WHATS

BEESTON LIBRARY

EVENTS & EXHIBITIONS JULY - OCT 2018

INSPIRE POETRY FESTIVAL **CHILDREN'S EVENTS ART WORKSHOPS FAMILY THEATRE EXHIBITIONS LIVE MUSIC** HERITAGE **VANESSA KISUULE** AT INSPIRE POETRY FESTIVAL SEE PAGE 10





As one of Arts Council England's National Portfolio Organisations, we are delighted to present a funded programme of work for children and young people.







We're an Arts Award Supporter!



Inspire is proud to be registered as an Arts Award Supporter and offers a wide cultural programme across our venues. Many of our events are free or incur a very small charge and many can be accessed by young people looking for opportunities locally to help them achieve an Arts Award. **inspireculture.org.uk/artsaward**

WELCOME TO YOUR JULY - OCTOBER SEASON! ARTS AND CULTURE, LIVE AT YOUR LIBRARY

This season we're excited to host some brilliant events as part of Inspire Poetry Festival (25 – 29 September). Festival events at Beeston include a return of WORD! this time featuring the amazing Vanessa Kisuule, and an evening of poetry in translation.

July sees the arrival of the Summer Reading Challenge which aims to keep children reading during the school holidays – this time led by Dennis, Gnasher and other Beanotown residents.

We celebrate The Big Draw 2018 in October, with this year's theme of Play! For kids and big kids alike, The Big Draw Festival 2018 is all about letting loose, embracing happy accidents, discovery, and most importantly having fun.

And with a new jazz season kicking off in September and our first ever Heritage Hack, it's set to be an inspiring few months.

We look forward to seeing you at our events over the coming months.

Beeston Library

Foster Avenue, Beeston, Nottingham, NG9 1AE 0115 925 5168 beeston.library@inspireculture.org.uk

Opening hours

Monday gam - 6pm Tuesday gam - 7pm Wednesday gam - 6pm Thursday gam - 6pm Friday gam - 6pm Saturday gam - 4pm

Contact Inspire

info@inspireculture.org.uk Ask Inspire 0115 804 4363 www.inspireculture.org.uk/askinspire

Booking events

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

Phone 0115 925 5168

Online www.inspireculture.org.uk

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 based on your own interests. Visit www.inspireculture.org.uk/emails

Access

Beeston 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 BIG DRAW 2017: LIVING LINES EXHIBITION

Saturday 9 June – Saturday 28 July Free Suitable for all

An exhibition celebrating all The Big Draw 2017 – Living Lines events across Inspire venues in Nottinghamshire. You worked with artists to make textured rollers and cardboard shoes, and moved your bodies to make marks and print patterns with your creations. Miles of beautiful delicate and wild papers were made and the gallery is filled with a riot of these collaborative works. Can you find the mark you made?



KEEP UP TO DATE INSPIRECULTURE.ORG.UK



HERITAGE TALK

THE CHILWELL EXPLOSION: FACT AND FICTION

Wednesday 11 July, 2pm £3 Booking advised Adults

100 years after the tragic explosion, local author Alan Dance fills in the historical background to the shell filling factory and the events of July 1st, 1918. His novel *Canary Child* takes place against this backdrop, featuring the fate of two of the female munitions workers.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2018: MISCHIEF MAKERS

Saturday 14 July – Sunday 9 September Ages 4 – 11 Free

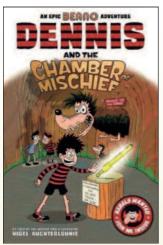
This year's Summer Reading Challenge asks children to join Dennis, Gnasher and friends on a hunt for Beanotown's buried treasure.

It's completely free to join.
Children read six library books to collect stickers and explore the treasure map to find clues.
But watch out – with Dennis around, some of those stickers are sure to be stinky and he's bound to be up to all kinds of mischief.



THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT







CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

JOHN KIRK PRESENTS DENNIS AND THE CHAMBER OF MISCHIEF

Wednesday 1 August, 2pm Free Booking advised Ages 6+ and their families

Beanotown has become boring. When Dennis hears about the legendary Golden Pea Shooter of Everlasting Fun, it sounds like the only thing that can return his hometown to its former glory...

Join storyteller John Kirk on a fun-packed adventure as he retells Nigel Auchterlounie's Dennis and the Chamber of Mischief.

John Kirk is a storyteller. His previous work includes Michael Morpurgo's *Private Peaceful*, Roald Dahl's *The Twits* and Jeremy Strong's *The Hundred Mile an Hour Dog.* John enjoys bringing stories to life with dynamic and imaginative ideas.

FAMILY ARTS WORKSHOP

MISCHIEF MAKERS COMIC STRIP WORKSHOP

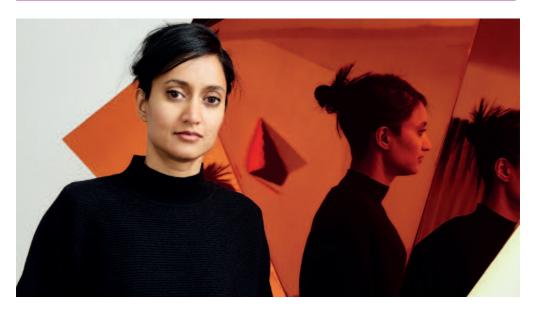
Thursday 2 August, 10am - 3pm Free Booking essential Ages 5* and their families

Write and print your own comics this summer with author Emma Pass and artist Duncan Pass. Emma will help you create a cracking story, then Duncan will show you how to turn it into a comic strip which you'll print on one of his hand-built printing presses, made from a 200-year-old washing mangle.

With kind permission of Beano Studios and Kings Road Publishing.



Find out more about the Summer Reading Challenge at inspireculture.org.uk/summerreadingchallenge



FABRICATING SPACES

Wednesday 1 August – Saturday 8 September Free Suitable for all

Excited by the Space, Light and Colour theme of Rana Begum's exhibition at Nottingham
Lakeside Arts (7 July – 30
September), groups of adults and school children have worked with professional artists Hayley Meaden and Nadim
Chaudry in Beeston Library and at Lakeside Arts

Participants collectively explored the themes in the work including Rana's use of bright colour and bold shapes as well as repeat pattern, reflection, refraction and colourful shadows. The work created, and a record of the processes, forms this wonderful exhibition that brings the two venues together.



ARTS WORKSHOP
FABRICATING SPACES
Friday 7 September,
10am - 3.30pm
Free
Booking essential
Adults

A chance to work with professional artists Hayley Meaden and Nadim Chaudry in two wonderful spaces. Inspired by the forthcoming Rana Begum exhibition Space Light Colour that will be on show at Lakeside Arts from 7 July – 30 September 2018.

You will collectively explore the themes in the work including Rana's use of bright colour and bold shapes as well as repeat pattern, reflection and refraction and colourful shadows. You will create work together through experimental approaches suitable for anyone interested in working with materials and processes and trying something new

Half the group will spend the morning at Beeston Library and half the group will spend the morning at Lakeside Arts and over lunch the two groups will swap over using the tram that joins these two spaces together.







FAMILY THEATRE

The Spark Arts for Children presents: Hiccup Theatre in association with Derby Theatre

THE GINGERBREAD MAN

Saturday 11 August, 11am and 2pm Library members: £3 child or adult Non-library members: £6 child or adult Booking essential

