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

8/5/2025 till 8/5/2025
7/8/2025 till 7/8/2025

Senior Opens - Brancepeth Castle Golf Club

Open events at Brancepeth are extremely popular and usually sell out very quickly as they attract visitors from all over the North of England and beyond. We pride ourselves in making everyone's visit to our golf course memorable by delivering quality throughout the entire day in all our operations.

enquiries@brancepeth-castle-golf.co.uk

<https://brancepeth-castle-golf.co.uk/golf-open-competitions-in-north-east/>

+44 0191 378 0075

Brancepeth Castle Golf Club , Durham, County Durham,
DH7 8EA

25/5/2025 till 25/5/2025
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025
24/8/2025 till 24/8/2025

Men's Opens - Brancepeth Castle Golf Club

Brancepeth Castle Golf Club , Durham, County Durham,
DH7 8EA

enquiries@brancepeth-castle-golf.co.uk

<https://brancepeth-castle-golf.co.uk/golf-open-competitions-in-north-east/>

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5/7/2025 till 5/7/2025
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025
16/8/2025 till 16/8/2025

Behind the Scenes Tour of Raby Castle

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.

admin@raby.co.uk

<https://www.raby.co.uk/raby-castle/whats-on/>

+44 01833 660202

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

7/7/2025 till 7/7/2025
5/8/2025 till 5/8/2025
2/9/2025 till 2/9/2025

Discover the Beauty of Art at Raby Castle

Take a moment to slow down, breathe, and immerse yourself in the captivating world of art at Raby Castle. Our new programme invites you to step away from the hustle and bustle and spend an hour truly connecting with the artworks in our collection. Led by a friendly member of the Raby team, you'll have the chance to pause and take a deeper, more personal look at the paintings, gaining a new perspective and appreciation.

admin@raby.co.uk

<https://www.raby.co.uk/events/stop-and-stare-exploring-art-at-raby-castle/>

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Raby Castle, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH

19/7/2025 till 19/7/2025
26/7/2025 till 26/7/2025
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025

Dalton Park, Murton, County Durham, SR7 9HU

27/7/2025 till 27/7/2025
3/8/2025 till 3/8/2025
17/8/2025 till 17/8/2025

Sunrise SUP and Sauna - Adventure Access

Are you an early bird? Do you like the feeling of being up and about before the rest of the world? Then join first thing on a morning to watch the sun come up on a new day, feel the sea air on your face whilst you paddle on the North Sea and marvel at that sun rising then warm up with DOTM in their beach side Sauna!!

bookings@adventureaccess.co.uk

<https://adventureaccess.co.uk/sunrise-sup-and-sauna/>

+44 0191 581 4391

Unit 1 A, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 7EY

30/7/2025 till 30/7/2025
6/8/2025 till 6/8/2025
20/8/2025 till 20/8/2025

Adventure Camp

A full afternoon of activities for kids ages 8-16.

bookings@adventureaccess.co.uk

<https://adventureaccess.co.uk/adventure-camp/>

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Seaham Harbour Marina, Seaham, County Durham , SR7 7EE

30/7/2025 till 30/7/2025
6/8/2025 till 6/8/2025
13/8/2025 till 13/8/2025

Wild Wednesday

Wild Wednesday activities during the summer holidays at Bowlees Visitor Centre. Suitable for children aged five to twelve years and their families. 10.30am to 12.30pm.

naomi@northpennines.org.uk

<https://northpennines.org.uk/events/>

Bowlees Visitor Centre, Newbiggin, County Durham, DL12 0XE

+44 01833 622145

31/7/2025 till 31/7/2025
6/8/2025 till 6/8/2025
13/8/2025 till 13/8/2025

Summer Yoga at Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens

Join our experienced Yoga instructors from Yoga Union (Thursdays) Kalma Life (Wednesdays) for a guided session of child-friendly Yoga in our beautiful building.

meet@ushaw.org

<https://ushaw.org/whatson/summer-yoga/>

+44 0191 373 8500

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

1/8/2025 till 1/8/2025

Country Music Night with Kimmi - High Farm Holiday Park

Join us for an evening filled with all things country.

Info@highfarmholidaypark.uk

<https://www.highfarmholidaypark.uk/>

+44 07858 13343

High Farm Holiday Park, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 0QA

1/8/2025 till 1/8/2025

Dragonfly Walk - RSPB Saltholme

It's not just birds you can see at RSPB Saltholme- we are a haven for a huge array of wildlife, including many Dragonfly species!

