

DESTINATION CHESTER SINGLE EVENTS CALENDAR COPY 2024

ALL MONTHS - RECURRING EVENTS:

MONDAY CHEF DE PARTY! AT BOHEME

Every Monday 9pm til 2am

Let's have a little party shall we?

Monday's are fast becoming the favourite day of the week since Boheme launched Chef De Party, which happens every week from 9pm-2am!

What to expect:

FREE Shot on arrival

£6 Curated cocktails

£3 Schooners

£15 Bottle of Prosecco

3x Shots for £12

PLUS Free Bar Snacks*

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/monday-chef-de-party-at-boheme/>

CATHEDRAL TOWER TOUR AND LUNCH AT THE FORGE

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11am

The Forge is working with Chester Cathedral and is hosting weekly Chester cathedral tours with Lunch at The Forge.

Their tours run several times a month – on each tour, you will be guided round the stunning Chester Cathedral by an expert guide, learning about the history and fascinating facts of this historic landmark. After your Cathedral tour you will come to The Forge to enjoy a fantastic 3-course lunch.

Tours will start at 11am at the Cathedral which will last approximately an hour which gives you plenty of time to book your table from 1pm onwards at The Forge Restaurant.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/cathedral-discovery-tour-and-lunch-at-the-forge/>

CATHEDRAL DISCOVERY TOUR AND LUNCH AT THE FORGE

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11am

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Tours will start at 11am at the Cathedral which will last approximately an hour which gives you plenty of time to book your table from 1pm onwards at The Forge Restaurant.

This event runs on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/cathedral-discovery-tour-and-lunch-at-the-forge/>

DINNER & A MOVIE AT CHEZ JULES

Every Wednesday from 6pm

Chez Jules offer film lovers the culinary delights of two courses (starter & main), glass of house wine and free movie for £27.50 per person.

<https://chezjules.com/cinema-nights/>

JORDAN THE MAGIC MAN AT MOXY HOTEL

On the third Wednesday of every month, Jordan the Magic Man will be at Moxy Chester. He'll be in the lobby wowing everyone with his tricks; come down and enjoy a cocktail or two while you try and work out how he does it!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/jordan-the-magic-man-at-moxy-hotel/>

WEDNESDAY IS QUIZ NIGHT AT THE BREWERY TAP

From 8pm

First place wins £30 bar tab

Runner up wins a £15 bar tab

It is £1 per player with a maximum of 6 players per team.

Beer is on tap of course and well-behaved dogs are welcome too.

Enter a team, get a raffle ticket and then if you win or come second, you'll get more raffle tickets.

See their FB page for details.

YOGA CLASS AT ÒH CHESTER DESIGN FOUNDATION

Yoga class is back at ÒH Chester Design Foundation on Bridge Street - every Thursday at 10am. The weekly class is £12 and you can book online in advance.

ÒH is offering all yoga guests a hot drink afterwards for half price too, so feel free to chill out and socialise afterwards, or even have a mooch at the amazing brands in store.

Coffee served at ÒH is provided by Jaunty Goat too so well worth hanging around for.

<https://www.thegoodfoodyogi.co.uk/book-a-yoga-class-or-cooking-course/p/yoga-thursdays-10am-chester-at-oh-foundation>

THURSDAY IS QUIZ NIGHT AT THE LOCK KEEPER

From 8pm

If you love a pub quiz, then get your crew together and head over to The Lock Keeper every Thursday for their great big quiz with great big prizes, plus it's very nearly the weekend too!

<https://thelockkeeper.co.uk/>

THURSDAY IS QUIZ NIGHT AT THE PIED BULL

From 8pm

Love a Pub Quiz? Join The Pied Bull Chester team every Thursday for a great quiz in one of the oldest inns in the city

We LOVE The Pied Bull Chester. It's a beautiful and hugely historic inn that has just had a lovely refurb. If you love a pub quiz then join in on every Thursday from 7.30pm.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/thursday-quiz-night-at-the-pied-bull/>

THURSDAY ADULT CIRCUS SKILLS SESSIONS AT POPCORN

From 8pm

Roll up! Roll up! Thursday's are all about Adult Circus Skills sessions at Popcorn Bar, Chester, delivered by the one and only Mr Peewee Dave Southern!

It's free of charge to take part from 8pm

Always wanted to learn how to juggle? Spin plates? Ride a unicycle!? Now's your chance! Grab a mate... or a date and come on down!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/adult-circus-skills-session-at-popcorn-bar/>

OPEN MIC NIGHT WITH DAVID O'CONNOR AT MOXY CHESTER

Every other Thursday from From 8pm

David O'Connor brings the best musicians in the city together *every fortnight* for an open mic extravaganza!

David O'Connor is one of the city's favourite musicians, and every Thursday, he is joined by his super-talented musical friends for an unadulterated night of great music and banter at Moxy Chester. The bar at Moxy is very spacious with lots of comfortable seating, so bring your friends (and your dog!) for a great night out with superb, local entertainment.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/open-mic-night-with-david-oconnor-at-moxy-chester/>

FRIDAY NIGHT COMEDY AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE

Friday Night Comedy brings the very best comedians from the UK and beyond to Alexander's Live in the heart of Chester!

The only weekly comedy night in the city Friday Night Comedy will keep the laughs coming thick and fast week after week. For each show, Alexander's provide four brilliant comedians hand-picked to give you the best night out for the lowest possible price!

They also have amazing food and drink offers exclusive to Friday Night Comedy customers so you can have a great night out without breaking the bank!

Please note that seating is unreserved, on a first-come first-served basis and that all line-ups are subject to change without prior notice

<https://alexanderslive.seetickets.com/event/friday-night-comedy/alexander-s-live/1954458>

STRIPPED BACK SUNDAYS AT SIX ONE SIX

Every Sunday at Six One Six Bar & Restaurant it's Stripped Back Sunday.

Join them to enjoy their signature roast dinner and enjoy live music all afternoon performed by the brilliant Michael Kamara.

He will be performing 3 x 40 minute sets with the first beginning at 12.30pm and the final set finishing at 4.45pm.

<https://sixonesixchester.com/stripped-back-sundays/>

SUNDAY IS QUIZ NIGHT AT POPCORN

From 8pm

Now this is what we call Sunday Funday!

Sunday quiz nights are now followed by a big popcorn party with all your favourite tunes and cheap bevies – see you on the dancefloor!

See their FB page for details

SUNDAY GOSPEL AT OPERA GRILL

From 1.30pm

The perfect way to end your week. Be entertained by our contemporary live gospel choir in the grandeur of our restaurant Opera Chester, performing soulful classics.

Our Gospel Choir is a set menu-only dining experience with 2 courses from £42.50 and 3 courses from £47.50.

Children are welcome.

<https://shop.therestaurantbarandgrill.com/product/gospel-sunday-2/>

QUIZ NIGHT AT CORNERHOUSE

Sundays from 7.30pm

Quiz night at Cornerhouse is every Sunday from 7.30pm Just £1 to enter -it's loads of fun in a friendly, inclusive environment. First prize is a generous food platter & bottle of wine. No one goes home empty handed though!

The resident quiz masters have a combined 40 years of experience; they produce something special every week to ensure there's something for everyone.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/quiz-night-at-cornerhouse/>

KALEIDOSCOPE: MONTHLY OPEN MIC IN THE GARRET THEATRE AT STORYHOUSE

Wednesday 21 February 6:15pm / Wednesday 28 February 1pm / Wednesday 20 March 6pm / Wednesday 27 March 1pm / Thursday 11 April 6:15pm / Wednesday 24 April 1pm / Thursday 16 May 6:15pm / Wednesday 22 May 1pm / Thursday 20 June 6:15pm / Wednesday 26 June 1pm / Thursday 18 July 6:15pm / Wednesday 24 July 1pm / Thursday 15 August 6:15pm / Wednesday 28 August 1pm / Thursday 19 September 6:15pm / Wednesday 25 September 1pm / Thursday 17 October 6:15pm / Thursday 21 November 6:15pm / Wednesday 27 November 1pm / Thursday 19 December 6:15pm

A monthly open mic for, by and with young people and adults living with a disability. Every month there will be a daytime session on a Wednesday and an evening session on a Thursday. The stage is yours, here is your opportunity to share a song, poem, comedy sketch or musical performance.

All abilities are welcome. This is a safe space that gives anybody the opportunity to express themselves.

This is a noisy, energetic community that loves to clap, whoop and encourage anyone to attend as a member of the audience or performer.

This open mic night was founded in 2018 at the second Kaleidoscope Festival by Storyhouse and a band called Dark Arc, led by their music teacher Simon Scott.

The Garret Theatre has space for 150 people. The busiest event has seen about 60 people in the audience, so there's lots of room to sit spaced out if you choose to.

Please note: the February and March open-mic nights will take place on a Wednesday – not the usual Thursday.