Ages 4+ and their families

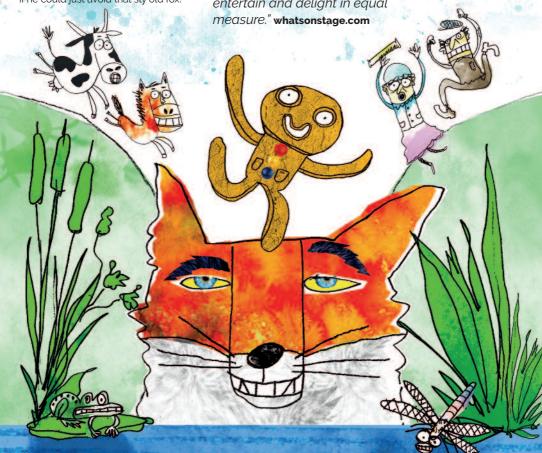
"Run, run as fast as you can, you can't catch me, I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

Chase after our cheeky gingerbread hero as he sets off on the biggest adventure of his life! Out of the kitchen, through the town, across the fields and all the way to the river ... Now if he could just avoid that sly old fox! Hiccup Theatre cook up a brand new version of this classic tale adding delicious original live music, tasty storytelling and dollops of fun.

Funded by the National Lottery through Arts Council England

"Hiccup Theatre will charm, entertain and delight in equal the spark

The Gingerbread
Man will be on tour
across Inspire
libraries this summer.
For details, visit
inspireculture.org.uk
/popup







LIVE MUSIC
JAZZ STEPS LIVE AT THE
LIBRARIES PRESENTS:

THE BIG EASY

Monday 10 September, 7.30pm £10 / £8 Booking essential Adults (Under 18s to be accompanied by an adult)

The Big Easy's dynamic, energetic and often virtuosic performances make them great to watch and perfect for dancing; their high-energy swing interspersed with moments of soulful melancholy will get your toes tapping and onto the dance floor.

In collaboration with Jazz Steps.



This performance is also available at Worksop, Southwell and West Bridgford Libraries. Visit inspireculture.org.uk/jazz



HERITAGE
EXPLORING
ANCESTRY.COM
Wednesday 12 September,
2pm
Free
Places limited, booking
essential
Adults

Join two of our Librarians for a group session, where they will demonstrate some of the lesser-known aspects of this valuable Family History research tool.

Ancestry.com is FREE to use in Inspire Libraries, and at Nottinghamshire Archives.

*This is a repeat of the session held on 6 June



COMMUNITY OPEN EXHIBITION

EXHIBITION

BEESTON LIBRARY COMMUNITY OPEN EXHIBITION

Saturday 15 September – Saturday 3 November Free

Suitable for all

Don't miss the chance to visit our beautiful gallery space to see the exhibition dedicated to showcasing the imagination, creativity and talent of our local artists living in the Broxtowe area. The exhibition will display works across a variety of media and will guarantee to inspire and get your creative juices flowing!

BEESTON LIBRARY COMMUNITY OPEN: CALL OUT FOR ARTISTS

£5 (to exhibit one piece only) Details and booking via the library

Are you the next Picasso, Constable, David Bailey or Banksy and live in the Broxtowe area? Then the Beeston Library Community Open could be for you! Beeston Library is giving the opportunity to Broxtowe artists to exhibit one piece of their work in our dedicated gallery and exhibition space. Application is on a first come first served basis and work is non-selected. We also have limited spaces for 3D work and jewellery.

Places are restricted for this exhibition and booking closes Wednesday 1 August, 6pm.

INSPIRE POETRY FESTIVAL 2018

Tuesday 25 September – Saturday 29 September

The Inspire Poetry Festival is visiting Beeston for the first time! Following the success of Word! earlier this year, and the wonderful Poetry Hour with Henry Normal in April, we're bringing more fantastic poets to Beeston Library in September 2018 – and to our libraries in West Bridgford, Southwell, Mansfield and Worksop too.

