# HILLINGDON CULTURE AND HERITAGE

# **JANUARY TO MARCH 2024**





EXHIBITIONS THEATRE AND MUSIC LIBRARY EVENTS FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND LOTS MORE...



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#### HILLINGDON LIBRARIES EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# HILLINGDON'S FOOD STORIES: PEOPLE, FLAVOURS, PLACES

#### January 2024 at Yeading Library and February 2024 at Botwell Green Library

Everyone has a food story – what is yours? From the dishes we miss, to how we cook and what we eat every day, everyone has their own unique relationship

with food. Visit this exhibition to learn about Hillingdon's food diversity and share a story, a dish close to your heart or a recipe that you're trying out!

Cost: Free, no need to book.

Find out more: 👹 www.hillingdonfoodstories.org (2) Chillingdonfoodstories (3) Hillingdon Food Stories

HILLINGDON'S GREEN SPACES EXERCISE AND HEALTH

# LED WALKS

#### Various days and times

Explore Hillingdon's award-winning parks and green spaces while keeping fit and meeting new people on a free guided walk.

Cost: Free.

Find out more: indiscover.hillingdon.gov.uk/led-walks

#### COMPASS STUDIO CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# STARS AT KNIGHT SCHOOL OF DRAMA

#### Saturday mornings

Challenging drama games, mime, voice, script work, stagecraft and improvisations – plus additional script reading and learning, rehearsal technique and preparation for presentations and shows, and masterclasses. Optional prestigious Trinity Drama Exams, tutored in either small groups or individually.

#### Find out more:

@ starsatknightdrama@gmail.com Ø 07890 061651







# Dances for over-65s

# Tea and Desi dances

Hillingdon Council invites you to put on your dancing shoes, dance the session away and socialise with friends at our fun and friendly dances.

Hillingdon residents aged over 65 are welcome.

Tickets are **FREE** but must be booked in advance via www.hillingdon.gov.uk/dances.

Please bring your Hillingdon *First* card with you.

Christ Church, Uxbridge **Tea Dances** 1pm to 3pm Mondays 15 January, 19 February and 18 March

Winston Churchill Theatre **Tea Dances** 1pm to 3pm Thursdays 11 January, 8 February and 7 March

Botwell Green Sports and Leisure Centre Desi Dances 11am to 1pm Fridays 26 January, 23 February and 29 March Dancing to a fusion of Bhangra and Bollywood style music.







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#### UXBRIDGE LIBRARY, LEVEL 6 EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# THREE GENERATIONS

# Wednesday 3 January to Thursday 28 March, during library opening hours

Come and see this exhibition showcasing one of the Museums and Archives Service's newest collections – from the Bolton and Thompson families of Hayes and Hillingdon. This early 20th Century collection ranges from family photographs, toys and haberdashery to service in both world wars.



Cost: Free, no need to book.

## COMPASS THEATRE LEISURE

# TABLA LESSONS

# Sundays 7 January to 11 February and 25 February to 24 March, 9.30am to 12.30pm

Learn Tabla in a friendly, supportive environment with opportunities to perform and to take accredited examinations. All ages welcome. Sangeet College have been teaching Indian music and dance since 1989.

Cost: £20 per hour

Book: Sangeet-examinations.co.uk angeetcollege@prssv.org 020 8574 1202

#### HILLINGDON LIBRARIES EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# **HILLINGDON – A HISTORY IN WEATHER**

#### Monday 8 January to Thursday 1 February at Uxbridge Library, during library opening hours

# Monday 4 to Friday 29 March at Manor Farm Library, during library opening hours

Weather is a national obsession. In this exhibition by Hillingdon Museums and Archives Service, you can find out how the weather and climate have affected Hillingdon and its residents over time.

**Cost:** Free, no need to book.







Weekly performing arts classes at Compass Theatre, Ickenham for children aged 4-16 yrs. Sessions run on Thursdays after school & Saturday mornings during term time.

