

### Welcome to Liverpool's creative hub, the Bluecoat.



A packed Autumn at the Bluecoat brings together some of the most exciting music, dance, live art, literature and visual art, from the local to the global.

Artists around the world exhibit in **Touched**, the International exhibition of the 6th Liverpool Biennial, the UK's largest visual arts festival.

Our third **Chapter & Verse** literature festival packs over 35 events into five days, featuring Jackie Kay, Brian Patten, Frank Cottrell Boyce, James Naughtie, Julian Baggini, Guy Browning, Polly Toynbee, John Agard, Elaine Feinstein and many more writers.

**Bed-In** at the Bluecoat is 62 days of creative activity inspired by John Lennon and Yoko Ono's famous action for peace, whilst **Liverpool Live**, an engaging series of live art and other performance, sees the return of Guillermo Goméz-Peña and Mandy Romero alongside other new experimental work.

There's an exhilarating dance programme including our participation in **LEAP**. We host much of **DaDaFest's** fantastic festival of deaf and disability arts. Plus more quality music from Rhys Chatham, Soweto Kinch, Eugene Chadbourne and Gilad Atzmon. All this, and an equally irresistible range of opportunities to join in yourself.

Finally, why not support all that the Bluecoat has to offer by making a donation? Just e-mail Anna Cassidy at anna.c@thebluecoat.org.uk for more information.

Bryan Biggs Artistic Director

### **Funders & Supporters**

### Season Funders:









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### **Events & Festival Partners:**













### TOUCHED

### Sat 18 Sept - Sun 28 Nov

"Touched – Art that succeeds in affecting the viewer: art that moves us in mind, body and soul."

The Liverpool Biennial is the UK's largest visual art festival. This year's theme of Touched runs as a theme across the Bluecoat programme during the period of the festival.

Alongside our Liverpool Biennial 2010: Touched exhibition (see p 8) the Bluecoat has responded to the theme as part of the Chapter & Verse Literature Festival (see p 12) with its Touched Weekender on Sat 16 & Sun 17 October and throughout Liverpool Live – in particular look out for Brian Catling's curious and fascinating response (17-19 Sept).

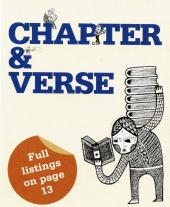
Look out for the Liverpool Live logo on featured events:

### **CHAPTER & VERSE 2010**

### Wed 13 - Sun 17 Oct

This five day literature festival, now in its third year, showcases a packed programme of readings, conversations, storytelling, workshops, debates, poetry slam, films, and more. Guest curated by Melanie Abrahams, the idea of 'A New England', a reflection of the new post election, runs throughout the programme.

Pick up a copy of the **Chapter & Verse** brochure or visit: www.thebluecoat.org.uk

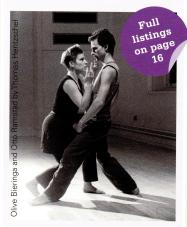


### **RAW ROAR RARE**

### Wed 10 - Sun 14 Nov

This five-day festival encompasses performance, process, critical discourse and audience dialogue. It aims to broaden the debate of what makes good work and challenges participants to question their own working methods and aesthetic. The festival will be facilitated by guest artist Keith Hennessy (see 12 November).

One of Culture Liverpool's 10 for 2010 and part of LEAP



### **DADAFEST 2010**

### Thu 18 Nov - Fri 3 Dec

This is the tenth edition of DaDaFest, the UK's first and largest Disability and Deaf Arts festival. Celebrating the best in Disability and Deaf Arts and showcasing art from a unique cultural perspective, challenging and entertaining audiences with a range of work around its key theme Objects of Curiosity and Desire.

See page 18 of the brochure for full listings or look out for the **DaDaFest** brochure. You can also visit thier website on: www.dadafest2010.co.uk



### **Visual Art**

Until Sun 5 Sept 10am - 6pm

# **Arabicity:** Such A Near East

Six contemporary artists from the Arab world - Basel Abbas & Ruanne Abou-Rahme, Chant Avedissian, Ayman Baalbaki, Fathi Hassan and Raeda Saadeh - explore their cultural heritage from unique perspectives and express what they find in unexpected and emotive ways.

Free, no ticket required



### Music

Sun 29 & Mon 30 Aug 1pm-4pm

### Mathew Street Fringe Festival

Join us in the garden for a whole host of bands from Liverpool's alternative music scene. Sunday's line-up starts with technical pop band Vasco Da Gama, followed by eclectic favourites Lovecraft and finally Welsh new-wave headliners Ticks.

Monday brings a collection of beautiful singer-songwriters and some stirring folk. Featuring Carrie Hayden, Mark Magill, and the merry band of Liverpool folksters, Sparkwood & 21.

Free, no ticket required

### Dance

Tue 31 Aug - Sat 4 Sept Liverpool Improvisation Collective (LIC) & Fool's Proof Theatre present:

### Sebastián García Ferro

Internationally acclaimed choreographer, dancer, teacher and composer and director of the Barcelona International Dance Exchange, Ferro leads a series of workshops & talks, culminating in an evening of performance.

**Tue 31 Aug** 7pm - 8.30pm

### Artist's Talk

Ferro discusses his work and shows documentation of past performances.

Free, ticket required

Wed 1 - Sat 4 Sept 10am - 6pm

### Instant Composition: Surviving in the Space

A 4-day intensive workshop. Open to performers of all disciplines, the workshop, which culminates in a performance, focuses on compositional aspects of improvisation and finding strategies to create common performance language across disciplines.

