

# WYCHWOOD FESTIVAL

CHELTENHAM RACECOURSE • 31 MAY - 2 JUNE 2024

# Village Green

★  
WORKSHOP,  
ACTIVITIES  
& SHOWS

**FUN FOR  
ALL AGES**

# FRIDAY

**A** EVENTS AIMED AT ADULTS

## CITY

14:00-15:00

### **BURLAFREAK **A**** **WITH LIBBY FARROW**

AdLib Dance workshop – Pan-African inspired dance workshop, guaranteed to get you moving. Simple, easy to follow, yet dynamic moves to invigorate the body and get your heart pumping, your booty shaking and your face smiling! All ages and abilities welcome.

15:00-16:00

### **BELLY DANCE** **WITH SYREN**

Join Syren Alternative Belly Dancers for a workshop where the ancient art of belly dance meets modern alternative influences. Learn moves and combos based on the traditional allure of belly dance and combine them with edgy energy into a choreography to a rock, pop or indie number. No experience is necessary, no equipment is needed – just bring your attitude and sass!! Everyone is welcome – children be accompanied by an adult.

16:00-17:00

### **LINDYHOP **A**** **WITH GLOSTER SWING DANCE**

The Lindy Hop is the original partner swing dance, later known as the Jitterbug. This class will be fun and easy to pick up for all. Two left feet very welcome! At the end of the class you'll know enough to dance the night away!

17:00-18:00

### **ADULTS VS. KIDS** **SING OFF**

The Ginger Judges are back! Can the kids hang on as Sing-Off Champions? Or will the grown-ups fight back? This fun workshop uses chants from around the world, well known (and not so well known!) rounds, songs and singing games as the teams battle it out!

## MOUNTAINSIDE

15:00-17:00

### **NEEMUS PRESENTS** **OPEN MIC SESSION**

Fancy playing at Wychwood Festival? Come and play in our Open Mic sessions at Wychwood Festival. Bringing talented musicians together to showcase their skills & build their presence to achieve their dreams!

## HILLSIDE

13:00-15:00

### **CIRCUS WORKSHOP**

Solo Circus & Co will bring circus skills workshop fun to Wychwood festival 2024. Kids and adults can drop in and learn skills including juggling, plate spinning, diabolo and unicycling. Want to see a fancy trick? Just ask one of our instructors, they're total showoffs!

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### **SEASIDE ADVENTURE** **WITH DRAMA TOTS**

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explore the beach, crawling through the sand dunes and jumping over the waves!

## THE FOREST

13:00-17:00

### **DROP IN WORKSHOPS** **ARTS, CRAFTS AND** **TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOPS**

## THE MEADOW

14:00-18:00

### **FUNKY JUNK** **DRUMMING WITH GLAMBA**

Join Glamba for some Funky Junk Drumming using drums & percussion instruments made from things people have thrown away high energy fun for all ages.

## OUTDOORS

16:00-18:00

### **MURGATROYDS** **MARVELLOUS** **MAYHEM**

A dose of the ridiculous! Join the whacky Mr and Mrs Murgatroyd to bounce and clown around with a whole host of hilarious games and silly songs. Come by yourself, bring your friends, or you can even bring your granny. Everyone guaranteed to leave with a smile on their face!

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# SATURDAY

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## CITY

09:00-10:00

### YOGA FOR ADULTS **A** WITH JANE ROTHERY

Yoga in the mornings at Wychwood has, over the years, become something that people enjoy sharing as a positive start to the festival day. The yoga is for everyone, beginners or experienced people - the thing is to "share" our yoga and enjoy the sense of well-being that comes from being at Wychwood.

10:00-11:00

### CARNIVAL DANCE WITH ANNET RICHARDS-BINNS

Lively, energetic and fun to do, with roots firmly in Africa and influences from traditional Calypso and Gospel from Trinidad and Tobago. This workshop will cover lots of basic moves and shakes and will focus on lots of hip work, legs and shuffle.

