

Events

Imagine Festival Events @ Wallington Library

Join the library staff at Wallington as they present special book displays and children's story times to celebrate their participation in the Imagine Festival.

Cost: Free

Location: Wallington Library

Time: Normal library hours

Booking: None required

Saturday 2 – Saturday 16 May

Islamic Art Exhibition

Enjoy an art exhibition from a different culture.

Cost: Free

Location: Carshalton Library

Time: Normal library hours

Booking: None required

Saturday 2, 9 & 16 May

Mosaic Workshops

Mosaic art, called as the 'eternal art', can be traced back as far as to the ancient civilizations. Using the same skills and techniques as the pioneers of this art form, you can create your own masterpiece with the help of Iraaqi Ceramist, Yasmin Omar. Works will be displayed at Europa Gallery 29-30 May.

Cost: Free

Location: SCOLA Sutton

Time: 9.30am—12.30pm

Booking: From Sutton Babylon Association / Seren Razak, 07810 396 973

serenal@hotmail.co.uk

Tuesday 5 & 12 May

The Peace of Silk

Family Carers are invited to take a break from their caring role and contribute creatively to the production of a banner that promotes the Carers Week.

Cost: Free

Location: Sutton Carers Centre

Time: 10am – 12 noon

Booking: Sutton Carers Centre / Amanda Cummins, 0208 296 5611

amanda@suttoncarerscentre.org

Saturday 9 May

Poetry and Afternoon Tea

Enjoy a poetry recital and relax over afternoon tea.

Cost: £2.50

Location: Carshalton Library

Time: 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Booking: Tickets from any Sutton Library

Monday 11 May

Sutton & Croydon Mencap Drama Group Performance

Members of Sutton & Croydon Mencap have been working together exploring drama and acting skills promoting confidence and self expression. This is their first performance with public audience. The drama performance will be followed by 'Strictly Mencap 4 – A dance extravaganza showcasing local performers from both Sutton & Croydon Mencap dance groups. www.suttonmencap.org.uk

Cost: £5

Location: Secombe Theatre

Time: 7.00pm

Booking: Tracey, 020 8647 8600 or Alice, 020 8662 9201

Tuesday 12 May

A New Look at Old Cheam

John Phillips presents the latest research on the history of Cheam in an illustrated talk.

Cost: £4.50 (inc. refreshments) £4 for the members of local Heritage Friends'

Location: Whitehall

Time: 2pm

Booking: Whitehall

Tuesday 12 – Friday 22 May

Art in the Community

An art and craft exhibition in association with SCOLA, showing the wealth of talent and imagination of the community groups in the London Borough of Sutton.

Cost: Free

Location: Europa Gallery in Sutton Central Library

Time: Normal library opening hours

Booking: None required

Friday 15 May

Surrey Jive Presents 'Make Do and Swing'

Surrey Jive will take you back in time to a dance hall from the 1940's. After learning to jive in a period setting, you will have an opportunity to take part in your very own 'Swing Dance'.

Cost: £3 (All proceeds go to Sandsfund, still birth and neo natal death society)

Location: Secombe Theatre Function Room

Time: 7pm

Booking: Surrey Jive / 07723 826752, nicola@surreyjive.co.uk, www.surreyjive.co.uk

Saturday 16 May

'The History of Fingerprinting' Talk by Ken Butler

Ex-forensic Officer Ken Butler tells about the interesting history of fingerprinting. Bring your library card and borrow some murder mysteries!

Cost: £1.50 / £1.00 (conc.)

Location: Cheam Library

Time: 3pm

Booking: Cheam Library

Saturday 16 May

Torchlight Tour of Whitehall

As Sutton's contribution to the European Museums at Night events, join Whitehall's staff for a tour with a difference. Discover the history of the house and see the traces that different inhabitants left behind in atmospheric tour which presents the house in a very different light.

Cost: Adults £4 / Children £2 (inc. refreshments)

Location: Whitehall

Time: 8pm

Booking: Cheam Library

Saturday 16 - Sunday 31 May

Sculptures by Barbara Morley & Jeanette Foley

An opportunity to watch sculptors at work and ask questions. Jeanette Foley on Saturday and Barbara Morley on Sunday.

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: Normal museum opening hours

Booking: Honeywood Museum

Sunday 17 May

Love's Way: From East Cheam to West Cheam Manor

Join a local historian Andrew Skelton to a walk along the ancient footpath known as love lane, to the site of West Cheam Manor in Cheam Village. Walk ends at Whitehall in time for tea. No dogs please.