The full festival programme, featuring appearances by Kei Miller, Jo Bell, Andrew Graves, the Glummer Twins, Ben Norris and more, will be available online and in print soon; meanwhile here are the key festival events for Beeston Library:

For the full festival programme across all venues visit inspireculture.org.uk/

inspireculture.org.uk/ poetry-festival



WORD! WITH VANESSA KISUULE AND GUESTS PLUS OPEN MIC

Wednesday 26 September, 7pm £7 / £5 Booking strongly advised 16* (Under 18s to be accompanied by an adult)

WORD! – the longest running poetry night in the Midlands - returns to Beeston Library for this very special festival edition, featuring the mighty Vanessa Kissule. Hear her read from her latest spellbinding collection, *Recipe for Sorcery*, along with guest poets. To perform on the open mic, email compere and WORD! organiser, Lydia Towsey in advance via secretagentartist@hotmail.com. Some spots will also be available on the night.

Vanessa Kisuule has won numerous slam titles and featured everywhere from the Southbank Centre, RADA and Radio 4's Woman's Hour to The Guardian, Sky TV and Blue Peter. Lauded by her peers, her performance credits include: Glastonbury, Royal Albert Hall, The British Library and internationally - Vienna, Sweden, Belgium, Norway, Germany, Bangladesh and New York.



ONE TO ONE POETRY COACHING WITH CATHY GRINDROD

Saturday 29 September Five slots available between 9am and 4pm £35

Booking essential

Are you writing poetry and in need of advice, guidance or information about developing your work? Cathy Grindrod is an accredited coach for writers at all levels and is offering hour-long sessions during which you can chat to her about anything and everything to do with your poetry, including how you feel about it, how it fits into your life and how to take it further. The sessions do not include detailed feedback on work, but you are welcome to bring two of your poems with you if you think it would be useful as an example of your writing. Open to poetry writers at all stages.

Cathy Grindrod is a

widely-published East Midlands writer and former Derbyshire Poet Laureate, and is also an experienced facilitator of poetry reading and writing workshops. She specialises in writing for wellbeing and is a writer coach and mentor



POETRY TAKEOVER Saturday 29 September, 11am – 3pm Free Just drop by Suitable for all

From 11am to 3pm there will be lots of **free** poetry activities happening including craft, magnetic poetry, poetry hide and seek and more. Come along to enjoy some creative wordplay and a few surprises.

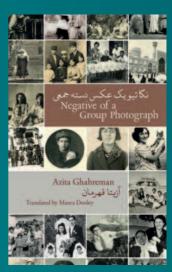


PERFORMANCE TRANSLATIONS, WITH SPECIAL GUEST MAURA DOOLEY IN ASSOCIATION WITH NOTTINGHAM POETRY SOCIETY, BEESTON POETS AND FIVE LEAVES BOOKSHOP Saturday 29 September, 7.30pm E5

Booking advised
(Under 18s to be accompanied by an adult)

Join us to celebrate international poetry in a reading featuring

poetry in a reading featuring translated works from original languages including Farsi, Greek, Russian and Irish. Members of Nottingham Poetry Society and Beeston Poets will share their favourite poetic voices from around the world, and special guest poet Maura Dooley will talk about her experience of translating the work of Iranian refugee Azita Ghahreman, collected in her new book of Ghahreman's poetry, Negatives of a Group Photograph.



£1 from each ticket will be donated to a local charity working with refugees.



HERITAGE TALK

THE VICTORIAN FAIR: FREAK SHOWS AND FISTICUFFS

Wednesday 19 September, 2pm £3

Booking advised Adults

As Goose Fair approaches, Dr Ann Featherstone gives a fascinating insight into the strange world of the Victorian fair, looking at its history and development, and exploring some of the fascinating shows and showmen that emerged in the 19th century.



INSPIRE MEMBERS' EVENT

INSPIRE AGM with special guest (to be announced)

Thursday 20 September, 7 - 8.30pm Free (Inspire members only) Booking essential

Members of Inspire are invited to our third AGM. Hear a short set of presentations covering the last year at Inspire, followed by an exciting plenary presentation and performance from a soon to be announced special guest.

