

A county with breathtaking dales, a dramatic coastline, a vale steeped in history and a vibrant city at its heart.

22/4/2025 till 25/4/2025

DCSF Easter Holiday Camps

This Easter, our Holiday Kids Course is packed with exciting activities for children aged 5-12! Each day features a mix of sports, outdoor adventures, and creative crafts—plus an hour of swimming with our professional partners, SWIM.

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https://www.dcsf.org.uk/our-

community/events/holiday-c

Durham School, Quarry Heads Lane, Durham City, County Durham, DH14SZ

25/4/2025 till 25/4/2025

Durham World Heritage Day

Durham's World Heritage Day will see a range of exciting and interactive activities happening in the beautiful and historic surroundings of Palace Green.

Palace Green, Durham City, County Durham, DH1 3EH

visitor.centre@durham.ac.uk

https://www.durham.ac.uk/th ings-to-do/whats-on/eventscalendar/2025/04/durham-w orld-heritage-day-celebratio

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25/4/2025 till 25/4/2025

Hair Braids & Milkshakes

Join us for some more hair-raising fun with another helping of our Hair Braids & Milkshakes event.

sales@lanchestergardencen tre.co.uk

https://lanchestergardencentre.co.uk/events/

Lanchester Garden Centre, Bargate Bank, Lanchester, County Durham, DH7 0SS

+44 07740 880402

21/4/2025 till 25/4/2025

Make Your Own Maundy Money at Durham Cathedral

Commemorate the coming of The King to Durham Cathedral by creating your own Maundy Money to give to someone special in your life.

visitor.desk@durhamcathedr al.co.uk

https://www.durhamcathedra l.co.uk/events/easter-half-ter m-activities-2025

Durham Cathedral, Durham City, County Durham, DH1 3EH

+44 0191 374 4069

25/4/2025 till 25/4/2025 27/5/2025 till 27/5/2025 30/5/2025 till 30/5/2025

Nature Spotters - The Bowes Museum

Gather with us in an outdoor-inspired campsite in the Conversation Gallery. Discover the fascinating world of wildlife in the parkland, delve into the natural wonders that influenced some of the museum's treasures and play games inspired by the great outdoors.

hello@thebowesmuseum.or

https://thebowesmuseum.or g.uk/whats-on/nature-spotte rs/

The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP

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25/4/2025 till 25/4/2025	The Mayor of Seaham's Charity Civic Ball - Seaham Town Hall	info@seaham.gov.uk
	The Mayor of Seaham's Charity Civic Ball at Seaham Town Hall, Friday 25th April 2025.	https://www.seaham.gov.uk/i ndex.php/events/upcoming- events/civic-ball-friday-25th- april-2025
	Seaham Town Council, Seaham Town Hall , Stockton Road, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 0HP	+44 0191 581 8034
1/4/2025 till 26/4/2025	Andy Martin: EDAN Confessional - The EDAN Gallery	edanart@live.com
	Andy Martin: EDAN Confessional.	https://www.edanart.co.uk/e
	The EDAN Gallery , 74 Church Street, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 7HF	vent-details/andy-martin-eda n-confessional
		+44 0191 649 9431
26/4/2025 till 26/4/2025	Artist Makers: Paper Patchwork Patterns - The Bowes Museum	hello@thebowesmuseum.or g.uk
	Join artist Betty Brown to create beautiful patchwork patterns from coloured papers. The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County	https://thebowesmuseum.or g.uk/whats-on/artist-makers- paper-patchwork-patterns/
	Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833 690606
26/4/2025 till 26/4/2025	Black Grouse Morning A chance to see the rare Black Grouse 'lekking'. Observe the weird and wonderful courtship displays of this magnificent bird at a local lek site, followed by a short	wayne.appleton@naturalen gland.org.uk
	tour of the area to view their habitat and do a spot of bird watching.	+44 01833 622374
	Langdon Beck Hotel layby, Langdon Beck, Forest in Teesdale, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 0XP	
25/4/2025 till 26/4/2025	Exploring the Archives: Historic Gardens of Raby A talk with the Castle's Archivist.	admin@raby.co.uk
	Raby Castle, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	https://www.raby.co.uk/event s/exploring-the-archives-hist oric-gardens-of-raby/
		+44 01833 660202
26/4/2025 till 26/4/2025	Sonic Pond Dipping and WaterBlitz Sonic Pond Dipping with the Great UK WaterBlitz. Listen underwater and become a citizen-scientist for the day!	david@daviddelahaye.co.uk
	Elvet & Bailey, 23 Prince Bishops, Durham City, County Durham, DH1 3UJ	+44 07949 552077
26/4/2025 till 26/4/2025	Soy Wax Candle Making in Durham Start your very own Creative Path in making your own candles with the guidance of a professional trainer in a fantastic 3-hour, hands-on workshop. You will be offered tea/coffee or chilled drinks on arrival before being designated your own workspace.	https://www.craftcourses.co m/courses/soy-wax-candle- making-2
		+44 07521226849

