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

16/5/2025 till 16/5/2025

Lonnie Donegan - The Stories (18+)

Award winning songwriter and star of The Voice UK – Peter Donegan – and his older brother- Anthony Donegan – present a fantastic and unique evening of Lonnie's songs plus stories about their legendary father, 'The King of Skiffle' – Lonnie Donegan.

info@thewitham.org.uk

<https://thewitham.org.uk/whats-on/>

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The Witham, 3 Horse Market, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8LY

16/5/2025 till 16/5/2025

Meet the Makers | North Chocolates

Join us at The Coach House Shop for a special Meet the Makers event, where we'll be welcoming Bev from North Chocolates a celebrated local business, known for crafting award-winning, gourmet chocolate bars using the finest couverture chocolate.

admin@raby.co.uk

<https://www.raby.co.uk/events/meet-the-makers-north-chocolates/>

+44 01833 660202

Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH

16/5/2025 till 16/5/2025

Talk: Margaret Manchester 'Telling her Story'

Step into the rich tapestry of 19th-century County Durham and Northumberland as international best selling author Margaret Manchester brings to life the stories of its women.

wolsingham.lib@durham.gov.uk

<https://www.durham.gov.uk/article/2060/Wolsingham-Library>

+44 03000 269533

Wolsingham Library, The Town Hall, Market Place, Wolsingham, County Durham, DL13 3AB

17/5/2025 till 17/5/2025

Artist Makers: Wildlife Wonder

Investigate the world of butterflies and explore how their numbers are declining due to habitat loss and climate change.

hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk

<https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/artist-makers-wildlife-wonder/>

+44 01833690606

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

17/5/2025 till 17/5/2025 10/8/2025 till 10/8/2025	Bunch of Fused Glass Flowers Workshop & Cream Tea Join us and Nat from Northern Sky Designs for an afternoon of creative fun at our Fused Glass Bunch of Flowers Workshop.	sales@lanchestergardencentre.co.uk https://lanchestergardencentre.co.uk/events/ +44 07740 880402
17/5/2025 till 17/5/2025	Durham Choral Society presents Duruflé's Requiem and Fauré's Requiem The Durham Choral Society returns to Durham Cathedral for a performance of two monuments of French liturgical music, the Requiems by Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924) and Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986). Accompanied by the Cathedral's exceptional great organ, these works will distinguish themselves through their disarming ethereality.	committedcs@gmail.com +44 0191 384 7500
17/5/2025 till 17/5/2025	Durham Paddle and Brunch We are partnering with 1860 bar and kitchen at Durham Amateur Rowing Club to bring you our new Durham City Paddle and Brunch sessions. This activity involves a Stand Up Paddle boarding trip through Durham City lasting 1.5 hours followed by brunch and hot drink to get warmed up.	bookings@adventureaccess.co.uk https://adventureaccess.co.uk/durham-paddle-and-brunch/ +44 0191 581 4391
17/5/2025 till 17/5/2025	Learn how non-native plants invade our riverbanks Understand how Giant Hogweed, Japanese Knotweed and Himalayan Balsam are invading our river banks, by learning about wind dispersal, ballistic seed dispersal and rhizomes.	claire.dodds@wear-rivers-trust.org.uk +44 07880 189232
17/5/2025 till 17/5/2025	Railway 200: Shildon Shindig The Shildon Shindig will be held on Saturday 17th May at Shildon AFC's ground, which plays a huge part in the local community and is a real focal point for not just football fans but also local people, schools and businesses.	https://shildonafc.com/the-shildon-shindig/shildon-shindig +44 01388 773877