Cost: Adults £4.00 / Children (over 5 years) £2.00

Location: Meet at Gander Green Lane, corner of Antrobus Close

Time: 2pm

Booking: None required

Monday 18 May

John Hegley & Simon Munnery

Join us for a madcap theatrical evening with maverick performance poet John Hegley and surreal comedian Simon Munnery. Hegley is comedy's bespectacled poet laureate and Simon Munnery the exclaiming veteran Edinburgh festival comic. This will be mad and magnificent evening!

Cost: £3.50

Location: Charles Cryer Studio Theatre

Time: 7.30pm

Booking: Secombe Theatre

Tuesday 19 – Saturday 30 May

Peter Boyle Exhibition

Stunning art works from a local artist Peter Boyle.

Cost: Free, works on sale.

Location: Carshalton Library

Time: Normal library hours

Booking: None required

Tuesday 19 May

Stanley Park Junior School Spectacle

Join Stanley Park Junior School and Friends for an evening featuring their multicultural whistle-stop world extravaganza! Celebrate Cockney heritage, admire the dance demonstrations and enjoy the French café atmosphere. Hear the orchestral flavour of the Sutton's Youth Strings and the rhythm and beats of Djembe Drumming and sing along with Stanley Park Junior School Choir.

Cost: £2

Location: Secombe Theatre

Time: 7pm

Booking: Secombe Theatre

Tuesday 19 May

Irish Dancing Session for Adults

Irish dancing taster session is an opportunity for all over 16's to try out traditional Irish dance steps under expert tuition of Katy and Sarah from the Keane School of Irish Dancing.

Cost: Free

Location: Granfers Community Centre

Time: 8-9pm

Booking: Irish Community in Sutton / 07793 366143, whelan68@blueyonder.co.uk

Tuesday 19 May – Tuesday 2 June

Exhibition by the prisoners at HMP High Down

This exhibition comprises of art and written works by the HMP High Down prisoners. During the 2 week exhibition the public are encouraged to vote for their favourite piece and the winners will be displayed at the Art, Poetry and Prose sections of the library.

Cost: Free

Location: Library @ Phoenix Centre

Time: Normal library opening hours

Booking: None required

Wednesday 20 May - Sunday 1 June

Local Artists Exhibition

An exhibition by the local professional and amateur artists displaying works of art for sale, offering wide range of different styles and prices.

Cost: Adults £1.60 / Children £0.80, free on the weekend 23-25 May

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: Normal museum opening hours

Booking: None required

Thursday 21 May**Girls' Night In**

Chick Lit and cocktails, a fun evening at Waterstones book shop in Sutton High Street.

Cost: Free

Location: Waterstones

Time: 7.30pm

Booking: From Sutton Central Library, Anita Myatt, 020 8770 4771

Friday 22 May**Carshalton Lavender Evening**

A talk by Lorna Maye of Mayfield Lavender. Products will be available to purchase.

Cost: £3.50

Location: Carshalton Water Tower

Time: 8pm

Booking: Julia, 020 8647 0984

Friday 22, Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 May**Street Fusion Community Dance Show**

Street Fusion is a fusion of dance groups from all over the borough, organised by young people with Sutton Positive Futures, who run free community based sport sessions, including dance for young people. Showcasing dances choreographed not only by professionals but dances created by young people themselves. All elements of the show are possible due to the commitment and contribution from young people, including sound, lights and even the design of the posters and programme.

Cost: £2.50

Location: Secombe Theatre

Time: 7.30pm

Booking: Secombe Theatre

Saturday 23 May**Prince & Princess Drop in Craft Day**

Make tiaras, wands, crowns and swords! Try out treasure hunt and enjoy themed storytelling sessions at 11.30am and 3pm. Come dressed in a costume for a small prize. All activities included in a house admission price.

Cost: Adults £1.60 / Children £0.80

Location: Whitehall

Time: 10am-4pm

Booking: None required

Saturday 23 May**Creative Workshop with Anne Perry**

Well known crime writer, Anne Perry, will give a short talk and then lead a creative workshop.

Cost: £2.50

Location: Sutton Central Library

Time: 2.30pm

Booking: Sutton Central Library, Anita Myatt, 020 8770 4771

Saturday 23 May**Irish Music and Dancing Show**

A live show featuring traditional Irish music and dance displays from the students of the Keane School of Irish Dancing.

Cost: Adults £2.00/Children £1.00

Location: Charles Cryer Studio Theatre

Time: 8pm

Booking: Irish Community in Sutton / 0779 3366143 whelan68@blueyonder.co.uk

Saturday 23 – Saturday 30 May**No Panic Exhibition**

Self-help group for anxiety and panic attacks sufferers 'No Panic' will display a collage made by the members of the group. The collage shows the different stages of mind from deep anxiety to coping with life and getting on.

