



Newhampton Arts Centre

Spring 2022 Season



Inside...

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I SPY WITH MY LITTLE EYE,
SETH LAKEMAN, JAZZ, FOLK,
COMEDY, THEATRE AND MORE...

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Welcome

Welcome to the NAC (Newhampton Arts Centre), a creative venue in the heart of Wolverhampton that nurtures new talent and new ideas. Boasting a wide range of facilities, we offer opportunities for everybody to enjoy and engage in the arts.

As a creative hub, we support over thirty resident artists and organisations. NAC is a registered charity and is accessible and open to the whole community. Our main facilities include:

Dance Studios
Fitness Studios
Large Conference Rooms
Studio & Office Space
Multi-purpose Theatre (with state of the art sound & licensed bar)
Gallery Hall & Exhibition Space
Music Studios
Workshop Rooms & Artist Studios
On-site Café & Catering Services

If you want your organisation to thrive in a friendly and supportive arts network or if you have an exciting idea you want to make into a reality, then we will find the perfect space for you.

For viewing and costs please e-mail:
office@newhamptonarts.co.uk

*After 18 months in which we've missed live events it's a pleasure to be putting together such a full and varied spring 2022 programme. Our much-loved **Folk at NAC** and **Jazz at Wolverhampton** programmes return. We have great live music from acts like **Seth Lakeman**, comedy from **Lost Voice Guy** and theatre for adults and families; along with special events as part of the **Offsite9** programme inspired by **British Art Show 9**. We look forward to seeing you soon at NAC.*

Trevelyan Wright
Chief Executive

Buy Tickets

Visit our website: newhamptonarts.co.uk

Box Office: 01902 572090 – Open Mon–Fri 9am–4pm



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NAC News

On site café now open

We've had a tasty return to site with the re-opening of the café under new management by Helen from No 5 events catering. We have been enjoying Italy's favourite Lavazza coffee alongside some tasty breakfast classics, such as fluffy American pancakes, homemade soups and cakes! Open from 9am till 3pm Tuesday to Saturday and during some selected events. Check the events page on our website for further information.



We're live!

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our new website. The site features a brand new what's on section which will make it clearer to find the event you want, and making your booking experience smoother and easier, thanks to our brand new calendar and search functions.

The new website is much more mobile and tablet friendly, so finding information on the go, such as COVID-19 safety measures and guidelines, will be much easier for you too.

Take a look:
newhamptonarts.co.uk

Keeping you safe at NAC

We are continuing to monitor and take steps to keep our audiences safe from the associated risks of COVID-19. Face masks, rigorous cleaning schedules, hand sanitiser stations and a cashless box office, bar and café are amongst the many measures we have taken. Find out more and keep up to date on our website: newhamptonarts.co.uk/visit





Jim Rattigan

Wednesday 26 January, 8pm **S**

Admission £13.50

This eloquently inventive composer/bandleader brings together some of UK's finest players from both jazz and classical music. Idiomatic diversity and intuitive flexibility combine to make this an evening to relish. Line-up: Jim Rattigan (French horn/composer/arranger), Alcyona Mick (piano), Phil Donkin (double bass), James Maddren (drums), with the Tear string quartet.

JAZZ
AT NAC



Mark Lockheart

Friday 4 February, 8pm **S**

Admission £13.50

Lockheart's multifaceted outlook on music is explored through a new set of original compositions with this bold and unique sounding group. Expect urgent, exciting grooves, all cleverly crafted together within Lockheart's unique and memorable melodies. There's a wide range of influences here, from Ellington and Shorter to John Zorn, the Beatles and even Kraftwerk!

JAZZ
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Seth Lakeman

Wednesday 9 February, 7.30pm **D**

Admission £20

Singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Seth Lakeman join us on his tour around the release of his new studio album 'Make Your Mark'. Written during his enforced 18 months off the road, the album features brand-new songs including the BBC Radio 2 play listed single Higher We Aspire.



Dreadzone + Special Guests

Saturday 12 February, 7.30pm **D**

Admission £22.50

Fast approaching their 30th anniversary, Dreadzone are an unstoppable force who have long been, and still are, one of the best live bands around, and now they're returning to Wolverhampton.



Live & Picking

Friday 18 February, 7.30pm **D**

Admission £5

Showcasing a variety of young bands and fresh new talent, Live and Picking is back for its first show of 2022.



