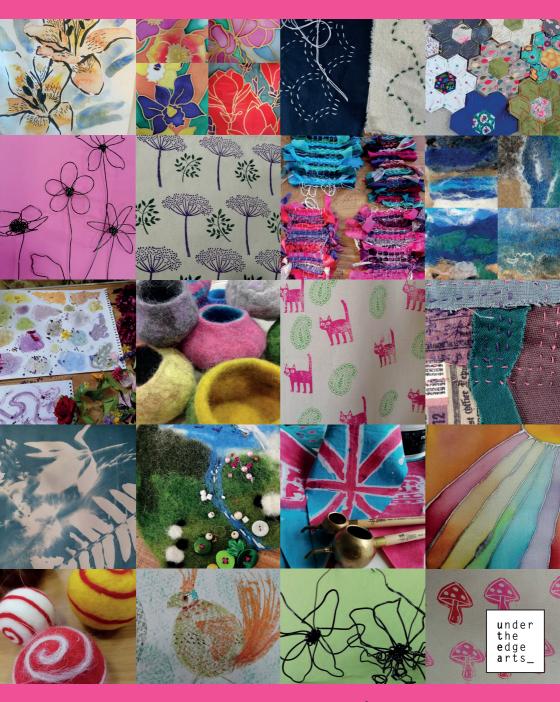
# UNDER THE EDGE ARTS • AUTUMN 2024



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# events

# September \_

#### Sip and Sketch

Thurs 5 • 6.30 - 10pm • £10 Themed art nights with free art counsel and equipment, plus affordable paintings for sale and other artsy products.

#### Electronic Open Mic Sessions

#### Fri 6 • 8pm • free

An evening of experimental electronic music play on your own, or jam with others.

#### Swing From Paris

#### Sat 7 • 8pm • £14

Swing from Paris are a UK quartet of violin, guitars and double bass. Inspired by the great swing bands of the 1930s and 40s, they present their own versions of music by Gershwin, Piazzolla, John Lewis, Django Reinhardt and Stéphane Grappelli.

#### **Board Games Night**

Tues 10 • 7.30 - 11pm • free Bring along any games you'd like to play. The bar will be open to purchase drinks.

#### UTEA Autumn Quiz

Thurs 12 • 7.30pm • £5 per person Give your brain a workout and help raise funds for UTEA. Max 6 per team. Questions start 8pm.

#### SCJC Jazz Jam

#### Fri 13 • from 8pm • free

All instruments/vocalists welcome. If you want to come and just listen that is fine too.

#### Impact Workshop

#### Sat 14 • 2 - 3.30pm • free

A FREE wellbeing workshop to help set goals and build habits on purpose. Through guided activities and journaling, you'll gain clarity and simplicity.

### Johnny Coppin

#### Sat 14 • 8pm • £16

Johnny's gorgeous and seemingly effortless vocals have graced the folk-scene since Decameron in the 1970s. An experienced solo performer, accompanying himself on piano and guitar, he is a talented songwriter and singer.

#### Wellbeing Sunday

#### Sun 15 • 9.30am - 3pm • £45

Join the wellbeing crew to rejuvenate your mind, body, and soul. This day of relaxation and connection includes yoga, dance, drumming and a sound bath. Throughout the day Tim will be offering Reiki and Alison holistic massage for 30 minutes, for an extra £10 each. Please bring a mat, blanket & pillow, and lunch to share if you wish. Thanks to these generous therapists all proceeds will go to UTEA.

#### Inspiration Cabin: My Life with Bees Thurs 19 • 8pm • £5

Join us for a talk by Tim Wright, a commercial beekeeper with over 15 years of experience in running and working with over 200 hives.

#### Wotton Blues Fest 2024

#### **Blues Fest Blues Jam**

Fri 20 • from 6.30pm • free Join in and play 'the blues' as part of a band. All levels of ability welcome.

#### **Blues Vinyl**

### Sat 21 • 2 - 4pm • free

Bring along and play some blues themed vinyl or pop in for a drink and listen.

### The Southern Slamdoor Band

Sat 21 • 7.30 - 9pm • free Four musicians from diverse music backgrounds, with their entertaining and varied uptempo blues sets. Adding early 60's soul and funk influences, they bring a new twist to the genre, with their 'Barefootin' Boogaloo Blues'!

#### Route 61

Sun 22 • 12 - 1.30pm • free The experienced band play original and contemporary blues, with a little of everything in between!

# Wotton Area CAN Talk: Nuclear's Role in Meeting Climate Targets

Thurs 26 • 7.30pm • free Dr. Kevin Howard presents a simple explanation of nuclear power and how it could offer a long-term solution to electricity generation. Free entry, UTEA bar open.

