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### **Travel and Booking**

*Getting Around the Festival* Bath is a small city and easy to get round on foot, but it's also well served by city buses into the evening.

Larkhall (Rondo Theatre) is on buses 6A&7, and not at all far from the no.3&3A (ask for Grosvenor Place).

Burdall's Yard is an easy walk from the centre, but also on bus routes via London Road, eg. 3, 3A.

Bath University is on regular buses U1 & U2 but NB the timetable changes half-way through Fringe time on June 5th, reducing services & suspending U2 [good idea haha]. Kelston Roundhill is a beautiful walk out of the city via Weston, but it'll take a while, so you might prefer to get Bus 19 [hourly, last bus back 9.30].

#### Getting back late

Trains run back to Bristol late, about hourly until just after 1 am, except Sunday when it's 23:24

Trains run to Chippenham, Swindon and London till 22.14, except on Saturdays when you've got until 23:45 [Chippenham & Swindon], to Reading & London Paddington until 22.54 – oh and on Sundays when the last one to all the above is at 22:38.

They also run to Bradford, Trowbridge, Westbury, & Frome at 4 minutes past midnight except Saturday & Sunday when it's 23:28, and, fatally, on Sunday the later ones only go as far as Westbury (last to Frome 21:07).

Check engineering work and timetable changes before entrusting yourself to the last train in vain.

Buses to Bristol via Saltford & Keynsham run all evening hourly until 2am (except Sunday to midnight), and there are now night buses from central Bristol to the suburbs too. Buses also run from Bath to Frome, Bradford, & Trowbridge and all points between until 23:10, except Sunday.

#### Bath Tourist Information

For information about where to stay and what else to do in Bath (apart from going to all the FAB Fringe Art shows, and supporting our sponsors & advertisers, natch) the key info is nowadays online – visitbath.co.uk, or your favourite guidebook or map site. The only EMail contact we can find is via visitbath.co.uk/information/contact

#### Box Offices

This guide indicates in the listings where tickets for specific shows are available, and in most cases this is online or on the door. We have listed online box offices by name or by URL. Two of the most popular local ticket sources also have a physical presence: Komedia, in their café at 22-23 Westgate Street, BA1 1EP; and Bath Box Office, attached to The Forum at 1A Forum Buildings BA1 1UG Unless an event is sold out [which you can check on our website] in all cases there should be tickets for sale on the door.



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### New This Year

Every year some enterprising group will give us a Fringe bonus by opening a new or re-opening a neglected venue for the season. These are always worth checking for the space alone, and a

gesture of boldly-going etc. is often a good sign for the quality of the show on offer too (as of course would be getting into a prestigious Bath venue, we add quickly). Some of these venues will be one-offs, and some will be new landmarks on the Bath landscape with activity year-round.



This year's festival welcomes two great examples of this last category.

The Grapes pub in Westgate Street re-opened during the year of our last full Fringe and we were only just beginning to think of things to do together. Come 2022 they've fully established themselves on the Bath map with live music and support for other performing and visual arts, notably in the Period Georgian space Pocock's Living Room on the first floor. A variety of Grapes

events pepper the pages of this programme, and they're definitely going to be our top choice for an after-show drink, open till 1am every night except for 2am on Fridays & Saturdays and Midnight on Sundays. See you there, I'm on the ales...



Burdall's yard venue

Also very good news for grassroots culture in Bath is the re-opening of Burdall's Yard just past Cleveland Place (beginning of London Road). Though it's been a Fringe venue before when operated by Bath Spa University, the education calendar soon meant it was too busy at just the time we needed it. But now, under new management facilitated by pillars-of-the-Fringe

The Mission Theatre, Burdall's can become the year round venue we'd hoped for when the premises were originally refurbished, with good facilities for music, theatre, comedy, art exhibitions, and productions that exploit the flexibility of the space. There's plenty in this programme; worth catching one of them just to view the venue too.

In the one-off category let us also welcome the support & vision of the management of the following spaces in allowing the arts and you their audience in through their doors in Fringe 2022:

Frankenstein Museum, Little Theatre Community Room, The Barley Mow, thank you all!

And to finish, a quick mention for what its supporters are proposing as a future arts hub for Bath on Weston Island, on the river between Twerton & Locksbrook. See Bath Art Depot [Thursday 9 June]

### **Special Events**

20:20 Vision We're overjoyed to welcome back the hyperactive imaginations of the Fake Escape theatre company



and their writing collaborators for a return to the format that made the name: new writing tailored to the event and the space, immersive performance and an experience like no other, definitively Made in Bath. Fake Escape have been forging a name for themselves since their last Bath appearance in slightly more conventional theatre, touring the country and getting involved in other artists' shows, but this is what they started with in Bath and it's a big welcome back from

us. The Frankenstein Museum itself may well be new to you too, a celebration of another great made-in-Bath writing exercise! [20:20 Vision Unbound, June 10-12] Kelston Barn - always home to a memorable experience, the



Barn slips into the Fringe the weekend before everything else with the return of one of their signature attractions, Three Cane Whale, playing not only in the barn but also among the trees on Kelston Roundhill above.

3CW score highly with the folk crowd, the more highbrow spaces of The Guardian & Radio 3, and vogue labels like minimalism, lo-fi and site-specific sound. [Saturday 21 May] And a couple of classic Fringe events return, refreshed: The Alternative Fashion Show [Wednesday 8 June] and a Jimmy Mac all-comers cover-version party Diva Night [Friday 10 June]



### Theatre

There has been an explosion in Theatrical activity post-pandemic - people have been without it for too long - evidenced by a strong programme of shows at both The Rondo and The Mission Theatre as well as some more exotic locations. There is also a strong showing of Student Theatre from Bath Uni, always an entertaining evening, and musical theatre, running from new material [Dogfight, 11&12 June] to the not-so-new [Macbeth The Musical, June 8&9] - and even a satire on running a musical without a budget - very meta - High Hopes The Tour [3-5 June].



3Dumb Theatre, Saturday 4 June



A musical Macbeth!

The Many Lives of Nelly Bly, 28-30 May



CBETH: THE MUSICAL

Get the Blessing



Nick Harper

Sarah Jane Morris



Jenny Crook











Lawrie Duckworth

### **Music**

Bath is of course well-supplied with music venues all year round, and among the highlights of the Fringe there are always classic city venues doing something a little special for the festival; but there are also venues you don't often get to see, like the Old Theatre Royal, which has a strong programme of classic local outfits ranging from The WHY Tribe [Tuesday 7 June] To Lawrie Duckworth [Friday 3 June].

The Rondo Theatre also gets in on the act with RMT Promotions bringing us Fringe Favourites post-Jazz iconoclasts Get The Blessing [Thursday 2 June] and acoustic maestro Nick Harper [Fri 3 June] - you can also see RMT's own Reuben Tyghe show off his studied pop skills at Komedia Electric Café on Sunday 5 June. One of the leading exponents of the Flamenco guitar, Juan Martin, visits Chapel Arts on Thursday 9 June, and arty diva Sarah Jane Morris and friends review the songs of John Martyn (not to be confused...) at the same venue on Saturday 4 June. The cream of local talent is also on display of course, for example Radio 2 featured songwriter Jennifer Crook collaborates with have-guitar-will-travel enthusiast Matt Owens at Saint James Wine Vaults on Tuesday 7 June.

Classic Bath music pub The Bell keep to their usual tradition of booking acts new to them for the fortnight, but this year this is supplemented by putting in extra slots for solid favourites like **RSVP and Dub Souls on the Bank Holiday** 



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# Happy Birthday to us!