Over the Moon

Saturday 26 February, 8pm **S**

Admission £14

Award winning Americana/Canadiana/Western Swing, these guys are the real deal. Harmony, yodelling, two styles of banjo, stand-up bass, guitar, great stage presence, and two amazing voices make you sit up and pay attention.

FOLK
at the
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Tom Ollendorff Quartet featuring Ben Wendel

Wednesday 2 March, 8pm **S**

Admission £13.50

Guitarist Tom Ollendorff has been fast building a reputation as an outstanding improviser and imaginative composer. This tour is a collaboration with saxophonist Ben Wendel, who has established himself as one of the jazz world's most prolific voices.

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Ladyland – All Girls Sounds

Friday 4 March, 8pm – late **D**

Admission £7.50 advance / £10 on door

Join us for a night of righteous female-led DJ sets to celebrate International Women's Day 2022, raising funds for Wolverhampton-based charity Periods Matter.



Danny Pedler & Greg Russell

Saturday 19 March, 8pm **S**

Admission £14

The collaboration of historian and musician Danny Pedler and BBC Radio 2 Folk Award winner Greg Russell brings new folk music interpreting the social themes present in modern day Britain and inspired by real stories from real people.

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Freedom Road – A Re-Imagining

Thursday 24 March, 7.30pm **S**

Admission £10

Originally conceived by Sabina Desir and Jessica Lauren, Freedom Road – A Re-Imagining is a combined arts immersive performance honouring the civil rights movement both here in the UK and in the USA. After its first performance, it was later made into a film in response to the global uprising following the murder of George Floyd.

Featuring an incredible live band bringing to life protest anthems, with photography from the esteemed Charlie Phillips, impactful monologues from young Black British voices creating the backdrop for what is a truly entertaining yet provocative show.

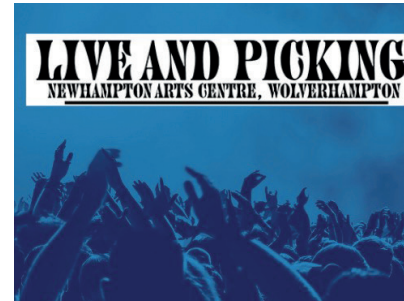


Out of Time

Saturday 26 March, 8pm **D**

Admission £8.50

Wolverhampton's favourite Mod night returns for the spring.



Live & Picking

Friday 8 April, 7.30pm **S**

Admission £5

Showcasing a variety of young bands and fresh new talent, Live and Picking returns for the spring show.



Dave O'Higgins & Rob Luft Quartet

Friday 22 April, 8pm **S** Admission £13.50

O'Higgins and Luft play Monk and Trane. They will be leading a quartet with Ross Stanley and Rod Youngs. The repertoire will be made up of Thelonious Monk compositions (including some rarely heard ones!). Expect some swing, fun, grooves and moods.

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Ian Prowse

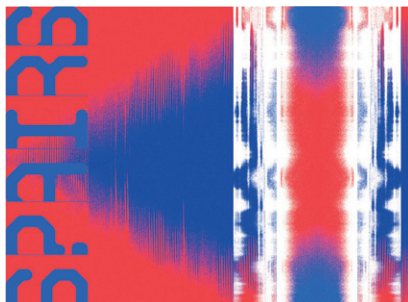
Saturday 23 April, 7.30pm **D**

Admission £15

The acclaimed full 6 piece band extravaganza will be playing songs from the fabulous new LP 'One Hand on the Starry Plough' along with all of your favourite Pele, Amsterdam & Ian Prowse classics.

With support from Roseville.

Live Music



Spairs + Guests

Thursday 5 May, 7.30pm

Admission £20

Spairs are Jonn and Dan, singer and drummer of Ned's Atomic Dustbin. This is not a Ned's Atomic Dustbin side-project; this is a totally new beast born out of lockdown. Dan plays everything, Jonn just sings (and claps). Dan and Jonn have invited some very gifted players along for the live ride.



Martin Simpson & Andy Cutting

Saturday 7 May, 8pm

Admission £16.50

A rare opportunity to see two of Britain's foremost folk performers playing together.

THIS PERFORMANCE WILL BE IN OUR OUTDOOR COVERED STAGE.

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We have the perfect space for you...