17/5/2025 till 17/5/2025	The Joy of Jam – Cookery Workshop Celebrate the art of preserving with The Joy of Jam, an exclusive workshop at Raby Castle led by the talented Estate Chef. Using the finest estate-grown produce, this hands-on experience will guide you through the traditional craft of jam-making.	admin@raby.co.uk https://www.raby.co.uk/events/the-joy-of-jam-cookery-workshop/ +44 01833 660202
	Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	
18/5/2025 till 18/5/2025	Luxury Seasonal Dried Flower Wreath Workshop & Cream Tea Join us and Vintage and Flowers for a lovely relaxing afternoon where you will create a beautiful natural flower wreath using dried flowers and grasses sourced locally and some dried by Vintage and Flowers in her home in Ebchester!	sales@lanchestergardencentre.co.uk https://lanchestergardencentre.co.uk/event/luxury-seasonal-dried-flower-wreath-workshop-cream-tea/ +447591203776
	Lanchester Garden Centre , Bargate Bank, Lanchester, County Durham, DH7 0SS	
17/5/2025 till 18/5/2025 24/5/2025 till 26/5/2025	Railway 200: Great North Festival of Railways at Tanfield Railway Celebrate Tanfield Railway's 300th Anniversary with a Month-Long Festival!	info@tanfield-railway.co.uk https://tanfield-railway.co.uk/train-rides/great-north-festival-of-railways/ +44 07508 092365
	Tanfield Railway, The Engine Shed, Marley Hill, Tanfield, County Durham, NE16 5ET	
18/5/2025 till 18/5/2025	Ramside Hall Moon Market Getting spring ready with the beautiful Ramside Hall Hotel for an evening of Mediumship, healing and fabulous shopping.	Gnbeventsuk45@outlook.com https://www.skiddle.com/e/40935174 +44 07425 610845
	Carville, Durham, County Durham, DH1 1TD	
18/5/2025 till 18/5/2025 20/7/2025 till 20/7/2025	Redworth Hall Wedding Showcase No matter your wedding dreams or style, Redworth Hall Hotel is dedicated to making every detail of your wedding day exactly as you've imagined. As one of the most romantic wedding venues in County Durham, we offer the perfect setting for your wedding or civil partnership celebration. To experience how your dream wedding could come to life, don't miss our Wedding Showcase.	events@redworthhalldurham.co.uk https://www.redworthhalldurham.co.uk/wedding-open-days/ +44 01388 770600
	Redworth Hall Hotel , Redworth, Newton Aycliffe, County Durham, DL5 6NL	
17/5/2025 till 18/5/2025	Spring Outdoor Artisan Market Get ready to immerse yourself in a vibrant celebration of local creativity and flavours with the much-anticipated Spring Outdoor Artisan Market!	customerservices@dalton-park.co.uk https://www.dalton-park.co.uk/event/spring-outdoor-artisan-market-3/ +44 0191 526 6500
	Dalton Park, Murton, County Durham, SR7 9HU	
18/5/2025 till 18/5/2025	Wedding Open day - Runa Farm Please come along and see Runa Farm for yourself in all	info@runa-farm.com

	its glory whilst sampling our complimentary cocktails!	https://runa-farm.com/weddings/
	Runa Farm , Darlington Road, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8TA	+44 01919337409
19/5/2025 till 19/5/2025	Adult Art Series: Botanical Ink Painting Join artist Jane Young for experimental painting session using botanical inks. Drawing inspiration from the landscapes of Joséphine Bowes, and the abstract expressionist painter Helen Frankenthaler, this workshop blends colour, nature, and mindfulness to encourage artistic exploration. Recommended for ages 15+. 15 spaces available, booking essential.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/botanical-ink-painting/ +44 01833690606
	The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	
19/5/2025 till 19/5/2025 9/6/2025 till 9/6/2025	Wedding Showcases - Bowburn Hall hotel Begin your happily ever after at Bowburn Hall Hotel and let all of the stress slide away as you celebrate the most precious day of your life with us.	info@bowburnhallhotel.co.uk https://www.bowburnhallhotel.co.uk/events/ +44 0191 377 0311
	Bowburn Hall Hotel , Bowburn, Durham, County Durham, DH6 5NH	
20/5/2025 till 20/5/2025	Ferryhill Sedgefield & District Flower Club Demonstration Flower demonstration by Kathleen Williams titled Seasonal influences.	secretary.fsdflowerclub@gmail.com +44 07747 863753
	Parish Hall, 19 Front Street, Sedgefield, County Durham, TS21 2AT	
20/5/2025 till 20/5/2025	Planting for Pollinators Walk and Talk Join Jeremy, one of our head gardeners, for a delightful Pollinators Walk and Talk through the stunning walled gardens. As you stroll through the lush greenery, Jeremy will share his knowledge on the essential role pollinators play in the garden's ecosystem. From bees to butterflies, you'll learn about the vital work these creatures do to help plants thrive.	admin@raby.co.uk https://www.raby.co.uk/events/planting-for-pollinators-walk-and-talk/ +44 01833 660202
	Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	
20/5/2025 till 20/5/2025 22/5/2025 till 22/5/2025 3/6/2025 till 3/6/2025	Walking with the Ghosts of Durham Join the Ghost Whisperer for a guided walk around the city of Durham revealing some of the history and ghosts from Durham's dark past.	durhamghostwhisperer@yahoo.com +44 07939 419474
	, Durham City, County Durham ,	

