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What's New in London for 2018

Anniversaries

London Art Fair's 30th Edition

Business Design Centre, 17 – 21 January 2018

Over the last 30 years, London Art Fair has showcased exceptional modern and contemporary art, and provided expert insight into the changing market. Presenting leading British and international galleries alongside curated spaces Art Projects and Photo50, the fair invites collectors and visitors to discover works by renowned artists from the 20th century to today. For more information, contact merve.sulun@upperstreetevents.co.uk

London Sinfonietta 50th Anniversary

Royal Festival Hall, 24 January 2018

The London Sinfonietta will celebrate its birthday with the music that has shaped its identity, 50 years to the day since the orchestra played its first concert. Co-founder David Atherton joins George Benjamin and Vladimir Jurowski to perform some iconic pieces of music from artists such as Stravinsky, Ligeti and Birtwistle. For more information, contact press@southbankcentre.co.uk

HMS Royal Belfast 80th Anniversary

HMS Royal Belfast, London Bridge, 17 – 18 March 2018

Visitors to HMS Belfast for the anniversary weekend will be able to journey through the ship's nine decks and uncover its fascinating history from the launch in 1938 through to its arrival in London in 1971, when HMS Belfast became a museum ship and an iconic part of the London skyline. There will also be a programme of activities on board to mark this anniversary. For more information, contact poandrews@iwm.org.uk

250th Anniversary of the Royal Academy of Arts

Royal Academy of the Arts, May 2018

The Royal Academy was founded in 1768, making 2018 the year of their 250th anniversary. To celebrate, the venue will have an expanded exhibition programme and new, free displays of art and architecture for visitors to explore year-round. Founded by Sir William Chambers, the academy prides itself on promoting the practice of art, and sharing a strong belief that all artists are changing the world. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

End of WW1 Anniversary

Across London, Throughout 2018

The year 2018 will mark 100 years since World War One ended. Many organisations across the city will be hosting events to mark this anniversary, including Westminster City Council and the Tate Britain. For more information, contact press@londonandpartners.com

Sadler's Wells 20th Anniversary

Sadler's Wells, Throughout 2018

To mark the 20th anniversary of its London theatre – which opened in the week of 13 October 1998 – Sadler's Wells has announced 20 new commissions for 2018. These commissions will look back at the company's longstanding relationships with established artists such as Natalia Osipova, William Forsythe and Akram Khan. For more information, contact caroline.ansdell@sadlerswells.com

New Openings

Hayward Gallery

Southbank Centre, January 2018

Hayward Gallery will reopen in January after being under refurbishment since 2015. This iconic brutalist building had the 66 pyramid roof lights replaced to allow natural light into the upper galleries. Once reopened, the gallery will be hosting work from leading artists such as Andreas Gursky and Lee Bal, as well as the renowned Art Night. For more information, contact press@southbankcentre.co.uk

Lazinc

Mayfair, January 2018

Sackville Street will become home to a brand new two-storey gallery space. This English Heritage site will open with the new exhibition, GIANTS – Body of Work, which will create pieces based around athletes from the 2016 Rio Olympics. For more information, contact laura@ktwlondon.com

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Galleries

Westminster Abbey, 2018

Westminster Abbey is embarking on a new project to build a new museum and gallery: the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Galleries, in the Abbey's medieval triforium. The new galleries will give visitors magnificent views of the Palace of Westminster and into the church, displaying treasures and collections reflecting the Abbey's rich and varied thousand-year history. For more information, contact info@westminster-abbey.org

Royal Opera House – 'Open Up'

Royal Opera House, Throughout 2018

The Royal Opera House's 'Open Up' project aims to enhance the experience of visiting the venue, for audiences, artists and guest companies. This will be done by extending the foyer on the ground level, enhancing accessibility with new routes and staircases, refurbishing the studios and creating a new entrance to the building. For more information, contact ben.oliver@roh.org.uk

Market Halls Fulham

Fulham, April 2018

Market Halls will be a brand-new line of markets that will redesign unloved public spaces into bustling marketplaces. The first to launch will be Market Halls Fulham, which will be housed in an ornate and well-preserved entrance hall of an Edwardian Underground station in Fulham Broadway. The venue will be opening with ten kitchens, one bar and seating for 180. For more information, contact isabel@tablepr.com

RA250: A New Royal Academy of the Arts

Royal Academy of the Arts, May 2018

In celebration of their 250th anniversary, the RA will be opening up several new spaces. There will be a new cultural campus that will run from Piccadilly to Mayfair with facilities including gallery spaces and a link bridge between Burlington House and Burlington Gardens. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

Market Halls Victoria

Victoria, Summer 2018

Market Halls Victoria will open in Summer 2018, transforming the arcaded bays of Victoria's Terminus Place into a three-story market hall. Since 1909, the space has acted as a shopping arcade, a restaurant and the super club Pacha. The venue will open with fourteen kitchens, three bars and seating for 300. For more information, contact isabel@tablepr.com

Wool Yard

Woolwich, 2018

From the brains behind Pop Brixton comes a new hub for the neighbourhood of Woolwich. Wool Yard aims to be a similar shipping container village to its counterpart, with 32 containers being converted into bars, restaurants and co-working spaces and studios. For more information, contact denise@popbrixton.org

V&A Photography Centre

V&A Museum, Autumn 2018

Part of the V&A's FuturePlan development programme, this new addition to the museum will offer more display areas dedicated to photography, a larger gallery space, a new research library and a studio and darkroom to enable photographers' residencies. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

V&A Cast Courts

V&A Museum, Autumn 2018

Following extensive renovation and conservation work, the West Court and Central Gallery will reopen to the public revealing historic features, including original 19th century floors and wall colours, alongside a new interpretation space showcasing the history, processes and significance of casts and reproduction methods used today. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

Market Halls West End

West End, Autumn 2018

Market Halls West End will be located just off Oxford Street. The venue will feature a mix of local producers, retailers, restaurants and street food vendors as well as four bars, event spaces and a demo kitchen. Market Halls West End will be the largest food hall in the UK. For more information, contact isabel@tablepr.com

Albukhary Foundation Galleries of the Islamic world

British Museum, October 2018

The Albukhary Foundation is providing significant support for major new galleries to redisplay the collections of the Islamic world at the British Museum. These galleries will represent a shared vision between the British Museum and the Malaysia-based Albukhary Foundation and will give visitors an understanding of the diverse and wide-ranging cultures of the Islamic world. For more information, contact communications@britishmuseum.org

Fotografiska London

Whitechapel, November 2018

2018 will see the opening of London's largest dedicated photography gallery in Whitechapel. Following in the footsteps of the flagship museum in Stockholm, Fotografiska London will offer up to seven exhibitions at any one time and showcase leading work. The space will also include two restaurants, a cafe and bar. For more information, contact event@fotografiska.se

Boxpark, Wembley

Wembley, Late 2018

Set in the Wembley Park, Boxpark 3.0 will have 29 units for well-known independent food vendors, as well as areas for live music, events, talks and workshops that can be hosted in the 2000-capacity space. The venue also has over 200 varied and original events lined up for the year. For more information, contact harriet@wearefullfat.com

Exhibitions

Voice & Vote: Women's Place in Parliament Exhibition

Westminster Throughout 2018

This exhibition will be part of the ongoing Vote100 parliamentary project, that will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Representation of the People Act 1918, which allowed all men and some women to vote for the first time. This interactive exhibition will be covering the campaign for votes for women and the representation of women in the House of Commons and the House of Lords. For more information, contact HOCMediaCorporate@parliament.uk

London Visions: Exaggerated Realities for Possible Futures

Museum of London, 18 January – 15 April 2018

London Visions will focus on different contemporary fantastical realities through the eyes of artists, architects and designers who unfold their own virtual depictions about tomorrow's possible worlds, discussing the fears and hopes of living in the future. Through a series of video installations, architectural narratives and video games, the exhibition looks at hypothetical scenarios in London in a new way. For more information, contact press@museumoflondon.org.uk

Andreas Gursky

Hayward Gallery, 25 January – 28 April 2018

The first exhibition to open in the Hayward Gallery after its renovation will showcase the work of acclaimed German photographer Andreas Gursky. Known for his large-scale, often spectacular pictures that portray emblematic sites and scenes of the global economy and contemporary life, Gursky is widely regarded as one of the most significant photographers of our time. For more information, contact press@southbankcentre.co.uk

Charles I: King and Collector

Royal Academy of the Arts, 27 January – 15 April 2018

During his reign, Charles I acquired and commissioned exceptional masterpieces from the fifteenth to the seventeenth century, including works by Van Dyck, Rubens, Holbein, Titian and Mantegna, amongst others. *Charles I: King and Collector* will reunite around 150 of the most important works for the first time since the seventeenth century, providing an unprecedented opportunity to experience the collection that changed the appreciation of art in England. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

Votes for Women

Museum of London, 2 February 2018 – 6 January 2019

This display forms part of the national commemorations marking the centenary of the 1918 Act that gave some women the right to vote for the first time. Dedicated to those who campaigned tirelessly for over 50 years to achieve votes for women, the exhibition will feature iconic objects from the Museum's vast Suffragette collection, as well as a newly commissioned film that highlights the personal story of lesser known Suffragettes. For more information, contact press@museumoflondon.org.uk

Ocean Liners: Speed & Style

V&A Museum, 3 February – 10 June 2018

This exhibition will re-imagine the golden age of ocean travel from Brunel's 1859 steamship, the Great Eastern, to the launch of the QE2 in 1969. The first ever exhibition to explore the international design and cultural impact of the ocean liner, it will reveal the hidden design stories behind some of the world's most luxurious ships. It will also explore all aspects of ship design from ground-breaking engineering, architecture and interiors to the fashion and lifestyle aboard. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

Yto Barrada

Barbican, 7 February – 20 May 2018

Working across photography, film, sculpture and more, artist Yto Barrada draws on narratives of the bandit, magician, underdog and smuggler for her first major London commission. Barrada's work explores the different strategies of resistance we employ to deal with everything from the mundanities of everyday life to shifts in power and migration. For more information, contact jess.hookway@barbican.org.uk

International Garden Photographer of the Year

Kew Gardens, 10 February – 11 March 2018

Now in its 11th year, the International Garden Photographer of the Year (IGPOTY) competition will hold its exhibition in the Nash Conservatory at Kew. This annual event brings together the best garden, plant and botanical photography from across the world. The 'Captured at Kew' category centres on images taken at Kew or Wakehurst. For more information, contact pr@kew.org

Dream On

V&A Museum of Childhood, 10 February 2018 – 20 January 2019

This exhibition explores dreams, the unconscious and an imaginary world between sleep and wakefulness. It will feature new work by internationally renowned ceramist Christie Brown, a co-created sculptural installation by young people from St George's Hospital Tooting and a photography project with children from Lauriston School Hackney. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

Murillo: The Self Portraits

National Gallery, 28 February – 21 May 2018

Marking the 400th anniversary of Murillo's birth, this exhibition reunites the two known 'Self Portraits' by the artist: one of Murillo in his 30s from the Frick Collection in New York and the other from the National Gallery collection, showing him about 20 years older. For more information, contact press@ng-london.org.uk

Another Kind of Life: Photography on the Margins

Barbican, 28 February – 27 March 2018

Touching on themes of gender and sexuality, drugs and addiction, youth culture and minorities of all kinds, this show features the work of 20 photographers from the 1950s to the present

day. *Another Kind of Life* follows the lives of individuals and communities operating on the fringes of society from America to India, Chile to Nigeria. For more information, contact jess.hookway@barbican.org.uk

All Too Human: Bacon, Freud and a Century of Painting Life

Tate Britain, 28 February – 27 August 2018

All Too Human celebrates the painters in Britain who strove to represent human figures, their relationships and surroundings in the most intimate of ways. It features artists such as Lucian Freud and Francis Bacon alongside rarely seen work from their contemporaries including Frank Auerbach and Paula Rego. For more information, contact pressoffice@tate.org.uk

Victorian Giants: The Birth of Art Photography

National Portrait Gallery, 1 – 20 March 2018

This major new exhibition brings together, for the first time, the works of four of the most celebrated figures in art photography: Lewis Carroll, Julia Margaret Cameron, Oscar Rejlander and Clementina Hawarden. These four artists embody some of the very best in photography of the Victorian era. For more information, contact nevans@npg.org.uk

Somewhere in Between: Four Collaborative Projects

Wellcome Collection, 8 March – 27 August 2018

This exhibition looks at the importance of collaboration, finding solutions and challenging perspectives. *Somewhere in Between* brings together works by four contemporary artists, who have worked together with scientists to explore what lies beneath, beyond and between, and question what it means to be human in the 21st century. For more information, contact e.philippou@wellcome.ac.uk

The EY Exhibition Picasso 1932 - Love, Fame, Tragedy

Tate Modern, 8 March – 9 September 2018

This landmark exhibition will take visitors on a month-by-month journey through 1932, a time so pivotal in Picasso's life and work that it has been called his 'year of wonders'. More than 100 paintings, sculptures and works on paper will demonstrate his prolific and restlessly inventive character. For more information, contact pressoffice@tate.org.uk

Joan Jonas

Tate Modern, 14 March – 5 August 2018

Experience the largest exhibition of Jonas's work ever held in the UK. Jonas's early works from the late 1960s will be shown alongside recent installations dealing with topical themes such as climate change and extinction. Visitors will be able to discover her landmark installations including *Organic Honey*, *The Juniper Tree* and *Reanimation*. For more information, contact pressoffice@tate.org.uk

Tacita Dean: STILL LIFE

National Portrait Gallery, 15 March – 28 May 2018

This major new exhibition will focus on portraiture primarily through the medium of 16mm film. The exhibition will be the first in the Gallery's history to be devoted to the medium of film, and also reveals Tacita Dean's own longstanding and personal interest in portraiture as a genre. For more information, contact nevans@npg.org.uk

Royal Society of British Artists Annual Exhibition 2018

Mall Galleries, 21 – 31 March 2018

The Royal Society of British Artists (RBA) is dedicated to promoting the highest standards of skill in painting, sculpture, printmaking and drawing. Sourced from member artists and through open submission, the exhibition will include selected work from schools and colleges around the country. The show also includes entries from the finalists of the Society's prestigious Rome Scholarship award, as well as work produced by the recipient of the Rome Scholarship from the previous year. For more information, contact info@mallgalleries.com

The Great British Seaside

National Maritime Museum, 23 March – 30 September 2018

The nation's love affair with the seaside will be celebrated in the National Maritime Museum's special exhibition for 2018, which will showcase beach photography by some of Britain's best known photographers. From the 1960s to present day, this event will feature works from the likes of Martin Parr, Tony Ray-Jones, David Hurn and Simon Roberts. For more information, contact press@rmg.co.uk