Book online at inspireculture.org.uk/AGM



HERITAGE HACK

Saturday 22 September, 10am – 3pm Free Just drop by Suitable for all

Our community is passionate about its heritage, so we are bringing this to life for all ages by combining traditional and contemporary themes at our first ever Heritage Hack! Come along and experience exciting digital activities, heritage crafts, historic photographs and film, traditional music, pop-up museum displays and more.



HERITAGE TALK

THE LEGACY OF THE WINDRUSH GENERATION IN NOTTINGHAM AND THE UK

Friday 28 September, 7pm Free Booking advised Adults

Museumand, The National Caribbean Heritage Museum, is a museum without walls sharing Caribbean heritage and culture with all communities. The museum's founder, Catherine Ross, will talk about this legacy and showcase artefacts from their exhibitions celebrating and commemorating the contributions made by Caribbeans to Nottingham and the UK as a whole.



LIVE MUSIC

OXJAM BEESTON TAKEOVER DAY

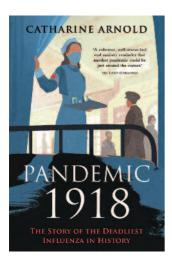
Saturday 13 October, 12 - 3pm Free Drop by Suitable for all

Inspire Youth Arts (IYA) join
Oxjam Beeston Takeover Day
live at Beeston Library. With a
range of free performances by
some of Notts brightest young
musical talent – from bands
and ensembles to singer/
songwriters. Many of these acts
will be featuring at IYA's main
Showcase event in February
2019, so here's a chance to see
them performing new material
ahead of that!





KEEP UP TO DATE
INSPIRECULTURE.ORG.UK



HERITAGE TALK

PANDEMIC 1918: THE STORY OF THE DEADLIEST INFLUENZA IN HISTORY

Wednesday 17 October, 2pm £3

Booking advised Adults

In the dying months of the First World War, Spanish Flu suddenly overwhelmed the globe, killing up to 100 million people. By digging into archives, memoirs and government documents, Nottingham author Catharine Arnold gives an account of the disease through the human stories of those affected - from David Lloyd George and Vera Brittain to the many others who have no memorial.

This talk will also be available at West Bridgford Library. Visit **inspireculture.org.uk/whatson** for details.



and West Bridgford Libraries. Visit inspireculture.org.uk/jazz

FAMILY ARTS WORKSHOP

THE BIG DRAW 2018: PLAY!

Monday 29 October, 10.30am – 12.30pm Free Booking essential Ages 5* and their families

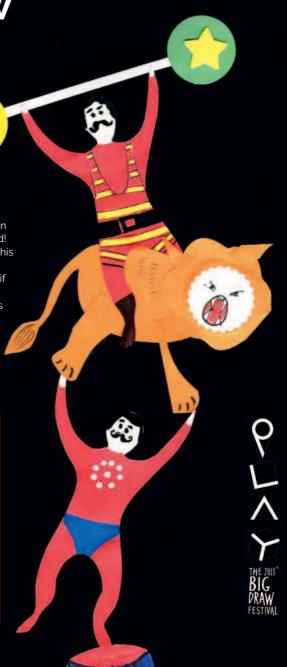
What would happen if the circus visited the library?...

Come along and join in this year's Big Draw fun whatever your age, no drawing ability required! With a sense of playfulness and the magical this creative hands-on family workshop will be inspired by the question: what would happen if the circus visited the library? Participants will create expressive and joyous figures, artworks and armatures and experiment with lights and shadow play to bring their enchanting creations to life!

About The Big Draw Festival

The Big Draw Festival is for anyone who loves to draw, as well as those who think they can't! It's an opportunity to join a global community in celebration of the universal language of drawing.

This year's theme is Play! For kids and big kids alike, The Big Draw Festival 2018 is all about letting loose, embracing happy accidents, discovery, and most importantly having fun with those HBs!



