New Forest Arts Festival 2017

10 - 25 June
Welcome to the second New Forest Arts Festival
10 – 25 June, 2017

If you go down to the woods today...
You’re sure to see over 60 events in the National Park celebrating the New Forest’s landscape and culture.

The theme for the 2017 New Forest Arts Festival is trees, marking the 800th anniversary of the historic 1217 Charter of the Forest which established rights of access and use for the Royal Forests in England that still underpin the modern New Forest.

Festival highlights include a spooky performance of Arthur Miller’s The Crucible about the Salem witch trials in 1692 among the trees of the Blackwater Arboretum. You can also...

Create the Travelling Tree of Life – add your hopes for the future of our trees on a beautiful leaf as the Forest Forge Theatre bus travels round the National Park collecting people’s special memories of the Forest.

Join the world’s bravest adventurer Mortimer Sparks, and his assistant Jinx Calhoun as they race to stop a vicious vine from taking over the beautiful Exbury Gardens in this all new, interactive, theatrical adventure for families.

Meet national treasure TV weatherman Michael Fish MBE for a chat after a world exclusive performance about the truth behind the Great Storm of 1987.

Hear storyteller’s tales of the New Forest gypsies and take part in a folk jig.

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Become a playwright with professionals Deborah Gearing and Paul Hewitt or a cartoonist with professional Simon Chadwick.

Discover Songs For Wild Horses – an evening of music especially created for the Festival and inspired by the New Forest and Thomas Hardy’s novella from 1872, Under the Greenwood Tree.

The Festival is part of a Heritage Lottery Fund project called Our Past Our Future, helping to protect the landscape and encourage people to find out more about the Forest’s fascinating heritage.

Last year we welcomed over 3,800 people to Festival events. Join us!

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For the latest Festival news visit www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/artsfestival and sign up for our enewsletter, or join us on facebook newforestartsfestival
Venues and map key

Please check individual websites or contacts provided for full access facilities, directions and opening times.

1. **Blackwater Arboretum**
   Rhinefield Ornamental Drive, Brockenhurst
   SO42 7QB

2. **Bolton's Bench**
   Beaulieu Rd, Lyndhurst
   SO43 7NL

3. **Boston Tea Party Café**
   Frampton Mill, 15 Furlong Centre, Ringwood, BH24 1AT

4. **Brockenhurst Cinema**
   The Village Hall, Highwood Road, Brockenhurst, SO42 7RY

5. **Burley Manor Hotel**
   Ringwood Road, Burley, BH24 4BS

6. **Camellias**
   Everton Nurseries, Christchurch Rd, Everton, Lymington SO41 0JZ

7. **Everton & Lymore Social Club**
   Old Christchurch Rd, Everton, Lymington SO41 0JJ

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   Christchurch Rd, Everton, Lymington SO41 0JZ

9. **Everton Recreation Ground**
   27 Greenmead Ave, Everton, SO41 0UF

10. **Exbury Gardens**
    Exbury, Southampton, SO45 1AZ

11. **Forest Arts Centre**
    Old Milton Road, New Milton, BH25 6DS

12. **Forest Forge Theatre**
    Ringwood, BH24 1SF

13. **Furzey Gardens**
    Minstead, Nr Lyndhurst, SO43 7GL

14. **Gordleton Mill**
    Silver Street, Lymington SO41 6DJ

15. **Hordle Cliff**
    Milford on Sea, Lymington SO41 ONU

16. **Hythe Library**
    Southampton SO45 6AQ

17. **Lymington Town Bandstand**
    Bath Road, Lymington

18. **Lyndhurst Community Centre**
    Main Car Park, Lyndhurst, SO41 0JJ

19. **The Local Art Gallery**
    Henderson Court, 122 High Street, Lymington, SO41 9FQ

20. **Masonic Hall**
    High Street, Lymington SO41 9AA

21. **The Memorial Park**
    Totton, SO51 8HB

22. **New Forest Centre**
    Main Car Park, Lyndhurst SO43 7NY

23. **The Observatory**
    Buckler’s Hard, Beaulieu, SO42 7XB

24. **Old Mellow (next to The Crown Inn)**
    Old Christchurch Rd, Everton, Lymington SO41 0JJ

