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Week Ahead

Mon 15th – Sun 21st May 2017

Mon, 15 May 7:30pm till 9:30pm	Pint of Science A three night science spectacular held in pubs in Durham City. An opportunity to chat to people involved in the cutting edge of science in our region. Head of Steam, 3 Reform Place and The Empty Shop, 35C Framwellgate Bridge Durham City DH1 4RZ	Adult 4-4 Adult, Child 4-4 Child, Concession 4-4 Concession Tel: 07528393568
Tue, 16 May 7:30pm	The Seam - Songs from the Mining Institute Join Singer Songwriter Gareth Davies - Jones for an entertaining musical journey through the world renowned archives of The Mining Institute. Bob Abley Art Gallery High Street Spennymoor DL16 6DB	Tel: 07932790525
Wed, 17 May 2pm	Durham Cathedral: Ten Minute Talk Come along to our new series of 'Ten Minute Talks' in Open Treasure. Each week you can find out more about the extraordinary and unusual objects on display, and still have time for lunch! Durham Cathedral Durham City DH1 3EH	Tel: 0191 3864266
Thu, 18 May	Dine In Durham Look out for the amazing £5, £10 and £15 meal deals in Durham City this weekend. If you're a fan of food, you'll be spoilt for choice by what's on our menu. From large national chains to independent eateries, the food offering in Durham City is second to none. Establishments throughout Durham City Durham City DH1 3NJ	Tel: 0191 384 1212
Thu, 18 May 12:30pm till 1:30pm	Auckland Castle - Past & Present Tours Introducing 'PAST AND PRESENT TOURS' at Auckland Castle! Every Thursday 12.30-1.30pm, Friday 2pm-3pm Saturday 11am-12pm Tours leave from 42 Market Place Auckland Castle Market Place Bishop Auckland DL14 7NR	Tel: 01388 743797
Thu, 18 May 6pm till 10pm	Live In Durham Free Live Music event across 5 venues in Durham City Centre featuring a showcase of talented local musicians 6pm - 10pm. Further information can be found on the website. Various locations Durham City DH1 3NJ	Tel: 0191 384 1212
Thu, 18 May 9am till 4pm	Durham City Farmers' Market Durham Farmers' market - the perfect chance to source quality local foods direct from local producers. Offering a wide range of produce including local meats, local beers, seasonal vegetables and much more. Open 3rd Thursday of each month. Market Place Durham city DH1 3NJ	Tel: 0191 384 6153
Fri, 19 May 2pm till 3pm	Auckland Castle - Past & Present Tours Introducing 'PAST AND PRESENT TOURS' at Auckland Castle! Every Thursday 12.30-1.30pm, Friday 2pm-3pm Saturday 11am-12pm Tours leave from 42 Market Place Auckland Castle Market Place Bishop	Tel: 01388 743797