Cost: Free

Location: Europa Gallery in Sutton Central Library

Time: Normal library opening hours

Booking: None required

Tuesday 26 May

Irish Dancing Workshops for Children

An opportunity to learn traditional Irish dance steps and participate in a short performance at the end of the session. Open to all children aged 4-16 years.

Cost: Free

Location: Phoenix Centre

Time: 2pm

Booking: None required

Tuesday 26 – Saturday 30 May

The Plague Project

Children from a local school will be exhibiting creative pieces of work they have produced on the subject of the Great Plague of 1665. The children were involved in a project combining the resources at Sutton Library and its Local Studies Centre with the Wellcome Library to help inspire them to create stories about the Great Plague.

Cost: Free

Location: Europa Gallery in Sutton Central Library

Time: Normal library opening hours

Booking: None required

Tuesday 26 - Sunday 31 May

Wandle Valley School Photography Exhibition

Following on from last years successful photography project as part of the Taking Part Future Present young people from Wandle Valley School show how their skills have developed. Working once again with SHAKE UR ARTS this stunning photographic display showcases the talents of the young people of Sutton.

Cost: Free

Location: Europa Gallery in Sutton Central Library

Time: Normal library opening hours

Booking: None required

Wednesday 27 - Sunday 31 May

Half Term Activities

A variety of fun activities for kids, including trails around the house and crafting. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost: Adults £1.60 / Children £0.80

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: Normal museum opening hours

Booking: None required

Wednesday 27 May

Curtain Up: Music from the Cinema

As a part of the Imagine Festival here is an extra special treat! The lunchtime music recital visits cinema this week. Come and relax in the unique setting of Wallington Libraries Mallinson Room for an hour of relaxing music. Free refreshments keeping with the cinema theme.

Cost: Free

Location: Wallington Library

Time: 11.30-12.30pm

Booking: None required

Wednesday 27 May

Robin of Sutton

Nottingham has been bled dry by the unfair taxes imposed by the evil sheriff of Nottingham. He decides to go to the wealthiest Borough in the southern counties... Sutton! This is a jolly romp, loosely based on the legend of Robin Hood. This has been written, produced and performed by the staff, volunteers and participants of SCILL. For more information:

www.scill.org.uk

Cost: £1, inc. refreshments after the show

Location: Secombe Theatre

Time: 1.30pm

Booking: SCILL, 020 8770 4058

Wednesday 27 May

Cosmic Craft

Come to our space themed craft event for children 4-8 years and be inspired to write a poem that's out of this world.

Cost: £0.50

Location: Cheam Library

Time: 2-3pm

Booking: Cheam Library

Wednesday 27 May

Community Pottery Workshop

Creative Pottery Workshops for all ages in All Saints Centre. Professional potters will teach you how to use potters' wheel and different clay modelling techniques. Please book to attend the workshop in advance as places are limited.

Cost: Free

Location: All Saints Centre

Time: 10am-12.30pm & 2pm-4.30pm

Booking: All Saints Centre

Friday 29 and Saturday 30 May

'What Use is Any Generation?'

After last year's success SAVVY Theatre Company is pleased to present their latest community production. Bringing together a cast of teenagers, older people and everyone in-between, production WHAT USE IS 'ANY' GENERATION? aims to explore the perceptions, prejudices and experiences each generation has of the other. Using theatre styles such as clowning, music, mask and film, this production promises to be a memorable experience for all. For more information: www.savvytheatre.co.uk

Cost: £5.00 / £3.00 concs

Location: Charles Cryer Studio Theatre

Time: 7.30pm

Booking: Secombe Theatre

Saturday 30 May

Art Volunteers Event

Explore your inner artist! SamiArt and Sutton Libraries are running an art and craft session for young people aged 14-19. There will be an opportunity to try different art techniques and professional guidance from Samia Tossio of SamiArt to help develop your creative abilities.

You don't need to be the next Picasso, just give it a go and you might surprise yourself!

Those taking part will also be offered volunteer opportunities in the library with future art and craft events.

Cost: Free

Location: Sutton Central Library

Time: 2-4pm

Booking: None required

Saturday 30 May

'From Fear to Freedom' Workshop

Public workshop with 'No Panic'. A self-help group to support those who suffer anxiety or panic attacks. The workshop is about building large individual shields that represent variety of items that can give inspiration to the people to face these difficulties.