REGULAR EVENTS

DANCE CLASS

Tuesdays, 5.30 - 7pm £5 per session For ages 8 - 12 Work with a leading, professional dance company. See page 18.



RATTLE, RHYME AND ROLL

Every Wednesday, 10 and 11am Under 5s

Free

Share rhymes and songs with your little ones at our relaxed, friendly rhyme sessions for babies and toddlers.

STORY HULLABALOO

Monthly on a Saturday, 11am, check with library for dates.

Under 5s | Free

Stories and rhymes with plenty of opportunities to join in!

JOB CLUB

in partnership with Hope Nottingham

Every Tuesday, 10am - 12noon Adults

Free

Come along to get guidance, help and support in your search for employment. Just drop by.



JOIN YOUR LIBRARY TODAY

Become a member at Beeston Library and you can:

- borrow up to 24 books for free
- borrow DVDs and audio books
- access a range of e-resources including eBooks, eMagazines and eNewspapers
- use Wi-Fi, browse the internet and use computers for free, and print or photocopy your documents

- delve into our local heritage collections and find out more about your local past
- enjoy free rhyme times with your little ones each week
- enjoy an exciting arts and cultural programme including exhibitions, learning activities, workshops, performances, community and family events
- use any library across the county

How to join

Visit any Nottinghamshire Library, or join online at www.inspireculture.org.uk/join

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. www.inspireculture.org.uk/ membership



We look forward to seeing you at Beeston Library.

DISCOVER THE FACILITIES IN BEESTON LIBRARY

DISCOVERY ROOM

The Discovery Room is Beeston's space for hands-on learning, creativity and innovation. From courses in computer coding and animation for families to ICT skills for business, and from internet safety for parents to programming a microcomputer.

We also have a Code Club for children, Computers for the Terrified sessions, a Work Club offering support for job seekers and a Raspberry Pioneers group.

The Discovery Room offers a range of equipment for you to discover, whether you are new to computers, want to learn how to use a digital sewing machine or are more advanced and would like to know more about 3D scanning and printing, there is something for you. Come along to one of our taster sessions, sign up for a course or suggest other sessions you'd like us to offer!

ART ROOM

Mess in a library? Yes, it's now possible to wield a paintbrush in our fabulous new Art Room at Beeston. With double Belfast sinks and wipeable floor, this dedicated creative facility will support our partner artists to deliver excellent community projects and give you the opportunity to work with them to learn new skills.

VENUE HIRE

Beeston Library is a great place to hold meetings and events. The library has four dedicated meeting rooms for hire. Presentation and refreshment-making facilities are available. Visit our website or call the library direct for more details.

Discounts are available for community groups.

GIFT SHOP

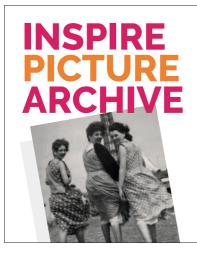
Visit our new library shop where you'll find a selection of quirky book-related gifts, fun items for young creatives and other unusual finds

GALLERY HIRE

Are you an artist or a creative group looking to show your work to local audiences? Beeston Library's new gallery offers a professional, affordable exhibition space that brings great art to local communities in the vibrant, creative and welcoming setting of libraries. Our gallery features exhibitions by amateur, semi-professional and professional artists, alongside our own programmed exhibitions throughout the year.

You can apply to hire Beeston Library gallery, for full details and application forms visit the website. Suitable for wall-based works, small installations and sculpture collections also considered.

inspireculture.org.uk/galleries



Ever wanted to see what your community and the people living in it used to look like? Head on over to the Inspire Picture Archive for thousands of photographs covering over one hundred years of Nottinghamshire in photographs.

You can browse the images for free, help us to catalogue and add your own keywords and comments. If you would like to purchase one of the images for immediate download, prices start at £1.