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Fri, 19 May 7:30pm	Ushaw College - Folk Weekend: The Millstone on Tour Folk Weekend at Ushaw College - The Millstone on Tour Featuring Barrie & Ingrid Temple, Dave Normanton & Brian Pandrich, Jim Mageean, Marie Little, JIB Ushaw College Durham DH7 9RH	Tel: 0191 373 8500
Fri, 19 May 7:30pm	The Witham - Art with a Heart: Declaration 'Declaration' takes you on vibrant and daring adventure that asks you to roll around in your weirdness, make a hat out of it and dance. 3 Horsemarket Barnard Castle DL12 8LY	Tel: 01833 631 107
Sat, 20 May 7:30pm till 9:30pm	Mozart Requiem and Solemn Vespers Durham Choral Society, Orchestra and soloists will perform: Mozart Requiem Mass in D Minor (K626). Gala booking office, Millennium Place Durham; 03000 266600 or online https://www.galadurham.co.uk/book-online/?webeventid=3164 Durham Cathedral Durham City DH1 3EH	Tel: 03000 266600
Sat, 20 May 9:15am start	Walking Treasure Hunt With Buffet Lunch Depart Elvet Church Hall between 9:30 and 10:15am. Results, Prizes, Raffle and Games *Cash Prizes Hidden On Route!* - contact 0191 386 2260 for details. 8 Old Elvet Durham DH1 3HL	Tel: 0191 386 2260
Sat, 20 May	Palace Green Library - Lucet Weaving Try your hand at weaving - Anglo-Saxon style! Take away what you make and amaze your friends with your historical crafting. Palace Green Library Palace Green Durham City DH1 3RN	Tel: 0191 334 2932
Sat, 20 May	Durham University Oriental Museum: Terrible Tut Explore the Ancient Egyptian death masks on display and create your own Tutankhamun mask to wear. Oriental Museum Elvet Hill South Road Durham DH1 3TH	Tel: 0191 334 5694
Sat, 20 May 7:30pm	Ushaw College - Folk Weekend: Kathryn Tickell & The Side We're delighted to welcome back this exciting ensemble bringing back together folk and classical with an irresistible combination of players and instruments. Ushaw College Ushaw Moor Durham DH7 9RH	Tel: 0191 373 8500
Sat, 20 May 2:30pm	Ushaw College - Jonathan Clegg Organist The organ recital series promotes an eclectic range of music from the classical organ repertoire; from renaissance to baroque and romantic to twentieth century. The programme will include César Franck's Chorale No. 3 and England's Glory by Nigel Ogden see web: http://www.ushaw.org Ushaw College Durham DH7 9RH	Tel: 0191 3860038
Sat, 20 May	Beamish Museum - Empire and Flag Weekend Join us to celebrate Empire and Flag Weekend during this Spring weekend. Beamish Museum Beamish DH9 0RG	Tel: 0191 370 4000
Sat, 20 May	Beamish Museum - Georgian Fair Experience a fair like no other as The Squire of Pockerley sets about hiring his staff for the coming months!... Beamish Museum Beamish DH9 0RG	Tel: 0191 370 4000
Sat, 20 May 6pm till 9:30pm	Beamish Museum - Museums at Night Enjoy after-hours Beamish with a fabulous evening of music, entertainment and food. Beamish Museum Beamish DH9 0RG	Tel: 0191 370 4000

Sat, 20 May 10am till 4pm	Harehope Quarry - Introduction to Charcoal Making Learn the basics of charcoal making - The day includes a bag of charcoal to take home and tea, coffee and cakes. Bring a packed lunch. Frosterley DL13 2SG	Tel: 01388 528599
Sat, 20 May	An Evening with Heather Small the Voice of M People - Rockliffe Hall As the voice of M People, hits such as Moving on Up, One Night in Heaven and Search for a Hero helped Heather become one of the seminal British voices of the 1990s, with the Band winning the Best British Dance Act Award at The Brits in 1994 and 1995, while their album Elegant Slumming picked up a Mercury Music Prize. Rockliffe Hall Hurworth Place Hurworth on Tees DL2 2DU	Tel: 01325 729999
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Sat, 20 May	Geoparks Week A series of Geo events to be announced - check www.northpennines.org.uk North Pennines AONB & UNESCO Global Geopark	
Sun, 21 May 10am till 4pm	Houghall Spring Show Following a year off in 2016, East Durham College is delighted to announce that the Houghall Spring Show is returning in 2017! The event will be held at the Durham-based campus on Sunday 21st May 2017 between 10am and 4pm. East Durham College Houghall Durham DH1 3SG	Tel: 0191 375 4710
Sun, 21 May 11am till 4pm	Craft InDurham Markets The popular Craft InDurham Markets will return on six Sundays from April to September, as well as one Sunday in December. These markets bring together the finest producers, artists and crafts people from across the North East, offering gift, homewares, hand-crafted items, locally produced food and drink and more. Market Place Durham DH1 3NJ	Tel: 0191 384 6153
Sun, 21 May 10am till 4pm	Hamsterley Forest - Butterwick Hospice - Rainbow Dash A colourful 5k or 10k run for all the family in aid of the Butterwick Hospice The Rainbow event in 2016 was a HUGE success, over 500 participants were covered in a kaleidoscope of colour, raising over a fantastic £28000 for the Butterwick Hospice, lets smash that this year! While you are running, walking, skipping or sprinting through the beautiful scenery of Hamsterley Forest you will be covered head to toe in an array of vibrant coloured, environmentally friendly, powder, thrown at you by very willing volunteers. For the more serious runner, this year you can enjoy a 10k route, so you get TWICE the colour. Please book through the Butterwick Hospice Website. Hamsterley Forest Redford Hamsterley Bishop Auckland DL13 3NL	Tel: 01388 603003
Sun, 21 May 1;30pm till 5pm	National Garden Scheme - Hillside Cottages The gardens of these two C19 cottages offer contrasting styles. At Number 1, grass paths lead you through a layout of trees and shrubs including many interesting specimens. Number 2 is based on island beds and has a cottage garden feel with a variety of perennials among the trees and shrubs and also incl a wild area, vegetables and fruit.	