£50 To book please contact: mary@foolsprooftheatre.com or call 07981 561875

Sat 4 Sept 8pm - 9.30pm

### Sebastián García Ferro Performance

A double-bill of improvised performance. Sebastián García Ferro in duet with Adriana Pegorer and a piece by participants of Ferro's 4-day intensive workshop.

One of Culture Liverpool's 10 for 2010 and a part of LEAP.

Ticket £5 / £3

LOACA.ART Contemporary Craft Fair Sat 28 Aug 11am - 5pm

### Live Art

**Thu 2 Sept** 7.30pm - 10pm

### If Only...!

The Bluecoat's monthly night of new performance offers a melting pot of music, video, poetry, dance and live art, curated by a Liverpool-based group of interdisciplinary artists, curators and promoters.

Free, ticket required

### Music

Fri 3 Sept 8pm - 10pm

# Tom Doughty plus support

Doughty's playing invokes Blues, Jazz, Folk and Americana but by approaching the lap slide guitar with the tenacity and creativity of a new explorer, his sound is instantly distinctive.

"In a world of derivative and imitative slide guitarists, Tom's sound is unique and special." Bob Brozman (Voted 'Best World Guitarist 2010')

Tickets: £8 / £5



### Music

**Sat 4 Sept** 2pm - 3.30pm

### **Mersey Harmony**

Enjoy an afternoon of a cappella harmony singing with Mersey Harmony and guests.

Supported by the BBC Choral Ambition Fund.

Free, no ticket required



### Live Art

Sun 5 Sept 3pm - 7pm

### Dr Sketchy

Dr Sketchy puts the life back into life drawing. Experience cutting edge burlesque and then sketch the performers in poses ranging from sassy to serene.

Created in New York by illustrator Molly Crabapple, Dr Sketchy now adds Liverpool to the 150 cities it reaches worldwide.

Tickets: £6



### Dance

Fri 10 Sept 8pm - 9.30pm moves present:

### Goran Vejvoda: Sayat Nova Revisited

French sound artist
Goran Vejvoda re-interprets
Paradjanov's film, Sayat Nova.
Working with Liverpool-based
dancers, Vejvda employs
multi-media and improvisation
in this immersive and poetic
world premiere.

Tickets: £7 / £5

### Music

Sat 11 Sept 8pm -10pm Frakture present:

### **Eugene Chadbourne**

American improviser and banjo-playing Shockabilly frontman, Chadbourne performs with Roger Turner, a drummer of 'volcanic power and finely-honed precision' (The Wire). Influenced by Captain Beefheart and free jazz and working with artists from John Zorn to Derek Bailey, Chabourne's work spans unorthodox interpretations of traditional standards, solo compositions and politically charged collaborations.

Tickets: £6 / £4



### Literature

Tue 14 Sept 1pm - 2.30pm Philosophy in Pubs present:

# Politics of Publicity/Censorship

Twice monthly drop-in community forum on literature, art and culture. We've heard the experts, but what do you think? No formal background or experience needed, just a passion for discussion.

Free, no ticket required

### Music

Tue 14 Sept 7pm - 9.30pm

### The Gathering

A regular monthly space for musicians to meet and improvise together.

Free, ticket required.

### Dance

Tue 14 Sept 7pm - 8.30pm Liverpool Improvisation Collective (LIC) presents

### From Where You Are

LIC is hosting a series of speaker events as part of their programme supported by Liverpool Culture's 10 for 2010 – Dance Commissions. The launch of this series is a presentation about the 'small things' dance collective, 'From Where You Are' project at Alder Hey Children's Hospital.

Lisa Dowler and Cath Hawkins from LIC will be joined by Vicky Charnock and Julie Sellers, Alder Hey Arts Co-ordinator and Senior Play Specialist to discuss the development of groundbreaking movement and dance work on the neuro-medical and oncology wards. The event will include the launch of a booklet about the project.

Tree, ticket required. For information or to book, please contact
Mary Prestige
n.prestige@blueyonder.co.uk

### Music

**Tue 14 Sept** 8pm - 10pm

### Killerfernandez with special guest Juliet Russell

Jennifer John's powerful vocals (vocal MD on Damon Albarn's Monkey and co-founder of Sense Of Sound) meet the sublime textures of musical mastermind and bassist Philipp M Moll.

Guitar virtuoso Stuart McCallum from Cinematic Orchestra, Norwegian pianist Eirik Minde and hang-guru Manu Delago on drums complete the line-up.

Ticket: £9 / £7

### Visual Art

Thu 16 - Mon 20 Sept all day

### The Caravan Gallery

Back by popular demand, Jan Williams and Chris Teasdale's little yellow caravan returns to the front courtyard at the Bluecoat to celebrate the opening of the Liverpool Biennial.

Visit this travelling gallery and meet the artists who will delight you with photographs of ordinary and extraordinary details of life in 21st century Britain.

Free, no ticket required



### Visual Art

Thu 17 Sept - Sat 28 Nov 2pm - 6pm or by appointment

### The Lost Soul and Stranger Service Station



A changing exhibitions programme during the Liverpool Biennial by some of the artists from the Bluecoat's creative community and others, in the old barber shop by the building's School Lane entrance.

