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The AUTUMN FESTIVAL of Norfolk Guide 2024



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PETER WILSON MBE Tribute Screening of TS Eliot's Four Quartets presents The Philadelphia Story Saturday 14th Sept. 7.30pm-9.30pm At The Blake Studio, Norwich School, NR1 4DD. £15/£12 Concs. (Includes

Prof. SIMON SCHAMA CBE in Conversation with JOHN WILSON

Saturday 28th September 1pm - 2.30pm At The UFA Drama Studio Norwich Research Park NR4 7AF £20/£18 Concs.

post event drinks & canapes).

JONATHON PORRITT CBE in Conversation with Tahira Yagoob

Saturday 28th September 3pm-4.30pm At The UFA Drama Studio Norwich Research Park, NR4 7AF £20/£18 Concs.

TOTAL ENSEMBLE: ARTS INITIATIVE presents DANCE INTO THE FALL

At The Blake Studio, Norwich School, NR1 4DD £12/£10 Concs. (Includes post event drinks, Booja Booia Truffles & social).



THE NORFOLK ACTORS COMPANY

Monday 28th October - Saturday 2nd November, 7.30pm each evening. At the Hostry, Norwich Cathedral, NR14DH

Tickets £12-£18/£10-£16 Concs.

LORD & LADY DANNATT In Conversation with NICHOLAS WITCHELL

Saturday 2nd November. 1pm - 2.30pm At The Hostry, Norwich Cathedral, NR1 4DH £20/£18 Concs.

NICHOLAS WITCHELL In Conversation with SUSIE FOWLER-WATT

Saturday 2nd November. 3pm - 4.30pm. At The Hostry, Norwich Cathedral, NR1 4DH £20/£18 Concs.

CARLOS ACOSTA In Conversation with BBC's JOHN WILSON

Saturday 19th October, 7.30pm - 10pm Sunday 3rd November, 1pm - 2.30pm At The Hostry, Norwich Cathedral, NR1 4DH £25/£22 Concs.

DON WARRINGTON In Conversation with BBC's JOHN WILSON

Sunday 3rd November, 3pm - 4,30pm At The Hostry, Norwich Cathedral, NR1 4DH, £20/£18 Concs.

THE AFRICAN CHOIR OF NORFOLK Annual Gala Concert

Saturday 16th November. 7.30pm-10pm. At Norwich Plavhouse, NR3 1AB £20/£18 Concs.

KANNEH-MASON FAMILY In Concert

Sunday 24th November, 7.30pm-9.30pm At Blake Studio, Norwich School, NR1 4DD £22/£20 Concs. (includes post-concert drinks & meet the artists).

HOT STOVE 3

Friday 29th November. 7.30pm-10.30pm At Margo's Lounge. Gorleston-On-Sea NR31 6AG, £12

NB: Events above the line are bookable through Norwich Theatre Roval Box Office (01603 598676). Check event pages for more details.

NB: Events below the line, are bookable through the host venues. Check event pages for more details.

PAUL JACKSON Elsewhere 3

Sunday 27th October. 7:00pm - 9:30pm At Anteros Arts, Fye Bridge Street, Norwich NR3 1L1 f14/f12 Concs

AGATHA CHRISTIE Murder In the Studio.

Sunday 17th November, 7,30pm-10pm At Maddermarket Theatre. St John's Alley NR2 1DR, £18/£16 Concs. includes post show with jazz pianist Simon Brown in the theatre bar until midnight.

CONCESSIONS for the Under 18's, Full-Time Students, Over 65's, Job Seekers Allowance and Income Support, Discounts vary depending on the event.

Appropriate ID will be checked on admission.

All events have wheelchair access apart from Anteros Arts Foundation event space. Please let us know of any access requirements on booking.





Welcome to

The AUTUMN FESTIVAL of Norfolk ** IN PARTNERSHIP WITH University of East Anglia

Throughout the following pages you will read about Norfolk's artistic landscape celebrated in so many wonderful ways. There will be new commissions and debuts, with people and projects from across Norfolk taking part.

At the heart of the festival you will find our Signature Projects: The Norfolk Actors Company. The Norfolk Arts Awards. Total Ensemble: Arts Initiative, and the African Choir of Norfolk. each one initiated and developed under the creative umbrella of the festival.

Following on from our Map of Venues last year, 2024 sees us launch our Postcodes In Profile feature. This new roadmap of engagement with people and projects is a remarkable testimony to our outreach, not only during the festival, but in many cases throughout the year.

We welcome the Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk as our new patron, and thank her for being our guest of honour at our rebranding launch, "What an absolute triumph! The whole place was abuzz with energy, creativity and purpose. I met so many completely inspirational individuals. It felt like being a part of a huge, vibrant and ever-growing family" LADY DANNATT, Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk.

