

Age Friendly Manchester Culture Champions Autumn Newsletter 2017

October 1st is International Older People Day

The theme of International Day of Older Persons 2017 is:

“Stepping into the Future: Tapping the Talents, Contributions and Participation of Older Persons in Society.”

This year’s day is about enabling and expanding the contributions of older people in their families, communities and societies at large. It focuses on the pathways that support full and effective participation in old age, in accordance with old persons’ basic rights, needs and preferences. <https://www.un.org/development/desa/ageing>

Manchester certainly has a lot of very creative and talented older people who are actively engaged in the Culture of our city.

The Cities Cultural venues also have lots going on, with just a fraction in the listings below.



The first [Age of Creativity Festival](#) is from 1-14th October.

Event listings will be hosted on the [Fantastic for Families](#) website, which is being launched by the [Family Arts Campaign](#) on the 1st October. Upload your activities to the site now, simply tick the ‘Age of Creativity Festival’ box to ensure your uploaded event is part of the festival.

More Age Friendly Manchester events information can be found on here:

http://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/200091/older_people/7113/events_things_to_do_and_local_contacts/3
<https://twitter.com/AFMCulture>

*Welcome to
Age Friendly
Culture
Champions
Autumn 2017
Newsletter*

This newsletter brings you information about Cultural events, activities and opportunities in Manchester to people over 50yrs

The Culture Champions are the link between our Cultural Venues and residents across Manchester’s neighbourhoods.



Time for radical optimism: An alliance of arts, ageing and activism by Esme Ward

Earlier this year, in the US, I came across the work of artist Susan O'Malley (1976-2015). Her project "Advice from my 80-Year Old Self" really struck a chord. O'Malley asked people of all ages in Oakland a simple question: "*What advice would your 80 year-old self give you?*"

These insights are full of humour, wisdom and positivity. They reminded me of home, with a spirit we often encounter in our work by, with and for older people in Manchester. Yet, in mainstream media, we're all too used to deficit-laden narratives and stereotypes of ageing. How can we counter this and draw upon both the lived experience of older people and some of the most imaginative writers, artists and performers living and working today to tell a different story? Artist and post-punk John Hyatt suggests that if we want to shift the narrative, we probably have to use new words; "don't speak of the old, elderly or aged but instead of the deeply experienced, the later lifers and the enriched".

I agree, but what if words aren't enough? What if it's time to show, not tell?

This is a call for a more powerful alliance between arts, ageing and activism.

Last year, a group of older Mancunians, frustrated by lack of neighbourhood action, highlighted trip hazards and other problems that might cause older generations mobility problems. The media labelled them the "grey graffiti gang". They didn't mind, it worked.

The city's volunteer Culture Champions develop, cultural takeovers or hijacks, community-based events and their must-listen radio show (Vintage FM at AIIFM) has become an important space where they mobilise and share ideas.

The arts has the power to inspire the wider public and civic imagination around the issue of ageing. But we need to step up, play a more active role and be brave enough to espouse our social value. To do this, we will need to be more generous: more open to collaboration; more open to communities and new ideas. Only then can we seek to re-write the story of old age and expand our thinking, ambition and sense of what the arts might be capable of doing.

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AFM Culture Listings October 1st – 14th

Who	Royal Exchange Theatre
When	Saturday 01 October 11:30am – 5pm
Where	St Ann’s Square, M2 7DH
What	<p>Elders Exchange Day The Royal Exchange will be buzzing with workshops, performances, discussions and activity for everyone aged 60+. All events are free (some drop-in but others require advanced booking). Everyone is welcome to drop into our building at any point between 11am and 5pm to see what is happening, take part or join the conversation.</p>
How To Book	For more information please visit our website: https://www.royalexchange.co.uk/whats-on-and-tickets/elders-exchange-day



Who	National Football Museum
When	Sunday 1 October, 11am Wednesday 4 October, 2pm
Where	National Football Museum
What	<p>Football Memories Tour Celebrate International Older People’s Day with a football memories tour. Take a trip down memory lane as we explore the museum and reminiscence about match days past. Free, no need to book.</p>
How To Book	Louise Rutherford 0161 871 8177 louise.rutherford@nationalfootballmuseum.com