If you've got something you think we should see, or a story you want to tell us about Fringes 1992-2022, or even 1982-92, now's your chance: EMail us on admin@bathfringe. co.uk and we can copy or talk some more. This has indeed been a year like no other in recent memory, and some of the less life-and-death things risk getting lost in the wash, but Bath Fringe has its own reasons to be cheerful in 2022: it's been 30 years since the current organisation started running this festival, and to still be here after all that time is something to be proud of.

We need to say quickly that there had already been 10 years of a different but also very fine Fringe organisation, started in 1982 as a response to the end of the Bath Arts Workshop and its Walcot Festivals (we told you a lot about them back in 2019). The life cycle of an organisation is a curious phenomenon, but that particular Fringe seemed to have reached the end of its allotted life by the early 1990s, for reasons that (having done it) we quite understand. But then, faced with the risk of no Fringe at all, Wendy called a meeting in the upstairs bar of the favourite Walcot arts pub The Hat & Feather - and some of the people who came to that meeting are still involved...

In this anniversary year we hope to be re-casting our archives into something that's easier to browse in, but that's a project that will take us some time in the lead-in to the next festival (there have been some big distractions in the last couple of years...). Thirty years of Fringe, and Fringe-associated events like Bedlam Fair, Walcot Nation, Children's festival, Carnival processions - the list will go on...

For moments of Bath cultural history in this year's festival, see some of the bands at The Bell on the Bank Holiday weekend, and an appearance from the Bath Arts Workshop book team (it's excellent, have you seen it yet?) on Bedlam Sunday.





# Fringe Outdoor Arts

**Calf2Cow** are a young post-Bath-Spa outdoor theatre company based in the city. They will be showing their hour-long outdoor theatre piece 'The Wave' (suitable for all ages) in a central Bath location on Sunday June 5th. More details when we have them.

#### Bath&NES Outdoor Events for the Bank Holiday Weekend - Saturday 4th June

• Music in Parade Gardens – 11am-5pm

- B&NES Council present a programme of local bands and musicians on the bandstand in the glorious Parade Gardens to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.
- Pop-up Performances 1pm-4.30pm Bath City Centre
- Bristol-based 6-piece Jazz band plus swing dance duo.
- New Bond Street, 1pm-2.30pm; Kingsmead Square 3pm-4.30pm

Programmed by B&NES Council and Bath Carnival

**Bath BID** will be adding some craft activities for all the family on the Saturday, we'll add detail on our web listing for this event when we know them.

...and our friends the Natural Theatre Co. are doing this in Radstock on the Saturday:

#### **Radstock Jubilee Festival**

St Nicholas Church Field, Radstock. 11am-5pm Free outdoor arts event with a family friendly atmosphere. Finest theatrical acts, silly spectacle, quirky comedy and Bath's very own Natural Theatre. Community stage showcasing the very best of our local talent; local stalls, food and have-a-go creative workshops during the day. Why not cycle from Bath to Radstock for the day through the Two Tunnels Path? It's a glorious ride! *Radstock Jubilee Festival is delivered in partnership with Youth Connect South West, Creativity Works, The Natural Theatre Company, Age UK Bath & North East Somerset, & Radstock Town Council.* 



Nothing came back just the same after the pandemic, and nobody needs to be surprised that summer 2022 isn't just a re-run of what should have happened in 2020: to do that would even be wrong. The artistic ecology and particularly the funding landscape has changed. This year, Bath Fringe didn't get a grant for which we previously had a pretty good success record, and though we have re-applied for a lower sum, at the point of going to press we don't know whether we have that or not. As it's that money that usually pays for our free outdoor arts events, Bedlam Fair, we don't currently

know whether we can do that this year, though obviously we hope we can. We have artists, events, staff & volunteers ready to go for an event on Sunday 5th June and another on the evening of Saturday 4th, but you're just going to have to keep watching our website & social media, and keep your eyes open for the specific Bedlam publicity that we hope wll start appearing early in May. And if you're a business or philanthropist with £20K burning a hole in your pocket, well, let us know, we've got a nice event we can invite you to...





Outdoor Arts has been part of Bath Fringe since we re-started it 30 years ago, so we're sharing a couple of historic companies on this page to remind you of the sort of thing this can do.

There are also a handful of outdoor events we know about happening on that same weekend supported by other funding and not part of our programming:



NOTE: THESE PICTURES ARE FROM PAST EVENTS!! ©WENDY MATTHEWS

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1	The Barley Mow, 32 Bathwick St, Bathwick, Bath BA2 6NZ	Call	
2	Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institution	Assistance	
3	The Bell Inn	Call	
4	Burdall's Yard Arts Hub, 7a Anglo Terrace, London Road, BA1 5NH	Full	RUN CRISS
5	Chapel Arts Centre	None	
6	The Edge University of Bath, Claverton Down, Bath BA2 7AY	Full	
7	Forum Coffee House	Full	
8	The Grapes, Westgate Street		ROYAL WENUE
9	Kingsmead Square	Full	10 34 38
10	Komedia	Full	<b>1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1</b>
11	The Little Theatre Cinema: Community Room	None	
12	Mary Shelley's House of Frankenstein	None	CARPARK
13	The Mission Theatre	Full	in an intervent
14	The Museum of Bath at Work	Assistance	
15	New Bond St (bottom of Milsom St)	Full	1 march
16	The Old Barn, Kelston Roundhill, check website for directions.	Full	
17	The Old Theatre Royal	Full	
18	Parade Gardens	Assistance	
19	Radstock at St Nicholas Church Field. Church St, BA3 3QQ		
20	Revolution 1 George St.	Call	Calashauri
21	Rondo Theatre St. Saviours Rd, Bath BA1 6RT	Call	Sainsbury's
22	Sawclose	Full	
23	St James Wine Vaults	None	
24	Widcombe Social Club	Full	
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32	FaB @ Milsom Place, Unit 22, off Broad St		
33	FaB @ Walcot Chapel, Walcot Gate	Assistance	
34	Bath Artists' Studios, Comfortable Place, Upper Bristol Rd, BA1 3AJ	Assistance	
35	Black Chalk Gallery, 19a Monmouth Place		
36	Burdall's Yard Arts Hub, 7a Anglo Terrace, London Road, BA1 5NH	Full	
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# Ongoing Exhibitions

#### Sunday 22 May

13.00

#### **SAM BROOKES & KIT HAWES**

We consider Sam one of our own: been playing for us since well before he was legal in the pub! He has a beautiful folk/blues voice and his writing has really matured under the influence of the '60s masters. With guitar buddy & virtuoso Kit this will be a state-ofthe-art statement of contemporary acoustic classics.

The Bell FREE



#### *Saturday 21 May* 19:45 (doors open 19:00) Kelston Records and Komedia Bath present THREE CANE WHALE AT THE OLD BARN

Bristol wordless folk trio, Three Cane Whale, open the 2022 season of performance at the off grid Old Barn, Kelston Roundhill on Saturday 21st May. Performing in the trees and on the threshing room floor, the band will conjure their sound pictures of countryside and country life.