	Low Etherley DL14 0EZ	
Sun, 21 May	Rockliffe Hall: Pirates & Princesses Party Join us in Rockliffe Hall's grand marquee for an afternoon party fit for a princess (or a pirate, arrr) with disco dancing, activities and games in aid of the Teesside Charity. Rockliffe Hall Hurworth Place Hurworth on Tees DL2 2DU	Tel: 01325 729999
Sun, 21 May	Raby Castle - TAC 10K, 5K & 1.2K Races Teesdale Athletics Club is organising the main 10k race at 11.00am, as well as the popular 5k race at 10.35am, and the 1.2k children's run which is becoming very popular being held at 10.00am. The runs are within the grounds of Raby Castle, and apart from the odd tractor the races are virtually traffic free. Moor Road Staindrop Darlington DL2 3LH	Tel: 01833 660202

Exhibitions and Ongoing Events

Fri, 9 December till Sun, 21 May	Durham University Oriental Museum: Dressed to Impress - netsuke and Japanese men's fashion A British Museum exhibition featuring a selection of delightfully detailed netsuke and other traditional Japanese male dress accessories. Oriental Museum Elvet Hill South Road Durham DH1 3TH	Tel:0191 334 5694
Sun, 1 January till Sun, 31 December	Locomotion: Exhibition - Royal Train The royal train is a major exhibit at Locomotion, which shows the splendour and quality of the coaches used by members of the royal family. View the fine interiors of the specially lit coaches including Queen Alexandra's Saloon and the royal dining coach. The royal train is currently headed by LMS Black Five No. 5000, built in 1935. Locomotion - The National Railway Museum at Shildon Dale Road Industrial Estate Shildon DL4 2RE	Tel:01388 777999
Until Sat, 10 June	Open Treasure: Beasts An exhibition of the weird and wonderful beasts and monsters which have fascinated people from earliest times. The Collections Gallery, Open Treasure Durham City DH1 3EH	Open Treasure admission applies: Adult £7.50, Concession £6, Child (5-18) £2.50 Tel:0191 386 4266
Sun, 1 January	Hardwick Park - The Gruffalo Trail There's no such thing as the Gruffalo or is there? Follow the clues and answer the questions in your booklet to discover the animal homes from the story. You may even encounter our 8ft Gruffalo hiding in the woods. Hardwick Park Visitors Centre TS21 2DN	Tel:03000 262899
Mon, 27 February - 31 Sept	125 Years of The Bowes Museum This year is the 125th Anniversary of The Bowes Museum opening and we are gearing up to celebrate. Come and join in a variety of fun drop in activities for all the family! Children must be accompanied by an adult, for whom normal admission applies. The Bowes Museum Newgate Barnard Castle DL12 8NP	Tel:01833 690606
Until 21 Sept	Durham University Oriental Museum: A good Reputation Endures Forever: The Chinese Labour Corps On The Western Front An exhibition exploring the role of the thousands of Chinese who risked their lives alongside the British armed forces during the First World War. Oriental Museum, South Road, Durham	Tel: 0191 334 5694

Until 8 July

Bowes Museum – Painting The Theatre: Garrick in Action

This exhibition will celebrate England’s best-known eighteenth-century actor, David Garrick (1717-1779), marking the 300th anniversary of his birth. The Bowes Museum Newgate, Barnard Castle DL12 8NP

Tel:01833 690606

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Monday to Saturday 9.30am – 5.30pm

Sunday 11am – 4pm

Bank Holidays 11am – 4pm