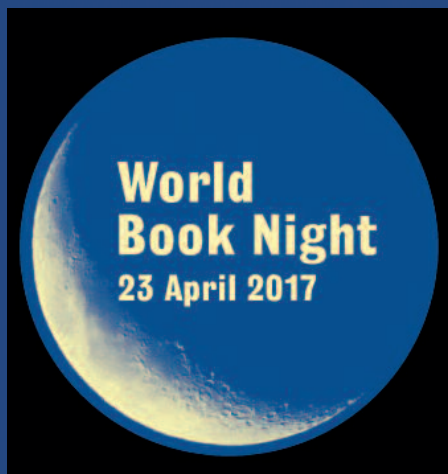
Four London bus mechanics convert a double decker London Bus into a mobile hotel and drive it to sunny Athens. Starring Cliff Richard and Una Stubbs, this is a light-hearted romance full of memorable songs.



Film Hub
Central East

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BOOKS AND READING
WORLD BOOK NIGHT
BOOK GIVEAWAY
Tuesday 18 April, 10.30am
(after Rattle, Rhyme and Roll)
Free

After your little ones have enjoyed their rhyme time we'll be handing out free books for grown-ups! Get ready for World Book Night on 23 April by reading one of the titles chosen for this year's giveaway, and then why not swap books with your friends? A great chance to read something new, and it's completely free!

BOOKS AND READING
THE PLOT THICKENS:
WITH AUTHOR
STEPHEN BOOTH
Tuesday 18 April, 2pm
£3
Booking advised
Adults

Have you ever wondered how your favourite authors come up with the plots for the books you love? Join bestselling author Stephen Booth for a chance to find out how he weaves the twists and turns of his tales into award-winning crime fiction.

Get an insight into his inspiration, and the science and research he draws on in plotting the perfect crime fiction. A chance for book lovers to hear from a popular writer and ask the questions in an informal setting.





CREDIT: UPTON STUDIOS - SUSAN ISAAC

EXHIBITION

OPEN STUDIOS NOTTS

Monday 24 April –

Monday 5 June

Free

Artists, groups and craftspeople taking part in this year's Open Studios Notts are once again opening their doors for all to visit and experience a rare behind the scenes glance into their working world. This mixed exhibition of work created by local groups will be on display in the gallery along with lots of information about Open Studios in Nottinghamshire.

Open Studios Notts is also exhibiting at Arnold and Retford Libraries.



HERITAGE

THE GREAT NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY FAIR

Sunday 7 May, 11am – 3pm

Free

Just drop by
Suitable for all

This fabulous free day out for all the family returns for the fifth time to showcase Nottinghamshire's heritage. Explore local history displays, make a clothes peg pal at our Craft Bomb workshop, see and hear the Rattlejag Morris team, browse the books for sale and experience the White Post Farm Animal Roadshow!



HERITAGE

MANSFIELD IN THE GREAT WAR

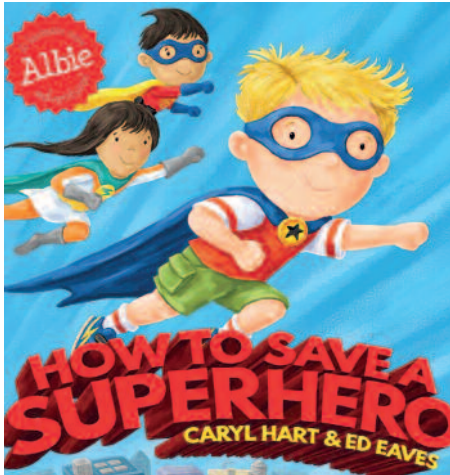
Tuesday 16 May, 2pm

£3

Booking advised
Adult event

Author Carol Lovejoy Edwards looks at the contribution made by people from the Mansfield area to the war effort, particularly those who were left at home when the men marched away.





CHILDREN
HOW TO SAVE A SUPERHERO WITH AUTHOR CARYL HART
Wednesday 31 May, 2pm
Free
Booking advised (limited spaces available)
For ages 4 – 8 and their families

Author Caryl Hart shares her fantastically fun Albie adventure. Follow Albie into a world of flying superheroes, crazy contraptions and daring rescues! Then find out your own superhero name and create an extra special superhero scene with the How to Save a Superhero photo creator.