Who	Raqs Media Collective: Meerut Redux
When	Sunday 1 October, 1pm-1.15pm, and at other times during the exhibition
Where	Whitworth Art Gallery
What	A contemporary interpretation of a 1930s agit-prop sketch protesting against the imprisonment of workers and activists under the Meerut Conspiracy Case in India. The manuscript of 'Meerut' is made available for reading courtesy of the Working Class Movement Library, Salford.
How To Book	FREE no need to book
Who	Manchester Museum
When	Sunday 1 October, 11am-4pm
Where	Manchester Museum
What	<p>Mapping our Connections</p> <p>Inspired by artist Reena Saini Kallat's woven world maps, together we will be mapping your journeys through life and the world. Get together with family or friends and map the journeys of all generations through this creative activity.</p> <p>Part of International Older People's Day, Silver Sunday and Age of Creativity.</p>
How To Book	Free, Manchester Museum, museum@manchester.ac.uk , 0161 306 2648
Who	Elizabeth Gaskell's House
When	Sunday 1 Oct 11:30am-4pm
Where	Elizabeth Gaskell's House 84 Plymouth Grove, Manchester, M13 9LW
What	<p>North and South (12A)</p> <p>Grab your bonnet or top hat to watch the 2004 BBC adaptation of North & South starring Daniela Denby-Ashe and Richard Armitage.</p>

	In celebration of Elizabeth Gaskell's birthday (29 September) the house is showing this well-loved adaption in the house for the first time and to make it even more special they are encouraging all visitors to don a bonnet or dress up in Victorian costume. Stay for the whole four hour series or pop in for an episode or two.
How To Book	£1 donation (plus usual admission of £4/£5) To book - http://elizabethgaskellhouse.co.uk/events/watch-north-south/ Or call 0161 273 2215 (during office hours)
Who	Sharon Shannon
When	October 3rd
Where	Irish World Heritage Centre
What	Sharon, a fantastic button accordion player from Co. Clare, has multi-platinum album sales and numerous number one albums and singles, including her album Galway Girl which went 4 times platinum in Ireland and the title track becoming the most downloaded song for two years running. This concert in October is surely not to be missed!
How To Book	Tickets are priced: £20 https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sharon-shannon-tickets-33241634624?aff=erelpanelorg
Who	The Martin Harris Centre at The University of Manchester
When	Thursdays at 1.10pm (FREE lunchtime concerts) Quatuor Danel Lunchtime Concert 1.10pm on 5 October 2017 Piano Recital by Ian Pace 1.10pm on 12 October 2017
Where	The Martin Harris Centre Cosmo Rodewald Concert Hall The University of Manchester, Bridgeford Street, off Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9PL
What	Walter Carroll Lunchtime Concert Series A varied and challenging programme of lunchtime concerts, completely free of charge. The concerts take place each Thursday from 28 September – 14 December 2017 (apart from 2 November) and last approximately 50

	minutes. There is no need to book, so you can just turn up on the day.
How To Book	FREE no booking required For more information, contact Box Office 0161 275 8951 boxoffice@manchester.ac.uk Website for more information: http://ow.ly/v2kM30eWZkt
Who	Gorton Monastery <u>The Belle Vue Story</u>
When	<u>5th October 2017</u>
Where	Gorton Monastery, 89 Gorton Ln, Manchester M12 5WF
What	Hear the story of Belle Vue told through 20 objects of memorabilia from private collectors. The objects will piece together the history of this bygone era and will bring to life the excitement of a day out at Belle Vue. This will be a rare opportunity to see a unique personal collection of Belle Vue memorabilia
How To Book	There will be a charge of £3.00 adults/ £2.00 concessions per afternoon For further information, please visit www.themonastery.co.uk or phone 0161 223 3211
Who	Handmade craft session
When	Friday 6 th October
Where	Whitworth Art Gallery, Oxford Rd
What	Join us for a print making session with artist Alan Birch in the studio (access by Parkside entrance on Denmark Rd.)
How To Book	To book email: Claire.cowell@manchester.ac.uk or PH/Txt: 07776170688

