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BARBICAN WEEKENDER

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23 & 24 JUL 11

In association with **home live art**

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Exploring the use of the voice through music, film, song, art and performance, **Barbican Weekender: Extraordinary Voices** brings the centre alive with two days of free events from artists & performers, choirs, poets, beatboxers, storytellers and installations.

Hear incredible music acts such as soul queen **Irma Thomas**, Garifuna singer **Aurelio**, traditional Egyptian folk musicians **Suhbagiyya**, Grammy-nominated Cajun band **Feufollet** and the infamous **Frank Chickens**. Don't miss choirs from across the city including the **London Gay Men's Chorus** and **Streetwise Opera**. For beats and spoken word, watch **Tongue Fu** and beatboxing sensation **The Boxettes** tackle topics from everyday life.

Discover the voices of **Barbican Young Poets** and **Julian Opie's** installation. You can also join **Phil Minton** to create **The Feral Choir** or **Ida Barr's Mash-up** and perform in the foyer. Transform your ideas into a fashion statement with artist **Reza Ben Gajra** and visit a Parisian café as **Strangeworks** invite you **To Sleep Perchance to Dream**, and don't forget to visit the **Whitecross Street Party**, plus much, much more...

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The City of London Corporation is the founder and principal funder of the Barbican Centre



Sat & Sun 11am – 6pm

VOICE OVER MOVEMENT

**ROBERT WORBY, JONNY PUGH
AND DOUGLAS MURPHY**

Come and join the voice over movement! If you could hear a Crowds' thoughts what would they be? Would they talk about their hopes and dreams? Are they loud, quiet, excited or scared? Artist **Julian Opie** has made silent animated Crowds 2 (2011) – watch them move and make them speak by recording your own voice-over to put your words in their mouths.

Crowds 2 is part of *Watch Me Move: The Animation Show* in the Barbican Art Gallery, 15 Mar to 11 Sep 2011

Mezzanine

Free, Drop-in

Sat & Sun 11am – 6pm

TO SLEEP PERCHANCE TO DREAM **STRANGWORKS**

Dreamers unite! Join a makeshift world where your imagination is the only limit to the experience as Strangeworks welcomes you *To Sleep Perchance to Dream*, an interactive performance that takes place between a strange pop-up café and a bed.



Frank Chickens – Karaoke

Take a seat in the cafe and let your wildest daydreams run loose or rest your weary head on a pillow and relax to see what unfolds.

Lakeside Terrace

Free, Drop-in

Sat & Sun 11am – 6pm

FOLEYOKE **DASH 'N' DEM**

Create the sound effects that make movies so dramatic. Learn the tricks of the trade, make props and then perform alongside film clips in a karaoke style. Created in collaboration with Onkar Kular.

Ground Floor

Free, Drop-in

Sat & Sun 11am – 6pm

WHAT DOES YOUR FACE SOUND LIKE?

MZTEK

If your face was a ringtone, what would it sound like? Would it be a series of beats and clicks, or dings and dongs? Find out by looking into our computer composer which will analyse your facial traits and turn them into a ringtone for your phone! Ringtones can be downloaded from the MzTEK website.

Ground Floor

Free, Drop-in

Sat & Sun 11am – 6pm

MAKE A MICROPHONE

MZTEK

From Rap to Jazz, the microphone is a tool that musicians use to help amplify their voice and music, but have you ever wondered how they are put together? Using simple electronic components, create your own microphone and record sounds which will be mixed live by MzTEK for the soundtrack for Barbican Weekender and available for others to hear from the MzTEK website.

Ground Floor

Free, Drop-in

20 – 40min workshops

Sat & Sun 11am – 10.30pm

SAY IT, WEAR IT!

REZA BEN GAJRA

Something to say? Get it off your chest...or get it on your chest! Put it on a T-shirt & wear it! Make a sound, take a word, recite a poem or sing a song and then create your own T-shirt design using markers, paint & printing techniques.

Fountain Room

Free, Drop-in

Sat & Sun 11am – 6pm

LIGHT GRAFFITI

KIM NOCE & SHAUN CLARK

Tired of making your mark with pencils, pens and paint? Why not express yourself in light instead? Come and join us to create a light animation. The results will be screened once an hour.