Thursdays

4:30pm-5:15pm | 5-7 yrs 5:15pm-6pm | 8-11 yrs Saturdays 9:45am-10:30am | 4-6 yrs 10:30am-11:15pm | 7 & 8 yrs 11:30am-12:15pm | 9 - 11 yrs 12:15pm-1pm | 12-16 yrs (compass Teenz)

# ENROL AT: www.dk-pro.co.uk/join-in



#### HILLINGDON LIBRARIES EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# HILLINGDON IN 20 OBJECTS

Tuesday 9 January, 2pm at Botwell Green Library Thursday 22 February, 2pm at Uxbridge Library Level 6

Join the borough's Museums and Archives Service for a talk exploring Hillingdon's past, from prehistory to present, as seen through some important and unexpected objects.



**Cost:** Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk Ø 01895 250702

# UXBRIDGE LIBRARY THEATRE

# **OPEN MIC NIGHTS**

#### Fridays 12 January and 8 March, 7pm

Singers, poets, songwriters, spoken word artists, comedians and actors – your five-minute performance segment awaits.

Potential performers can email @ library-events@ hillingdon.gov.uk in advance, to participate.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: M discover.hillingdon.gov.uk/events @ library-events@hillingdon.gov.uk



#### CRANFORD PARK EXERCISE AND HEALTH

# WINTER WALK IN CRANFORD PARK

# Saturdays 13 January, 10 February and 9 March, midday to 1.30pm

Blow off the cobwebs and learn a little about the history and nature of Cranford Park. The walk is over rough terrain. Walks are weather dependent.

**Cost:** Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk © 01895 250702



Sunday 14 January, Tuesday 13 and Wednesday 28

ORCHARD WORKSHOPS

February, 10am to 1pm

CRANFORD PARK LEISURE

Cranford Park orchard is a wonderful historic orchard. There are more than 50 varieties of apple and pear planted in the walled garden which once belonged to Cranford House. These workshops are run alongside the Orchard Project and focus on how to care for and prune fruit trees during winter months.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

**Book:** @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk ① 01895 250702

WINSTON CHURCHILL THEATRE CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# CINDERELLA

Thursday 18 and Friday 19 January, 7.30pm and Saturday 20 January, 2.30pm and 6.30pm

Fresh on the heels of the ruby slippers in *Wizard of* Oz, Argosy Players return with a touch of glass in their annual pantomime for 2024 – Cinderella. Full of sing-along tunes, bad puns and bright costumes, join Buttons, Dandini and the lovely Fairy Godmother to

see if they can cheer Cinderella up and help find her very own Prince Charming.

**Cost:** £13.50\* / Over 65s or Under 16s £11\*

(\*plus additional booking fees, applied per transaction)

**Book:** Www.ticketsource.co.uk/argosyplayers Www.argosyplayers.org.uk

SOUTHLANDS ARTS CENTRE EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# SOUTHLANDS HISTORIC HOUSE AND GARDEN

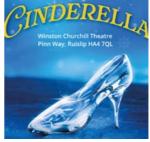
# Saturday 20 January, 2pm

A historical talk about the house and the walled garden of Southlands Arts Centre.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk 01895 250702







COMPASS THEATRE DEMENTIA-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES

# DAYTIME DISCOS

# Tuesdays 23 January, 27 February and 19 March, 1pm to 3pm

Friendly and fun sessions for those living with dementia, and their carer. Music provided by Brian Rowan, singing and playing songs from the 60s, 70s and 80s.

**Cost:** £5 – book your free carer ticket at the same time.

Book: 🗭 www.hillingdontheatres.uk 🙆 01895 250615



# **VOLUNTEER SESSIONS**

# Wednesdays 24 January, 28 February and 27 March, 10.30am to 1pm

Lend a hand at Cranford Park with some green volunteering. A practical session to help improve the park and learn new skills.

Meet at Cranford Park car park.

Register: @ jhedges@hillingdon.gov.uk





#### UXBRIDGE LIBRARY EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY EVENT: THE FORGERS

#### Friday 26 January, 7pm

The Library Service presents a talk by author **Roger Moorhouse** about the diplomats and activists who forged documents that saved thousands of lives in World War Two.