	2 Attlee Court, Tow Law, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL13 4NA	
26/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Bath Wood Walk - Raby Castle, Park and Gardens Join a member of the Gardens Team for a leisurely walk to Raby Park's historic Bath Wood.	admin@raby.co.uk
		https://www.raby.co.uk/event s/bath-wood-walk/
	Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	+44 01833 660202
12/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Bertie's Easter Bunny Trail - Prince Bishops Place The Easter Bunnies have hidden all of Bertie's Easter Eggs, and he needs your help to find them!	hello@princebishopsplace.c o.uk
	Prince Bishops Place, Durham City Centre, County Durham, DH1 3UJ	https://princebishopsplace.c o.uk/whats_on/berties-easte r-bunny-trail/
	Dumam, DH1 303	+44 0191 375 0416
5/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Bunny Ears Woodland Trail at High Force Waterfall This spring, embark on an enchanting adventure with the whole family at High Force Waterfall! The Bunny Ears Woodland Trail is the perfect way to explore the beauty of nature while enjoying some seasonal fun.	admin@raby.co.uk
		https://www.raby.co.uk/event s/hop-into-spring-at-high-for ce-the-bunny-ears-woodlan d-trail/
	High Force Waterfall , Alston Road, Forest In Teesdale, County Durham, DL12 0XH	+44 01833 622336
12/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Cheeky Chicks Trail - Hardwick Park Cheeky Chicks Trail, Saturday 12 April to Sunday 27 April. Price: £1 per trail sheet from, purchase from café	hardwickpark@durham.gov. uk
	during opening hours.	https://www.durham.gov.uk/ HardwickEvents
	Hardwick Park, Sedgefield , , TS21 2DN	+44 03000 262 899
5/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Daily Activities this Easter at Raby Deer Park and Gardens	admin@raby.co.uk
	This Easter, we are offering a range of free daily activities for the whole family at the Deer Park and Gardens. From fun outdoor experiences to exploring the beautiful surroundings, there's something for everyone to enjoy.	https://www.raby.co.uk/event s/daily-free-activities-this-ea ster/
	• •	+44 01833 660202
	Raby Castle, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	
12/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Easter Egg-Stravaganza - Adventure Valley Don't miss all the extra fun at Adventure Valley this	info@adventurevalley.co.uk
	Easter Holidays. Visit the spectacular undercover Easter Garden, follow the 'Egg-cellent' Bunny Adventure to earn a chocolate treat and meet the Easter Bunny! Plus meet	https://adventurevalley.digiti ckets.co.uk/category/62472

Garden, follow the 'Egg-cellent' Bunny Adventure to earn a chocolate treat and meet the Easter Bunny! Plus, meet our Adorable Baby Animals and enjoy Daily Shows in our Showtime Theatre.