Hammerson Room

Free

Sat 11am – 10.30pm /

Sun 11am – 6pm

THE APATHY BAND

With innovative artist Bob & Roberta Smith, The Apathy Band takes up residence at the Barbican Centre throughout the weekend. So when it all gets too much, visit the Fountain Room to chill out, make music and relax.

Fountain Room

Free

Sat 12pm

THE LSO COMMUNITY CHOIR

Hear Mad Madge, Sweet Thames Flow Softly and While London's Fast Asleep with a difference as the LSO St Luke's Community Choir under their Musical Director David Knotts sing show tunes, opera choruses, folk-songs and much more. The LSO St Luke's Community Choir is made up of adults who live or work in the EC1 area of London and love singing.

ClubStage

Free

Sat 12pm

THE SPOKEN VOICE BARBICAN YOUNG POETS

Come and listen to some of the amazing Barbican Young Poets, a collective of 20 emerging writers aged 14–21. Performing work from this year's programme, they are guaranteed to kick-start our afternoon of Spoken Voice.

FreeStage

Free

Sat 12.30pm – 3.30pm
(at half hour intervals)

TONGUE FU

Tongue Fu has become one of the liveliest, most talked about and best

attended poetry nights in London. During the day, visit the FreeStage and watch the finest spoken word artists from the UK and beyond perform to the sublime improvised soundtracks from the genre-defying Tongue Fu Band. Hosted by Chris Redmond, artists include Laura Dockrill, Dizraeli and Zena Edwards.

FreeStage

Free



Sat 12.30pm – 3.30pm
(at half hour intervals)

THE BOXETTES

Be inspired by the amazing female beatbox sensation **The Boxettes**. Their unconventional acapella sound with tight beatbox work is set against dreamy, sundrenched harmonics – as each of the girls take turns in either singing over a melody, providing chord work, beatboxing or sound effects using their mouths only.

FreeStage

Free

Sat 2pm

IDA BARR'S MASH-UP

From rap, to music hall, reggae, R&B and dance, artist **Christopher Green's** notorious performance character, **Ida Barr**, a female Victorian Music-Hall star-turned-rapper takes you through a series of open workshops, which culminates in a joyous public mash-up with all participants, their families and the wider audience taking part. Participants include **Stockwell Good Neighbours**, **Peckham Shed Theatre**, **Prior Weston School** and **The Claremont Centre**.

ClubStage

Free



Sat 12.30pm & 2.30pm (Whitecross Street) & 4pm (Barbican) /
Sun 12.15pm & 4pm (Whitecross Street) & 2pm (Barbican)

TRANS-SIBERIAN MARCH BAND

The Trans-Siberian March Band is a thirteen-piece Balkan Brass Band based in London. Follow the band through the centre and up the Whitecross Street party as they play ska, klezmer, reggae, Mexican trumpet tunes and Ottoman battle marches. Their distinct sound and dress will provide the soundscape for the weekend.

Whitecross Street & Barbican
Free

Sat 3.30pm / Sun 1.30pm & 5pm
SWARM

Crowds in action: a large chorus marauds through the Barbican Foyers singing, chanting, whispering, shouting, laughing, crying, jeering. Directed by Emma Bernard with music and lyrics by Orlando Gough, Swarm will be performed by 100 amateur participants and five members of The Shout.

Across the Centre
Free

Sat 4pm

FRANK CHICKENS

Founded in 1982 by performance artist Kazuko Hohki, who is reputed to have brought karaoke to Britain, Frank Chickens have toured the world with their spectacular live set of songs, stories, costume changes, visuals and a cast of thousands! Experience the unique sound as they wow the Barbican with outlandish Japanese-inspired music.

ClubStage
Free

Sat 4.45pm

SUHBAGIYYA

Try something different and stay for music that celebrates the extraordinary voice. Veteran Egyptian master musicians Suhbagiyya perform a special FreeStage set of songs from the golden age of Egyptian cinema.

FreeStage
Free

Sat 6.15pm

TAMIKREST

Hailing from Mali and passionate about their way of life, join Tamikrest as they weave stories from their youth living in the Tuareg community. You will be captivated by their lyrics as they tell you about the loss of their culture — but also about love: the love of life and



the love for the vast expanse of their home — the Sahara.