**Cost:** Free, but booking is essential.

Book: 🚳 discover.hillingdon.gov.uk/events 🙆 01895 250714



# **COPPERWORK BIRDS**

# Saturday 27 January, 9.30am to 12.30pm

Learn how to make your very own copperwork plaque with Gina Martin. You will leave with your own artwork.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk © 01895 250702



## MANOR FARM HOUSE CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# **BIRDS OF MANOR FARM**

## Saturday 27 January, midday to 3pm

Discover the range of birds that visit Manor Farm. Identify the birds and listen to them in the trees, make simple feeders and decorations to take home. Each participant will be given a spotter's guide to help them along the way.



Cost: Free, no booking required.

#### CRANFORD PARK EXERCISE AND HEALTH

# **VOLUNTEER: WINTER IN THE ORCHARD**

# Saturdays 27 January, 24 February and 23 March, 10am to 1pm

# Sundays 11 February and 10 March, 10am to 1pm

These volunteer sessions will help to complete the winter maintenance for the park's historic orchard. Activities include pruning, mulching and preparing the ground around the newly installed fruit tree wall.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk © 01895 250702



## CRANFORD PARK LEISURE

# **BIRD WALK**

#### Sunday 28 January, midday to 1pm

Part of the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch. Will you spot red kites, robins or maybe even a kingfisher? Join us for a chance to see these amazing birds and many others besides, in a guided bird spotting walk around the park. Each participant will be given a spotter's guide to help them along the way.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk © 01895 250702

# COMPASS THEATRE CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# LITTLE MERMAID: AUDITIONS

## Sunday 4 February, 10am to 1pm

Hillingdon Council and DK Productions Ltd, are looking for enthusiastic and energetic performers (aged seven to 16 years old) to perform alongside our professional adult company in the Compass Theatre's Easter pantomime, *The Little Mermaid*. The show will run from Wednesday 3 to Sunday 7 April 2024.

# Pre-registration is required.

Find out more and register: 🕅 dk-pro.co.uk/contact/#auditions

# ICKENHAM LIBRARY EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# HILLINGDON SUNDAY DRIVE

#### Thursday 8 February, 11am

A talk by Paul Davidson of the Museums and Archives Service. Join him on an imaginary 1920s driving tour around Hillingdon, taking in local sites and motor firms. Experience what life was like on the open road a hundred years ago.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk Ø 01895 250702







# MON 12 & TUES 13 FEBRUARY 2024

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# WEST END WANNABES

# TWO DAY THEATRE WORKSHOP

Suitable for children aged 7-14

Join us for two days of inspiring theatrical workshops. If you love to **act**, **sing** or **dance** this interactive experience will release your inner creativity and leave you wanting more!

> 10am-4pm £70 for the full 2 days

# 01895 250615 www.hillingdontheatres.uk

Compass Theatre, Glebe Avenue Ickenham, UB10 8PD



# DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID (2023) FILM SING-A-LONG (PG)

### Saturday 10 February, 2.30pm

Come and sing your heart out to Disney's 2023 film, *The Little Mermaid*, which tells the beloved story of Ariel, a beautiful and spirited young mermaid with a thirst for adventure. The youngest of King Triton's daughters, and the most defiant, Ariel longs to find out

more about the world beyond the sea. This half-term treat runs 135 minutes.

Cost: £8.50

Book: 🞯 www.hillingdontheatres.uk 🙆 01895 250615

## PAVILIONS SHOPPING CENTRE CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# WINTER PLAYDAY

#### Tuesday 13 February, 10am to 4pm

Family information and fun event with activities for primary school aged children.

Cost: Free, no booking required.

# Find out more:

- 🖉 discover.hillingdon.gov.uk/playday
- @ sportandphysicalactivity@hillingdon.gov.uk





#### EASTCOTE HOUSE GARDENS CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# WEATHER: CHILDREN'S CRAFTS

## Thursday 15 February, 10am to midday

Make your own paper windmill. Build a sundial. Create a tornado in a bottle. A craft event by the Hillingdon Museums and Archives Service for children aged five to 10 years old.

**Cost:** Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk © 01895 250702



CRANFORD PARK CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# STICKFEST! 2024

# Thursday 15 February, 10am to 3pm

A family nature event. The humble stick as you've never seen it before! Join us for stick games, stick craft and stick adventure. Suitable for families with children aged three years and above.