For details, contact: lost@theservicestation.co.uk

The Lost Soul And Stranger Service Station is part of the Co-Operative

Free, no ticket required

For full programme listing www.theservicestation.co.uk

### Live Art

**Fri 17 & Sat 18 Sept** 1pm - 8pm **Sun 19 Sept** 1pm - 6pm

### Brian Catling: Cyclops

Brian Catling will respond to the Biennial's Touched theme by testing the boundary between curiosity and repulsion through the manifestation of his performance persona Cyclops. Invited to overcome the uncertainties of interacting with this one eyed spectre, audiences may observe the Cyclops roaming the streets of Liverpool pursued by the paparazzi or peer from the balcony into its zoo-like enclosure at the Bluecoat. Artist, filmmaker, poet and academic, Catling's work oscillates between monumental symbolism and jet black humour.

Free, no ticket required

### Visual Art

Sat 18 September - Sun 28 Novemeber daily 10am - 6pm Free

### Liverpool Biennial 2010: Touched

The Liverpool Biennial is the UK's largest visual art festival. Its International Exhibition takes place at the A Foundation, the Bluecoat, FACT, Open Eye Gallery, Tate Liverpool and other sites across the city. Its theme of Touched provokes questions such as how are we touched by seeing or making art? How or why does a moving experience stay with us? How can an artist's work be inspired through an understanding of what touches people?

The artists exhibiting at the Bluecoat respond to the theme by tracing memory and matter, identity and humour, often using familiar objects in unusual or unexpected ways.

Several of the commissioned works reveal the hand of the maker directly, presenting tactile qualities that highlight an intense, even obsessive, engagement with materials and the body. Such work investigates the debate about craft versus fine art: can craft be more 'touched' than fine art?

New York-based Bulgarian artist Daniel Bozhkov first visited Liverpool in 1986. Almost 25 years later he returns with a new installation investigating what touched him then and now, merging online culture with football, music and politics in a reflection that is humorous, poignant and timely. Connecting two galleries with his sculptural work, Nicholas Hlobo (South Africa) entices visitors into a game of hide-and-seek with a trail of balls and a sensuous maze of woven ribbons. Self-taught artist Carol Rama (born Italy, 1918) has been making art for over 60 years. The display here, including work never seen before in the UK, includes watercolours and collages that are

unconventional and erotic. and dresses made and worn by the artist. Ranjani Shettar (India) works with everyday materials such as wax, ink, paper, cotton, plastic sheeting or mud. But for Touched she presents an elegant bronze installation in our Vide, creating a conversation centred on the touch between materials and architecture.

Free, no ticket required

Sat 9 Oct 2pm

### not try the **Curatorial Tour**

### Sara-Jayne Parsons,

Exhibitions Curator at the Bluecoat and on the curatorial team for Touched leads a tour discussing the work on display.

Free, ticket required. Please enquire at Tickets & Information

Exhibition tours each Saturday afternoon at 2pm.



### Visual Art

Fri 17 Sept - Sat 28 Nov

During opening hours

### **Brendan Lyons**

In an unexpected encounter with art in an unusual location, Liverpool-based artist Brendan Lyons presents site-specific paintings in the passage leading off the Bluecoat garden. What appear to be polythene sheets, tape and metal grills, are in fact self-supporting works made only of paint.

Free, no ticket required

### Literature

**Thu 23 Sept** 6pm - 7.15pm

### **Book Club**

Share your interest in books with others in this informal monthly focus on writing that inspires and entertains. Come and gain an insight into authors appearing in this year's Chapter & Verse literature festival.

Free, ticket required

### Literature

**Thu 23 Sept** 8pm - 10pm

# **Liverpool Poetry Cafe:** Peter Finch

Special guest Peter Finch, one of Wales' foremost poets, is a spell-binding performer; inventive, wry, truth-telling, funny and sad. Finch's latest of 25 collections is Zen Cymru (Seren, 2010).

Tickets: £5 / £3

### Live Art

Fri 24 Sept 8pm - 10pm
The Spider Project presents

# Time is what keeps the light from reaching us

An anarchic, multimedia puppetry performance based on the Grimm Brothers' Hansel and Gretel. Artists Gernot Wieland (Austria), David Jacques (UK) and Carla Ahlander (Sweden) collaborate with Liverpool's Spider Project, interweaving personal stories to interpret the infamous fairytale as a fable about our dependence on economic and hierarchical structures.

Free, no ticket required

### Music

**Sat 25 Sept** 11am - 4pm

### The Music of Howard Skempton

A practical workshop exploring the intimate, intricate and superbly crafted music of Howard Skempton, composer and self-proclaimed experimentalist.

Ticket: £15 / £10

### Literature

Tue 28 Sept 1pm - 2.30pm Philosophy in Pubs present:

### What is a classic?

Twice monthly drop-in community forum on literature, art and culture. We've heard the experts, but what do you think? No formal background or experience needed, just a passion for discussion.

Free, no ticket required

### Literature

Tue 28 Sept 7pm - 8.30pm

### Spoken Word All Stars

A stellar cast of talent from the UK's live poetry scene, performing an original live show alongside sophisticated sax man Jason Yarde. Join the All Stars as they interweave their words with live loops, beats and melodies.