Cost: Free

Location: Europa Gallery in Sutton Central Library

Time: 10.00am

Booking: None required

Saturday 30 May

Multicultural Event: Music, Dance and Performances with a Difference

This multi cultural event is produced by the Albanian Association, Hafez Persian Language School and Sutton Tamil Welfare Centre.

This exciting show case brings together three communities working together for the first time and been especially commissioned for Imagine 09

Albanian Association are proud to present traditional Albanian dance featuring children and young people who have been rehearsing over the last two months. There will also be the chance to enjoy songs poems and live music.

Hafez Persian School will present an afternoon of Persian Culture including children and young people dancing, drama performances and an exhibition of Persian arts and crafts. Come and celebrate Great Persia, for more information please contact Nazanin 020 8661 1715 or 07878362878

Sutton Tamil Welfare Centre will bring exciting dances to the Secombe stage, featuring members of the Tamil community as they showcase traditional movement pieces.

Come and experience exciting dance, drama and live music as we celebrate the talents of our community.

This event has been supported by Sutton Racial Equality Network.

Cost: Free

Location: Secombe Theatre

Time: 2pm

Booking: Secombe Theatre

Saturday 30 May

'Curtain Up' Music Recital

Come along to Cheam Library and relax listening to a CD recital of classic film music. Refreshments included.

Cost: Free

Location: Cheam Library

Time: 3pm

Booking: None required

Saturday 30 May

Murder Party!

Put your dramatic abilities to the test – can you find the culprit at the final curtain murder mystery party. Please book to attend the event in advance as places are limited.

Cost: Free

Location: Cheam Library

Time: 7.30pm

Booking: Cheam Library

Saturday 30 - Sunday 31 May

Sutton Town Centre Music Festival 2009

Now in its second year, the festival of music will be an extravaganza of music styles by acts of all ages and genres. From live bands, to record spinning DJs, Sutton will be awash with live music and a great atmosphere. Browse the visiting green and fair trade market or take part in one of the music workshops taking place over the weekend. This is a community event to bring vibrancy and unite the people in the town centre through live music and performance.

All artists are playing free of charge and businesses are contributing by providing refreshments and expenses

Cost: Free

Location: Sutton

Time: Various, email towncentre@sutton.gov.uk or call 020 8770 5125.

Booking: None required

CARSHALTON ARS WEEKEND

Saturday 23 May until Monday 25 May

Carshalton Arts Weekend links Honeywood Museum, Carshalton House, Carshalton Water Tower, All Saints Church, Charles Cryer Studio Theatre and Carshalton High Street shops to celebrate the Imagine Festival.

Join us in celebrating the arts and the creative spirit of Carshalton by taking part in a variety of events! All activities and admissions at Honeywood Museum are free for the weekend and the tearooms will be open for soft drinks, tea, coffee and cakes.

Saturday 23 May

Monoprinting, Sculpture and Pottery Workshops

Join local artist Abel Kesteven for sculpture and pottery workshop in the morning or a monoprinting workshop in the afternoon. Workshops are open to all with special needs.

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: 10.30am-11.30am and 12.30pm-1.30pm

Booking: Honeywood Museum

Saturday 23 May

Artist Paint-along

Local artist Julie Curry will be painting on the site. An opportunity for all budding artists to try watercolours and receive tips from the artist!

Cost: Free

Location: Carshalton Water Tower

Time: 10.30am-3pm

Booking: Honeywood Museum

Saturday 23 & Sunday 24 May

Sculpture Demonstrations

An opportunity to watch sculptors at work and ask questions. Jeanette Foley on Saturday and Barbara Morley on Sunday.

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: 1.30pm-4.30pm

Booking: None required

Saturday 23 - Monday 25 May

The Imaginary Word

'Imaginary Word' is an exhibition that will be on display in the Oxfam shop window, Carshalton High Street. The exhibition is created by the members of an artist collective, Inspirall. Short performances including puppetry, art and interaction with the audience and passers-by will take place throughout Saturday 23 May.

Cost: Free

Location: Oxfam shop window, Carshalton High Street

Time: Performances only on Sat 23 May from 10am on going through the day

Booking: None required

Saturday 23 - Monday 25 May

Art Trail

Follow the Art Trail along Carshalton High Street throughout the weekend and take part in a competition. For more information and for Art Trail sheets contact Honeywood Museum.