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Adventure Valley, Brasside, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5SG

12/4/2025 till 27/4/2025

Easter Family Activities - Beamish, The Living **Museum of the North** Travel back in time at Beamish Museum to discover how

museum@beamish.org.uk

	Easter was celebrated in the 1820s, early 1900s, 1940s and 1950s with a whole host of egg-citing activities.	https://www.beamish.org.uk/ events/easter/
	Beamish, The Living Museum of the North , Beamish, County Durham, DH9 0RG	+44 0191 370 4000
12/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Easter Holiday Fun at the Farm! Its cuteness overload this Easter at Down at the farm, Houghton Le Spring! Get ready for lots of new life as we welcome newborns for the season!	bookings@downatthefarm.c o.uk
		https://www.downatthefarm. co.uk/
	Down at the Farm, Stoneygate Lane, Houghton Le Spring, Tyne and wear, DH5 8JG	+44 0191 584 1873
16/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Easter Trail - Auckland Palace & Auckland Gardens Our popular Egg Hunt returns for another year of festive fun throughout the Easter holidays!	enquiries@aucklandproject. org
	Auckland Palace & Gardens , Market Place, Bishop	https://aucklandproject.org/e vent/easter-trail/
	Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NR	+44 01388 743750
12/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Easter Trail: Burrowing Bunnies Easter Trail: Burrowing Bunnies, Saturday 12 April to Sunday 27 April 2025. Price: £1 per trail sheet, purchase	whartonpark@durham.gov.uk/
	from café during opening hours. Wharton Park , Framwelgate Peth, Durham, County	https://www.durham.gov.uk/ WhartonParkEvents
12/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Durham, DH1 4FJ Feathers & Fun: Easter at Ushaw	+44 03000 262 655 meet@ushaw.org
12/4/2020 till 21/4/2020	This Easter, enjoy lots of feathers and family fun at Ushaw as we celebrate the launch of our new exhibition The Discovery of Birds.	https://ushaw.org/whatson/fe athersandfun/
	Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens, Woodland Road, Durham, County Durham, DH7 7DW	+44 0191 373 8500
26/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Lartington Hall - Open House Kickstart your wedding planning journey as we open our	info@lartington-hall.com
	doors at the breathtaking 'Lartington Hall'. Exclusively yours, this stunning estate is elegant and grand with an intimacy and charm that with captivate you.	https://www.eventcreate.co m/e/lartington-hall-open-hou se-weekend/?register=true
	Lartington Hall , Lartington Lane, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 9BW	+44 0191 933 7409
5/4/2025 till 27/4/2025	Little Eggsplorers Easter Egg Hunt at Raby Castle Families are invited to find giant, colourful eggs hidden amongst the winding paths of our Christmas Tree plantation this Easter.	admin@raby.co.uk
		https://rabyestate.digitickets. co.uk/event-tickets/39925?b ranches.branchID=2584&ut
	Raby Castle, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	m_source=Newsletter+subs cribers&utm_campaign=19d fdef5e6-2022.10.24_Annual _Passholder_Regen_Farm_ COPY_01&utm_medium=e mail&utm_term=0_63a53fba 70-19dfdef5e6-106595409

12/4/2025 till 27/4/2025

S&DR200 - Easter Holidays: Movement and Journeys at Locomotion

To celebrate the opening of the Stockton & Darlington Railway in 1825, we're exploring themes of journeys, movement and forces through free, fun, family activities through the Easter holidays.

https://www.locomotion.org. uk/whats-on/easter-2025

Locomotion, Dale Road Industrial Estate, Shildon, County Durham, DL4 2RE

27/4/2025 till 27/4/2025

Secular Salon: Death Rites, Covid Cremations and No susan.walker@northeast-hu **Fuss Funerals**

Join us for a thought-provoking evening with Professor Douglas J. Davies, a leading expert in the study of death, funerals, and belief. With a background in anthropology, theology, and sociology, he has authored key works on mortality, cremation, and grief-most recently researching the impact of Covid-19 on crematoria. Free event | Light buffet provided | Donations welcome.

Merryoaks Community Hall, Park House Road, Durham,

manists.org.uk

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County Durham, DH1 3QF

27/4/2025 till 27/4/2025 25/5/2025 till 25/5/2025 29/6/2025 till 29/6/2025

Skiffle Session & Uke Club - Beamish - The Living Museum of the North

Join us for an afternoon of skiffle music in the 1950s welfare hall! Enjoy our own band, Hop, Skiffle and Jump performing from 12pm until 1pm, followed by our Uke Club from 1.15pm until 2.15pm where you can develop your ukulele skills.