Hope to Nope: Graphics and Politics 2008 – 2018

Design Museum, 28 March – 12 August 2018

Hope to Nope will explore the diverse methods that have been used to construct and communicate political messages over the past ten years. As traditional media rubs shoulders with the hashtag and the meme, never has graphic design been more critical in giving everyone a political voice. For more information, contact media@designmuseum.org

Century of the Child: Nordic Design for Children 1900 to Today

V&A Museum of Childhood, 30 March – 2 September 2018

Opening in Easter 2018, *Century of the Child: Nordic Design for Children 1900 to Today* will gather the best and most progressive Nordic designs, architecture and art for children. The exhibition will feature Nordic Icons including Arne Jacobsen, IKEA, Alvar Aalto, BabyBjörn, Tetra Pak and Helly Hansen. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

Here Be Dragons

Kew Palace, Opens 1 April 2018

To mark the re-opening of the Great Pagoda at Kew this summer, Kew Palace will be hosting *Here Be Dragons*, an exhibition aimed at younger visitors. Children will be able to explore the subject dragons and 'dragonologists', and take part in a trail around the Royal Botanic Gardens. For more information, contact press@hrp.org.uk

The Credit Suisse Exhibition: Monet & Architecture

National Gallery, 9 April – 29 July 2018

See the 'Father of Impressionism' in an entirely new way, in the first exhibition devoted to Monet's relationship with architecture. Comprising more than 70 paintings by the artist, *Monet & Architecture* spans Claude Monet's long career from its beginnings in the mid-1860s to the public display of his Venice paintings in 1912. For more information, contact press@ng-london.org.uk

Fashioned from Nature

V&A Museum, 21 April 2018 – 27 January 2019

Exploring the relationship between fashion and nature from 1600 to the present day, this will be the first UK exhibition to examine the environmental impact of fashion over more than 400 years. Stylish dresses will be presented alongside natural history specimens, taxidermy and unprocessed materials to draw attention to the materiality of fashion and the sources of our clothes. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

Rodin and the Art of Ancient Greece

British Museum, 26 April – 29 July 2018

Auguste Rodin was known as one of most innovative sculptors of the modern era and took his inspiration from the works of Phidias who carved the sculptures on the Parthenon. In collaboration with the Musée Rodin, the British Museum will explore how Rodin admired the art of antiquity – particularly ancient Greece – above all others. For more information, contact communications@britishmuseum.org

Fields of Battle, Lands of Peace: 1918 – 2018

Guildhall Yard, 30 April – 28 May 2018

This photography exhibition will commemorate the role played by people of all backgrounds from over fifty countries during World War I. Large landscape images explore the theme of reconciliation by capturing how time and nature have eased the scars of war on the battlefields of the Western Front and how the impact and consequences of this global conflict affected all nations and societies involved. For more information, contact andrew.buckingham@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Into the Light: Photography and Abstract Art

Tate Modern, 2 May – 14 October 2018

This exhibition explores the relationship between the birth of abstract art and the invention of photography. It spans from 1910 to present day, displaying the innovation and originality of photographers over this period while showing how they responded and contributed to the development of abstraction. *Into the Light* will feature works from Paul Strand, László Moholy-Nagy, Man Ray and more. For more information, contact pressoffice@tate.org.uk

Ghulam Mohammed

Grosvenor Gallery, 9 – 29 May 2018

Ghulam Mohammed will be debuting his first solo show in London at the Grosvenor Gallery, in association with Canvas Gallery, Karachi. The artist has trained in traditional miniature painting techniques in Pakistan and creates incredibly delicate collage works. For more information, contact art@grosvenorgallery.com

Azzedine Alaïa: The Couturier

Design Museum, 10 May – 7 October 2018

Azzedine Alaïa was recognised throughout his life as a master couturier, who was known for using unique styles of cuts, tailoring, fit and materials within his fashion designs. The exhibition will present more than 60 examples of Alaïa's craft from the past 35 years that reflect his outstanding career. For more information, contact media@designmuseum.org

London Nights

Museum of London, 11 May – 11 November 2018

The Museum of London's next major exhibition, *London Nights*, will explore the city after dark through both contemporary and historic imagery, ranging from the late 19th century to the present day. From the unexplored to the imagined, from Soho to Sydenham, the city at night reveals itself moment by moment from the mundane to the beguiling or even alarming. For more information, contact lbates@museumoflondon.org.uk

Sublime Symmetry

Guildhall Art Gallery, 11 May – 28 October 2018

William De Morgan has been described as the most intriguing and inventive ceramic designer of the late Victorian period. *Sublime Symmetry* will showcase some of his finest ceramics,

featuring complex and groundbreaking designs that are influenced by fantastical beasts and floral imagery. For more information, contact andrew.buckingham@cityoflondon.gov.uk

The Future Starts Here

V&A Museum, 12 May – 4 November 2018

This exhibition will explore the power of design in shaping the world of tomorrow. From smart appliances to satellites, artificial intelligence to internet culture, more than 100 objects will be brought together as a landscape for the near future. These objects are the seeds of possible futures, currently in development, being worked on by scientists and designers in studios and laboratories around the world. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

TEETH

Wellcome Collection, 17 May – 19 September 2018

This exhibition will trace the evolution of our relationship with our teeth and with the profession that has shaped the way we live with them. Following modern history's tireless pursuit of the pain-free mouth and the perfect smile, this is the first exhibition to look at how dentistry evolved from fairground entertainment to highly-skilled profession with many associated educational campaigns and spin-off industries. For more information, contact e.philippou@wellcome.ac.uk

Roman Dead

Museum of London Docklands, 25 May – 28 October 2018

In 2017 an extremely rare sarcophagus was excavated Southwark, where an ancient Roman cemetery is known to have once stood. *Roman Dead* will display the sarcophagus and explore rituals, burials and beliefs in Londinium, offering a glimpse into the lives – and deaths – of Londoners. For more information, contact press@museumoflondon.org.uk

Lee Bul: Wayward Wander

Hayward Gallery, 30 May – 19 August 2018

The Hayward Gallery presents the work of acclaimed South Korean artist Lee Bul. This exhibition will explore the artist's extensive investigation into the body and its relationship to architectural space. Over the course of his 30-year career, Lee Bul has explored questions of intimacy, gender, technology and class through a focus on the body. For more information, contact press@southbankcentre.co.uk

Aftermath: Art in the Wake of World War One

Tate Britain, 5 June – 16 September 2018

Marking the 100 years since the end of World War One, *Aftermath: Art in the Wake of World War One* looks at how artists responded to the physical and psychological scars left in Europe. Art was used in many ways in the tumultuous period after the end of the war, from documenting its destructive impact, to the building of public memorials and as a social critique. For more information, contact pressoffice@tate.org.uk

Splendours of the Subcontinent: A Prince's Tour of India 1875–6

The Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace, 8 June – 14 October 2018

In October 1875, the Prince of Wales set off on a four-month tour of the Indian subcontinent, visiting over 21 localities that today encompass India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Nepal. This exhibition will tell the story of this grand tour through the jewellery, gold and silverware and ceremonial arms presented to the future King Edward VII by local rulers as part of the traditional exchange of gifts. For more information, contact press@royalcollection.org.uk

Ed Ruscha: Course of Empire

National Gallery, 11 June – 7 October 2018

See Ed Ruscha's modern take on the cyclical nature of civilization, and discover how his work has shaped the way American landscape is viewed over the course of his influential six-decade career. *Course of Empire* will focus on the industrial buildings of Los Angeles and the significance and meaning behind them. For more information, contact press@ng-london.org.uk

Thomas Cole's Journey

National Gallery, 11 June – 7 October 2018

Discover one of America's leading painters of the mid-19th century. With his work seldom seen outside the USA, this exhibition will establish British-born Thomas Cole (1801–1848) as a major global figure in 19th-century landscape art. For more information, contact press@ng-london.org.uk

Summer Exhibition 2018

Royal Academy of the Arts, 12 June – 19 August 2018

The Royal Academy's annual Summer Exhibition celebrates its 250th anniversary in 2018, and will be coordinated by Grayson Perry RA. As the world's largest open submission contemporary art show, this exhibition will provide a unique platform for emerging and established artists to showcase their works to an international audience, comprising a range of media from painting to printmaking, photography, sculpture, architecture and film. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

The Great Spectacle: 250 Years of the Summer Exhibition

Royal Academy of the Arts, 12 June – 19 August 2018

Staged to coincide with the 250th Summer Exhibition in 2018, *The Great Spectacle* will tell the story of the annual show by featuring highlights from the past 250 years. The exhibition will include works by Joshua Reynolds, Thomas Gainsborough, John Everett Millais, Frederic Leighton, John Singer Sargent, Peter Blake, Tracey Emin, Zaha Hadid, Michael Craig-Martin, David Hockney and Wolfgang Tillmans, amongst others. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

Frida Kahlo's Wardrobe

V&A Museum, 16 June – 4 November 2018

Widely recognised as one of the most innovative and ground-breaking painters of the 20th century, Frida Kahlo is also renowned for the iconic persona that she crafted through her dress and self-fashioning. The V&A will present the first exhibition to be held outside Mexico of Kahlo's clothing and personal possessions, including prosthetics, medicines, accessories, jewellery, photographs and letters. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

Michael Jackson: On the Wall

National Portrait Gallery, 28 June – 21 October 2018

This landmark exhibition will explore the influence of Michael Jackson on some of the leading names in contemporary art, spanning several generations of artists across all media. Curated by Dr Nicholas Cullinan, Director of the National Portrait Gallery, the exhibition will open in the summer of 2018 to coincide with what would have been Michael Jackson's 60th birthday. For more information, contact nevans@npg.org.uk

London Design Biennale

Somerset House, 4 – 23 September 2018

This curated, three-week long Biennale by London Design will bring over 40 of the world's nations to exhibit newly commissioned works across the entirety of Somerset House. Nations,

territories and cities are increasingly recognising the power of design to bring social change and economic growth. *London Design Biennale*, now in its second edition, celebrates design as an international language and provides a platform for creativity. For more information, contact patricia.gill@exposure.net

I Object

British Museum, 6 September 2018 – 24 February 2019

This autumn the British Museum will explore how people have used objects to subvert official ideology and to mock the powerful or to challenge the status quo throughout history. Objects associated with dissent can illuminate lost or forgotten moments in history, giving a voice to those who would otherwise be voiceless. This exhibition will feature a range of objects, the earliest of which are 5,000 years old – from ancient Mesopotamia, Greece, Rome and Egypt to modern America, Mexico, Africa, China, Britain and Europe. For more information, contact communications@britishmuseum.org

Videogames

V&A Museum, 8 September 2018 – 24 February 2019

A new wave of designers, players and critics are pushing the boundaries of videogames in radical new ways. This V&A will consider the complexity of videogames as one of the most important design fields of our time, investigating ground-breaking contemporary design work, creative and rebellious player communities and the political conversations that define this movement. For more information, contact press.office@vam.ac.uk

Beazley Designs of the Year

Design Museum, 12 September 2018 – 6 June 2019

Now in its eleventh year, *Beazley Designs of the Year* is the Design Museum's annual celebration of the most original and exciting products, concepts and designers in the world today. This international awards programme will showcase design projects from the previous 12 months, across six categories: Architecture, Digital, Fashion, Product, Graphics, and Transport. For more information, contact media@designmuseum.org

Renzo Piano

Royal Academy of the Arts, 15 September 2018 – 20 January 2019

In Autumn 2018, the Royal Academy of Arts will present a solo exhibition of the internationally renowned architect Renzo Piano. It will be the first annual architecture exhibition in the newly refurbished galleries in Burlington Gardens and Piano's first survey in London for almost 30 years. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

Generation Hope: Life after the First World War

Imperial War Museum London, opens 21 September 2018

The exhibition will take visitors from the immediate aftermath of the war to the heart of the 'roaring' twenties, as people attempted to shape a new world and enjoy more social and political freedoms. It will showcase developments in art, literature, film, fashion and technology as well as examining the difficult realities of this era, which saw a rise in political extremes and economic highs and lows. For more information, contact efry@iwm.org.uk

Oceania

Royal Academy of the Arts, 29 September – 10 December 2018

In September 2018, the Royal Academy of Arts will present *Oceania*, the first major survey of Oceanic art to be held in the United Kingdom. This ambitious exhibition will celebrate the art of Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia, encompassing the vast South Pacific region from New

Guinea to Easter Island, Hawaii to New Zealand. Exploring the themes of voyaging, place-making and encounter, Oceania will bring together exceptional works from the ancient past through to the present day. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

Mantegna and Bellini

National Gallery, 1 October 2018 – 27 January 2019

Explore the relationship between two of the greatest artists of the Italian Renaissance, Giovanni Bellini and Andrea Mantegna. Comprising major loans of paintings, drawings, and particularly sculpture, *Mantegna and Bellini* will compare the work of two pre-eminent artists who also happened to be related by marriage. For more information, contact press@ng-london.org.uk

Living with Buildings: Health and Architecture

Wellcome Collection, 4 October 2018 – 3 March 2019

Wellcome Collection will examine ways in which architecture and the built environment interact with our health and wellbeing in this new exhibition. From the bold experiments of urban post-war town planners to healing spaces for cancer sufferers and fantastic utopias envisaged by artists, the exhibition will chart how shifts in design and approach have impacted on the health and experience of those who use buildings to live, to heal and to be human. For more information, contact e.philippou@wellcome.ac.uk

Modern Couples: Art, Intimacy and the Avant-garde

Barbican, 10 October 2018 – 27 January 2019

With society's changing approach to marriage, partnerships, family, parenthood and gender, this major exhibition will showcase creative individuals who came together in intimate relationships to work across photography, sculpture, architecture, poetry, music and dance. For more information, contact jess.hookway@barbican.org.uk

Anni Albers

Tate Modern, 11 October 2018 – 27 January 2019

Tate Modern will explore the work of one of the best-known textile artists of the 20th century. As a student at the radical and ostensibly egalitarian Bauhaus art school, Anni Albers enrolled in the weaving workshop and made textiles her means of expression. Albers rose to become an influential figure, exploring the technical limits of hand-weaving to pioneer innovative uses of woven fabric as art, architecture and design. For more information, contact pressoffice@tate.org.uk

Klimt/Schiele: Drawings from the Albertina Museum, Vienna

Royal Academy of the Arts, 4 November 2018 – 3 February 2019

This will be the first exhibition in the United Kingdom to focus exclusively upon the fundamental importance of drawing in the relationship between Austria's two most famous artists. The exhibition will comprise around 100 unique works on paper by Klimt and Schiele, including sketches for allegorical paintings, landscapes, portraits and nudes as well as examples of sketchbooks, graphic designs, lithographs and photographs. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