FreeStage

Free

Sat 10.30pm – 1am

SILENT DISCO WITH SILENT DISCO LONDON AND DJS RUSS JONES & ROC HUNTER

Join Silent Disco London for a unique musical sensory experience - take your headset and immerse yourself in the groove. Hackney Globetrotter Russ Jones brings his unique blend of global beats to compete against sparring partner DJ Roc Hunter as they play to win hearts, minds and ears.

ClubStage

£5 refundable deposit

Sun 11am & 12pm

THE KAOS SIGNING CHOIR FOR DEAF AND HEARING CHILDREN

The Kaos Signing Choir is the only integrated deaf and hearing children's choir in the UK and will lift the Barbican with spirited and joyous performances. Regularly wowing audiences, the choir incorporate British Sign Language and singing in the interpretation of original *Songs Of Kaos*, all written by or especially for

the group.

FreeStage & ClubStage

Free

Sun 11.30am & 12.30pm

LONDON GAY MEN'S CHORUS

The London Gay Men's Chorus, Europe's largest and best-known gay choir, takes you on an aural adventure that explores the full range of their vocal repertoire. Marvel at the chorus as they take you through their trademark mix of fabulous pop hits and stunning classical pieces.

FreeStage & ClubStage

Free

Sun 11.30am & 12.30pm

STREETWISE OPERA

Want to try something different? Come and learn a little piece of opera with the Streetwise Opera performers. Using opera as a tool to help people who have experienced homelessness move forward in their lives, they will be using their workshop experience to help you explore opera in a fun, lively way.

ClubStage & FreeStage

Free





Sun 12pm & 2pm

LONDON BULGARIAN CHOIR

Watch Bulgarian singer **Dessislava Stefanova** and the rest of the choir in beautiful traditional dress sing haunting folk songs from Bulgaria which will resonate around the Barbican Centre. They invite you to join them in finding that ancient resonance in the depth of the human heart on a journey around Bulgaria, exploring the landscapes of the voice and the creative traditions of this beautiful land.

FreeStage

Free

Sun 1pm

WHAT WORK SOUNDS LIKE MIKHAIL KARIKIS

Beeps, clicks, spoken commands or instructions... these are the sounds that surround us. Working with local people who live and work around the Barbican, innovative voice artist **Mikhail Karikis** has worked with a group to create a new vocal piece and film projection which is based on what you may hear every day. So come and hear What Work Sounds Like and see if you recognise any of the sounds.

ClubStage

Free

Sun 1pm & 2pm

MASPINZELLI

Bringing the sounds and life of the Republic of Georgia to the UK, **Maspinzelli** create a strong bond between choir members and the audience. Enjoy spine-tingling harmonies and revel in a passion for traditional music as they perform songs from their musical heritage.

FreeStage & ClubStage Free

Sun 2.30pm

FERAL CHOIR

Come and watch an epic performance on the foyers, as vocal artist **Phil Minton** creates a new **Feral Choir** for the weekend and explores the use of 'the voice' in a non-verbal, spontaneous and inventive way.

ClubStage Free

Sun 3.30pm & 4.15pm

SOUL REBELS BRASS BAND

Watch the **Soul Rebels Brass Band** embrace the rich jazz traditions of their homeland by adding life-affirming vocals and hip shaking grooves aplenty. Throw in funk, ska, hip-hop, with harmony vocals and more catchy horn lines and solos than you can shake a stick at and you have a goodtime party band like no

other, with an infectious energy that's impossible to resist.

Whitecross Street 3.30pm Free
Barbican Foyers 4.15pm Free

Sun 3.30pm

ANDA UNION

Combining different traditions and styles of music from all over Inner and Outer Mongolia, **AnDa Union** are part of a musical movement that is finding inspiration in old and forgotten songs, drawing on a repertoire of magical music that had all but disappeared during China's recent tumultuous past. They are on a mission to stimulate their culture and re-engage young Mongols, many of who have forgotten how to speak their own language.