Be sure to visit our brand-new website and engage with us on our social media platforms. As always, we thank all those who help enable us to deliver our programme to you each season, and we greatly look forward to welcoming you at our events this coming Autumn.

Best Wishes.

Stash and Peter

STASH KIRKBRIDE. Artistic Director **PETER BARROW.** Executive Producer stash@autumnfestivalofnorfolk.org





POSTCODES IN PROFILE

Each year the festival engages and celebrates with people and projects from all four corners of Norfolk. Here is just a sample of postcodes of people taking part across our Signature Projects in 2024.



Map showing reach of festival engagement across Norfolk Total Number of Participants 2024: 200+



THEATRE • MUSIC • VOICE • DANCE • VISUAL ARTS • SPOKEN WORD • NEW COMMISSIONS





Norwich School is again delighted to work with the Autumn Festival of Norfolk in 2024. It is a wonderful opportunity to promote creativity and community cohesion in Cathedral Close, the heart of our Fine City and wider county. I should like to pick out a few of our highlights: hosting rehearsals for The Norfolk Actors Company as they prepare their show in the Hostry; supporting the growth of inclusive dance opportunities through the second Dance Into The Fall platform, and welcoming back the Kanneh-Mason family for their third concert in our Blake Studio. We look forward to hosting you!

STEFFAN GRIFFITHS

Head. Norwich School



NORWICH

"Norwich and Norfolk has a fine cultural heritage that enriches the life of the city and county.

As we anticipate The Autumn Festival of Norfolk, its rich and varied programme promises to stimulate and stretch our hearts, minds and spirits.

There is much to look forward to as the Festival continues to evolve and develop. Norwich Cathedral wishes the Festival well".

Dean of Norwich, the Very Reverend Dr ANDREW BRADDOCK





Total Ensemble has been a cornerstone of Norfolk's arts scene for over a decade, producing original theatre productions and engaging with communities across the region.

We continue to shine a spotlight on our Ground Up & Grass Roots programme offering workshops in theatre skills, and creating inclusive performances with groups and individuals based in and around Great Yarmouth.

I take this opportunity to invite new partners, practitioners and participants to be part of Ground Up & Grass Roots 0.3, September '24 - March '25. Join our creative community, play a role in enriching lives and join in the fun.

"I have loved this project. I felt part of something important where we have worked as a real team, a collective. The best bits were seeing everyone building positive, kind rapport and friendship, filming on the beach, working with musicians and professional artists and seeing students express a desire to volunteer on the next one."

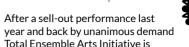
"This project gave me a different perspective on theatre. It taught me to understand others better, helped me to build confidence and was very fun."

"This project made me take a bus for the first time. It introduced me to people with different needs and a cool new approach to devising art, especially while basing it around the people doing it and their strengths."

OUOTES FROM PARTICIPANTS & PARTNERS 2023/2024

And now to our Norwich-based autumnal activities...





delighted to return with its dynamic platform, Dance into The Fall, a celebration of all that dance has to offer us.

This will be a stunning evening for lovers of dance. Turn to page 8 for more. Book early as this will sell out fast!

"This is what theatre and dance should be; for the community, by the community. What a wonderful celebration of diversity, strength and community".

Dance into the Fall audience member '23

For more information about getting involved in any of our work contact me direct, rebecca@totalensemble.org

Eniov the Autumn Festival

REBECCA CHAPMAN

Founder of Total Ensemble: Arts Initiative



Rebecca (on right) with members of Total Ensemble Outreach Programme.
Photo by Richard Howes



DANDIES

They are a Norfolk Arts Award and EDP People's Choice award winning arts collective based here, in the East of England, Since 2010 they have been painting community inspired murals and delivering arts workshops, festivals, films and exhibitions locally. Their focus has been on creating work with community hubs for adults with learning difficulties, helping to give artistic voice to all those involved.