Lorenzo Lotto: Portraits

National Gallery, 5 November 2018 – 10 February 2019

Discover the expressive sensitivity and immediacy of Lorenzo Lotto's portraits in the first UK exhibition of its kind. Celebrated as one of the greatest portraitists of the Italian Renaissance, Lorenzo Lotto uniquely portrayed a cross section of middle-class sitters, among them clerics, merchants, and humanists. With the inclusion of documents that have survived from Lotto's own

account books, this exhibition will provide extraordinary insight into the artist's individualistic style and the people he portrayed. For more information, contact press@ng-london.org.uk

HOME

Design Museum, 7 November 2018 – 10 March 2019

From furniture to robotics, to the sharing economy to nomadic lifestyles, this exhibition will explore new forms of domestic behaviour and the designs that facilitate them. It will combine seminal design pieces with commissioned installations that speculate about new ways of living. For more information, contact media@designmuseum.org

Ashurbanipal: king of Assyria

British Museum, 8 November 2018 – 24 February 2019

This major exhibition will explore the world of ancient Assyria through the life and legacy of its last great ruler, King Ashurbanipal. Over 200 extraordinary objects excavated from all corners of what was the ancient Assyrian empire reveal how one of the greatest Assyrian monarchs stamped an indelible mark on the history of the world. For more information, contact communications@britishmuseum.org

Russia: Royalty & the Romanovs

The Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace, 9 November 2018 – 28 April 2019

This exhibition will tell the story of the familial, political, diplomatic and artistic associations between Britain and Russia and their royal families from the mid-16th century to the World Wars. The unique relationship between the two countries is explored through portraits, sculpture, photographs and archival documents. For more information, contact press@royalcollection.org.uk

Events and Activities

London New Year's Day Parade

West End and Westminster, 1 January 2018

Every year, dancers, acrobats, cheerleaders, marching bands, historic vehicles and more assemble in the heart of the capital for a colourful celebration of performances and ceremony. The event will feature more than 10,000 performers representing the diverse, multicultural London boroughs and countries from across the globe. For more information, contact info@lnydp.com

Mayfair Antiques and Fine Art Fair

London Marriott Grosvenor Square, 4 – 7 January 2018

See the Westminster ballroom transformed into a haven of luxury shopping, with more than 40 expert dealers displaying their finest wares to international collectors, interior decorators and visitors. The fair, now in its sixth year, will be selling a mix of antique furniture, antique and contemporary paintings and sculpture, oriental carpets and rugs, and more. For more information contact mqailmcg@aol.com

London Short Film Festival

Across London, 5 – 14 January 2018

This celebration of short films showcases the best of UK independent films alongside some international submissions. The festival will include dramas, comedies, documentaries, animations, low-budget shorts and experimental works. Catch a wide range of film screenings,

enjoy live music events, and attend workshops and talks, which bring together new and established talent in filmmaking, from directors to editors and actors, in unique and independent venues across London. For more information, contact info@shortfilms.org.uk

London Boat Show

ExCeL London, 10 – 14 January 2018

London's biggest annual boat show will bring together experts, traders and celebrities from the world of boating and watersports to showcase the latest nautical trends and upcoming developments at the waterfront location. Hosted by Sky Sports presenter Alec Wilkinson, yachting personalities confirmed to speak at the event will include Vendée Globe veteran, Mike Golding, and record-breaking yachtswoman, Dee Caffari. For more information, [contact pr@britishmarine.co.uk](mailto:contact_pr@britishmarine.co.uk)

International Mime Festival

Across London, 10 January – 3 February 2018

First held in 1977, the London International Mime Festival will feature an extravaganza of innovative visual theatre across the capital. Major venues such as Barbican, Sadler's Wells and Soho Theatre play host to puppets, slapstick and mime. For more information contact anna@arthurleone.com

NBA

The O2 Arena, 11 January 2018

The National Basketball Association are returning to The O2. The NBA London Game 2018 will feature the Philadelphia 76ers and Boston Celtics playing a regular-season game. The game will mark the league's eighth regular-season game in London and the Celtics' second game in the capital, having played a preseason game against the Minnesota Timberwolves in 2007. For more information contact communications.team@theo2.co.uk

Lumiere London

Across London, 18 – 21 January 2018

Bigger, brighter and bolder, the Lumiere London light festival returns for a spectacular second edition. More than 50 UK and international artists will reimagine London's iconic architecture and streets, transforming the city into a dazzling nocturnal art exhibition. Free to visit and taking place north and south of the river Thames, the UK's largest light festival extends its reach across the capital. For more information, contact press@londonandpartners.com

Introducing the Art Department

Warner Bros. Studio Tour London - The Making of Harry Potter, 9 – 19 February 2018

Visitors are invited to discover the craftsmanship and artistry that went into the *Harry Potter* movie series. The event will showcase technical drawings, white card models, concept art and prop-making. The venue will also host members of the Art Department who will demonstrate a range of filmmaking techniques, and there will even be live wand-making! For more information, contact press@wbstudiotour.co.uk

Kew Gardens' Orchid Festival

The Princess of Wales Conservatory, 10 February – 11 March 2018

Plan your winter escape with a visit to Kew's 23rd annual Orchids Festival, where you can bask in the tropical paradise of Kew's Princess of Wales Conservatory. Wander amongst vibrant displays of orchids and other tropical plants and discover how Kew is helping to save endangered plant species. Discover more by joining tours, talks, courses and other orchid-

related activities – or indulge in an intimate evening visit during the popular Orchids Lates. For more information, contact a.sneddon@kew.org

Six Nations Rugby Twickenham Games

Twickenham Stadium, 10 February and 17 March 2018

For two games in 2018, Twickenham stadium will play host to the Six Nations Rugby Championship. England will play Wales in February, and then face off against Ireland in March. Twickenham is the largest dedicated rugby union venue in the world, seating an impressive 82,000 spectators. For more information, please contact media@therfu.com

Valentine's Dinner in the Great Hall

Warner Bros. Studio Tour London - The Making of Harry Potter, 9 - 10 February 2018

Warner Bros. Studio Tour London will host a romantic Valentine's dinner in the iconic Great Hall from the Harry Potter films. Guests will enjoy welcome drinks and canapés before sitting down to a three-course dinner on the authentic set. They will also be given exclusive after-hours access to the Studio Tour, a tankard of Butterbeer and their choice of wand to remember their evening. For more information, contact press@wbstudiotour.co.uk

Flamenco Festival

Sadler's Wells, 14 – 25 February 2018

Marking its fifteenth anniversary, this festival includes performances from some of the world's finest flamenco dancers and musicians. The themes of this year's festival search beyond the classical images of the flamenco dancer to rediscover forgotten spirits, reclaim women's stories and unearth the true characters behind the dramatic façade. For more information, contact Rachel.McClure@sadlerswells.com

The London Classic Car Show

ExCeL London, 15 – 18 February 2018

Relive the golden years of car motoring with The London Classic Car Show 2018, and enjoy complimentary access to the co-located show, Historic Motorsport International. See and hear your favourite cars in action at The Grand Avenue, a quarter-mile-long roadway running through the centre of the venue. Discover the world's best classic car manufacturers, clubs, collectors and dealers. For more information, contact nickl@brandevents.co.uk

London Fashion Week

Across London, 16 – 20 February 2018

The ultimate fashion industry event, where the world's top designers showcase their latest collections via catwalk shows, plus curated talks, designer shopping and trend presentations. As London retains its positions as one of the top fashion capitals in the world, find out all the looks for Autumn/Winter. For more information contact michalis.zodiatis@britishfashioncouncil.com

Chinese New Year

West End, 18 February 2018

The Chinese New Year events in London will include a colourful parade through Chinatown and the West End, lion and dragon dances, plus traditional and contemporary Chinese cultural performances on the main stage in Trafalgar Square. The celebrations, which are organised by the London Chinatown Chinese Association, culminate in a spectacular Chinese New Year fireworks display. For more information, contact press@londonandpartners.com

ITTF Team World Cup

Copper Box Arena, Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, 22 – 25 February 2018

London will be playing host to the best table tennis players in the world when the ITTF Team World Cup comes to town for the first time since 1926. The event will pit the globe's strongest table tennis nations against each other. Amongst the players will be Chinese Ma Long, who many believe to be the best player ever to pick up a bat. For more information, contact james@illumination.works

The Spring Knitting and Stitching Show

Olympia London, 1 – 4 March 2018

The Spring Knitting and Stitching Show will host over 200 companies who will be selling various craft supplies including fabrics, threads, yarns, cross stitch kits, ribbon, sewing machines and more. The event will also provide many practical workshops for attendees to take part in. For more information, contact chloe.georgiou@upperstreetevents.co.uk

The Cauldron Magical Cocktail Experience

Stoke Newington, 2 – 31 March 2018

This immersive cocktail-making class will take inspiration from the fantasy and science-fiction genres. Guests will be able to wield magic wands, wear robes and discover the skills of mixology to brew drinkable elixirs that will smoke, bubble and change colour. For more information, contact press@thecauldron.io

The Big Half

Across London, 4 March 2018

Created by London Marathon Events Ltd, in partnership with Sported, The Big Half is a new one day festival centred around the half marathon distance. This event will aim to be a celebration of the wonderful cultural diversity of the great city of London, featuring food, music and sporting activities in various boroughs. For more information, contact media@londonmarathonevents.co.uk

Head of the River Race

Central London, 11 March 2018

The Head of the River Race is one of the London's longest-running sporting traditions. Every spring, 400 crews from around the globe take to the waters of the Thames to compete in this historic boating event. The annual event will see hundreds of boats, each manned by eight crew, row over the 4.25 mile long (6.8km) championship course from Mortlake to Putney. For more information, visit www.horr.co.uk

Chambers of Flavour V3

Hoxton, 13 – 29 March 2018

This interactive dining experience will take place in a secret location in Hoxton, and will feature theatre performances, a multimedia art installation and an adventure course for participants to experience. The venue requests diners to dress up to suit the eccentric style of the event. For more information, contact machine@chambersofflavour.co.uk

St Patrick's Day in London

Trafalgar Square, 16 – 18 March 2018

The London St Patrick's Day festival is now in its 16th year and historically attracts over 125,000 people to several events, including a one day parade and festival in central London and Trafalgar Square. It has become a destination event, which showcases the best of Irish food, music, song dance, culture and arts. For more information, contact mayorspressoffice@london.gov.uk

The Oxford & Cambridge Boat Race

River Thames, 24 March 2018

First raced in 1829, the Boat Race is one of the oldest sporting events in the world. Watched by thousands along the banks of The Tideway, located between Putney and Mortlake in south London, this unique sporting event will see two strong squads of athletes competing against each other. For more information, contact maria@profsports.com

London Landmarks Half Marathon

Central London, 25 March 2018

The London Landmarks Half Marathon is a brand new, closed road, central London run. It is the only half marathon to go through both the City of London and City of Westminster. 10,000 runners will start on Pall Mall, finish by Downing Street and have fabulous views of London's most iconic landmarks. For more information, contact support@llhm.co.uk

Goblet of Fire

Warner Bros. Studio Tour London - The Making of Harry Potter, 30 March – 23 September 2018

The Goblet of Fire from the *Harry Potter* film series will return to the Great Hall for the first time since filming ended with live demonstrations showing visitors how the parchment pieces were propelled out to reveal the Triwizard champions. Many new props and costumes from the Triwizard Tournament will also be on display. For more information, contact press@wbstudiotour.co.uk

Sandown Antiques Fair

Sandown Park Racecourse, 3 April – 4 December 2018

Following the success of the Sunbury Antiques Fair in Kempton Park, a new market will be opening in Sandown Antiques Fair this April. The fair will be held every first Tuesday of the month, and will offer furniture, gold and silverware, jewellery, ceramics and more. For more information, contact edwardcruttenden@sunburyantiques.com

Frankenstein Festival

Science Museum, 3 – 8 April 2018

The Science Museum is celebrating the 200th anniversary of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* with a free festival exploring the science behind the cultural phenomenon. Through immersive theatre, experimental storytelling and hands-on activities, visitors can examine the ethical and scientific questions surrounding the artificial creation of life. For more information, contact will.stanley@sciencemuseum.ac.uk

Cocktails in the City

Marylebone, 5 – 7 April 2018

This three-day celebration of cocktails will bring together pop-ups from different venues, from five-star hotels to speakeasies. Visitors will be able to sample drinks, discover new hot spots and find out how to mix drinks. For more information, contact andrew@boutiquebarshow.com

London Games Festival

Across London, 5 – 15 April 2018

This festival features multiple events across the city celebrating video games and gamers. The lineup of events for the festival will include Now Play This, EGX Rezzed, Games Finance Market, The Bafta Games Awards, HUB and The Games Character Cosplay Parade. For more information, contact roz.tuplin@games.london

Underbelly Festival

Southbank Centre, 6 April – 30 September 2018

Stretching throughout the summer, the Underbelly Festival returns for the 10th year with a fun-packed programme of circus acts, theatre, cabaret, comedy, music and children's shows. Visitors can also feast on street food from the riverside vendors and grab a drink at one of London's biggest outdoor bars. For more information, contact gregor@borkowski.co.uk

London Coffee Festival

Old Truman Brewery, 12 – 15 April 2018

A coffee-lovers paradise featuring over 250 artisan coffee and gourmet food stalls, tastings and demonstrations from world-class baristas, interactive workshops, street food, coffee-based cocktails, live music, DJs, art exhibitions and much more. For more information contact info@londoncoffeefestival.com

Sonica

King's Place, 20 – 21 April 2018

In April, Glasgow's biennial sonic art festival Sonica is hitting London for a two-day taster of experimental art and installations. This year's line-up includes *Slow Pixel*, an installation involving 176 snails, and *Infinite Lives*, a surreal sonic science laboratory inhabited by robots and sea monkeys. For more information, contact ruth.marshpr@gmail.com

Virgin Money London Marathon 2018

Across London, 22 April 2018

Since 1981, the London Marathon has been an extraordinary annual event for charity, with amateurs and professionals taking to the streets of the city to raise money. Cheer on the runners or simply watch the race unfold. For more information contact media@londonmarathonevents.co.uk

The Listening Party: Paul Purgas

Somerset House, 26 April 2018

The Listening Party will be a new series of events that will bring together a range of artists and musicians to discuss the unique cultures that underpin their practice. The first event will be with sound, performance and installation artist Paul Purgas, who will be discussing some of the influences that have helped shape his work. For more information, contact press@somerset.org.uk