FreeStage Free

Sun 6.30pm

FEUFOLLET

Feufollet are a unique quintet in the francophone soil of Louisiana and pushing boldly into unexplored yet utterly natural varieties of Cajun experience, breaking new ground in their creative young way of thinking. Though they are famous for their renditions of heartbreaking songs and rollicking tunes, they incorporate original songs that draw on deep roots tempered by a cutting edge of contemporary life.

FreeStage Free



ALSO IN THE CENTRE...

Circa © Justin Nicolas

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Sat 10am

FAMILY FILM CLUB

KIKI'S DELIVERY SERVICE

Inspired by *Watch Me Move – The Animation Show* in Barbican Art Gallery (15 Jun – 11 Sep 11), FFC's theme for July is *Watch Me Move* and this screening of Studio Ghibli animation, *Kiki's Delivery Service*, will satisfy children and adults alike.

Cinema 1

FFC Members £3 / Non-Members £5

Sat 11am – 10pm / Sun 11am – 8pm

WATCH ME MOVE: THE ANIMATION SHOW

This summer Barbican Art Gallery brings animation to life. Tracing the history of animation from the last 150 years, *Watch Me Move* brings together contemporary artists, animators and filmmakers alongside the creative output of commercial studios such as **Walt Disney**, **Studio Ghibli** and **Pixar**. Let us take you behind the dream-world of the finished film and introduce you to a range of colourful characters from **Betty Boop** to **Tom and Jerry**, through puppets, stage sets, storyboards and rarely-seen gems.

Barbican Art Gallery

Standard £10 online £12 on the door



Tom & Jerry © 1992 Turner Entertainment

Sat & Sun 11.30am & 2.30pm

WATCH ME MOVE: THE ANIMATION SHOW EXHIBITION TOUR

Take a guided tour and experience over one hundred animations in the inspirational immersive exhibition *Watch Me Move: The Animation Show*. Saturday Tours by Exhibition Curator Alona Pardo (am) and Exhibition Assistant Juliette Desourges (pm). Sunday tours with Creative Learning Curator Emma Ridgway (am) and Curatorial Assistant Zofia Trafas (pm).

Barbican Art Gallery

Free with gallery ticket

From £7 online / Under 12 free

Sat & Sun 11 am – 8pm

JUNYA ISHIGAMI: **ARCHITECTURE AS AIR**

For his first installation in the UK, acclaimed Tokyo-based Japanese architect **Junya Ishigami** has conceived a new structure built in response to The Curve's unique space. The structure comprises of a single curved line of delicate 4 metre columns running the 80 metre length of the gallery, which appear to be held in place by air and atmosphere alone.

The Curve

Free

Sat & Sun Free download
until 8 Oct 9am

MICACHU - **SONIC JOURNEY**

Sonic Journeys is a new collection of aural landscapes that connect the creator, listener and music with the world around us. Rising star, composer and indie artist **Micachu** has created new music in response and inspired by a personal journey taken by foot around the Barbican Centre and its locale.

Barbican Centre

Free

Download onto your mp3 player from barbican.org.uk/micachu before you come to the Barbican



Irma Thomas © Rick Olivier

Sat 7.30pm

AURELIO / DANYEL **WARO / CARLOU D** **A CONCERT OF FRESH AND** **EMERGING GLOBAL VOICES**

Honduras-born **Aurelio Martinez** is a major figure in Garifuna culture, a fusion of West African and Central American music. Poet, musician, activist and 'Womex 2010 Artist Award' winner **Danyel Waro** hails from Réunion Island where he is a celebrated champion of Creole culture and once banned Maloya – a fusion of Malagasy and African rhythms. An outspoken voice from Senegal's hip-hop generation **Carlou D** brings spiritual roots music straight from Dakar.

Barbican Hall

Tickets £12–18

Sun 7.30pm

IRMA THOMAS

+ SOUL REBELS BRASS BAND

A special concert celebrating that most musical of American cities, New Orleans. Grammy-winning **Irma Thomas** makes a very rare appearance in the UK with her heady mix of Soul and Rhythm & Blues. Support comes from storming New Orleans brass outfit **Soul Rebels** mixing funk, soul, jazz and the spirit of Mardi Gras.