21/5/2025 till 21/5/2025	<p>Lee Mead - The Best of Me Lee Mead, star of Television and award winning West End leading man, is back for 2025! This production features Lee's outstanding live band and stunning musical arrangements.</p> <p>The Witham, 3 Horse Market, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8LY</p>	<p>info@thewitham.org.uk</p> <p>https://thewitham.org.uk/whats-on/</p> <p>+44 01833 631107</p>
21/5/2025 till 21/5/2025	<p>Railway 200 Talk: "Timothy Hackworth's Institute" – with Dave Reynolds As we're into the Stockton & Darlington Railway Bicentenary year, we're teaming up with the Friends of the Stockton & Darlington Railway and Jane Hackworth-Young to present a series of talks at Timothy Hackworth's own Institute.</p> <p>Shildon Railway Institute, 78 Redworth Road, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2JJ</p>	<p>enquiries@shildonrailway.institute</p> <p>https://railway200.co.uk/activity/timothy-hackworths-institute-with-dave-reynolds-railway-bicentenary-talks/</p> <p>+44 01388 772942</p>
21/5/2025 till 21/5/2025	<p>Waterfalls and Wildlife Walk. Join our Senior Reserve Manager, Martin Furness for a 7.5 mile walk along the River Tees from Low Force, through juniper woods and up to High Force, returning along the lower slopes of Holwick Fell.</p> <p>Bowlees Visitor Centre Car Park, Bowlees, Newbiggin, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 0XE</p>	<p>wayne.appleton@naturalengland.org.uk</p> <p>+44 01833 622374</p>
21/5/2025 till 22/5/2025	<p>Country By Candlelight - Durham Cathedral Calling all country music fans... we've got a show guaranteed to heal your Achy Breaky Heart! Country By Candlelight is finally here, so it's time to 'pour yourself a cup of ambition' and get ready to dance the night away!</p> <p>Durham Cathedral, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3EH</p>	<p>visitor.desk@durhamcathedral.co.uk</p> <p>https://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/events/country-by-candlelight</p> <p>+44 0191 374 4069</p>
21/11/2024 till 22/5/2025	<p>Forget Me Not Singers Dementia Friendly Choir.</p> <p>Cornerstones - Chester le St. Methodist Church, North Burns, Chester le Street, County Durham, DH3 3TF</p>	<p>info@cornerstonescentre.co.uk</p> <p>+44 0191 3881313</p>
14/5/2025 till 24/5/2025	<p>Mother Courage and Her Children Ensemble '84 Ensemble '84 present a bold new reimagining of Bertolt Brecht's classic anti-war play, Mother Courage and Her Children, translated by Lee Hall, performed by an all County-Durham cast and members of South Africa's acclaimed Isango Ensemble.</p> <p>Horden Methodist Church, Blackhills Road, Horden, , County Durham,</p>	<p>http://www.ensemble84.com/mother-courage</p>
6/5/2025 till 27/5/2025	<p>'In the Veins' produced by the Yorkshire & North East Film Archive 'In the Veins' is a short film that resonates through time, using over a century of archive footage to shine a light onto the face of the mining heritage of Yorkshire and the North East of England.</p>	

