



# Portland Arts Festival

18th to 22nd June 2008



## Programme of events

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# Preview events

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## Ryelands School Summer Carnival Saturday 14th June 12-3pm

Friends of Ryelands invite you to join them at the Ryelands Summer Carnival. Steel Pan Band, Carnival Delights, wide variety of stalls, Cheerleaders, Fire Engine and lots, lots more! Come and join the fun!!!! Entry 50p (Children Free) Come to the People for Portland Road stand for updates on Portland Arts Festival events while you are there.

## St Mark's players present: "Seasons of Love" at the Stanley Halls

"Seasons of Love" by Roger Ward is 'a musical tale...telling a year in the life.' Directed by Mike Sullivan, there are shows on Friday 13th June at 7.30pm and on Saturday 14th June at 2.30 & 7.30pm. Tickets are £6.50 or £6.00 for Groups of 10 or more. Book early to be sure of your seat! Box Office: 020 8393 3640 or visit the website: [www.smplayers.co.uk](http://www.smplayers.co.uk)



## Wednesday 18th June

### Carnival at Crosfield - 10.30am - 1.30pm

Crosfield Nursery School and Children's Centre invites the local community to its annual carnival to join in the fun and games. Indulge in the refreshments, Hock a Duck, face painting, midday carnival procession and much, much more. People for Portland Road will be there for the latest Festival news, so please come to say hello!

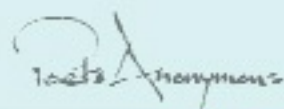


### Open dance sessions at Croydon Youth Theatre

Croydon Youth Theatre Organisation (CYTO) is a professionally-led youth theatre group based at the Shoestring Theatre in Oakley Road. Tonight's open dance workshops for 13-25 year olds are on two themes: 5.30pm until 7pm is **Street Dance**, followed by **Your Chance to Dance** from 7pm till 8.30. Call 020 8655 1098 to find out more or see [www.cyto.org.uk](http://www.cyto.org.uk)

### Old Palace Clog at The Gold Coast - 7pm onwards

We are pleased to welcome Old Palace Clog back to the Portland Arts Festival for a second year. Don't miss the chance to see this English traditional dance, great summer fun for all who come to watch. Find out more at the group's website: [www.oldpalaceclog.org.uk](http://www.oldpalaceclog.org.uk)



### Poets Anonymous at The Gold Coast - 8pm till late



Poets Anonymous, Croydon's own poetry group, will once again be taking part in the Festival, hosting a poetry evening at the Gold Coast. Come along to listen and enjoy the poems or bring some of your own verses to read in a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

Read more at: [www.poetsanon.org.uk](http://www.poetsanon.org.uk)

# Festival venues

**Stanley Halls**  
12 South Norwood Hill

**Croxfield Nursery School**  
Elborough Road

**Pepperton**  
25 Selhurst Road

**Oceans Apart**  
152 Portland Road

**The Gold Coast**  
224 Portland Road

**Woodside Green**

**Ashburton Library**  
Shirley Road

**St Mark's Church**  
101 Albert Road

**The Albert Tavern**  
85-87 Harrington Road

**CYTO**  
Oakley Road

**Ryelands Primary School**  
Albert Road

**South Norwood Country Park**

**St Lukes Church**  
Spring Lane

# Exhibitions

Treasures Gift Shop - 273 Portland Road

Treasures will have art on display from local artists throughout the festival period. Pop in to browse and buy from prints, paintings and multimedia work or from the range of gifts and cards available.

**flux: summer show 2008 Pepperton Gallery - 25 Selhurst Road**

**7<sup>th</sup> June - 19<sup>th</sup> July, Tue-Sat: 12-10pm.** Entry is free to this exhibition of work by Artists including: Tamsuyanger Longkumer, Melanie Alfonso, Bula Chakravarty Agbo and more... These international and award winning Artists will be showing their work based around themes of change, progress and movement explored through printmaking, animation, photography and film. Don't forget to try the much acclaimed cuisine at Pepperton's whilst you are there. See their website [www.peppertonuk.co.uk](http://www.peppertonuk.co.uk) for up to date scheduling information, directions and table bookings or call 020 8683 4462.



# Thursday 19th June

## Sensational Storytelling at Ashburton Library - 4pm



Don't miss this opportunity to enthral your children (under 7s) with a professional story teller. Marina Evans, an experienced storyteller based in Croydon, will be weaving her magic from 4-4.30. Marina's website: [www.teller-of-tales.co.uk](http://www.teller-of-tales.co.uk)

## Harp and Harmonies at St Marks Church - 7.30pm to 9.30pm



Keziah Thomas, award winning harpist, is taking part in the Festival for a second year. Keziah, who specialises in recitals and entertainment, will be leading an evening of classical music for all tastes, accompanied by flautist Katherine Bicknell and singer Amie Ouzman. Read and hear more: [www.keziah.co.uk](http://www.keziah.co.uk)

## Percussion workshop at Croydon Youth Theatre



CYTO are hosting a **Percussion Workshop** tonight for all aged 13-25. Running from 7pm until 9pm, all levels of ability are welcome. Call 020 8655 1098 to find out more or see [www.cyto.org.uk](http://www.cyto.org.uk)

## Catalina Blues Band at The Gold Coast - 8pm till late



Appearing at the Festival for the first time, the Catalina Blues Band play a brand of punchy, high-energy British blues, with wailing harmonica, stinging slide guitar and a wide repertoire. Whilst at the Gold Coast, don't miss the chance to sample the range of wines and beers and superb African cuisine.