Adults – don't forget your camera!



UNDER FIVES SPECIAL
BOOKSTART BEAR AT RATTLE, RHYME AND ROLL
Thursday 8 June, 10am
Free
No need to book
Under 5s

Meet the loveable Bookstart Bear at this very special Rattle, Rhyme and Roll session to celebrate National Bookstart week. Join in with rhymes and songs with your little ones and say hello to the friendly, book-loving bear!



bookstart



HERITAGE TALK
A PALACE FOR OUR KINGS
Tuesday 20 June, 2pm
£3
Booking advised
Adult event

One of the very largest mediaeval royal palaces stood at Kings Clipstone in the heart of Sherwood Forest. Researcher James Wright tells the story of one of the great lost buildings of Britain, visited by eight kings who held parliaments, Christmas feasts and tournaments there.

James Wright is a Doctoral Researcher at the University of Nottingham, and author of *A Palace for our Kings*. He has worked as a conservation stonemason, and a buildings archaeologist at the Museum of London Archaeology. His previous publications include *Castles of Nottinghamshire*. He researched the history and archaeology of Kings Clipstone for over twelve years.



FAMILY THEATRE**Blunderbus presents:****DOGS
DON'T
DO BALLET****Saturday 24 June, 11am & 2pm****£4 single | £12 Family ticket****(Family of 4, maximum 2
adults)****Booking advised****For ages 3+ and their families**

The very funny tale
of a small dog with
big dreams!

Biff is not like other dogs. He
doesn't do dog stuff like weeing
on lampposts, or scratching his
fleas, or drinking out of the toilet.
No, Biff likes moonlight and
music and walking on his
tiptoes. You see, Biff doesn't
think he's a dog. He thinks he's a
ballerina!

Based on the bestselling
children's book by Anna Kemp
and Sara Ogilvie, this fabulous
feel-good show features music,
songs, hand-crafted puppets
and Biff, the ballet-dancing dog!

Brought to the stage by the
acclaimed Blunderbus, this
hilarious new story for ages 3+
tells the very funny tale of a
small dog with big dreams!

*"Magical
children's theatre"*

British Theatre Guild

*"Packs charm in
bucket loads"*

The Stage Online

"Brilliant fun!"

The Guardian

HAPPY BIRTHDAY COUNTY YOUTH ARTS!

CYA is 20 this year! With an ethos which places young people at the centre of all its activities, in the past two decades CYA has worked with over 30,000 young people, delivered 3500 projects, presented 2000 performances to 50,000 audience members and employed 400 artists. Now based at The Old Library in Mansfield, our award-winning youth arts team have developed the building to create a unique Arts and Media Centre, complete with theatre, café and pro-spec recording studio. **Find out about forthcoming events, and how to get involved, from our website www.inspireculture.org.uk**

JAZZ STEPS LIVE AT THE LIBRARIES

Jazz Steps and Inspire: Bringing seasons of great jazz to West Bridgford, Worksop and Southwell Libraries

www.inspireculture.org.uk | www.jazzsteps.co.uk



Be inspired to learn...

Book your FREE place today



FREE Community Courses

Have fun learning something new with our range of local free short courses. Learn a new skill, socialise and have fun in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Courses are happening across Nottinghamshire and there's something for everyone, including:

- Infant Massage
- Crafts and model making
- Family Photography
- Cookery

Visit www.inspireculture.org.uk/community to find out what is happening near you!

Call: **01623 476830** or e-mail: class@inspireculture.org.uk

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Gallery hire

Are you an artist or a creative group looking to show your work to local audiences? Inspire library art galleries offer professional, affordable exhibition spaces that bring great art to local communities in the vibrant, creative and welcoming setting of libraries.

Our galleries feature exhibitions by amateur, semi-professional and professional artists, alongside our own programmed exhibitions throughout the year.

Six of our libraries have galleries that you can apply to hire: Mansfield Central, Worksop, West Bridgford, Arnold, Retford and Beeston*.