The Old Barn, Kelston Roundhill, near BA1 9AF Booking: Komedia £15

#### Monday 23 May

9pm

#### JIM BLOMFIELD / MICHEL PADRÒN QUINTET

Anything with Jim Blomfield in is worth hearing. Anything with him playing Latin Jazz outclasses all else in the style in the region. No Lie. In cahoots with Cuban-born-and-bred brass maestro Michel, they risk lift-off. You can trust us on this one. **The Bell** 

FREE

#### Wednesday 25 May 9pm CLUSTERFUNK

Si John made his name first with The Federation, biggest selling record to that point on Mo' Wax, no less. Then he made a name again on bass with the flatten-all-comers Ronnie Size Reprazent juggernaut. With a background like that, this project is more like just-for-fun. But it's Big Fun, and just a little bit naughty with it... The Bell

FREE



#### 10.30 am-5pm METAL DANCE! EXHIBITION OF SCULPTURE AND PRINT by Museum of Bath at Work Artists in Residence

Artists Jean Farrell and Maureen Hosier – who have been Artists in Residence over the winter - are preparing to unveil their collection of metal sculpture and prints inspired by Bath's working life in a new exhibition.

The exhibition will feature sculptures – large and small - which will be placed amongst the reconstructed 19th century engineering workshops. Working amongst the museum displays and working with the museum's archives over the winter has helped shape the work. In addition to the static sculpture a specially commissioned film, made in collaboration with the Museum will be shown of Jean and Maureen preparing and fabricating their work.

Museum of Bath at Work FREE ADMISSION WITH ADMISSION TO THE MUSEUM.



#### WALCOT STREET OPEN AIR ART GALLERY

Throughout the summer months, this exciting and unique collaboration between local artists and businesses on the street will celebrate the amazing artists among us. This project is being headed by Darrin at Coopers of Bath. Artists already signed up include The Nick Cudworth Gallery, The Pencil Tree and Bronwyn Williams-Ellis.

Walcot Street



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#### FRI 27 MAY Ma Bessie and Her Pig Foot Band

Classic blues and jazz tunes from the inter-war years with a selection of original songs and hand-picked covers. Adv £15. Door £17.

SAT 28 MAY Mississippi Macdonald (4 piece band) Energised and authentic soul-infused blues with an ear for the classic and an eye on the future. Adv £10. Door £12.

**THURS 2 JUNE Klezmer-ish** From rip-roaring klezmer and dynamic tango to their own gypsy jazz, they bring a trademark twist to whatever takes their fancy. Adv £14. Door £14.

#### FRI 3 JUNE K'Chevere - Salsa Night Afrocuban Latin Salsa Jazz 8-piece combining dance rbythms such as Son Dan-

bining dance rhythms such as Son, Danzón and Cha-Cha-Cha with a blend of Latin Jazz and Salsa. Adv £13. Door £15.

#### SAT 4 JUNE Sarah Jane Morris Sweet Little Mystery The Songs of John Martyn British soul, jazz and R&B singer pays

homage to a musical maverick who influenced a generation. Adv £18. Door £20.

#### WED 8 JUNE Bath Fringe

Alternative Fashion Show Bringing some colour back to life. Proceeds to Whale and Dolphin Conservation and Save The Children. Early booking advised. Adv £10. Door £12.

#### **THURS 9 JUNE Juan Martin**

'A giant of the flamenco tradition' -The Times. This supreme guitarist/ composer plays and introduces his compositions. Adv £15. Door £15.

#### FRI 10 JUNE The Unravelling Wilburys

A tribute to The Traveling Wilburys. Captures the style and sounds perfectly with an added sense of humour. Adv £16. Door £18.

#### SAT 11 JUNE Untamed Burlesque Featuring the rawest, wildest and

UNTAMED Burlesque and cabaret stars from the South West and beyond! Adv £20. Door £22.

TIMES: Door 7.30pm. Start 8pm. End 10.30pm.

Buy tickets at www.chapelarts.org Please note that there is a 5% booking fee on all tickets when purchased online Box Office Telephone 01225 463362

# Friday 27 May



20:00 (doors open 19:30) Sarah Mills Presents BADASS

#### A Love Note to the NHS

In 2018 things are looking rosy for Sarah Mills. All she needs now is a fella. But instead of finding her prince, Sarah finds a surprise in her poo and discovers she can't even trust her own BUM not to kill her. 'Heartfelt, important, and very very funny' (Rob Rinder).

Sarah Mills – Booking - www.ticketsource.co.uk/Sarah-Mills Burdall's Yard

£9



#### 20:00 (doors open 19:30) MA BESSIE AND HER PIG FOOT BAND

Classic blues and jazz tunes from the inter-war years with a selection of original songs and hand-picked covers. Chapel Arts Centre Booking: Chapel Arts **£15 ADV. / £17 ON DOOR** 

### Saturday 28 May



#### 15:00 VINYL SATURDAYS with the Westgate Allstar Collective

We love our vinyl here at The Grapes and Saturday afternoons, we ramp up the grooves with the Westgate AllStar Vinyl Collective – a funky group of local DJs bringing their own brand of turntabalism to the bar.

The Grapes FREE



#### 19:00 (doors open 18:30) KRATER COMEDY CLUB

The best in live comedy, featuring 3 comedians and a top-notch compere!

#### Komedia

Booking: Komedia VARIOUS PRICES - SEE KOMEDIA WEB-SITE



20:00 (doors open 19:30) Sarah Mills Presents BADASS

Please see Friday 28 May Booking - www.ticketsource.co.uk/Sarah-Mills Burdall's Yard £9



19:30 (doors open 19:00) Bedivere Arts Presents THE MANY LIVES OF NELLIE BLY by Jack Fairey

The Many Lives of Nellie Bly is a new one woman show that tells the outrageous true story of a pioneer of investigative journalism. Her exploits blazed a trail for ambitious women around the world and pushed boundaries nobody knew could be pushed.

**The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium** put www.ticketsource.co.uk/bedivere-arts £12.50 (£10 CONCS £10)



20:00 (doors open 19:30) MISSISSIPPI MACDONALD

Energised and authentic soul-infused blues from this 4 piece with an ear for the classic and an eye on the future. **Chapel Arts Centre** 

Booking: Chapel Arts £10 ADV. / £12 ON DOOR

#### 23:00 Motorcity

A classic mix of all the best Motown, Soul and Funk to keep you dancing till the early hours! *Komedia Booking: Komedia VARIOUS PRICES - SEE KOMEDIA WEB-SITE* 



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### Sunday 29 May



#### 1pm THE HORSENECKS

"Hard-hitting and heartfelt Old Time, classic Bluegrass, and original roots music from Astoria, Oregon", says their website, and we couldn't put it better. Masters of at least 3 genres there, but none too fussed about the strict rules of any of them; we are happy to concede that our Stateside cousins are the guv'nors in this and will be happy to come, learn, and enjoy! **The Bell FREE** 



14:00 Young Musicians Showcase, HEADLINED BYTHE MAYORS OF SHAGTOWN

Join us for a Sunday showcase celebrating some of Bath's brightest, funkiest and most talented up and coming musicians. Featuring some of our locals and followed by two of our own bar staff in 'The Mayors of Shagtown', this should make for a brilliant afternoon of homegrown live music. Performing their civic duty to funk, The Mayors of Shagtown deliver a blend of naughty guitar riffs and humorous lyrics. Always with a lighthearted attitude and occasionally landing on profoundly positive notes.



20:00 (doors open 19:30)

Bath Comedy Club: Revolution Bath Comedy's brand new Comedy Club venue!

#### SPECIAL HAND-PICKED LINE-UP FOR BATH FRINGE.

Bath Comedy Club: Revolution presents the best of local, national and even international comedians together on one stage. *Revolution* 

Booking: Bath Comedy Festival



20:00 (doors open 19:00) PHOENIX RIVER BAND

With their driving beats and soulful melodies, the band have performed with classic artists including Wishbone Ash, 10cc, The Blockheads and The Yardbirds. "Like cruising in a Cadillac with Chris Rea at the wheel with Pink Floyd and the Allman Brothers in the back, and maybe some Eagles flying overhead". *The Old Theatre Royal* 

Booking: Bath Box Office. Komedia £7 / £5 CONCS.





