

FREE Space² exhibitions

8-24 April Watford Museum School of Painting and Drawing

Selection of work from the school. Watford Museum. Thursday-Saturday, 10am-5pm. Tel: 01923 278333 or email: community@watford.gov.uk

8-30 April Alana Jenkins

Work by fine artist Alana Jenkins. Customer Service Centre (Town Hall). Monday-Friday, 8.30am-5.30pm. Tel: 01923 278333 or email: community@watford.gov.uk

3 April Society, Seascapes and Saints

Art Appreciation Lecture. Watford Museum. 11am. £5. Booking essential. Tel: 01923 232297 or email: info@watfordmuseum.org.uk

6 April Demonstration of acrylics by Robert Harris

Watford & Bushey Art Society, Beechen Grove Baptist Church. 7.30-9.30pm. Members free. Visitors £3. Visit: www.wbas.org or tel: 01923 224848

6, 7, 13 & 14 April FREE Children's workshops

Workshops for all ages based around the theme of recycling. The Harlequin, outside HMV. 10am-5pm. Tel: 01923 278333 or email: community@watford.gov.uk

7 April FREE Anthony McGowan

Award winning author talks about his Barebum books. Ages 7+. North Watford Library. 2.30-4pm. Limited places, booking essential. Tel: 01923 471333

FREE Women in Watford

Informal meeting of all women over 18 sharing ideas, networking & demonstrating skills, products etc. Multi Cultural Community Centre. 1-3pm. For details tel: 01923 220136

8, 9, 15 & 16 April Easter Workshops at Watford Museum

Arts & craft workshops for 8 to 12 years. Watford Museum. 10.30-12.30. £6 (Booking essential). Tel: 01923 232297 or email: info@watfordmuseum.org.uk

9 April FREE Easter Showcase

Showcase of local performers and artists. Watford town centre. 1-5pm. Tel: 01923 278333 or email: community@watford.gov.uk

Sporting Dinner with Graham Taylor & guest

Join us for a night of football chat. 3 course meal, followed by guest talks with former players, plus an auction & raffle. Metropolitan Police Sports Club. 7pm. £60 per person. Email: tickets@peacehospice.org.uk or tel: 01923 335370

10 April Watford Film Society Screening

Award-winning comedy 'Happy-Go-Lucky' (certificate 15). 7.30pm, doors 7pm. The Clarendon Muse. £4.50 advance online, £6 on door. Visit: www.watfordfilmsociety.org

12-16 April Alice in Wonderland

Sing, dance, act & have fun at Little Angel's Theatre Camp. Ages 5-11. Nascot Wood Junior School. 10am-4pm (extended day 9am-5pm). From £99 for the full week. Visit: www.littleangel.org or tel: 0845 026 2071

14, 21 & 28 April Meditation Classes

Ages 11+. Guided meditation classes, no experience needed. Friends Meeting House. 7.30-9pm. £8 per class or £24 for 4 weeks. Tel: 020 8455 7563 or visit: www.meditateinlondon.org.uk

15 April-8 May Mrs Reynolds & the Ruffian

A new play by commissioned especially by Watford Palace Theatre. Watford Palace Theatre. Various times & prices. Visit: www.watfordpalacetheatre.co.uk or tel: 01923 225671

18 April Belly Dance Workshop

Suitable for Beginners & Improvers. Newton Price Centre. £30 (Booking essential). Visit: www.dawnharveybellydancer.webs.com or tel: 07850 310978

From 20 April Hayaam Bellydance classes

Tuesdays. Ages 16+. Watford TFC Studio. Various times & prices. Email: Hayaam@hayaam.com or visit: www.hayaam.com/classes

21 April Masters of Solo Guitar

Stuart Ryan in Concert. Watford School of Music at The Clarendon Muse. 7.30pm. Various prices. Tel: 07796 272326 or visit: www.icontakt.com

24 April A Night at the Races

Family fun event to sponsor a race or buy a horse. Westfield Community Technology College. Doors 7.30pm. Adults £3, children £1. (Free entry for under 12s). Tel: 07946 785649

25 April Specialist Market

Watford town centre, pond area. All day. Tel: 01923 278333 or email: community@watford.gov.uk

28 April Teenagers! - What every parent has to know

Hosted by Rob Parsons, bestselling author & international speaker on family issues. Francis Combe Academy. 7.30-10.00pm. Various prices. Visit: www.careforthefamily.org.uk or tel: 029 2081 0800

29 April Music & Literature talk

Rob Cowan from BBC Radio 3 talking about classical music related to Literature. Watford Central Library. 7pm. £4. £2 concessions. Pick up a ticket from the library or tel: 0300 123 4049

30 April 150 Years of Our Rights of Way & Open Spaces

Friends of Watford Museum Talk. Watford Museum. 2pm. £2, free for Friends. Tel: 01923 232297 or email: info@watfordmuseum.org.uk

