

# Spotlight on...

## Horses in Art Reimagined, Watts Gallery

Compton, Guildford

**To Sunday 15 April**

An unparalleled exhibition at Watts Gallery, Horses in Art Reimagined celebrates how contemporary artists depict the horse and is inspired by G F Watts' equestrian sculpture, *Physical Energy*. Diverse media will be on show including photography, collagraph, oil painting and sculpture. Visitors have a unique opportunity to see and buy work by eight of the foremost equestrian artists of today: Helena Bowen, Philippa Cannan, Alex Jakob-Whitworth, Heather Jansch, Victoria Keeble, Kate Lloyd, Jo Taylor and Sarah Young. The image, right, is entitled *Pearl Horse* by Kate Lloyd whose photography of horses in the wild provides a unique glimpse into their lives.

**Information:** [wattsgallery.org.uk](http://wattsgallery.org.uk)

## Theatre

### Richmond Theatre

Richmond

**Tickets:** [atgtickets.com/richmond](http://atgtickets.com/richmond)

**Monday 12 to Saturday 17 March**

#### **Great Expectations**

Starring Nichola McAuliffe as Miss Havisham in this classic tale.

**Tuesday 20 to Saturday 24 March**

#### **Pressure**

Written by and starring David Haig, *Pressure* tells the tale of two Allied meteorologists 72 hours prior to the D-Day landings.

**Tuesday 27 to Saturday 31 March**

#### **Thoroughly Modern Millie**

Based on the 1967 Academy Award-winning film, a dynamic musical featuring many hit songs.

### New Victoria Theatre

Woking

**Tickets:** [atgtickets.com/woking](http://atgtickets.com/woking)

**Thursday 8 to Sunday 11 March**

#### **Awful Auntie**

Based on David Walliams' tale of frights, fights and friendship.

**Monday 12 to Saturday 17 March**

#### **Birdsong**

Marking the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War, this acclaimed stage show is based on Sebastian Faulks' novel.

**Sunday 18 March**

#### **Russell Watson: Canzoni d'Amore**

A live performance from 'The People's Tenor'.

**Tuesday 27 to Thursday 29 March**

#### **Rambert**

A triple bill from this world-class dance company: *Ghost Dances*, *The days run away like wild horses* and *A Linha Curve*.

### New Wimbledon Theatre

Wimbledon

**Tickets:** [atgtickets.com/wimbledon](http://atgtickets.com/wimbledon)

**Tuesday 6 to Saturday 10 March**

#### **Crazy For You**

Feel-good musical starring Tom Chambers and Claire Sweeney.

**Monday 19 to Saturday 24 March**

#### **Of Mice and Men**

Set during the Great Depression, a classic from Nobel Prize-winning author John Steinbeck.

### Cranleigh Arts Centre

Cranleigh

**Tickets:** [cranleighbartscentre.org](http://cranleighbartscentre.org)

**Saturday 10 March**

#### **MoonBrella**

Multi-sensory show for under fives.

**Saturday 17 March**

#### **A Necessary Woman**

Based on a true event to celebrate the 2018 suffrage centenary.

*Pearl Horse* by Kate Lloyd

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Dorking Halls

Dorking

**Tickets:** [dorkinghalls.co.uk](http://dorkinghalls.co.uk)

Friday 9 March

**Jon Richardson: Old Man**

Talented comedian and star of  
*8 Out of 10 Cats* on tour.

Epsom Playhouse

Epsom

**Tickets:** [epsomplayhouse.co.uk](http://epsomplayhouse.co.uk)

Sunday 4 March

**Griff Rhys Jones: Where Was I?**

Comedic stories, anecdotes and  
reminiscences from forty years.

Saturday 10 March

**The Jungle Book**

A new musical adaptation of this  
family favourite.

Farnham Maltings

Farnham

**Tickets:** [farnhammaltings.co.uk](http://farnhammaltings.co.uk)

Thursday 8 March

**The Drive**

Two estranged friends take a  
Nordic road trip...