"We are delighted to be invited to be the 2024 Autumn Festival Artists, creating the cover image for the festival programme and the ship painting - a commission to adorn the stage set and programme for the festival's central production of The Philadelphia Story" (See centre pages)

If you are interested in supporting Norwich Dandies' work with local community hubs please get in touch via norwichdandies.co.uk

Contact The Norwich Dandies

mail@norwichdandies.co.uk

Artist Contacts

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Christina Saberton chrissyviolet79@gmail.com

The AUTUMN FESTIVAL of Norfolk



Chrissy! and Dugald!' Reserve Price: £20



NORWICH DANDIES ONLINE AUCTION

Opens Saturday 21st September

The highest bidders on all three original paintings will be announced on our festival website and social media platforms in November. Good luck with your bids and keep an eye on it all on our landing page by visiting www.autumnfestivalofnorfolk.org

The AUTUMN FESTIVAL of Norfolk in association with HOUGHTON HALL NORFOLK LIEUTENANCY, DARTMOUTH FILMS. **INSIGHT MEDIA PRODUCTIONS** and **NORWICH SCHOOL** presents

PETER WILSON MBE **Tribute** Screening of TS Eliot's Four Quartets

Saturday 14th September

Photo by Garlinda Birkbeck

Tickets: £15 Concs £12 Includes post event drinks & canapes.

Book your place:

www.autumnfestivalofnorfolk.org Norwich Theatre Royal in person or by calling 01603 598676

At The Blake Studio. Norwich School NR1 4DD. 7.30pm - 9.30pm



This unique film honours Peter's memory and contributions to the arts, and this evening's screening is a heartfelt tribute to his artistic legacy.

Peter Wilson's reflective performance was originally commissioned by the festival's Artistic Director in 2016 and filmed by LORD DAVID CHOLMONDELEY in 2021. at Peter's home.

By kind permission of Faber and Faber and the TS Eliot Estate.

Don't miss the return of a festival highlight from our first decade of commissions, a truly memorable and thought-provoking event not to be missed.





Norwich School

REBECCA CHAPMAN presents a **TOTAL ENSEMBLE ARTS INITIATIVE** in association with JANE HAWKSLEY. NORWICH SCHOOL & BOOJA BOOJA

Dance into the Fall fall

AN EVENING OF LIVE DANCE PERFORMANCE

Gala event with complimentary bubbly, soft drinks & Booja Booja Truffles at an after-show party until 11pm.

The Autumn Festival of Norfolk and Total Ensemble Arts Initiative give dance a bespoke platform in the county's arts festival scene.

Performances by our beloved community dance groups, representing all ages and a variety of styles, glimpses of work by emerging artists and pieces by some of Norfolk's finest professional choreographers, makers and dancers.

Sharing in the joy of dance will ease us into the winter months, encouraging us all to embrace dance and artful movement, proven to boost personal wellbeing and a sure-fire way to sustain connection with community and kindred spirits.

Dancing into the Fall and onwards throughout the darkness and cold of winter months will lift our spirits and feed our souls.



BOOJA-BOOJA Norwich School

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Book now!

Tickets: £15 Concs £12

Book your place:

www.autumnfestivalofnorfolk.org Norwich Theatre Royal in person or by calling 01603 598676

At The Blake Studio. Norwich School NR1 4DD. 7.30pm - 9.30pm



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In Partnership With Dance into the Fall

Movement Connects CIC is a network of movement artists based in East Anglia. The network gives local artists an opportunity to ask for support, build connections and sustain their practice. We run monthly online meet-ups, send out monthly 'round-up' newsletters, host a weekly Open Practice programme in partnership with Copperdot Studio and arrange professional development events throughout the year.

We champion working collaboratively with artists, organisations and venues because we see the value in artistic work that's created in East Anglia. Working in this way opens us up to diverse perspectives, enhanced problem solving and change making, therefore creating a stronger and more sustainable Arts sector in East Anglia.

Even if you aren't an East Anglian movement artist, you can support the network in the following ways:

- Donate
- Share our work with others
- Volunteer your time/expertise
- Support the work of local artists

Copperdot is the home for professional dance practice in Norwich.

It is our platform for growth, innovation and change.

It is our space to extend our practice and our community. We are interested in making and creating, playing and finding new ways to make work, pushing boundaries, working with all media and artists. Evolving practice and continuing our love for movement.

The artists at Copperdot are specialists in their field. They are engaged in professional dance practice, which includes making choreographic pieces, creating live performances, films and installations, touring shows, investing in research, treating and rehabilitating clients through Physiotherapy, Clinical Pilates, Therapeutic Yoga, Falls Prevention, Dance Movement Psychotherapy and Somatic Practices.

At the heart of the work at Copperdot is a love for movement and well-being. The scope of practice amongst those who work on site is vast, which means something new is always on the horizon.

THE AUTUMN FESTIVAL of Norfolk in association with THE EASTERN DAILY PRESS & UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA presents

ARTS AWARDS

AUTUMN FESTIVAL

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In association with Eastern Daily Press

We present the 12th year of The Norfolk
Arts Awards. This year, for the first time,
all award category nominees have been
decided by the Creative Industries Voting
of over 900 people, as well as by readers
of the Eastern Daily Press.

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county of ours.