25. **Pavilion**
    20 Frys Ln, Everton, Lymington SO41 0JY

26. **Pondhead Inclosure**
    13 Beechen Lane, Lyndhurst, SO43 7DD

27. **Ringwood Library**
    Christchurch Road, Ringwood, BH24 1DW

28. **Ringwood Meeting House and History Centre**
    22 Meeting House Lane, Ringwood, BH24 1EY

29. **Rockbourne Roman Villa**
    Fordingbridge, SP6 3PG

30. **Royal British Legion Club**
    22A High Street, Lymington, SO41 9AD

31. **Saint Mary's Church and Hall**
    Everton, Lymington SO41 0JJ

32. **Treehouse Study Centre**
    Hartford wood, Beaulieu, Hampshire, SQ42 7YL
All Trees Are Clocks
The New Forest Centre
08 April - 09 July,
10am - 4.30pm
A multimedia exhibition
by Prof Adrian Newton of Bournemouth University.
A showcase of art and science, profiling the results of recent research into the ecology of the New Forest and the potential impacts of climate change.

Enquiries: 023 8028 3444
www.newforestcentre.org.uk

Photographic Walk
Bolton’s Bench, Lyndhurst 31 May, 2 - 4pm
Bring a camera, mobile phone, or ipad and snap stunning pictures of the Forest. Photographs can be entered into this year’s competition.

Enquiries: 01590 644865  www.evertonfestival.com
Tickets available from Everton Post Office from June onwards.

From Heathland to Housing
Forest Arts Centre
07 - 17 June, 9am - 5pm (Mon to Fri), 10am - 2.30pm (Sat)
Learn about one of the Forest’s fascinating communities. An exhibition of work from artists to commemorate Gypsy Roma Traveller History Month, including work from the Romany Gypsy community living in the New Forest.

Enquiries: www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre

Lion (PG)
Brockenhurst Cinema
09 June, 7.30pm (doors 7pm)
A film – a true story about a 30 year old Indian man adopted by an Australian couple who sets out to discover his family tree. Starring Dev Patel and Nicole Kidman.

Enquiries: 01590 622580  www.brockenhurstvillage.org.uk
Tickets £6 in advance, £6.50 on the door. Tickets available from Pot Pourri, Brookley Road, Brockenhurst, from the Village Hall, Highwood Road, or online at www.brockenhurstvillage.org.uk
The Travelling Tree of Life
Various locations and dates-
10 June, 10.30am Hythe Library, 1pm Forest Arts Centre, New Milton
11 and 18 June, The Observatory, Buckler’s Hard
17 June, 10.30am Ringwood library, midday Forest Forge Theatre, and 1pm Lyndhurst Community Centre

The Forest Forge Theatre bus will be working alongside hArt collecting people’s special memories of the Forest, as well as personal wishes and hopes for the future of our trees and the beloved National Park.

Step inside, create your own beautiful leaf to add to the tree, and tell us your story!

Create your own fairytale workshop
Forest Arts Centre 10 June, 10am
Create your own fairytale using shadowpuppets with hArt. There will be a performance at the end of the day.

The Travelling Tree of Life will visit this event.
Enquiries: www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre

Dendrology: writers in the Observatory
The Observatory, Buckler’s Hard 10 - 25 June, 10am
Forest Forge Theatre will be working with two established professional playwrights, Deborah Gearing and Paul Hewitt, who will be resident in the Observatory at Buckler’s Hard. There will be opportunities to speak to the writers and take part in activities relating to the Forest, trees and the landscape.

Enquiries: www.forestforgeytheatre.co.uk

Writers Workshop: Trees and You
Hythe library 10 June, 11am - midday
Come and explore what the New Forest means to you at our family friendly workshop with professional playwright Deborah Gearing. Do you have a special tree in your life? Bring along your favourite family story or memory relating to trees and learn how to make a simple mini-book to keep it in.

Enquiries: www.forestforgeytheatre.co.uk
Please book your place on the Forest Forge website.
**Beach front camera obscura**

Hordle Cliff, Milford on Sea, SO41 0NW

**10 June, 10am - 2pm**

Visit us near Beach Hut 37 at Hordle Cliff for an unusual view of the beach through a Camera Obscura. Make your own landscape drawing of The Needles using this centuries old method.