11:00-12:00

### MUSICAL THEATRE DANCE FITNESS **A** WITH CHI CHI FIT

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12:00-13:00

### LAUGHTER YOGA WITH PASSION4LAUGHTER

Laughter Yoga is a unique exercise routine, which combines unconditional laughter with yogic breathing. Anyone can laugh without relying on humour, jokes or comedy. Laughter Yoga is the only technique that allows adults to achieve sustained hearty laughter without involving cognitive thought. It bypasses the intellectual system that normally acts as a brake on natural laughter. The effect is a noticeable positive change. Energy running more freely round your body. 'Fight or flight' switched off and 'happy hormones' released. The effect of Laughter Yoga is remarkable. Come and have a laugh!

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### BURLAFREAK WITH LIBBY FARROW

Burlafreak is a unique fusion of Pan-African dance (shoes off!) and Burlesque (clothes on!). Promoting body positivity, inclusivity and self confidence through dance. Combining the sensuality and elegance of Burlesque, with the fire and grace of Pan-African dance, this fusion improves stamina, dance technique and flexibility. Burlafreak is taught with zero judgement, much respect and buckets of humour. Be part of the body positivity movement!

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### SAMBA DRUMMING WITH OLA SAMBA

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16:00-17:00

### 80'S DANCE WITH MS. MERLIN

Ms Merlin will take you on a journey back to the 80's. With all your favourite tunes from that era. For the whole family particularly if you like dancing. Especially if you like wearing lycra. Dressing up encouraged.

## MOUNTAINSIDE

10:00-12:00

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### DISCOVER DRAGONS WITH ALI HARWOOD

Poetry, mask making and more with spoken word performer and artist Ali Harwood. Come and join artist, poet and dragon enthusiast Ali Harwood for an hour of creativity, colour and cryptozoology as he welcomes you to discover dragons from around the world. You can write a dragon poem, then create a dragon mask and bring your own mythical beast to life to read your poem! What's not to like? Suitable for the young and the young at heart! Ali Harwood is a poet, artist, teacher and literature ambassador. You will also get the chance to wear your mask and march in the Dragon Parade on Sunday at 4pm

# SATURDAY

13:00-14:00

## SING AND HAUL SHANTIES OF THE SEVEN SEAS WITH JOHN THRALL

These sessions will have as much audience participation as possible. There will be singing the verses and/or the response lines to the shanty-man's call. You don't need wonderful voices, just enthusiasm and noise. Hopefully we won't be doing quiet... just loud and happy!

14:00-15:00

## JELLY BABIES

See the Jelly Babies performing at Wychwood festival, where they will be singing PROPER rock songs from films such as, "Shrek", "Trolls", "Ghostbusters", and other silly tunes, a real rock gig for the whole family.

15:00-16:00

## UKULELE

### WITH THE POP TARTS

Join 'The Pop-Tarts' the fun lovin' family band and learn 3 simple chords at this ukulele workshop. Once mastered, these 3 easy chords will pave the way for you to play hundreds of songs! Who knows, next year you may even be appearing on the main stage at Wychwood! Ukles provided.

16:00-17:00

## PIRATUTUDE PIRATE BAND

Piratutude is family friendly folk rock pirate band who play songs about pirates, the sea, drinking and treasure. It features Captain Barnacle on mandolin, Mr Filibuster on guitar and Lefty on Bass. Expect sing-a-longs, storytelling and silliness from a crew of mostly goodie pirates.

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10:00-11:00

## MOOSICAL FUN WITH MOO MUSIC

Join Maggie Moo and Farmers Heather and Christine for some Moosical Fun! You Will Sing, Dance and Play To our Wonderful Original Moo Music ending with parachute and bubble fun. Moo Music gift bag for first 30 children. For preschool age

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## CIRCUS WORKSHOP

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## EPIC INDIAN ADVENTURE PUPPET SHOW

A riot of colour and a wash for the senses. The timeless story of Rama and Sita's journeying into the forest featuring daring escapades, challenges and discovery exploring the themes of diversity, migration and difference.