Many more thousands have voted this year, with the results shared over this especially extended feature. Enjoy finding out about the finalists for each supported award and be sure to visit the websites of people and projects from across Norfolk.

The winners of all the awards will be announced in the Eastern Daily Press on Thursday 26th September and then profiled in detail on our new look Norfolk Arts Awards website, to be launched Autumn 2024.

More than ever the Norfolk Arts Awards serves to illustrate and celebrate the talent and passion shown by creatives from all four corners of this stunning county of ours.

You can show your support for those nominees and winners chosen this year by posting on our social media platforms.

It doesn't matter whether you're an individual artist or a large-scale organisation, you can create interest and support for your chance to be short listed each year. There are so many examples where there are just a few votes separating the finalists, so it is all

THE BUSINESS AND THE ARTS AWARD



NORWICH LANES STIMMED FAVE

The Norwich Lanes Summer Fayre, started in 2008, attracts 25-30,000 visitors annually. This volunteer-run event features swing dancing, DJs, live bands, art pop-ups, vintage markets, and great food, celebrating the UK's largest independent business community and adding £500k to the local economy. norwichlanes.co.uk

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THE GARAGE TRUST

The Garage Trust, a Norfolk-based performing arts charity, runs The Garage in Norwich, and The Workshop in King's Lynn. They provide educational programmes, support artist development and co-produce performances for children and young people. thegarage.org.uk

"Mortgages For Actors are pleased to be supporting this award. We are delighted to continue our association with the artistic community in Norfolk." HOWARD REUBEN Cert PFS, Cert C11 (MP & ER)

THE DICK CONDON THEATRE AWARD



NORWICH PUPPET THEATRE

Norwich Puppet Theatre is a multi-art form venue and theatre company dedicated to puppetry. For over 40 years, they've created shows for family audiences, toured internationally, and provided creative skills sessions for all ages through regional community outreach.

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NORWICH THEATR

Norwich Theatre, a leading UK arts organisation, offers a vibrant programme of live performances and creative activities, enriching audiences of all ages. It collaborates with various partners, hosts top touring productions, and provides award-winning programmes addressing social isolation and mental health.

"We at The Garage Trust believe that the arts have the potential to transform people's lives, and that theatres and theatre makers are the catalysts for this change, as they weave the stories that inspire and delight us. It gives us great delight to support the theatre makers of today and tomorrow through our work."
ADAMTAYLOR CEC. THE GARAGE TRUST

THE VISUAL ARTS AWARD



A HANDFUL OF TIME BY DOT HOWARD AND SORREL

Dot Howard and Sorrel Muggridge are visual artists with 20+ years of experience who have featured in major festivals. As Evebrow Arts since 2013, they create participatory art in care settings for dementia patients and adults with learning disabilities, ahandfuloftime.co.u



SAINSBURY CENTRE

The Sainsbury Centre, a worldclass art museum, fosters cultural dialogue and exchange It uniquely recognizes art's living lifeforce, building relationships across the arts and addressing vital life questions. It houses Si Robert and Lady Lisa Sainsbury's renowned, non-conformist collection in Sir Norman Foster's first public building. sainsburvcentre.ac.uk

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"As the largest educational institution in the county delivering Visual and Creative Arts courses. we are delighted to celebrate the creativity and inspirational work of local artists by supporting this award."

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"Norfolk has an outstanding

The John Jarrold Trust

JERRY WHITE

Principal & Chief Executive

THE IARROLD NEW WRITING AWARD



HORSE PLAY BY KATIF-ANNA WHITING

Katie-anna is a Norfolk born and bred performer, theatre maker and mum. and Artistic Director of The Whiting's On The Wall theatre company, 'Horse Play' is the first full length play she has written, pieced together using interviews, press cuttings and her grandfather's scrapbooks.



THEATRE, IN ASSOCIATION

Incubate, co-created by Norwich Theatre and UEA, supported recent UEA alumni with mentoring from theatre staff, academics, and professionals. Over six rounds. it nurtured professional growth, encouraged creative ambition, and showcased new work, employing 53 artists, mainly from East Anglia, norwichtheatre.org uea.ac.uk



INCUBATE BY NORWICH WITH UEA

variety of writing talent, which it is fitting to celebrate with an annual award. The shortlist is inspiring and it will be fascinating to see who emerges as the popular choice as the general public votes for the first time." THE JOHN JARROLD TRUST

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Creating Projects in Norfolk

PETER BARROW **BURSARY AWARD**

Winner to be announced on 26th September 2024

"Peter Barrow here, of the Autumn Festival of Norfolk. Later this year we will be announcing the winner of the Peter Barrow Bursary award for £500. The winner will be decided by public voting for the first time, and all aged 16 - 30 are eligible.