19:30 (doors open 19:00) Bedivere Arts Presents THE MANY LIVES OF NELLIE BLY BY JACK FAIREY Please see Saturday 28 May The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium www.ticketsource.co.uk/bedivere-arts



21:30 (doors open 21:15) Richard Todd TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

With a busted knee, a burst eardrum and heroic reveries replaced by painkillers and words like 'ouch', 'pardon' and 'I'm down here!', the ripe old Todd reckons he has one last chance to reinvent himself, and just enough transferable skills and body parts to do it.

#### The Grapes

Booking: Tickets sold on door; Komedia **£5** 

#### £12.50 (£10 CONCS.) £5 FOR MORE INFORMATION: WWW.BATHFRINGE.CO.UK

### Monday 30 May





#### LIFE DRAWING WITH MELISSA

This life drawing class is for every artist from beginners to those who have been coming along for years, and is offered as untutored, with basic materials and model provided. Bath Drawing provides an opportunity to draw from the historic and beautiful Pocock's Room, while also enjoying a drink from the bar downstairs.

#### The Grapes

To book or for any other enquires, please get in touch through the organiser's Instagram or email bathdrawing@gmail.com.

£10





19:30 (doors open 19:00) Bedivere Arts Presents THE MANY LIVES OF NELLIE BLY BY JACK FAIREY

Please see Saturday 28 May The Mission Theatre - Upstairs theatre www.ticketsource.co.uk/bedivere-arts £12.50 (£10 CONCS. £10)



21:00 TATCHO TRIO

Gundula Stojanova Gruen has earned the epithet 'Magic Violin' and is an acknowledged expert on Macedonian & Romani music, considered among the first rank in this country. She's also a great performer, as this lineup will simply but amply underline. A treat! **The Bell FREE** 

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21:30 (doors open 21:15) **Richard Todd** 

#### TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Please see Sunday 29 May **The Grapes** Booking: Tickets on door; Komedia **£5** 



### DON'T MISS THESE DATES THIS BATH FRINGE FEST @ THE GRAPES 14 WESTGATE ST, BATH

LIFE DRAWING MONDAYS & TUESDAYS FROM 7PM

REGULAR SESSIONS FUNK (TUESDAYS) JAZZ (WEDNESDAYS) TRADITIONAL FOLK (THURSDAYS) DJ'S (SATURDAYS)

YOUNG MUSICIANS SHOWCASE SUNDAY MAY 29TH, 2 - 5.30PM

JONNY MELANCHOLY & THE SAD COWBOYS FRIDAY JUNE 3RD, 8 – 11PM

> TOM ALLEN & JOE TRUDGEON SUNDAY JUNE 5TH, 4 – 5:30PM

SEAN KALUARACHCHI & FINBAR MAGINN SUNDAY JUNE 12TH, 4 – 5:30PM

> PLUS COMEDY WITH RICHARD TODD'S MEANWHILE 29TH - 30TH MAY, 9.30 - 10PM

GROAN UP'S STH – 7TH JUNE, 9.30 – 10PM

FOR ALL OUR LATEST FRINGE FEST NEWS, SCAN HERE & FOLLOW OUR SOCIALS @Thegrapesbath y © FA



### 📲 Tuesday 31 May

9:00 LIFE DRAWING WITH MELISSA Please see Monday 30 May

The Grapes £10



#### 20:00 FUNK SESSION

Introducing our newest weekly music session at The Grapes: Tuesday night is Funk night! Spearheaded by local favourite Tom Berge and featuring some of the best musicians of the South West, this session is guaranteed to have you up and on your feet dancing. Come down, grab a drink and soak up the music.

For the Bath Fringe Festival these sessions will be featuring Nurdle, A crooked funk machine forging addictive hooks dipped in nostalgic beats, distorted dreamscapes and creating the soundtrack to your alter ego's taboo lifestyle. Please note this is a closed session.

The Grapes FREE

#### 21:00 SU & SARAH'S SECRET SISTERS

An evolving project among a group of female writers & performers, headed whoknows-where but certainly having fun getting there. We're hosting a series of intimate sessions with the girls, but it's them doing all the hard work, no question. No question of its quality either.

The Bell FREE

### Wednesday 1 JUNE



20:00 (doors open 19:00) Bike to the Future BRIAN MADIGAN

Brian's on a mission, taking songs and stories around the country by bicycle with a Special Preview at the OTR. As with Brian's previous Fringe shows, boundaries will be blurred...is it a gig? Is it a show? Will there be a band.. a choir... or dancers? Come and find out.

 The Old Theatre Royal

 Booking: Bath Box Office, Komedia

 £10 / £8 CONCS



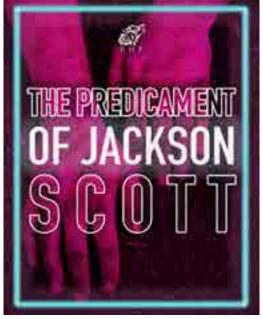
#### 20:00 JAZZ SESSIONS

Led by a core group of amazing local musicians Tim Petherick, Jack Lecomber and friends. This is a lively night in the bar each Wednesday with improv featuring heavily in their repertoire. Expect the double bass, some stonking guitar and electrifying keyboard skills as an absolute minimum. Please note this is a closed session. **The Grapes FREE** 



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BOOKING INFORMATION INSIDE FRONT COVER



#### 20:00 (doors open 19:30) Black Hound Productions Presents THE PREDICAMENT OF JACKSON SCOTT

#### **By Josh McGrillen**

The Predicament of Jackson Scott is a dark comedy about Jackson, who after killing his boyfriend Ted, covers up his death, however a version of Ted lives on... This is a play about grief, queer relationships and secrets.

Rondo Theatre Booking: The Rondo £11

#### 21:00

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The Bell FREE

### Thursday 2 June



#### 20:00 (doors open 19:30) RMT Music Live presents GET THE BLESSING

Influenced by jazz pioneer Ornette Coleman and his free-spirited albums of the late 1950s and early 1960s, Get The Blessing will have you on the edge of your seat with their uncategorisable and thrilling world of post-jazz that has been proudly cultivated in the West Country over two decades.

Rondo Theatre Booking: The Rondo £17.50 + BOOKING FEE





20:00 (doors open 19:00) 90S ACOUSTIC MIXTAPE

Sam Eason

The Acoustic Mixtape is a collective of top South West musicians putting on amazing and unique acoustic shows themed on the music of a decade or genre. Expect the usual & the unusual, including the likes of Radiohead, Green Day, Prodigy, Spice Girls, Alanis Morissette, N-Trance and er... Ricky Martin?!

The Old Theatre RoyalBooking: Bath Box Office£8 / £6.50



20:00 IRISH TRAD FOLK SESSIONS

Each Thursday from 8pm, the bar comes alive to the sounds of Trad Irish tunes from a talented bunch of local musicians, sometimes joined by friends on the circuit from further afield. **The Grapes FREE** 



20:00 (doors open 19:30) KLEZMER-ISH

From rip-roaring klezmer and dynamic tango to their own gypsy jazz, they bring a trademark twist to whatever takes their fancy. *Chapel Arts Centre Booking: Chapel Arts* £14

#### 20:00 THE JAZZ SOCIAL run by Jake Stacey

The Jazz Social is a new jazz space for everyone interested in playing or listening to the best of contemporary jazz. Opening with the Jazz Social House Band and then inviting anyone who wants to perform, be it instrumentalists or vocalists. Backline is provided – instrumentalists please bring your own instruments.