Saturday 17 March

**Big Howard's LOL-tastic Yukfest**

**for Kids and Well-Trained Adults**

Fabulous stand-up and interactive  
digital animation for ages five plus.

Tuesday 27 March

**Jane Eyre: An Autobiography**

A new production from writer/  
director Elton Townend Jones.

G Live

Guildford

**Tickets:** [glive.co.uk](http://glive.co.uk)

Friday 16 March

**Tim Vine: Sunset Milk Idiot**

Lots of silly new jokes, homemade  
props and comedy without a  
message from the punmaster.

The Electric Theatre

Guildford

**Tickets:** [electric.theatre](http://electric.theatre)

Wednesday 7 to Saturday 10 March

**MacBeth**

Creaction Theatre and The Herald  
Players present an all-female  
production of Shakespeare's tale  
of foul murder.

Yvonne Arnaud Theatre

Guildford

**Tickets:** [yvonne-arnaud.co.uk](http://yvonne-arnaud.co.uk)

Saturday 10 to Saturday 17 March

**Cats**

From Guildford School of Acting  
musical theatre students.

Tuesday 20 to Wednesday 21 March

**A Spoonful of Sherman**

Celebrating 100 years of Sherman  
family music.

Saturday 24 March

**An Evening with John Simpson**

The BBC World Affairs Editor  
visits Guildford for an audience  
Q&A session.

Tuesday 27 to Saturday 31 March

**Love from a Stranger**

Classic thriller from the pen of  
Agatha Christie.

Music

Cranleigh Arts Centre

Cranleigh

**Tickets:** [cranleighartscentre.org](http://cranleighartscentre.org)

Friday 9 March

**The Red Stripe Band**

Jazz, blues, swing and rock 'n' roll.

Saturday 24 March

**Geoff Achison & the UK Souldiggers**

Blues-rock experience.

Dorking Halls

Dorking

**Tickets:** [dorkinghalls.co.uk](http://dorkinghalls.co.uk)

Friday 6 April

**Jess Robinson: Here Come The Girls**

Incredible vocalist performing  
spot-on celebrity impressions.  
See the essence interview with  
Jess on page 56.

Epsom Playhouse

Epsom

**Tickets:** [epsomplayhouse.co.uk](http://epsomplayhouse.co.uk)

Friday 23 March

**Rock for Heroes**

A live rock band and singers  
perform music from artists such as  
Dire Straits, Status Quo, Queen,  
David Bowie and more in aid of  
Help for Heroes.



*A Spoonful of Sherman, Yvonne Arnaud Theatre*



*The Stranglers, G Live*



*The Doodle Dance Show, Spark Festival 2018, Farnham Maltings PHOTO CREDIT: CHRIS NASH*



G Live

Guildford

**Tickets:** [glive.co.uk](http://glive.co.uk)

Monday 26 March

**The Stranglers**

Influential, popular band always  
deliver a superb live experience.

Guildford Spring  
Music Festival 2018

Various venues

**Tickets:** [gsmf.org.uk](http://gsmf.org.uk)

Friday 16 to Sunday 25 March

Music and events to inspire  
including saxophonist Jess Gillam  
at Holy Trinity Church, Guildford  
on 16 March; Sarah Walker of  
Radio 3 in conversation with  
award-winning actor Edward Fox  
at St. Catherine's School, Bramley  
on 18 March; John Lill and John  
Suchet: an evening with Beethoven  
on 22 March and lots more.

Leith Hill Musical Festival

Dorking Halls

**Information:** [lhmf.org.uk](http://lhmf.org.uk)

Sunday 11 March

**Messiah – Handel**

A joyful season of singing begins  
with Handel's Messiah.

Occam Singers

Holy Trinity Church, Guildford

**Tickets:** [occamsingers.co.uk](http://occamsingers.co.uk)

Saturday 24 March

**Haydn: The Creation**

Part of the Guildford Spring Music  
Festival and in collaboration with  
Guildford Chamber Choir and  
Surrey Mozart Players.