Barbican Hall

Tickets £15–25

Sat 7.45pm / Sun 5pm

CIRCA

WUNDERKAMMER

In this exquisite cabaret of the senses, a diva melts into a rope, balloons and bubble wrap discover their artistic souls while bodies twist and fly. Seven performers of unbelievable ability bend the very fabric of reality.

Age restriction 12+

Barbican Theatre

Tickets £16 – 28

Sat & Sun 10.30pm

DUCKIE

LULLABY

For this sublime sleepover **Duckie** transforms the Pit into a tranquil communal bedroom for an audience

of dreamers. *Lullaby* is a moonlit soporific serenade followed by seven hours of slow-wave sleep rounded-off by breakfast to send you on your way. Come to bed with Duckie.

Age restriction 16+

The Pit

£42 including breakfast

Check out approx. 9am the next day

Sat & Sun 11am – 6pm

FOOD

Recover your voices and sooth your throats at the Barbican Foodhall, where you can enjoy family favourites like sausage & mash and spaghetti bolognaise, or grab a Monster bag for the kids, including sandwiches, crisps and a fruit shoot. Or, for more sophisticated dining, why not check out Barbican Lounge or Searcys.

Sat & Sun 12pm – 6pm

WHITECROSS STREET PARTY

The Whitecross Street Party is held in the heart of London's internationally renowned art scene over the weekend. London's leading contemporary street artists and musical mavericks will transform the streets, walls and into a giant canvas. Visit the local stalls, sample the local food and take in the art.

Whitecross Street

Creative Learning

Our Creative Learning team work across both the Barbican Centre and Guildhall School of Music & Drama on a programme of learning events. Weekender festivals are just one of the many projects and events we offer. To find out more and get involved visit Barbican.org.uk/creativelearning

Stay up to date with the Barbican events and special offers, sign-up for e-updates at barbican.org.uk and follow us on

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Open Weekend 22–24 Jul

Barbican Weekender is part of the London 2012 Open Weekend supported by BP – a series of sporting and cultural events taking place across the UK which will see hundreds of thousands of people participating in events to celebrate the 'One Year to Go' countdown to the Olympic and Paralympic Games. For more information visit london2012.com/openweekend

home live art

Playing with the traditional, communal and the celebratory, home live art produces and curates a programme of artist led, participatory work which has pioneered the presentation of live art and inter-disciplinary work into the mainstream & community sector, reaching large audiences, many of whom are not currently engaged with the arts, on a local, regional and increasingly national scale.

The company makes the familiar, unfamiliar, playfully re-interpreting community celebrations & popular cultural forms such as village fetes, pub crawls, social dances, shared singing, processions, opening ceremonies, communal meals & feasting.

homeliveart.com



CREATE 11

CREATE is the annual summer festival that celebrates Europe's largest cultural quarter – the east of London. It offers a packed programme of home-made, world-class activities across music, design, art, food and film. createlondon.org



HOW TO GET HERE & BOOKING

Our address

Barbican Centre, Silk Street, London, EC2Y 8DS

Underground

Barbican, Moorgate, St Paul's, Bank, Liverpool Street and Mansion House.

Train

Liverpool Street, Farringdon and Blackfriars. City Thameslink services serve Barbican, Moorgate and Cannon Street.

Car park

Four car parks - two off Beech Street and two off Silk Street near the main entrance. Alternative parking is available in Aldersgate Street.

Bus

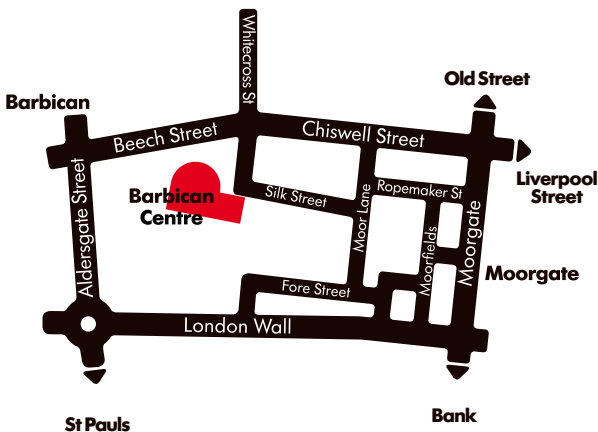
The following bus routes operate near the Barbican: 8, 11, 23, 26, 35, 42, 43, 47, 48, 55, 56, 76, 78, 100, 133, 141, 149, 172, 214, 242, 243, 271, 344 (7 days a week); 4, (Mon-Sat); 21, 25, 521 (Mon-Fri).