Burdall's Yard

Booking: Tickets on door £5 / £3 CONCS.



#### They thought art could change the world. Thousands joined in and things were never the same again.

An intimate and often hilarious account of how a 1970s counterculture exploded upon an 18<sup>th</sup>-century city.

SPECTACULAR NEW BOOK OUT NOW! See you at the fringe 5th June.

> Buy the book from Tangent Books and all good book shops

For more information visit us at: bathartsworkshop.org Any proceeds from sales of this book go towards the cost of its production



# Friday 3 June



#### 19:00 (doors open 18:50) Its time...

#### THE DEPRESSION CURE SHOW

It's Therapy, but not as we know it! Ever lost your way, your mind, or your will to live? Jonathan Winfield brings his comedy show about family trauma, mental illness and depression from his lived experience with his own cure suggestions; therapy puppets, silly dancing, the royal family, and lycra!

#### The Little Theatre Cinema: Community Room

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-depression-cure-show-tickets-305458483547 £6



#### 19:30 **HIGH HOPES: THE TOUR**

An energetic, satirical musical comedy examining the reality of creating a performance without a budget. Using whatever they can find and with the help of some audience interaction, Ethan and Sam have high hopes they can achieve the dream of creating a great show – and have fun along the way.

The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium £10



20:00 (doors open 19:30) K'CHEVERE - SALSA NIGHT

Afrocuban Latin Salsa Jazz 8-piece combining dance rhythms such as Son, Danzón and Cha-Cha-Cha with a blend of Latin Jazz and Salsa **Chapel Arts Centre** Booking: Chapel Arts £13 ADV / £15 ON DOOR

#### 20:00

#### JONNY MELANCHOLY AND THE SAD COWBOYS

On the first Friday of the month, Jonny Melancholy and the Sad Cowboys bring their infectious brand of country classics to the bar. The Grapes FREE





#### 19:30 (doors open 18:30) LAWRIE DUCKWORTH & FRIENDS

Lawrie brings his unique musical stylings to the OTR, featuring foot-tapping tunes performed with panache, along with acoustic finger-pickers. Backed by top-class musicians - including Californian Keyboard player Dave Palmer (Air, Fiona Apple, Cake, Fleetwood Mac) and composer Jools Scott - this promises to be a dynamic and unforgettable evening.

The Old Theatre Royal Booking: Bath Box Office. Komedia £8/£6.50 CONCS.

#### 20:00 (doors open 19:30) **RMT Music Live presents... Nick Harper** PHANTASTES

Legendary singer-songwriter Nick Harper (son of Roy) performs his latest album 'Phantastes'. Enter an ethereal realm inspired by the seminal C19th fantasy by George MacDonald and the beginnings of Nick's own love story from 1982... The album was recorded, and is performed live on solo electric guitar, simultaneously triggering percussive electronic soundscapes.

**Rondo Theatre** Booking: The Rondo £17.50 + BOOKING FEE



#### 20:30 (doors open 20:15) Jake Rayner Blair and Chris Richards in... **IF IT'S TO BREAK**

"Your clay is put in an oven to cook and harden. It either splits, breaks... or holds. Is it up to you to decide if it's to break or if it's to hold?" Devised by Bitterroot, If it's to Break is a dark piece exploring self-acceptance and failure in art. Burdall's Yard Bookina: Komedia: Burdalls Yard £5

#### **RSVP**

Decades as the No.1 Bhangra attraction in the SouthWest have not blunted these boys' appetite for a good time by the width of a single silk scarf - perhaps because of all the other music the individual players are involved in and which feeds into the overall experience. Hoi! Hoi!! and indeed Hoi!!!

The Bell FREE

### Plus supporting programme

# Saturday 4 June

#### 11:00

#### **MUSIC IN PARADE GARDENS**

B&NES Council are happy to present a programme of local bands and musicians who will be performing on the bandstand in the glorious Parade Gardens to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Parade Gardens FREE



#### 11:00 RADSTOCK JUBILEE FESTIVAL

Witness the finest theatrical acts, silly spectacle, quirky comedy and Bath's very own Natural Theatre at St Nicholas Church Field, Radstock. Take part or come and support our community stage showcasing the very best of our local talent. Plus local stalls, food and have-a-go creative workshops.

Radstock town centre FREE



#### 15:00 Vinyl Saturdays

Please see Saturday 29 May *The Grapes FREE* 

#### 18:00 DUB SOULS

This is arguably the best band in town at the moment: heavyweight musicianship from chaps with pro jobs in better-known outfits, playing a music [the jazz-tinged memories of early Jamaican originals] that they clearly dearly love and are getting a great feeling for. A classic Saturday Night in prospect. Plus supporting programme

#### The Bell

FREE - BUT WE WILL BE TAKING A COLLECTION FOR UKRAINIAN CAUSES

#### 19:00 BEDLAM SATURDAY Holburne Museum Gardens

19:00 (doors open 18:50)

#### ITS TIME...

The Depression Cure Show Please see Friday 3 June The Little Theatre Cinema: Community Room www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-depression-cure-show-tickets-305458483547 £6

#### 19:30 HIGH HOPES: THE TOUR

Please see Friday 3 June *The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium* £10



### 20:00 (doors open 19:25) STEVEN BERKOFF'S DOG/ACTOR

Two hilarious and explosive short plays from playwright Steven Berkoff, performed back-to-back by one actor. DOG is a day in the life of a racist football hooligan and his beloved blood-thirsty pitbull terrier, Roy. ACTOR is a humorous yet poignant depiction of the trying life of a struggling artist.

#### Rondo Theatre

Booking: The Rondo; Tickets on door **£11** 

#### 20:00 (doors open 18:30) KRATER COMEDY CLUB

Please see Saturday 29 May Komedia Booking: Komedia VARIOUS PRICES - SEE KOMEDIA WEB-SITE

#### 20:00 (doors open 19:30) Sarah Jane Morris SWEET LITTLE MYSTERY - THE SONGS OF JOHN MARTYN

British soul, jazz and R&B singer pays homage to a musical maverick who influenced a generation. *Chapel Arts Centre* 

Booking: Chapel Arts £18 ADV / £20 ON DOOR

#### 23:00

BIG DISCO Guilty disco pleasures from the 80's, 90's and 00's. Komedia Booking: Komedia VARIOUS PRICES - SEE KOMEDIA WEB-SITE

# Sunday 5 June

#### 13:00

#### **POP-UP PERFORMANCES**

Enjoy an energetic and fun filled performance from a brilliant Bristol based 6-piece Jazz band who will be joined by a marvellous swing dance duo. Catch them performing on New Bond Street, 1pm to 2.30pm and in Kingsmead Square 3pm to 4.30pm! Programmed by B&NES Council and Bath Carnival.

Bath City Centre FREE

#### 13:00

#### **BELL SUNDAY LIVE**

See website [theirs or ours] for detail of the bell's 3rd day of extra live music for the holiday weekend – plus kids' entertainment! **The Bell** 

FREE - BUT WE WILL BE TAKING A COLLECTION FOR UKRAINIAN CAUSES



#### 19:00

#### THE SINGING PSYCHIC GAME SHOW & THE SEVEN APRONS OF WOMAN With Marysia Trembecka and Elizabeth Mee

Comedy Double Bill from two Funny Women Finalists. Edinburgh and Adelaide Fringe sell-out "Singing Psychic" with spookily accurate (if bonkers) audience readings and 70s team games (including psychic jenga). "Seven Aprons encapsulates women's zigzags through life in all the comedic glory. "An elegant performer, stylish gags pepper the set". Chortle

Komedia Electric Bar Booking: Komedia £12 / £10 CONCS.