Sculpture in the City

Throughout the City of London, May 2018

Now in its ninth year, the urban sculpture trail returns to London's Square Mile. Walking the trail is free and provides the public with access to world-class art by internationally renowned artists. For more information, contact sculptureinthecity@cityoflondon.gov.uk

London Original Print Fair

Royal Academy of Arts, 3 – 6 May 2018

Offering visitors the chance to buy original prints spanning five centuries, from top international dealers, galleries and studios, the London Original Art Fair will also host a daily programme of talks with artists and specialists. For more information, contact press.office@royalacademy.org.uk

London Craft Week 2018

Across London, 9 – 13 May 2018

Meet artists, designers and engineers, and explore their studios and creative spaces at London Craft Week. Take part in workshops with famous design studios, art galleries, award-winning restaurants and luxury fashion brands. Plus, get an insight into the creative thinking behind well-known items from the past and present. For more information, contact press@londoncraftweek.com

Carnaby Style Weekender with GQ

Carnaby Street, 10 – 13 May 2018

Carnaby Street will be hosting a weekend that will celebrate all things style, in partnership with GQ magazine. Visitors will have access to exclusive discounts, talks, workshops, promotions, styling sessions and more over the four days. For more information, contact Bethan.Harris@sisterlondon.com

Affordable Art Fair Hampstead

Hampstead, 10 – 13 May 2018

Held on Hampstead Heath, this Art Fair will feature 100 galleries under one roof, exhibiting paintings, original prints, sculpture, etchings and photography from both established names and emerging talents. As well as workshops and talks, the Thursday night of the event will be open until late, offering guests music, wine and art and sculpture demonstrations. For more information, contact press@affordableartfair.com

Balance Festival – London 2018

Shoreditch, 11 – 13 May 2018

The UK's largest festival dedicated to fitness and wellness returns to London in May 2018. This event will offer over 200 exercise classes as well as a range of healthy foods. There will also be talks from leading nutritionists, chefs, world-class fitness trainers and yogis. For more information, contact hello@thisisbalancefestival.com

Covent Garden May Fayre and Puppet Festival

Covent Garden, 13 May 2018

Join *Punch and Judy* enthusiasts from all over the country at this festival, hosted in the garden of St Paul's Church (The Actors' Church). Follow the brass band procession around Covent Garden, attend the midday church service with Mr Punch in the pulpit and spend the afternoon watching puppet, music and dance performances. For more information, contact info@alternativearts.co.uk

Museums at Night

Across London, 16 – 19 May 2018

Explore art, history and heritage after dark with the Museums at Night events across more than 30 venues in London. Major museums, heritage sites and historic properties, as well as smaller cultural venues open their doors for the biannual nationwide festival. Discover new exhibitions, take torchlit tours, enjoy live music in historic surroundings and engage in a range of free and ticketed night-time activities. For more information, contact rosie@culture24.org.uk

Photo London

Somerset House, 17–20 May 2018

This world-class photography fair brings together work from museums, galleries, auction houses and independent artists from across the city. The public programme will also provide exhibitions, installations and talks from special guests of the festival. For more information, contact matthew@suttonpr.com

FA Cup Final 2018

Wembley, 19 May 2018

Watch the climax of English Football's biggest competition at London's Wembley Stadium or live on TV from a London pub. For sports and football fans alike, this is a London event that's not to be missed. For more information, contact communications@thefa.com

Royal Wedding: Prince Harry and Meghan Markle

Windsor, 19 May 2018

Join in royal festivities as Prince Harry marries Meghan Markle at the historic Windsor Castle in St George's Chapel. The couple became engaged at Prince Harry's Kensington Palace home in November 2017, following a whirlwind 16-month royal romance. For more information on royal activities in the capital, see the [Visit London website](#)

Virgin Sport Hackney 2018: Festival of Fitness

Hackney, 20 May 2018

This east London festival celebrates fitness for everybody, no matter the skill level. The event will feature the Hackney half marathon, 'Go Fit Yourself' bootcamp style classes, entertainment and a selection of food and drink stalls to enjoy. For more information, contact press@virginmedia.co.uk

BBL Basketball Play-off Finals

The O2 Arena, 20 May 2018

The 2018 British Basketball Play-Off Finals are back to The O2 arena in 2018, following a successful 2017 edition. The women's final will take place at 1pm, followed by the men's final at 4pm. For more information, contact communications.team@theo2.co.uk

RHS Chelsea Flower Show

Chelsea, 22 – 26 May 2018

World-renowned garden designers, plant specialists and florists come together every year in Chelsea to show off cutting-edge garden designs and inspirational floral exhibits. Stroll through show-stopping and award-winning gardens, discover rare flowers and plants, spot emerging gardening trends and browse horticultural products, from gardening gadgets to sculptures and plants. For more information, contact pressoffice@rhs.org.uk

Vitality Westminster Mile

Westminster, 27 May 2018

The Vitality Westminster Mile is a mile-long race that will start on The Mall, heading around St James's Park and the Wellington Barracks, before finishing in front of Buckingham Palace. Organised by London Marathon Events Limited, in partnership with Westminster City Council, there are categories for all ages and abilities so everyone can take part. For more information, contact media@londonmarathonevents.co.uk

Vitality London 10,000

Across London, 28 May 2018

The Vitality London 10,000 is a 10km course that passes many of London's famous sights including Admiralty Arch, Nelson's Column, St Paul's Cathedral, Somerset House, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. The day will also feature the Vitality Wellness Festival in Green Park, which will include child-friendly activities and giveaways. For more information, contact media@londonmarathonevents.co.uk

Women: Work and Power

Throughout the City of London, 31 May – 30 November 2018

Women: Work and Power examines the struggle for gender equality through the ages while celebrating a number of significant anniversaries in 2018. The event will be a series of new commissions, outdoor work and planned events at City of London venues including the Barbican, Museum of London and Bishopsgate Institute, delivering a wide-ranging programme that spans multiple art-forms. For more information, contact

andrew.buckingham@cityoflondon.gov.uk

East Wall, LIFT Festival

Tower of London, Summer 2018

East Wall is a major dance and music production which will take place on the Tower of London moat during the LIFT festival 2018. Directed by world-renowned choreographer, Hofesh Shechter, *East Wall* will bring together a large cast of dancers, musicians and community participants to celebrate East London's rich cultural heritage. For more information, call the LIFT festival on +44 (0) 20 7968 6800

Taste of London

Regent's Park, June 2018

Every year for five summer days, Regent's Park in Central London is transformed into a foodie wonderland as 40 of London's best restaurants gather to show off the best dishes from their extensive menus. Plus, watch live cooking demonstrations, meet some of the capital's leading chefs, participate in masterclasses and shop at more than 200 food and drink stalls. For more information, contact taste@tcs-uk.net

London Music Month – Sounds like London

Across London, June 2018

This city-wide event will focus on London's rich music heritage, encouraging visitors to engage and discover more about this scene. Neighbourhoods such as Soho and Carnaby will be hosting multiple gigs, workshops, talks and quizzes for attendees. For more information, contact mayorspressoffice@london.gov.uk

RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower Show

Hampton Court, 2 – 8 June 2018

Experience the world's largest annual flower show in the setting of the historic RHS Hampton Court Palace. Explore innovative show gardens, watch demonstrations by both celebrity gardeners and chefs around the showgrounds. Plus, get tips on gardening in a changing climate and shop for garden supplies to create your own little oasis at home. For more information, contact pressoffice@rhs.org.uk

Household Division's Beating Retreat

Horse Guards Parade, 6 – 7 June 2018

Always performed on the Wednesday and Thursday evenings preceding the Queen's Birthday Parade (Trooping the Colour) in June, Beating Retreat is a sunset pageant of precision drill, horses, cannons and fireworks, all accompanied by music from around 300 musicians from the Massed Bands of the Household Division. On at least one evening, the Queen or a senior member of the British Royal Family usually attends and takes the salute. For more information, contact info@householddivision.org.uk

Art Night

Across London, 7 July 2018

London's largest free contemporary arts festival will return for its most ambitious art trail to date. Running along the Thames from Southbank Centre through Vauxhall and Nine Elms to Battersea, Art Night will feature commissions and artists' projects in iconic and off-the-beaten-track venues for just one night. For more information, contact hello@artnight.london

Trooping the Colour: The Queen's Birthday Parade

Horse Guards Parade, 9 June 2018

Experience a traditional ceremony full of military pomp and pageantry, with Trooping the Colour on Horse Guards Parade. Marking the Queen's official birthday, this annual event will feature hundreds of officers, horses and musicians from the Household Division in ceremonial uniform. For more information, contact info@householddivision.org.uk

London Tech Week

Across London, 11 – 17 June 2018

Find out what makes the capital a global tech hub at London Tech Week, a mega-festival showcasing the latest innovations across the sector. Bringing together the best creative and scientific minds, this is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about technology while having fun, from learning to code with the kids, to watching drones race and listening to Hollywood film tunes. For more information, contact press@londonandpartners.com

UIM F1H2O World Powerboat Championship

Royal Victoria Docks, 16 – 17 June 2018

The two-day race weekend will give spectators the chance to see the lightweight and powerful catamarans race at speeds of up to 140mph. Showcasing the latest powerboat technology and engineering, the race will be part of London Tech Week 2018. For more information, contact press@f1h2o.com

Greenwich+Docklands International Festival

Greenwich and Docklands, 22 June – 7 July 2018

This annual festival of outdoor theatre and performing arts presents an extensive programme of art installations, street theatre, circus acts, dance acts and music events, produced by both UK and international artists. In 2017, more than 100,000 people attended the outdoor shows in South and East London. For more information, contact Kate Morley PR on +44 207 299 4300

Pride in London

Across London, 7 July 2018

Pride in London is one of the largest Pride events worldwide, and is one of London's biggest annual events. Attendees can enjoy the parade through the city, discounts and special offers across LGBTQ+ bars and restaurants, live music and film screenings, art exhibitions and other cultural events. For more information, contact info@prideinlondon.org

Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships 2018

Wimbledon, 2 – 15 July 2018

The world of tennis descends on Wimbledon in South West London every summer for the longest-running tennis tournament in the world, and one of four annual Grand Slam tennis events held around the globe. Games are still played on the original playing surface, grass, and there's a strict white-only dress code for players. For more information visit www.wimbledon.com

FIH Women's Hockey World Cup 2018

Lee Valley Hockey and Tennis Centre, 21 July – 5 August 2018

Hosts England will battle it out with 15 top nations in their bid to be crowned world champions in front of a roaring home crowd at the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park venue. England will be looking to emulate their success at the 2015 Unibet EuroHockey Championships, which they won on home soil. For more information, contact info@fih.ch

Müller Anniversary Games

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, 21 – 22 July 2018

The Müller Anniversary Games is one of the best athletics events in the world and will play host to the superstars of the sport. A meeting that continues to see the very best in the world head to the British capital, the prestigious IAAF Diamond League meeting has played host to the greats of the sport over the years, including Usain Bolt and Sir Mo Farah. For more information, contact majorevents@britishathletics.org.uk

Prudential RideLondon

London and Surrey, 27 – 29 July 2017

Prudential RideLondon is a world-class festival of cycling for all. There is no other closed-road event like it that combines the fun and accessible element of a free family ride in central London with the excitement of watching the world's best professional cyclists race in the Prudential RideLondon-Surrey Classic and Prudential RideLondon Classique. For more information contact media@ridelondon.co.uk

Longines Global Champions Tour

Royal Hospital Chelsea, August 2018

The unique new venue of the Royal Hospital Chelsea is the location for the globally famous Longines Global Champions Tour. World class show jumping will take place on the south grounds which lead down to the River Thames with the backdrop of the heritage buildings designed by Sir Christopher Wren. For more information, contact press@globalchampionstour.com

Eid Festival

Trafalgar Square, August 2017

Thousands of Londoners and visitors come to this free event every year to celebrate the end of Ramadan. Feast on food from around the world with stalls serving up Turkish, Egyptian, Lebanese, Malaysian cuisines and much more. Enjoy live music and performances on the main stage and enjoy alternative activities such as face-painting, calligraphy, henna and story-telling. For more information, contact mayorspressoffice@london.gov.uk

The London Triathlon

Across London, 4 – 5 August 2018

Attracting over 11,000 participants and 30,000 spectators each year, this iconic triathlon has become a must-do event in the sporting calendar. With a variety of distances, routes and wave categories to choose from, this event will cater for athletes of all levels. For more information, contact img@hopeandglorypr.com

Carnaby Street Eat

Carnaby Street, 11 August 2018

Street Eat will return for its fifth year in August, offering a one-day free food festival in the heart of Carnaby. The street will house a giant picnic table and Carnaby restaurants will be serving up delicious dishes from pop-up stalls around the area, alongside live music, on-street

entertainment and in-store promotions. For more information, contact Bethan.Harris@sisterlondon.com

Rugby League Ladbrokes Challenge Cup Final

Wembley Stadium, 25 August 2018

Watch the climax of one of rugby league's biggest days out and most prestigious competitions, hosted at the iconic Wembley Stadium. This illustrious cup is the only knock-out tournament of its kind to include teams from all levels of the sport. For more information, contact The FA Press Office on 0844 980 0700.