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/kaleidoscope-open-mic/>

KALEIDOSCOPE: MONTHLY CLUB NIGHTS IN THE GARRET THEATRE AT STORYHOUSE

Friday 1 March 6pm / Friday 5 April 6pm / Friday 3 May 6pm / Friday 7 June 6pm / Friday 5 July / Friday 2 August 6pm / Friday 6 September 6pm / Friday 4 October 6pm

A great night out for adults with learning and physical disabilities.

Kaleidoscope is a series of events and annual festival for people living with a learning disability or difficulty.

Once a month Storyhouse's Garret Theatre will be transformed into a club for accessible raving. Expect DJs, Silent Disco headsets and performances from live bands. The bar will be open for drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) plus snacks.

Full accessible toilets are on the same level with a Changing Places on the ground floor. No strobe lighting will be used.

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/kaleidoscope-club-night-2/>

GHOST HUNTS AT CHESTER TOWN HALL ARE BACK! ARE YOU BRAVE ENOUGH?

Apr 6 / June 15 / July 13 / Aug 10 / Sep 21 / Oct 19 / Nov 23

Join expert Ghost Hunters from Haunted Rooms and enjoy a night exploring the depths of Chester Town Hall!

Are you ready to meet one of the rumoured spirits that roam our halls?

Tickets available SOON!

DEAD GOOD GHOST TOURS

Every Friday from 7pm from The Pied Bull Inn on Northgate Street (from 19th April)

Chester's Dead Good Ghost Tour is an immersive experience that will have you laughing, screaming and clinging to your companions for dear life.

If you are ready to embark on a spine-chilling ghost tour through the eerie streets of Chester, one of the world's most haunted cities, then this is for you.

Please note – during the experience certain subject matter and themes are not suitable for a younger audience. Under 16s are required to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

<https://thedeadgoodghosttour.co.uk>

TASTE CHESHIRE FARMERS MARKET IN TOWN HALL SQUARE

On the third Saturday of each month

On the third Saturday of each month, the Taste Cheshire team can be found outside Chester Town Hall for the monthly Taste Cheshire Farmers Market, with some of the county's best local producers. Including fresh baked bread, pies, cheese, cakes, preserves, crafts and more... So come on down and support the very best of local produce.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/taste-cheshire-chester-farmers-market-3/>

MAKERS' MARKETS IN EXCHANGE SQUARE

3rd February / 2nd March / 6th April / 4th May / 1st June / 6th July / 3rd August / 7th September.

10am til 4pm.

Each market will showcase a range of incredible art, craft, food, drink, jewellery, fragrances and so much more from an abundance of the North West's finest artisans.

<https://www.themakersmarket.co.uk/pages/chester-makers-market>

REGULAR / WEEKLY LIVE MUSIC GIGS:

(please always double check socials for details)

Open Mic Mondays at Alexanders

Open Mic Mondays at Jax Bar

Live Music Tuesdays at Jax Bar

Open Mic Thursdays with David O'Connor at Moxy Chester

Thursday Rhythm & Blues Night at Jax Bar

Live music from local performers every Friday and Saturday night on stage in Chester Market

Fridays at Duttons

Fridays at Northgates

Fridays & Saturdays at The Faulkner

Fridays & Saturdays at Cornerhouse

Fridays & Saturdays at Assembly Bar

Fridays & Saturdays at Providence Gin

Sunday afternoons Gospel at Opera Grill

Sunday afternoons at Six One Six

Sunday afternoons Jazz, Folk & Blues at Alexander's Live

Sunday evenings The Raven Folk Club at Bear & Billet (from 8.30pm)

JUNE 2024

World Environment Day - 5th June
 World Ocean Day - 8th June
 Great Big Green Week - 8th to 16th June
 Bike Week - 10th to 16th June
 Healthy Eating Week - 10th to 14th June
 The King's Official Birthday - 15th June
 Father's Day - 16th June
 Summer Solstice - 20th June
 World Refill Day - 24th June

CHESTER TOWN CRIER MIDDAY PROCLAMATIONS

Tuesdays to Saturdays at noon til 4th September

Most days during the summer, Chester's Town Crier delivers his unique midday proclamation at The Cross in Chester's historic centre.

This is where Bridge Street meets Eastgate Street and Watergate Street which is marked by a stone pillar "The High Cross".

The proclamation takes place Tuesday to Saturday, from 1 June to 4 September, at noon, at the High Cross, except on Race Days.

SPEED OF CHANGE EXHIBITION AT THE GROSVENOR MUSEUM

Til 23rd June

Mobile phones have become a feature of our everyday lives. From maths to music, mapping to photo snapping, banking to gaming, micro-chip technology has transformed our lives in a few decades. This object-rich exhibition explores the tools, mechanical devices and simple technology we used before the app to perform the same functions of work, family and leisure.

Admission to the museum is free – there is a suggested donation of £3

<https://events.westcheshiremuseums.co.uk/event/speed-of-change/>

CHANGE IN FASHION 1066-1980s AT GROSVENOR MUSEUM

Til 30th June 2024

This exhibition is a catwalk of dolls model hand-sewn costumes, showing how fashions have changed through the centuries. It is the private collection of Lisa Jayne Smith, a costume-maker who spent five years researching historical costume and making reproductions.

<https://events.westcheshiremuseums.co.uk/event/change-in-fashion-from-1066-1980s/>

THE GEOLOGY OF CHESHIRE SALT EXHIBITION AT THE GROSVENOR MUSEUM

Til 14th July

Harry Young, BSc Geography & Natural Hazards, was joint national winner of the Museum + Heritage Award for volunteering, following his work at the Lion Salt Works during the pandemic. Harry has used his degree research to develop this exhibition which explores the huge impact of salt from the Cheshire Plain has had on our histories and the landscape around us. Salt lies deep beneath our feet – how did it get there and how have we use it? From transport and our place in the world, from chemical industries to cheese-making, from communities to the natural environment? The fascinating story of salt geology helps us understand where we live and who we are.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/the-geology-of-cheshire-salt-exhibition-at-the-grosvenor-museum>

WINES OF SOUTHERN FRANCE AT VIN SANTO

Wednesday 5th June from 7pm

A little Mediterranean sunshine will creep in to early June at Vin Santo, with six wines from the Rhone, Provence and Languedoc.

Whether it's mouth-watering whites; crisp, elegant rosé; or silky, rich reds, there's so much quality and value to be found in this famous corner of the world of wine.

There are some really special wines from the south of France lined up for 2024 so this promises to be a highlight of the tasting calendar.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/wines-of-southern-france-at-vin-santo/>

BOLESWORTH INTERNATIONAL

6th to 16th June

Two weeks of Equestrian sport, Live music, Amazing shopping, Action & entertainment, Weekend camping, Family fun, Action sport activities, VIP experiences.

More info coming soon...

<https://mailchi.mp/bolesworth.com/international24>

OBJECT OF THE MONTH (JUNE) AT THE GROSVENOR MUSEUM

Thursday 6th June

June's behind the scenes talk will focus on a life cycle box prepared for the collection by the museum's first curator, Prof Robert Newstead.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/object-of-the-month-june-at-the-grosvenor-museum/>

POWELLS JEWELLERY DINNER AT THE FORGE

Thursday 6th June from 6pm

The Forge Restaurant & Powells Jewellery are hosting an event to bring you an unforgettable evening of amazing food and dazzling diamonds.

The evening will begin with a welcome drink in the lounge area of The Forge followed by a stunning three-course dinner.

You will get the opportunity to listen and talk to the diamond experts from Powells Jewellery here in Chester. They will be talking about a wide range of Diamond pieces they have and all the back stories to these extravagant pieces.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/powells-jewellery-dinner-at-the-forge/>

BIG COUNTRY AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE

Thursday 6th June - doors open 7.30pm

BIG COUNTRY perform classic hits and live favourites including

Harvest Home – Fields of Fire – In A Big Country – Chance – Wonderland – Look Away – The Teacher

Plus many more...

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/big-country-at-alexanders-live/>

BINGO WITH FISH & CHIPS ON THE DEE WITH CHESTER BOATS

Friday 7th June from 7pm

Chester on the first Friday of each summer month (May – September).

Enjoy a tasty supper of fish, chips & peas from one of Chester's finest chippies as you sail up to the picturesque Aldford Iron Bridge. There is a fully stocked bar onboard so you can enjoy a hot or cold drink with your supper.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/bingo-and-fish-chips-on-the-dee-with-chester-boats/>

HOSPICE OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD - FIZZ TASTING

Friday 7th June from 7pm

Join the Hospice of the Good Shepherd for a wonderful evening of Fizz Tasting on Friday 7th June set in a beautiful marquee in the grounds of the hospice.

The evening is hosted by Chester Beer and Wine – one of Chester's finest suppliers. The evening will consist of tasting several different sparkling numbers and getting to know more about them along with a selection of nibbles.