Who	Journeys Festival International
When	Saturday 7 October, 11-4
Where	Manchester Museum
What	<p>Journeys Festival International Manchester Museum take over day</p> <p>Festival International takes over the inspiring spaces at Manchester Museum for a weekend that celebrates the artistic talents of the local and international refugee and asylum seeker community through eclectic entertainment including performance, dance, storytelling, music and more.</p>
How To Book	Free, No need to book museum@manchester.ac.uk , 0161 306 2648
Who	Manchester Art Gallery
When	Sat 7 October - 2-3.30 pm
Where	Manchester Art Gallery (29 Sept) Lakeside Centre, Platt Fields Park, M14 6LA (7 October)
What	<p>We Make the City - Conversations about Manchester, Lahore and Karachi</p> <p>How do we live in our cities and how does art make a difference to urban spaces? How do we perceive cities we live in and cities the other side of the world? How do they shape us and we shape them? Join us for a discussion about Manchester, Lahore and Karachi.</p>
How To Book	Contact Ruth Edson: r.edson@manchester.gov.uk 0161 235 8877
Who	Manchester Museum
When	Monday 9 October
Where	Manchester Museum, Oxford Rd
What	<p>Collection Bites</p> <p>Lunch time talks focusing on Ganesha statue led by our Visitor Team</p>

How To Book	Free, No need to book museum@manchester.ac.uk , 0161 306 2648
Who	'An Introduction to Cross Stitch' - Arts & Craft Club,
When	10 th October, 1-3pm Our Arts & Craft Club currently takes place every 2 nd Tuesday of the month, 1-3pm, and, from October, another session of our Arts & Craft Club will also take place on the 4 th Thursday of the month, 1-3pm.
Where	Gorton Monastery, Learning Space
What	Our first workshop in October will introduce you to counted cross stitch. You will stitch an initial of your choice and mount it in card. Then, if you wish, you can try a cross-stitch butterfly. All materials are supplied. Our creative and friendly Arts & Craft club is ideal for beginners, provides a chance to meet new friends and to learn how to make exciting crafts & gifts. Each session costs £3 for Adults or £2 for Concessions, which includes the cost of materials. Places must be reserved in advance for each session.
How To Book	Please contact Emma Bryning on emma.bryning@themonastery.co.uk or 0161 223 3211 for more information or to book a place on a session.
Who	UpClose: Aziz Ibrahim - From Lahore to Longsight
When	Wednesday 11 October 2017
Where	<u>HOME Manchester</u> , Manchester
What	Longsight-born guitarist Aziz Ibrahim is perhaps most famous locally for stepping in when John Squire left The Stone Roses in 1996 – but his 30-year career has seen him perform with Simply Red, Paul Weller and Ian Brown too. Ibrahim's own album, <i>Lahore to Longsight</i> , lends its name to this evening – featuring radical orchestra interpretations of original compositions as well as the record's music. This record of 'Asian blues', as Ibrahim describes it, charts his father's journey from Pakistan to Manchester, recording his own path to self-identity and cultural acceptance.
How To Book	tickets.bridgewater-hall.co.uk

	Box Office: 0161 907 9000
Who	Manchester Museum
When	Wed 11 Oct 6 – 9pm
Where	Manchester Museum
What	After Hours with Jason Singh Join us for a late opening of the museum based on themes from our temporary exhibitions. Musician Jason Singh will be performing sound pieces inspired to Reena Kallat’s exhibition on culture and identity, and there will be free creative happenings for adults in response to stories emerging from the Memories of Partition exhibition. Adult, Free, Drop in.
How To Book	Manchester Museum, 0161 275 2648 museum@manchester.ac.uk
Who	Peoples History Museum
When	12 th October as a suitable date for the. At 11am
Where	People’s History Museum, Left Bank, Spinningfields,
What	Guided tour <i>Savage Ink: The Cartoon and the Caricature.</i> <i>Ever since the satirical cartoon’s rise to popularity in the late 18th century, cartoonists have used humour and caricature to attack and criticise those in power. Savage Ink looks at the development of the cartoon as an important form of visual protest and its often cruel and controversial imagery. The exhibition charts the cartoon from its pioneers and innovators, right through to those artists currently working in graphic novels, comic books and newspapers who are keeping the tradition of pictorial satire alive.</i>
How To Book	To book email learning@phm.org.uk Or phone (0)161 838 9190