#### 14:00 Live in Session at the Electric **REUBEN'S DAUGHTERS**

Reuben Myles Tyghe, (aka Reuben's Daughters) has been at the heart of the local independent scene for almost 2 decades. With his previous group, Port Erin, he garnered a deep appreciation by fan and press alike.

Komedia Electric Bar FREE

#### 16:00

#### **TOM ALLEN & JOE TRUDGEON**

Joe Trudgeon on guitar and vocals with Tom Allen on double bass. This local duo are primed and ready to excite your ears and blow those sunday blues away with some old time classic Jazz. We can't wait to see them!

The Grapes FREE

19:00 (doors open 18:50) Its time...

#### THE DEPRESSION CURE SHOW

#### Please see Friday 3 June

The Little Theatre Cinema: Community Room www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-depression-cure-showtickets-305458483547 £6



19:30 (doors open 18:30) Julie July Band THE SANDY DENNY EXPERIENCE TOUR 2022

The band have built a substantial reputation with reinterpretations and arrangements of Sandy's legacy of beautiful, haunting original and traditional compositions. Featuring superb vocals and forthright lyrics and delivered with skill, technique and conviction, the set includes songs from their own self-penned Albums 'Lady of the First Light' and 'Wonderland'.

#### The Old Theatre Royal

Booking: Bath Box Office. Komedia £15 / £12 CONCS.

#### 21:30

#### Jessica Aszkenasy and Dan Jones present <mark>GROAN UPS</mark>

A split-bill hour featuring two up-and-coming comedians talking about trying (and failing) to be functioning human beings. Love. Nervous breakdowns. Cheese-rollers. That time Jess shat herself on a bus.

Full disclosure: some of it's unfinished. But after hearing about their failures, you'll DEFINITELY come out of this feeling better about yourself. And Rhod Gilbert did describe Dan as "definitely one to watch" once. Come for the ego boost, stay for the jokes!

#### The Grapes

Booking: thegrapesbath.co.uk or On Door £5 TO RESERVE ONLINE OR PAY WHAT YOU WANT ON THE NIGHT!



13:00 BEDLAM SUNDAY See Page 7 & www.

bathfringe.co.uk - and cross your fingers

#### 19:30 HIGH HOPES: THE TOUR

Please see Friday 3 June The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium £10

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### Monday 6 June





#### 19:00

#### LIFE DRAWING WITH MELISSA

Please see Monday 30 May The Grapes £10

#### 21:30

Jessica Aszkenasy and Dan Jones present GROAN UPS

Please see Sunday 5 June **The Grapes** Booking: thegrapesbath.co.uk or On Door £5 TO RESERVE ONLINE OR PAY WHAT YOU WANT ON THE NIGHT!



#### 21:00 **IBOU TALL**

Born in Dakar, Senegal, earned his spurs & learned his chops as bandleader with Alioune Mbaye Nder's Le Setsima Group - back home superstars of the contemporary generation of mbalax. There are a lot of chancers out there telling us they're playing Afro-Jazz; exhibit A, an actual Afro-Jazz musician for your delectation. **The Bell FREE** 



### Tuesday 7 June

£10



19:00 LIFE DRAWING WITH MELISSA The Grapes



#### 19:30 (doors open 18:30) THE WHY TRIBE PLUS SUPPORT

#### In Aid of The We Hear You Charity

The WHY Tribe is a group of local musicians who play here, there and everywhere to support Fromebased charity "We Hear You" (WHY). It comprises an eclectic mix of four seasoned musicians who literally play all sorts of music including rock, blues soul, reggae and americana music that transcends generations.

#### The Old Theatre Royal

Booking: Bath Box Office. Komedia £5



#### 20:00

The 7 Hills Presents

#### MATT OWENS AND THE D.V.P + JENNIFER CROOK & THE BROKEN ROAD + AL O'KANE

This very special night at the newly revamped, legendary Bath venue will feature 3 local leading lights of the music scene, Matt Owens and his all-star band : The Delusionary Vanity Project, the sublime Jennifer Crook & The Broken Road, and the rocking Al O'Kane. Set in the intimate setting of the Vaults it's one not to be missed, set to sell out early so get in there quick.

#### St James Wine Vaults - Downstairs

Booking: Tickets on door £10 IN ADVANCE FROM JENNIFERCROOK.COM, £12 ON THE DOOR



20:00 FUNK SESSION Please see Monday 30 May The Grapes FREE



21:30 Jessica Aszkenasy and Dan Jones present <mark>GROAN UPS</mark>

Please see Sunday 5 June **The Grapes** Booking: thegrapesbath.co.uk or On Door **£5 TO RESERVE ONLINE OR PAY WHAT YOU WANT ON THE NIGHT!** 

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### Wednesday 8 June





#### THE BATH SKIFFLE JAM

Make some noise and celebrate live music, with a focus on old acoustic American folk, rock n' roll and songs from the British Skiffle boom. Everyone is made most welcome – the group are all about enthusiasm over skill. To find out more and take a gander at the songbooks, head over to the Bath Skiffle website. *Pocock's Living Room at The Grapes FREE* 



#### 19:30 (doors open 19:00) Bristol Shakespeare Festival presents MACBETH: THE MUSICAL

"Is this a real knife? Is this just fantasy?" Enjoy Shakespeare's spooky tragedy like never before, as six actors deploy wittily rewritten pop classics, uproariously silly comedy, and an array of highly questionable props to recount the rise and fall of Scotland's most murdery kinq!

#### The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium

Booking: Tickets on door or online at Eventbrite £10 / £8 CONCS.



#### 20:30 (doors open 19:30) BATH BLUEGRASS SESSION

A monthly acoustic music session, informal playing and singing songs and tunes from the Bluegrass (and wider) repertoire. All instruments, levels and repertoire are welcome. It's an inclusive session, and we make sure that everyone gets a turn.

The Barley Mow

Not ticketed, open to all **FREE** 

#### 20:00 (doors open 19:00) Precarious Theatre presents FAILURE STUDIES

#### By Marco Biasioli

What does it mean to succeed in our world today? Our society constantly reassures us that failure is an intermediate stage in a process that eventually leads us to happiness, but how truthful is this? If we keep trying, do we fail better, or do we fail 'worse'?

#### Rondo Theatre

Booking: The Rondo; Tickets on door **£11** 



#### 20:00 (doors open 19:30) THE ALTERNATIVE FASHION SHOW RETURNS ....to banish Covid greys

Bringing more than seven sets of fashion together, young, daring, student and ethical. Raising funds for Save The Children and Whale and Dolphin Conservation. This was always one of the most colourful events of the Fringe so we are reviving it to chase away the two dull Covid years.

#### **Chapel Arts Centre**

Booking: Tickets on door; Chapel Arts £10 ADV. / £12 ON DOOR



#### 20:00 JAZZ SESSIONS

Please see Wednesday 1 June *The Grapes FREE* 

#### 21:00

#### YEAR OF THE DOG

6-piece brass-driven House/Soul from Cardiff, pressing the party button so hard it's burst through to the other side and they got to feature on a notorious Netflix series. Still at the level of blowing the roof off grassroots small gigs now, but big festival stages are calling this summer and if you're in tonight you can tell the world you've been into them for ages... **The Bell** 

FREE

### Thursday 9 June



19:30 (doors open 19:00) Bristol Shakespeare Festival presents MACBETH: THE MUSICAL Please see Wednesday 8 June

The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium Booking: Tickets on door or online at Eventbrite £10 / £8 CONCS.