saltholme@rspb.org.uk

<https://events.rspb.org.uk/events/118312>

RSPB Saltholme , Middlesbrough, , TS2 1TU

+44 01642 546625

1/8/2025 till 1/8/2025 19/9/2025 till 19/9/2025 21/11/2025 till 21/11/2025	Elizabethan Banquet at Lumley Castle Hotel Elizabethan Banquets take you back in time. A 5-course feast, with mead & wine, entertainment by Ladies of the court, Court Chamberlain, Herald, Musicians, all in traditional costume.	events@lumleycastle.com https://www.lumleycastle.com/events/ +44 0191 389 1111 Lumley Castle Hotel , Chester le Street, County Durham, DH3 4NX
1/8/2025 till 1/8/2025	Exploring Ancient Japan at The Oriental Museum Learn about prehistoric Japan and make a clay dogu figure.	oriental.museum@durham.ac.uk https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/2025/08/exploring-ancient-japan/ +44 0191 334 5691 Durham University Oriental Museum, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 3TH
1/8/2025 till 1/8/2025	Passport to Nature: Bat and Moth Evening (Summer Holiday Event) - Hardwick Park As the sun sets and the night comes alive, join us at Hardwick Park to explore the mysterious world of bats and moths. Discover the wonders of these nocturnal creatures, learn about the vital roles they play in our ecosystem and gain insight into their fascinating behaviours. Whether you're an avid nature enthusiast, a family seeking a fun evening adventure, or simply curious about the hidden nightlife of Hardwick Park, this evening promises to be an unforgettable experience.	hardwickpark@durham.gov.uk https://www.durham.gov.uk/HardwickEvents +44 03000 262 899 Hardwick Park , Sedgefield, County Durham , TS21 2DN
1/8/2025 till 1/8/2025	Summer Fun at Binchester Come along to Binchester for a morning of activities:	helen.andrews@durham.gov.uk +44 01388 663089 Binchester Roman Fort, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 8DJ
1/8/2025 till 1/8/2025	The Music of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons by Candlelight Join us for an incredible night of smash hits made famous by Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, performed by one of the UK's leading tribute shows, featuring an epic live band in Durham Cathedral, by candlelight.	visitor.desk@durhamcathedral.co.uk https://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/events/the-music-of-frankie-valli-the-four-seasons-by-candlelight +44 0191 338 7178 Durham Cathedral, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3EH
1/8/2025 till 1/8/2025	The Pantaloons present Robin Hood at Crook Hall Gardens Join utter legends Robin, Marian and the Merry Men in Sherwood Forest for a hilariously adventurous take on the timeless tales of everyone's favourite archer.	crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/8d298e70-7f60-443b-9ff4-38594fd6ca7e?origin=search +44 0191 383 1832 Crook Hall Gardens, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5SZ

2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025	A Midsummer Night's Dream -Three Inch Fools - Open Air Theatre at Raby Castle Join us for a magical evening as we welcome back the brilliant Three Inch Fools to perform Shakespeare's most iconic comedy, A Midsummer Night's Dream, in the atmospheric setting of Raby Castle's open-air theatre.	admin@raby.co.uk https://www.raby.co.uk/event/s/open-air-theatre-a-midsummer-nights-dream/ +44 01833 660202
	Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025	Americana Music Day - Beamish, The Living Museum of the North Beamish welcomes Winchester Stompers alongside local band Northern Roots to bring our 1950s welfare hall alive.	museum@beamish.org.uk https://www.beamish.org.uk/events/americana-music-day/
	Beamish, The Living Museum of the North , Beamish, County Durham, DH9 0RG	+44 0191 370 4000
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025 9/8/2025 till 9/8/2025 14/8/2025 till 14/8/2025	Exhibition: 'VJ Day 80' at Brancepeth Castle Commemorating the 80th anniversary of Victory over Japan and the end of World War II.	brancepeth.archive@outlook.com https://brancepethcastle.uk/
	Brancepeth Castle, Brancepeth, County Durham , DH7 8DF	+44 0191 378 0974
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025 16/8/2025 till 16/8/2025	Exotic Animal Encounters with Leon Exotics - High Farm Holiday Park Exciting News: Leon's Exotics is Coming to The Paddocks!	Info@highfarmholidaypark.uk https://www.highfarmholidaypark.uk/
	High Farm Holiday Park, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 0QA	+44 07858 13343
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025	Festival of Archaeology Special event: Mapping the Past at The Oriental Museum Find out how archaeologists record their discoveries and draw a giant site plan of the museum and its treasures. Perfect for budding archaeologists.	oriental.museum@durham.ac.uk https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/?keywords=&past=&categories%5B%5D=Event%20Venues%3EOriental%20Museum
	Durham University Oriental Museum, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 3TH	+44 0191 334 5691
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025	Merryoaks Community Hall Coffee Morning Community Coffee Morning-everyone welcome.	susan.walker@lowesbarncp.org.uk https://evvnt.com/events/?_ev_id=3144708
	Merryoaks Community Hall, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3QF	+44 07557 978580
2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025 9/8/2025 till 9/8/2025 16/8/2025 till 16/8/2025	Saturday's of Alfresco Pizza on The Vinery Terrace Enjoy delicious seasonal dining this summer on the beautiful Vinery Terrace at Raby Castle. Our pop-up kitchens offer the perfect way to relax and savour fresh, handcrafted pizzas in the stunning castle grounds.	admin@raby.co.uk https://www.raby.co.uk/event/s/summer-saturday-pizza-on-vinery-terrace/

Raby Castle, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH

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2/8/2025 till 2/8/2025

Teddy Bear's Picnic

Calling All Little Adventurers (and Their Favourite Teddy Bears!) If your little one is aged 1 to 8, grab your teddies and get ready for a day packed with fun, giggles, and adventure!

admin@thorpefarm.co.uk

<https://thorpefarm.digitickets.co.uk/event-tickets/67740?catID=64597&>

Thorpe Farm Centre, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 9TY

+44 01833 627242

3/8/2025 till 3/8/2025

Blanchland Artisan Market & Feel Good Fair

Come one, come all to the Blanchland Artisan Makers Market and Feel-good Fair on Sunday, August 3rd!

blanchlandartisanmarkets@gmail.com

Blanchland Village Hall, The Square, The Abbey, The Lord Crewe Gatehouse and Garden, Consett, County Durham, DH8 9UA