#### Vinyl Night

#### Fri 27 • from 8pm • free

We play music based on a loose theme - this month it's 'Strange Fruit, Strange Beasts'.

# Moments of Pleasure – The Music of Kate Bush

#### Sat 28 • 8pm • £18

Moments Of Pleasure have rapidly emerged as one of the most acclaimed tribute bands in the UK. Lisa Marie Walters' vocal and visual performance is astonishing and she is widely lauded as the next best thing to listening to Kate Bush herself!

# October \_\_\_

#### Electronic Open Mic Sessions Thurs 3 • 8pm • free

See 6 September for details

# Journaling for Mindfulness & Relaxation

Fri 4 • 1 - 2.30pm • £50 for 7 weeks Aimed at beginners. For booking and enquiries contact Anna on 07588 481365

#### The Leon Hunt n-Tet Sat 5 • 8pm • £8

The latest incarnation of The Leon Hunt n-Tet: Leon Hunt continues to confound the stereotypes that try to confine the banjo to Bluegrass music. Jason Titley is one of the most driving and rhythmically engaging 'flat pick' guitarists you'll hear anywhere. Gina Griffin's ability to sing in unison and in harmony with her own fiddle improvisations is one of the most extraordinary sounds you'll ever hear.



Board Games Night Tues 8 • 7.30 - 11pm • free See 10 September for details

SCJC Jazz Jam Fri 11 • from 8pm • free See 13 September for details

#### Under The Edge Drag Bingo Sat 12 • 8pm • £10

A night of sparkle and sass, hosted by the outrageously fabulous Madame Scarlet Beauregarde LeRoux, Vee Agra and SleezyJet Samantha from the Stroud Drag Collective. It's bingo with a fierce, fabulous twist! Get Interactive games, impromptu dance-offs, and fabulous prizes. For ages 18+

#### Sip and Sketch

Thurs 17 • 6.30 - 10pm • £10 See 5 September for details

#### Four Friends on the Road Sat 19 • 8pm • £14

An evening of Americana featuring: James Slater - folk, country, blues, R&B, rock & roll, gospel, and other external influences. Mansfield Smith - acoustic Americana duo consisting of guitar, double bass, harmonica & vocals, playing original songs and covers. Mandy Woods - songs of hope, heartbreak and the highway.

#### Wotton Area CAN Talk: British Bats Thurs 24 • 7.30pm • free

Local ecologist and arborist Jim Mulholland takes us on a virtual guided safari of British bats.

#### Friday Night Blues Jam

Fri 25 • from 7.30pm • free

Bring your instruments along, sing or just listen with a drink. All levels of ability welcome.

#### Jim Causley and Miranda Sykes: Ghosts, Werewolves and Countryfolk Sat 26 • 8pm • £17

Jim and Miranda join John Palmer to celebrate the centenary of Victorian superstar Sabine Baring-Gould, interweaving songs he collected with stories from his best-selling books.

# events



The Great Baldini

The Great Baldini: Family Magic Show Sun 27 • 3 - 4pm • £8/children £6 The legendary magician tells the story of his (and Baldwin the dog's) life from his first trick to the height of their careers – attempting Houdini's greatest escape. A show packed with magic, puppetry and escapology. Recommended for age 4+

Children must be accompanied by an adult

### Volunteers Sign Up/Vinyl Night

Thurs 31 • 6.30pm • free

Pop in for a chat and sign up for volunteering roles. Stick around after to meet other volunteers at Vinyl Night and play some great music on the theme 'Scary Monsters, Super Creeps'.

### November

#### Sip and Sketch

Fri 1 • 6.30 - 10pm • £10 See 5 September for details

Volunteers Coffee Morning

Sat 2 • 10 - 11am Find out how you can get involved at UTEA.

#### The Scribes Boombox Trio

#### Sat 2 • 8pm • £5

Lyricist/producer III Literate and beatbox maestros Pye & Minamus combine to make a trademark sound unlike any other, a blend of live instrumentation and sampling set against a backdrop of booming beatboxing. With Manks the Rapper, DJ Atom B2B & Dr Zedd.

#### Electronic Open Mic Sessions Thurs 7 • 8pm • free See 6 September for details

SCJC Jazz Jam Fri 8 • from 8pm • free See 13 September for details

### Wotton Block Party Launch Night

Sat 9 • 9pm - 2am • £9\*

The Wotton Block Party team is hosting a launch event at UTEA to raise awareness and interest in next year's Block Party, with the best music, drinks and dancing in town. \*Includes a free cocktail.