museum@beamish.org.uk

https://www.beamish.org.uk/ whats-on/

+44 0191 370 4000

Beamish - The Living Museum of the North, Beamish, County Durham, DH9 0RG

5/4/2025 till 27/4/2025

Spring Animals Trail at the Raby Deer Park and **Gardens**

Celebrate the arrival of Easter with a leisurely stroll through our Spring Animals Trail.

admin@raby.co.uk

https://www.raby.co.uk/event s/spring-animals-trail-in-thedeer-park-and-gardens/

Raby Castle, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH

+44 01833 660202

26/4/2025 till 27/4/2025

The Bowes Museum Celebrates its Founder's 200th **Birthday**

On Saturday 26 April The Bowes Museum marks the 200th birthday of its co-founder Joséphine Bowes with a day of indoor and outdoor activities including talks, tours and hands-on experiences for all ages to enjoy, and two special free entry initiatives.

hello@thebowesmuseum.or g.uk

https://thebowesmuseum.or g.uk/whats-on/

+44 01833 690606

The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, County Durham, **DL12 8NP**

17/4/2025 till 28/4/2025

Scarecrow Festival - South Causey Inn

Join us at South Causey Inn for our Scarecrow Festival, running from Thursday, 17th April to Monday, 28th April! This exciting event is perfect for families, friends, and scarecrow enthusiasts of all ages.

enquiries@southcausey.co.

https://southcausey.co.uk/sc arecrow-festival/#gsc.tab=0

	South Causey Inn, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0LS	+44 01207 235 555
29/4/2025 till 29/4/2025 13/5/2025 till 13/5/2025 27/5/2025 till 27/5/2025	Be You at The Bowes - The Bowes Museum Be You @ The Bowes is a LGBTQIA+ co-production working group is the first of its kind at the Museum, teaming up with regional partners and working as a community to learn from one another and grow together.	hello@thebowesmuseum.or g.uk
		https://thebowesmuseum.or g.uk/whats-on/be-you-at-the -bowes/
	The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833 690606
1/4/2025 till 29/4/2025	Behind the Blooms: The Making of Raby's Garden Exhibit	admin@raby.co.uk
	Discover the story behind Raby's garden exhibit, from curating history to conservation in action. Join a member of our Curatorial team for a spotlight talk on how our new garden exhibit was created, from deciding a title, to	https://www.raby.co.uk/event s/behind-the-blooms-the-ma king-of-rabys-gardens/
	rummaging through garden workshops for historic material.	+44 01833 660202
	Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	
29/4/2025 till 29/4/2025	Moon Market at Bowburn Hall Hotel Bowburn Hall Hotel Moon Market, with Food & Drink, Alternative Stalls, Mediumship & Healing.	Gnbeventsuk45@outlook.co m
	Bowburn Hall Hotel, Bowburn, County Durham, DH6	https://www.bowburnhallhot el.co.uk/events/
	5NH	+44 07425 610845
3/4/2025 till 30/4/2025	Easter Afternoon Tea - South Causey Inn	enquiries@southcausey.co. uk
	South Causey Inn, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0LS	https://southcausey.co.uk/ch ristmas-dining/afternoon-tea -at-south-causey-inn/#gsc.ta b=0
		+44 01207 235 555
1/4/2025 till 30/4/2025	S&DR200 - Model Railway Show at Locomotion In April, Locomotion, in partnership with Shildon Model Railway Club, will host a model railways show featuring a range of different layouts and displays.	http://www.sdr200.co.uk/pro gramme
	Locomotion, Dale Road Industrial Estate, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2RE	
30/4/2025 till 3/5/2025	In Your Face Theatre - We Will Rock You - Seaham Town Hall	info@seaham.gov.uk
	In Your Face Theatre presents We Will Rock You - Jr at Seaham Town Hall, Wednesday 30th April 2025 -	https://www.seaham.gov.uk/i

https://www.seaham.gov.uk/i ndex.php/events/upcomingevents/in-your-face-theatrewe-will-rock-you

Seaham Town Council, Seaham Town Hall , Stockton Road, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 0HP

Seaham Town Hall, Wednesday 30th April 2025 -

Saturday 3rd May 2025.