Notting Hill Carnival

Notting Hill, 25 – 27 August 2018

This much-loved annual street party returns for August 2018. As the largest street party and Caribbean festival in Europe, the Carnival sets the streets of London on fire with great music, outrageous floats and fabulous costumes. Hear everything from traditional steel bands, Soca and Calypso, to the latest drum 'n' bass. You can also treat yourself to the best delicacies from one of the hundreds of Caribbean food stalls. For more information contact press@inhcet.com

NFL London Games 2018

Across London, Dates TBA

In 2018 the NFL will be returning to London, following successful matches with world-famous teams such as the Jacksonville Jaguars and the Miami Dolphins in 2017. Last year the games were held at two of London's most iconic stadiums, Twickenham and Wembley. For more information, contact david.tossell@nfl.com

Parallel London 2018

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, September 2018

Whether you run, wheel or walk, Parallel London is suitable for all ages and abilities with a choice of 10km, 5km, 1km or 100m challenges on offer and no cut-off time. Guests can also get involved in competitions, talks and courses for all the family at the ten entertainment zones as part of the free Family Festival. For more information, contact contact@parallellondon.com

National Paralympic Day and Liberty Festival

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, September 2018

Since the 2012 Games the Mayor of London, British Paralympic Association and Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park have held a free festival to celebrate the very best in disability sport and arts. Produced by the team behind the London 2012 Paralympic Opening Ceremony, NPD Liberty Festival have so far attracted 70,000 people to the Park. For more information, contact communitydesk@london.gov.uk

Totally Thames Festival

Across London, 1 – 30 September 2018

See London's river Thames brought to life in a month-long season of events along the river's 42-mile (68km) stretch during the annual Totally Thames festival. Walk along the Thames to see large-scale art installations, free exhibitions and live performances. Enjoy a concert below river-level or join an archaeological tour of the river's surroundings. See boats of all sizes cruise down the river, or get on the water yourself with watersports and boat parties. For more information, contact katy@chloenelkinconsulting.com

London Fashion Week

Across London, 14 – 18 September 2018

The ultimate fashion industry event, where the world's top designers showcase their latest collections via catwalk shows, plus curated talks, designer shopping and trend presentations. As London retains its positions as one of the top fashion capitals in the world, find out all the looks for Spring/Summer. For more information contact michalis.zodiatis@britishfashioncouncil.com

London Design Festival

Across London, 15 – 23 September 2018

Explore a range of creative installations and events celebrating contemporary design during the London Design Festival. The annual festival has been showcasing the work of designers, architects, artists and retailers since 2003. During the festival, hundreds of large-scale installations, exhibitions and events pop up in many unique spaces across London, from world-famous museums to small local studios. For more information, contact londondesignfestival@exposure.net

Open House London

Across London, 22 – 23 September 2018

Celebrate London's architectural wonders as Open House London throws open the doors of hundreds of buildings and spaces around the capital. Enjoy free access to more than 800 public buildings, private houses, churches, museums, schools and offices, and join tours, guided walks and activities throughout the weekend. For more information, contact press@open-city.org.uk

Swim Serpentine

Hyde Park, 22 September

Swim Serpentine, the open water swimming festival with events for all abilities, returns to Hyde Park, the venue which hosted part of the 2012 Summer Olympics. The 2018 festival, will include a range of distances for swimmers of all levels, including ½ mile swims, one mile swims and the more challenging two mile swims. For more information, contact press@royalparks.gsi.gov.uk

Dark Arts

Warner Bros. Studio Tour London - The Making of Harry Potter, 28 September - 11 November 2018

Throughout the Hallowe'en season, visitors will discover the filmmaking secrets behind the wizarding world's Dark Arts in the *Harry Potter* series. The iconic Great Hall set will be decorated with over 100 pumpkins suspended from the ceiling. Visitors are invited to try out their wand combat moves against Death Eaters in a live duel demonstrating how battle scenes were directed, all before walking down a darker, spookier Diagon Alley. For more information, contact press@wbstudiotour.co.uk

Pearly Kings and Queens Harvest Festival

City of London, 30 September 2018

The Pearly Kings and Queens of London celebrate the bounty of the autumn harvest with traditional entertainment in front of Guildhall, before parading through the streets to St Mary Le Bow Church for a service of thanksgiving. Expect Morris dancing, maypole dancing, marching bands and lots of colourful characters at this traditional event. For more information, contact pearlysociety@gmx.co.uk

London Restaurant Festival

Across London, October 2018

This month-long festival is a city-wide homage to great food in London, and the perfect excuse to try out some of the capital's world-class restaurants. Enjoy great value special menus, one-off

chef-led events and a series of gastronomic activities, including restaurant tours and wine tastings. For more information, contact info@londonrestaurantfestival.com

Frieze Art Fairs, Regent's Park

Regent's Park, October 2018

View, browse and buy world-class art from the best international galleries at the Frieze art fairs in the surroundings of Regent's Park. Every year, Frieze hosts two art fairs side by side in the Regent's Park: Frieze London which showcases the best of contemporary art, and Frieze Masters which specialises in art from the past, up until the year 2000. For more information, contact infolondon@frieze.com

Diwali in London

Trafalgar Square, October 2018

Join in the Diwali festivities in Trafalgar Square, as thousands of people come together to celebrate the Hindu, Sikh and Jain festival of lights. Past programmes have included music and dance stage performances, family-friendly craft activities, yoga, henna art, and delicious food from India and beyond. For more information, contact mayorspressoffice@london.gov.uk

BFI Film Festival

Southbank, 10 – 21 October 2018

Marking its 62nd anniversary, The British Film Institute London Film Festival screens more than 300 films, documentaries and shorts from 50 countries. A much-loved feature of the London cultural calendar, the festival attracts over 800 filmmakers from across the world, as well as over 22,000 visitors. For more information, contact Mia on mia.farrell@bfi.org.uk

Royal Parks Foundation Half Marathon

Across London, 14 October 2018

The Royal Parks Foundations Half Marathon 13.1 mile route takes in the capital's world-famous landmarks on closed roads, and four of London's Royal Parks – Hyde Park, Green Park, St James's Park and Kensington Gardens. For more information, contact thomas@pha-media.com

Six Day London

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, Lee Valley VeloPark, 23 – 28 October 2018

Six Day London sees the best track cyclists in the world competing at Lee Valley VeloPark at the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, London. The lights get turned down and the music turned up as the velodrome is transformed into a hotbed of sport and entertainment. For more information, contact press@queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk

The Lord Mayor's Show

Central London, 10 November 2018

The annual Lord Mayor's Show will celebrate the appointment of the new Lord Mayor of the City of London with a parade across the city. With the famous procession taking place in the morning, the event will also offer guided walks, activities and exhibitions before closing the day off with a magnificent firework display over the Thames. For more information, contact John.Park@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Nitto ATP Finals 2017

The O2 Arena, Dates TBA

Witness the final event of the men's professional tennis season, as the Nitto ATP Finals return to The O2. Using a round robin format, players compete in a minimum of three matches each

during the group stages as they aim for a berth in the knockout semi-finals. Each session includes one world-class doubles match, which sets the stage for a top 8 singles clash. For more information, contact communications.team@theo2.co.uk

Hogwarts in the Snow

Warner Bros. Studio Tour London - The Making of Harry Potter, 17 November 2018 - 27 January 2019

To celebrate Christmas the studio behind the *Harry Potter* series will host the popular event, Hogwarts in the Snow. The festive makeover will see part of the Great Hall transformed for the Yule Ball, the Gryffindor common room dressed for the season and a blanket of filmmaking snow covering the majestic Hogwarts castle model. For more information, contact press@wbstudiotour.co.uk

London New Year's Eve Fireworks

Southbank, 31 December 2018 – 1 January 2019

2018's stunning spectacle will once again be focused around the Coca-Cola London Eye on the River Thames. More than 3,000 people, from pyrotechnicians to stewards, work together to ensure that the capital's celebrations run smoothly and are the most dazzling on the planet. Ticketed event. For more information, contact communitydesk@london.gov.uk

Entertainment

OVO – Cirque du Soleil

Royal Albert Hall, 7 January – 4 March 2018

In its 22nd season at the Royal Albert Hall, Cirque du Soleil is back in 2018 with OVO – the story of an incredible insect world hidden at our feet. This will be the first time the show has been performed in the UK. The world-famous Canadian circus troupe first visited the Royal Albert Hall in 1996 performing the show *Saltimbanco*, and over the past 21 years they have continued to return to London. For more information, contact rckb@royalalberthall.com

The Rat Pack – Live from Las Vegas

Theatre Royal Haymarket, 9 January – 3 February 2018

The Rat Pack - Live from Las Vegas celebrates the incredible singing talent of three world-famous entertainers and performers and some of the finest music and songs that have ever been recorded. The characters Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Jr. and Dean Martin perform classic hits such as *The Lady is a Tramp*, *Mr Bojangles*, *That's Amore* and *I've Got You Under My Skin*. For more information, contact info@trh.co.uk

Song of the Earth and La Sylphide

London Coliseum, 9 – 13 January 2018

The English National Ballet returns with a double bill featuring Kenneth MacMillan's masterpiece *Song of the Earth* and Frank Andersen's recreation of the beloved classic *La Sylphide*. *Song of the Earth* brings music, poetry and choreography together to capture the fragility of life, and its constant renewal. Meanwhile *La Sylphide* is a classic romantic ballet, accompanied by the English National Ballet Philharmonic. For more information, contact press@ballet.org.uk

East

King's Head Theatre, 10 January – 3 February 2018

Brought to you by the winners of the 2016 Carol Tambor Best of Edinburgh Award, this new production of Steven Berkoff's influential masterpiece opens at the King's Head Theatre, where *East* made its London debut in 1975. Featuring a cast of five and a live pianist, twists and turns of foul-mouthed verse and explosions of personality will plunge you into worlds you might never want to crawl out of. For more information, contact boxoffice@kingsheadtheatre.com

Rita, Sue and Bob, Too

Royal Court Theatre, 11 – 27 January 2018

Andrea Dunbar's semi-autobiographical play premiered at the Royal Court Theatre in 1982 when she was just 19. It's a vivid portrait of girls caught between brutal childhood and an unpromising future, hungry for adult adventure. Max Stafford-Clark, the play's original director, directs this major new production. Previews from 9 January. For more information, contact press@royalcourttheatre.com

Things I know to Be True

Lyric Hammersmith, 11 January – 3 February 2018

Things I Know to Be True is a brand-new commission by Australian writer Andrew Bovell and comes to the UK following a world premiere in Adelaide in May 2016. The production will tell a story of a family and marriage through the eyes of four grown siblings struggling to define themselves beyond their parents' love and expectations. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

Amadeus

National Theatre, 11 January – 24 April 2018

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, a rowdy young prodigy, arrives in Vienna determined to make a splash. Awestruck by his genius, court composer Antonio Salieri has the power to promote his talent or destroy it. Seized by obsessive jealousy, he begins a war with Mozart, with music and, ultimately, with God. Michael Longhurst's acclaimed production of Peter Shaffer's iconic play features live orchestral accompaniment by Southbank Sinfonia. For more information, contact rgreenwood@nationaltheatre.org.uk

Tosca

Royal Opera House, 15 January – 3 March 2018

Puccini's thriller *Tosca* at the Royal Opera House will star Adrienne Pieczonka, Angela Gheorghiu and Martina Serafin, and will also be conducted by Dan Ettinger and Plácido Domingo. The painter Mario Cavaradossi helps a fugitive escape – and so attracts the attention of Scarpia, the menacing Chief of Police. Scarpia captures Cavaradossi and has him tortured within earshot of his lover, the singer Tosca. For more information, contact elizabeth.bell@roh.org.uk

John

National Theatre, 17 January – 3 March 2018

The week after Thanksgiving. A bed and breakfast in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. A cheerful host welcomes a young couple struggling to salvage their relationship, while thousands of inanimate objects look on. An uncanny new play by Annie Baker, whose Pulitzer Prize-winning *The Flick* had a sold-out run at the National in 2016. James Macdonald directs the European premiere. For more information, contact ehardy@nationaltheatre.org.uk

The Birthday Party

Harold Pinter Theatre, 18 January – 14 April 2018

Harold Pinter's second full-length play, *The Birthday Party*, is one of the playwright's most performed plays. The play focuses on Stanley Webber, a piano player who is lodging in an English seaside town, in a neglected boarding house run by Petey and Meg Bowles, a couple in their sixties. On the day of Stanley's birthday, two ominous strangers arrive looking for him, and ruin his otherwise eventless party. For more information, contact ben@thecornershoppr.com

Giselle

Royal Opera House, 19 January – 9 March 2018

The peasant girl Giselle discovers the true identity of her lover Albrecht – and that he is promised to another. One of the greatest romantic ballets, Peter Wright's production of Marius Petipa's classic is a tale of betrayal, the supernatural and love that transcends death. For more information, contact ashley.woodfield@roh.org.uk

Lady Windermere 's Fan

Vaudeville Theatre, 22 January – 7 April 2018

Lady Windermere has her suspicions that her husband of just under two years is having an affair with another woman. After he denies the allegations, she decides to invite the woman in question to her 21st birthday party. As anger takes over, *Lady Windermere's Fan* tells of a marriage marred by lies and secrecy. Previews from 12 January. For more information, contact general@nimaxtheatres.com

Beginning

Ambassadors Theatre, 23 January – 24 March 2018

Following a sell-out run at the National Theatre's Dorfman Theatre, David Eldridge's new play transfers to the Ambassadors Theatre from January 2018. Every story starts somewhere. It's the early hours of the morning and Danny is the last straggler at Laura's party. The flat is a mess. And so are they. One more drink? Previews from 15 January. For more information, contact enquiries@theambassadorstheatre.co.uk

Mary Stuart

Duke of York's Theatre, 25 January – 31 March 2018

Following a critically acclaimed run at the Almeida Theatre, Robert Icke's new adaptation of Friedrich Schiller's *Mary Stuart* transfers to the West End's Duke of York's Theatre. Schiller's play uncovers the reality that getting ahead is all in the execution. Previews from 13 January. For more information, contact ben@thecornershoppr.com

Rothschild & Sons

Park Theatre, 27 January – 17 February 2018

This uplifting tale affirming human dignity springs from the hearts and minds of Broadway songwriters Sheldon Harnick and Jerry Bock and Tony-nominated writer Sherman Yellen. Inspired by the book *The Rothschilds* by Frederic Morton, this re-imagined musical about a family that risks everything will include several never-before-heard songs in its thrilling UK premiere. Previews from 24 January. For more information, contact arabella.neville-rolfe@target-live.co.uk

Julius Caesar

The Bridge Theatre, 30 January – 15 April 2018

Nicholas Hytner's production will be in promenade, thrusting its audience into the street party that greets Caesar's return, the congress that witnesses his murder, the rally that assembles for his funeral and the chaos that explodes in its wake. Ben Wishaw and Michelle Fairley play

Brutus and Cassius, leaders of the coup, David Calder plays Caesar and David Morrissey is Mark Antony, who brings Rome back under control after the conspirators' defeat. Previews from 20 January. For more information, contact janine.shalom@premiercomms.com

Gundog

Royal Court Theatre, 6 February – 10 February 2018

On a farm in the middle of nowhere, sisters Becky and Anna try to hold their family together after the death of their mother. When they discover a stranger wandering aimlessly across the land, the three establish an unlikely partnership in their determination to survive. Writer Simon Longman makes his debut at the Royal Court with the production directed by Royal Court Artistic Director Vicky Featherstone. Previews from 31 January. For more information, contact press@royalcourttheatre.com

Long Day's Journey Into Night

Wyndham's Theatre, 6 February – 8 April 2018

Eugene O'Neill's Pulitzer Prize-winning play *Long Day's Journey Into Night* is set over one summer's night and tells the story of the Tyrone family in a seaside town in Connecticut. The production is directed by Richard Eyre and will star Jeremy Irons and Lesley Manville. Previews from 18 January. For more information, contact ben@thecornershoppr.com

Iolanthe

London Coliseum, 13 February – 7 April 2018

Iolanthe a satirical fantasy, revealing a typically Gilbert & Sullivan topsy-turvy worldview. Phyllis and Strephon wish to marry, but as Phyllis is a ward of court she requires the Lord Chancellor's permission. The Lord Chancellor, however, wants her for himself. For more information, contact ben@thecornershoppr.com