#### **Board Games Night**

Tues 12 • 7.30 - 11pm • free See 10 September for details

#### Friday Night Blues Jam

Fri 15 • from 7.30pm • free See 25 October for details

#### Improv Comedy Workshop

#### Sat 16 • 2pm • £5

With Rob Barratt. An introduction to improvisational comedy through warm-up activities and structured improv games.

#### Rob Barratt – Comedy and Poetry Sat 16 • 8pm • £10

Rob Barratt is a Dudley-born and Cornwallbased comic poet, humourist and singer. His brain-tickling, word-mangling performance combines clever word play, verse and song with satire, parody and audience participation.

#### UTEA Christmas Craft Fair

#### Sat 23 • 10am - 4pm • free

A wide variety of stalls offering a great way to shop for locally made Christmas gifts. To book a stall please contact info@utea.org.uk

#### Steve Tilston Sat 23 • 8pm • £15

Steve Tilston is one of our most celebrated song smiths, widely recognised within the world of folk and contemporary music; the words, arrangements and subtle, quite superb guitar playing could be no one else.

#### Wotton Area CAN Talk

Thurs 28 • 7.30pm • free "Land Use and the Potential for Regenerative Farming in Stroud District"

#### UTEA Fundraising Fashion Show Fri 29 Details coming soon!

#### Tim Edey – The Celtic Christmas Tour Sat 30 • 8pm • £15

A stunning mix of world music, inspired instrumental virtuosity, with a strong Celtic theme, and above all, a highly entertaining night of musical genius, all held together by Tim's dynamic and infectious personality.

# December

#### Electronic Open Mic Sessions Thurs 5 • 8pm • free See 6 September for details

Vinyl Night Fri 6 • from 8pm • free This month's theme is 'Heaven & Hell'.

### Mark Harrison & Charles Benfield

#### Sat 7 • 8pm • f12

With a distinctive guitar style, Mark takes elements of folk and blues to create something that is very much his own. He is accompanied by the brilliant Charles Benfield on double bass and vocals.

#### The Snow Queen

#### Sun 8 • 2pm • £9

Puppet show & workshop with Paul Batten of Theatrix Arts. Enjoy the wonderful tale of The Snow Queen told through the eyes of puppets Gerda and Kai, then create your own puppet!

#### **Board Games Night**

Tues 10 • 7.30 - 11pm • free See 10 September for details

Sip and Sketch Thurs 12 • 6.30 - 10pm • £10 See 5 September for details



Tim Edey

SCJC Jazz Jam Fri 13 • from 8pm • free See 13 September for details

#### The Resurrection Session Sat 14 • 2pm • £5

The Resurrection Session return for another fabulous fundraiser at UTEA. They will be performing a laid-back evening of old time Blues and Americana.

#### Friday Night Blues Jam

Fri 20 • from 7.30pm • free See 25 October for details

#### I Love Wotton Carol Singing Sat 21 • 3 - 4.30pm • free All welcome. In aid of the local Food Bank.

#### Atomic Kids Rave

Tues 31 • 5.30 - 6.45pm • £4 (child) Pure high energy tunes for the entire family. (Parents free but donations welcome)

The Edge Sound System NYE party Tues 31 • 8pm - 1am • £6 See the new year in with this fundraiser for UTEA that will make you want to dance until you drop.

The Resurrection Session



# classes

### arts + crafts.



#### Painting with Rob Collins Tuesday • 12.30 – 3.30pm Wednesday • 9.30am – 12.30pm

Enjoyable and informative classes for students with a range of skills and experience. Any medium. Student supplies own materials. Rob gives expert technical help and advice and works with students to develop their personal creativity in a fun and welcoming atmosphere. £22 per session booked half term at a time in advance. Contact Rob on robcollins52@ymail. com or 07887 294186. www.robcollinsart.com

#### Wotton Life Drawing Wednesday • 7.30 – 9.30pm • £10

Life Drawing classes with occasional Portrait sessions. Informal and relaxed environment. All abilities are welcome, artist Spike Woods is on hand for expert guidance.

Student supplies own materials.

£10 per session, first class free. Discount for those that book a whole term in advance. Contact Sarah (wottonlifedrawing@gmail) or Spike (01453 844526) with any queries about class content, tuition or availability.

#### Under the Edge Quilters Thursday • 1 – 4pm • £4

Friendly gathering, welcoming complete beginners & anyone wanting to find out about this craft. Meet first Thursday of the month. Contact Jo at jo@poultons.info or 07814293777 for more details.