Please note: there are steep steps and a narrow pathway.

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**Gypsy Roma family day**

Forest Arts Centre  **10 June, 1 - 5 pm**

Join us in celebrating Gypsy Roma Traveller History Month and the opening of our Heathland to Housing exhibition. Help decorate our traditional Gypsy horse-drawn waggon with artists Carnival of Crows, watch Crystal’s Vardo, the extraordinary story of an ordinary girl’s journey through Romany history and her quest to piece together the shards of her ancestry, or join in with Jigfoot and learn some traditional step-dance moves.

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**Mortimer Sparks And The Perilous Plants**

Exbury Gardens  **10 - 25 June**

Join the world’s bravest explorer Mortimer Sparks and his assistant Jinx Calhoun as they race to stop a vicious vine from taking over the beautiful Exbury Gardens.

Enquiries: [www.exbury.co.uk](http://www.exbury.co.uk)

Tickets: £10.35 adults, £3.29 children, 10% discount online

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**The Growing Book**

Exbury Gardens  **10 June, 10am**

Help visual artist Noriko Suzuki-Bosco create a series of small handmade books. Each book will feature an image of a tree from the New Forest and a word or a short phrase that reflects on the natural beauty of the environment. Come along and add your thoughts and imaginations to the previous person’s entry in response to the word or phrase that is left in the book in a sequential manner.

There will be two book-making and simple poetry writing workshops on the theme of Trees at Exbury Gardens on Saturday 10 June.

Enquiries: [www.exbury.co.uk](http://www.exbury.co.uk)

All materials provided. Maximum 10 people per session

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**Opening Concert**

St Mary’s Church Hall  **11 June, 6.30 - 9pm**

Enjoy an evening of light classical music with Palm Court Trio. This year they will be accompanied by flautist, Ken Smith. Wine and soft drinks will be available.

Enquiries: 01590 644865  [www.evertonfestival.com](http://www.evertonfestival.com)

Tickets: £5 available from Everton Post Office from June onwards
Open rehearsal with Lymington Town Band
Royal British Legion Club
12 and 19 June, 7.30 - 9.30pm
Come along to Lymington Town Band’s open rehearsals. Any brass, woodwind/percussion players are welcome.
Enquiries: www.lymingtontownband.org.uk

Everton Ramble
Frys Lane, Everton
12 June, 1.30 - 4pm
A gentle ramble through the tracks and footpaths around Everton to the Sculpture Garden at Gordleton Mill. This walk is led by Everton Ramblers.
Meet at the Pavilion off Frys Lane.
Enquiries: 01590 644865
www.evertonfestival.com
Tickets will be available from Everton Post Office from June onwards

Art in the Yard
The Local Art Gallery
12 - 18 and 25 June, 10am - 4pm
Art in the Yard celebrates the wealth of talent in the local area. Showcasing a variety of art including original artwork, ceramics, woodwork, glassware, photography and demonstrations by local artists.
Enquiries: www.thelocalartscene.com

Photographic Soiree
St Mary’s Church Hall
12 June, 6.30 - 10pm
A chance to spend an evening with BBC cameraman and wildlife enthusiast Dr Manuel Hinge, who will be showing his acclaimed film of the New Forest ‘Ytene’, and local photographer Louis Rumis, international medallist winner. Wine and soft drinks available.
Enquiries: 01590 644865
www.evertonfestival.com
Tickets (£5) will be available from Everton Post Office from June onwards
**Exhibition**

Exbury gardens  
**13 - 24 June, 10am - 5.30pm**
Visit the Five Arrows Gallery to see a selection of 2d and 3d art work by artists who have specifically come together for the New Forest Arts Festival. Work includes photography, painting and sculpture.

[www.exbury.co.uk](http://www.exbury.co.uk)  
Tickets: £10.35 adults, £3.29 children, 10% discount online

**Bird & Make a Hoo**

Forest Arts Centre  
**13 June, 7.30pm**
Come and watch two theatrical performances from ‘physical theatrist’ Sita Pieraccini. Bird is a timeless tale of friendship, courage, magic and madness. With clowning, mime and visceral physicality, enriched by a live, detailed and subtle soundscape.