Various Libraries , , County Durham ,

30/4/2025 till 28/5/2025	<p>Michael McCormack Exhibition at The Bowes Museum Michael's work draws out overlooked stories, particularly from the North East, combining museum artefacts and fragmentary historical records to imagine new landscapes.</p> <p>The Bowes Museum , Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP</p>	<p>hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk</p> <p>https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/</p> <p>+44 01833 690606</p>
29/4/2025 till 31/5/2025	<p>Connections - The EDAN Gallery Photography by EDAN artists and Northern School of Art photographic students.</p> <p>The EDAN Gallery , 74 Church Street, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 7HF</p>	<p>edanart@live.com</p> <p>https://www.edanart.co.uk/event-details/connections</p> <p>+44 0191 649 9431</p>
20/3/2025 till 31/5/2025	<p>Crook Hall Gardens and Durham in Blossom 2025 Fall in love with blossom at Crook Hall Gardens, across the city of Durham and throughout the North East this year. Pick up a blossom map, take part in an event, or simply savour the uplifting impact of blossom.</p> <p>Crook Hall Gardens, Sidegate , , County Durham , DH1 5SZ</p>	<p>crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk</p> <p>https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/durham-city-in-blossom</p> <p>+44 0191 383 1832</p>
19/5/2025 till 1/6/2025	<p>Forest Runner 5K Challenge Forest Runner has evolved from exclusive live events to accessible Strava challenges that anyone can join, anywhere across Forestry England's magnificent forests. You choose when and where to run between 19 May - 1 June 2025.</p> <p>Hamsterley Forest , Forestry England, Redford, Hamsterley Forest, County Durham , DL13 3NL</p>	<p>enquiries.hamsterley@forestryengland.uk</p> <p>https://www.forestryengland.uk/hamsterley-forest</p> <p>+44 01388 488312</p>
3/5/2025 till 2/6/2025	<p>Weardale Museum 40th Birthday On the 18th of May the Weardale Museum in Ireshopeburn turns 40, marking four decades of preserving the history and heritage of Weardale and its people. To celebrate its 40th birthday the Museum is holding a series of talks and exhibitions throughout Weardale and the surrounding area. All are welcome.</p> <p>Weardale Museum, Hotts, Ireshopeburn, County Durham , DL13 1HD</p>	<p>info@weardalemuseum.org.uk</p> <p>https://weardalemuseum.org.uk/</p> <p>+44 01388 335085</p>
19/10/2024 till 8/6/2025	<p>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.</p> <p>The Mining Art Gallery, Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NP</p>	<p>enquiries@aucklandproject.org</p> <p>https://aucklandproject.org/event/ted-holloway/</p> <p>+44 01388 743750</p>

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.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/exhibitions/from-josephine-bowes/
	The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833690606
1/5/2025 till 30/6/2025	Deadly Beauty from the Medicine Box Trail - The Bowes Museum Embark on a journey through The Bowes Museum's galleries to learn about blood-curdling botanicals and tragic tales of the past.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/
	The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833690606
9/5/2025 till 9/5/2025 2/7/2025 till 2/7/2025 1/10/2025 till 1/10/2025	Wedding Fayres & Open Evenings at South Causey Inn South Causey Inn in County Durham offers a unique and picturesque setting, with four distinct venues to choose from. Whether you prefer a small, intimate ceremony or a grand celebration, South Causey Inn can tailor your wedding to your specific style and personality.	weddings@southcausey.co.uk https://southcausey.co.uk/weddings/south-causey-inn-wedding-fayre/#gsc.tab=0
	South Causey Inn , Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0LS	+44 01207 235555
2/5/2025 till 18/7/2025	Dead Dog Gallery Exhibition Preview: Maria Cooper - Colour, Print and Motion Maria Cooper is a printed textile artist and designer based in County Durham. A graduate of both the Royal College of Art and the Northern School of Art, her practice is deeply rooted in the materiality of textiles, handcrafted processes and the expressive potential of colour.	info@deaddoggallery.co.uk +44 0191 383 0708
	Dead Dog Gallery at Durham Sixth Form Centre, The Sands, Durham City, County Durham, DH1 1SG	
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/programme>

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 dimension to the historic gardens and hall with live performances on the third Monday of each month.

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/b6a007ba-45a4-4f99-adc0-1101039edf2a>

Crook Hall Gardens, Sidegate , , County Durham , DH1 5SZ

15/4/2025 till 28/10/2025

History of Durham City Walk at Crook Hall Gardens

A guided walk from Crook Hall Gardens delving into the history of Durham.

crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk

Start: Crook Hall Gardens, Sidegate , , County Durham , DH1 5SZ

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/3526cd84-7f98-4c9c-9b98-353a446e34de>

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16/4/2025 till 29/10/2025

Crook Hall Gardens Tour: History and Literary Links
Step into Crook Hall Gardens' past on a guided tour.

crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk

Crook Hall Gardens, Sidegate , , County Durham , DH1 5SZ

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/ed7040aa-6555-4ed6-acaa-87904fc0b79f>

+44 0191 383 1832

7/5/2025 till 29/10/2025

GNB - 61 Durham Weekly Market

61 Weekly Market, every Wednesday.

Gnbeventsuk45@outlook.com

61 Durham , High Pittington, County Durham, DH6 1AB

<https://www.facebook.com/share/18bPNz8dE8/>

+44 07425 610845

4/4/2025 till 2/11/2025

Shakespeare Recovered: Durham's First Folio - Palace Green Library

This year, our iconic book takes centre stage at Palace Green Library.