### Featuring:

Kat Francois - physical, slam-winning poet with a thousand tales to tell El Crisis - a poet whose rhymes and chants get lodged in your head Kate Tempest - hiphoppy, hellfiery, socio-political poet OneNess - soulful, sweet-voiced London-Grenadan Jason Yarde - musical maestro, king of improvised sax

Produced by:
Poetry in the City
and Apples & Snakes
www.spokenwordallstars.com

Tickets £5 / £4

### **Visual Art**

Wed 29 Sept 11am - 1pm e-space lab present:

### Art in the Cities

This autumn Liverpool and Shanghai host their respective biennials. e-space lab continues its dialogue between the sister cities by inviting artists and audiences to take part in a series of live video conversations. Topics include the spaces opened up by biennials, and the way that art can challenge how we think about and use public space.

Free, no ticket required

e-space lab also takes place on: Thur 28 Oct & Mon 22 Nov

### Dance

Tue 5 & Wed 6 Oct 8pm - 9.30pm MDI present:

### Taciturn Triple Bill

Liverpool-based Taciturn present If It Can Be Broken, It Can Be Fixed, choreographed by Tom Roden, the infectious Hang Up Your Coat and Stay a While, and their 10 for 2010 commission, Grapple, in which four dancers create a haunting ripple of movement.

One of Culture Liverpool's 10 for 2010 and part of LEAP

Tickets £7 / £5



### Live Art

**Thu 7 Oct** 7.30pm - 10pm

### If Only...!

The Bluecoat's monthly night of new performance (see 2 September).

Free, ticket required

### Live Art

Sat 9 Oct - Thu 9 Dec Weekdays 11am - 3pm, Weekends 11am - 4pm



### Bed-In at the Bluecoat

9 October would have been John Lennon's 70th birthday and 9 December is 30 years since his assassination. The Bluecoat marks these anniversaries by recreating John and Yoko's famous 1969 peace protest.

Each day a bed in our Hub will host a new action by

performers, artists and others - selected from an open call

- for a better world. Keep up with the action as featured regularly in the Liverpool Echo newspaper and website. To get involved, email: bed-in@thebluecoat.org.uk

Free, no ticket required

Part of the John Lennon Tribute Season



### Dance

Sat 9 Oct 8pm - 9pm MDI present:

# Yael Flexer & Nic Sandiland: The Living Room

An intimate dance from an internationally renowned team of collaborators that cuts fast paced choreography with informal banter and wry humour. Attempting to share what appears to be the bare bones of a living room or rehearsal studio, the performers take turns assisting and interfering with each other's 'solo moment'.

Part of LEAP

Tickets £7 / £5



### Literature

Tue 12 Oct 1pm - 2.30pm Philosophy in Pubs present:

# Are personal web-logs (or blogs) literature?

Twice monthly drop-in community forum on literature, art and culture. We've heard the experts, but what do you think? No formal background or experience needed, just a passion for discussion.

Free, no ticket required

### Music

**Tue 12 Oct** 7pm - 9.30pm

### The Gathering

A regular monthly space for musicians to meet and improvise together.

Free, ticket required

The home of unusual music

### **Visual Art**

Wed 13 October - Sun 17 October

### **Chapter & Verse Literature Festival 2010**

Chapter & Verse is a literature festival with a difference. In the new post-election environment, the idea of 'A New England' runs through the programme, examined through the latest political, biographical and imaginative works by some of our best writers, whilst we also provide a literary dimension to the Biennial's Touched theme.

Guest curator Melanie Abrahams has devised five packed days containing over 35 events including:

Jackie Kay and Brian Patten (13th October), James Naughtie's Radio 4 Bookclub with Sarah Hall (14th) and Guardian humorist Guy Browning and Shazia Mirza (15th). There's also a fantastic weekend (16th-17th) of strong political and poetical heavyweights, including Polly Toynbee's discussion of Labour's recent reign and new writing from Palestine and Iraq plus opportunities to listen discuss, join in and meet writers like Julian Baggini and Pete Brown.

Check out the Chapter & Verse brochure or the Bluecoat website for more information. Touched

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VERSE

available Weekend: £35.00

Saturday: Sunday: £11.00

Wednesday 13 October

10	Day	Event	Time	Price
10		Philosophy in Pubs	1pm - 2pm	Free
nce.	Wednesday 13 October	Film Screening: Poetry on Film	2pm - 2.45pm	Free
		Writers on Film: Adaptation	3pm - 5pm	Free
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		Glam Slam	8.30pm - 10pm	Free
n humorist		Chuck Perkins: Jazz Commuter Poetry	1pm - 2pm	Free
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heavyweights,	<b>Friday</b> 5 October	Dr Julian Baggini	6pm - 7pm	£5/3
ent reign and	Fr 50	Rupert Thomson with Suzi Feay	7.30pm - 8.30pm	£5/3
to listen	<b>—</b>	Guy Browning & Shazia Mirza	9pm - 11pm	£8/5
		Touched Weekender		
d Pete Brown.		Poetry Workshop: Naomi Foyle	10.30am - 4.30pm	£53/41
coat	,	Start Something New: Chuck Perkins	12noon - 1pm	£15/10
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T	ay Der	Polly Toynbee & David Walker	1pm - 2pm	£3/2
Touched	Saturday 6 October	Andrew Forster & Rebecca Goss	2pm - 3pm	£3/2
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	∞ <u>≒</u>	Lennon, Songwriting, DIY City	5pm - 6pm	£3/2
Passes and day tickets		John Agard & Grace Nichols	6.30pm - 7.30pm	£5/3
lickets		Poetry Reading	8pm - 9.15pm	£6/4
available		Liverpool Liming	10pm - Midnight	£10/7
d:		Conor McKee	10.30am - 1pm	£15/10
		Book Club: Suitcase Stories	12noon - 1.30pm	Free
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ay: 0	Sunday 7 Octobe	Arabic Writing: Touched by Literature	3pm - 4.30pm	£3/2
	Sunday 17 October	Pete Brown	5pm - 6.15pm	£3/2
<b>ay:</b> 00	-	Joseph O'Connor & Lizzie Nunnery	7pm - 8pm	£3/2
00		Revolutions in Form	9pm - 10.30pm	£5/4