AFM Culture Listings September to November 2017

Who	Manchester Museum
When	Every first Wednesday of the month (4 Oct, 1 Nov, 6 Dec) 3-4.30pm
Where	Manchester Museum, Meet in the Reception Area
What	<p>Drink, Draw, Dinosaur Drop in to our museum doodling session. Perfect for anyone who wants to take time out of their day to have a sit and a draw. Using collection pieces as inspiration, this time it will be the dinosaur in our reception – a Gorgosaurus, the museum invites you to take the an opportunity to do something a bit different with friends or spend an hour personally relaxing.</p> <p>You don't have to be skilled at drawing and any style is encouraged. Just turn up, grab a drink from the Museum café and a pencil from our pots and enjoy an excuse to look at our collection pieces in a creative way.</p> <p>Just drop into the museum and you will be directed say hi to the artist who can get you started.</p>
How To Book	Manchester Museum, 0161 275 2648 museum@manchester.ac.uk

New Listing

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When	Fri 29 September - 1-2.30 pm
Where	Manchester Art Gallery (29 Sept) Lakeside Centre, Platt Fields Park, M14 6LA (7 October)
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Who	Elizabeth Gaskell’s House
When	Thursdays 28 Sept – 19 Oct, 1-3pm
Where	Elizabeth Gaskell’s House 84 Plymouth Grove Manchester M13 9LW
What	The Home life of Elizabeth Gaskell A four-week course that explores the home life of Elizabeth Gaskell, covering her house, her beloved garden, the Gaskell Family and the servants who kept the house running. 1. The House (28/9/2017) Appreciate Victorian taste in interior decoration. 2. The Garden (5/10/2017) Learn how the Gaskells developed their garden and enjoy a tour of the garden and its plants. 3. The Gaskell Family (12/10/2017) Consider the roles of Elizabeth and William as wife and husband, mother and father. Includes a dramatic presentation of the dynamics of family life. 4. The Servants (19/10/2017) Discover the daily routines of Victorian servants, and find out who the Gaskells’ servants were.
How To Book	The cost per session is £8 or £30 for all four. To book - http://elizabethgaskellhouse.co.uk/events/home-life-elizabeth-gaskell/ Or call 0161 273 2215 (during office hours)
Who	Elizabeth Gaskell’s House
When	Thu 26 Oct 7:30pm - 9:30pm



Where	Elizabeth Gaskell's House 84 Plymouth Grove, Manchester, M13 9LW
What	Beethoven and Schubert Cello Sonatas Music recital event by RNCM students Isabel Williamson and Jonathon Ellis.
How To Book	Tickets £12 (£10 for students) To book - http://elizabethgaskellhouse.co.uk/events/beethoven-and-schubert-cello-sonatas/ Or call 0161 273 2215 (during office hours)
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Who	START
When	Item 1 Flower Pot Men project Item 2 Village Fete
Where	Item 1 and Item 2 at Buile Hill Park Pavilion, croquet Lawn/garden, Start allotments, Buile Hill Park, Lower Seedley Road, Salford, M6 5NS
What	Item 1: every Tuesday from the 12 th September until January 2018 times 10.00 am until 12.30pm and 1.00pm until 3.330pm Item 2: On Tuesday the 3 rd October for International Older Peoples Day Flower Pot men- Males aged over 50 who live in the Seedly, Weaste,