For full details and application forms visit the website. All galleries are suitable for wall-based works. Small installations and sculpture collections will also be considered.

www.inspireculture.org.uk/galleries

**Beeston library is currently undergoing a major refurbishment and will reopen later in 2017.*

Gift shop

Looking for the perfect present for a book lover? Then visit our library shop where you'll find a selection of quirky book-related gifts, fun items for young creatives and other unusual finds.

Venue hire

Mansfield Central Library is a great place to hold meetings and events. With a range of creative spaces including our 192 capacity auditorium, it's a great setting for corporate, community and cultural events.

Visit our web page or call the library direct for more details.

www.inspireculture.org.uk/venuehire

Email: library.venuehire@inspireculture.org.uk

Discounts are available for community groups.

About Inspire

Inspire is an innovative cultural organisation launched by Nottinghamshire County Council. We are a Community Benefit Society that is dedicated to inspiring people to read, learn and enjoy culture with the help of our services.

Join us!

It's free to join Inspire and becoming a member will allow you to help shape the way our services are managed. Visit the website to find out more.

inspireculture.org.uk



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REGULAR FREE EVENTS

CRIME CAFÉ

Last Tuesday of the month, 2pm

Love crime fiction? Come along and chat to other readers about the books you love.

KNIT AND NATTER

Every third Saturday of the month, 2 – 4pm

Get the knitting bug and join this friendly group who meet to share yarn and wool crafts at the library. All welcome!

RATTLE, RHYME AND ROLL

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10–10.30am (Under 5s)

Wednesdays 10–10.30am (Under 1s)

Enjoy rhyme times with your little ones.

CHILDREN'S CRAFT

Second Saturday of the month, 11am – 1pm

Drop by with the children to enjoy simple craft activities.

WHAT'S ON AT A GLANCE...

Date and time	Event	Type	Price	Page
Until Monday 17 Apr	The Steam Powered Big Draw	Exhibition	Free	3
Mon 3 Apr, 10.30am	Full House Theatre in association with Motionhouse: Where the River Runs	Family Theatre	£3/£5	3
Tue 4 Apr, 2pm	The Rufford Park Poachers	Heritage Talk	£3	4
Sat 8 Apr, 11am-3pm	Let's Get Healthy Together	Health and Wellbeing	Free	4
Thu 13 Apr, 2-4.30pm	Mamma Mia	Film: dementia friendly screening	£1	5
Sat 15 Apr, 2pm	Knit and Natter	Art and Craft*	Free	12
Tue 18 Apr, 10.30am	World Book Night Giveaway	Books and Reading	Free	6
Tue 18 Apr, 2.30pm	The Plot Thickens with Stephen Booth	Books and Reading	£3	6
Mon 24 Apr – Mon 5 June	Open Studios Notts	Exhibition	Free	7
Tue 25 Apr, 2pm	Crime Café	Books and Reading*	Free	12
Sun 7 May, 11am-3pm	The Great Nottinghamshire Local History Fair	Heritage	Free	7
Tue 16 May, 2pm	Mansfield in the Great War	Heritage Talk	£3	7
Thu 18 May, 2-4.30pm	Seven Brides for Seven Brothers	Film: dementia friendly screening	£1	5
Sat 20 May, 2pm	Knit and Natter	Art and Craft*	Free	12
Tue 30 May, 2pm	Crime Café	Books and Reading*	Free	
Wed 31 May, 2pm	How to Save a Superhero with Caryl Hart	Children and Families	Free	8
Thu 8 June, 10am	Bookstart Bear at Rattle, Rhyme and Roll	Under Fives	Free	8
Sat 17 June, 2pm	Knit and Natter	Art and Craft*	Free	12
Tue 20 June, 2pm	A Palace for our Kings	Heritage Talk	£3	8
Thu 22 June, 2-4.30pm	Summer Holiday	Film: dementia friendly screening	£1	5
Sat 24 June, 11am & 2pm	Blunderbus: Dogs Don't Do Ballet	Family Theatre	From £4	9
Tue 27 June, 2pm	Crime Café	Books and Reading*	Free	12

*Regular event