### Music

Wed 20 Oct 8pm - 9.30pm

### Gilad Atzmon

Gilad Atzmon's, award-winning Orient House Ensemble has been wowing audiences around the world with acombination of bebop artistry and Middle-Eastern roots. Atzmon plays saxes – sometimes two at once – as well as clarinet, sol, zurna and flutes.

"Combines thrilling jazz musicianship with a maverick political intelligence". (The Guardian \*\*\*\*).

Tickets: £9 / £7

### Dance

Fri 22 Oct 8pm - 9pm

# Nightmare Before Valentine:

Früchte Im Koma

This performance of the breath-taking Früchte Im Koma marks the UK debut for this astonishing Berlin-based dance company. Featuring exquisite choreography, bold visuals and a soulful soundtrack boasting Tom Waits and Ane Brun, this is inexorably moving and intense dance created for three women, three stuffed animals and a wall.

Part of LEAP.

Tickets: £7 / £5



### **Visual Art**

**Sat 23 Oct** 8pm - 9pm

# **Shang-Pool Arcadia:** Picnic in Arcadia

Shang-Pool Arcadia is a collaboration between Liverpool John Moores University, Salford and Shanghai Universities in partnership with Liverpool Biennial/FACT. Using virtual and mixed realities, it explores the notion of the idyll and green spaces in the city for recreation, contemplation, nourishment and meeting. Picnic in Arcadia will connect people in the New Folk Museum, Shanghai with the Bluecoat in a shared eating and drinking celebration, whilst exploring a virtual arcadia modelled in Open Sim of Liverpool's refurbished Victorian Stanley Park.

Free, no ticket required

### Literature

Tues 26 Oct 1pm - 2.30pm Philosophy in Pubs presents

# Biopics (Biographies) and Truth

Twice monthly drop-in community forum on literature, art and culture. We've heard the experts, but what do you think? No formal background or experience needed, just a passion for discussion.

Free, no ticket required

### Literature

**Thu 28 Oct** 6pm - 7.15pm

### **Book Club**

Share your interest in books with others in this informal monthly focus on writing that inspires and entertains. Come and gain an insight into authors appearing in this year's Chapter & Verse literature festival.

Free, no ticket required

### Literature

Fri 5 Nov 6pm - 7pm

# Gladys-Mary Coles book launch & reading

Gladys Mary Coles, winner of many prizes and awards, is also an historian, literary biographer, teacher and editor. Her first novel, Clay, is the story of a soldier-poet during and after the First World War. Set in Liverpool, the Western Front and North Wales, it vividly evokes the effects of war on the lives of the central characters Turbulent events in post-war Liverpool form the climax of a gripping narrative, which includes poetry and journal writings.

Free, ticket required



### Vincia

**Sat 6 Nov** 8pm - 10pm

### Rhys Chatham: Die Donnergötter and Guitar Trio

Best known for large-scale works like *A Crimson Grail for 400 Guitars*, Chatham trained with La Monte Young before becoming a leading exponent of New York's No Wave scene. Here he performs his acclaimed Guitar Trio with Liverpool University music students and his rarely heard 1985 work *Die Donnergötter*. The ensemble is mirrored in a new composition by Jon Hering (aPAtT), opening the concert with a piece for synthesiser guitar, bass and drum sounds.

The concert is preceded by free day-time events: an interactive soundscape by the HIVE Collective based on the 100 greatest guitar riffs of all time, and mallet-guitar performances by Ex-Easter Island Heads at 3pm, 5pm & 7pm.

Supported by PRS for Music Foundation's New Music Plus and Liverpool University.

Part of Liverpool Music Week.

Tickets: £10 (limited capacity, please book in advance)



### Literature

Tue 9 Nov 1pm - 2.30pm

Philosophy in Pubs present:

### Films - not literature?

Twice monthly drop-in community forum on literature, art and culture. We've heard the experts, but what do you think? No formal background or experience needed, just a passion for discussion.

Free, no ticket required

### Music

Tue 9 Nov 7pm - 9.30pm

### The Gathering

A regular monthly space for musicians to meet and improvise together.

Free, ticket required

The home of unusual music

### Music

Wed 10 Nov 8pm - 9.30pm

### Minton/Nichols/Boyland RRR Performance

Diving headlong into uncharted territory, three of the UK's most electrifying improvising vocalists enter a world of soaring wails, hysteric jabbers and sublime drones. Inspired by an incendiary debut at Hearing Voices 2007 and rooted in a creative association spanning three decades. the performers explore the emotive potential of the human voice

Tickets: £9 / £7

### Dance

Thu 11 Nov 8pm - 9.30pm

### **RRR Performance**

RRR continues with an evening of raw and rare performance from artists at the cutting edge of dance and music. Line up to be announced.