Enquiries:  
[www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre](http://www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre)  
Tickets £10, £9 concessions

**Ukulele Workshop**

Pavillion, Frys Lane, Everton  
**13 and 16 June, 3.30 - 5pm**
Beginners and improvers are welcome to come and learn some chords and strum patterns. We hope to include budding ukulele players at the musical evening with Empty Frets on Sat 17 June.

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[www.evertonfestival.com](http://www.evertonfestival.com)  
Tickets will be available from Everton Post Office from June onwards.
Jazz Evening

Everton and Lymore Social Club  
**13 June, 8 - 10pm**

Join us for an evening of jazz standards with singer ‘Vanessa’ and the bass, guitar and sax players known as the ‘Villains’.

Enquiries: **01590 644865**  [www.evertonfestival.com](http://www.evertonfestival.com)

Tickets will be available from Everton Post Office from June onwards. Entry and bar available to all.

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**Film**

**A Monster Calls (12A)**

Forest Arts Centre  
**14 June, 2pm and 7.30pm**

Based on the award-winning book by Patrick Ness, a boy befriends a tree-monster to cope with his mother’s terminal illness. Running time: 108 minutes. The 2pm showing will be subtitled.

Enquiries:  
[www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre](http://www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre)

Tickets £6, £5 concessions

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**Trees and Biscuits poetry workshop**

Blackwater Arboretum  
**13 June, 10am - 12.30pm**

Create poetry in a beautiful outdoor setting with Headway. A Trees and Biscuits poetry workshop in Blackwater Arboretum with the Biscuit Poets and professional poet Mark Rutter.

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**Talk**

**Drawn from the Forest: an artist’s view**

The New Forest Centre  
**14 June, 7pm**

Join us for a talk by writer Sonia Aarons as she explores why Sven Berlin and others writers and artists were irresistibly drawn to interpret what he called ‘The Green City’. This memorable evening of art and literature includes a Q&A session.

Enquiries and to book:  
**023 8028 3444**

Tickets £6, £4 members

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**Music**

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**Get involved**

**FREE**

**Everton Festival**
Garden Party
Old Mellow, Everton  
14 June, 2.30 - 4pm
While away the afternoon at a garden party with a cream tea and music at Old Mellow (private house next to the Crown Inn). There will be prizes for the ‘most striking hat’.

Enquiries: 01590 644865  www.evertonfestival.com
Tickets (£3) will be available from Everton Post Office from June onwards

An Hour of Merriment and Mirth & The Hither Side of the Hedge
Forest Arts Centre  
15 June, 7.30pm
Romany storyteller and historian Peter Ingram shares stories, songs and anecdotes from Gypsy life. Peter will also demonstrate traditional Jig Dolls and the Romany crafts.

The Hither Side of the Hedge celebrates folk song collector, author and artist Alice Gillington (1863 -1934) using her own words as well as traditional Hampshire songs and dances she collected from Gypsy families in Southampton and the New Forest. Expect readings, poems, songs and step dancing from Jigfoot musicians with Jo and Simon Harmer and the inimitable Peter Ingram.

Enquiries:  
www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre
Tickets £12, £11 concessions

The Man Who Planted Trees & Other Stories: Adult Storytelling Evening
Boston Tea Party Café  
15 June, 7.30 - 10pm
Storyteller Madeleine Grantham uses Jean Giono’s classic fable to frame a collection of folk tales and facts about trees and woodlands.

Tickets £5 on the door

Open Mic Evening
Everton & Lymore Social Club  
15 June, 8 - 10.30pm
Come and play, sing, or sit and listen.

All types of music are welcome.

Enquiries: 01590 644865  www.evertonfestival.com
Tickets will be available from Everton Post Office from June onwards. Entry and bar available to all.
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**Folk Evening**
Everton & Lymore Social Club  
**16 June, 8 - 10.30pm**
Local Folk impresario Steve West hosts an evening of folk. Part of Everton Village Festival.

Enquiries: 01590 644865  www.evertonfestival.com
Tickets will be available from Everton Post Office from June onwards. Entry and bar available to all.