NAC has a wide range of facilities for hire. Whether you are looking for a space to host a concert, a training course, a weekly class or a recruitment fair we have the right space to make your event a success.

Visit newhamptonarts.co.uk/hire for more information and pricing.



Jim Rattigan Wed 26 January

Mark Lockheart Fri 4 February

JAZZ

AT NAC

LIVE IN WOLVERHAMPTON

Jazz is back this spring in the city of Wolverhampton featuring some of the most exciting jazz musicians performing in the UK today.

Tom Ollendorf Wed 2 March

Dave O'Higgins & Rob Luft Quartet Fri 22 April

In association with
Jazz at Wolverhampton

BOOK NOW

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THEATRE & SPOKEN WORD AT NAC



Steve Davis & Kavus Torabi: Medical Grade Music

Thursday 3 February 7.30pm Admission £11

The unlikely story of a 6 time World Snooker Champion and BBC snooker 'pundit' turned techno DJ and his relationship with a psychedelic True Believer, and their alliance and adventures as emerging underground music legends, The Utopia Strong.

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LITERATURE
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Don Letts: There & Black Again

Sunday 6 February 7pm Admission £12

In **There and Black Again: The Tour**, the Rebel Dread looks back on his life and career in a series of stories and film clips that trace a line from the early 1970s and Black Panthers through to today and the BLM movement, bringing in style tribes, culture wars, music, revolution, politics and passion. **There and Black Again** is a combination of book reading, video / film footage, Q&A and book signing.

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The Last Quiz Night on Earth

Thursday 3 March 7.30pm Admission £8 Adult / £7 Concession

Following two sold-out tours of Chip Shop Chips, Box of Tricks brings explosive new pre-apocalyptic comedy **The Last Quiz Night on Earth** to your local. So grab a drink and join us for a night you won't forget with plenty of drama! Let's get quizzical, quizzical!

BLACK
COUNTRY
TOURING

Central Youth Theatre Acting Up present: All Out 90's

Friday 18 March 7pm £8 Adult / £5 Conc. / £20 Family (2 adults, 2 children)

The Clark family are on their summer holidays. But thanks to the British weather, their plans are spoiled, and they must look for fun indoors. They find a pile of board games and opt for the strangely named 'All out 90's'. They are all mysteriously pulled inside a real-life quiz show. Expect to meet celebrity guests, see some fantastic dance moves and more importantly – find out if the Clark family will make it out of the 90's!

CENTRAL
YOUTH THEATRE

BBC
Children
in Need

This performance has been generously supported by BBC's Children in Need.



YES! YES! UCS!

Tuesday 15 March 7.30pm Admission £8 Adult / £7 Concession

It's 1971, and Aggy McGraw, fresh out of school, gets an office job at Upper Clyde Shipbuilders just a week before it's threatened with closure. With nothing to lose she is swept up in the U.C.S. 'Work In' and the collective resistance that changes her life forever. **Yes! Yes! U.C.S!** is a celebration of the community solidarity, collective resistance and the vital support that made the 'Work In' such a massive success!



Family events



I Spy with my Little Eye

Thursday 24 February 2pm & Friday 25 February 11am & 2pm

Admission £8 Adult / £5.50 Child / £24 Family

Molly and Bingo the Puppy-Dog are absolutely delighted to invite you and your family to join them for Molly's sensational sixth birthday party! There'll be a terrific treasure hunt, all your favourite sing-along songs and lots of fantastic games to play, including Molly's favourite, "I Spy With My Little Eye!"



Look out for our... Half term workshops

The Crocodile Chronicles

Friday 25 February 10.30am – 12.30pm & 1 – 3pm

Admission £2.50

Hear a collection of classic stories about some loveable crocodiles and alligators through live performance and storytelling. An interactive drama performance for children aged 4–7 years old and their families.

Join us for some fun-filled half term family workshops. Details coming soon! See page 16 for more half term activities as part of Offsite9.



Ernie's Journey

Tuesday 12 April 11am & 2pm

Admission £8 Adult / £5.50 Child / £24 Family

Ernie's Journey is a magical circus theatre adventure for family audiences. The seamless integration of story-telling, circus, physical theatre, stage magic, poetry and puppetry will nurture and excite your inner-child. An original live concert-harp score takes the tale from the dreamy realms of distant shores to the most raucous of sea shanties!



Look out for our... Easter workshops

Join us for some fun-filled Easter family workshops. Details coming soon!