Tickets are £20 per person and places are strictly limited with prior booking essential.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/hospice-of-the-good-shepherd-fizz-tasting/>

CHESTER REGATTA - THE OLDEST REGATTA IN THE WORLD

Saturday 8th & Sunday 9th June

Rowing competition attracting crews from all over the North West and beyond, competing on the stunning River Dee since 1733.

Regatta marquee at Sandy Lane CH3 5UN (no public parking). Great views of racing from The Meadows. All day parking at Queen's Park High School, CH4 7AE and at Bishop's Blue Coat High School, CH3 5FX (easy walk to Regatta).

Locally sourced hot & cold food and drink all day. Prize giving with the Lord Mayor of Chester. Dog friendly spectating and family friendly fun over two days. Sponsorship options available.

<https://www.chesterregatta.org/>

ZOG AND THE FLYING DOCTORS AT STORYHOUSE

10.30am, 1.30pm and 4.30pm on 8th and 9th June

Zog, super keen student turned air-ambulance, still lands with a bang-crash-thump. Together with his Flying Doctor crew, Princess Pearl and Sir Gadabout, they tend to a sunburnt mermaid, a unicorn with one too many horns and a lion with the flu. However, Pearl's uncle, the King, has other ideas about whether princesses should be doctors, and she's soon locked up in the castle back in a crown and a silly frilly dress!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/zog-and-the-flying-doctors-at-storyhouse/>

CHESTER BACH SINGERS: SOUNDS OF THE 50s AT WESLEY CHURCH CENTRE

Saturday 8th June at 3pm

The last in Chester Bach Singers series of concerts tracing the history of choral music through the 20th Century, the special afternoon of music will feature a trio of songs from Leonard Bernstein and Stephen Sondheim's classic 1950s Musical "West Side Story" including "There's a place for us", "I like to be in America and "I feel pretty". The concert will also include music written to celebrate Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation in 1953, Vaughan Williams' "Silence and Music" from "A Garland for The Queen" and John Ireland's love letter to the English landscape "The Hills".

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/chester-bach-singers-sounds-of-the-50s/>

VIVA MORRISSEY AND HAPPY MONDAZE AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE

Saturday 8th June - doors open from 7pm

Formed in 2007, and based in Manchester, Morrissey's birthplace, and home of The Smiths, Viva Morrissey are highly regarded for the authenticity and accuracy that they bring to their presentation.

Viva Morrissey's performances are based on Morrissey's present-day shows, which makes their live shows markedly different from those of tributes to The Smiths.

The Viva Morrissey live set includes classic Smiths songs, alongside some of Morrissey's best known and most loved solo material.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/viva-morrissey-and-happy-mondaze-at-alexanders-live/>

HOSPICE OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD - SUMMER FAYRE**Sunday 9th June from 11am til 3pm**

Join The Hospice of the Good Shepherd for their Summer Fair on 9th June. It'll be an action-packed day of live entertainment and activities with something for everyone!

Whether you're after a relaxing cup of tea and cake, lunch from our burger van, browsing our selection of stalls or running around the fairground rides – it's a great family day out. Free parking is available next to the hospice, it couldn't be easier to attend!

Please note: don't forget to bring cash with you on the day...

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/hospice-of-the-good-shepherd-summer-fayre/>

INDIVIDUALLY TOGETHER EXHIBITION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHESTER**10/11/12/13/14/17/18/19/20/21 June**

Individually Together is a celebration of the diversity and creativity of the University's 2024 Art and Design graduates.

The end of year exhibition will feature work from students across the disciplines. It will be open from Monday, June 10 to Friday, June 21 inclusive from 10am to 4pm at the University's Creative Campus Kingsway.

Examples of work on display will include designs from TERRA NOVA, a fashion brand that "embodies the values of sustainability, quality and storytelling" by Enya Anton, who has recently completed a degree in BA (Hons) Fashion Design.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/individually-together-exhibition-at-the-university-of-chester/>

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE LIVE: ANDREA CHENIER AT STORYHOUSE (SCREENING)**Tuesday 11th June from 7.15pm**

Jonas Kaufmann headlines David McVicar's spectacular staging of Giordano's epic historical drama, conducted by long-time collaborator Antonio Pappano.

At a glittering party in 18th-century Paris, the poet Andréa Chenier delivers an impassioned denunciation of Louis XVI. Five years later, the Revolution has given way to the Terror, transforming the power balance between Chénier, his beloved Maddalena, and Gérard, the man who could destroy him..

Jonas Kaufmann headlines David McVicar's spectacular staging, under the baton of long-time collaborator Antonio Pappano – who conducts Giordano's epic historical drama of revolution and forbidden love in his last production as Music Director of The Royal Opera.

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/roh-live-andrea-chenier/>

WINE & CHEESE TASTING AT VIN SANTO**Wednesday 12th June from 7pm**

This the return of the always popular wine and cheese tasting!

It's an evening of six irresistible wines perfectly matched to six delectable cheeses. Move swiftly, these tastings always sell out quickly!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/wine-and-cheese-tasting-at-vin-santo-2/>

LADIES CHARITY LUNCH AT THE FORGE**Thursday 13th June from 12noon**

North West Cancer Research are holding their first Chester Ladies' Lunch at The Forge Restaurant on June 13th.

Indulge in a £45 three-course meal, receive a deluxe goodie bag, and enjoy a complimentary glass of fizz upon arrival.

This event supports cancer research in the north west region.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/ladies-lunch-at-the-forge/>

SANDY DENNY PROJECT AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE**Thursday 13th June - doors open at 7.30pm**

Celebrating Sandy's genius with new shine and brilliance Fotheringay MkII members Sally Barker (The Poozies, BBCTV's "The Voice", IOTA) and guitarist PJ Wright (TradArrr, The Dylan Project) are joined by multi instrumentalist Marion Fleetwood (voice, fiddle, guitars – Feast of Fiddles, TRADarr, IOTA), Gemma Shirley (keyboard and vocals – TRADarr) and the rhythm section of bassist Mat Davies and drummer Mark Stevens from folk-rock legends Little Johnny England to form The Sandy Denny Project.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/the-sandy-denny-project-at-alexanders-live/>

LIVERPOOL LEGENDS; AN AUDIENCE WITH JOHN BARNES AND PETER BEARDSLEY AT STORYHOUSE**Thursday 13th June from 7.30pm**

This event has been rescheduled to Thursday 13 June due to Euro 2024 fixtures being released by UEFA.

Existing bookers will be contacted and all tickets are still valid.

Both John Barnes and Peter Beardsley will be appearing on the new date.

The Ultimate evening of Liverpool legends with John Barnes and Peter Beardsley on stage together hosted by Jed Stone. The evening will be full of entertainment and banter as you can well expect, so sit back and enjoy!

This evening will give you a full insight into their careers, from previous clubs, to putting on the famous red jersey, to representing their national country.

There will be 100 limited opportunities for Meet and Greet pre show for photos and signatures. Don't miss out on your chance to be one of those...

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/liverpool-legends-an-audience-with-john-barnes/>

JIMMY CARR: LAUGHS FUNNY AT STORYHOUSE

Friday 14th June / 7pm and 9pm

If you like fast-paced, edgy one-liners then get ready to be happy. Jimmy Carr is going back on tour with his brand-new show 'Jimmy Carr: Laughs Funny'.

Jimmy tells jokes, and jokes are like magnets.

Jokes attract people, but they can also repel.

Some people are repelled by Jimmy's dark brand of comedy. This show is not for them.

But if it's the kind of thing you like, then this is the kind of thing you'll like.

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/jimmy-carr-laughs-funny/>

THE FRIDAY SOCIAL AT CHESTER RACECOURSE

Friday 14th June from 11.30am

Friday fixtures are here again at Chester Racecourse. Friday racing holds a special place in many racegoers hearts, as well as our own. It's a perfect way to start the weekend and make the most of the British summer with friends and loved ones. An ideal day at the races, this Friday Social will be all you need to ensure that you don't waste your weekend.

Racing on a Friday takes on a different atmosphere to our Saturday day racing. The DJ's are ready, the drinks are flowing and a long and light day is ahead. After the fun is over at the world's oldest racecourse, why not continue the night in the heart of the city of Chester. A few minutes walk and you'll be at the centre of unrivalled bars and restaurants with an atmosphere only a race day at Chester can create.

<https://www.chester-races.com/race-days/fixtures/fridaysocial2024/>

TASTE CHESHIRE FARMERS MARKET AT TOWN HALL SQUARE

Saturday 15th June

9.30am to 4.30pm

On the third Saturday of each month, the Taste Cheshire team can be found outside Chester Town Hall for the monthly Taste Cheshire Farmers Market, with some of the county's best local producers. Including fresh baked bread, pies, cheese, cakes, preserves, crafts and more... So come on down and support the very best of local produce.