	Broughton and Langworthy areas of Salford. If want to learn new skills, use those skills you have and to meet your neighbours whilst building outdoor structures, raised beds, edible planters, outdoor furniture along with planting and managing an outdoor space. Free to attend Village Fete - general public but particularly older people. Information stalls, exhibition, arts and craft activities, refreshments available. Free to attend
How To Book	Contact Matthew Swarbrick on 0161 351 6012 or email matthew.swarbrick@startcreative.org Start , Brunswick House, 62, Broad Street, Salford, M6 5 BZ
Who	Ambition For Ageing
When	Tuesday 26 th September
Where	Friends Meeting House, 6 Mount Street, M2 5NS
What	<p>Would you like to make Greater Manchester a better place to grow old for all older people? Interested in reducing inequalities? Come along to the first ever, public event hosted by the Ambition for Ageing Equalities Board. We will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • share the findings from our Equalities Reviews and Visits • look at what Ambition for Ageing has achieved over the first 18 months of the programme • choose which research projects the Equalities Board will do next <p>Refreshments and lunch provided; travel expenses paid for people over 50.</p> <p>If there is anything that stops you from attending, let us know. We are keen to meet any access need you may have.</p>
How To Book	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ambition-for-ageing-for-all-public-event-tickets-36359963630
Who	Gorton Monastery, Arts & Craft Club
When	<p>Currently, every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 1-3pm (Tuesday 10 Oct; 14 Nov; 12 Dec, etc.)</p> <p>From October, another session of our Arts & Craft Club will also take place on the 4th Thursday of the month, 1-3pm, however, the December session will take place on the 1st Thursday due to Christmas. (Thursday 26 Oct; 23 Nov; 7 Dec).</p>
Where	Gorton Monastery, Learning Space or Creative Room
What	<p>Our creative and friendly Arts & Craft club is ideal for beginners, provides a chance to meet new friends and to learn how to make exciting crafts & gifts. Previous activities have included origami; magic square bunnies; Dorset buttons; lavender Suffolk puffs; pretty flower hearts and crochet.</p> <p>Each session costs £3 for Adults or £2 for Concessions, which includes the</p>

	cost of materials. Places must be reserved in advance for each session.
How To Book	Please contact Emma Bryning on emma.bryning@themonastery.co.uk or 0161 223 3211 for more information or to book a place on a session.
Who	National Football Museum
When	10.30 - 12 Mondays, fortnightly (Oct 2, 16 & 30, Nov 13 & 27, Dec 11)
Where	National Football Museum
What	Sporting Memories Group Love talking about football? Then come to our friendly Sporting Memories Group. Chat, share memories and meet other older fans at the National Football Museum. <u>Free, refreshments provided.</u>
How To Book	Louise Rutherford 0161 871 8177 louise.rutherford@nationalfootballmuseum.com
Who	National Football Museum
When	10.30 Monday 18 September
Where	National Football Museum
What	The Early History of Football Joins us for a special Sporting Memories group talk with Dr Peter Holme exploring the origins of the beautiful game. Free, Drop in
How To Book	Louise Rutherford louise.rutherford@nationalfootballmuseum.com 0161 871 8177
Who	Manchester Art Gallery - Preview
When	Friday 29 th September 7pm - Doors open 7.45pm - Speeches 8pm - Exhibitions open, music and drinks 8.30-11.30pm - DJ set from Nihal
Where	Manchester Art Gallery Mosley Street, Manchester M2 3JL

What	Join us for the launch of new exhibitions by: <u>Neha Choksi</u> / <u>Waqas Khan</u> / <u>Mehreen Murtaza</u> / <u>Heta Patel</u> / <u>Risham Syed</u> Marking the 70th anniversary of the independence of India, Pakistan and later Bangladesh, artists, designers, performers and musicians from South Asia and Britain have been invited to create new works for Manchester's art galleries and museums.
How To Book	No need to book More info T: 0161 235 8888
Who	Manchester Institute of Collaborative Research on Ageing (MICRA)
When	Thursday 28 September 2017. 12:30 - 3pm, with lunch on arrival
Where	Withington Methodist Church, 439 Wilmslow Road, Withington, Manchester M20 4AN
What	Sex and Intimacy in Later Life Project Findings Community Event In this community focused event, Professor Josie Tetley and Dr David Lee will discuss the research findings and policy recommendations of their much publicised Valentine's Day report "How long will I love you? Sex and intimacy in later life"* with think-tank the International Longevity Centre - UK. The panel and audience will then explore how practitioners, and community groups can help people have successful intimate relationships into older age and how the evidence and recommendations can impact on practice and services affecting older people across Greater Manchester. The briefing will include a special pre-screening of a new film about the research aimed at practitioners Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof Josie Tetley - Professor of Nursing (Ageing and Long Term Conditions), Manchester Metropolitan University • Dr David Lee - Reader in the Department of Nursing, Manchester Metropolitan University (formerly University of Manchester)
How To Book	Book your place: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sex-and-intimacy-in-later-life-project-findings-community-event-tickets-37449680001
Who	Raqs Media Collective - The Necessity of Infinity
When	Saturday 30 September, 3.45pm-4.45pm
Where	Whitworth Art Gallery
What	The piece is a performed reading that takes off where Al As'illah Wa'l Ajobah (Questions and Answers) — one of the most exciting yet neglected exchanges in the intellectual history of the world between Al Beruni and Ibn Sina — left off.