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## THE MEADOW

10:00-11:00

## TAI CHI WITH JOE MAY

Joe's Easy TaiChi is gentle and easily attainable for virtually anyone. Low-impact, highly effective exercise. Come and learn simple entry level moves to help oil your skeleton and save your psyche. Taught by a professional performer and physical clown, Joe May. TaiChi helps improve and inform the way you move every day; Strengthen your body; Improve your flexibility and balance; Improve your breathing.

11:00-13:00

## BUSKERS

Showcasing the best in talented Gloucestershire acoustic musicians. Sit back and relax!



# SATURDAY

13:00-14:00

## SWASHBUCKLING SORCERER MAGICAL PIRATE ADVENTURE SHOW

Join the crew aboard 'The Purple Dragon' as it embarks on a magical adventure in search of the captain's lost treasure. Encounter peculiar creatures, tackle mind-bending puzzles and challenges, and learn the mysteries of the Secret Sailor's

Knot. Beware, those who misbehave may have to walk on the plank!

14:00-15:00

## WONDER WOMAN HULA SHOW

As a child Ms Merlin dreamed of being Wonder Woman, she even made the costume and spent hours posing in it. As an adult she honed her skills as a hula-hoop artiste and created a fantastic one-woman show based on her idol. With audience volunteers and a lot of hula hoops she tells the story of how she saves the world.

15:00-16:00

## MAINLY MAGIC AND PUPPET FAMILY SHOW WITH COLIN DYMOND

A magic show that really is suitable for all ages. Magic that will amaze even the most sceptical teenager, puppets and fun for younger ones and a few magical memories for those of a certain age! Lots of audience participation, come and join the fun.

16:00-17:00

## POCO DROM UNPLUGGED

If you enjoyed the Punk Rock Family Rave and want to hear more, or you prefer more sedate songs about meerkats, pandas, monkeys and manta rays this is the place for you!

## GARDEN STAGE

10:30 - 11:15

### CIRQUE DU FLIP FLAM FLEA WITH SAME SAME BUT DIFFERENT

Lots of Flim Flam, not many fleas! If you are itching to be entertained or scratching around for a funny join Professor Puce and his tiny entourage.

11:30 - 11:45

### CHI CHI FIT ON GARDEN STAGE

12:00 - 1:00

### POCO DROM'S PUNK ROCK FAMILY RAVE

Poco Drom's Punk Rock Family Rave is an explosion of fuzzy guitars, drum machines and synthesisers. 100% original, 90's infused, animal bangers... think The B-52's mixed with The Prodigy. Throw some shapes as confetti, bubbles and foam rain down from the sky. Don't miss the ultimate family dance party!

12:30-15:00

### TASKMASTER EDUCATION

Get a taste of the Taskmaster Education class, from the people who bring you the hit Channel 4 show! There will be two classes, approx 45 mins. Spaces are extremely limited, so please arrive early.

## OUTDOORS

12:00-15:00

### AERIEL WORKSHOP WITH ORLY PHILLIPS

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# SUNDAY

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## PARADE

16:30-17:00

Join Ola Samba, Sabrina the Spirit of the Severn, jugglers, dancers and other performers in our parade on Sunday afternoon that will include all the fantastic things you have made over the weekend.

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**SING, SHARE, HEAL**  
**EXPRESSION SESSION**  
WITH TIA CALLUM **A**

As we know singing offers so many benefits and of course is very good for your health. SSH "Sing, Share, Heal" offers transformative sessions for all singing abilities and no previous musical background required, but enthusiasm is necessary! Expect to learn part of a song by ear, vocal and body warm-ups, learn breath control, expression techniques and performance skills. Exploring and healing the relationship you have with your voice!

13:00-14:00

**CHARLESTON DANCE** **A**  
WITH GLOSTER SWING DANCE

The biggest dance craze of all time, the Charleston dance is fun and easy to learn for all ages, no experience necessary, just a happy and carefree attitude. No partner needed.

14:00-15:00

**SCRATCH AFRICA**  
WITH TRACEY VACHER

The iconic Africa by Toto, in 3 parts, with a body percussion 'storm' at the beginning. Join the scratch choir to learn this song, and then invite your friends and family to hear us perform it at the end of session.