Cost: Free, no booking required.



# WEST DRAYTON LEISURE

# THE WONDERS OF WEST DRAYTON

## Saturday 24 February, 10am to 1pm

Join Rosy, Paul and Paula in a walk of discovery around the highlights of West Drayton. You will visit St Martin's Church, The Green and Southlands Arts Centre.

**Cost:** Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk Ø 01895 250702



#### WINSTON CHURCHILL THEATRE CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# **HPO: FAMILY FILM FAVOURITES**

#### Sunday 3 March, 4pm

Hillingdon Philharmonic Orchestra (HPO) presents an hour-long concert of music from the best children's films. They're sure to have everyone humming the famous tunes! Find out more about HPO at Swww.hillingdonphil.co.uk

Cost: £10 / Under-18s £5

Book: 🚳 www.hillingdontheatres.uk 🙆 01895 250615



UXBRIDGE LIBRARY DEMENTIA-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES

# DEMENTIA WELLBEING EVENT

#### Tuesday 5 March, 11am to 3pm

An information event for residents living with dementia and their carers. Find out about local activities and services and take part in taster activity sessions.

Cost: Free, no need to book.

Find out more: @ sdurner@hillingdon.gov.uk



# WOMEN OF HILLINGDON

#### Thursday 7 March, 11am

Join borough archivist, Sarah Harrison for a talk about the lives of women in Hillingdon, past and present.

**Cost:** Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk Ø 01895 250702

### STOCKLEY PARK LEISURE

# HIGH-TECH ARCHITECTURE WALK

## Saturday 9 March, 10.30am to midday

Is Stockley Park one of London's best hidden Gesamtkunstwerk (German for 'total work of art')? A walk-through reveals how manmade topography, lakes and plant life have matured into a rich landscape, in which light-weight buildings are guests. Along the way we'll review architectural

quality, appearance, style, materiality of modular buildings and Stockley Park's attractiveness as a place of work.

**Cost:** Free, but booking is essential. **Book:** @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk @ 01895 250702









### THE COW BYRE GALLERY EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# SOCIETY OF RUISLIP ARTISTS, SPRING 2024 EXHIBITION

# Sunday 10 to Saturday 23 March, Mondays to Saturdays 10am to 5pm, Sundays 10am to 4pm

A display of paintings of various styles and media, by members of the Society of Ruislip Artists, all of whom are local artists.

Cost: Free.

# Find out more:

🞯 ruislipartists.co.uk @ ruislipartists@gmail.com 🙆 07909 963619

# COMPASS THEATRE THEATRE

# **MONTY PYTHON'S SPAMALOT**

# Wednesday 20 to Saturday 23 March, 7.30pm and Saturday 23 March, 2.45pm

Join the quest for the Holy Grail in true Monty Python style! **Pastiche** returns to the Compass with West End and Broadway hit, *Spamalot*. Join King Arthur and his knights of the round table in the quest to find the Holy Grail, encountering all things Monty Python in this

truly hysterical musical that will leave you looking on the bright side of life.

Cost: £16 / Over-60s and under-16s £14

Book: 🗑 www.hillingdontheatres.uk 🙆 01895 250615

# WINSTON CHURCHILL THEATRE

# **ROCK OF AGES**

Wednesday 20 to Saturday 23 March, 7.30pm and Saturday 23 March, 2.30pm

**Hillingdon Musical Society** is proud to present Rock of Ages! This immersive musical theatre show will bring you right into the heart of 1980s rock 'n' roll Hollywood, with a live band and songs you can't resist dancing along to.

**Cost:** A range of ticket prices and offers will be available. **Book:** Www.hillingdonmusicalsociety.co.uk **(2)** 01753 886609







#### YEADING LIBRARY EXHIBITIONS AND TALKS

# HILLINGDON'S MUSICAL HISTORY

## Thursday 21 March, 11am to midday

In this talk, Paul from the Archives and Museums Service explores the borough's musical past – from Stephen Storace to The Sweet, from Tippett to Tubeway Army. Musical tastes change through time, but the experience of composing, performing and gaining recognition remain the same.



Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk Ø 01895 250702

# AROUND THE BOROUGH LEISURE

# STAINED GLASS WINDOW TOUR

#### Saturday 23 March, 11am to 4pm

Explore the history and significance of some of the borough's stained glass windows on a guided mini coach tour.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk Ø 01895 250702



# CRANFORD PARK LEISURE

# FORAGING TOUR

#### Sunday 24 March, 10am to 11.30am

A guided walk around the park where you will learn some of the basics of plant identification.

**Cost:** Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk 0 01895 250702



#### EASTCOTE HOUSE GARDENS EXERCISE AND HEALTH

# MINDFUL WALK

#### Monday 25 March, 10am to 11am

Come and join Pravit, who will help take your senses out for a walk in beautiful surroundings. Take some time to relax and unwind.

Cost: Free, but booking is essential.

Book: @ archives@hillingdon.gov.uk Ø 01895 250702



#### WINSTON CHURCHILL THEATRE THEATRE

# WE WILL ROCK YOU - YOUNG@PART®

#### Wednesday 27 to Friday 29 March, 7.30pm

**Starlight** is proud to bring you the hit Queen musical *We Will Rock You*. Being one of the biggest bands of all time, and featuring over 20 of their songs, this promises to be a great night!

With its well-known songs, and upbeat and comic story by Ben Elton, *We Will Rock You* will rock your socks off!

Cost: £13 / Under-18s, over-65s and students £11

Book: 🚳 www.starlightytc.com/booking

#### CRANFORD PARK CHILDREN AND FAMILY

# THE GRAND CRANFORD PARK

### Saturday 30 March, 10am to 4pm

Are you ready for a hunt like no other? Eggs have appeared all over Cranford Park and we need your help to track them down. How many will you find? Find them all and you might just win a prize.

Suitable for families with children aged three years and above.

**Cost:** Free, no booking required.





# VENUES

#### BOTWELL GREEN SPORTS AND LEISURE CENTRE (INCLUDES LIBRARY)

East Avenue, Hayes, UB3 2HW

# **CHRIST CHURCH**

Redford Way, off Belmont Road, Uxbridge, UB8 1SZ

#### **COMPASS THEATRE**

Glebe Avenue, Ickenham, UB10 8PD

# **CRANFORD PARK**

The Parkway, Hounslow, TW5 9RZ Work to restore Cranford Park's historic features and improve its facilities is nearing completion. The car park is now open and visitors will soon be able to go on exciting journey of discovery into Cranford Park's past through interactive audio trails and exhibits. For latest updates visit i www.hillingdon. gov.uk/cranfordpark.

#### EASTCOTE HOUSE GARDENS

High Road, Eastcote, HA5 2QS

# ICKENHAM LIBRARY

Community Close/Long Lane, Ickenham, UB10 8RE

MANOR FARM (INCLUDING MANOR FARM LIBRARY, MANOR FARM HOUSE AND THE COW BYRE GALLERY)

Bury Street, Ruislip, HA4 7SU

#### PAVILIONS SHOPPING CENTRE

18 Chequers Square, Uxbridge, UB8 1LN

#### SOUTHLANDS ARTS CENTRE

75 The Green, West Drayton, UB7 7PW

#### **STOCKLEY PARK**

Uxbridge, UB11 1AA

#### UXBRIDGE LIBRARY

High Street, Uxbridge, UB8 1HD

## WINSTON CHURCHILL THEATRE

Pinn Way, Manor Farm, Ruislip, HA4 7QL

# YEADING LIBRARY

Yeading Lane, Hayes, UB4 0EW

### **YIEWSLEY LIBRARY**

High Street, Yiewsley, UB7 7BE

# **VENUE HIRE**

The council arranges the hire of performance/class/meeting spaces at the Compass Theatre, Winston Churchill Theatre and Manor Farm, Battle of Britain Bunker and the Open Air Theatre at Barra Hall Park.

For rates of hire and space details, visit www.hillingdontheatres.uk and to enquire about availability, email artsvenues@hillingdon.gov.uk or call © 01895 277643.

# WED 3 - SUN 7 APRIL 2024 (12:30PM & 4PM)

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