Cost: Free

Location: Carshalton High Street

Time: All day

Booking: Honeywood

Sunday 24 May

Indian Henna Painting and Bead Craft

Experience the rich artistic and cultural heritage of India with Sutton Subrang. Henna painting is practised during times of joyous celebrations, festivals and weddings. Learn how to make necklaces, bracelets and earrings by using different types of exotic beads. Drop in sessions, children to be accompanied by adults.

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: 10.30am-1pm and 2pm-4.30pm

Booking: None required

Sunday 24 May

Sculpture Workshops

This is your chance to join a local artist, Abel Kesteven for a sculpture workshop. Please book to attend the workshop in advance as places are limited.

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: Adult workshops 10am-11am, 2pm-3pm and
Family workshops 11.30am-12.30pm, 3.30pm-4.30pm

Booking: Honeywood Museum

Sunday 24 May

Fuzzy Fingers

Come and fingerprint with the Carshalton Central Safer Neighbourhood Team. This is an opportunity for you to discuss community issues while your kids enjoy the variety of fun activities and take part in the competition!

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: 11am-5pm

Booking: None required

Sunday 24 May

Carshalton House Opening

An opportunity for guided tour inside the 18th century mansion which is now used by St. Philomenas School.

Cost: £3.50

Location: Carshalton House, entrance via Water Tower Gate in West Street

Time: 2pm and 3.30pm

Booking: Honeywood Museum

Sunday 24 May

Carshalton Water Tower Opening

Come along and get to know this unique, early 18th century garden building that is sited in the grounds of Carshalton House.

Cost: Adults £1.00 / children £0.25 (inc. refreshments)

Location: Carshalton Water Tower

Time: 2.30pm-5pm

Booking: None required

Sunday 24 May

Green Finger Sculptures

Help us to create an eco-friendly artwork with local artists Neal and Helena Vaughan, using only natural materials sourced from around Honeywood. Join us to celebrate 'The Carshalton Plain', one of London's most historic trees which will form the centrepiece for our sculptural creations!

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: 10am-1pm and 2.45-5pm

Booking: None required

Sunday 24 May

Honeywood Young Person's Art Competition Prize Giving

Join us to applaud the winners of our Honeywood Young Persons Art Competition and see local artists Neal and Helena Vaughan present the award to the young artists.

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: 2pm

Booking: None required

Sunday 24 May

Wild about Art!

Drop in to Sutton's Ecology Centre and explore the amazing diversity of life, through arts and crafts. Discover how you can turn natural materials and so called junk into beautiful works of art. Follow the trail and hunt for natural wonders in the nature reserve!

Cost: Free

Location: Sutton Ecology Centre

Time: 1pm-4pm

Booking: None required

Sunday 24 - Monday 25 May

All Saints Church Open Day

All Saints Church will open for two days for all with displays of flowers and vestments. This is an opportunity to visit the bell tower and organ gallery as well as learn more about the history of the church. Conquest Art, a charity for people with physical disabilities to practice art will display art. Music, art and refreshments, welcome!

Cost: Free

Location: All Saints Church

Time: 10am-5pm

Booking: None required

Sunday 24 May

Charles Cryer Studio Theatre Open Day

Come along and see what goes on behind the scenes of Carshalton's very own theatre. Demonstrations, workshops and events throughout the day.

Cost: Free

Location: Charles Cryer Studio Theatre

Time: 11am-4pm

Booking: None required

Sunday 24 - Monday 25 May

Little Holland House Opening

Little Holland House is the former home of Frank Dickinson (1874-1961), who built the house between 1902-1904. The house has an interesting architecture and the listed interior contains Dickinson's hand-made furniture, paintings, carvings and metalwork.

Cost: Free

Location: Little Holland House

Time: 1.30pm-5.30pm

Booking: None required

Monday 25 May

Monoprinting Workshops

Join local artist Abel Kesteven for a monoprinting workshop. Please book to attend the workshop in advance as places are limited.

Cost: Free

Location: Honeywood Museum

Time: 10am-11am and 11.30am-12.30pm

Booking: Honeywood Museum

Art @ Honeywood

Honeywood Museum Art Competition for Young People

Honeywood Art Competition is aimed at young people aged 4-18 years. There are three different age categories that you can enter and theme for this year's competition is 'Through My Eyes'. We accept variety of different art forms (pencil, crayon, collage) also for the first time we have a category for photography.

Artists need to include a few words about what inspired them with the art work. Entries must not be more than size A3 and closing date is Sunday 10 May. For more information: 020 8770 4297 / www.friendsofhoneywood.co.uk

Calling All Adult Artists!

As part of the Carshalton Arts Weekend, Honeywood Museum invites local artists to display art works for sale. Closing day for entries is Sunday 10 May.