PETER BARROW

Co-Founder of The Autumn Festival of Norfolk

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THE NORFOLK ICON AWARD

Winner to be announced on 26th September 2024

"Houghton Hall are thrilled to sponsor the Norfolk Icon Award, celebrating individuals born in Norfolk who have achieved exceptional success and brought pride to our county. This prestigious accolade honours their remarkable contributions to the arts, highlighting the talent and creativity nurtured right here in Norfolk. Join us in celebrating the outstanding achievements of this year's recipient, whose iournev continues to inspire us all."

LORD DAVID CHOLMONDELEY

THE MUSIC AWARD



KIMBERI EY MOORE

Kimberlev is a singer, musician. composer, performer, and workshop facilitator. She uses music to express emotions and create spaces for others to do the same. With guitar and ukulele. Kimberlev performs quirky. semi-autobiographical songs with a comically sensitive touch. kimberlevmooremusic.co.uk



KI ANGHALIS

KlangHaus creates immersive. site-responsive shows blending cinema, theatre, and live rock. They've performed at the Edinburgh Fringe, Royal Festival Hall, and COP26. Described as "aural and visual magic." they staged 210 shows in 21 days at Edinburgh Fringe 2023.

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NORWICH SCHOOL

norwich-school.org.uk

"Music is an art-form which is at the same time individually inspirational and collaborative. We are thrilled to be involved in an award that celebrates its promotion in this wonderful county!"

STEFFAN GRIFFITHS

Headmaster, Norwich School

THE BROADCAST AND MEDIA AWARD Supported by



Future Radio. Norwich's community station, is run by volunteers who produce shows, source news. and represent diverse interests. Partnering with local organizations. it offers training and services. Broadcasting on FM, DAB, online, and Smart Speaker, it reaches communities across Greater Norwich, Cambridge and Kings



SoundYard, run by former BBC producers Sophie Little and Anna Perrott, teaches audio production and creates podcasts from their studio in Norwich. Focused on amplifying under-heard voices. they produce Chris Skinner's Countryside Podcast and offer a free postal CD service for those without access to the internet. soundvard.org



"We're thrilled to be supporting the recognition of such fantastic talent in media and broadcasting in our county, through association with this award."

FACULTY OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

In association with: THE LORD LIEUTENANT'S OFFICE



norfolk-lieutenancy.org.uk



THE PETER WILSON SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Winner to be announced on 26th September 2024

Established in 2023 to mark the passing of Peter Wilson MBE (Chief Executive of Norwich Theatre Royal 1992 – 2016). This award celebrates individuals who have made a significant positive impact on the arts in Norfolk over the last year through a professional or voluntary role.

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LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Winner to be announced on 26th September 2024

"All over Norfolk, cultural champions are flying the flag for the arts. This award celebrates those who have gone above and beyond over many years. We are delighted to support this accolade." LOUISA BALDWIN

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What's On Editor, Eastern Daily Press

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THE JOHN HAWKSLEY DANCE AND MUSICAL THEATRE AWARD



TRIPLE THREAT STAGE

A "triple threat" in musical theatre excels in acting, singing, and dancing, Triple Threat stage school, started in 2016 with 50 students, now operates in four locations, offering choirs, private lessons, and clubs. It serves 295 children, fostering confidence and self-expression. triplethreatttageschool.co.uk



THE GARAGE

The Garage in Norwich, and The Workshop in King's Lynn run dance activities and courses for all ages and abilities - from My First Ballet for children aged 2-3 to GCSE Dance, to the inclusive D4 Dance company, thegarage.org.uk

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IANE HAWKSLEY

"John Hawksley was a great believer in supporting grass roots art and because of my interest in dancing in all its forms we are delighted to be sponsoring this award. The iov of dancing is unlimited"

JANE HAWKSLEY

THE EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY AWARD



The Garage Trust is a Norfolk-based performing arts charity running two arts centres: The Garage in Norwich and The Workshop in King's Lynn. with a purpose to change people's lives through art, especially the lives of young people, and those who face challenging circumstances. thegarage.org.uk



NORWICH PUPPET THEATRE

Norwich Puppet Theatre is a multi-art form venue, theatre company, and community outreach organisation. Their Creative Engagement team works across the region providing hands-on experiences for schools. charity organisations, and public events to encourage meaningful exciting, and inspiring learning opportunities, puppettheatre.co.uk



N Theatre

norwichtheatre.org

"We are fortunate in Norfolk to have so many exceptional arts organisations providing worldclass education and community to highlight that with this award. STEPHEN CROCKER

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Chief Executive & Creative Director

THE 2024 **NORFOLK** ARTS **AWARDS**

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Find out more about Norfolk Arts Award supporters, nominees and alumni by visiting their websites and by following our web and social media pages @norfolkartsawards

The Norfolk Arts Awards were founded by STASH KIRKBRIDE & PETER BECK in 2012 and is an AUTUMN FESTIVAL of Norfolk Signature Project.