<https://tastecheshire.com/events/taste-cheshire-farmers-market-2/>

THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE AT SNOWDON

This exhibition runs daily from 15th June – 15th September.

(The museum is closed on Mondays and open for reduced hours on Sundays).

Yr Wyddfa / Snowdon is Wales's most iconic mountain, hosting 650,000 visitors each year.

This exhibition takes us on a journey from Chester into North Wales. Contemporary photographs are juxtaposed with extracts from the 19th century Snowdon summit hotels' visitor books, alongside prints and drawings from the Grosvenor Museum's art collection.

The exhibition is part of an ongoing, interdisciplinary project at the University of Chester, in collaboration with Bangor University and Snowdonia National Park Authority.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/the-changing-landscape-at-snowdon/>

EDINBURGH GIN SUMMER SATURDAY AT CHESTER RACECOURSE

Saturday 15th June from 11.30am

The energy at Chester Racecourse refuses to dip as the second day of the first double fixture of 2024 arrives. Making the most of summer's arrival here in the UK, this Summer Saturday meeting is an ideal opportunity to make some memories and enjoy a thrilling day of racing. With live music across the racecourse, the vibes will start from the moment you reach the gates with musicians ready to welcome you. By the time our last race reaches the winning post, the music will have transformed the racecourse into a hub of energy as DJ's and jazz bands keep the tempo high.

Feel like treating yourself? Why not try one of the remarkable hospitality packages? The White Horse offers a cosy, rustic pub to base yourself from throughout the day. If the conservatory is your pick, you can enjoy views of the pre-parade ring from your table as well as a retractable roof in case of glorious weather. Looking for the best of the best? PARADE is your destination. Unrivalled and the pinnacle of luxury, this is luxury defined.

<https://www.chester-races.com/race-days/fixtures/summersaturday2024/>

RICHARD G JONES TRIO AT THE BOATHOUSE

Sunday 15th June from 2pm

On 15th June at The Boathouse, the live music is provided by the ever popular Richard G Jones Trio who return to the venue.

The Chester / North Wales based trio focus their set on Americana and Classic 60's & 70's tunes. Entry is free.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/richard-g-jones-trio-at-the-boathouse/>

CHESTER GREEN WEEKEND 24

Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th June

Brand new - Chester Green Weekend will celebrate our commitment to sustainability with a series of unique local events, workshops and happenings across the city over one weekend this June

People, Planet, Pint - 13th June
 Green Expo 24 - 14th, 15th & 16th June
 Chester Sustainable Living Festival 15th & 16th June
 Chester Green Weekend at Green Day Café & Golf - 15th & 16th June
 Chester's First Luggage Rummage - 15th & 16th June
 Chester Paddle Board Festival - 15th June
 Active Travel Fest - 16th June
 Special events and workshops at ŌH Chester Design Foundation
<https://wlgt.co.uk/locations/chester-green-weekend-24/#events>

RED HOT CHILLI PIPERS AT STORYHOUSE

Saturday 15th June from 7.30pm

There has never been anything quite like The Red Hot Chilli Pipers, from their formation in 2002 and a cameo appearance at T in the Park in 2004 with the Darkness to opening the main stage in their own right in 2014. The past twenty years have seen the Red Hot Chilli Pipers become the most famous bagpipe band on the planet...ever! Bagpipes with attitude, drums with a Scottish accent and a show that leaves people with warm hearts and smiles on their faces.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/red-hot-chilli-pipers-at-storyhouse/>

AKA NOEL GALLAGHER AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE

Saturday 15th June - doors open 7pm

In March 2015, the second Noel Gallagher's High Flying Birds album, "Chasing Yesterday" was released, & after years of deliberation, Matt put together a band to recreate the former Oasis leader's songs & shows, & fulfill a long held dream of playing a whole set of Noel's songs.

Since the band started gigging they've played to thousands of people at festivals, music venues, bars & pubs across England, Wales & Scotland, as well as a New Year's event in Dubai in 2022.

With Matt on vocals & guitars, the band is Tom (keyboard & backing vocals), Stefan (bass), Mal (drums & backing vocals) & Sean (guitars).

Also, on this date, you can see Liam Gallagher tribute and full band playing songs from Liam Gallagher.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/aka-noel-gallagher-at-alexanders-live/>

MIDSOMMAR JUNKFEST AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE

Sunday 16th June - doors open 4pm

Raising funds for UNICEF:

"We make sure more of the world's children are vaccinated, educated and protected than any other organisation.

We have done more to influence laws, policies and customs to help protect children than

any other charity building a safer world for tomorrow's children".

Enjoy the music of The Welcome Party, Sustiere, bigfatbig, Pillow Fort and Camp Fire Social.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/midsommar-junkfest-at-alexanders-live/>

GOSHAWK GATHERING

Wednesday 19th June from 6pm

The Goshawk Gathering is a collection of some amazing classic cars, supercars, bikes and all other interesting and fun engineering and magnificent machinery!

The car park will be exclusively reserved for exhibitors, please message the Goshawk facebook page BEFORE turning up to secure a space....otherwise you'll be on the overflow car park!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/goshawk-gathering-3/>

CIGAR & WHISKEY NIGHT AT THE FORGE

Wednesday 19th June from 6pm

Following a sell out first event, The Forge is pleased to announce that they will be hosting another Cigar and Whisky night.

They are partnering up with Turmeaus Whisky and Cigar Shop in Chester to deliver you the very best Scotch Whisky & Cuban cigars. The evening will commence in the stunning restaurant The Forge where you will enjoy a fantastic 3-course set dinner menu. After your meal you will indulge in whisky paired with Cuban cigars on the outdoor terrace space to soak up the summer evening.

The whisky of the evening will be an extremely rare collection of small batch and single cask malts from Scotland's finest distilleries. You will also get the full run down of the whiskies and cigars by an expert who will be on site for the evening.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/gigar-and-whiskey-night-at-the-forge/>

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There will be traffic management in place and there will be an enforced "No Parking" zone along both sides of Station Road from the junction of Delamere Road up to the Goshawk's overflow parking.

The parking is completely free and will be marshalled so everyone can enjoy the event, between 6pm and 9pm and walk round and chat to the very proud owners

about these superb machines.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/goshawk-gathering-3/>

ROYAL ASCOT AT THE COACH HOUSE

Thursday 20th & Friday 21st June

Enjoy Royal Ascot at The Coach House Inn.

Indulge in the festival atmosphere from the comfort of their restaurant, complete with a sumptuous 3-course meal and a refreshing welcome drink.

The team will ensure your day is seamless with attentive table service, and to add to the thrill, we've even got an expert tipster and bookies runner on hand – all this for just £30!

This would make a great Father's Day present

Limited spaces – secure your spot now!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/royal-ascot-at-the-coach-house/>

WINE DINNER AT THE CHESTER GROSVENOR

Thursday 20th June from 7pm

Indulge in a gourmet wine dinner at Arkle at The Chester Grosvenor, featuring wines from Château des Jacques, a prestigious Beaujolais estate celebrating its centennial year. With 67 hectares of vineyards across six appellations, including 9 hectares dedicated to Chardonnay, their wines reflect the essence of the region.

Arrive at 7pm for canapés and a welcome drink before enjoying a five-course tasting menu paired with wines from this renowned producer, accompanied by insights from our restaurant team and a Château des Jacques expert.

£180 per person.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/wine-dinner-at-the-chester-grosvenor-hotel/>

SQUINT 182 AND OUR LOST CAUSE AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE

Thursday 20th June – doors open 7.30pm

Squint 182 are North Wales's premier tribute to Blink 182, having undertaken a punishing gigging schedule since their formation at the end of lockdown.

The lads combine the irreverent humour of their heroes with a determination to provide a fitting musical tribute and a typical Squint show will see all the Blink 182 classics unveiled, including the likes of All The Small Things, First Date, Dammit, I Miss You, Stay Together For The Kids, The Rock Show, What's My Age Again?, Adam's Song and feeling This.

Turning the show into a double header are Our Lost Cause, a North Walian trio who have built up a loyal following for their Best Of PopPunk set that includes hits made famous by the likes of McFly, Busted and Jimmy Eat World.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/squint-182-and-our-lost-cause-at-alexanders-live/>

FOUR SEASONS & LARK ASCENDING BY CANDLELIGHT AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL

21 June 7.30pm

London Concertante are delighted to announce the return of their sell-out Vivaldi's Four Seasons by Candlelight concert series.

Experience astounding music by one of classical music's greatest composers performed by some of the country's best classical musicians all presented by stunning candlelight in cathedrals across the UK & Ireland this Spring.

Bathe in soaring crescendos and melodic strings as our live ensemble conjures Vivaldi's exceptional craft, imagination, and quality, showcasing his pioneering techniques and his profound impact on Baroque music. This concert series promises to bring the iconic 'Four Seasons' to life in an extraordinary musical journey through nature's beauty, strength and grace.