20:00 (doors open 19:30) JUAN MARTIN 'A giant of the flamenco tradition' - The Times. This supreme guitarist/composer plays and introduces his compositions. Chapel Arts Centre

Booking: Chapel Arts **£15** 



IRISH TRAD FOLK SESSIONS Please see Thursday 2 June The Grapes

FREE





19:45 (doors open 18:45) NICK GIRONE-MADDOCKS AND HIS BAND

Former Thunderbridge Bluegrass Band frontman Nick Girone-Maddocks returns to the OTR with a new Trio. The show will include acoustic and electric sets of roots music, blues, country and original Americana, spanning Nick's prominent 25-year songwriting career, including material from his new solo album 'British Southwestern'. **The Old Theatre Royal** 

Booking: Bath Box Office. Komedia £12 / £10 CONCS.



20:00 (doors open 19:30) Hannah Layton Management Presents POPE LONERGAN: BANGIN' ON

Pope Lonergan is a comedian, Quaker, (recovering) drug addict and creator of 'Pope's Addiction Clinic' and 'The Care Home Tour'. In this show he'll talk about elderly care, opioids and accidentally breaking a woodlouse's pregnancy sack.

Rondo Theatre

Booking: The Rondo; Bath Comedy Festival **£12** 



#### 20:00 & 21:00 **A GUIDED WALK TO WESTON ISLAND** Join Bath Art Depot

For an evening walk & drink starting from Bath Spa Locksbrook Campus going to the Locksbrook Inn via the bus depot on Weston Island. We will open a dialogue about the history of the site and the future possibilities for the Island. Walks will set off at 8pm and 9pm. www.instagram.com/bathartdepot/ Meet outside Bath Spa University Locksbrook Campus





20:00 (doors open 19:30) ORIGIN JAZZ FUSION BAND With Paul Miché, John East & Jordan Calvert

Origin is a recently formed band who play original jazz fusion music. Paul Miché's improvisational and richly harmonic keyboard, along with John East's lyrical bass lines and Jordan Calvert's mix of sensitive but also driving rhythms will appeal to the modern jazz audience. **Support: Rich Atkinson & The New Billionaires.** *Forum Coffee House Booking: Bath Box Office £7.50* 



### Friday 10 June







#### 18:00 **DIVA NIGHT!** Hosted by Jimmy Mc

The Greatest hits of the Greatest Divas, covered by your favourite local musicians - confirmed so far: Dave Selby and the Shonky Trio, Kitwhistle, Andy Burden, Lawrie Duckworth and Hodmadoddery. Hosted by Jimmy Mc. Plus best fancy dressed diva competition; drunken karaoke; prize roulette and raffle. All proceeds to Unicef Widcombe Social Club

Booking: Komedia



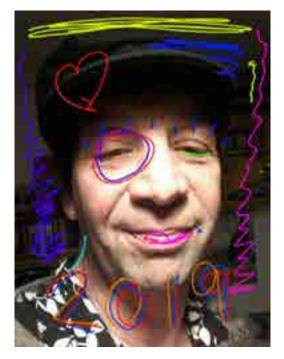
#### 8:00 (doors open 17:30) **Bath Institute of Laughter presents** SEVEN AGES OF MAN (OR WOMAN)

#### new comedy writing session

New comedy project showcases topical or satirical monologues inspired by Shakespeare's famous Seven Ages of Man speech. Expect observational stand-up comedy, Pam Ayres-style poetry, comic songs or theatrical monologues performed at an informal scratch night.

#### Widcombe Social Club No booking required

FREE



#### 18:00 The Bell Indie Comedy Club A NIGHT OF COMEDY & SKA

A night of dancing and laughing with: The Bell Indie Players - "The Window Tax" – A comedy play about the tax that lasted 162 years and its effect on the Arts and health of the people of Bath; Ska Aerobics;

The Bellarinas - comedy dance troupe. Plus Arnold Yeah and special quests.

The Bell - Back bar Booking: Tickets on door £3



#### 19:30 (doors open 18:30) THE SONGWRITERS CIRCLE

Award-winning singer songwriters Greg Hancock and Alex Seel will be joined by well-known troubadour Bob Gallie to present their music in the form of a Songwriters Circle. This increasingly-popular style of performance allows the audience to enjoy the work of three individual performers, while comparing their style, technique and songwriting.

#### The Old Theatre Royal Booking: Bath Box Office. Komedia

£7.50/£5 CONCS.



#### 20:00 (doors open 19:45) The Annual Immersive Event Returns! 20:20 VISION: UNBOUND

An evening of site specific theatre inspired by Shelly's masterpiece After a pandemic-imposed hiatus of 2 years, Bath Fringe favourites Fake Escape are back with their beloved 20:20 Vision immersive new writing festival - this time celebrating all things Frankenstein!

 The Frankenstein Museum

 Booking: Tickets on door; Bath Box Office

 £10 / £8 CONCS



#### 20:15 (doors open 20:00) Siddhartha Buddha and Charles Darwin present A TALK AND DISCUSSION ON BUDDHO-DARWINISM via Nick Hales

Buddho/Darwinism is a science and compassion based belief. The talk covers what science reveals, what belief is up against, (religions, inertia of humanity, selfishness, inhibition, envy). A short history of the how the development came about. Compassion and pain. Practices of compassion and of protecting the planet. Discussion will follow.

Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institution Elwin Room at the BRLSI FREE



20:00 (doors open 19:30) **THE UNRAVELLING WILBURYS A tribute to The Traveling Wilburys.** Captures the style and sounds perfectly with an added sense of humour. *Chapel Arts Centre Booking: Chapel Arts* £16 ADV. / £18 ON DOOR



20:00 (doors open 19:30) Blue Eyed Soul 2022 CLYVE

#### with Special Guests - Somewhere Over England

UK Soul artist Clyve brings his Blue Eyed Soul to Burdall's Yard for the Fringe 2022. He has performed in front of thousands all over UK & USA, and his latest album features a blend of soul styles, vibes and influences from his life in New York. Be prepared to dance!! *Booking www.burdallsyard.co.uk* **Burdall's Yard** 

£8



20:00 (doors open 19:00) Hannah Layton Management presents YOUR DAD'S MUM - TUES NIGHT @ SOCIAL CLUB

Explosive, immersive, and gag-packed comedy from the Leicester Comedy Festival award nominees. Join your hosts for a raucously daft hour featuring games, prizes, and hysterical musical numbers. *Rondo Theatre* 

Booking: The Rondo; Tickets sold on door www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/venueplan/gdMOYLRFWksr £12/£10



### Saturday 11 June



#### 14:30 (doors open 14:00) & 19:30 (doors open 19:00) Bath University Student Musicals Society present DOGFIGHT

#### by Pasek and Paul and Peter Duchan

This beautiful and uplifting musical, from the writers of the Greatest Showman, takes audiences on a romantic, heartbreaking and comical journey that stays with you long after the performance. Discover how a celebration of freedom before war turns into an awkward yet charming love story.

#### The Edge, University of Bath

Booking: The Edge - University of Bath Student Musical's Society website and Facebook. £8



#### 14:30

#### SHUDDERSOME: TALES OF POE

#### Adapted by Lindsay Price from Edgar Allan Poe

Spectres, ghosts and ghouls come alive in this vivid theatrical adaptation of some of Edgar Allan Poe's best-known works, including The Tell-Tale Heart, The Raven and The Masque of the Red Death.