The Norfolk Arts Awards ALUMNI

This year we are launching a celebration of Norfolk Arts Awards Alumni, which includes all previous nominees and winners, profiling artists from the last 12 years of this extraordinary project. This celebration of talent from across

the county will be highlighted on the new website from 26th of September, Hundreds of quotes and images await your visit to the site, from so many who have taken part.

If you hold any images yourself that vou'd like to share with us, as well as quotes about being nominated or winning, please do send them in. Here now are just five examples of Arts Awards Alumni in profile.

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"It's always such a pleasure to learn about the performances, projects and people highlighted through the awards, and to see how much they are enriching the life of our county. Thank you most genuinely for this award – it means such a lot to me. I do hope you realise The Norfolk Arts Awards is really appreciated by so many people each year."

ANGI KENNEDY. Let's Talk Magazine Recipient of the Peter Wilson Special Recognition Award 2023, Presented in association with The Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk's office. PSE Live. and The Autumn Festival of Norfolk



"For over 22 years BBC Radio Norfolk gave me the opportunity to meet & interview so many incredible people. from the West End to West Runton, Hemsby to Hollywood, and those with 'must-hear' real-life Norfolk stories.

When changes to Local BBC Radio were announced last year, I decided the moment was perfect to move aside and embrace the rest of my life After all, I'd been looking forward to retiring since May 1976!

This has enabled me to immerse myself in my life-long love of model making. As a boy, there could never be enough paint or Plasticine on the table. Happily, I no longer have to rely on my 6 pence pocket money for materials!"

STEPHEN BUMFREY - if you have a commission in mind email bumfrey@gmail.com Image: Stephen with model of co-producer Peter Barrow.



"Receiving this award was a profound acknowledgment of the vital role arts and culture play in our community.

As a proud recipient, my dedication to celebrating Black History, culture, and heritage for over two decades has been honoured.

This prestigious award, presented by the team behind the Autumn Festival of Norfolk, signifies the importance of promoting diversity and creativity.

It serves as a beacon of inspiration for artists and audiences alike. shaping a vibrant cultural landscape for our county.

ABRAHAM ASHETU Founder of Norfolk Black History Month



JACK "We are so grateful to be the recipients of the Norfolk Icon Award 2023, Thank you so much to real thrill for the women of The The Norfolk Arts Awards and The Autumn Festival of Norfolk"

TIM "We're truly honoured. We're repping Norfolk as best as we can, sending our best wishes from Johnny Cash's recording studio in the USA! (Spring 2024)

Norfolk Singer/Songwriting duo JACK & TIM The Norfolk Icon Award 2023.



Award for our project was a Common Lot. We were delighted that our alternative blue plaques, honouring women in Norwich gained so much attention. Since then the project has gone national and there are now almost 50 plaques around the UK. Find out more here: www.rosiesplaques.com. Our new project, Rename The Streets! combines street theatre song and visual art to provoke questions about who we celebrate in our public spaces, you can get involved here: www.thecommonlot.org'

Rosie's Plaques

The Philadelphia Story

BY PHILIP BARRY

This autumn The Norfolk Actors Company will transport you back to the glory days of 1930's high society Philadelphia.

After being an instant Broadway success, this light comedy was turned into the hit film starring Katherine Hepburn, James Stewart & Gary Grant, which was then turned into an even bigger hit musical High Society, staring Grace Kelly, Frank Sinatra & Bing Crosby.

A sparkling, sophisticated and completely captivating romantic comedy, imbued with nimble language, wit and delightful characters. 'Feel good' just got even better with this stellar cast of actors from across Norfolk taking part.

Do not miss this lavish festival Central Production, uniquely staged 'in the round' at the Hostry, Norwich Cathedral.

"I couldn't tell apart who within the cast were the professionals, experienced local actors, or those with little or no previous experience. It is a seamless mix."

MICHAEL BILLINGTON, Theatre Critic for The Guardian Monday 28th October to Saturday 2nd November 2024

7.30pm - 10.00pm

at the Hostry, Norwich Cathedral, NR1 4DH

Tickets £10 to £18

Book your place:

www.autumnfestivalofnorfolk.org
Norwich Theatre Royal in person or
by calling 01603 598676

Ticket options in detail:

Mon 28th & Tues 29th October: Tickets £12 & £10 Concs.