**Capricorn Country Band**
Everton & Lymore Social Club  
**17 June, 8 - 10.30pm**
A chance to listen to this highly rated four-piece country music band based in Bournemouth. Capricorn Country Band were voted Southern Country Magazine readers’ ‘Band Of The Year 2007’.

Enquiries: 01590 644865  www.evertonfestival.com
Free but by pre-booked ticket only, available from Everton Post Office from June onwards.

**Shackleton by Tall Trees Theatre**
Forest Forge Theatre  
**17 June, 11am**
Live music, playful performance and puppetry combine to tell a tall tale about stepping out of your comfort zone and saying yes to adventure! A fun and memorable musical tale of one man and his dog as they rediscover the thrills of adventure.

Enquiries: www.forestforgetheatre.co.uk
Tickets £5 / £8 plus booking fee.
The Tree Line book launch
Treehouse Study Centre
17 June, 2pm
Join us for the launch of The Tree Line anthology of new poems celebrating our trees and woodlands, and what they mean to people in the UK and beyond. There will be readings by poets from the anthology, including Gillian Clarke (National Poet of Wales 2008 - 2016) and Isobel Dixon.

Tremendous Tree Trail
Treehouse Study Centre
17 June, 10am - 3pm
The Countryside Education Trust is launching the Tremendous Trees Trail. Learn fire lighting, draw from a charcoal burn, eat from a woodland salad bar, and see long bows in action.

There will also be a trail of poetry and prose through the woods, and a photography and schoolchildren’s art exhibition.

There is a café on site.

No booking required

Seaside painting
Hordle Cliff, Milford on Sea, SO41 0NW
(near beach hut 37)
17 June, 10am - 4pm
Come and meet professional artist Isabel Hurley as she spends a day painting at Hordle Cliff.

Please note: there are steep steps and a narrow pathway.

Free art for all
Lyndhurst Community Centre
17 June, 11am - 4pm
Join us for a day of fun arty activities. Watch local author and cartoonist Simon Chadwick as he draws some of his favourite characters, make some art of your own with Creative Kids, or create some thoughtful art with the Travelling Tree of Life.

There will also be demonstrations from textiles group Ewe2 and art will be on display from a range of local artists.

Families

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Drop in

Performance

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Perfect for children aged 5+ and their families.

Enquiries:
www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/rockbourne-roman-villa
Ticket £6

A New Forest dance with Jigfoot
Forest Arts Centre 17 June, 7.30pm
Jigfoot are coming to share the tunes and dances they have collected from the Romany families in the New Forest alongside contemporary ceilidh dances.
No experience is needed, caller Jo will make sure you never miss a cue and are always facing the right direction.

Enquiries:
www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre
Tickets £10, £8 concessions

Chair making course
Pondhead Inclosure 17 June, 9.30am - 4pm
Spend a day making your own chair using traditional tools and recently coppiced hazel. Run by Pondhead Conservation Trust, you’ll also get to take home your own bag of Pondhead charcoal. All tools provided, BBQ lunch, limited places.

Enquiries: www.pondheadconservation.org.uk
Ticket £105 Book online

Songs For Wild Horses
Ringwood Meeting House and History Centre
17 June, 7pm
An evening performance of music, created specially for the New Forest Arts Festival by Coda Music Trust with support from New Dimensions. The evening’s music will be performed by Bob Burke, local musicians and singers, inspired by the landscape of the New Forest and Thomas Hardy’s novella from 1872, Under the Greenwood Tree.
Tickets (£6) available on the door or by calling 01425 276161

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**Picnic in the Park**

Everton Recreation Ground  **17 June, 11.45am - 5pm**
Food, live music, birds of prey, beer tent, woodcarvers, vintage cars and more! This event includes the ‘Great Get Together’, organised nationwide in honour of murdered MP Jo Cox.

Enquiries: 01590 644865  [www.evertonfestival.com](http://www.evertonfestival.com)
Tickets available from Everton Post Office from June onwards.

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**Empty Frets Extravaganza**

St Mary’s Church Hall  **17 June, 7 - 10.30pm**
Festival favourites Empty Frets return for an evening of music.