	Over two years from 999 CE, the polymaths discussed their divergent readings of Aristotle's understanding of heaven and the stars, debating whether we are alone in the universe. Considerations of infinity necessarily entail the admissibility of many worlds other than our own.
How to Book	Free, no need to book
Who	Manchester Mind
When	The next course starts on 9 October. Subsequent courses will run through to June 2018.
Where	Age UK at Openshaw Resource Centre
What	Building a Healthy Future – Living Well in Later Life course. The six-week course is aimed at anyone over the age of 55 in Greater Manchester who wants to learn tools and skills to help them thrive in later life. The course aims to improve people's resilience, their ability to cope with life's challenges, with much of the focus being on improved emotional wellbeing. Participants are taught mood and stress management tools, relaxation techniques, and they are also invited to explore their skills, strengths and friendship networks. There is a strong emphasis on creating a positive and supportive environment.
How to Book	http://www.manchestermind.org/Building_a_Healthy_Future.php
Who	Manchester Museum
When	Come Closer – Memories of Partition Friday 22 September, 6pm Sunday 24 September, 3pm at the Royal Exchange Theatre Saturday 23 September, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 3pm at Manchester Museum
Where	Manchester Museum and Royal Exchange
What	The Royal Exchange Theatre is bringing together some of Manchester's most exciting British Asian writers and artists to create exciting new performance pieces which will reveal the untold stories of significance of partition and the impact still felt today.
How to Book	Manchester Museum, 0161 275 2648 museum@manchester.ac.uk

Who	Manchester Museum
When	Wed 25 Oct - 10am – 5pm
Where	Manchester Museum
What	<p>Artist residency with Gary Fisher and Naomi Kashiwagi Did you know that pulsars can sing? Sound artist Gary Fisher invites you to join him as he creates soundscapes made from deep space recordings captured by the listening devices of Jodrell Bank and Manchester Museum. Drop in to his open studio/laboratory that will see Gary weave a brand new musical composition from the raw sounds of cosmic science.</p> <p>Artist Naomi Kashiwagi will be alongside responding the sounds in Manchester Museum in an audio visual sketchbook, all adults welcome to join in. Free, Drop in</p>
How to Book	Manchester Museum, 0161 275 2648 museum@manchester.ac.uk
Who	Manchester Museum
When	Wednesday 1 November 6-7.30pm
Where	Wythenshawe Library
What	<p>Michael Wood – History of Baguley Hall talk Manchester born historian Michael Wood will explore the history of Baguley Hall, one of the Wythenshawe manor houses.</p> <p>Adult, Free, Book mcrmuseum.eventbrite.com or ring 0161 306 1581</p>
How to Book	Manchester Museum, 0161 275 2648 museum@manchester.ac.uk
Who	Manchester Museum
When	Tues 7 Nov 2017 6 - 7.30pm
Where	Manchester Museum Oxford Rd, Manchester
What	<p>Documentary screening: The White Helmets Oscar winning documentary, The White Helmets, follows the Syrian Civil Defence forces rescuing those caught in the crossfire of the country's civil war.</p>