# Friday 20th June

## DH Lawrence and Croydon at Ashburton Library - 7pm



Following her talk on writing biographies during last year's Festival, author Ruth Webb is back to talk about D H Lawrence's years of teaching and writing (including "Sons & Lovers") in nearby Addiscombe. Ruth, who taught for 30 years, is a compelling speaker who brings her subject alive with humour and passion.



## Acting workshop at Croydon Youth Theatre

A chance for all budding actors aged 13-25 to take part in a drama workshop led by professionals, in a building which houses a fully operational theatre. This session starts at 7.30pm and finishes at 9.30pm. Call 020 8655 1098 to find out more or see [www.cyto.org.uk](http://www.cyto.org.uk)



## Songs from the Shows at St Marks Church - 8.00pm to 10.00pm

Caroline Rodgers and friends, students from a top London Musical Theatre Academy, will be entertaining us tonight with songs from the shows, both old and new. David Starbuck, the musical director of Purley Youth Theatre will accompany them for a delightful evening.

## Music by DJ Sleek at Oceans Apart - 9pm till late



DJ Sleek will be playing a selection of Reggae, R&B and more for a funky night's entertainment at Oceans Apart, where you can enjoy a range of beers and cocktails and great Thai food. £5 entry after 10pm or £3 with this brochure.

# Saturday 21st June

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**Traders Open Day - happening all day Saturday** Businesses all over South Norwood will be taking part in the Open Day with tastings, demonstrations, special offers and more surprises! Catch the Dcn Steele Jazz quartet and take time to 'Discover South Norwood' and the range of local goods and services.

**Lark in the Park, South Norwood Country Park - 11am** Something for children of all ages: songs led by South Norwood Librarian Sean, magical tales told by Marina Evans and flora and fauna explained by Mica. We will meet outside the Country Park visitors centre if the weather is good or at South Norwood library if the sun lets us down! (Phone 07982444773 from 10am on the day if unsure) Find out more about Marina's work at [www.teller-of-tales.co.uk](http://www.teller-of-tales.co.uk)

**Artist Talks at Pepperton Gallery - 3pm to 7pm** Slide shows, films and talks presented by international and award winning artists including Jasmine Fradissitto and Kim Noble as well as spoken word artist Will Stoppa. See Pepperton's website: [www.peppertonuk.co.uk](http://www.peppertonuk.co.uk) for full details.

**Daniel Berry and the DB band - 9pm at The Albert** To round off the day's events in style this young and lively country group will be performing at The Albert. Tending toward the rocker side of country, this band is great to watch, come along to get your feet tapping!

# Sunday 22nd June



**Photography workshop, St Luke's Church Hall - 11am till 1pm** Come along to hear Andrew Gilpin, experienced photography professional and teacher pass on his tips on two topics: **Photographing friends and family** and **How to get the best from your holiday snaps**. Bring your camera and examples of your own photos to get the most from the demonstration.

**Festival Fair, Woodside Green - 12 till 5pm** Visit the fair for a chance to win prizes worth more than £100 in the People for Portland Road raffle (thanks to South Norwood Clinic) and watch dance and song performances of all kinds. Browse the stalls for jewellery, crafts and pottery and pop across the road to see more artwork on display at St Luke's Church Hall. Refreshments will be served and entrance is free! Make the most of the final day of the Portland Arts Festival with a trip to the fair which has something for everyone, so bring family and friends!

**Positively Test Card at The Gold Coast - 8pm** This celebrated local band play Kwele music - South African penny whistle jive. Don't miss this highlight as our headline act, who have performed at Glastonbury, bring the Festival to a close in style in the atmospheric surroundings of The Gold Coast bar.



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happening locally!

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People for Portland Road, the community group for the Portland Road area of South Norwood, is pleased to bring you the second Portland Arts Festival, following our success in 2007. Arranged entirely by volunteers, the Festival brings together the best the area has to offer so that we can get together to celebrate the good things about South Norwood. As you will see from this brochure the range of events and venues has expanded since last year and we hope to continue this success into next year. **Please come along to have fun, learn something new and show your support for the participants!**

All events information in this brochure is correct as we go to press. Keep right up to date with what's happening during the festival at our website:

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