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Free but by pre-booked ticket only, available from Everton Post Office from June onwards.

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**Songs of Praise on the Green**

St Mary’s Church  **18 June, 10 - 11am**
Join us for some music in the fresh air on the Crossways Green. Chairs will be provided.

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Tickets available from Everton Post Office from June onwards.

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**Playwright Workshop by Paul Hewitt**

The Observatory, Buckler’s Hard  **18 June, 2 - 4pm**
Are you a budding playwright? An opportunity to work as a professional playwright to develop your work inspired by the landscape.
Age: 18+

Enquiries:  [www.forestforgetheatre.co.uk](http://www.forestforgetheatre.co.uk)
Places limited and need to be booked in advance on the Forest Forge website.

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**Workshop**
**Free**

### Everton Village Festival Finale

**Everton Nurseries**

**18 June, 6.30 - 11.30pm**

A final treat to end Everton Village Festival, with music from Swing Unlimited. Doors open at 6.30pm, giving you time to buy a glass of wine or a soft drink, collect your supper box, and find a seat ready for the music to start at 7pm. Seating is provided under cover.

Enquiries: **01590 644865**

[www.evertonfestival.com](http://www.evertonfestival.com)

Tickets £10, including supper box available from Everton Post Office from June onwards.

### Father’s Day Tea Party with Polly Morris

**Camellias Café**

**18 June, 3 - 4pm**

Treat Dad to a cream tea, with music from the lovely Polly Morris, at Camellias.

Enquiries: **01590 644865**

[www.evertonfestival.com](http://www.evertonfestival.com)

Cost of cream tea from Camellias

### Open rehearsal with Lymington Town Band

**Royal British Legion Club**

**19 June, 7.30 - 9.30pm**

Come along to Lymington Town Band’s open rehearsals. Any brass, woodwind or percussion players are welcome.

Enquiries: [www.lymingtontownband.org.uk](http://www.lymingtontownband.org.uk)

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**Free**

### Forest Youth Brass

**Everton Nurseries**

**18 June, 11.30am - 1.30pm**

Come and support local young people as they perform in the relaxed atmosphere at Everton Nurseries. Refreshments are available from the adjacent Camellias Café.

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Tickets available from Everton Post Office from June onwards.
Trees and biscuits
Forest Arts Centre    20 June, 1.30 - 2.30pm
Biscuit Poetry is a collaborative poetry and spoken word group. The Biscuit Poets will be sharing some of their poems they have created collaboratively over a packet of biscuits at a workshop held on 13 June as part of the Arts Festival and their weekly meetings.

Enquiries:
www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre

Blue Tides
Burley Manor Hotel    22 June, 7.30pm
Enjoy an evening of music with Blue Tides seven piece band, playing soulful jazz and reggae rebooted.

Enquiries: 01425 880020    anthony@gonewforest.com
www.burleymanor.com
Tickets/booking required

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All Trees are Clocks: a live multi-media performance
The New Forest Centre    22 June, 7.30pm
A unique opportunity to see a live performance of ‘All trees are clocks’, a multi-media piece. Emily Burridge (cello) and Karen Wimhurst (clarinet) will accompany a presentation of sound and video documenting how the New Forest woodlands change throughout the year.

Tickets £7. Booking required, please call 023 8028 3444
**Lymington Palette Club summer exhibition**
Masonic Hall, Lymington
**23 - 25 June, 10am - 5pm**
A stunning summer exhibition of works by members of the Lymington Palette Club, with a special focus on trees.
Enquiries: www.lymingtonpalette.co.uk

**Sketching in the Park**
The Memorial Park, Totton **23 June, 10am**
Come and join Totton Art Society for a sketching session. Bring your own materials to sketch in one of Totton’s hidden gems, The Memorial Park.
Paths are easily accessible and parking and public toilets are close by. Meet at 10am at the War Memorial.
Enquiries: www.tottonartsociety.org.uk

**Felt making workshop**
Forest Arts Centre
**23 June, 10am - 3pm**
Learn the ancient art of wet felting and how to use different fibres, prefelts and fabrics (nuno felting) within your work. Using trees as an inspiration, produce a collage incorporating design, colour mixing, cutting and layering. You are welcome to bring a photo, drawing, cutting for inspiration.
Suitable for all levels.
Enquiries: www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre
Tickets £48, £36/£24 concessions