The York Realist

Donmar Warehouse, 13 February – 4 March 2018

Peter Gill's influential play about two young men in love is a touching reflection on the rival forces of family, class and longing. Donmar associate Robert Hastie returns following his previous productions *My Night with Reg* and *Splendour* for this revival from one of the UK's greatest living playwrights. Previews from 8 February. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

Let Me Play the Lion Too

Barbican, 19 February – 3 March 2018

Let Me Play the Lion Too sees acclaimed UK theatre-makers, Told by an Idiot, use their trademark working practices to tackle the issue of diversity on stage in Britain today. In an intensive two week residency at the Barbican, a group of twelve performers, six of whom have a disability, work with Told by an Idiot to devise a new piece of improvised performance. For more information, contact jess.hookway@barbican.org.uk

Jubilee

Lyric Hammersmith, 20 February – 10 March 2018

Derek Jarman's iconic film captured punk at its giddy height. Now, 40 years on, this new stage adaptation of *Jubilee* remixes it for the social and political turmoil of 2017. Centred around a marauding girl gang on a killing spree and a time-travelling Queen Elizabeth I, it's a story of what happens when creativity and nihilism collide. Previews on 15 February. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

Frozen

Theatre Royal Haymarket, 21 February – 5 May 2018

The Bryony Lavery play *Frozen* will be revived at Theatre Royal Haymarket for a limited 12-week run from February 2018. *Frozen* tells the story of the search for missing 10-year-old girl Rhona, and follows her mother, played by *Doctor Foster* actress Suranne Jones, and the kidnapper, played by Jason Watkins. Previews from 9 February. For more information, contact info@trh.co.uk

Macbeth

National Theatre, 26 February – 12 May 2018

The ruined aftermath of a bloody civil war. Ruthlessly fighting to survive, the Macbeths are propelled towards the crown by forces of elemental darkness. Shakespeare's most intense and terrifying tragedy is directed by Rufus Norris, 25 years after his last Shakespeare production. Rory Kinnear and Anne-Marie Duff play Macbeth and Lady Macbeth. For more information, contact mparker@nationaltheatre.org.uk

Fanny & Alexander

The Old Vic, 1 March – 14 April 2018

Ingmar Bergman's *Fanny & Alexander* is translated to the stage by BAFTA award-winning writer Stephen Beresford and Old Vic Associate Director Max Webster. Amongst the gilded romance and glamour of 1900s Sweden, siblings Fanny and Alexander's world is turned upside down when their widowed mother remarries the iron-willed local bishop. Previews from 21 February. For more information, contact Joanna.Down@oldvictheatre.com

Vincent Simone & Flavia Cacace: Tango Moderno

New Wimbledon Theatre, 1 – 3 March 2018

Tango Moderno will be coming to the New Wimbledon Theatre as part of its UK tour. Dance partners for over two decades, world champions, and West End stage stars Vincent and Flavia fuse together Ballroom, Latin, and Argentine tango for this contemporary dance show. For more information, contact hollyconlay@theambassadors.com

Summer and Smoke

Almeida Theatre, 2 March – 7 April 2018

Rebecca Frecknall will direct *Summer and Smoke*, Tennessee Williams' intoxicating classic about love, loneliness and self-destruction. In the heat of summer – under the wings of an angel – Alma meets John. Trapped between desire and fear in a life of obligation, her world turns upside down in the search for salvation. Previews from 24 February. For more information, contact amilward@almeida.co.uk

The Inheritance

The Young Vic, 2 March – 19 May 2018

The Inheritance makes its debut at the Young Vic in this two-part play. A generation after the worst of the AIDS crisis, what is it like to be a young gay man in New York? How many words are there now for the different kinds of pain, the different kinds of love? For more information, contact sophiewilkinson@youngvic.org

From Ibiza to the Norfolk Broads

Jackson Lane Theatre, 6 – 10 March 2018

Following a successful run at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in 2017, *From Ibiza to the Norfolk Broads* tells the story of a mega-fan of David Bowie. Martin is a boy with problems - an illness no-one understands and a head full of sound and vision. So when an unexpected gift arrives on

his birthday, Martin embarks on a thrilling journey in the footsteps of his obsession. For more information, contact chloe@chloenelkinconsulting.com

The Great Wave

National Theatre, 10 March – 14 April 2018

On a Japanese beach, teenage sisters Hanako and Reiko are caught up in a storm. Reiko survives while Hanako is lost to the sea. Their mother, however, can't shake the feeling that her missing daughter is still alive, and soon family tragedy takes on a global political dimension. Set in Japan and North Korea, Francis Turnly's epic new thriller is directed by Artistic Director of the Tricycle Theatre, Indhu Rubasingham. For more information, contact mparker@nationaltheatre.org.uk

Best of Broadway

Royal Albert Hall, 14 March 2018

Showcasing the finest shows on Broadway and in the West End, *Best of Broadway* will feature a new line-up of artists and music from West End favourites. New for this year will be a tribute to the award-winning scores from timeless Disney musicals, including *Aladdin*, *The Lion King*, and *Beauty and the Beast*. For more information, contact rickb@royalalberthall.com

La Traviata

London Coliseum, 16 March – 13 April 2018

In his debut production as ENO Artistic Director, Daniel Kramer directs a production which contrasts spectacular party scenes with tender, intimate moments. Verdi's masterpiece will feature one of the most iconic, romantic and tragic scores of all time. For more information, contact mediaenquiries@eno.org

Caroline or Change

Hampstead Theatre, 19 March – 21 April 2018

An Olivier Award winning musical with an original, highly eclectic and uniquely American score, *Caroline or Change* creates an uplifting and profound portrait of America at a time of momentous social upheaval. It tells the story of the Gellman family and their African-American maid, Caroline, in 1963 Louisiana and her struggles to keep her family afloat. Previews from 12 March. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

The Plough and the Stars

Lyric Hammersmith, 20 March – 7 April 2018

Following a sell-out season at the Abbey Theatre as part of the 100th anniversary celebrations of the 1916 Easter Rising, *The Plough and the Stars*, comes to the Lyric Hammersmith. The residents of a Dublin tenement shelter from the violence that sweeps through the city's streets. A revolution that will shape the country's future rages around them. What kind of Ireland awaits them? Previews from 15 March. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

Chicago

Phoenix Theatre, 26 March – 23 June 2018

Following a successful UK and international tour, *Chicago* will be returning to the West End after a five year absence. Roxy Hart has always wanted to be a star but can't quite seem to catch a break. Things seem poised to change when she is arrested for the murder of her lover. Roxy decided to become the media's new darling and begins vying for the spotlight, and the attention of the lawyer Billy Flynn, with her idol, nightclub performer and accused double-murderess Velma Kelly. For more information, contact matthew@damsellconsulting.co.uk

The Marriage of Figaro

London Coliseum, 29 March – 14 April 2018

Mozart's masterpiece *The Marriage of Figaro* reveals much about the human condition through consummate wit, grace and joyous musical invention. ENO Music Director Martyn Brabbins conducts this second revival of Director Fiona Shaw's critically acclaimed production. For more information, contact mediaenquiries@eno.org

Jim Steinman's Bat Out of Hell – The Musical

Dominion Theatre, 2 April – 28 July 2018

Jim Steinman's Bat Out of Hell – The Musical returns to the Dominion Theatre following successful runs in Manchester and Toronto. The streets are heating up as young, rebellious leader Strat falls in love with Raven, the beautiful daughter of the most powerful man in post-apocalyptic Obsidian. For more information, contact amanda@amandamalpass.com

Simian Mobile Disco with Deep Throat Choir and Fatima Al Qadiri presents Ja7eem

Barbican, 4 April 2018

Simian Mobile Disco will take to the Barbican stage to present a live performance of their forthcoming album *Murmurations* featuring the Deep Throat Choir. *Murmurations* features a return to traditional arrangements and extensive use of vocals. For more information, contact rachel.coombes@barbican.org.uk

Pressure

Park Theatre, 4 – 28 April 2018

D-Day, June 1944. The Allied forces led by General Eisenhower are poised to launch. 350,000 lives at stake and the decision of whether or not to attack comes down to the most important weather forecast of all time. *Pressure* stars Olivier Award-winner David Haig, who plays Scottish meteorologist Group Captain James Stagg. Previews from 28 March. For more information, contact arabella.neville-rolfe@target-live.co.uk

The Way of the World

Donmar Warehouse, 5 April – 26 May 2018

Lady Wishfort's (played by Linda Bassett) sprawling, dysfunctional family are driven by desire – there's everything to lose and six thousand pounds to gain. An exposing, satirical comedy where everyone needs to win just to get by. Previews from 29 March. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

Strictly Ballroom

Piccadilly Theatre, 11 April – 21 July 2018

Award-winning writer Baz Luhrmann presents a brand-new musical inspired by his classic 1992 film. *Strictly Ballroom* tells the story of Scott, a competitive ballroom dancer in '80s Australia who makes up his own moves and finds himself aggravating ballroom purists. He follows his heart to find his true calling in dance, and also find his true love. Previews from 16 March. For more information, contact amanda@amandamalpass.com

Tina – The Tina Turner Musical

Aldwych Theatre, 17 April – 16 June 2018

A new jukebox musical based on the life and music of Tina Turner is coming to the West End. Produced by Stage Entertainment, *Tina* is written by Katori Hall and dramatises her life story set to a familiar soundtrack of hit songs which include *What's Love Got to Do with It*, *Proud Mary*, *River Deep Mountain High* and *Simply the Best*. Previews from 21 March. For more information, contact theatre@premiercomms.com

Absolute Hell

National Theatre, 18 April – 23 May 2018

Absolute Hell is set in a Soho den in the hangover from World War II, where members drink into the darkness, night after night. Lying, fighting and seducing, these lost souls and bruised lovers struggle from the rubble of war towards an unknown future. Joe Hill-Gibbins returns to the National Theatre to direct a large ensemble in this new production. For more information, contact ykington@nationaltheatre.org.uk

Confessions at the Tower of London

Tower of London, 19 April, 24 May and 28 June 2018

The Tower's Poet in Residence for 2018, Innua Ellams, will curate a series of poetry, spoken word and performance events with *Confessions at the Tower*. Hear live performances from award-winning poets, beatboxers, essayists and storytellers as they explore stories inspired by the Tower's 1000 year history. For more information, contact press@hrp.org.uk

Nine Night

National Theatre, 21 April – 25 May 2018

Natasha Gordon's debut play *Nine Night* is a touching and very funny exploration of the rituals of family. Gloria is gravely sick. When her time comes, the celebration begins; the traditional Jamaican Nine Night Wake. But for Gloria's children and grandchildren, marking her death with a party that lasts over a week is a test. Nine nights of music, food, sharing stories – and an endless parade of mourners. For more information, contact rgreenwood@nationaltheatre.org.uk

4:48 Psychosis

Lyric Hammersmith, 24 April – 4 May 2018

Philip Venables' opera *4.48 Psychosis* will return to the Lyric Hammersmith this April. Despite the dark nature of its subject, *4.48 Psychosis* is a work that contains humour and warmth as well as tremendous emotional power. Previews from 23 April. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

Chess

London Coliseum, 1 May – 2 June 2018

Chess will be returning to London for its first major revival in the capital for over 30 years. *Chess* is set around a chess tournament between two grandmasters, one American, the other a Soviet. Between them, apart from a chess board, is a woman who manages one of the men, and who falls in love with the other. Previews from 26 April. For more information, contact mediaenquiries@eno.org

The Tap Pack

Sadler's Wells, 1 – 19 May 2018

Inspired by the kings of swing, Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis Jnr, *The Tap Pack* brings a new, exhilarating energy to a timeless style. With slick suits, sharp wit and songs from Sinatra to Ed Sheeran, Australia's finest tap dancing performers are a cocktail of pure entertainment, serving up classics with a twist, with a live four-piece band. For more information, contact caroline.ansdell@sadlerswells.com

Mood Music

The Old Vic, 2 May – 30 June 2018

In an expensive London recording studio, two songwriters, their lawyers and their psychotherapists go to battle over music. A play about the drama and the psychodrama of

making music by the writer of *Sunny Afternoon* and *Blue/Orange*, the world premiere of *Mood Music* by Joe Penhall is directed by Roger Michell. Previews from 21 April. For information, contact Joanna.Down@oldvictheatre.com

Building the Wall

Park Theatre, 4 May – 2 June 2018

Building the Wall examines what happens when an ordinary person becomes a cog in a regime and how the inconceivable becomes the inevitable. This gripping political thriller is by Robert Schenkkan, a Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning playwright and Academy Award nominee. Previews from 2 May. For more information, contact arabella.neville-rolfe@target-live.co.uk

RED

Wyndham's Theatre, 4 May – 28 July 2018

The first UK revival of *RED* will take place at the Wyndham's Theatre, following its successful run in 2009. Under the watchful gaze of his young assistant, and the threatening presence of a new generation of artists, Mark Rothko takes on his greatest challenge yet: to create a definitive work for an extraordinary setting. For more information, contact Kate Morley PR on +44 207 299 4300

Breakin' Convention

Sadler's Wells, 5 – 7 May 2018

Celebrating its 15th year, *Breakin' Convention* is an international festival of Hip Hop Dance Theatre. The event will feature performances from world champion 'b-boy' crews to cutting-edge street dance companies. There will also be dance workshops, graffiti, DJs and freestyle sessions taking place all over the venue. For more information, contact caroline.ansdell@sadlerswells.com

Nightfall

The Bridge Theatre, 8 May – 3 June 2018

Set on a farm outside Winchester, *Nightfall* tells the story of a family struggling to keep afloat. Jenny is widowed after an incident with a Labrador and a shotgun. Her son Ryan is struggling to earn enough through farming. Her daughter Lou returns home to grieve. But when Lou's wealthy boyfriend Pete turns up, the family equilibrium shifts. For more information, contact janine.shalom@premiercomms.com

Planet Earth II Live in Concert

Royal Albert Hall, 13 May 2018

Planet Earth II Live in Concert receives its UK premiere at the Royal Albert Hall. The event will feature breathtaking, specially-selected footage from the BAFTA and Emmy award-winning BBC series, shown in high-definition on the big screen. The BBC Concert Orchestra and BBC Singers, conducted by Jessica Cottis, will play the music by Oscar winner Hans Zimmer and his composers, Jacob Shea and Jasha Klebe. For more information, contact rickb@royalalberthall.com