+441434694401

2/8/2025 till 3/8/2025

Fawlty Towers Weekend

You will arrive Saturday lunch time where you will be greeted by Basil, Sybil and Manuel who will check you into your rooms. Afternoon Tea will be served at 4.00pm with the help of the Fawlty Towers Team.

info@comedy-dining.co.uk

<https://comedy-dining.co.uk/>

+44 01772691284

Radisson Blu Hotel, Durham, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5TA

3/8/2025 till 3/8/2025
7/9/2025 till 7/9/2025
5/10/2025 till 5/10/2025

Folk on Sunday - Beamish, The Living Museum of the North

Come and join The Cloth Cappers in The Band Hall in the Pit Village. Featuring songs, tunes and dancing our musicians will be providing entertainment to suit all tastes with lively chorus songs and some high quality folk music between 12pm - 3pm.

museum@beamish.org.uk

<https://www.beamish.org.uk/whats-on/page/3/?category=50>

+44 0191 370 4000

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

3/8/2025 till 3/8/2025

MG Car Display - Durham University Botanic Garden

The Durham MG & Classic Car Club was formed in 2001 for local car enthusiasts interested in MG cars, both classic and modern. This informal gathering will showcase cars representing models produced from the late 1940s through to the early 2000s.

botanic.bookings@durham.ac.uk

<https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/2025/08/mg-car-display/>

Durham University Botanic Garden , Durham, County Durham, DH1 3TN

+44 0191 334 5524

2/8/2025 till 3/8/2025

Princesses & Superheroes - Tweddle Children's Animal Farm

Join us for a magical day as Princesses and Heroes take over the farm! Dress up as your favourite character and join in with their exciting performances. Face painting will be available throughout the day free of charge!

phoebe@tweddlefarm.co.uk

+44 01915863311

Tweddle Children's Animal Farm , Blackhall Colliery , County Durham , TS274BT

2/8/2025 till 3/8/2025	Seaham Food Festival 2025 The festival welcomes thousands of visitors each year for two days of sun, sea, family fun and, of course, food.	sff@durham.gov.uk https://seahamfoodfestival.co.uk
	Terrace Green, Seaham, County Durham , SR7 7EZ	
3/8/2025 till 3/8/2025	Shrub & Fruit Tree Pruning Workshop This workshop, hosted by our skilled Estate Gardeners, is designed for both novice gardeners and those with more experience seeking to enhance their pruning abilities.	admin@raby.co.uk https://www.raby.co.uk/events/shrub-pruning-workshop/
	Raby Castle, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	+44 01833 660202
4/8/2025 till 4/8/2025 18/8/2025 till 18/8/2025	Active play: Summer of Play at Crook Hall Gardens Wacky races and silly faces: try outdoor games and sports at Crook Hall Gardens.	crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/89b30ae-6612-44ce-9a79-4638fd839862
	Crook Hall Gardens, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 5SZ	+44 0191 383 1832
4/8/2025 till 4/8/2025	Free Family Summer Fun Day Looking for something exciting to do with the kids this summer? Peterlee Town Council is bringing you free Family Fun Days packed with entertainment, activities, and summer vibes!	laura.freeman@peterlee.gov.uk +44 0191 5862491
	The Pavilion, Peterlee, County Durham, SR8 1ER	
5/8/2025 till 5/8/2025 19/8/2025 till 19/8/2025 2/9/2025 till 2/9/2025	Be You at The Bowes - The Bowes Museum Be You at 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. The group will investigate queer narratives within the collection. Join a group of like-minded people to create inclusive content and research further into historical objects from around Europe.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/be-you-at-the-bowes/
	The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833 690606
5/8/2025 till 5/8/2025 2/9/2025 till 2/9/2025 30/9/2025 till 30/9/2025	Mindful Morning - Dalton Moor Farm Start Your Day with calm intention and gentle awareness in our mindful morning session, where breath, movement, and stillness come together to set the tone for a graceful and peaceful day.	hello@daltonmoorfarm.co.uk https://www.daltonmoorfarm.co.uk/event-details/mindful-morning-2025-08-05-10-00
	Dalton Moor Vegan Fruit Farm and School of Sustainable Living , Seaham, County Durham, SR7 9JY	+44 07887551643
5/8/2025 till 5/8/2025 12/8/2025 till 12/8/2025 19/8/2025 till 19/8/2025	Nature crafts: Summer of Play at Crook Hall Gardens Be inspired by nature and create some wild art.	crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/89b30ae-6612-44ce-9a79-4638fd839862