pg.library@durham.ac.uk

<https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events->

	Palace Green Library , Durham, County Durham, DH1 3RN	calendar/2025/04/shakespeare-recovered/
		+44 0191 334 2932
25/3/2025 till 25/11/2025	S&DR200 - The Whistle Stop This bespoke touring library exhibition will travel round the region and showcases the Stockton and Darlington Railway's history using high-quality reproductions of important artefacts and documents found and brought together from archives across the UK.	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/16712/The-Whistle-Stop
	Various locations , , County Durham ,	
23/4/2025 till 30/11/2025	Railway 200: Guided Tours of Stockton and Darlington Railway To celebrate Railway 200, I am available to offer guided tours of the line by coach, bicycle or walking together with the opportunity of visiting the fabulous museums of Locomotion in Shildon, HopeTown in Darlington and Preston Park in Stockton.	https://railway200.co.uk/activity/guided-tours-of-stockton-and-darlington-railway/
	Locomotion, Dale Road, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2RE	
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
	Various locations , , County Durham ,	
1/3/2025 till 30/11/2025	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/programme
	Various locations , , County Durham ,	
22/3/2025 till 20/12/2025	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@gmail.com +44 07943 636202
	Middleton Auction Mart, Middleton-in-Teesdale, County Durham, DL12 0PJ	
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	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.barnardcastlefarmersmarket.co.uk/
	The Cobbles , Horsemarket, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8LY	

1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	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@barnardcastletowncouncil.gov.uk https://www.facebook.com/BarneyWednesdayMarket/
	Marketplace, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NF	+44 (0)1833 690970
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	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	ehcp@durham.gov.uk https://www.durham.gov.uk/markets
	Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NP	+44 (0)3000 261 016
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	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	ehcp@durham.gov.uk https://www.durham.gov.uk/markets
	Middle Street, Consett, County Durham, DH8 5QP	+44 (0)771 416 9208
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
1/5/2025 till 31/12/2025	LGBTQIA+ Object Trail - The Bowes Museum Explore The Bowes Museum's collection through a different lens and learn about the stories and emotions objects hold through the lived experiences of those who identify as LGBTQIA+.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/
	The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833690606
1/5/2025 till 31/12/2025	Parkland Play - The Bowes Museum Explore the museum with our spotting and drawing activities and enjoy our outside spaces with the Pocket Parkland Playbook, specially designed to help you get creative with the natural materials around you. All available from reception.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/
	The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833690606
17/5/2025 till 31/12/2025	Pockerley 30th Anniversary Celebrations at Beamish To celebrate the 30th anniversary of the opening of Pockerley Old Hall, the museum will hold 30 activities at Pockerley between 17th May and 31st December 2025.	museum@beamish.org.uk https://www.beamish.org.uk/events/pockerley-30/
	Beamish, The Living Museum of the North, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0RG	+44 0191 370 4000

1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Saturday Outdoor Market Every Saturday, the Market Place is transformed by up to 30 small independent traders...it becomes a traditional, bustling, fresh air market and a great shopping experience.	info@durhammarkets.co.uk https://durhammarkets.co.uk/saturday-outdoor-market/ +44 0191 384 6153
	Durham Market Hall, Market Place, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3NJ	
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/programme
	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/seahamseasidemarket/
	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 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 available to clubs and societies for promotion or fundraising.	roger@clubleys.co.uk http://www.sedgefield-farmer-smarket.co.uk +44 01740 620609
	Village Green, Sedgefield, County Durham, TS21 2AB	
1/5/2025 till 31/12/2025	Sensory Packs - The Bowes Museum To ensure everyone can fully enjoy their museum experience, we've collaborated with three local schools from across County Durham to create new sensory packs designed to enhance your visit. Please ask at Reception if you would like to borrow a sensory park and please return this at the end of your visit for others to use.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/ +44 01833690606
	The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Stanley Market Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Thursday and Saturday 8.00-16:00	ehcp@durham.gov.uk 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 experiment with the Museum's team of artists, makers and designers in the Create Space.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/artist-makers/

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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.org.uk/whats-on/spotlight-tour/>

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2/1/2025 till 8/1/2026

Stay 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 much-loved 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 31/3/2026

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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<https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/exhibitions/josephine-a-woman-of-taste-and-fashion/>

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