Wed 30th October: Press Gala Night Tickets £18 & £16 Concs. (Incl. Drinks & Post Show Meet the Cast until 11:30pm).

Thurs 31st October & Fri 1st November: Tickets £17 & £15 Concs.

Saturday 2nd November Tickets: £18 & £16 Concs. (Inc: Pre & Post Show Drinks until 11pm).





CENTRAL PRODUCTION 2024

CAST (In order of appearance)

NINA TAYLOR as Tracey Lord
BECKS CLAYTON as Dinah Lord
ALISON UTTING as Margaret Lord
RUBY BARDWELL-DIX as Sandy Lord
PETER BARROW as WILLIAM (Uncle Willie)
HOLLIE HARRINGTON as ELIZABETH (Liz) Imrie
CHRISTOPHER NEAL as (Mike) Conner
JOHN DAVIS as George Kitteridge
GILES CONNEELY as C.K. Dexter Haven
STEPHEN GOYMER as Seth Lord
ANGELA GOYMER as Elsie the Housekeeper
BRADLEY CLARKE as the Priest

Directed by PETER SOWERBUTTS
Produced by STASH KIRKBRIDE
Executive Producer PETER BARROW
a PBSK Partnership Project

TIM TRACEY Festival Productions Manager
MARK IVAN BENFIELD Production Consultant
SUZANNE BELL Costumes Design
BARRY PARSONS Sound Design

Associate producer HAMILTON WILSON
Front of House SCOTT MEACOCK
Company Stage Manager SUZANNA REDFORD
Production Support SIMON REDFORD
Production Team LOUISE HARVEY, LUCY GLEESON, BRADLEY CLARKE

Original painting of "True Love" by THE NORWICH DANDIES.











NINA TAYLOR, JOHN DAVIS, CHRISTOPHER NEAL, GILES CONNEELY. Photo: by Mark Ivan























Professor Simon SCHAMA CBE

IN CONVERSATION WITH **JOHN WILSON**

BBC's This Cultural Life Presenter

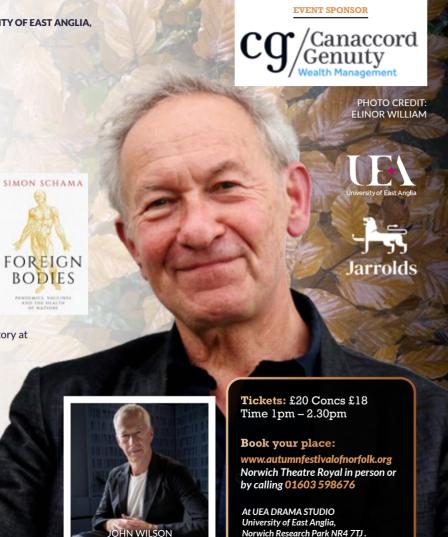
Saturday 28th September

Sir Simon Schama is University Professor of Art History and History at Columbia University.

He is a contributing editor of the Financial Times, author of twenty books, and writer-presenter of over fifty documentaries on art, history and literature for BBC television.

Most recently his History of Now series aired on BBC2 in 2022. His work has been translated into twenty three languages, and his 20th, and most recent book Foreign Bodies: Pandemics, Vaccines and the Health of Nations, was published in the UK in May 2023.

Early booking, highly recommended.



The AUTUMN FESTIVAL of Norfolk, in association with THE UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA. **JARROLDS** and **CANACCORD GENUITY** presents

Jonathon Porritt CBE

IN CONVERSATION WITH **TAHIRA YAQOOB**

Freelance Journalist & UEA Graduate 2024

Saturday 28th September

"...Hope in Hell is a powerful call to arms from one of Britain's most eloquent and trusted campaigners." **CAROLINE LUCAS.** The Green Party

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1.00pm - 2.30pm

Inc: Q&A & Book Signing

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Lord & Lady Dannatt in Conversation with NICHOLAS WITCHELL

CHURCHILL'S D-DAY

Saturday 2nd November

In this exclusive event, in partnership with Jarrolds, Lord Dannatt's new book **CHURCHILL'S D-DAY**, **The Inside Story** will be profiled in detail, and we will learn about Lady Dannatt's passion for inclusion, celebrating people and for her deep love of humanity.

Lord Dannatt is a member of the House of Lords, an expert on military affairs and leadership, and was awarded the Military Cross, rising to become the Chief of the General Staff (head of the British Army).

Lady Dannatt is the first woman to have been appointed in her role as Lord-Lieutenant of Norfolk, representing the Royal Family here in her beloved home county.