One of the UK's most renowned ensembles, London Concertante has been bringing outstanding quality classical music to audiences across the country for over three decades, creating unforgettable experiences for classical music connoisseurs and newcomers alike.

<https://chestercathedral.com/events/event/14179>

CHESTER HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Friday 21st to Sunday 30th June 2024

Chester Heritage Festival brings the city's exciting and varied history to life through a series of unique events and experiences for all ages.

Gladiators, medieval monks and a pioneering female artist are amongst the subjects for speakers and Q&A sessions at Talking Chester, running from 10am to 4pm on June 21. The event marks the opening day of the Festival, will be staged in the Garret Bar at Storyhouse and is completely free for all to attend.

Throughout the Festival there are workshops including poetry, printing and a demonstration by a medieval surgeon, or why not give morris dancing a try. A series of walks and talks delve into Chester's history, right up to the present day, and a specially created series of children's events ensure that there's something for everyone.

Join us as we tell the fascinating, intriguing and sometimes gory story of our city and its people. Check out our website for the full programme.

<https://www.chesterheritagefestival.co.uk/>

DRAG-A-LICIOUS BINGO AT CHESTER TOWN HALL

Friday 21st June from 7pm

This is a night of bingo and mayhem at Chester Town Hall, organised by the Chester and Cheshire West Council LGBT staff network, in aid of Chester Pride.

There's a final house cash prize of £250, and plenty of other prizes are available. Plus all tickets include a free glass of fizz.

Doors Open at 7pm, eyes down at 8pm.

Thanks to the many Chester enterprises who have donated prizes.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/drag-a-licious-bingo-at-chester-town-hall/>

KVN DANCE COMPANY AT STORYHOUSE**Saturday 22nd June from 7.30pm**

Following sold-out performances in London, KVN Dance Company returns with Kevan Allen's magical reimagining of the beloved classical ballet, *Coppelia*.

This retelling explores eccentric toy maker Dr Coppelius' intent behind creating a life-size clockwork doll, *Coppelia* and the impact this has on his relationship with the community of villagers and on Swanhilda's relationship with her fiancé, Franz.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/kvn-dance-company-at-storyhouse/>

DOLLY PARTON AND COUNTRY SUPERSTARS AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL**22 June 7.30pm**

Jolene - Sarah Jayne's Dolly Parton Experience featuring Kenny Rogers and Special Guest From the Hit UK touring show Country Superstars

This show is Endorsed by Dolly Parton on the BBC One Show "I wish them the best and I appreciate them doing Dolly and Kenny so well for so long", described by Kenny Rogers as "Europe's leading Dolly and Kenny Impersonators" on KennyRogers.com – This truly unique show is hosted by the star of "The Dolly Parton Experience". . .Most recently seen on ITV's Game of Talents.

TV and West End Dolly star Sarah Jayne has been performing as Dolly Parton for 30 years and is Europe's leading tribute to the Queen of Country, This incredible show captures the image, the personality, the stage presence, with the heels and hair and most importantly the voice of The Queen of Country.

<https://chestercathedral.com/events/event/12078>

JOHN LYDON; I COULD BE WRONG, I COULD BE RIGHT - AT STORYHOUSE**Saturday 22nd June from 7.30pm**

He's a legend and an icon, a revolutionary and an immortal. John Lydon – aka Johnny Rotten – changed the face of music and sparked a cultural revolution. The frontman and lyricist of the Sex Pistols and Public Image Ltd (PiL) caused a political earthquake and transformed music for good. In his spoken word show, I Could Be Wrong, I Could Be Right, Lydon is touring the UK. He will talk about how he sees life, along with his unique and extraordinary career, and take audience questions during a pyrotechnic, one-off tour. Lydon will be sharing his thoughts with audiences. He Could Be Wrong. He Could Be Right.

VIP meet'n'greet packages are available.

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/john-lydon/>

ROCK OF AGES AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE**Saturday 22nd June – doors open 7.30pm**

Welcome to The Rock of Ages Experience. An amazing tribute to the music of the smash-hit Hollywood musical and film. The rock classics of the eighties go from strength to strength, as we perform some of the greatest rock songs of the decade. From Bon Jovi and Guns N Roses to Journey and Whitesnake – our six piece band will rock the house to it's very foundations! If you want a night of rockin' eighties fun – you've got it!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/rock-of-ages-at-alexanders-live/>

MIDSUMMER WATCH PARADES**Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd June 2024 from 2pm**

More than 500 years in the making, Chester's Midsummer Watch is the oldest and most colourful parade in the UK. Since its first outing in 1498, the Watch has become a major part of Chester's cultural heritage. Over 400 local people are involved in this moving portrait of historical events, local legends, biblical and other mythical characters. Musicians, giants, dragons and pirates deliver colour, spectacle and excitement.

midsummerwatch.co.uk – [Chester's MidsummerWatch and Winter Watch parades](#)

HANDBRIDGE SUMMER FESTIVAL**Sunday 23rd June from 11am**

Join in the family fun, on Sunday 23rd June, 11am – 6pm, and celebrate summer at this community event taking place in Handbridge between The Ship Inn and Handbridge pub. The main road will be closed to traffic for the duration of the event, with artisan stalls, street food, arts and crafts and entertainment for all ages.

Check back nearer the time for more information but for now, save the date!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/handbridge-summer-festival-2/>

BLOCKHEADS AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE**Sunday 23rd June - doors open 7.30pm**

Starting out as the band behind Ian Dury, the Blockheads are a legendary outfit that has grown in stature from the early days of the Stiff tour in 1977, right up to the present day. Backing up Ian Dury's poetic lyrics, this is the band that brought you 'Hit Me with your Rhythm Stick', 'What A Waste', 'Reasons to be Cheerful (Part 3)', and 'Sex & Drugs & Rock & Roll', among many others.

Rarely off the road since the demise of Ian Dury in 2000, the Blockheads are still one of the most underrated British bands of all time, with a legion of fans of all ages.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/blockheads-at-alexanders-live/>

SISTER ACT - A DIVINE MUSICAL COMEDY AT STORYHOUSE

Monday 24th to Saturday 29th June

Brace yourselves sisters – the habit is coming to Storyhouse!

Don't miss this eagerly anticipated brand new production of the Broadway and UK award winning musical Sister Act direct from London.

All your prayers have been answered with a stunning cast, including Coronation Street and theatre legend Wendi Peters as Mother Superior and West End star Landi Oshinowo as Deloris, everyone's favourite nun on the run!

Disco diva Deloris' life takes a surprising turn when she witnesses a murder. Placed under protective custody she is hidden in the one place she shouldn't be found – a convent!

Encouraged to help the struggling choir, she helps her fellow sisters find their true voices as she unexpectedly rediscovers her own.

Featuring original music by Tony® and 8-time Oscar® award-winner Alan Menken (Disney's Aladdin, Enchanted) and songs inspired by Motown, soul and disco, this heavenly musical is joyous and uplifting in equal measures. A musical sent from above, Sister Act is the brilliant, must-see show which raises the spirits and warms the soul time after time.

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/sister-act/>

BEER & FOOD TASTING AT THE FORGE

Wednesday 26th June from 6pm

Embark on a journey of hops and malt at this exclusive beer tasting event at The Forge Restaurant in Chester.

Delve into the rich tapestry of Damm Beers, each sip a revelation of flavour and tradition. Their selection promises to tantalise the taste buds and ignite the senses.

Join fellow enthusiasts in a convivial atmosphere, where camaraderie flows as freely as the beer. Whether you're a seasoned aficionado or a curious newcomer, this event promises an unforgettable exploration of the artistry and diversity of beer & food.

There will be a total of five beers & five stunning dishes all made to accompany and elevate the flavours in each other.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/beer-and-food-tasting-at-the-forge/>

RUM TASTING AT VIN SANTO

Wednesday 26th June from 7pm

David Alonso of Identity Drinks will tell the unique story of Planteray (Formerly Plantation) Rum, which starts in the Caribbean and ends in the cellars of Maison Ferrand in Cognac.

You'll taste though six different rums encompassing something white, dark, old, fruity, spiced, and special.

Bar Manager Sam will be mixing a couple of cocktails too! Vibrant, full flavoured Caribbean rums, finished with French finesse, what's not to love?

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/rum-tasting-at-vin-santo/>

ART SCHOOL AT GROSVENOR MUSEUM**Thursday 27th June from 7.15pm**

Join us once a month to explore our collections through a different lens and learn some technical skills along the way. Through semi-guided sessions which blend exploration, learning, and the joy of stepping out of your comfort zone, get together in the museum to explore drawing in its various forms.