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1/5/2025 till 3/5/2025	The Watsons - Sir Thomas Allen Assembly Rooms Theatre	theatre.manager@durham.a c.uk
	Based on her incomplete novel, this witty play looks under the bonnet of Jane Austen and asks: what can characters do when their author abandons them?	https://www.theassemblyroo mstheatre.org/whats-on/
	Sir Thomas Allen Assembly Rooms Theatre, 40 North Bailey, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3ET	+44 01913344316
28/9/2024 till 4/5/2025	Knitted together: The Korean Lives and Legacies of Richard and Joan Rutt Drawing on the objects and photographs of the main	oriental.museum@durham.a c.uk
	donors to the Korean collection at the Oriental Museum, Knitted Together details Richard and Joan Rutt's 20 years living in South Korea in the immediate aftermath of the Korean War (1950 – 1953).	https://www.durham.ac.uk/th ings-to-do/whats-on/events- calendar/2024/09/knitted-tog ether-/
	Durham University Oriental Museum , Elvet Hill, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3TH	+44 0191 334 5691
22/3/2025 till 5/5/2025	Lambing Time - Hall Hill Farm Come and see the new-born lambs during March and April. We have several different breeds of sheep which will lamb over 8 weeks. Feed the pet lambs and see the fluffy Easter chicks, as well as all the usual farm	https://www.hallhillfarm.co.u k/lambing-time/e1
	activities.	+44 01388 731333
	Hall Hill Farm, Lanchester, Durham, County Durham, DH7 0TA	
26/4/2025 till 26/4/2025	Behind the Scenes Tour of Raby Castle	admin@raby.co.uk
10/5/2025 till 10/5/2025	Our exclusive behind-the-scenes tour offers a unique	o.a
10/5/2025 till 10/5/2025 7/6/2025 till 7/6/2025	Our exclusive behind-the-scenes tour offers a unique opportunity to step back in time, unlocking some of the hidden parts of the castle to reveal rooms, stories and treasures not usually seen by the public.	https://www.raby.co.uk/raby- castle/whats-on/
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Crook Hall Gardens, Sidegate , , County Durham , DH1 5SZ

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19/10/2024 till 8/6/2025

Ted Holloway: A Bevin Boy Remembered at The Mining Art Gallery

Eighty years ago, during the Second World War, artist Ted Holloway was conscripted to work in the coal mines as a Bevin Boy. enquiries@aucklandproject. org

https://aucklandproject.org/e vent/ted-holloway/

The Mining Art Gallery, Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NP

+44 01388 743750

4/4/2025 till 22/6/2025

S&DR200: Railway Pioneers

An exhibition looking at the engineering innovation that inspired Stephenson, the father of the railways, leading to the opening of Stockton & Darlington Railway in 1825.

https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/16571/Railway-Pioneers

Hopetown Darlington, North Road Station, Station Road, Darlington, County Durham , DL3 6ST

12/4/2025 till 22/6/2025

The Discovery of Birds - Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens

Drawing on Ushaw Library's rich and varied natural history holdings, The Discovery of Birds illuminates the development of bird art and ornithology from the Renaissance to the nineteenth century.

meet@ushaw.org

https://ushaw.org/whatson/the-discovery-of-birds/

+44 0191 373 8500

Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens, Woodland Road, Durham, County Durham, DH7 7DW

8/2/2025 till 29/6/2025

From Joséphine Bowes Trendsetters and Trailblazers - The Bowes Museum

Celebrating the 200th anniversary and artistic vision of museum co-founder, Joséphine Bowes.

hello@thebowesmuseum.or g.uk

https://thebowesmuseum.or g.uk/exhibitions/from-josephi ne-bowes/

The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP

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10/2/2025 till 31/7/2025

S&DR200 - Invention Challenge

S&DR200 and Little Inventors are celebrating the 200th anniversary of the Stockton and Darlington Railway with the S&DR Invention Challenge, inviting Year 5–8 students from Stockton, Darlington, and Durham to reimagine the 4,000 miles of disused train tracks in the UK.

http://www.sdr200.co.uk/pro gramme

Various locations , , County Durham ,

1/3/2025 till 31/8/2025

S&DR200 - Memory of a Journey

Various locations throughout March to August 2025 S&DR200 Presents: Trains have been part of our lives for 200 years. This project is a participation project that encourages visitors to reminisce about a journey that they remember.