Peter Pan

Regent's Park Open Air Theatre, 24 May – 15 June 2018

Packed with puppetry and enough theatrical magic to enchant both young and old alike, *Peter Pan* returns to the Regent's Park Open Air Theatre. For the wounded soldiers of WW1, imagination is their only escape. Yet as they're transported to the fantastical lagoons and pirate ships of Neverland, allegories of the war they've left behind are ever present. Previews from 17 May. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

The Rink

Southwark Playhouse, 25 May – 23 June 2018

Jack Maple Productions will stage the first London revival in 20 years of *The Rink* by the Tony and Olivier Award-winning John Kander (music) and Fred Ebb (lyrics), the creators of musicals such as *Chicago* and *Cabaret*. Anna, an Italian housewife who runs a roller-skating rink on the Eastern seaboard, is about to sell it to developers until her estranged daughter, Angel, returns after a long absence, hoping to save the rink and patch things up with her mother. For more information, contact alex@amandamalpass.com

West End LIVE

Trafalgar Square, June 2018

Sing along to some of the West End's leading musicals and discover London's exciting new shows, with free performances at the 14th annual *West End LIVE* in Trafalgar Square. The 2017 line-up included classic West End musicals *The Lion King*, *Les Misérables*, *Wicked* and *The Phantom of the Opera*. For more information, contact mediateam@westminster.gov.uk

Monogamy

Park Theatre, 11 June – 7 July 2018

Monogamy means sharing your life with one person, but what if you shared your kitchen with 5.6 million? A searing, sharp, state of the nation comedy from one of the UK's most exciting playwrights, Torben Betts, who is known for his play *Muswell Hill*. Previews from 6 June. For more information, contact arabella.neville-rolfe@target-live.co.uk

Lady Eats Apple

Barbican, 14 – 16 June 2018

Lady Eats Apple is a tale of creation and destruction in which the epic and every day, and mythic and mundane coexist. This production is created by theatre company Back to Back, which is made up of actors and authors who have learning disabilities. For more information, contact jess.hookway@barbican.org.uk

The Town Hall Affair

Barbican, 21 – 24 June 2018

From New York's iconic theatre troupe – The Wooster Group – comes a mixed-media piece channeling a raucous 1971 debate on women's liberation that still reverberates today. In front of an audience of literary heavyweights gathered at New York's Town Hall, American novelist Norman Mailer squares up against a panel of prominent feminist advocates including Germaine Greer, Jill Johnston and Diana Trilling. For more information, contact jess.hookway@barbican.org.uk

The Lieutenant of Inishmore

Noel Coward Theatre, 23 June – 8 September 2018

Martin McDonagh's *The Lieutenant of Inishmore* is set in 1993, against the backdrop of the Irish peace process. It follows republican paramilitary Mad Padraic, who sets off on a furious rampage when he realises that his beloved cat has come to a sad end. For more information, contact NoelCowardManagers@delfontmackintosh.co.uk

The Turn of the Screw

Regent's Park Open Air Theatre, 25 – 30 June 2018

Regent's Park Open Air Theatre and English National Opera rediscover Benjamin Britten's *The Turn of the Screw*. This is a story of unearthly encounters at a remote country house, and of a

young governess desperate to protect her children. Previews from 22 June. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

The King and I

London Palladium, 3 July – 4 August 2018

The King and I comes to the London Palladium as director Bartlett Sher brings his Lincoln Center Theater production direct from Broadway. The musical tells the story of a British teacher, Ana, who is hired by the King of Siam as he tries to modernise his country, but the pair's relationship is marred by conflict. Previews from 21 June. For more information, contact mark.fox@reallyuseful.co.uk

Barclaycard presents British Summer Time Hyde Park

Hyde Park, 6 – 15 July 2018

World-famous artists and rising stars take to the stage in the iconic Hyde Park for two weekends of live music. The event will also offer summer activities, music and pop-up bars and eateries. In 2017, headline acts included Green Day, Phil Collins, The Killers, Kings of Leon and Justin Bieber. For more information, contact BSTpress@outside-org.co.uk

Wireless Festival

Finsbury Park, 6 – 8 July 2018

Finsbury Park will play host to the Wireless Festival 2018, presenting international chart-topping artists. Featuring a number of rap, hip hop, and R&B acts, as well as fairground rides and street food, this is one of London's top music festivals for the summer. For more information, contact wireless@wcommunications.co.uk

Mixed Bill

Sadler's Wells, 6 July 2018

Since 1989, Company of Elders, Sadler's Wells' inspirational resident over-60s performance company, has been demonstrating the power of lifelong creativity and proving it is never too late to start dancing. In this production they will bring new work from three exciting female choreographers: Holly Blakey, Adrienne Hart and Seeta Patel. For more information, contact caroline.ansdell@sadlerswells.com

As You Like It

Regent's Park Open Air Theatre, 11 – 28 July 2018

In the mythical Forest of Arden, a world of transformation where anything is possible and anything permissible, two young people discover what it really means to be in love. Directed by Max Webster, this iconic Shakespearean comedy is a warm, open-hearted production that promises adventure, sibling rivalry, mistaken identity and romance. Previews from 6 July. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

The Importance of Being Earnest

Vaudeville Theatre, 20 July – 20 October 2018

Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* will be showing at the Vaudeville Theatre. Jack, Algernon, Gwendolyn and Cecily discover how unsmooth runs the course of true love, while Lady Bracknell keeps a baleful eye on the mayhem of manners. For more information, contact CharlotteAllen@theambassadors.com

A Monster Calls

The Old Vic, 12 July – 25 August 2018

Patrick Ness's piercing novel *A Monster Calls* will be brought to The Old Vic stage in a powerful new adaptation by visionary director Sally Cookson. One night, at seven minutes past midnight, Conor is woken by something at his window. A monster has come walking. It's come to tell Conor tales from when it walked before. And when it's finished, Conor must tell his own story and face his deepest fears. Previews from 7 July. For more information, contact Joanna.Down@oldvictheatre.com

BBC Proms

Royal Albert Hall, 13 July – 8 September 2018

Each year, the BBC Proms host two months of concerts over the summer, aiming to bring the finest classical music to as many people as possible. From classical favourites to contemporary world premieres and family concerts, the BBC Proms offer a stage for leading musicians, singers, orchestras and soloists from across the world with a broad programme of music. For more information, contact promspresstickets@bbc.co.uk

Eminem – Revival Tour

Twickenham Stadium, 14 – 15 July 2018

American rapper, songwriter and record producer Eminem will be performing two dates in London as part of his Revival Tour. The concert will include music from his latest album, alongside some of the biggest hits of his career. For more information, call Twickenham Stadium on 020 8744 9997

Film4 Summer Screen

Somerset House, August 2018

Watch modern and classic movies under the starry summer skies with *Film4 Summer Screen*, an open-air film festival hosted at Somerset House. Choose from a mixed programme of UK premieres, old favourites and Cannes award-winning films in full surround sound. Before the movies start, enjoy DJ sets inspired by the films, special guest introductions on selected nights, and plenty of food and drink options. For more information, contact press@somersetshouse.org.uk

Carmen La Cubana

Sadler's Wells, 1 – 18 August 2018

Carmen La Cubana is a seductive new musical featuring Bizet's classic score flavoured with authentic Cuban styles. This production will be mixing opera with salsa, mambo, rumba and cha-cha-cha and include musical favourites such as Habanera. For more information, contact caroline.ansdell@sadlerswells.com

Little Shop of Horrors

Regent's Park Open Air Theatre, 9 August – 15 September 2018

Regent's Park Open Air Theatre presents *Little Shop of Horrors*, directed by Maria Aberg. For the misfits of Skid Row, life is full of broken dreams and dead ends. But there's hope on the horizon for flower shop assistant, Seymour, when he discovers a mysterious new plant with killer potential. Previews from 3 August. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

Britney: Piece of Me

The O2 Arena, 24 – 26 August 2018

Legendary pop icon Britney Spears has announced that for the first and only time, her record breaking Las Vegas show, *Britney: Piece of Me*, will visit Europe; stopping at The O2 for three nights, opening on Friday 24 August 2018. For more information, contact communications.team@theo2.co.uk

Sylvia

The Old Vic, 6 – 22 September 2018

100 years after the first women in Britain were granted the right to vote, Kate Prince combines dance, hip hop, soul and funk to shed new light on a remarkable story at the heart of the Suffragette movement. Previews from 1 September. For more information, contact

Joanna.Down@oldvictheatre.com

An Adventure

Bush Theatre, 6 September – 20 October 2018

On a stormy night in 1954, a woman doomed to marry one of five men discovers the wildcard choice might just be the person she'd been hoping for all along. *An Adventure* follows headstrong Jyoti and her fumbling suitor Rasik as they ride the crest of the fall of Empire from the shores of post-Partition India to the forests of Mau Mau Kenya onto the industrial upheaval of 1970s London. For more information, contact press@bushtheatre.co.uk

Blak Whyte Gray

Barbican, 12 – 15 September 2018

The critically acclaimed *Blak Whyte Gray* returns to Barbican, following its Olivier Award nomination in 2017. This dance show pairs the concentrated physicality of select hip-hop dance styles with the rhythmical groove of music and moves evoking Africa. For more information, contact jess.hookway@barbican.org.uk

Pure Dance

Sadler's Wells, 12 – 16 September 2018

Superstar ballerina Natalia Osipova returns to Sadler's Wells with a programme of dance works rarely seen in the UK, exploring both contemporary and classical repertoire and which will include new commissions by Alexei Ratmansky and Iván Pérez. It features special guest David Hallberg – a Principal dancer with American Ballet Theatre. For more information, contact

eugenie.dunster@sadlerswells.com

Company

Gielgud Theatre, 26 September – 22 December

Broadway legend Patti LuPone will return to London in a new gender-reversed production of Stephen Sondheim and George Furth's 1970 musical *Company*. Rosalie Craig will star in the central role of 'Bobbie'. Over a series of dinner parties, first dates, and thoughtful conversations, Bobbie attempts to understand the pros and cons of marriage from her diverse and frequently hilarious friends. For more information, contact GielgudManager@delfontmackintosh.co.uk

A Quiet Evening of Dance

Sadler's Wells, 4 – 6 October 2018

William Forsythe is one of the foremost choreographers of his generation. For this unusual configuration of new and existing work, Forsythe creates an intimate, pure evening of choreography, stripped down to its essence. For more information, contact

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Mixed Bill

Sadler's Wells, 9 – 10 October 2018

This exciting mixed bill is the first opportunity to see the work of the inaugural Young Associates, Sadler's Wells' new programme that aims to both celebrate and support young

artists under the age of 25, as they embark on their choreographic careers. For more information, contact caroline.ansdell@sadlerswells.com

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Lyric Hammersmith, 10 October - 3 November 2017

An audacious condensed staging of two of Shakespeare's most brutal and poetic plays, exploring fear, jealousy, power and revenge. Two stories in which powerful men are manipulated into destroying their societies, their households, their loved ones and themselves. Previews from 5 October. For more information, contact office@joallanpr.com

A Very Very Very Dark Matter

The Bridge Theatre, 10 October – 29 December 2018

Playwright Martin McDonagh brings his new work to The Bridge Theatre in October, which will star Jim Broadbent. In a townhouse in Copenhagen works Hans Christian Andersen, a teller of exquisite and fantastic children's tales beloved by millions. But the true source of his stories dwells in his attic upstairs, her existence a dark secret kept from the outside world. For more information, contact janine.shalom@premiercomms.com

Reckonings

Sadler's Wells, 11 – 13 October 2018

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the theatre, Sadler's Wells presents three commissions by a new generation of UK based dance-makers: Julie Cunningham, Alesandra Seutin and Botis Seva. For more information, contact caroline.ansdell@sadlerswells.com

An Evening with John Williams in Concert

Royal Albert Hall, 16 – 18 October 2018

The Royal Albert Hall will be hosting an event dedicated to John Williams to celebrate his 60th year in Hollywood. Williams will be attending his first UK performance in 22 years, and will be conducting five of his finest scores: *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, *Home Alone*, *Jurassic Park*, *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*, and *Star Wars: A New Hope*. For more information, contact ricketts@royalalberthall.com

King Tut – A Pyramid Panto

King's Head Theatre, 25 November 2018 – 6 January 2019

Charles Court Opera return to the King's Head Theatre with their eleventh fun-filled, festive extravaganza, *King Tut*. Firmly established as a bona fide Christmas tradition in the capital, don't miss what promises to be one of the wackiest, wittiest pantos in town. Previews from 24 November. For more information, contact boxoffice@kingsheadtheatre.com

Hotels

Kettner's Townhouse

Soho, January 2018

Soho House Group are refurbishing their property Kettner's Townhouse in a similar manner to Dean Street Townhouse. Originally a 150-year old iconic French bistro, this venue will now operate as a guesthouse, champagne house and restaurant. The 33 boutique suites will feature individual décor and a mix of new furniture and vintage pieces. For more information, contact info@sohohouse.com

New Road Hotel

Whitechapel, January 2018

New Road Hotel will be opening its doors in East London's Whitechapel. Independently owned, this 80-room boutique hotel will be ideally placed for both leisure and business travellers with easy links to all the sights of London and the City. New Road Hotel will also boast Mr White's English Chophouse, run by Marco Pierre White. For more information, contact millie@grifcpr.com

Hotel Indigo London – Aldgate

Aldgate, March 2018

Hotel Indigo is expanding with a new Aldgate property. This new hotel will offer 212 rooms, all complete with free WiFi, a complimentary locally-stocked mini fridge and 24 hour room service. The hotel restaurant will serve a contemporary menu and cocktails. For more information, contact europcommsrequests@ihg.com

Moxy London Heathrow

Heathrow, March 2018

This new addition for Heathrow Airport will have a total of 414 rooms and 23 suites. The hotel will also offer continental breakfasts and an evening bar, as well as free WiFi and a fitness centre. Pets will also be welcome. For more information, contact newsroom@marriott.com

The Principal

Bloomsbury, March 2018

Opening in a Grade II listed building, this 334-room property will restore the history and grand interior of the original 1898 hotel. The Principal will feature a living room space called Palm Court, as well as several eateries including a seafood restaurant, a vintage bar and a coffeehouse. For more information, contact georgie.griffiths@theprincipalhotel.com

Hotel Indigo London – 1 Leicester Square

Leicester Square, April 2018

In the heart of London's West End, this new boutique hotel from the Indigo hotel group will feature rooms that evoke the glamour of the West End and views over Leicester Square. The venue will also have a rooftop pan-Asian restaurant that is inspired by 1920s Shanghai with oriental cocktails and sharing plates. For more information, contact europcommsrequests@ihg.com