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/westcheshiremuseums/art-school-2024-using-colour/2024-05-23/19:15/t-dvxjqvg>

SUMMER STYLE RACE DAY AT CHESTER RACECOURSE**Saturday 29th June from 11.30am**

The end of June is close and with it we move further into the summer. Bid farewell to our first month of the sunny season in style and make some lifelong memories while you're at it. Hate that feeling each year that you wasted the summer? Chester racecourse has got the remedy for that. Get your friends and loved ones together and spend a day out at the races. Plus, this fixture is all about the latest and greatest summer styles.

There's no better place to enjoy a summer's day than in the picturesque surroundings of the world's oldest racecourse. Spend the day in their industry leading spaces before continuing the fun in the cosmopolitan city of Chester – just a few minutes walk from the racecourse into the centre. You'll feel the energy from the moment you arrive as live musicians welcome you to the racecourse. The music will start the day chilled but don't worry, as the races reach their peak so too does the music as we transition from mellow acoustic to DJ beats.

<https://www.chester-races.com/race-days/fixtures/summerstyleraceday2024/>

NEARLY DAN AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE**Saturday 29th June from 7.30pm**

Less tribute and more homage, Nearly Dan is saviour to the growing legions of Dan fans, desperate to hear the meticulously crafted grooves and allusive lyrical style of Donald Fagen & Walter Becker. Nearly Dan's approach is faithful, though not reverential, and relaxed but as tight as their namesakes. They bring their own unique spirit and spontaneous humour to every concert.

<https://wlgf.co.uk/events/nearly-dan-at-alexanders-live-2/>

CHESTER PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL**29th June 7.30pm**

Postcard from Danube

Join us as we travel along the Danube, presenting a programme of local Viennese, Czech and Hungarian music conducted by Stephen Threlfall and featuring viola soloist, Duncan Anderson.

Conductor: Stephen Threlfall

Soloist: Duncan Anderson

Strauss II - Overture to Die Fledermaus

Bartok - Viola Concerto

Strauss II - The Blue Danube Waltz

Dvorak - Symphony no 8

<https://chestercathedral.com/events/event/12080>

CHESTER RAFT RACE

Sunday 30th June from 10am

The Chester Raft Race is an annual charity event taking place every summer on the River Dee. The rafts race against the clock over an approximate 400 meter course, starting by the rowing club, passing under the pedestrian Suspension Bridge to a finish indicated on the north bank of the river by Recorder's steps and just above the weir. Although the race is over at this point, the rafts then have to retrace their route back to the launch area on the Meadows with what is left of their raft and crew.

Enter the 1/4 mile race on your homemade raft from the Chester Meadows to the Groves. Launch from the Meadows ensuring your raft floats and then make your way under the suspension bridge and past the roaring crowd on the bandstand stopping at the recorder steps above the weir.

Reserved Hospitality Areas on The Meadows are available for Chester Charity Raft Race.

Our standard plot is 20 metres by 10 metres – please ask for a price.

These are perfect if you have a large group of supporters and would like 'to make a day of it'.

<https://chesterrafttrace.org.uk/chester-charity-raft-race/>

JULY 2024

Wimbledon fortnight - 1st to 14th July
 American Independence Day - 4th July
 World Chocolate Day - 7th July
 Bastille Day - 14th July
 Windrush Day - 22nd July
 Summer Olympics & Paralympics - 26th July to 11th August
 Harry Potter's birthday - 31st July

THE GEOLOGY OF CHESHIRE SALT EXHIBITION AT THE GROSVENOR MUSEUM

Til 14th July

Harry Young, BSc Geography & Natural Hazards, was joint national winner of the Museum + Heritage Award for volunteering, following his work at the Lion Salt Works during the pandemic. Harry has used his degree research to develop this exhibition which explores the huge impact of salt from the Cheshire Plain has had on our histories and the landscape around us. Salt lies deep beneath our feet – how did it get there and how have do we use it? From transport and our place in the world, from chemical industries to cheese-making, from communities to the natural environment? The fascinating story of salt geology helps us understand where we live and who we are.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/the-geology-of-cheshire-salt-exhibition-at-the-grosvenor-museum>

CHESTER MALE VOICE CHOIR AT CHESTER TOWN HALL

Wednesday 3rd july from 7.30pm

Enjoy a wonderful evening in the company of Chester Male Voice Choir who will be joined by the touring Perth Male choir in this one night exclusive. Expect sensational harmonies, great company and thorough entertainment with these established and renowned groups.

<https://www.chestermalevoice.com/dbpage.php?pg=view&dbase=events&id=170854>

FESTIVAL OF IDEAS

4th to 7th July

The Festival of Ideas is a programme of free, inclusive and accessible public events on a wide range of themes in and around Chester, co-created by the [University of Chester](#) and external stakeholders and city partners.

These events may include; speakers, discussion panels, theatre, pop-up exhibitions, interactive events, music, readings, guided walks and many more!

The Festival is founded on the [University of Chester's](#) mission to create community and serve society through the transformative power of education, research and our [Citizen Student Strategy](#).

It is based on our foundational values to recognise the pursuit of truth and freedom of enquiry, to find joy in discovery, to take pleasure in invention, and to celebrate human creativity. We seek to set out a programme of diverse, inclusive and accessible public events, to make an impact on the lives of communities, partners, students and staff that we work with.

The Festival aligns with the Partnership Agreement signed by the University and Cheshire West and Chester Council, which highlights our potential to deliver the [‘One City Plan’](#). The Festival will provide a platform for residents to engage in ideas and discussions about our city’s history and its future. The events programme will seek to inspire residents to think about civic participation and it will encourage collaboration between private enterprise, public services, education providers and the community, voluntary and faith sectors in Chester, so that we can work together to ensure a healthier, greener and fairer future for all of Chester’s people.

All local businesses and organisations are encouraged to get involved by creating your own events to be included in the overall programme under the following festival themes:

Sustainable Communities / Arts, Culture and Creativity / Health and Wellbeing
/ Investigating History / Scientific Futures / Showcasing Business and Entrepreneurship.

Visit their website to find out more and submit your ideas:

<https://festivalofideas.chester.ac.uk/>

ASSEMBLE AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL

4th July 6.30pm

Chester Cathedral is many things to many people, and we want to be a place where people gather to discuss the BIG topics. Assemble is an invitation to come and hear engaging speakers on topics that are relevant in our modern world.

This Assemble is part of the Festival of Ideas and will explore the role of AI in our society: can engaging with AI be good for humanity? A panel of speakers who work in or engage with AI in a range of ways will explore this question with opportunities for questions from the public to shape the discussion. Join us to explore this engaging topic. A full list of speakers will be available in early 2024, with booking to open in May 2024.

<https://festivalofideas.chester.ac.uk>

CHESTER ART BEAT - CITY WIDE

5th to 7th July

A live art event throughout the city, featuring 40 artists at 20 venues. Artists will be exhibiting, selling and running events workshops and encouraging visitors to have a go at an artwork!

Go to chesterartbeat.co.uk for the full programme.

BINGO AND FISH & CHIPS ON THE DEE WITH CHESTER BOATS

This popular two-hour fish & chip Friday cruise sets sail from The Groves in the heart of Chester on the first Friday of each summer month (May – September).

Enjoy a tasty supper of fish, chips & peas from one of Chester's finest chippies as you sail up to the picturesque Aldford Iron Bridge. There is a fully stocked bar onboard so you can enjoy a hot or cold drink with your supper.

On the way upstream you'll hear an interesting sightseeing commentary, and on the way back there will be a couple of fun games of bingo – with prizes to be won. Fish & Chip Fridays are suitable for the whole family, with smaller portions available for children.

Please note that these cruises are popular and usually sell out several weeks in advance.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/bingo-and-fish-chips-on-the-dee-with-chester-boats/>

JULY QUIZ AT THE GOSHAWK

Sunday 7th July from 8.30pm

The July monthly quiz night at the Goshawk is on 7th July, with the usual general knowledge, film & TV, picture, music, sports and current affairs rounds there is something for everyone!

Entry is just £1 per person with a max team size of 6 people.

There are fantastic prizes to be won for our First-placed, Second-placed and Seventh-placed teams!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/july-quiz-at-the-goshawk/>

MARDI GRAS SUMMER DINNER AT CHESTER TOWN HALL

Friday 12th July from 7pm

The Mardi Gras Summer Charity Dinner is on Friday 12 July at Chester Town Hall. The celebration begins at 7pm with a drinks reception followed by a delicious dinner. The evening will include a raffle, silent auction and music to dance the night away...all with a Mardi Gras theme. We'd love to see you there in Mardi Gras style or your favourite summer look. All proceeds from ticket sales, sponsorship and donations on the night will feed and clothe people who are homeless and refugees this winter.

Tables are £695 for a table of 10, or individual tickets are £75

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/mardi-gras-summer-dinner-at-chester-town-hall/>

ABBA BY CANDLELIGHT AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL

Friday 12th July from 7.30pm

The Music of ABBA by Candlelight returns to Chester Cathedral!