Tony Law

Friday 11 February 7.30pm **S**

Admission £14

After appearing on many TV shows such as 'Have I Got News For You' & '8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown', Tony Law takes to the stage. This ageing so-called comedian brings us his half-baked thoughts on the last couple of years.



Lost Voice Guy: Cerebral LOL-sy

Friday 25 March 7.30pm **S**

Admission £15

Lost Voice Guy is heading back out on the road to put a smile on the faces of people up and down the country once again. The 'Britain's Got Talent' winner will poke fun at his life living as a disabled person in a post-apocalyptic world, as he tries to cope with the fame and fortune since his victory. As featured on The Royal Variety Performance, Live At The Apollo & The Last Leg.

Have your say...

NAC is asking our audiences – whether you come to shows or not – how they would like to see our programme grow over the next few years. Complete our quick and easy online survey by 1 March 2022, and help us make our live events even better.



Visit:
[newhamptonarts.co.uk/
survey](https://newhamptonarts.co.uk/survey)



FOLK at the NAC

LIVE IN WOLVERHAMPTON



OVER THE MOON

Sat 26th February, 8pm

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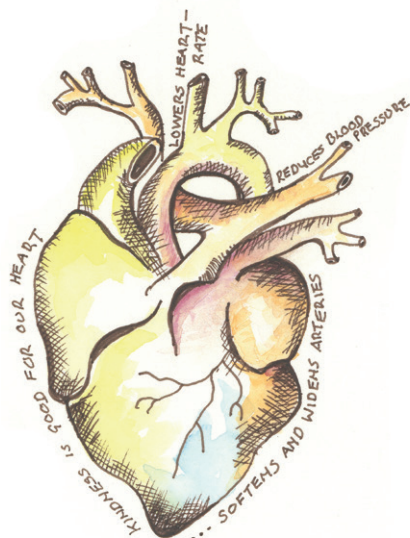
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Visual arts & special events



Postcards of Kindness: Art-science workshop

Tuesday 15 February 1 – 3pm, Room 5
Cost: £5

Did you know that being kind makes you healthier? Hear about the positive biological health effects taking place inside our bodies when we are kind and create a fine-art postcard to share ideas through drawing and watercolour washes. Artist Susan Brisco will offer friendly support with your designs and technique. Each postcard will be displayed in a final exhibition in March 2022 (see below).

Kindness is Free – Let's Pass it On Exhibition

Saturday 5 – Sunday 20 March 11am – 3pm
Gallery Hall
Free – Drop in



Postcards of Kindness: Children's Workshop

Tuesday 22 February 1 – 3pm, Room 5
Cost: £5

"In a world where you can be anything – be kind". Artist Kanj Nicholas will be looking at the power of kindness and how, when we are kind to each other, it sets off a chain reaction of kindness. You will have an opportunity to create postcards of kindness using acrylic paints and stencils, which will be displayed along with artists' work, in a final exhibition in March 2022 (see below).

Artists Kanj Nicholas and Sue Brisco will exhibit two separate but interconnected bodies of work in this exhibition as they examine the theme of kindness through visual artworks, workshops and poetry.

OffSite9



These events and workshops are part of OffSite 9.

Great art in Wolverhampton inspired by British Art Show 9.



Offsite 9 – Visual Vernacular: 'Out of Darkness, Cometh Light'

Saturday 12 March 1.30pm / 7.30pm
Admission: £7 Adult / £5 Concession / £3.50 Under 16s

Visual Vernacular (VV) is an exciting, new performance that can be enjoyed by people from all walks of life. This project aims to integrate the Deaf and hearing community as well as bring back the Deaf community to Wolverhampton.

'Out of darkness cometh light' gives people the chance to learn a new skill, enjoy a breath-taking, entertaining performance that they may never have experienced before and interact with members of different communities.



[Origin Unknown] – The Offsite9 Afterparty

Saturday 9 April 7.30pm – 12pm
Admission: £8 (18+)

Curated by Wolverhampton based singer/songwriter/producer NI, this is the Offsite 9 Afterparty. So come dip your toes in the world of misfit beats, global sounds and emotive lyric. Featuring a live set by the L.I.M (deca-dance division) & Eastern Pressure's own Juttla. This is the official launch of Hello Mi\$fit, the first EP from the L.I.M.