Z Hotel Tottenham Court Road

Tottenham Court Road, April 2018

The newest addition from Z Hotels will be in the heart of Soho, within walking distance to local shopping and the new Crossrail station opening in December 2018. The rooms will offer a modern interior, complete with facilities such as a 40 inch TV with Sky, complimentary WiFi and air conditioning. For more information, contact zhotels@brightergroup.com

Vintry and Mercer

City of London, Spring 2018

Located in London's historic trading centre, Vintry and Mercer will offer 92 guest rooms. The hotel will also include a Mediterranean eatery at Vintry Kitchen, a cocktail bar called Do Not Disturb and views of the capital from Mercer Roof Terrace. There will also be 3 meeting & events spaces and a residents' gym. For more information, contact pr@vintryandmercer.com

Belmond Cadogan Hotel

Kensington, 2018

This historic property, dating from 1887 and located on London's prestigious Sloane Street, will reopen in 2018, following a \$48 million refurbishment. Its 54 rooms and suites and gourmet restaurant will reflect the hotel's rich heritage, creating a stylish retreat for visitors to one of the most exclusive and luxurious shopping districts. For more information, contact klaus.kabelitz@belmond.com

Admiralty Arch Hotel

The Mall, 2018

Admiralty Arch is the ceremonial archway built as a memorial to Queen Victoria in 1911. It will be turned into a five-star hotel designed by fashion house Armani, situated in close proximity to Trafalgar Square with views of The Mall. This 147,300 square foot Grade I listed building will be transformed into 100 guestrooms, a ballroom, spa and a fine dining restaurant. For more information, contact info@admiraltyarch.co.uk

The Standard London

King's Cross, Summer 2018

Standard Hotels will be bringing a brand-new boutique hotel to the heart of King's Cross. An existing building will be renovated into this brand new venue for the area. For more information, contact press@standardhotels.com

Manhattan Loft Gardens Design Hotel

Stratford, 2018

This 150-room hotel will occupy the seven lower levels of the 42 story Manhattan Loft Gardens. Visitors will have access to leisure facilities including a swimming pool, spa facilities, meeting and conference spaces as well as a roof garden that overlooks the Olympic Park. For more information, contact aynsley@manhattanloft.co.uk

Food and Drink

Roganic

Marylebone, 9 January 2018

Chef Simon Rogan is turning his 2011 pop-up into a full-time restaurant. The establishment will emulate the original pop-up that first opened back in 2011, serving innovative dishes that draw upon Simon's trademark British style. For more information, contact rogan@tcs-uk.net

Kudu

Peckham, 12 January 2018

Opening in trendy Peckham, this new restaurant will feature South African-inspired food. The menu will include including pigs head tortellini with hay bone broth and crispy onions, and braai lamb rump with smoked yoghurt and lettuce. For more information, contact amy@kudu-restaurant.com

Bob Bob Cité

Leadenhall Street, January 2018

Eric Chavot will return to London and take on the role of Executive Head Chef at Bob Bob Cité - the new offshoot of Bob Bob Ricard which will open on level three of the Leadenhall Building, also known as the Cheese Grater, in January. As its sister venue, the restaurant will

feature "press for champagne" buttons on every table. For more information, contact info@joriwhitepr.co.uk

The Greyhound Café

Fitzrovia, January 2018

Set across two storeys, The Greyhound Café brings authentic Thai food from Bangkok. The menu will feature a modern twist on the cuisine, with dishes such as red velvet waffles, Hainanese chicken and rice and edamame Som Tam seasoned with musky salted black crabs. For more information, contact contact@greyhoundcafe.com

Feast Canteen

Hammersmith, January 2018

Shopping complex Kings Mall will be receiving a new food court, which will feature restaurants such as burger joint Patty & Bun, the Vietnamese restaurant Salvation and taco specialist Breddos. The canteen will be open seven days a week and seat up to 350 customers. For more information, contact lauren@merimancepr.com

The Ivy Café Blackheath

Blackheath, January 2018

The Ivy is opening its latest café-style venue in Blackheath, with a relaxed atmosphere and specialist menus for breakfast and brunch. Key dishes include hot buttermilk pancakes, eggs royale and a full English. The venue is also set to have a Parisian-style terrace which will overlook Blackheath Common. For more information, contact press@caprice-holdings.co.uk

Sorella

Clapham, January 2018

Inspired by the cuisine of southern Italy, this restaurant will offer a number of different nibbles on the menu, including cicchetti and antipasti with fried olives, crispy anchovies and truffle arancini. Mains will be made up of classic Italian dishes, rare breeds and a daily fish menu. Cocktails will also be on offer. For more information, contact arice@unitedagents.co.uk

Bluebird

White City, January 2018

The former home for the BBC in White City is now housing a restaurant complex, amongst other things, and the second venue to open is Bluebird. This new build will feature a café, bar, deli and an outdoor terrace. The menu will take after the original Chelsea venue, with a modern twist on European classics. For more information, contact press@danddlondon.com

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Covent Garden, January 2018

January will see the opening of the first overseas site from US, plant-based, fast-casual restaurant by CHLOE. in London. The Covent Garden flagship will seat up to 70 guests, as well as offering grab and go. For more information, contact Lois@anteaterpr.com

Zia Lucia Brook Green

Brook Green, January 2018

Following the success of the first restaurant in Holloway Road, Zia Lucia is now opening a follow-up in West London. The restaurant is best known for its 48 hour fermented doughs, and toppings that includes truffle honey. For more information, contact harriet@kapranos-pr.com

Humble Grape

City of London, February 2018

Liverpool Street will be welcoming a brand-new wine bar in the form of Humble Grape. This bar will offer 30 different wines by the glass, alongside 400 different bottles available to purchase. Dishes on the opening winter menu will include cuttlefish stew with chorizo, fennel and crème fraiche, and duck confit with clementine. For more information, contact info@humblegrape.co.uk

Farm Girl

Chelsea, February 2018

The Australian-inspired healthy food restaurant Farm Girl is expanding into Chelsea. Diners will be able to choose from a brunch, dinner and cocktail menu, with dishes including Smoothie Bowls and Oven Baked Aubergine. The venue will also feature a Super Latte collection, which will include an eye-catching blue coloured Butterfly Matcha Latte. For more information, contact megan@anteaterpr.com

Jidori

Covent Garden, February 2018

Head to this new bar and restaurant for some classic Japanese karaoke. The restaurant will also feature a sharing menu, as well as dishes such as tsukune, katsu curry scotch egg and ginger ice cream with miso caramel. For more information, contact info@jidori.co.uk

Prosecco House

Tower Bridge, February 2018

Prosecco will be given its moment in the spotlight at this new bar, which will boast more than 20 bottles imported from across Italy, where the drink is exclusively made. Guests will be able to sample wares from five family-owned vineyards which aren't found anywhere else in London, including Marchiori, Rivalta and Ciroto. Prosecco-based cocktails, snacks and bottles for sale will also be available. For more information, contact jennifer@jamspr.com

CHIK'N

Islington, February 2018

Opening on Upper Street, this second restaurant in the CHIK'N group will serve ethically-sourced chicken burgers, with sides, breakfast and shakes too. In addition, the venue will be inviting local artists to design a new sandwich. For more information, contact hello@chikn.com

Popina

Mayfair, February 2018

One of London's most well-known market traders, Isidora Popović, will be opening her first new daytime eatery and delicatessen in the heart of Mayfair. The all-day menu will include homemade stews and curries and vibrant salads. For more information, contact phoebe@anteaterpr.com

Avobar

Covent Garden, February 2018

Avobar will be London's first ever all day avocado restaurant. The venue promises to offer an eclectic and wholesome menu, which can be served in house or to take away for breakfast, lunch and dinner. For more information, contact liana@avobar.co.uk

Hero of Maida

Maida Vale, March 2018

From March the former Truscott Arms will be reopened as the Hero of Maida, with hearty cuisine bringing a new chapter for the traditional pub. Guests can expect seven-hour slow-roasted shoulder of lamb with rosemary, alongside a best-in-class traditional roast beef with all the trimmings. For more information, contact lois@anteaterpr.com

Swingers

Oxford Street, March 2018

The newest Swingers will be opening up in the former BHS flagship building off Oxford Street, and will be entered via a secret entrance on an adjacent street. The venue will offer visitors the chance to play crazy golf and browse various street food vendors. For more information, contact meri@merimancepr.com

Kanada-Ya

Islington, March 2018

The popular ramen bar Kanada-Ya will be opening a new branch in Islington, following the success of its sister restaurants in Covent Garden and Piccadilly. The eatery will offer new items on the menu, such as gyoza, plus an extended sake menu and a new list of cocktails inspired by Japan. For more information, contact andrea@weareclearcomms.com

Cinnamon Kitchen Battersea

Battersea, March 2018

This new addition to the Cinnamon Kitchen venture will offer Indian-inspired cuisine with a modern twist. Food on offer will include aubergine with sesame, tamarind and peanut crumble and green spiced monkfish. The bar will also have a spice-infused cocktail list. For more information, contact info@cinnamon_kitchen.com

Cornerstone

Hackney Wick, March 2018

Tom Brown, the former head chef at Michelin-star restaurant Outlaw in Knightsbridge, will be opening his first solo restaurant. The venue will specialise in seafood and include dishes such as pickled porthilly oysters with celery and horseradish and octopus cooked in cider with an apple and lentil dressing. For more information, visit <https://cornerstonehackney.com/>

Mr White's English Chophouse

Whitechapel, March 2018

Marco Pierre White will be opening a contemporary Chophouse on New Road in Whitechapel. The venue will specialise in serving joints of meat including steaks, grills and chops. The menu will combine English classics with French flair, reflecting White's cultural heritage. For more information, contact lara@grifcopr.com

Ekte Nordic Kitchen

Bloomberg Arcade, April 2018

This brand new establishment will offer a selection of traditional Nordic dishes, including Smørrebrød (open-faced sandwiches on rye bread), Scandinavian pastries and a number of breakfast options such as charcuterie, gravalax and eggs. For more information, please contact bloomberg@purplepr.com

Andrew Wong Restaurant

Bloomberg Arcade, April 2018

The owner of Michelin Star establishment Wong will be opening his second restaurant in the all-new Bloomberg Arcade. This premium eatery will feature an all-day dining menu with a creative twist on classic Chinese dishes. For more information, contact info@awong.co.uk

Din Tai Fung

West End, April 2018

Din Tai Fung is opening an establishment in the West End, following successful runs across the globe. The group is best known for their xiaolongbao buns - also known as steamed soup dumplings. The flavours of the dumplings on offer will include truffle and pork, pork and crab and more. For more information, contact dintaifung@breadtalk.com

VIVI

Oxford Street, April 2018

VIVI will be bringing retro dining to Oxford Street's Centre Point, with a 'nostalgia' themed menu. Key dishes will include chicken à la king served with warm biscuits, cauliflower cheese croquettes with slow roasted tomatoes and banana splits. For more information, contact media@centrepont.org

Hicce

Central London, April 2018

Pip Lacey, the former head chef at Café Murano, will be opening her own restaurant in the heart of the city. The venue will focus on modern British cuisine, with Japanese and Norwegian influences, all cooked on a wood-fired grill. For more information, contact helene@cuffcommunications.com

Neptune

Bloomsbury, April 2018

This new restaurant will focus on British seafood, serving up breakfast, lunch and dinner, with brunch on weekends. The venue will feature a sizeable oyster and shellfish bar in the centre of the room and a cocktail bar. For more information, contact neptune@purplepr.com

Gunpower Market Market

Tower Bridge, May 2018

The team behind the successful **Gunpowder**, the home-style Indian kitchen in Spitalfields, are heading south of the river Thames with this new venture. **Gunpowder** Market Market will offer dishes inspired by Calcutta, and will feature a bakery that will turn into a wine bar in the evening. For more information, contact hello@gunpowderlondon.com

Brigadiers

Bloomberg Arcade, May 2018

This new Indian barbecue establishment will be opening in the recently opened Bloomberg Arcade development. The menu will include fiery small plates, as well as a mixed grill section which will include rotisserie duck, wood-roasted suckling lamb and tandoori tomahawk steaks. For more information, contact info@gerbercomms.com

Gazelle

Mayfair, May 2018

Tony Conigliaro, owner of six bars across London, will be opening a new restaurant with Rob Roy Cameron. The establishment will house a café, bar and restaurant, offering an eclectic food

menu alongside one of Conigliaro's famous cocktail lists. For more information, contact office@lotusinternational.net

Scully

St James's Market, Early 2018

The former head chef of Ottolenghi's NOPI restaurant, Ramael Scully will be opening his first solo establishment in the new development of St James's Market. The food will draw inspiration from the chef's cultural heritage with dishes from the Middle East, Asia and Australia. For more information, contact hello@flatironsteak.co.uk

Flat Iron

King's Cross, Early 2018

Flat Iron is expanding with a new restaurant in the heart of King's Cross. The restaurant is best known for having a great deal on the flat iron cut of steak, complete with a side dish. They will also offer a cocktail menu that will feature twists on classic drinks. For more information, contact hello@flatironsteak.co.uk

Chucs

Knightsbridge, Spring 2018

Harrods' overhaul of its Fine Watch Room will see the opening of a new branch of the restaurant Chucs. The Italian establishment will serve classic dishes such as beef tagliata with rocket and truffle pizza. For more information, contact Harrods-media@harrods.com

Maison Bab

Covent Garden, Spring 2018

Maison Bab will be a new modern-style kebab house, run by the owners of Soho's popular restaurant, Le Bab. The kebabs will be handmade from scratch using ancient charcoal-grill traditions, coupled with modern culinary techniques, each served in house-made flatbread. The menu will also offer a selection of modern mezze, sides and desserts. For more information, contact paul@toniccomms.co.uk

Temakinho

Tower Bridge, Mid 2018

This Brazilian-Japanese fusion restaurant will be opening in Tower Bridge, following a successful run in Soho. This new restaurant will specialise in fresh, sustainable seafood. Expect plenty of hand roll temakis, ceviche, sushi and caipirinhas. For more information, contact info@temakinho.com

Mamarosa

Shoreditch, 2018

Sister to the original Barcelona Mamarosa, famous for its beachside location and celebrity visitors, this new restaurant will serve a fusion of Italian and Mediterranean food. Dishes will include tuna tartare with avocado cream and passion fruit, milanesa of chicken with rocket as well as black Angus loin, pizzas and more. For more information, contact info@mamarosabeach.com

Red Farm

Covent Garden, 2018

Red Farm is a popular dim sum restaurant in New York City, and will be opening a new restaurant in London. This alternative Chinese restaurant will include dishes such as Pac Man

shrimp dumplings, lobster long life noodles, shrimp and scallop XO fried rice and sautéed black cod. For more information, contact info@redfarmldn.com

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