Late buses: N35, N55, N243, 43, 205, 214, N76, N133.

Booking Information

Phone 0844 848 3397

In person – advance box office (10am – 8pm Mon – Sat, 12pm – 8pm Sun/ Bank Holidays)



AT A GLANCE

Need help planning your day?
Visit the information point on Level G
during the weekend.

Event Title	Date/Time	Venue
Voice Over Movement	Sat/Sun 11am – 6pm	Mezzanine Level -1
To Sleep Perchance to Dream	Sat/Sun 11am – 6pm	Lakeside Terrace Level G
Foleyoke	Sat/Sun 11am – 6pm	Level G
What Does Your Face Sound Like?	Sat/Sun 11am – 6pm	Level G
Make a Microphone	Sat/Sun 11am – 6pm	Level G
Say It, Wear It!	Sat 11am – 10.30pm / Sun 11am – 6pm	Fountain Room Level G
Light Graffiti	Sat/Sun 11am – 6pm	Hammerson Room
The Apathy Band	Sat 11am – 10.30pm / Sun 11am – 6pm	Fountain Room Level G
The LSO Community Choir	Sat 12pm	ClubStage Level -1
The Spoken Voice	Sat 12pm	FreeStage Level G
Tongue Fu	Sat 12.30pm – 3.30pm	FreeStage Level G
The Boxettes	Sat 12.30pm – 3.30pm	FreeStage Level G
The Trans-Siberian March Band	Sat 12.30pm & 2.30pm / Sun 12.15pm & 4pm	Whitecross Street Barbican Foyers
Swarm	Sat 3.30pm / Sun 1.30pm & 5pm	Across the Centre
Ida Barr's Mash-Up	Sat 2pm	ClubStage Level -1
Frank Chickens	Sat 4pm	ClubStage Level -1
Silent Disco	Sat 10.30pm – 1am	ClubStage Level -1
The Kaos Signing Choir for Deaf and Hearing Children	Sun 11am Sun 12pm	FreeStage Level G ClubStage Level -1
The London Bulgarian Choir	Sun 12pm & 2pm	FreeStage Level G
London Gay Men's Chorus	Sun 11.30am Sun 12.30pm	FreeStage Level G ClubStage Level -1
Streetwise Opera	Sun 11.30am Sun 12.30pm	ClubStage Level -1 FreeStage Level G
Maspinzelli	Sun 1pm Sun 2pm	FreeStage Level G ClubStage Level -1
What Work Sounds Like	Sun 1pm	ClubStage Level -1
Feral Choir	Sun 2.30pm	ClubStage Level -1
Suhbaghiyya	Sat 4.45pm	FreeStage Level G
Tamikrest	Sat 6.15pm	FreeStage Level G
AnDa Union	Sun 3.30pm	FreeStage Level G
Soul Rebels Brass Band	Sun 3.30pm Sun 4pm	Whitecross Street Barbican Foyers
Feufollet	Sun 6.30pm	FreeStage Level G
Family Film Club	Sat 10am	Cinema 1 Level -2
Watch Me Move: The Animation Show	Sat 11am – 10pm / Sun 11am – 8pm	Barbican Art Gallery Level 3
Watch Me Move: The Animation Show Exhibition Tour	Sat & Sun / 11.30am & 2.30pm	Barbican Art Gallery Level 3
Junya Ishigami: Architecture as Air	Sat & Sun 11am – 8pm	The Curve Level G
Circa	Sat 7.45pm / Sun 5pm	Barbican Theatre Level -1
Duckie	Sat & Sun 10.30pm	The Pit Level -2
Aurelio / Danyel Waro / Carlou D	Sat 7.30pm	Barbican Hall Level -1
Irma Thomas + Soul Rebels Brass Band	Sun 7.30pm	Barbican Hall Level -1
Micachu – Sonic Journey	Sat & Sun	Across the Centre
Whitecross Street Party	Sat & Sun 12pm – 6pm	Whitecross Street