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## MOUNTAINSIDE

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**TAI CHI WITH JOE MAY**

11:00-12:00

**MY BODY HAS**  
**A POEM INSIDE**  
WITH HOLLY  
WINTER HUGHES

In this fun and inspiring workshop we will create full-sized body maps, by drawing around the outlines of our bodies and using the space to add words, colours and symbols that tell our stories. A lovely workshop for all abilities - even little ones who can't write words yet will have fun expressing themselves through colour and mark making. And budding poets can write fully formed poems around the perimeters of the lines! Suitable for all ages. Holly Winter Hughes is an educator, poet, spoken-word artist, and teacher. Holly is also the founding director of The Word Association - a collective of writers from different backgrounds who are passionate about using their art form to make a social impact.

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**PIRATE PUPPET  
PANTOMIME  
WITH MR. BROWN'S PIG**

Captain Barnacles Pirate Pantomime is a one man yarn about adventure, treasure hunting, fighting off wild creatures, underpants and outwitting baddies. The show features table top puppetry, comedy, silliness, plenty of pirate props and lashings of audience participation. Suitable for age three up.

14:00-15:00

**MAGICAL MAYHEM  
SHOW WITH LUCY LOST IT**

Lucy Lost-its show is a dazzling spectacle filled with enchanting magic, delightful balloons, mesmerizing puppetry, and awe-inspiring circus skills. Brace yourself for a laughter-filled experience that will accompany you on the entire journey home.

15:00-16:00

**WE DO, WE CAN, WE  
DO, WE CAN SHOW**

The 'We Do, We Can, We Do, We Can...' show. From Joe May at Passion4Laughter. Wychwood audiences have loved Joe May's work over the years, as Mr WOW and his bubbles, El Directorio, and Jeremy Farquar the twisted butler. Joe's new show "We can, we do, we do, we CAN!" is street theatre at its best. Uplifting, inspiring, and funny. Involving and challenging. Big tricks. Dangerous tricks. Clever tricks. Funny tricks. Ending the show with the most dangerous trick of them all.

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**SYREN BELLY  
DANCE POP UP**

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**MISS MERLIN  
BUBBLES**

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**GAMES EMPORIUM**





# STORYBOX



## AUTHORS & ILLUSTRATORS APPEARING ACROSS THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY

13:45

**PHILIP ARDAGH**  
STORYBOX OPENING

14:00

**JO COTTERILL &  
JOHN DOUGHERTY**  
ZOOMING THE ZOO

15:00

**LUCY ROWLAND &  
DAVID LITCHFIELD**  
A SPRINKLE OF  
HAPPINESS

16:00

**JULIE PIKE**  
FLAME CHASERS

17:00

**SMRITI HALLS &  
DAVID LITCHFIELD**  
PEACE ON EARTH

18:00

**RACHEL DELAHAYE**  
ELECTRIC LIFE

### SATURDAY

10:00

**GARETH P JONES**  
CINDERGORILLA

11:00

**DUNCAN BEEDIE**  
HEAVY METAL BADGER

12:00

**ANDY SEED**  
INTERVIEW WITH  
A PANDA

13:00

**CHRISTOPHER EDGE**  
BLACK HOLE  
CINEMA CLUB

14:00

**TRACEY CORDEROY  
& STEVEN LENTON**  
SHIFTY McGIFTY AND  
SLIPPERY SAM

15:00

**GABRIEL DYLAN**  
SHIVER POINT

16:00

**LEONIE LORD**  
GROTTI

17:00

**TEDDY BEAR  
LADIES**  
BARTIE BRISTLE AND  
OTHER STORIES

### SUNDAY

10:00

**DOODLE TIME WITH  
ANTHONY**  
WORKSHOP

11:00

**MAKING  
DECORATIVE FANS  
WITH CHAZ**  
WORKSHOP

12:00

**SOPHY HENN**  
HAPPY HILLS

13:00

**BRYONY PEARCE**  
HANNAH MESSENGER

14:00

**CHLOE SAVAGE**  
THE SEARCH FOR THE  
GIANT ARCTIC

15:00

**PHILIP ARDAGH**  
BUNNIES ON THE BUS