Friday 12th & Saturday 13th July 2024 at 7.30pm.

Join us for an incredible night of Abba anthems, performed in the beautiful Chester Cathedral, by candlelight.

Featuring the UK's leading Abba Tribute Act, Abba Reunion, join us for this sing-along concert packed to the rafters with over 20 Abba hits that will leave you dancing in the aisles. The concert features some of the most iconic pop songs of all time including Mamma Mia, Voulez Vous, Thank You for the Music, Dancing Queen and many many more!

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The concert features some of the most iconic pop songs of all time including Mamma Mia, Voulez Vous, Thank You for the Music, Dancing Queen and many many more!

<https://wigt.co.uk/events/abba-by-candlelight-at-chester-cathedral/>

IBIZA CLASSICS EVENING AT CHESTER RACECOURSE

Friday 12th July from 4.30pm

July is here and so is the second Friday night race meeting of 2024. The ultimate start to your weekend, the Friday evening fixtures are a rare opportunity to experience the excellence of Chester Racecourse, in the stunning setting of a long summer's evening. Indulge in a Pimms as you bask in the late evening light or make it special and treat yourself to a bottle of Laurent-Perrier Champagne to share with your friends and loved ones.

The Ibiza Classics Evening is all about live music and racing. Enjoy the sophistication of British horse racing, with the fun and energy of an Ibiza night out. Relax with your friends to iconic Ibiza tracks in the stunning surroundings of the world's oldest racecourse. This is the ideal opportunity to make some lifelong memories with those closest to you. Grab your ticket today to an unmissable night out.

<https://www.chester-races.com/race-days/fixtures/ibizaclassicsevening/>

SOUL SUNSET RACING AT CHESTER RACECOURSE - WITH CRAIG CHARLES DJ SET

Saturday 13th July from 4pm

The second day of Chester Racecourse's music weekend brings Funk to the forefront. Soul Sunset Racing is a race day all about Soul and Funk music. An immaculate pairing with summer racing, this is an unrivalled way to spend your Saturday – basking in the manicured surroundings of the world's oldest racecourse, enjoying delicious food and drinks, experiencing the thrill of horse racing and all to the backdrop of soulful live performances. Live performers from across the spectrum of Funk and Soul will be dotted across the racecourse, ensuring the atmosphere is just right from the moment you arrive. As racing ends, the volume will be turned up for all of us to bid farewell to another incredible race day at Chester Racecourse.

The second day of our music weekend brings Craig Charles to the Racecourse for his incredible Funk & Soul DJ set. He's sure to bring the party atmosphere once racing has finished, promising lots of feel-good music and beats that make you boogie. This will be an unrivalled way to spend your Saturday – basking in the manicured surroundings of the world's oldest racecourse, enjoying delicious food and drinks, experiencing the thrill of horse racing and all to the backdrop of Craig's live performance.

Live performers from across the spectrum of Funk and Soul will be dotted across the racecourse, ensuring the atmosphere is just right from the moment you arrive.

Please note: racing on this Saturday starts from 4pm onwards.

<https://www.chester-races.com/race-days/fixtures/soulsunsetracing/>

LEGENDBURY AT ALEXANDER'S LIVE**Saturday 13th July from 1pm**

Alexander's Live announce the date for LegendBury 2024 as Saturday 13th July!

The doors open at noon and the music starts at 1pm. The event will featuring tributes to:

Nirvana / The Stereophonics / The Smiths / Green Day / James / The Killers / Muse

There will be a bar of course as well as a BBQ and the woodfired pizza oven will be out!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/legendbury-at-alexanders-live/>

STORYHOUSE STREET FOOD WEEKEND IN GROSVENOR PARK**Saturday 13th July and Sunday 14th July 12noon til 6pm**

This event is two FREE-TO-ENTER days of food, drink and sunshine at Grosvenor Park. Come and visit local food traders and restaurants who will be there and the open air theatre crew will be firing up their woodfired pizza oven and barbecuing brisket and pulled pork. Drop in for local craft beers, frozen margaritas and a selection of Chester's finest kitchens. There will be live music and activities to keep the kids entertained too.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/street-food-weekend-at-grosvenor-park/>

MIDNIGHT FLICKS: ANYONE BUT YOU IN GROSVENOR PARK**Saturday 13th July from 9.30pm**

This summer for the first time, Grosvenor Park will be the setting for Chester's movie magic under the stars! Settle into a deck chair and be fully immersed with surround sound via the headphones provided, the film will be shown on a 30 foot screen and there's woodfired pizzas and frozen cocktails available to buy. The first film in the Moonlight Flicks for 2024 is Anyone but You: After an amazing first date, Bea and Ben's fiery attraction turns ice-cold – until they find themselves unexpectedly reunited at a destination wedding in Australia. So they do what any two mature adults would do: pretend to be a couple.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/midnight-flicks-anyone-but-you/>

7 LOCKS 7 MILES WITH THE HOSPICE OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Sunday 14th July from 10am

Join the Hospice of the Good Shepherd for the 7 Locks, 7 Miles Great Canal Sponsored Walk. This event is free to enter and we will even provide you with a bacon butty (or vegan alternative) and hot drink before you set off on the walk. Setting off from the Hospice, you will walk through Backford village and join the Shropshire Union Canal Path. You'll follow the canal right around Chester city centre, the route will take you past various sights including 7 Locks, one of which being the famous Northgate Staircase Locks, if you are lucky enough you may catch a glimpse of a narrowboat travelling through! Finishing out at Christleton at The Cheshire Cat pub, where you will have the opportunity to stop for lunch. We will have shuttle buses running back to the Hospice to drop you back to your car.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/7-locks-7-miles-hospice-of-the-good-shepherd/>

D&S PRODUCTIONS PRESENT GHOST; THE MUSICAL AT STORYHOUSE

Wednesday 17th to Saturday 20th July

For the first time community theatre company, D&S Productions, are bringing their own magical production of Ghost: The Musical to Storyhouse!

Adapted from the hit film by the Academy Award-winning screenwriter Bruce Joel Rubin, Ghost:The Musical follows Sam and Molly, a young couple whose connection takes a shocking turn after Sam's untimely death.

D&S productions are an award-winning community theatre group and registered charity based in Ellesmere Port. They regularly perform at the Brindley Theatre in Runcorn and other local performance spaces. They belong to the NODA (National Operatic & Dramatic Association).

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/ds-productions-present-ghost-the-musical/>

MOONLIGHT FLICKS IN GROSVENOR PARK: MAMMA MIA

Thursday 18th July from 9.30pm

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Donna (Meryl Streep), an independent hotelier in the Greek islands, is preparing for her daughter's wedding with the help of two old friends. Meanwhile Sophie, the spirited bride, has a plan. She secretly invites three men from her mother's past in hope of meeting her

real father and having him escort her down the aisle on her big day.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/moonlight-flicks-in-grosvenor-mamma-mia/>

ELTON JOHN BY CANDLELIGHT AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL

Friday 19th July and Saturday 20th July from 7.30pm

Elton John by Candlelight comes to Chester Cathedral on Friday 19th & Saturday 20th July 2024 at 7.30pm.

Featuring a cast of West End singers and epic live band, experience the hits of Rock Legend Elton John as you have never heard them before!

This incredible show features some of the most iconic songs of all time including 'I'm Still Standing', 'Goodbye Yellow Brick Road', 'Candle in the Wind', 'Bennie and the Jets' and many more performed at Chester Cathedral by candlelight.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/elton-john-by-candle-light-at-chester-cathedral/>

TASTE CHESHIRE FARMERS MARKET AT TOWN HALL SQUARE

Saturday 20th July

9.30am to 4.30pm

On the third Saturday of each month, the Taste Cheshire team can be found outside Chester Town Hall for the monthly Taste Cheshire Farmers Market, with some of the county's best local producers. Including fresh baked bread, pies, cheese, cakes, preserves, crafts and more... So come on down and support the very best of local produce.

<https://tastecheshire.com/events/taste-cheshire-farmers-market-2/>

ROMANCE OF THE RUINS AT GROSVENOR MUSEUM

Daily from 20th July to 12th January 2025

The museum is closed on Mondays and opens for reduced hours on Sundays.

George Cuijt (1779-1854) was Chester's greatest Regency artist. His etchings of the city's medieval architecture and the ruined abbeys of Yorkshire invite us to look again at these familiar places. Clearly indebted to the picturesque tradition, Cuijt always retained his unique point of view.