	<p>The screening will be followed by a discussion hosted by Professor Tim Jacoby. His research interests focus on conflict analysis, political violence, nationalism, peace, and historical sociology.</p> <p>This event is brought to you as part of the ESRC's Festival of Social Science and is a global inequalities research beacon public event for The University of Manchester.</p>
How to Book	<p>Manchester Museum, 0161 275 2648 museum@manchester.ac.uk Book: www.bit.ly/UoMWhiteHelmets</p>
Who	Royal Exchange ELDERS MONTHLY
When	Wednesday 18 October - 11am-1pm / Wednesday 22 November- 11am-1pm
Where	All events are taking place at the Royal Exchange Theatre, St Ann's Square, Manchester, M2 7DH.
What	A programme of stand-alone taster workshops for everyone over 60 who wants to stay active and take part in practical drama activities.
How to Book	<p>All sessions are £6 and bookable via contacting the box office or online.</p> <p>To book tickets call the box office on 0161833 9833 or book online at www.royalexchange.co.uk</p>
Who	NHS at 70 – From Cradle to Grave University of Manchester
When	October 2017 onwards.
Where	Manchester
What	<p>Volunteers needed! Are you interested in people? A good listener? Would you like to play a part in creating a shared social history of the NHS? We are looking for volunteers to collect stories about the NHS from members of the public in Greater Manchester. You will receive professional oral history training, a chance to develop research skills and the opportunity to hear first-hand these remarkable stories from local communities. Expenses provided.</p>
How to Book	Contact Angela Whitecross on 0161 275 0560 or email nhs70@manchester.ac.uk

News and opportunities from Culture venues

Centre for Chinese Contemporary Art (CFCCA)

CFCCA is looking for an enthusiastic and hardworking **Marketing and Communications Coordinator** to develop and manage CFCCA's marketing and communications strategy, encompassing devising marketing initiatives, PR and social media activity. The successful candidate will be responsible for producing content across traditional and new media to promote our work, driving visitor numbers and growing the public profile and reputation of CFCCA as well as supporting the development and implementation of an effective audience development strategy. This is a new role within the organisation which we are recruiting for an initial 12 months with a view to extending into a permanent position if funding permits. For more information and to apply, please visit: <http://www.cfcca.org.uk/join-the-team/>

The deadline for applications is **Tuesday 26 September 2017 at 10am**. Interviews will take place at Centre for Chinese Contemporary Art on **Tuesday 3 October 2017**.

Centre for Chinese Contemporary Art (CFCCA)

CFCCA is looking for a **Retail and Events Assistant** to join our small but ambitious team. This is an exciting new customer-facing support and sales role that will work closely with the Operations Manager to generate and report on earned income through CFCCA's venue hire and retail offer, as well as maintaining excellent visitor services through supervising and supporting the front of house volunteer team. The successful candidate will be passionate for delivering a high level of customer service, with a strong eye for detail and a proactive approach to work. For more information and to apply, please visit: <http://www.cfcca.org.uk/join-the-team/>

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MCDC Manchester Craft and Design Centre

EXHIBITION : September 14, 2017 — November 12, 2017.

Katab: Quilting Stories from India
Hear the stories of 8 inspiring women told through a collection of quilts handmade by them using the traditional Indian craft of katab.

In the city of Ahmedabad, Western India, there are several migrant communities scattered across the city.

Traditionally, women from this community practised the craft of katab (appliqué), often making domestic household decorations such as quilts, torans (door hangings) and bed covers, from recycling waste fabrics from local tailors and garment manufacturers.



image Meet Me at the Albany cr. Ros Chesher

**Family Arts Campaign launch new Age-Friendly Standards
Developed in consultation with leading experts including Age UK, 170 arts and cultural organisations, and older arts attenders**

The Family Arts Campaign has announced the launch of its new Age-Friendly Standards, which provide clear guidance for cultural organisations welcoming older family members. The development of the Age-Friendly Standards is a response to reported trends which indicated a significant drop-off in cultural engagement in later life, due to multiple barriers which older people may encounter. The Standards support a major new 'Celebrating Age' fund launched this year by Arts Council England which aims to support cultural spaces to be open, positive and welcoming places for older people.

The Age Friendly Standards address five key areas when welcoming older audiences:

1. Building relationships
2. Considering suitable programming
3. Providing appropriate facilities
4. Communicating appropriately
5. Providing a warm welcome

The Age-Friendly Standards apply to any type of cultural experience, from museums, concert halls, libraries and art galleries, to dance companies, theatre groups, music ensembles and festivals.

The development of the Standards has been supported using public funding by Arts Council England.