Do not miss your opportunity to be in the company of two of Norfolk's truly remarkable people.

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NICHOLAS WITCHELL

in Conversation with BBC Look East's SUSIE FOWLER-WATT

Saturday 2nd November

After more than two decades as the **BBC's Royal Correspondent Nicholas Witchell** has stepped down from what has been a unique position as a journalist, witnessing some of the UK's landmark moments in royal life, both historic and current.

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IN CONVERSATION WITH JOHN WILSON

Introduced by STEPHEN CROCKER,

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Sunday 3rd November

In this exclusive John
Wilson Interview at
the Autumn Festival,
internationally renowned
dancer, actor, choreographer, Carlos
Acosta will share his life story so far with
the BBC's This Cultural Life presenter.
Coinciding with the world premiere
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At The Hostry, Norwich Cathedral 1pm to 2.30pm Inc. 50 minute interview, Q&A and autograph & photo signing





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Don Warrington MBE

IN CONVERSATION WITH JOHN WILSON

BBC's This Cultural Life Presenter

Sunday 3rd November

Born in Trinidad, DON WARRINGTON is one of the UK's groundbreaking actors of our time, best known for his role as Phillip in Rising Damp, and most recently enjoying popularity in the BBC's hugely enjoyable Death In Paradise.

Join the BBC Radio 4's This Cultural Life presenter JOHN WILSON as he profiles Don's creative journey in the arts over many fascinating decades.

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This autumn as The African Choir of Norfolk marks four years since it was established we will be celebrating with more new songs with stories of Africa in the beautiful theatrical setting of Norwich Playhouse.

Let your imagination be transported to Africa with songs by the fire, near a river or under the African skies and be immersed in music and words of iov, sorrow, hope and resilience as we take you on a journey of everyday life in Africa.

We are very excited to welcome special guest OBASE ABOLI from Cameroon to the concert.

"It has been a joyous four years as Artistic Director of The African Choir of Norfolk and I am so excited to be shaping up new songs for our gala this year. It's going to be another wonderful sharing of our African heritage with you all"

ANNA MUDEKA

This gloriously uplifting Festival Signature Project always sells out, so be sure to book early.



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At Norwich Playhouse,

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Sunday 17th November

The Maddermarket Theatre, in partnership with The Autumn Festival of Norfolk, invites you to attend this Gala Performance of 3 Agatha Christie radio plays, with a cast of actors from across Norfolk and sound effects being performed live on stage.

PERSONAL CALL by Agatha Christie

James Brent receives a chilling telephone call seemingly from beyond the grave.

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A distressed phone call from a mystery woman brings Hercule Poirot to the hotel Jardin des Cygnes







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by Agatha Christie
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SUSAN WARREN Tracey Catchpole
MRS. PETTER Julie Hewitt
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All other roles played by the company:

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Paul Jackson PERFORMING STORIES from his 1st Trilogy of The Realms of Elsewhere

After the success of the launch of Book 2 at the Autumn Festival last year, Paul Jackson returns to unveil the 3rd book in his 9 book series that comprise the fantastical stories of the Realms of Elsewhere.

Filled with imagery and imagination, these nine adventures, also illustrated by the Author, will lead you into extraordinary and unforgettable landscapes. Illustrations, sketches, artworks, notebooks and manuscripts will be on display in the downstairs gallery.



Tickets: £14

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anterosfoundation.com
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Sunday 27th October 7.30pm. Doors open 7.00 for viewing exhibition

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www.hotstove3.com

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Join us as we welcome back festival patrons Braimah & Kadiatu, along with sisters Konya & Mariatu in a festival exclusive classical concert to savour, held at the Blake Studio, Norwich School.

"As a patron of the festival, I am excited to perform again with my family as part of the unique festival for Norfolk. Since my first performance at the festival in 2021 I've noticed the warm atmosphere and sense of community among the audience. It's truly a pleasure to be a part of such a wonderful event."

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The Concert:

Frank Bridge - Valse Russe - Trio

Rachmaninov - Trio Élégiaque No. 1 in G minor

Rachmaninov - Piano and Cello Sonata 3rd movement

Elgar - Sospiri - Violin and Piano

Manuel de Falla/Fritz Kreisler - La Vida Breve - Violin and

Piano

Shostakovich Cello Sonata in D Minor, 2nd movement.

Coleridge Taylor - Romance - Violin and Piano Coleridge Taylor - Deep River - Piano trio

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"Each time we return to The Autumn Festival of Norfolk... it feels like coming home"

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PETER WILSON MBE (Festival Patron 2012-2023)
Speaking at the Autumn Festival's 10 year anniversary



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