#### The Art of Expression Friday • 10am – 12.30pm

Mixed media, painting and drawing with tutor Steph Cormack. In this class you will learn to develop your own creative process in an informal and relaxed environment.. Exploring ideas about self expression and experimenting with different techniques and media will help you to create colourful, intuitive and personal projects. £98 for six weeks.

For more info and to book, call 07851 840178 or email stephcormackart@gmail.com



### Sewing Workshops

Saturday • 10am - 1pm A range of workshops and short courses for all stitching abilities. For more info email debssewingbee@hotmail.com 14 Sept, 12 Oct, 16 Nov & 7 Dec.

## dance + wellbeing \_\_\_\_

#### Qigong classes

Mon • 6 – 7pm Tues • 10 – 11am Qigong is moving meditation, the integration of breathing practice with mindful movement to allow your body to relax and your mind to settle, through a series of gentle exercises. It is also effective for your physical health, improving flexibility, balance and core strength. Suitable for all ages, fitness levels and abilities. First class is only £5, then £12 drop-in after that or £34 for a 4 class block.

Booking and more info: shiatsusally@gmail.com



#### Nia Dance Exercise & Relaxation Wednesday • 5.30 - 6.30pm • £8

Nia classes provide an effective, inspiring and adaptable whole-body workout through a proprietary blend of music, movement and mindfulness that leaves you physically energized, mentally calm, emotionally balanced and joyful in spirit. Contact Teresa on 07815 816396 or email teresaisaacs@me.com

#### Irish Social Dancing Workshop & Ceili Sundays

Workshop 11.30am - 1pm • £3

Ceili 2 - 5pm • £5 (or £7 for both) Ceili with live music by the Perfect Cure Ceili Band. All welcome, no partner needed. It's lively, sociable and fun! Contact Sharon on 07745376499 for details, no need to book in advance, pay on the door. 13 October and 10 November

## literature \_

#### Viv Dunham Poetry2Please

Saturday • 2 - 4pm • £4 (students free) Meeting on the second Saturday of each month in the Chipping Club Room (adjacent to UTEA). Each month has a theme for the first hour and then a featured well-known poet for the second. Original poetry is welcomed but not essential. Observers also welcomed. Contact: geflucena@aol.com or janetwalshe@icloud.com

### music \_\_\_\_

#### Round the Edge Community Choir Monday • 7.30 – 9pm • £7

Great fun singing harmony from around the world, in a friendly environment. Open to all – no experience necessary and new members always welcome. Pay-as-you-go. Call Liz on 07891 036145 or email nicelizmartin@yahoo.co.uk for more details.

## accessible workshops & creative cafés

Sunday Why Not Try workshops Sunday • 10am - 12noon • £7 Sociable taster sessions in different art/craft activities. 6 Oct, 3 Nov, 1 Dec.

#### Teen Why Not Try workshops Thursday • 3 - 5.30pm • £4 Taster sessions in art/craft activities, for young people. 14 & 28 Nov, 12 Dec.

#### Creative Café - after-school

Thursday • 2.30 - 4.30pm • free/PAYF Drop in for a hot drink/squash and toast and join in with the creative activity or just chat. Open to all ages (children must be accompanied by an adult). Free/Pay as you Feel. 26 Sept, 10 & 24 Oct, 14 & 28 Nov, 12 Dec

**Creative Café - Repair/Mindful Textiles Thursday • 1 - 3pm • free/PAYF** Book in advance or drop in with own craft or for a chat and cuppa. 10 & 24 Oct, 14 Nov

#### Printmaking Course

Tuesday • 7 - 9pm • £37.50 for 3 weeks Small group exploring different printmaking techniques and developing skills. Basic materials included.

# info

#### Venue

The Chipping Hall, The Chipping, Wotton-under-Edge, GL12 7AD.

### Contact

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### How you can help

We rely on volunteers to help run our many events, and also behind the scenes.

If you have any spare time or would just be able to help on a one-off basis, please email volunteer@utea.org.uk. And we are always looking for people to join our board of trustees.

Become a Member of UTEA and help us safeguard the future of our home, the Chipping Hall. See our website and leaflets for more details.

Consider making a donation, sponsoring an event, or leaving us a legacy. You can Gift Aid donations to make them go further. It all helps us continue to provide our great range of activities for the local community.

### Box Office - Cotswold Book Room

You can buy tickets for our events at the Cotswold Book Room, 26 Long St, Wotton-under-Edge GL12 7BT. Huge thanks to Gideon and Cathy for their support.

### Church Street window display

We are very grateful to B Walker & Co (Dursley) for the continued use of the window space to promote our events.

### Wotton-under-Edge Directory

Many thanks to Jan Baber for helping to distribute this programme. For details of the directory call 01454 527927, or visit the website www.wottondirectory.com

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