	Crook Hall Gardens, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 5SZ	all-gardens/events/f34b38c5-bab3-4727-98f3-e1b19967f0be
		+44 0191 383 1832
6/8/2025 till 6/8/2025	Big "Bath Bomb" Science This Summer we welcome back Big Science for some more exciting and fun experiments, this time centred around bath bombs.	sales@lanchestergardencentre.co.uk https://lanchestergardencentre.co.uk/events/
	Lanchester Garden Centre, Lanchester, County Durham, DH7 0SS	+44 07591 203776
6/8/2025 till 6/8/2025	Big "Lava Lamp" Science This Summer we welcome back Big Science for some more exciting and fun experiments, this time centred around lava lamps.	sales@lanchestergardencentre.co.uk https://lanchestergardencentre.co.uk/events/
	Lanchester Garden Centre, Lanchester, County Durham, DH7 0SS	+44 07591 203776
6/8/2025 till 6/8/2025	Glorious Glass at The Oriental Museum Spot some objects made from glass in the museum and make your own glass tile mosaic.	oriental.museum@durham.ac.uk https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/2025/08/glorious-glass/
	Durham University Oriental Museum, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 3TH	+44 0191 334 5691
7/8/2025 till 7/8/2025	Bowlees Quarry Bioblitz Become a wildlife explorer and discover what's living in and around Bowlees Quarry.	visitbowlees@northpennines.org.uk https://northpennines.org.uk/event/bowlees-quarry-bioblitz/
	Bowlees Quarry & Bowlees Visitor Centre , Newbiggin, County Durham, DL120XE	+44 01833 622145
7/8/2025 till 7/8/2025 9/8/2025 till 9/8/2025 16/8/2025 till 16/8/2025	Family yoga with Kalma Life: Summer of Play at Crook Hall Gardens Yoga with a twist! Dance, pretend and stretch with an imaginative yoga class.	crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/3dbf2128-944d-49b4-8250-f781fd8ac639
	Crook Hall Gardens, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 5SZ	+44 0191 383 1832
7/8/2025 till 7/8/2025	Fort Tour and Handling Session at Binchester Join Julius Hadrianus as he takes you on a fact-packed tour of the incredible 2000-year-old fort and settlement.	helen.andrews@durham.gov.uk
	Binchester Roman Fort, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 8DJ	+44 01388 663089

7/8/2025 till 7/8/2025	<p>Guided Walk - Pennine Way Profile - the Shape of a Landscape A guided walk from Bowlees Visitor Centre in celebration of the Pennine Way's 60th anniversary, Thursday 7 August, 9.30am to 3pm. The route will take in some of the highlights of Upper Teesdale, including High Force and Low Force.</p> <p>Start: Bowlees Visitor Centre, Newbiggin, County Durham , DL12 0XE</p>	<p>visitbowlees@northpennines.org.uk</p> <p>https://northpennines.org.uk/event/guided-walk-pennine-way-profile-the-shape-of-a-landscape/</p> <p>+44 01833 622145</p>
7/8/2025 till 7/8/2025	<p>The Curator Series: Redressing the Balance - The Bowes Museum A thought-provoking talk exploring feminist and queer perspectives, social justice and radical ecology. Eleanor Thirlway, Co-Production Curator will discuss why it's crucial to rethink the stories we tell in museums, challenging dominant narratives and highlighting overlooked voices.</p> <p>The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP</p>	<p>hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk</p> <p>https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/the-curator-series-redressing-the-balance/#:~:text=A%20thought-provoking%20talk%20exploring%20feminist%20and%20queer%20perspectives%2C,museums%2C%20challenging%20dominant%20narratives%20and%20highlighting%20ov</p> <p>+44 01833 690606</p>
7/8/2025 till 8/8/2025	<p>80s Anthems by Candlelight - Durham Cathedral Calling 80s music fans Everywhere... this is your show! 80s Anthems By Candlelight is here, serving up the biggest and best rock anthems, power ballads and pop classics of the decade, live!</p> <p>Durham Cathedral, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3EH</p>	<p>visitor.desk@durhamcathedral.co.uk</p> <p>https://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/events/80s-anthems-by-candlelight</p> <p>+44 0191 338 7178</p>
4/8/2025 till 8/8/2025	<p>Hardwick Conservation Champions 2025 Become a Durham Countryside Conservation Champion this Summer through our park experience.</p> <p>Hardwick Park , Sedgefield, County Durham , TS21 2DN</p>	<p>hardwickpark@durham.gov.uk</p> <p>https://www.durham.gov.uk/HardwickEvents</p> <p>+44 03000 262 899</p>
6/8/2025 till 10/8/2025 13/8/2025 till 17/8/2025	<p>Knight School - Auckland Gardens and Auckland Palace Join Medieval Prince Bishop Antony Bek's ranks for an interactive outdoor adventure!</p> <p>Auckland Gardens and Auckland Palace, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NR</p>	<p>enquiries@aucklandproject.org</p> <p>https://aucklandproject.org/event/knight-school-2/</p> <p>+44 01388 743750</p>
3/7/2025 till 14/8/2025	<p>Knight of Knowledge - Tipi at Lumley Castle Hotel Think you've got what it takes to be the local quiz champ? Grab your team and prove it at our brand new Resident Quiz Night in The Tipi- now happening every Thursday, 7pm-10pm!</p>	<p>events@lumleycastle.com</p> <p>https://www.lumleycastle.com/events/?category=984</p> <p>+44 0191 389 1111</p>

Tipi at Lumley Castle Hotel , Chester le Street, County Durham, DH3 4NX

26/7/2025 till 16/8/2025

Summer Lates - Raby Castle, Park and Gardens

Join us for a relaxed Summer Late. Amble in the stunning remodelled walled gardens, enjoy a bite to eat or a glass of wine in the beautiful Vinery and why not treat yourself to something from the stunning Coach House Shop. A wonderful evening filled with shopping, great food and beautiful walks in the garden.

admin@raby.co.uk

<https://www.raby.co.uk/events/summer-late/>

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

19/7/2025 till 17/8/2025

Adventures in Wonderland: An Immersive Experience - Raby Castle Park and Gardens

Raby Castle, Park and Gardens is encouraging families to journey down the rabbit hole this summer with an Alice in Wonderland inspired takeover of the castle grounds.

admin@raby.co.uk

<https://www.raby.co.uk/events/adventures-in-wonderland-an-immersive-experience/>