Organisations can sign up to the Age-Friendly Standards for free at:
familyarts.co.uk/age-friendly

Culture Champions volunteer scheme is looking for Manchester residents aged 50+ who are passionate about the arts and older people having access to the arts that are offer across Manchester.

For more information about the Age Friendly Manchester Culture programme including the Culture Champions volunteer scheme contact: Claire.cowell@manchester.ac.uk - [07776170688](tel:07776170688)

Talent Show for the Over Fifties

Tuesday 3rd October, 2pm - 4pm
Levenshulme Inspire, 747 Stockport Road, M19 3AR

We all have a 'party piece' to share. Are you a budding poet, can you sing a song or play an instrument? Perhaps you are creative and have jewellery or paintings to display?

All interpretations of 'talents' are welcomed for this fun, light hearted 'show and tell' afternoon.

For further information, please **email** **Kate** kate.williams@lev-inspire.org.uk or call on 0161 850 4044.



Smoke-firing 2-day course, £100

October 15th, 1.30 - 5.30pm / November 5th, 10am - 4 pm.

Day 1 will involve making a bottle form using the slab and coiling building techniques. Towards the end of the session you will also learn to burnish the finished form.

On day 2 your bisque fired bottle will be put into a smoke firing. During this will use a variety of materials (copper wire, horse hair, organic matter and metal oxides) to cover your pot. We will put them into a fire and allow the smoke to work it's magic! Your fired bottle form will then be polished with beeswax.

Clay Studio Manchester Ltd.
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Grand opening
afternoon
Wednesday 20th
September
2 - 3.30pm
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The PRIDE of GORTON Awards 2017

SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER
at
GORTON MONASTERY
6.00pm ~ 9.00pm

THE CATEGORIES ARE...

- CATEGORY 1 - COMMUNITY PRIDE AWARD
- CATEGORY 2 - TAKING A STAND AWARD
- CATEGORY 3 - CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLES CHAMPION
- CATEGORY 4 - OUTSTANDING NEIGHBOUR AWARD
- CATEGORY 5 - PUBWATCH COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION AWARD
- CATEGORY 6 - CLEAN AND GREEN AWARD
- CATEGORY 7 - OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AWARD
- CATEGORY 8 - MAKING A DIFFERENCE AWARD
- CATEGORY 9 - OUTSTANDING NEIGHBOURHOOD OFFICER AWARD
- CATEGORY 10 - LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The three nominees from each category will be invited with a guest and the nominator to a sit down meal and receive recognition for their fantastic work.

Nominations close 4th September 2017. For further information and to nominate visit the following web address: <https://tinyurl.com/gortonawards2017>

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- Ideal for beginners; meet new friends; learn to make exciting crafts and gifts.
- Please note, entrance to the Monastery is free when coming to a Monastery Club.
- Please reserve your place by ringing 0161 223 3211 or by emailing emma.bryning@themonastery.co.uk
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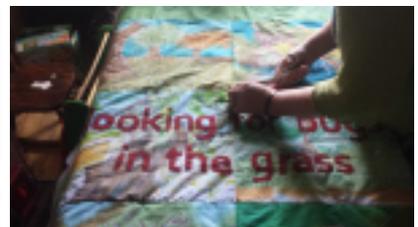


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Gorton Visual Arts Park Life Project

All hands on deck for another busy day of hard graft at the Aviary. Getting into the flow now, things are starting to get like a production line at the Gorton Visual Art studio. Members from the Crafty Sew and So's came to the Aviary to show the group members how to cross-stitch the corner pieces, which they have been doing in collaboration with Gorton Visual Art on the picnic blankets. We would like to thank them for coming down and giving the members an opportunity to learn a new technique. Everything coming together, hopefully these pictures give you more of an insight into the making of the blankets from start to finish and all the time and hard work connected to them.

The Crafty Sew and So's meet every Monday 10:00am – 1:30pm at Gorton Library and also Tuesdays 12:00pm – 4:00pm and Thursdays 10:00am – 1:30pm at Gorton Community Centre.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH GREATER MANCHESTER

LAUNCH EVENT 2017

Tuesday
26th
September



MANCHESTER
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Victoria St, M3 1SX
@ 7:30pm prompt
(doors open 7:15pm)

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