https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/16698/Memory-of-a-Journey

Various locations,, County Durham,

17/2/2025 till 20/10/2025 **Live Music at Crook Hall Gardens** Local musicians Julie and William bring an extra https://www.nationaltrust.or dimension to the historic gardens and hall with live g.uk/visit/north-east/crook-h performances on the third Monday of each month. all-gardens/events/b6a007b a-45a4-4f99-adc0-1101039e Crook Hall Gardens, Sidegate, , County Durham, DH1 15/4/2025 till 28/10/2025 crookhallgardens@nationalt History of Durham City Walk at Crook Hall Gardens A guided walk from Crook Hall Gardens delving into the rust.org.uk history of Durham. https://www.nationaltrust.or g.uk/visit/north-east/crook-h Start: Crook Hall Gardens, Sidegate, , County Durham, all-gardens/events/3526cd8 DH1 5SZ 4-7f98-4c9c-9b98-353a446e 34de +44 0191 383 1832 16/4/2025 till 29/10/2025 **Crook Hall Gardens Tour: History and Literary Links** crookhallgardens@nationalt Step into Crook Hall Gardens' past on a guided tour. rust.org.uk https://www.nationaltrust.or Crook Hall Gardens, Sidegate, , County Durham, DH1 g.uk/visit/north-east/crook-h all-gardens/events/ed7040a 5SZ a-6555-4ed6-acaa-87904fc0 h79f +44 0191 383 1832 4/4/2025 till 2/11/2025 Shakespeare Recovered: Durham's First Folio pg.library@durham.ac.uk **Palace Green Library** This year, our iconic book takes centre stage at Palace https://www.durham.ac.uk/th Green Library. ings-to-do/whats-on/eventscalendar/2025/04/shakespe are-recovered/ Palace Green Library, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3RN +44 0191 334 2932 25/3/2025 till 25/11/2025 S&DR200 - The Whistle Stop This bespoke touring library exhibition will travel round https://www.sdr200.co.uk/art the region and showcases the Stockton and Darlington icle/16712/The-Whistle-Stop Railway's history using high-quality reproductions of important artefacts and documents found and brought together from archives across the UK. Various locations,, County Durham, 23/4/2025 till 30/11/2025 Railway 200: Guided Tours of Stockton and **Darlington Railway** https://railway200.co.uk/acti To celebrate Railway 200, I am available to offer guided vity/guided-tours-of-stockton tours of the line by coach, bicycle or walking together -and-darlington-railway/ with the opportunity of visiting the fabulous museums of Locomotion in Shildon, HopeTown in Darlington and Preston Park in Stockton.

Locomotion, Dale Road, Shildon, County Durham, DL4

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1/3/2025 till 30/11/2025	S&DR200 - Festival Fringe The Fringe Festival will include events created by community organisations, local businesses and heritage partners.	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/17187/S-DR200-Fringe
1/3/2025 till 30/11/2025	Various locations , , County Durham , S&DR200 Festival The 27 September 2025 marks the 200th anniversary of the opening of the Stockton and Darlington Railway (S&DR), which gave birth to the modern railway. To celebrate this landmark anniversary, the nine-month S&DR200 Festival will take place across Durham and Tees Valley from March to November 2025.	http://www.sdr200.co.uk/pro gramme
22/3/2025 till 20/12/2025	Various locations , , County Durham , Middleton-in-Teesdale Farmers Market March to December, traditional Farmers Market in an all- weather, undercover auction mart. Free Entry. Free Parking. Dog Friendly. 40+ Fabulous Foodie Traders every month.	middletonteesdalefm@gmai l.com +44 07943 636202
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Middleton Auction Mart, Middleton-in-Teesdale, County Durham, DL12 0PJ Barnard Castle Farmers' Market Barnard Castle Farmers' Market is one of the North East's most popular markets featuring a wide range of artisan food and crafts from the region. Open 9:00 to 14:00 on the first Saturday of each month.	barnardcastlefarmersmarket @gmail.com http://www.barnardcastlefar mersmarket.co.uk/
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	The Cobbles , Horsemarket, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8LY Barnard Castle Market Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Wednesday 8.00am to 16.30	market@barnardcastletown council.gov.uk https://www.facebook.com/B arneyWednesdayMarket/
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Marketplace, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NF Bishop Auckland Market Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Thursday and Saturday 8:00-17:00	+44 (0)1833 690970 ehcp@durham.gov.uk https://www.durham.gov.uk/ markets
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NP Consett Market Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8:00-16:00	+44 (0)3000 261 016 ehcp@durham.gov.uk https://www.durham.gov.uk/ markets