Weekly Activities

Mondays Life Drawing in Watford

Starts 12 April. 8-week course covering aspects such as light & shade, proportion & volume. Not suitable for children. Friends Meeting House. 10am-12 noon. Tel: 07792 905979 or email: cleo.harrington@googlemail.com

Watford Writers

Ages 16+. A full programme of events from Manuscript Nights to Competitions to Talks & Discussions. Café Cha Cha Cha. 7.30-9.30pm. £3. Visit: www.watfordwriters.co.uk or email: watfordwriters@gmail.com

Watford Folk Dance Group

Adults. Term time. Traditional English country dancing club. No experience necessary. Christ Church Hall. 8-10pm. £3 including refreshments. Tel: 01923 233371 / 284303

Mondays & Tuesdays FREE Story & Rhyme Time

Under 5s. Mondays at North Watford Library. Tuesdays at Watford Central Library. 2.15-2.45pm. Tel: 01923 471333

Mondays & Wednesdays Belly Dance Classes

Ages 14+. Drop-in classes for beginners & intermediate/advanced. Visit: www.dawnharveybellydancer.webs.com or tel: 07850 310978

Tuesdays Argentine Tango classes

A structured Tango class for all levels with Richard Putko. Ages 16+. The Studio, Ramada Hotel. Basic 8pm, Intermediate 8.45pm. £8 drop-in. Visit: tanguoende.co.uk or tel: 07944 462461

FREE 50+ Activity Sessions

A range of activities including new age kurling, bowls, gentle exercise & badminton. 50+. Newton Price Centre (10am-12pm) & Holywell Community Centre (1-3pm). Email: a.freeman2@herts.ac.uk or tel: 01707 281006

Herts Inclusive Theatre

From 20 April. Ages 6-18 years. Drama & theatre workshops. The James Theatre, Watford Grammar School for Boys. £55 per term, concessions available. Visit: www.hitproject.co.uk, tel: 01923 499310

FREE Lunchtime Concerts at St Mary's

St Mary's Church. 1-2pm. Tel: 01923 225189

Open Mic Music Event

Pump House Theatre & Arts Centre. Doors open 7.30pm for 8.30pm start. 15 minute slots for players. £3. Raffle. Email: watfordopenmic@hotmail.com

Yoga Classes

Friends Meeting House. 10.30am-12pm. £8. Tel: 01442 260601

Tuesdays & Thursdays Salsa Revolution Lessons & Club Night

Over 18s. Jongleurs Comedy Club. Doors open 7.45 - 11pm. £7. Visit: www.salsarevolution.co.uk

Wednesdays

Lindy Hop, Jitterbug & Jive

Learn to dance various swing dances from the 1940s. 16-60yrs. Westfield Community Sports Centre. 8.15pm-10pm. £6.00 drop in or £30.00 for 6 week course. Visit: www.jiveswing.com or tel: 01438 718906

FREE Morris Men Dance Practice & Tuition

Learn & perfect traditional & contemporary Morris dances. For men aged 18+. Pump House Arts Centre. 8-10.30pm. Tel: 01727 839266 or email: info@woodsidedmorrismen.com

Music for Babies & Toddlers

Drop-in sessions. Watford School of Music, The Clarendon Muse. 10-10.45am. £3.90 per child. Tel: 01923 225531

The Guitar Project

All ages. Intermediate standard guitars in ensemble project. Watford School of Music. 7.30-9pm. £30 approx per term. Tel: 01923 245559

Total Belly Dance Course

Belly dance course for ages 16+. Newton Price Centre. 7-8pm. For details & price tel: 07886 798061 or email: vanessa@totalbellydance.com

Wednesdays & Sundays

LOVE Bollywood Dance School

Ages 3-18. Classes in Bollywood, theatre, contemporary dance & tap. TFC Studio. £6.50 drop-in. Visit: www.love-bollywood.co.uk or tel: 07810 373666

Thursdays

FREE Baby Rhyme Time

Watford Central Library. First & third Thursday of month, North Watford Library second & fourth Thursday. 2.15-2.45pm. Tel: 01923 471333

Infinite Circus

Learn & practice circus skills. Newton Price Centre. 8-9.30pm. £3. Tel: 07719 646553

Rock 'n' Roll Jive Course

Beginners' courses. The Methodist Church Hall. For details visit: www.LearnToJive.com or tel: 020 8566 5226

Watford Life Club

Ages 18+. Life coaching workshops. Newton Price Centre. 7.30-9pm. £10 one-off membership, £15 per workshop. Tel: 07946 304135 or email: n-p-c@btconnect.com

Thursdays & Fridays

Guilfoyle Academy of Irish Dancing

Watford classes. Tel: 07738 975029 or email: guilfoyledance@yahoo.co.uk

Watford Museum School of Drawing & Painting

Learn or improve existing skills. Watford Museum. For times & prices tel: 01923 232297 or email: info@watfordmuseum.org.uk

Fridays Popdance classes

Dance classes for 18+ who want to learn dance routines to "pop" music from the 80s, 90s & modern day. Woodside Leisure Centre. 10-11am. £6 per class. Visit: www.popdance.co.uk or email: info@popdance.co.uk