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

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15/7/2025 till 23/8/2025

Twenty Years of EDAN - The EDAN Gallery

2025 marks the 25th anniversary of the founding of EDAN. We would like to mark this with an exhibition that shows both the range of work that we are currently undertaking and also something of our history.

edanart@live.com

<https://www.edanart.co.uk/event-details/twenty-years-of-edan>

The EDAN Gallery , Seaham, County Durham, SR7 7HF

+44 0191 649 9431

25/7/2025 till 29/8/2025

Active Fridays at Wharton Park

Primary school aged children in receipt of free school meals can take part in free fitness activities and games at Wharton Park Active Friday workshops over the summer holiday period.

whartonpark@durham.gov.uk

<https://www.durham.gov.uk/WhartonParkEvents>

Wharton Park, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 4FJ

+44 03000 262 655

24/7/2025 till 30/8/2025

Auckland Tower Open Art Space - The Auckland Project

This summer, Open Art Space returns to Auckland Tower with a vibrant programme of free, drop-in creative workshops for families and visitors of all ages. Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays 11am – 3pm.

enquiries@aucklandproject.org

<https://aucklandproject.org/whats-on/>

Auckland Tower , Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NJ

+44 01388 743 750

2/6/2025 till 30/8/2025

Brick Flicks - Bishop Auckland Town Hall

From Wayne's World to West Side Story, The Matrix to Mary Poppins, and Laurel & Hardy to Life of Pi, see classic movies in LEGO® bricks in this exhibition of some of the most iconic and memorable film moments of all time recreated by Warren Elsmore, the well-known artist in LEGO bricks

contactbath@durham.gov.uk

<https://bishopaucklandtownhall.org.uk/gallery/current-exhibition/>

Bishop Auckland Town Hall , Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NP

+44 03000 269 524

22/7/2025 till 26/8/2025 16/8/2025 till 30/8/2025	Summer of Magic at The Hole in Wand - Dalton Park Outlet & Outdoors Join us for a spellbinding adventure this July and August as The Hole in Wand brings a touch of enchantment to Dalton Park with their Summer of Magic. Across selected dates, enjoy magical live magician performances and face painting for little witches and wizards. Whether you're shopping, dining, or just enjoying a day out, be sure to stop by for some unforgettable magical moments. Fun for all ages – no wands required!	guestservices@dalton-park.co.uk https://www.dalton-park.co.uk/summer-of-magic-at-the-hole-in-wand +44 0191 526 6500
	Dalton Park Outlet & Outdoors, Murton, County Durham, SR7 9HU	
3/7/2025 till 31/8/2025	Exhibition Celebrating 60 Years of the Pennine Way - A Trail of Inspiration Throughout 2025 there will be a rolling exhibition along the trail - showcasing how people have been inspired by the Pennine Way and inspiring others to get out and walk a bit (or even all!) of the route.	visitbowlees@northpennines.org.uk https://www.nationaltrail.co.uk/en_GB/pennine-way-at-60/ +44 01833 622145
	Bowlees Visitor Centre, Newbiggin, County Durham , DL12 0XE	
5/8/2025 till 31/8/2025	Flying Scotsman Experiences at Locomotion From 5 August Flying Scotsman is back at Locomotion this summer—what memories will you make with the famous locomotive?	info@locomotion.org.uk https://www.locomotion.org.uk/whats-on/flying-scotsman-experiences +44 033 0058 0058
	Locomotion, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2RE	
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 ,	
19/7/2025 till 31/8/2025	S&DR200 - Summer Celebration Festival at Locomotion Head down to Locomotion for a summer of fun. Locomotion's Summer Celebration returns to Shildon from 19 July – 31 August and the programme includes steam rides, a pop-up beach, Flying Scotsman and a rolling programme of activities	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/16717/Summer-Festival
	Locomotion, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2RE	
21/7/2025 till 31/8/2025	Summer Family Activities - Durham Cathedral Bringing history to life this summer with crafts, storytelling and mini-tours.	visitor.desk@durhamcathedral.co.uk https://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/events/summer-activities-25 +44 0191 374 4069
	Durham Cathedral, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3EH	

28/6/2025 till 31/8/2025	The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Book Artists - Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Book Artists. This summer, see The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Book Artists in our family-focused exhibition which celebrates the art of the Ladybird book artists from the 1940s to the 1970s.	meet@ushaw.org https://ushaw.org/whatson/the-wonderful-world-of-the-ladybird-book-artists/ +44 0191 373 8500
	Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens, Durham, County Durham, DH7 7DW	
25/7/2025 till 1/9/2025	Gigantic Maize Maze at Adventure Valley A gigantic Maize Maze has opened at Adventure Valley, the environmentally friendly attraction has opened for a sixth consecutive year.	info@adventurevalley.co.uk https://www.adventurevalley.co.uk/ +44 0191 386 8291
	Adventure Valley, Brasside, County Durham , DH1 5SG	
19/7/2025 till 1/9/2025	Summer Fun: Tales from the Rails - Beamish, The Living Museum of the North This summer, step back in time and make unforgettable memories at Beamish Museum! Our summer of fun is packed with exciting activities for all ages.	museum@beamish.org.uk https://www.beamish.org.uk/events/summer-fun-at-beamish-2025/ +44 0191 370 4000
	Beamish, The Living Museum of the North , Beamish , County Durham, DH9 0RG	
25/7/2025 till 1/9/2025	Summer Holidays at Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens We're celebrating a special summer of stories at Ushaw!	meet@ushaw.org https://ushaw.org/whatson/summer-holidays/ +44 0191 373 8500
	Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens, Durham, County Durham, DH7 7DW	
19/7/2025 till 1/9/2025	The Plotters' Forest Down the Rabbit Hole Trail- Raby Castle Park and Gardens This summer, embark on a thrilling journey down the rabbit hole.	admin@raby.co.uk https://www.raby.co.uk/events/the-plotters-forest-down-the-rabbit-hole-trail/ +44 01833 660202
	Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH	
22/7/2025 till 2/9/2025	Bug Hunt - The Bowes Museum Embark on playful bug hunt to spot artworks around the museum that feature insects, vibrant colours and striking patterns. This interactive session invites curious explorers to engage their senses and uncover how nature has inspired artist and makers for centuries.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/bug-hunt/ +44 01833 690606
	The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	
5/8/2025 till 5/8/2025 2/9/2025 till 2/9/2025 7/10/2025 till 7/10/2025	Drum Circle & Sound bath - Dalton Moor Farm Awaken the Fire, Soothe the Soul. A Deeply Restorative Session of Rhythm and Sound for Wellbeing - Immerse yourself, mind, body, and soul, into the layers and healing frequencies of sound and rhythm. From Drum Beat to Deep Peace - Join the Journey in Sound.	hello@daltonmoorfarm.co.uk https://www.daltonmoorfarm.co.uk/event-details/drum-circle-sound-bath-2025-08-05-17-30