Tickets: f.7 / f.5

### Dance

Fri 12 Nov 3pm - 5pm

Interactive score with RRR artists and RRR audience groups facilitated by Keith Hennessy

Free, ticket required

### Dance

Fri 12 Nov 8pm - 9.30pm

### Keith Hennessy: Crotch

A searing and uncompromising solo by San Francisco-based Keith Hennessy - international performer, choreographer. sex-positive mentor, and master of ceremonies. His award-winning work draws on live art, circus, improvisation, activism and shamanism.

"Hennessy's presence burns; he ignites any subject he tackles..." (San Francisco Weekly).

Presented in association with Homotopia.

Tickets: £9 / £7

### Dance

Sat 13 Nov 2pm - 4pm

### RAW ROAR RARE

Open In-House

Work in progress. improvisations and group performance scores.

Ticket: £5 / £3

### Dance

Sat 13 Nov 8pm - 9.30pm

### **Engaging an Audience**

A panel debate about the essence of performance.

Free, ticket required

### Dance

Sun 14 Nov 11am - 1pm

### Car Boot Gallery

A final gathering and sharing of festival documentation.

Free, ticket required

Tue 16 Nov 8pm - 9.30pm

### Soweto Kinch: The New **Emancipation Tour**

Stellar saxophonist, Soweto Kinch revisits 19th century work songs and early blues, bringing them to bear on the realities of debt/wage slavery in a post-Obama age. With influences from Ellington to Madlib, The New Emancipation is an ode to the resilience of the human spirit.

"His virtuosity enthrals." \*\*\*\* (Jack Masarik)



### Dance

Wed 17 Nov 8pm - 9.30pm **MDI** presents

Triple Bill featuring Club Fisk, Augusto Corrieri and **Kyle Abraham** 

An entertaining evening of cutting edge dance. Club Fisk's Forestillinger consists of two dancers undertaking a hilariously elaborate lecture demonstration of a post modern performance. In Augusto Corrieri's Quartet the movements, objects, music and words of a solo are performed in isolation. one after the other.

Part of LEAP.

Tickets: £7 / £5



### Live Art

Sat 20 & Sun 21 Nov 8pm-9.30pm Sun 21 Nov 2pm-4pm

Homotopia presents

### **Mandy Romero:** Stevenage

Epiphanies come in unexpected forms. In 1968 a voung man's life changed forever by the cinematic - romp Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush (see Sun 21 November) when he ran away to Stevenage. Using film, live performance and installation, Liverpool-based transgender artist, Mandy Romero, retraces these steps through the 'new' landscapes of forty years ago.

Tickets: £6 / £4



### Sex. Culture and Town Planning: Epiphanies in the Swinging Sixties

Talks, panel discussions and debate about the utopian landscapes conceived during the 1960s.

Free, ticket required

**Sun 21 Nov** 5pm-6.30pm

### Film: Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush

The 1967 British comedy drama, set in Stevenage new town that so inspired Mandy Romero, follows the sexual exploits of virginal sixth former Jamie McGregor and the permissive society of the swinging sixties.

Tickets: £3

### Visual Art

Thu 18 Nov 6pm - 10pm

### Long Night

This year's Long Night sees the launch of DaDaFest with installations in our public spaces by Tom Shakespeare, Tanya Raabe, Simon Mckeown, Fittings Multimedia's Sputnik, Ju90 and Yinka Shonibare.

The gallery opens late, plus there's music, printmaking, a craft fair, outdoor films and special food and drink offers.

Free, no ticket required

### Literature

**Thu 25 Nov** 6pm - 7.15pm

### **Book Club**

Share your interest in books with others in this informal monthly focus on writing that inspires and entertains. Come and gain an insight into authors appearing in this year's Chapter & Verse literature festival.

Free, ticket required.

### Visual Art

Thu 18 Nov - Fri 3 Dec Daily

# **DaDaFest:** Objects of Curiosity and Desire

Exploring the human body, its quirks, questions and endless fascinations, Objects of Curiosity and Desire presents work in a range of media. Lightboxes by Ju90 examine the significance of the nude in art history and its relationship with the disabled body whilst Tom Shakespeare's highly stylised photographs, based onhistorical paintings, examinethe vulnerability of embodiment.

### **Visual Art**



Fri 19 - Sat 20 Nov & Sat 27 - Sun 28 Nov

### **Meet the Artists**

Visit www.dadafest2010.co.uk for more information.

Free, ticket required

By integrating motion capture and 3D animation, Simon Mckeown's video work highlights the intricacies and uniqueness of individuals' physicality. Tanya Raabe's interactive installation explores four women's diverse perspectives of the female nude in contemporary culture.

The kinetic installation Sputnik will be in the courtyard, exploring the possibilities of flesh and steel hard-wired to the imagination and Yinka Shonibare's film Odette & Odilelampoons and undermines notions of cultural authenticity.

### Join In



**Sat 20 Nov** 8pm - 9.30pm

# The Powerhouse of the Supermen:

Does Gay Culture Exclude Otherness?

This event consists of art activities exploring issues of the divided self, and an afternoon debate chaired by Mat Fraser.

Free, ticket required

### Join In



**Sun 21 Nov** 1pm - 6pm

### Dr Sketchy

See Sunday, 5 Sept

Tickets £6

### Visual Art



Tue 23 Nov 11am - 3pm

### Dream in a Box

Featuring work by members of Blue Room, an arts service for adults with learning disabilities based at the Bluecoat in partnership with Liverpool City Council.

Free, ticket required

### Live Art



Tue 23 Nov 8pm

# What's the Best Medicine

Stark political comedy at its best from disabled comedian Laurence Clark, based on a journey across America and the UK, investigating our health and social care system.