Saturdays

Creative Writing Group

Adults. All aspects of writing. Contributors from Zimbabwe & South Africa. 10am-12pm. £2. For details tel: 07946 361591 or email: artslearning@aol.com

Sundays

Jazz & Showstoppers Singing Course

Over 18s. Singing lessons culminating in a showcase with live jazz trio. Moonglow Dance Studios. 10-12pm & 12-2pm. For prices tel: 07790 451509

Ladies Salsa Dance Classes

Learn Salsa moves, timing, balance, footwork, styling & more. Adults. Newton Price Centre. 10.30-11.30am. £6 (£4 Trial Lesson). Visit: www.salsafemme.co.uk or tel: 07956 128014

FREE Singers' Night Jazz Jam

Over 21s. All abilities. Resident jazz trio accompaniment for singers, musicians & music lovers. Bring your sheet music & join in. Bar Bodega. 8-11pm. Tel: 07790 451509 or email: esta@estabdaley.com

Zumba classes for adults

At the Newton Price Centre and Femme Fitness. 11.45am-12.45pm. £6 (or £5 for Femme Fitness members). Email: zumba@baabaababies.co.uk or visit: www.zumba.com

Activities at Newton Price Centre

Classes include yoga, drumming, hip hop, ballet & jazz. Also language classes, Buddhism studies & parties. Visit: www.newton-price-centre.ik.com or tel: 01923 233439

Activities at Friends Meeting House

Includes yoga, jazz, ballet, support groups, meditation & circle dancing, Friends Meeting House. For details & prices visit: www.watfordquakers.org.uk

Activities at Watford Palace Theatre

Includes community choir for all & free writing workshop for ages 14+. Visit: www.watfordpalacetheatre.co.uk or tel: 01923 225671

BaaBaa Babies

Activity classes from 0-5 years. Exercise little minds & bodies. Visit: www.baabaababies.co.uk or tel: 07949 132517

Creative Classes with The Dan Tien

Evening classes for children & adults. Centrepoint Community Centre. For times & prices visit: www.thedantien.co.uk or tel: 01923 441043

Classes in Dance, Drama & Musical Theatre

Ages 18 months to professional level. Collective Dance Performing Arts School & Teaching College. For details tel: 0208 428 0037 or email: info@collectivedance.co.uk

Events at Watford School of Music

Music classes & individual tuition, music & movement, junior music school, wind bands, Taiko Japanese drumming, soul singers, string orchestras & more. Visit: www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk or tel: 01923 225531

Fujian White Crane Kung Fu

Adult classes. Multicultural Community Centre & Charters Health Club. £10 trial class. For details visit www.fwckungfu.com or tel: 07912 354586

Hartbeeps Magical Music Workshops

Babies & toddlers. Café Cha Cha Cha. Various days & times. £5.50 a session, free taster. Tel: 07796 097724 or email: sarah@hartbeeps.com

The Hot & Bothered School of Dance

Street Dance, Jazz, Tap & Musical Theatre Dance Classes for boys & girls aged from 2½ years through to adult level. Watford Grammar School for Girls. Tel: 07740 605275 or email: chantal@hotandbothered.biz

Leal School of Dance

Classes for children & adults. 5 & 10-week adult basic courses including tap & ballroom & 10-week performing arts course for ages 4-18. Visit: www.lealschoolofdance.com or tel: 01923 218626

Recuperation & relaxation yoga workshops

Ages 18+. Restorative yoga, breathing practice, deep relaxation & meditation. Newton Price Centre. 7-9.30pm. £14 or £10 for students with cards from Yogatree school. Visit: www.yogatree.org.uk or tel: 07528 122 281.

FREE Up On Downs

Drop-in coffee & play sessions, last Wednesday of the month. Beechfield Children's Centre. 9.45-11.45am. Tel: 01923 442230 or email: atinsley8@aol.com

Watford Camera Club

Weekly meetings (Thursdays) & monthly digital workshops (Tuesdays). Visit www.watfordcameraclub.org

Watford Chamber of Commerce Events

For this month's events visit: www.watfordchamber.co.uk

Watford Colosseum

For this month's events visit: www.watford-colosseum.co.uk

FREE Wild about... Watford!

Come & help protect & enhance Watford's parks & open spaces as part of the council's nature conservation programme. Volunteer opportunities available all over the town. Tel: 01923 278333

Yoga at Westfield

Beginners, pregnancy, baby & toddler yoga. Westfield Children's Centre. Various times & prices. Visit: www.esprit-yoga.com or tel: 07980 415698

What's On

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Your guide to What's On in and around Watford this month
www.watford.gov.uk



Watford Borough Council is committed to creating a family friendly town, and is keen to encourage events and activities that bring people together, to have fun and be entertained. If you are interested in providing entertainment in the town, please contact us for an application form, by email: community@watford.gov.uk or call on tel: **01923 278333**.

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