We welcome images from you and your friends and family. If you have an old photograph, which you would like to see in the picture archive, then get in touch.

www.inspirepicturearchive.org.uk





BE INSPIRED... INSPIRE LEARNING ADULT & FAMILY COURSES AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY!

inspireculture.org.uk/learning learning@inspireculture.org.uk | 0115 804 4363

















COMMUNITY LEARNING AND THE DISCOVERY ROOM

Did you know our Discovery room is a centre of creativity and hands-on learning?

Our community learning team offer a range of courses and taster sessions, including creative writing, computing, arts and crafts. There's even Family Learning activities for mums, dads, grandparents and carers to learn together with their children. Please note that children must be accompanied by an adult and are the responsibility of the parent/carer at all times.

For the latest information about courses and taster sessions at Beeston Library and to view our online course guide visit www.inspireculture.org.uk/learning

Call 0115 804 4363 or email learning@inspireculture.org.uk

Photos: Neil Pledge







KEEP UP TO DATE

INSPIRECULTURE .ORG.UK

WHAT'S ON AT A GLANCE...

Date & time	Event	Туре	Price	Page
Sat 9 June - Sat 28 July	The Big Draw 2017: Living Lines	Exhibition	Free	4
Wed 11 July, 2pm	The Chilwell Explosion: Fact and Fiction	Heritage	£3	4
Sat 14 July - Sun 9 Sep	Summer Reading Challenge 2018:			
	Mischief Makers	Children	Free	4
Wed 1 Aug, 2pm	John Kirk Presents Dennis			
	and the Chamber of Mischief	Children and Families	Free	5
Wed 1 Aug - Sat 8 Sep	Fabricating Spaces	Exhibition	Free	6
Thu 2 Aug, 10am - 3pm	Mischief Makers Comic Strip Workshop	Family Arts Workshop	Free	5
Sat 11 Aug, 11am & 2pm	The Gingerbread Man	Family Theatre	£6/£3	7
Fri 7 Sep, 10am - 3.30pm	Fabricating Spaces	Arts Workshop	Free	6
Mon 10 Sep, 7.30pm	Jazz Steps: The Big Easy	Live Music	£10/£8	8
Wed 12 Sep, 2pm	Exploring Ancestry.com	Heritage	Free	8
Sat 15 Sep – Sat 3 Nov	Beeston Library Community Open	Exhibition	Free	9
Wed 19 Sep, 2pm	The Victorian Fair: Freak Shows			
	and Fisticuffs	Heritage	£3	12
Thu 20 Sep, 7 – 8.30pm	Inspire AGM with special guest	Inspire Members Event	Free	12
Sat 22 Sep, 10am – 3pm	Heritage Hack	Heritage	Free	13
Wed 26 Sept, 7pm	Word! with Vanessa Kisuule	Performance	£7/£5	10
Fri 28 Sep, 7pm	The Legacy of the Windrush Generation			
	in Nottingham and the UK	Heritage	Free	13
Sat 29 Sep, 9am - 4pm	Poetry Coaching slots with Cathy Grindrod	Coaching 1:1	£35	10
Sat 29 Sep, 11am – 3pm	Poetry Takeover	Community	Free	11
Sat 29 Sep, 7.30pm	Translations, with Maura Dooley	Performance	£5	11
Sat 13 Oct, 12 – 3pm	Oxjam Beeston Takeover Day	Live Music	Free	13
Wed 17 Oct, 2pm	Pandemic 1918: The Story of the			
	Deadliest Influenza in History	Heritage	£3	14
Mon 22 Oct, 7.30pm	Jazz Steps: Wendy Kirkland:			
	Piano Divas	Live Music	£10/£8	14
Mon 29 Oct, 10.30am - 12.30pm	The Big Draw 2018: Play!	Family Arts Workshop	Free	15

REGULAR EVENTS For details of our regular events see page 16. **COMMUNITY LEARNING IN THE DISCOVERY ROOM** See pages 17 & 19.