Tickets: £8 / £6

### Live Art



Wed 24 Nov 8pm

# Shoes, Sheep and Saviours

Three new short plays dealing with beauty, femininity and cultural expectation: Screw You Jimmy Choo and Larry Gets the Call are produced and performed by American writer and performer Christine Bruno and Miss Cherry Ripe Presents, Coffee and Sheep... by Greek Australian Kiruna Stamell. A DaDaFest commission.

Tickets: £8 / £6

### Live Art



Thur 25 Nov 8pm

### FAT

Combining movement, humour and multimedia, with bizarre and poignant anecdotes. Written and performed by Pete Edwards, FAT is a gay disabled man's journey in search of his heart's desire. Contains nudity.

Tickets: £8 / £6

### Live Art



Fri 26-Sun 28 Nov 10am - 6pm

### Bad Bodies - A Happening Weekend

DaDaFest takes over the Bluecoat for a weekend of music, live art, interventions and performances, perfect moments and strange encounters.

Artists include Krip Hop Nation, Sinead O'Connoll, Sean Burns, Leigh Stirling and the Raspberries and the Feral Four.

Free, no ticket required

### Live Art



Fri 26 Nov 8pm

# The Freak and the Showgirl

In this comic cabaret of striptease, freak show and song, Julie Atlas Muz, performance artist, and Mat Fraser, film, television and stage actor and presenter. perform their greatest hits, new work and daring duets.

Tickets: £8 / £6

### Join In



**Sat 27 Nov** 9.30am-5.30pm

### The Dark Behind My Eyelids

This one-day conference asks awkward questions about art and normality. A collaboration between Liverpool Biennial, the Bluecoat and DaDaFest International 10 Free, ticket required

### Live Art



Sat 27 Nov 8pm - 10pm In association with Homotopia, MDI and LEAP

### Guillermo Goméz-Peña and Roberto Sifuentes (La Pocha Nostra): Corpo Ilicito

La Pocha Nostra's performances have inspired a devoted international following. Using their bodies as sites for political prophesising, they explore the Bush administration's criminalisation of the brown body and the emerging culture of hope that has developed.

Tickets: £8 / £6

### Live Art



**Sun 28 Nov** 7.30pm

### DaDaLesque

With 50s belle Millie Dollar, the ever charismatic Mat Fraser and special guests including Jo 'Boobs' Weldo, DaDa's perennial favourite promises to reach new stellar heights in mischief, creativity and downright naughtiness.

Tickets £12 / £9

### Dance



Fri 3 Dec 8pm

### Leftovers:

Contemporary Dance from the Other Side

A dance bill of Remember When, Leftovers, She was a Knife Thrower's Assistant and BEATS that redefines expectations of physicality from choreographers Marc Brew, Caroline Bowditch, Fiona Wright and Chisato Minamimura.

Part of LEAP

Tickets: £7 / £5



### Join In

### **Printmaking Courses**

Tuesdays 28 Sept - 19 Oct 6pm - 9pm

Tuesdays 11 Nov - 2 Dec 10am - 1pm

### **Introductory Level** Safe Etching

Advanced Level Safe Etching

Taught by Hannah Fray £80 / £75 concessions

Taught by Tracy Hill £80 / £75 concessions

Thursdays 30 Sept - 21 Oct 6pm - 9pm

Thursdays 25 Nov - 16 Dec 6pm - 9pm

Wednesdays 10 Nov - 1 Dec 6pm - 9pm

### **Introductory Level** Screen Printing

Taught by Jane Spencer

£80 / £75 concessions

**Introductory Level Screen Printing** 

Taught by Martin Kochany £80 / £75 concessions

Advanced Level **Screen Printing** 

Taught by Tracy Hill £80 / £75 concessions

## **Printmaking Workshops**

Sat 18 Sept 10am - 4pm

Sat 16 Oct 10am - 4pm

Sat 13 Nov 10am - 4pm

**Copperplate Engraving Press and Peel** 

Master engraver, Bob Porter, leads a workshop on the engraving techniques used by Renaissance artist Albrecht Dürer

f.60 / f.55 concessions

London printmaker Liz Miller teaches this rough and raw transfer technique using Intaglio Printmaker's Press and Peel

£60 / £55 concessions

### Cyanotype

Sian Hughes shows how to create detailed photographic images on paper, fabric and other surfaces using Ferric Ammonium citrate and potassium ferricvanide.

f.60 / f.55 concessions

### Join In

9 Sept - 17 Oct

### Lucid Mask

Wuon-Gean Ho revisits the Bluecoat with screenprints and an animation made using engravings from vinyl. These works were started during her residency in the Print Studios earlier this year.

Free, first floor landing

21 Oct - 14 Nov

### **Cardboard Folly**

Emily Speed and friends present a group of editioned works: printed objects, books, boxes and buildings.

Free, first floor landing

Thurs 18 Nov 6pm - 10pm

### Long Night

Part of the Long Night, our print studios open to the public - a perfect opportunity to see demonstrations by local printmakers and have a go yourself.

Free, first floor landing

### Every Sat & Sun 12noon - 4pm

### **Explore at the Bluecoat**

Free, fun creative activities take place every weekend and during autumn half term (Sat 23 – Sun



31 October). Drop in at any time between 12noon and 4pm and our Explore leaders will be on hand to help you join in. Enjoy looking at the exhibition in the galleries and then make some art of your own. On Sat 16 & Sun 17 October we will have special storytelling and fridge door poetry Explore sessions as part of our Chapter & Verse literature festival.

