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WELCOME

Hello and welcome to The Atkinson's exciting new programme in Sefton's Borough of Culture year.

The Borough of Culture is awarded by Liverpool City Region to either Halton, Knowsley, Liverpool, Sefton, St Helens or Wirral on an annual basis. The initiative was introduced in 2018 to allow each borough to provide cultural programmes for local communities.

Sefton's Borough of Culture programme focuses on storytelling, local history and the environment. For more information on events happening across the borough and ways to get involved visit sefton.gov.uk/sefton2020

Highlights at The Atkinson include Sefton Hidden Histories (11 Jan - 21 Mar), a new exhibition of items from our collection that may look insignificant, but have amazing stories to tell. In our Museum display, Between Land & Sea, you can also discover the history of Sefton's coast.

Perfect for Valentine's weekend, Love Folk Festival (14 - 15 Feb) is a celebration of new, upcoming and traditional folk music featuring Sheelanagig, Martyn Joseph, Merry Hell, Blair Dunlop, Granny's Attic and Lucy Farrell & Andrew Waite.

Kidsfest (17 – 22 Feb) returns in February Half Term. The award winning musical comedian Jay Foreman is back with his Disgusting Songs for Revolting Children (20 Feb). Local artist Lisa Langan is hosting the popular Make It! (18 & 20 Feb) craft workshops. We are also screening Disney Classics Beauty and the Beast (19 Feb) and Dumbo (21 Feb).

Listen to Michael Portillo's (3 Feb) story, told with a 'parliamentary stand-up' wit, followed by a Q&A and book signing in 'Life: A Game of Two Halves'. We also welcome writer & broadcaster Dom Joly (11 Mar) who is best known as the creator of Trigger Happy TV, don't miss this rare opportunity to see him live in 'Travel & Comedy in the Danger Zone'.

Two crime writing workshops are followed by an in conversation with award-winning novelists including Ann Cleeves in The Murder Squad (26 Mar).

In Jeeves & Wooster in Perfect Nonsense (24 – 25 Mar), three actors present a joyous re-imagining of the classic P.G.Wodehouse characters.

We look forward to welcoming you into The Atkinson.



FEBRUARY 2020

Midnight Make it! Craft Workshops **Hurrah for the Pirate King!** Beauty and the Beast (PG) Jay Foreman's Disgusting Songs for Revolting Children Dumbo (PG) Spark the Goblin Wizard



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Book Now!



Young Producer Workshops

Age 14-25

We are recruiting young, creative change-makers to help put together a Festival of Hope in July 2020. You'll be responsible for how it looks, feels and sounds. There will be opportunities to work with artists, go on research trips, learn event management skills, collaborate with the community and much more. Travel expenses and snacks provided!

For more information on how to get involved contact jemma.tynan@sefton.gov.uk







EXHIBITIONS

Free Entry

Cross Pollination

25 May 2019 - 28 March 2020

A celebration of floral art and literature featuring still life, genre and contemporary artworks presented alongside poetry.

Westwood

21 September 2019 - 28 March 2020

Iconic British graphic designer Malcolm Garett's personal collection of Vivienne Westwood clothes, from the beginning of the punk era to modern day.

We Are Not Amused! Laughter in the Nineteenth Century

16 November 2019 - 21 March 2020

Roll up Roll up to see what made Victorians laugh in this exhibition that includes P.T Barnum's (The Greatest Showman's) top hat. Includes a dressing up area for the little ones.

Friendship: A Photography Exhibition

21 November 2019 - 18 January 2020

Digital Imaging & Photography undergraduates from Hugh Baird University Centre have worked in partnership with Sefton Council on a 'Year of Friendship' campaign tackling social isolation.

Sefton Hidden Histories

11 January 2020 - 21 March 2020

Ordinary objects, extraordinary stories. An exhibition that will give a voice to items that on the face of it may look quite insignificant, but look closely and listen carefully – they have amazing stories to tell...

Cheshire Artists Network

30 November 2019 - 18 January 2020

Artwork on The Landing is available to purchase.

The Liverpool School

25 January 2020 - 28 March 2020

Artwork on The Landing is available to purchase.

MUSEUM

Free Entry

Journey through ancient Egypt at the time of the Pharos and explore the history of those who have lived and worked along Sefton's coast. With lots of hands-on activities for all the family.



HELPFUL INFO

Opening Hours

Box Office & Library

Monday* - Saturday 10am - 5pm

Museum & Galleries

Monday* - Saturday 10am - 4pm

A Great Little Place café

Monday* - Saturday 10am - 4pm

(Open late for selected pre-show meals)

*Closed on Bank Holidays

Please always check before visiting or call Box Office for tickets and information on 01704 533 333.