**Wine, Cheese and Trees**
Furzey Gardens
**23 June, 6.30 - 8.30pm**
Enjoy a summer’s evening at Furzey Gardens with Wine and Cheese. This event will give you an opportunity to learn more about the wonderful trees at Furzey Gardens with an optional guided walk with Head Gardener Pete. Also on hand will be a local wine expert and horticulture volunteer, to answer any wine or gardening questions you may have.
Enquiries: www.minsteadtrust.org.uk
Tickets: Early bird tickets £9.50 members and £12.50 non-members.

**Visual art**

**Exhibition**

**Craft**

**Get involved**
The Crucible
Blackwater Arboretum  24 June, 7.30pm
Forest Forge Youth Theatre present Arthur Miller’s The Crucible directed by Lucy Phillips. This gothic tale about the Salem witch trials in 1692 contains themes that are still relevant today. Tyranny, fear and passion are the forces behind this vivid story about extreme religious views and the fight for power, all of which resonate in today’s world. Our Youth Theatre bring its blend of ensemble led theatre to ignite this fascinating tale in an outdoor production amongst the trees at Blackwater Aboretum.

Enquiries and tickets: www.forestforgetheatre.co.uk
£8 adults, £5 concessions

All Trees are Clocks: a family workshop
Forest Arts Centre  June 24, midday - 4pm
Join Professor Adrian Newton of Bournemouth University for some hands-on activities to help learn about the ecology of the New Forest. Count the tree rings on an ancient beech tree. Explore the interactions between ponies and plants in a computer game. Learn what research can tell us about how the New Forest is changing.

Enquiries: 023 8028 3444

Vocal workshop
Forest Arts Centre  24 June, 10am - 3pm
In this informal workshop centred around the theme of trees and learning songs from the New Forest, Wendy will bring traditional folk harmonies and elements of improvisation. An informal performance will follow, starting at 3.15pm.

Enquiries: hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre
Tickets £20, £15/£10 concessions

Writers Workshop: Trees and You
Ringwood Library  24 June, 11am - midday
Come and explore what the New Forest means to you at our family friendly workshop with professional playwright Deborah Gearing. Do you have a special tree in your life? Bring along your favourite family story or memory relating to trees and learn how to make a simple mini-book to keep it in.

Enquiries: www.forestforgetheatre.co.uk
Please book your place on the Forest Forge website
**Messy makes workshop: magical forests**

Forest Arts Centre  **24 June, 10.30am - 12.30pm**

Create your own magical forest using modelling and sculptural techniques. Oak, ash, elm or fir, we will explore different types of trees and use the shapes, textures and colours as our inspiration. Suitable for ages 3+, children must be accompanied by a participating adult.

Enquiries:  
www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre

Tickets £3

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**Into the Woods**

The Observatory, Buckler’s Hard  **25 June, 2 - 4pm**

An open workshop in the woods, to witness the actors, writer and director relationship at work, culminating in a scratch performance of the seeds of a new play inspired by the playwrights’ residency at the Observatory. Age: 16+ / adults.

Enquiries:  
www.forestforgetheatre.co.uk

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**Hurricane Michael**

Forest Arts Centre  **24 June, 7.30pm**

Welcome to this world exclusive about the truth behind the Great Storm of 1987, featuring an after show chat with Michael Fish MBE. Why did this critically acclaimed winning titan of meteorology foresee the storm’s arrival, but choose to tell a different story?

Enquiries:  
www.hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk/forest-arts-centre

Tickets £15

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**Bandstand performance**

Lymington Town Bandstand  **25 June, 2.30 - 4.30pm**

Enjoy live music by the sea from Lymington Town Band. Lymington Town Band will lighten your day by playing a wide ranging repertoire of music including popular melodies, music from the shows, jazz, marches and classical works at their bandstand concert.

Enquiries:  
www.lymingtontownband.org.uk
Call to artists 2017

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Details correct at time of going to press. Please confirm with venues/artists before attending.

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