Dalton Moor Vegan Fruit Farm and School of Sustainable Living , Seaham, County Durham, SR7 9JY

+44 07887551643

31/7/2025 till 3/9/2025

Gardens trail: Summer of Play at Crook Hall Gardens
Embark on an adventure through the gardens and learn more about the colourful array of flowers and plants all around you.

crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/b9114b3b-83ea-4f9a-8c29-7d4e547ceff4>

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

+44 0191 383 1832

26/7/2025 till 7/9/2025

Brass Bands - Beamish, The Living Museum of the North

museum@beamish.org.uk

Tap your foot along to the sound of brass bands at Beamish Museum, who will be performing tunes in The 1900s Town bandstand from 2pm - 4pm.

<https://www.beamish.org.uk/whats-on/?category=50>

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

+44 0191 370 4000

28/7/2025 till 7/9/2025

Bumble Bee Safari Trail - High Force Waterfall

highforcehotel@raby.co.uk

Visit High Force Waterfall this summer and enjoy the Little Bees' Trail — a brand-new, nature-inspired activity for children, included free with your waterfall admission.

<https://www.raby.co.uk/events/little-farmers-trail/>

High Force Waterfall, Forest in Teesdale, County Durham, DL12 0XH

+44 01833 622336

23/7/2025 till 7/9/2025

Summer Lates at High Force Hotel and Waterfall

admin@raby.co.uk

Evenings Just Got Better at High Force Waterfall. Until the 7th of September we are now open daily until 8pm! Giving you more time to unwind, explore, and catch those spectacular sunset views in one of the North East's most scenic locations.

+44 01833 622336

High Force Waterfall, Forest-in-Teesdale, County Durham, DL12 0XH

24/5/2025 till 14/9/2025

Weaving Stories: From Community Hands and Hearts

oriental.museum@durham.ac.uk

Spanning generations and cultures, each group explored a different part of the museum's collection and responded through collage, painting, textiles, poetry, printmaking, and interactive installations. Their artworks reflect personal stories, cultural connections, and new ways of seeing the past.

<https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/2025/05/weaving-stories/>

Durham University Oriental Museum , Durham, County Durham, DH1 3TH

+44 0191 334 5691

28/7/2025 till 21/9/2025

Maize Maze

info@thorpefarm.co.uk

Embark on an exciting hunt through our 4-acre trail. Our Maize Maze is brand new for 2025 with twists, turns and dead ends!!

+44 01833 627242

Thorpe Farm Centre, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 9TY

1/6/2025 till 30/9/2025	S&DR200 Public Art Commissions at Locomotion As part of the S&DR200 celebrations, two special public art installations will be unveiled in 2025, each capturing a unique story of the Stockton & Darlington Railway's legacy and its connection to the community.	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/17017/Public-Art-Commissions
	Locomotion, Shildon and Stockton, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2RE	
1/6/2025 till 30/9/2025	S&DR200: Tracks of Change Following a major redevelopment, Preston Park will open its new exhibition space with Tracks of Change, a series of exhibitions exploring the impact and legacy of the Stockton & Darlington Railway.	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/17222/What-s-on
	Preston Park Museum & Grounds, Stockton on Tees, Tees Valley, TS18 3RH	
27/6/2025 till 1/10/2025	Railway 200: Exhibition Train - Inspiration Welcome to Inspiration. Discover the past, present and future of railways on our incredible exhibition train Inspiration, touring Britain from 27th June 2025.	https://railway200.co.uk/inspiration/
	Various stops nationwide , , County Durham ,	
11/7/2025 till 5/10/2025	S&DR200 - STEAM to the Future An exhibition reflecting on the history of steam railways and how the rail industry is gearing up for a second revolution driven by the growing green technologies sector in Teesside.	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/16504/STEAM-to-the-future
	Hopetown Darlington, Darlington, County Durham , DL3 6ST	
3/8/2025 till 3/8/2025 5/10/2025 till 5/10/2025	Silver Charm Bracelet Workshop & Cream Tea - Lanchester Garden Centre A jewellery making workshop with Simply Smallholding is an experience to remember.	sales@lanchestergardencentre.co.uk http://www.lanchestergardencentre.co.uk/events
	Lanchester Garden Centre, Lanchester, County Durham, DH7 0SS	+447591203776
3/8/2025 till 3/8/2025 5/10/2025 till 5/10/2025	Silver Spinner Ring Workshop & Cream Tea - Lanchester Garden Centre A jewellery making workshop with Simply Smallholding is an experience to remember.	sales@lanchestergardencentre.co.uk https://lanchestergardencentre.co.uk/events
	Lanchester Garden Centre, Lanchester, County Durham, DH7 0SS	+447591203776
5/8/2025 till 5/8/2025 2/9/2025 till 2/9/2025 7/10/2025 till 7/10/2025	Slow Art at Raby Castle Take a moment to slow down and immerse yourself in the captivating world of art at Raby Castle. Our new programme invites you to step away from the hustle and bustle and spend an hour truly connecting with the artworks in our collection. Each month, different artworks will be selected from Raby's significant collections and participants will be able to venture beyond the rope barriers to get closer to these historic treasures.	admin@raby.co.uk https://www.raby.co.uk/events/stop-and-stare-exploring-art-at-raby-castle/ +44 01833660202