General Information

The Atkinson will exchange tickets (with exceptions, check before booking) up to 48 hours before a show. The Atkinson does not refund tickets. For full terms & conditions visit theatkinson.co.uk

Front Cover: Dom Joly's Holiday Snaps, 11 March 2020

LOVE, DEVELOP CONSERVE

You can support The Atkinson in many ways by becoming a member and donating what you can.

All proceeds go towards The Atkinson Development Trust, a charitable organisation who fundraise to develop our collections and our work with local schools, families & communities.

www.theatkinson.co.uk/trust

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Accessibility

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Wheelchair spaces are available, please call the Box Office on 01704 533 333



Assisted Change Facility



Guide Dogs are welcome in all areas of the venue



Lift access to all areas of the venue



Induction Loop available for any space in the venue

The Atkinson would like to thank our Funders & Supporters:















Exhibition Partners:









January — March '20

rom our award-winning café,

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January 2020

Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club: January Sat 4 Jan, 8pm, £16.50 Adv / £19 Doors / £12.50 Groups of 10+, Age 16+

A raucous evening of entertainment, bringing the best live stand-up to Southport!

Cake & Classical Music Dvorak

Mon 6 Jan, 12.30pm, £13

Cake is served at 12.30pm, performance begins at 1pm.

Object of the Month

Westwood Bound

Wed 8 Jan, 1pm, Free, Donations Welcome A talk by Christopher Griffiths, Manager, Vivienne Westwood Store, Liverpool.

Grateful Fred's

Jaywalkers

Wed 8 Jan, 7.30pm

£13 Adv / £15 Doors / £46 Season Ticket With support from Petticoat & Vine and Gerry French.

All Souls Dramatic Club

Aladdin

Thu 09 Jan, 7.30pm, Sat 11 Jan, 2pm & 7.30pm, Sun 12 Jan, 2pm, Thu 16 Jan, 7.30pm, Fri 17 Jan, 7.30pm, Sat 18 Jan, 2.30pm & 7.30pm, Sun 19 Jan, 11.30am & 4.30pm

£13 adults / £11 under 16s / £11 Thursday performances / £11 Restricted view rows W & X / Buy 10 get the 11th frree (applies to Fri, Sat & Sun shows only)

Southport's award winning theatre company present a modern family pantomime

Southport Film Guild

McQueen (15)

Thu 23 Jan, 7.30pm, $\pounds 4.50$ / Free to SFG Members A documentary of the life, career and artistry of the fashion designer Alexander McQueen.

Dance to the Music

Sat 25 Jan, 7.30pm, £29 / £45 VIP Meet & Greet

A sumptuously beautiful dance show created, directed and choreographed by ex Strictly professional Kristina Rihanoff. Hosted by Jake Quickenden.

Fairport Convention

Fri 31 Jan, 7.30pm, £25

The band that launched British folk-rock have seen many changes, but one thing remains the same, their passion for performance.

February 2020

The Upbeat Beatles

Sat 1 Feb, 7.30pm, £21

Follow the Fab Four's long and winding road from the early Cavern days through Beatlemania, America, Sergeant Pepper to Abbey Road.

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A raucous evening of entertainment, bringing the best live stand-up to Southport!

Cake & Classical Music

Mon 3 Feb, 12.30pm, £13

Cake is served at 12.30pm, performance begins at 1pm.

Michael Portillo – Life: A Game of Two Halves Mon 3 Feb, 7.30pm, £17.50

Listen to Portillo's story, told with a "parliame wit, followed by a Q&A and book signing.

Ancient Worlds Talk

We Are Amused!

Wed 5 Feb, 7pm, £5 / Free to Members Dr Bob Nicholson (Reader in History and Digital Humanities, Edge Hill University) explores the history of laughter and comedy in the nineteenth century.

Grateful Fred's

April Verch & Joe Newberry Wed 5 Feb, 7.30pm

£13 Adv / £15 Doors / £46 Season Ticket With support from Danny Bradley and The Silver Fred's.

Southport Film Guild

Cold War (15)

Wed 5 Feb, 7.30pm, £4.50 / Free to SFG Members A passionate love story set in Cold War Europe in the aftermath of WW2 in Poland.

Sinderella: The Adult Pantomime Adventure Fri 7 Feb, 6pm & 9pm, £21.50 / £20.50 Concessions / £18 Groups of 10+

Starring Drag Queens from Ru Paul's Drag Race; Divina De Campo and Stacy Layne Matthews. Will true love prevail in this naughty little fairy tale?!