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1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Durham Food Producers' and Crafters' Market Durham's Food Producers' and Crafters' Market is now on the first Thursday of each month – open from 9am until 4.30pm, or until stock has sold out.	info@durhammarkets.co.uk http://www.durhammarkets.co.uk
	Market Place, Durham city, County Durham, DH1 3NJ	+44 0191 384 6153
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Saturday Outdoor Market	info@durhammarkets.co.uk
	Every Saturday, the Market Place is transformed by up to 30 small independent tradersit becomes a traditional, bustling, fresh air market and a great shopping experience.	https://durhammarkets.co.u k/saturday-outdoor-market/
	Durham Market Hall, Market Place, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3NJ	+44 0191 384 6153
15/2/2025 till 31/12/2025	S&DR200 - Railway Firsts at Locomotion Home to one of largest collections of historic rail vehicles in the world, Locomotion is pulling out all the stops to commemorate S&DR200.	http://www.sdr200.co.uk/pro gramme
	Locomotion, Dale Road Industrial Estate, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2RE	
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Seaham Seaside Market Seaham Seaside Market is a weekly market held every Friday.	stalls@events2gogo.com
		https://www.facebook.com/s eahamseasidemarket/
	Church Street, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 7HF	+44 (0)7769 352637
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Sedgefield Farmers Market The market is run by Sedgefield Development Trust - and	roger@clubleys.co.uk
	is held every first Sunday of the Month, on the village green, from 8.30am to 12.30pm - and includes a free community stall, music tent & health bus. The free stall is	http://www.sedgefield-farmer smarket.co.uk
	available to clubs and societies for promotion or fundraising.	+44 01740 620609
	Village Green, Sedgefield, County Durham, TS21 2AB	
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Stanley Market Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and	ehcp@durham.gov.uk
	soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Thursday and Saturday 8.00-16:00	https://www.durham.gov.uk/ markets
	Front Street, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0JE	+44 (0)191 373 0220
4/1/2025 till 3/1/2026	Artist Makers - The Bowes Museum Make time for making; join in and get creative. An opportunity to try out new techniques, materials and	hello@thebowesmuseum.or g.uk
	experiment with the Museum's team of artists, makers and designers in the Create Space.	https://thebowesmuseum.or g.uk/whats-on/artist-makers/
	The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833690606

2/1/2025 till 4/1/2026

Spotlight Tour - The Bowes Museum

A friendly and informative introduction to an exhibition, the collection or building. Led by The Bowes Museum's team of Visitor Attendants, Curators and Volunteer Tour Guides, join us for an informal 30-minute tour, everyday at 11:00 to find out more.

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https://thebowesmuseum.or g.uk/whats-on/spotlight-tour/

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2/1/2025 till 8/1/2026

Stav and Play - The Bowes Museum

Time for The Bowes' youngest visitors to explore and play in the Conversation Gallery, investigate materials and be creative in this self-led, free-play session.

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12/2/2025 till 31/1/2026

The Stick Man Trail at Hamsterley Forest

Families can join a new forest adventure as the muchloved character Stick Man, based on the beautiful picture book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, returns to Forestry England Hamsterley. https://www.forestryengland.uk/hamsterley-forest/the-stick-man-trail-hamsterley-forest?utm_source=social&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=stick-man&utm_content=hamsterley

Hamsterley Forest , Redford, Hamsterley, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL13 3NL

+44 01388 488312

22/3/2025 till 1/3/2026

Joséphine, A Woman of Taste and Fashion - The Bowes Museum

Discover the timeless elegance, craftsmanship and innovation of Joséphine Bowes' textile collection.

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