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

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.

Crook Hall Gardens, , County Durham , DH1 5SZ

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

25/6/2025 till 22/10/2025

Organ Recital Series 2025 - Durham Cathedral

Organ Recital Series 2025. Fourth Wednesday of each month at 7pm.

Durham Cathedral, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3EH

visitor.desk@durhamcathedral.co.uk

<https://durhamcathedral.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173659739>

+44 0191 374 4069

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.

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

crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk

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

+44 0191 383 1832

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.

Crook Hall Gardens, , County Durham , DH1 5SZ

crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/ed7040aa-6555-4ed6-acaa-87904fcb79f>

+44 0191 383 1832

7/5/2025 till 29/10/2025

GNB - 61 Durham Weekly Market

61 Weekly Market, every Wednesday.

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

Gnbeventsuk45@outlook.com

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

+44 07425 610845

28/6/2025 till 31/10/2025
3/7/2025 till 29/10/2025

S&DR200: Coal, Canals and Carriages: The Story of Raby and the Railways

Raby Castle will celebrate the year with stories associated with 19th-century inventions, including the reactions of landowners and farmers to trains, as well as how travel evolved into a privilege for the upper classes from their collections.

Raby Castle, Staindrop, County Durham , DL2 3AH

admin@raby.co.uk

<https://www.raby.co.uk/events/the-story-of-raby-and-the-railways/>

14/6/2025 till 2/11/2025	Beasts and Legends: Adventures Through North East Folklore This family friendly exhibition features a selection of artefacts from across the Durham University collections to help tell the stories of local folktales.	pg.library@durham.ac.uk https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/2025/06/beasts-and-legends-exhibition/
	Palace Green Library , Durham, County Durham, DH1 3RN	+44 0191 334 2932
4/4/2025 till 2/11/2025	Binding the Bard - Palace Green Library An exhibition of the entrants to our international bookbinding competition.	pg.library@durham.ac.uk https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/2025/04/binding-the-bard/
	Palace Green Library , Durham, County Durham, DH1 3RN	+44 0191 334 2932
11/7/2025 till 2/11/2025	Magna Carta and the North - Durham Cathedral 800 years after the 1225 Magna Carta was issued, this exhibition features all six documents, exploring why Durham Cathedral came to have them, what they meant for life in the north of England, and their continuing importance today.	visitor.desk@durhamcathedral.co.uk https://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/events/magna-cart-and-the-north
	Durham Cathedral, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 3EH	+44 0191 374 4069
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-calendar/2025/04/shakespeare-recovered/
	Palace Green Library , Durham, County Durham, DH1 3RN	+44 0191 334 2932
13/6/2025 till 9/11/2025	Enchanted Objects: Adornment and Personal Protection from Amulets to the Mobile Phone Contemporary artist Dinah Kelly shines a light on the protective powers and symbolism of charms, talismans and amulets.	oriental.museum@durham.ac.uk https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/2025/06/enchanted-objects/
	Durham University Oriental Museum, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 3TH	+44 0191 334 5691
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 ,	
2/7/2025 till 30/11/2025	British Landscapes in the Bishop Trevor Rooms - Auckland Palace	enquiries@aucklandproject.org

	Auckland Palace and Gardens , Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NR	https://aucklandproject.org/event/british-landscapes/ +44 01388 743750
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. Locomotion, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2RE	https://railway200.co.uk/activity/guided-tours-of-stockton-and-darlington-railway/
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. Various locations , , County Durham ,	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/17187/S-DR200-Fringe
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. Various locations , , County Durham ,	http://www.sdr200.co.uk/programme
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. Middleton Auction Mart, Middleton-in-Teesdale, County Durham, DL12 0PJ	middletonteesdalefm@gmail.com +44 07943 636202
27/6/2025 till 21/12/2025	S&DR200 - Fuelling the Railway Revolution This special exhibition explores the inextricable link between coal mining and the railways. The Mining Art Gallery, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NP	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/16719/Fuelling-the-Railway-Revolution
29/7/2025 till 31/12/2025	Auckland Gardens Tour at Auckland Palace Join our weekly 'walk and talk' sessions with our dedicated volunteers as they reveal the story behind the gardens and highlight special features. Wednesday and Saturday. Auckland Palace, Bishop Auckland , County Durham , DL14 7NR	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/auckland-gardens-tours/ +44 01388 743797
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Barnard Castle Farmers' Market Barnard Castle Farmers' Market is one of the North	barnardcastlefarmersmarket@gmail.com