Surrey Concerts

St James Church, Weybridge

**Tickets:** [surreyconcerts.co.uk](http://surreyconcerts.co.uk)

Saturday 17 March

**Seana Davey**

A St. Patrick's Day celebration of  
classical and Irish harp favourites.

The Boileroom

Guildford

**Information:** [theboileroom.net](http://theboileroom.net)

Throughout the year

A creative community hub for  
music, the arts and events.

Vivace Chorus

Guildford Cathedral

**Tickets:** [vivacechorus.org](http://vivacechorus.org)

Saturday 3 March

**Baroque Treasures**

Favourites from Bach and Handel.

Spotlight on...

Simply Aston Martin

Beaulieu, West Sussex

Sunday 8 April

Some advance notice is required for this stand-out event, the first of Beaulieu's  
new season as Britain's most revered motoring marque is celebrated in style  
with more than 300 Aston Martins roaring into the grounds of the National  
Motor Museum at Beaulieu.

Last year's display included rarities such as an original DB1 from the late 1940s  
and the marque's new arrival DB11. Organisers are hoping 2018's event will  
build on this success and contain a diverse display of historic models, post-war  
classics and modern-day favourites.

Admission tickets to this event include entrance to all Beaulieu attractions,  
including the National Motor Museum, the World of Top Gear, On Screen Cars,  
Beaulieu Abbey and its beautiful grounds and gardens.

**Information and tickets:** [beaulieu.co.uk/events/simply-aston-martin](http://beaulieu.co.uk/events/simply-aston-martin)

*Left: Simply Aston Martin 2017 at Beaulieu PHOTO COPYRIGHT: BEAULIEU.CO.UK*

Festivals

Haslemere Museum

Haslemere

**Tickets:** [haslemeremuseum.co.uk](http://haslemeremuseum.co.uk)

Saturday 3 March

**Civilisations Festival Day**

A range of events including talks,  
object handling sessions and an art  
workshop for children to coincide  
with the broadcast of BBC Arts'  
Civilisations series in spring 2018.

Farnham Maltings

Farnham

**Tickets:** [farnhammaltings.co.uk](http://farnhammaltings.co.uk)

Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 March

**Spark Festival 2018**

The Maltings' annual children and  
young people's multi-arts festival  
with a programme of workshops,  
pop-up craft, exhibitions and  
performances for all the family.  
This year the Festival includes  
The Doodle Dance Show on  
Sunday 25 March, a playful,  
interactive story-show where all  
the family can create a wonderful  
world on a giant piece of paper.  
See website for more events.

Exhibitions

Dorking Museum

Dorking

**Information:** [dorkingmuseum.org.uk](http://dorkingmuseum.org.uk)

Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays  
throughout March

**A New View**

In association with Capel Camera  
Club, an exhibition of landscapes  
and images of Dorking.

Guildford House Gallery

Guildford

**Information:**

[guildford.gov.uk/guildfordhouse](http://guildford.gov.uk/guildfordhouse)

Until Saturday 10 March

**The Sunday Times Watercolour**

**Competition 2017**

See 87 works selected by a panel of  
leading figures from the art world.

McAllister Thomas

Godalming

**Information:**

[mcallisterthomasfineart.co.uk](http://mcallisterthomasfineart.co.uk)

Until Tuesday 6 March

**Near Distances**

Observations of near and distant  
landscapes by painter Kevin Darke.



# Cinemas

**Cranleigh Arts Centre** 01483 278000 or [cranleighartscentre.org](http://cranleighartscentre.org)  
**Farnham Maltings** 02152 745444 or [farnhammaltings.com](http://farnhammaltings.com)  
**Odeon Esher** 0871 2244007 or [odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film\\_times/s89/esh](http://odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film_times/s89/esh)  
**Odeon Epsom** 0871 2244007 or [odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film\\_times/s88/epsom](http://odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film_times/s88/epsom)  
**Odeon Guildford** 0871 2244007 or [odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film\\_times/s92/guildford](http://odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film_times/s92/guildford)  
**The Screen Walton** 01932 252825 or [screencinemas.co.uk](http://screencinemas.co.uk)  
**The Ambassadors Cinema, Woking** 0844 871 6743 or [ambassador tickets.com/cinema](http://ambassador tickets.com/cinema)