This exhibition draws extensively on the Grosvenor Museum's art collection, revealing anew a master of print-making for the first time in nearly 200 years.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/romance-of-the-ruins-at-the-grosvenor-museum/>

FREE FAMILY CRAFTS OVER THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS AT GROSVENOR MUSEUM

From Tuesday 23rd July from 10.30am til 3.30pm

Grosvenor Museum are running free, drop in, family crafts sessions on Tuesdays Wednesdays and Thursday during the summer holidays.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/family-crafts-at-the-grosvenor-museum/>

GROSVENOR PARK OPEN AIR THEATRE: GANGS OF NEW YORK

From 19th July to 31st August (check dates . times on the website)

Kicking off the Grosvenor Park Open Air Theatre season for 2024 is a brand new thrilling adaptation of The Gangs of New York, based on the iconic book by Herbert Asbury, of the stories from the wicked and notorious Five Points neighbourhood in lower Manhattan. Crafted by the award-winning writer Kieran Lynn and brought to life by director John Young, known for his acclaimed productions Merry Wives of Windsor (2021) and Romeo and Juliet (2023), this bold reinterpretation promises to captivate audiences with its gripping narrative and dynamic performances. It runs 19th July – 31st August.

Go to storyhouse.com/seasons/grosvenorpark/ for details and to book.

WINE DINNER AT THE CHESTER GROSVENOR

Thursday 25th July from 7pm

Indulge in a gourmet wine dinner at Arkle at The Chester Grosvenor Hotel featuring exceptional and distinctive small batch wines from Larry Cherubino, a pioneering winemaker from Western Australia.

Cherubino's wines are made using estate-grown fruit from across their vineyards in Margaret River, Pemberton, and the Great Southern regions. Not only are these wines exceptional in quality, but Cherubino is also leading the way in sustainable winemaking, championing water recycling methods to protect the vines for years to come.

Arrive at 7pm for canapés and a welcome drink before enjoying a five-course tasting menu paired with these outstanding wines, accompanied by insights from our restaurant team and a Larry Cherubino expert. Immerse yourself in the flavours of Western Australia and discover the future of winemaking with one of its trailblazers.

£180 per person.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/wine-dinner-at-the-chester-grosvenor/>

MIDSUMMER MEETING AT CHESTER RACECOURSE

Saturday 27th July from 11.30am

The last of the famed Summer Saturdays has arrived. A perfect blend of live music and the thrill of horseracing, this is the way to spend your weekend. Pick out your best wears and get ready for an unforgettable day out with friends and family. Plus, with beautifully dressed photo opportunities dotted across the site, you'll have memories to look back on forever. In the late morning, you'll arrive to chilled music primed to ease you into the energy of the day. By the late afternoon, the tempo will pick up and you'll be celebrating a day of exciting racing to the backdrop of saxophone, DJ's and much more. With a wide range of food and

drink to choose from across the racecourse, you'll enjoy an incredible experience where everything you need is within reaching distance.

<https://www.chester-races.com/race-days/fixtures/midsummermeeting2024/>

GROSVENOR PARK OPEN AIR THEATRE: THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ

From 27th July to 22nd August

Embark on a magical journey with Grosvenor Park Open Air Theatre's The Wonderful Wizard of Oz walkabout theatre experience!

Our youngest audience members are in for a treat as the show parades through Grosvenor Park meeting a cast of characters along the way, concluding with a magical finale in the open-air theatre.

This will be a unique adventure designed for little children. Don't miss the enchantment—step into the wonder of Oz with us!

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/grosvenor-park-open-air-theatre-the-wonderful-wizard-of-oz-walk-about-experience/>

POT LUCKY CLUB AT oH DESIGN FOUNDATION: PATTERNED PLATE WORKSHOP

Sunday 28th July - 10am to 12.30pm

At this Pot Lucky Workshop at oH Design Foundation, you can make cool, colourfully patterned plates or trinket dishes using a fun coloured 'clay inlay' technique.

This is a simple, creative and very relaxing workshop that's especially suitable for anyone who is new to clay.

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/pot-lucky-club-at-oh-design-foundation-patterned-plate-workshop/>

MOONLIGHT FLICKS: GREASE

Wednesday 31st July from 9.15pm

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Good girl Sandy Olsson and greaser Danny Zuko fell in love over the summer. When they unexpectedly discover they're now in the same high school, will they be able to rekindle their romance?

<https://wlgt.co.uk/events/moonlight-flicks-grease/>

AUGUST 2024

Summer Olympics & Paralympics - 26th July to 11th August

Yorkshire Day - 1st August

International Youth Day - 12th August

International Dog Day - 26th August

Summer Bank Holiday - 26th August

CHESTER ZOO AFTERGLOW

Selected dates in August from 4-9pm

Celebrate Summer and enjoy late afternoon and evening access to Chester Zoo across August. See the zoo glow up with entertainment, puppets, acrobats and fantastic food and drink offers. Exclusive tours and talks available. Admission applies, members glow free!

[Chester Zoo | Start Your Adventure | Creating Unforgettable Experiences](#)

MAKING TRACKS 2024 AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL

1-31 August, Mondays to Saturdays (except 16 August)

Due to popular demand, and after three successful years at the Cathedral, Pete Waterman and the Railnuts return with another year of Making Tracks. This year's track will be located in the Nave similar in size to the first Making Tracks in 2021.

More details coming soon: chestercathedral.com

YOUR KALEIDOSCOPE AT CHESTER CATHEDRAL

1-31 August, open normal Cathedral hours

This summer the Cathedral will have two colourful structures by British artist Liz West.

Following the stunning 'Our Colour Reflection' in 2018, Liz West returns to Chester with two awe-inspiring installations, 'Hymn to the Big Wheel' and 'Presence', in the Chapter House and south transept of the Cathedral.

West is known for her wide-ranging works using a variety of materials and exploring the use of light, blurring the boundaries between sculpture, architecture, design and painting to create works that are both playful and immersive.

More details coming soon: Chestercathedral.com

FAMILY FUN DAY AT CHESTER RACECOURSE

Sunday 4th August from 11.30am

2024 once again sees the much-loved fixture of Family Fun Day return to the Roodee. This race day has the community at its heart. As well as the usual thrilling racing, the Open Course will be transformed into a hive of activity with more fun things to do than you can imagine. Plus, everything is included with your ticket (yes, even the lowest priced Roodee ticket!). Plus there will be live music for you to relax to on the Open Course all day. Keep an eye on this page as well as the socials for updates on all of the amazing activities and brands that will be available on the day. Previous Family Fun Days have included all day silent disco tours and giant inflatable slides/rides.

<https://www.chester-races.com/race-days/fixtures/familyfunday2024/>

DEVA FEST AT CHOLMONDELEY CASTLE

8th to 11th August

The North West's favourite family festival is back with headliners The Human League, The Coral, Utah Saints, Harleymoon Kemp, Rebecca Ferguson, East 17, The Amy Winehouse Band, Ocean Colour Scene, Sleeper, Toyah & Robert and Tom Speight. Plus superb food & drink, lovely loos as standard, free fairground rides - and many more great things to see and do for all the family.

Camping and glamping is selling out fast, Club Deva VIP tickets are on sale soon.

<https://devafest.co.uk/>

TASTE CHESHIRE FARMERS MARKET AT TOWN HALL SQUARE

Saturday 17th August

9.30am to 4.30pm

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<https://tastecheshire.com/events/taste-cheshire-farmers-market-2/>

CHESTER PRIDE

Saturday 17th August

One of the city's most colourful, inclusive and epic events contributing positively to every aspect of life in Chester. With a huge parade taking over the city streets followed by a fabulous family-friendly festival with something wonderful for everyone, Chester Pride unites the city like no other occasion.

Watch this space for news on this year's headliners, attractions and experiences.

<https://www.chesterpride.co.uk/>

AN EVENING WITH JIMMY TARBUCK AT STORYHOUSE

Sunday 18th August from 7.30pm

After more than 60 years at the very top of his profession Jimmy Tarbuck OBE relives many of the most iconic moments of a life on stage and screen.

Featuring a huge collection of anecdotes and video clips highlighting a fabulously glittering career, from going to school with John Lennon to playing golf with Bing Crosby and of course his meteoric rise to fame hosting Sunday Night at the London Palladium.

Stories that retell the incredible journey of a true national treasure.

<https://www.storyhouse.com/whats-on/an-evening-with-jimmy-tarbuck/>

POWELLS LADIES DAY AT CHESTER RACECOURSE

Saturday 31st August from

Ladies Day 2024 is here on 31st August; the fixture we've all been waiting for. Perhaps the most iconic in Chester's annual calendar. A day racegoers plan for months in advance. On this day the racecourse will become a floral, summer wonderland with photo opportunities for you and your loved ones in your Sunday best at every turn. We'll also have a jaw dropping DJ set to keep the energy high for this unmissable occasion.

This truly is an unmissable event. A visual feast of the latest and greatest fashions by both men and women, Ladies Day at Chester Racecourse is an icon in itself. Plus, don't miss your opportunity to enter our famous Best Dressed Competition. Book today as tickets for Ladies Day regularly sell out each year.

<https://www.chester-races.com/race-days/fixtures/ladiesday2024/>