	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.	http://www.barnardcastlefarmersmarket.co.uk/
	The Cobbles , 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/BarnleyWednesdayMarket/
	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
1/8/2025 till 31/12/2025	Folk at the Hearth - The Auckland Project Join us for a monthly evening of traditional tunes, songs, and easy-going community spirit. Hosted by renowned local musician Paul Martin (aka 'The Dunholm Piper') with special guest players, these sessions bring people together through high-quality, welcoming music-making. First Friday of every month 7pm – 11pm.	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/folk-at-the-hearth/
	Mrs M's, Bishop Auckland, County Durham , DL14 7NJ	
1/1/2025 till 31/12/2025	Guided Walks for Groups - RSPB Saltholme Want to get more out of your visit to RSPB Saltholme? We offer group guided walks! We can tailor the walk route and topic(s) to suit your group.	saltholme@rspb.org.uk https://events.rspb.org.uk/events/108311
	RSPB Saltholme , Middlesbrough, , TS2 1TU	+44 01642 546625
29/7/2025 till 31/12/2025	Hearth Outdoors at Auckland Palace Deer Park A free, welcoming programme of nature-based activities designed to help you feel good, connect with others, and explore the green spaces of Auckland Palace Deer Park.	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/hearth-outdoors/

	Auckland Palace, Bishop Auckland , County Durham , DL14 7NR	+44 01388 743797
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, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833690606
29/7/2025 till 31/12/2025	No.42 - Creative Forum - The Auckland Project An adult group for like-minded creatives. Every Wednesday.	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/creative-forum/
	42 Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7PB	
29/7/2025 till 31/12/2025	No.42 - Pregnant to Preschool - The Auckland Project Pregnant to Preschool is a weekly drop-in for parents who are pregnant or with young children (0-5). Every Monday 1 – 3pm. Excluding bank holidays.	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/pregnant-to-preschool/
	42 Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7PB	
29/7/2025 till 31/12/2025	No.42 - Young Artists' Club - The Auckland Project Discover the works of great artists throughout history, and create your own pieces of art. Thursdays.	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/young-artists-club/
	42 Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7PB	
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, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833690606
28/7/2025 till 31/12/2025	Personal Highlights at The Mining Art Gallery Our weekly short talks are a chance for the public to not only get a deeper understanding of the artworks and artists behind them, but also the social context of life in mining communities. Every Thursday.	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/mining-art-gallery-personal-highlights/
	Mining Art Gallery, Bishop Auckland , County Durham, DL14 7NP	+44 01388 743750
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/
	Durham Market Hall, 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/programme
	Locomotion, Shildon, County Durham , DL4 2RE	
1/6/2025 till 31/12/2025	S&DR200 - Young Railway Photographer of the Year exhibition at Locomotion The exhibition will feature the winning entries from a competition to find the UK's most promising young railway photographers.	https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/16705/Young-Railway-Photographer-of-the-Year
	Locomotion, 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-farmersmarket.co.uk
	Village Green, Sedgefield, County Durham, TS21 2AB	+44 01740 620609
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 pack and please return this at the end of your visit for others to use.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/
	The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833690606
29/7/2025 till 31/12/2025	Spanish Gallery - Murillo: Master of the Golden Age Exhibition Step into the splendour of Spain's Golden Age through the work of Bartolomé Esteban Murillo - one of the most celebrated and enduring artists of his time.	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/murillo-exhibition/

Spanish Gallery, Bishop Auckland, County Durham ,
DL14 7JF

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

28/7/2025 till 31/12/2025

The Spanish Gallery Guided Tour

Our knowledgeable guides offer in-depth insights and personalised attention, enhancing the experience for all visitors.

enquiries@aucklandproject.org

<https://aucklandproject.org/event/spanish-gallery-guided-tour/>

Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham , DL14 7JF

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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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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25/5/2025 till 26/1/2026

S&DR200 - All Change

Through authentic voices from letters, diaries, court papers, and other day-to-day records from their collections, The Story will uncover the impact of the Stockton & Darlington Railway on the socio-economic fabric of the region.

<https://www.sdr200.co.uk/article/16714/All-Change>

The Story, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 3TQ

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

<https://www.forestryengland.uk/hamsterley-forest/the-stic>

	book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, returns to Forestry England Hamsterley.	k-man-trail-hamsterley-forest?utm_source=social&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=stick-man&utm_content=hamsterley
	Hamsterley Forest , Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL13 3NL	
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14/6/2025 till 1/3/2026	Nathan Coley You Create What You Will and Tate Modern on Fire - The Bowes Museum	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk
	The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/exhibitions/nathan-coley/
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26/7/2025 till 1/3/2026	Pippa Hale: Pet Project - The Bowes Museum See the museum's renowned ceramic collection re-imagined into a vibrant and interactive experience for all ages.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk
	The Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/exhibitions/pippa-hale-pet-project/
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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.	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk
	The Bowes Museum , Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/exhibitions/josephine-a-woman-of-taste-and-fashion/
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7/7/2025 till 6/7/2026	The Paddocks - High Farm Holiday Park The Paddocks: wide variety of rare breed animals and bird in picturesque tranquil setting. Perfect for animal lovers of any age.	Info@highfarmholidaypark.uk
	High Farm Holiday Park, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 0QA	https://www.highfarmholidaypark.uk/
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