## Museum of Farnham

West Street, Farnham

**Information:**

[farnhammaltings.com/museum](http://farnhammaltings.com/museum)

To Saturday 2 June

**Out of the dolls house: 100 years of women's suffrage and fashion**  
How women's role has changed.

To Saturday 22 December

**Behind Closed Doors:**

**300 years of Willmer House**

The Museum celebrates the 300th anniversary of its home – Willmer House – with a series of events including a May garden party with gin bar and music from local bands and this temporary exhibition about the history of Willmer House.

## New Ashgate Gallery

Farnham

**Information:** [newashgate.org.uk](http://newashgate.org.uk)

Saturday 3 March to

Saturday 14 April

**Rising Stars 2018**

New craft by emerging makers.

Saturday 3 to Saturday 24 March

**The Pastel Society**

New artworks on view from this Society founded in 1898.

## The Art Agency

Esher

**Information:** [theartagency.co.uk](http://theartagency.co.uk)

Throughout March

**New Collection by Janet Nelson**

Painter whose inspiration originates from the west coast of Scotland and the south coast of England, along with Virginia Water and Papercourt, Ripley.

## The Lightbox Gallery and Museum

Woking

**Information:** [thelightbox.org.uk](http://thelightbox.org.uk)

To Sunday 4 March

**Turner in Surrey**

Explores J.M.W. Turner's work produced on his travels locally.

To Sunday 11 March

**Marcel Ronay's Art: Tranquility and Stability after two World Wars**

Artworks created in England during the forties and fifties.

Saturday 17 March to

Sunday 24 June

**Picasso: Paper and Clay**

Celebrating the artist's experimentation with drawing, printmaking and ceramics.

## The Poverty of Gold

Jon Dibben Jewellery,

Smithbrook Kilns, Guildford

**Information:** [jondibben.co.uk](http://jondibben.co.uk)

To Sunday 11 March

**The Power of Fairtrade**

An exhibition of Jon Dibben's Fairtrade gold designs at the shop and workshop.

## Watts Gallery

Compton, Guildford

**Information:** [wattsgallery.org.uk](http://wattsgallery.org.uk)

Until Sunday 15 April

**Horses in Art Reimagined**

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Tuesday 6 March to Sunday 3 June

**A Pre-Raphaelite Collection**

**Unveiled: The Cecil French Bequest**

A 'forgotten' collection of later Pre-Raphaelite artworks.



Willmer House by Thomas Hunter, Behind Closed Doors, Museum of Farnham



Mane Chance Sanctuary's wonderful Shetland ponies



Ramster Gardens, Chiddingfold

# National Trust

National Trust properties offer perfect venues to explore. We list a few here, but visit [nationaltrust.org.uk](http://nationaltrust.org.uk) for more.

## Claremont Landscape Garden

Esher

**Information:** 01372 467806

Sunday 11 March, 10am–5pm

**Mothering Sunday at Claremont**

Mums enter free.

Friday 30 March to Monday 2 April,

10am–4pm

**Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt**

Family-friendly trail.

## Hatchlands Park

East Clandon

**Information:** 01483 222482

Sunday 11 March, 10am–5pm

**Mothering Sunday**

Enjoy a special Mother's Day treat in the café. Mums go free.

Friday 30 March to Monday 2 April,

10am–5pm

**Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt**

Follow a nature-themed trail and claim a chocolate treat.

## Polesden Lacey

Great Bookham, near Dorking

**Information:** 01372 452048

To Thursday 3 May

**Adventures in Asia:**

**a socialite abroad**

Celebrating Maggie Grenville's travels throughout Asia in the twenties and thirties.

## Winkworth Arboretum

Godalming

**Information:** 01483 208477

Sunday 11 March, 10am–4.30pm

**Mothering Sunday at Winkworth**

See the spring flowers in bloom.