Early Bird Offer – purchase 2 tickets and get a free limited edition T-shirt (first 50 people who buy minimum two tickets).

Courses & Classes

Browse our timetable of regular classes and courses at NAC with contact details for more info:

DAY	TIME	CONTACT
Monday		
Aspiring Futures	11:30 – 12:30 & 12:30 – 13:30	07773 192315
E.W Dance & Fitness	19:15 – 20:15	07547229085
Tuesday		
Diddi dance	11:00 – 12:00	07846 337910
Reflections Dance	18:00 – 20:00	07920407046
The Discoverers	19:00 – 21:00	07713 508471
KravMaga	19:30 – 20:30	07939 183173
Wednesday		
Fit Mommas Ltd	09:30 – 10:30	07805624864
Bollywood Dreams	18:00 – 21:00	reena@bollywooddreamsdance.com
Central Youth Theatre	17:30 – 19:30	admin@centrallyouththeatre.org
Yogazone	19:00 – 20:00	07748 300481
Howling Wolves	19:00 – 21:00	01902 572122
Thursday		
Adult Education ESOL	09:30 – 15:30	07773 192315
Friday		
Stagecoach	16:30 – 19:30	07920407046
Saturday		
Stagecoach	09:30 – 17:30	07920407046
Sunday		
Central Youth Theatre	11:00 – 15:00	admin@centrallyouththeatre.org

COMING UP SUMMER 2022

NEW HORIZONS stage

Our New Horizons stage will once again be up in the NAC courtyard and we have some top events lined up with. Keep an eye out for more additions to our summer season to be announced soon.



SUMMER FOLK FESTIVAL

Saturday 25 June

CAMRA BEER AND CIDER FESTIVAL

Thursday 7 – Saturday 9 July



PAINT THE DAY

Saturday 16 July



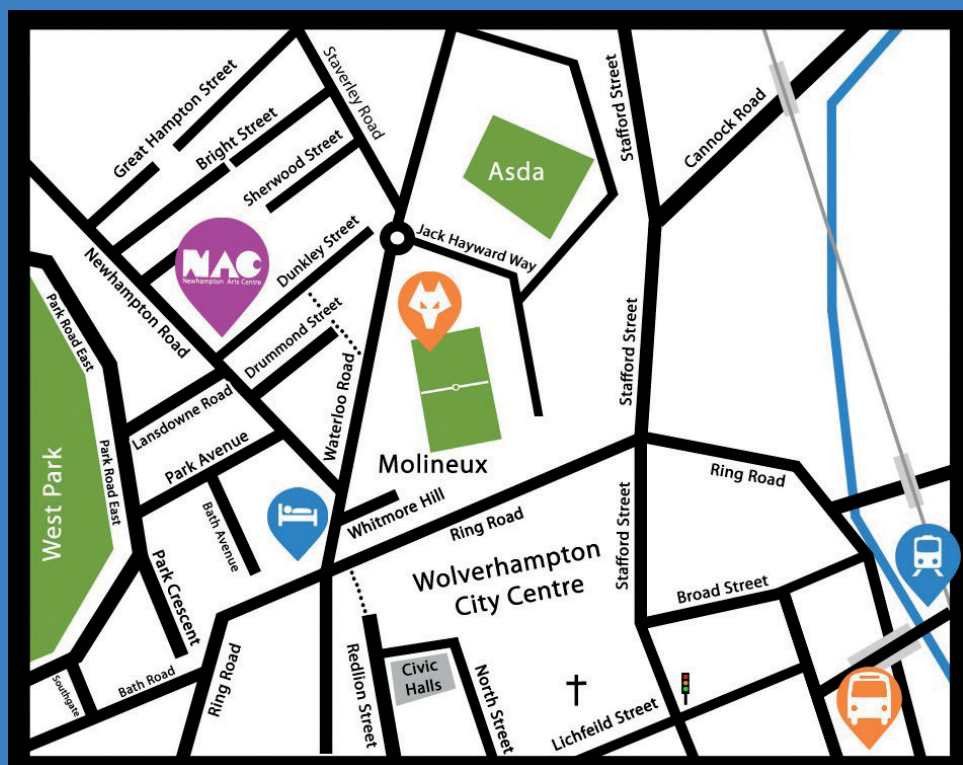
SUMMER JAZZ FESTIVAL

Saturday 23 July



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Only a 5 minute walk from
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