**The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium** Booking: The Edge - University of Bath

£8/£5 CONCS.



#### 15:00

VINYL SATURDAYS Please see Saturday 29 May The Grapes FREE



### A NIGHT TO REMEMBER HOLLY HINKS



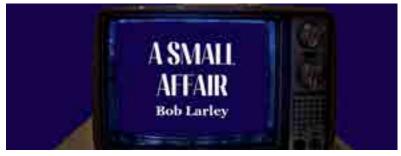
#### A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

#### **By Holly Hinks**

19:30

"A Night to Remember" is a mystery play, set in 1887, that asks you to suspend your disbelief as you watch the guests' secrets be revealed in the most ghostly of ways.

The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium Booking: The Edge - University of Bath £8 / £5 CONCS.



#### 19:30

#### A SMALL AFFAIR

#### By Bob Larbey

This one-act comedy relates the tale of a misfortunate double-booking in the television drama department. The cast find their space is taken over by would-be contestants on an idiotic panel show, and when the Head of Drama drops into the rehearsal the drama turns into a farce...

The Museum of Bath at Work Booking: The Edge - University of Bath £8 STANDARD, £5 CONCESSION



#### 19:30 (doors open 19:00) **BATHTUB ORCHESTRA**

#### With the Afternoon Rocks Choir

Founded in October 2018, the Bath Tub Orchestra is a mixed ability community orchestra that plays all kinds of music from pop, jazz, blues, film soundtracks to classical favourites.

Plus Corsham's Afternoon Rocks' choir.

Burdall's Yard Booking: Tickets on door £6. CHILDREN FREE

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20:00 (doors open 19:45) The Annual Immersive Event Returns! 20:20 VISION: UNBOUND

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20:00 (doors open 18:30) KRATER COMEDY CLUB

Please see Saturday 29 May Komedia Booking: Komedia VARIOUS PRICES - SEE KOMEDIA WEB-SITE



20:00 (doors open 19:30) UNTAMED BURLESQUE Featuring the rawest, wildest and UNTAMED Burlesque and cabaret stars from the South West and beyond! Chapel Arts Centre

Booking: Chapel Arts £20 ADV. / £22 ON DOOR



#### 20:00 (doors open 19:30) A Double Bill ERIC RUSHTON & ROB COPLAND Two Shows for the Price of One

Eric Rushton & Rob Copland are two of the UK's most gifted new comedians. Join them at The Rondo Theatre for a double bill, that will no doubt be one of Bath Fringe's most exciting evenings of live stand up comedy.

Rondo Theatre Booking: The Rondo £12



#### 20:00 (doors open 19:00) Jon Pickard HARP-GUITAR - MUSIC OF DREAMS

For the first time at Bath Fringe, experimental guitarist Jon Pickard presents a unique and spellbinding journey through the magical New Worlds of the amazing 23-string Classical Harp-Guitar - the rarest of all the guitar family. Winner of Buxton Fringe 2021 'Best Solo Instrumental Performance' award.

The Old Theatre Royal

Booking: Bath Box Office. Komedia £10 / £8 CONCS .



23:00 BIG DISCO Guilty disco pleasures from the 80's, 90's and 00's. *Komedia* Booking: Komedia VARIOUS PRICES - SEE KOMEDIA WEB-SITE



### Sunday 12 June



#### 14:30 A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

**By Holly Hinks** 

Please see Saturday 11 June The Mission Theatre - Main Auditorium Booking: The Edge - University of Bath £8 / £5 CONCS.

#### 19:30 <mark>A SMALL AFFAIR</mark>

**By Bob Larbey** Please see Saturday 11 June **The Museum of Bath at Work** Booking: The Edge - University of Bath

£8, £5 CONCS.

11:30 (doors open 11:00) **SESKA - FROOTYTOOTY** Creation than finding a parquin in a

Crazier than finding a penguin in your fridge turbo-charged Seska throws buckets of happiness into the air, in this brilliantly inventive magical show for all ages. *Komedia Booking: Komedia £5 ADULT / £3 CHILD / £16 FAMILY TICKET* 



#### **HANNAH READ & MICHAEL STARKEY**

Fiddle & Banjo duo bridging US & Scotland in styles, living spaces and backgrounds: it's all very well being told how these fit together but even better to be hearing it. Winning awards, plaudits, good jobs and collaborations on both sides of the pond. Bath's a bit out of both orbits of course, but geography will bother neither them not us this afternoon... **The Bell FREE** 





#### 16:00

#### SEAN KALUARACHCHI AND FINBAR MAGINN

Come and enjoy songs ranging from the 60's onward with two of Belfast's very own, Sean Kaluarachchi and Finbar Maginn. Both growing up around music, Finbar and Sean have been steeped in varying styles of music. Their influences include blues, rock, soul, jazz, traditional folk, bluegrass and more. Sean and Finbar will treat your soul with some strong vocals and tasty guitar licks to wind down your weekend.

The Grapes FREE



Please see Saturday 11 June **The Edge, University of Bath** Booking: The Edge - University of Bath's SU Arts page or Bath University Student Musical's Society website and Facebook. **£8** 

#### 19:30

SHUDDERSOME: TALES OF POE Adapted by Lindsay Price from Edgar Allan Poe

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20:00 (doors open 19:00) Wil Hodgkinson BARBICIDAL TENDENCIES

Comedian, barber, barstool philosopher - Chippenham's awardwinning, genderqueer punk storyteller makes his long-awaited return to the Fringe with a brand-new show. As seen on Russell Howard's most recent Netflix special. "The most charismatic of storytellers. A sort of urban warrior on behalf of all those who don't fit in" (The Scotsman).

**The Old Theatre Royal** Booking: Bath Box Office **£5** 

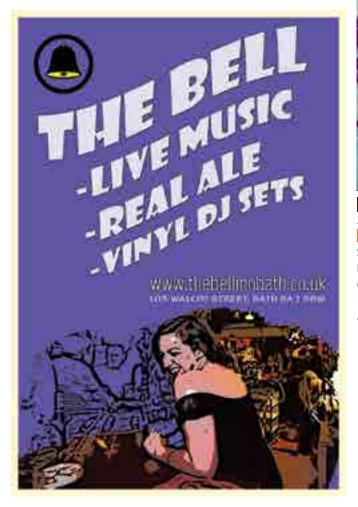
### AFTER



#### *Monday June 13* 21.00 AROUND ABOUT DUSK

Could be a new favourite Bristol band, featuring Rachel from Gin Bowlers and other familiar faces on 8 instruments between the 4 of them and a delicate and eclectic sound with echoes of early jazz, Euro-folk, and the unsettling worlds of silent cinema and symbolist short story...

The Bell FREE



THE TRAGEDY OF STREET DOG



#### *Wednesday 15 June* 21.00

**BETHLEHEM CASUALS** 

Wild electro-funk/guitar-psych collision who were going great guns before everything shut down and are just now getting back into their stride. It's another one of those Wednesdays in The Bell that feels like a Saturday Night at Boomtown or Pilton Pop... **The Bell FREE** 



#### *Tuesday June 14* 21.00 SYD PERRY

Syd's a Canadian-Jamaican with a sweet sense of melody, acoustic guitar and harmonica. His lyrical concerns are both urban and rural, and from both his cultures, a gentle admonition to the righteous life. Sound!

The Bell FREE