Friday 30 March to Monday 2 April,

10.30am–4pm

**Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt**

A trail and chocolate treat.

# Out and about

## Albury Vineyard

Silent Pool, Albury

**Tickets:** [alburyvineyard.com](http://alburyvineyard.com)

Saturday 31 March, 11am–4pm

**Family-friendly open day**

Wine tastings and plenty for children with a vineyard bunny run, colouring and chocolate.

## Birdworld

Holt Pound, Farnham

**Tickets:** [birdworld.co.uk](http://birdworld.co.uk)

Friday 30 March to Sunday 15 April

**Easter holiday 'eggstravaganza'**

Enjoy an Easter egg trail, crafts and entertainment, including the Jenny Wren Farm. Activities differ by date, so check website.

## Brooklands Museum

Weybridge

**Tickets:** [brooklandsmuseum.com](http://brooklandsmuseum.com)

Tuesday 3 to Friday 6 April,

10am–5pm

**Easter holiday family fun**

Car rides and an Easter egg trail.

## Hampton Court Palace

East Molesey

**Tickets:** [hrp.org.uk](http://hrp.org.uk)

Monday 26 March to

Sunday 15 April, 10am–5pm

**Lindt Gold Bunny hunt**

Easter family fun at the Palace.

## Haslemere Museum

Haslemere

**Tickets:** [haslemeremuseum.co.uk](http://haslemeremuseum.co.uk)

Tuesday 20 March, 2.30pm

**Palaeontology: tea and talk**

Palaeontologist Dr Andy Swan discusses the Museum's extraordinary fossil collection.

## Herald of Spring

Ewell

**Information:** [epsom-ewell.gov.uk](http://epsom-ewell.gov.uk)

Saturday 10 March, 10am–5pm

This year's theme is Mother

Nature, so learn about local green



Easter holiday 'eggstravaganza', Birdworld

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and natural organisations, meet the Born Free charity and participate in children's activities.

## Mane Chance Sanctuary

Down Lane, Compton

**Information:**

[manechancesanctuary.org](http://manechancesanctuary.org)

Saturday 24 March, 7.30pm

**Scalextric race night**

Nine races with prizes for winning owners and drivers at Trinity Centre, Guildford.

Saturday 31 March, 10am–3pm

**Easter egg trail**

See the horses and Shetland ponies and win a chocolate prize.

## Painshill Park

Cobham

**Tickets:** [painshill.co.uk](http://painshill.co.uk)

Friday 30 to Sunday 31 March,

11am–4pm

**Easter 'eggstravaganza'**

A trail around the woodland.

## Ramster Gardens

Chiddingfold

**Tickets:** [ramsterevents.com](http://ramsterevents.com)

Sunday 18 March, 10am–5pm

**Two for one offer**

Celebrate the arrival of spring with a special two for one offer on adult entry to these beautiful gardens.

## RHS Wisley

Woking

**Tickets:** [rhs.org.uk/wisley](http://rhs.org.uk/wisley)

Saturday 24 March to

Sunday 15 April

**Easter Lindt Gold Bunny hunt**

Follow the trail to chocolate gold.

## Surrey Half Marathon

Woking Leisure Centre

**Information:**

[surreyhalfmarathon.co.uk](http://surreyhalfmarathon.co.uk)

Sunday 11 March

Surrey's largest half marathon in the beautiful countryside around Woking and Guildford.

# Farmers' markets

**Camberley** Saturday 17 March, 10am–3pm

**Cranleigh** Every Friday, 9.30–11am

**Epsom** Sunday 4 March and 1 April, 9.30am–1.30pm

**Farnham** Sunday 25 March, 10am–1.30pm

**Guildford** Tuesday 7 March, 10.30am–3.30pm

**Haslemere** Sunday 4 March and 1 April, 10am–1.30pm

**Milford** Sunday 18 March, 10am–1.30pm

**Ripley** Saturday 10 March, 9am–1pm

**Walton-on-Thames** Saturday 3 March and 7 April, 9.30am–2pm

**Woking** Thursday 1 March and 5 April, 9am–2pm