### Kids Explore Lunchbox £3



Free tea or coffee for accompanying adults when you buy an Explore lunch box

### Shop at the Bluecoat

# Probe Records at the Bluecoat

Probe Records has moved to the Bluecoat. Trading in Liverpool since the 1970s, they bring a rich history and following. In the past Julian Cope, Pete Burns and DJ John Peel have all been involved with Probe Records, which is a producing house as well as a vendor. You will find them next to the front courtyard gates on School Lane.

You can also visit our other independent retailers: Landbaby, Purlesque, the Display Centre at the Bluecoat and R&J Porter who deal in textiles, wools and yarns, handmade objets d'art and hand-etched and silversmithed gifts respectively.

# Please email space@thebluecoat.org.uk to find out more about renting creative industry space or retail units at the Bluecoat





Sat 11 & Sun 12 Sept 2pm, 3pm

### **Heritage Tours**

The Bluecoat is the oldest building in Liverpool city centre and has a rich heritage as a centre for the arts and education. Our free, self-guided trail takes you on a journey around the Bluecoat and into its past.

Free, pre-booking required.

On Sat 11 and Sun 12 Sept, our CEO and Artistic Director will give special Heritage Tours at 2pm and 3pm for Heritage Open Days.

www.heritageopendays.org.uk

Our Upstairs
bistro is now taking
bookings for Christmas dinner.
bookings for Christmas dinner.
2 course set menu £16.95
or 3 course menu £19.95,
or 3 course menu £19.95,
available from 1 – 24 December.
A free bottle of table wine is
available for every table
available for every table
for 4, if booked by

### General Info & Booking Details

### Tickets & Information

How to Book:

### In Person

Tickets and Information The Bluecoat School Lane Liverpool L1 3BX

### Telephone:

0151 702 5324

### Email:

info@thebluecoat.org.uk Online:

www.thebluecoat.org.uk

### Opening Hours

### **Tickets & Information**

8am - 6pm Mon - Tue 8am - 10pm Wed - Sat. 10am - 6pm Sun

### Galleries

10am - 6pm Daily (closed when there is a changeover of exhibition)

### **Payment**

We accept the following methods of payment: Cash (UK sterling) All major credit and debit cards for transactions over £5. (we do not accept Diners Cards/American Express)

Please note that we do not accept £50 notes, cheques or part payment for any tickets or products.

### Refunds & Exchanges

The Bluecoat does not operate a refund policy. Refunds are only made in the case of a cancelled performance. If you are unable to attend tickets returned 24 hours in advance of a performance may be exchanged for another performance within the next 12 months.

### Concessions

Concessions are available to Under 16s, Students, Claimants, and Over 65s for most events on production of appropriate identification. Concession prices are indicated against individual events and are the lower price where listed. Groups of 10 or more are entitled to the every 10th ticket free. Assistants or carers of disabled patrons are entitled to one free ticket for most events.

### Email / Mailing List

Keep in touch with events at the Bluecoat by joining our free mailing list or join our email list for regular updates. Contact Tickets and Information or visit www.thebluecoat.org.uk to join.

### Access

### The Bluecoat offers a range of facilities for disabled patrons:



Wheelchair access is available to all areas of the new wing and due to restrictions as a Listed building there is limited access to the older parts of the building.



Assistance dogs are admitted. Please advise Tickets & Information when booking your ticket if you are bringing a quide dog.



Induction Loops are fitted in number of areas of the building including Tickets & Information, Espresso, the Perfomance Space and the Sandon Room.



Alternative formats of the brochure are available on request. Please contact Tickets and Information, or email info@thebluecoat.org.uk

### **Eating and Drinking**

The Bluecoat offers a range of fresh, seasonal home-cooked eating options prepared by our own team of professional chefs as well as an excellent wine list.

### upstairs at the Bluecoat.

Located on the first floor, Upstairs is a comfortable bistro where you can either lounge on the sofas with a coffee and cake, lunch with the papers or bring the family along to sample our special children's menu.

Why not book a meal in the Upstairs bistro from 5pm – 7pm and get 20% off. To claim your 20% off you can either book in advance or on the day of your visit and quote 'the Bluecoat meal deal'. The offer is valid on production of a ticket for an event at the Bluecoat on that day. There will be a special contemporary British menu to fit in with Chapter & Verse's *A New England* theme.

### **Upstairs bistro Opening Times**

Sun - Tue 11.30am - 6pm Wed - Sat 11.30am - 9pm

### espresso at the Bluecoat.

**Espresso** is ideal for grabbing a quick tea or coffee and a sandwich. You can either sit indoors in the **Hub** or enjoy it in the peace and tranquillity of our garden.

Free wi-fi and daily newspapers are also available in the Hub.

### espresso Opening Times

Mon - Sat 8am - 6pm Sunday 10am - 6pm

### **How To Find Us**

The Bluecoat is situated in the centre of Liverpool, just behind Church Street, down Church Alley (directly opposite Marks & Spencer) and in front of Liverpool ONE.

You can enter the Bluecoat from either School Lane or College Lane (the entrance is just along from BBC Radio Merseyside). The Bluecoat is 5 minutes walk from Liverpool Lime Street Station and close to Liverpool ONE bus station.



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Live Art	If Only!	Thu 2 Sept	5
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