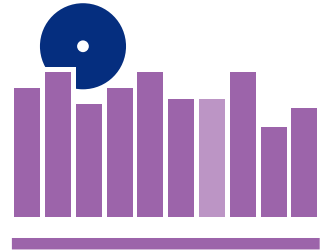


What's On

in the Library October 2018



EXHIBITIONS (admission free)

3 – 29 October: Barbican Foyer Exhibition

Young Creatives on Change

Work by young creatives from our Barbican Guildhall Creative Learning programmes will be presented in a new exhibition at the Barbican Library. Tying in with National Poetry Day, for the month of October the exhibition will include work by the Barbican Young Poets and Young Visual Artists on the theme of change and will be part of a celebration of ten years of the Barbican Young Poets. The exhibition will include Barbican Young Poets alumni performing a repertoire from this exhibition at a live public event at the Barbican Library, mc'd by Jacob Sam La Rose.

16 October – 31 December : Barbican Music Library Exhibition

Women in Jazz

A musical and social survey of the rich contribution women have made to jazz over the last 100 years, and of the talented upcoming generation who herald an exciting new era. The exhibition pays particular attention to instrumentalists. While many vocalists such as Ella, Billie, Nina and Cleo are household names, many star players and pioneers have been sadly neglected and deserve to be rediscovered. Drawing on the rich resources of the National Jazz Archive the exhibition includes photos, posters, journals, video and memorabilia.



EVENTS

Libraries Week takes place between the 8–13 October to celebrate the nation's much-loved libraries. This year, with a focus on wellbeing, libraries across the country will showcase how they bring communities together, combat loneliness, provide a space for reading and creativity and support people with their mental health.

Please see our separate guide to all activities taking place in the Library during Libraries Week

Tuesday 16 October, 11.30am - 1pm

eResources Workshop

Do you need help accessing and downloading eBooks, eAudio books or eMagazines? Why not come along to our eResources Workshop where staff will be on hand to help. If you have a mobile device bring it along or watch a demo on one of our computers. Booking essential, ask for more details at the enquiry desk. This workshop is part of Get Online Week, if you need help getting online please book a 1:1 session at the enquiry desk.



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Wednesday 17 October, 12.30 – 13.30pm

Africa's Great War – the story of the war in Africa and of Africans on the Western Front: A Talk by Nick Dobson

When we think of the Great War, the image that most readily comes to mind is that of trench warfare on the Western Front. However, the war was a World War and the first shots fired by British Troops were fired in Africa. This is the fascinating story of Africa's Great War from that first conflict until the German surrender which took place after the war had ended in Europe. We will also see how the war helped shape African nationality and still influences the politics of a continent nearly a century later. Free entry, no need to book.



Wednesday 17 October, 7pm (doors open at 6.30pm)

Peggy Seeger in conversation with Robin Denselow

Following the paperback publication of her award-winning memoir (published 6 September 2018), this intimate evening in the Barbican Music Library sees legendary singer and activist Peggy Seeger chat with Guardian's world critic Robin Denselow about her life and music. Tickets available through Eventbrite for £15 + £1.31 booking fee: www.eventbrite.com



Wednesday 24 October, 12.30-1.30pm

A Celebration of the Bicentenary of the Birth of Emily Jane Brontë (30 July 1818 - 19 December 1848)

Join members of the Brontë Society who will read a selection of Emily's poetry and extracts from her novel Wuthering Heights. Free but booking advisable

Monday 29 October, 18.30 (doors open 18.00 for refreshments)

Long Poem Launch of Issue 20

The launch of Issue 20 of Long Poem Magazine, edited by Linda Black and Claire Crowther, marks the 10 year anniversary of the magazine. Come along and join the celebration. Free entry, no need to book. Refreshments available.



Tuesday 30 October, 2-3.30pm

Djembe drumming workshop led by Seneke Sillah

The workshop will focus initially on technique, and then move on to learning a call and response introduction and rhythms from Guinea and the Senegambia region of West Africa. Suitable for all levels. Seneke will provide a range of accompaniments to suit beginners, improvers and more advanced students. All drums will be supplied but participants may bring their own drum if they wish. Free but booking essential—call the Music Library on 020 76380672 or email barbicanmusic@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Wednesday 31 October, 12.30 – 1.30pm

Three Key Steps to Great Sleep without alcohol, medication or gimmicks

Join Beatrix A. Schmidt, Sleep Coach, Speaker and Author, to explore:

- * How sleep works and why we need it
- * The common misconceptions about sleep
- * 3 key steps to great sleep every night.

FREE but booking advisable.



REGULAR EVENTS

Thursday 11 October, 10am – 12 noon

Read and Relax

This event is held at the Ralph Perring Community Room, above Golden Lane Leisure Centre, Fann Street EC1Y 0SH

This friendly informal group meets once a month over tea or coffee to share a short story and a poem. Nothing to prepare, just come along! If you would like more information email: geraldine.pote@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Thursday 18 October, 1-2pm

Barbican Library Tour

FREE informal 60-minute sessions which include an introduction to the layout of the library and information on the many services available.

Booking is essential—please call 020 7638 0569. Evening tours at 6pm are available on request.

Every Tuesday, 10.30am – 12.30pm

Let's Talk! Conversation Group

Are you learning English? Come along and practise speaking with other Londoners in a relaxed and friendly environment. No need to book and free of charge.

And don't forget: starting on 11 October:

our new free **GAMES CLUB**—every Thursday 3 to 5pm!

ALL AGES WELCOME!

Thursday 18 October, 5.30 - 7pm

Barbican Comic Forum

A discussion group devoted to comic books and graphic novels.

Get recommendations, make friends and choose from a wide selection of books. From novices to fanatics: open to all! Admission Free. The question for this month's discussion is "What's the worst thing about comics?" For more information email joel.janiurek@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Throughout October

Add your favourite poem to our "Poetree"!

Do you have a favourite poem or love to write poetry? Come and help us grow our "Poetree" in the Children's Library—all you have to do is write down your favourite poem on one of the autumnal leaves available and then add it to the tree!

IN THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY (all events are free)

For activities taking place in the Children's Library for Libraries Week, please see the separate *Libraries Week* guide.

REGULAR CHILDREN'S LIBRARY EVENTS

Thursday 11 October, 5.15 – 7pm

(Secret) Film Club

Children aged five and over can come and watch a film projected on a big



screen in the comfort of the Barbican Library.

Saturday 20 October, 2 – 3.30pm

Saturday Art Club

Craft session for children of all ages.

Every Saturday, 10.45-11.15am

Dads' Rhymetime

Dads - bring your toddler along to our special 'dads-only' rhymetime.

Listen to stories, join in with the singing, bond with your child and meet

other local fathers. Ages 0-5

Every Thursday, 4 – 5pm

Monster Club

A regular weekly club for children aged 6 and over with activities such as art and games. Children can sit, chat, meet other children and make friends, read a book - it's up to them. No booking required - they can just show up, relax and have some fun!



Please note:

When attending our events, if you have a disability you wish us to consider, please inform the staff in advance.

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