Sat 8 Feb, 11.30am & 2.30pm £10 / £8 Under 16s, Age 3+

A little girl befriends a mischievous polar bear. Featuring inventive design, original music, and magical puppetry. Based on the book by Raymond Briggs.

Clinton Baptiste in The Paranormalist Returns Sat 8 Feb, 7.30pm, £18, Age 14+

As seen on Peter Kay's Phoenix Nights... The world-renowned clairvoyant, medium and psychic is back!

Object of the Month

Street Scene by LS Lowry

Wed 12 Feb, 1pm, Free, Donations Welcome A talk by Claire Stewart, Curator of the Lowry Collection, The Lowry, Salford Quays.

Love Folk Festival 2020

Fri 14 & Sat 15 Feb

Festival Tickets £48 / Saturday Tickets £35 Our sixth annual #LoveFolkFest returns featuring Sheelanagig, Martyn Joseph, Merry Hell, Blair Dunlop, Granny's Attic and Lucy Farrell & Andrew Waite.

Kidsfest

February Half Term

Midniaht

Mon 17 Feb, 2.30pm, £8 Adult / £6 under 16s / £24 Family Ticket, Age 5+

A show about time, the night and dreaming. Featuring clever cats, silly dogs, puppetry, music and storytelling.

Make it! Craft Workshops

Tue 18 Feb & Thu 20 Feb, 11am - 3pm, Free, All Ages

An arts and crafts workshop suitable for all the family ith all materials supplied and all for free!

Hurrah for the Pirate King! Tue 18 Feb, Pre-show workshop, 1.20pm - 1.40pm, Performance, 2pm - 2.40pm,

Character Meet & Greet, 2.40pm - 3pm £10 adult / £8 under 16s / £32 Family Ticket, All ages

Follow the great Pirate King on an adventure to find a treasure beyond Gold and Jewels. This interactive show combines Pantomime, Ballet & Opera.

Relaxed Film Screening

Beauty and the Beast (PG) (2017)

Wed 19 Feb, 11am, £3.50

The live-action Disney classic is screened in a relaxed environment, open to everyone including parents with young children.

Jay Foreman's Disgusting Songs for Revolting Children

Thu 20 Feb, 2.30pm, £13, Age 6+

cheeky hour of songs, poems and comedy for children.

Dumbo (PG) (2019)

Thu 21 Feb, 10.30am, £3.50

A live-action reimagining of Walt Disney's 1941 animated film, directed by Tim Burton.

Spark the Goblin Wizard

Sat 22 Feb, 2.30pm, £13, Age 5+

With lyrics, laughs and lots of joining in, poet Dommy B needs your help to save the day!

Fri 21 Feb, 7.30pm, £23.50 A rock'n'roll concert for all ages! If you would like to know

exactly what a Marc Bolan concert was like in the 1970s, this show is for you!

Revenge

T.Rextasy

Fri 28 Feb, 7.30pm, £16 / £13 concessions

A game of cat and mouse twists and turns between truth and lies, reaching a thrilling climax that will keep audiences guessing until the final curtain!

Killer Rhapsody: The QUEEN Experience Sat 29 Feb, 7.30pm

£15 / £12 concessions / £45 group booking 4 people The hottest and most riveting tribute to Freddie Mercury and Queen. Publicly endorsed and featured on Dr Brian Mays Guitars website.

March 2020

Cake & Classical

Piano Recital by John Gough

Mon 2 Mar, 12.30pm, £13 Cake is served at 12.30pm, performance begins at 1pm.

Ancient Worlds

A Woman in Ancient Greece

Wed 4 Mar, 7pm, £5 / Free to members Carla Phillips (Travellers Through Time) takes us on an interactive talk through the trials, tribulations and triumphs of life for women in Ancient Greece.

Grateful Fred's

Bronwynne Brent

Wed 4 Mar, 7.30pm £13 Adv / £15 Doors / £46 Season Ticket With support from Calum Gilligan and Dawn & The Embers.

Southport Film Guild

Leave No Trace (12)

Wed 4 Mar, 7.30pm, £4.50 / Free to SFG members A father and his teenage daughter meet adversity whilst trying to live off grid in the Portl<mark>and forest.</mark>

Back to Bacharach

Thu 5 Mar, 7.30pm, £23

The sensational soundtrack of the 60's is performed by a West End cast and the amazing musicianship of the Magic Moments Orchestra.

Ian McNabb

Fri 6 Mar, 8pm, £16

Previously the frontman of The Icicle Works, Robert Ian McNabb is an English singer-songwriter and musician.

Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club: March

Sat 7 Mar, 8pm, £16.50 Adv / £19 Doors / £12.50 Groups of 10+, Age 16+

A raucous evening of entertainment, bringing the best live stand-up to Southport!

Object of the Month

The Grand National

Wed 11 Mar, 1pm, Free, Donations Welcome A talk by Jane Clark, Curator of Aintree Racecourse Museum.

Dom Joly's Holiday Snaps:

Travel & Comedy in the Danger Zone

Wed 11 Mar, 7.30pm, £18

Best known as the creator of Trigger Happy TV, the writer & broadcaster is undertaking his first UK tour since 2011, giving fans a rare opportunity to see him live.

The Little Prince

Sat 14 Mar, 2.30pm, £14 / £12 Under 16s, Age 5+

A dance theatre production for children and grown-ups based on the world-famous and much-loved French novella.

Michael Oertel Band

Sat 14 Mar, 8pm, £15

The band from Germany combine Folk music with highly and 70's.

Dementia Friendly Cinema

The King and I (U) (1956)

Wed 18 Mar, 2pm, £3.50

A series of nostalgic films presented in an environment accessible for those living with dementia, their families

Murder Mystery Productions By Invitation Only 1927

Fri 20 Mar, 7.30pm £22, Price includes a two course buffet & glass of wine Murder Mystery evenings allow you to put your investigative skills to the test and enjoy an evening of murder, mystery and intrigue.

The Bon Jovi Experience Sat 21 Mar, 7.30pm, £22

The worlds only tribute to have performed live on stage with Bon Jovi himself. The band produce the looks and sounds of the real thing!

The Arts Society at The Atkinson The Boy Who Bit Picasso: A Talk With Antony Penrose Mon 23 Mar, 7pm, £7

An entertaining and amusing first-hand account of a life spent visiting Picasso in this talk by Antony Penrose.

Jeeves & Wooster in Perfect Nonsense Tue 24 Mar & Wed 25 Mar, 7.30pm £17 / £15 concessions

In a joyous re-imagining of the classic P.G.Wodehouse characters, three actors hurl themselves from role to role as they race to tell the story of Bertie's own farcical adventures.

The Murder Squad 20th Anniversary Thu 26 Mar, Workshops, 2.30pm & 4pm,

In Conversation, 7.30pm £8.50 One Workshop / £15 Two Workshops /

£22 Two Workshops & In Conversation / £10 In Conversation Two crime writing workshops followed by an in conversation with award-winning novelists including Ann Cleeves.

Herman's Hermits: 55th Anniversary Tour Fri 27 Mar, 7.30pm, £24

Join us for an evening of nostalgia, song & laughter featuring all the hits. Herman's Hermits are Barry Whitwam, Geoff Foot, Paul Cornwell and Tony Hancox.

24K Bruno

Sat 28 Mar 7.30pm, £22

A powerful & energetic show that guarantees to have the whole family dancing & singing the night away to hits by Bruno Mars

Featuring fiddlers Peter Knight, Chris Leslie, Brian McNeill,

lan Cutler, Tom Leary and Garry Blakeley and drummer

Feast of Fiddles Tue 31 Mar, 7.30pm, £20 / £10 Under 16s

Dave Mattacks.

Community Activities Construction Club Saturday 4, 18 Jan / 1, 15, 29 Feb / 7, 21 Mar 10.30am – 12.30pm, Free Entry, Age 5+

Story & Rhyme Time

Wednesday's 10.30pm – 11.30pm Thursday's 2pm – 3pm Free, Places limited, Pre-school

Grounders Graphics Group

Sefton Art Group Led by Roy Munday artclasses-merseyside.co.uk / roymun@cybase.co.uk

Monday 20 Jan / 24 Feb / 16 Mar 1.30pm – 3.30pm, £3 pay on the door

Companions

Family History Tuesday's 2.30pm – 4.30pm / Friday's 10am – 12pm Saturday's 10.30am – 1pm, Free, Drop in

Migrant Help – Support for EU Settlers Every other Wednesday, Please ask staff for details

Womens Organisation Business Hub

Sefton CVS IT Help Sessions

Thursday's 2pm – 4pm / Wednesday's 10am –12pm

Friends Against Scams

Library Groups

Monthly, Please ask staff for details 0151 934 2218 / www.sefton.gov.uk/libraries