

Rediscover Reimagine Rebuild

## OVER 150 FREE EVENTS TO EDUCATE, ENTERTAIN AND INSPIRE

2 June – 15 June 2023 yorkfestivalofideas.com

#### THE HOLBECK CHARITABLE TRUST

The Holbeck Charitable Trust is once again delighted to be Headline Sponsor of York Festival of Ideas.

We are excited to learn that the Festival, after the success of last year's hybrid approach, returns with a diverse programme of in-person and online events, aiming to extend its local, regional and global reach, and allowing people worldwide to benefit from free educating, entertaining and inspiring talks, workshops, and more.

As a long-time sponsor, we are pleased to support this year's Festival, which is on its way to becoming a mainstay of the national cultural calendar.



We are proud of the University of York's role in establishing and leading York Festival of Ideas since 2011. The Festival is an expression of the University's commitment to being a university for public good: through the Festival we demonstrate the major contribution of education to the economic, social and cultural development of York and Yorkshire. Together with our Festival partners we are committed to showcasing the importance and relevance of ideas and research, and to engaging with new and diverse audiences. We are delighted to do so again in the University's 60th anniversary year.

The University is pleased to support the Festival through the Higher Education Innovation Fund, which facilitates the communication of new knowledge and its benefits to society.

**Charlie Jeffery, Vice-Chancellor** 



#### WELCOME TO YORK FESTIVAL OF IDEAS 2023

Welcome to the award-winning York Festival of Ideas. The 2023 edition offers an exciting programme of more than 150 in-person and online events within the theme 'Rediscover, Reimagine, Rebuild'.

After spending two years in the virtual sphere due to the COVID-19 pandemic, 2022 saw the Festival return with a hybrid programme consisting of both in-person and online events, an approach that was warmly welcomed by our audiences. We are delighted to continue the mixed-format approach this year, in pursuit of our mission to engage local and regional audiences, while also becoming truly global and inclusive.

The Festival's aim is to educate, entertain and inspire. We offer talks, exhibitions, performances, music, films, guided walks, family activities, and more – all in collaboration with over 100 local and international partners who, like us, are passionate about developing, interrogating and sharing knowledge and ideas.

This year, we are not only excited to welcome back Festival audiences in person and online, but also to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the University of York, which was founded with a strong social purpose. Both the University and the Festival are committed to the public good and excited to use the 60th anniversary to reaffirm this commitment.

This year's Festival theme is 'Rediscover, Reimagine, Rebuild'. While COVID-19 restrictions have largely diminished, we are still grappling with the impact of the pandemic. In addition, the cost of living crisis, climate change, inequality and global conflicts continue to cause significant uncertainty and concern. Rediscover Reimagine Rebuild Our Festival Focus sessions in particular are aimed at interrogating the complex challenges we are facing. Our panellists will examine the UK's criminal justice system, solutions to poverty, the relationship between Africa and Europe, new approaches to urban regeneration, and more. Join us and have your say.

We are proud to once again have attracted a wide range of experts, including BBC presenter and Team GB triathlete Louise Minchin; solicitor and former Chief Prosecutor Nazir Afzal; bestselling author, historian and broadcaster Tracy Borman; visionary photographer Sunil Gupta; and so many more inspirational figures.

We are also excited to host a variety of celebrated performers, including GRAMMY-nominated countertenor Reginald Mobley; actor Tim McInnerny, who will appear in our Festival Finale, 'Elégie', together with the concert's creator, pianist Lucy Parham; local vocalist and storyteller Supriya Nagarajan, who will perform with musician and sound artist Duncan Chapman; and children's author Michael Morpurgo, who returns to the Festival with a magical concert adaptation of his bestselling novel *War Horse*.

We are incredibly fortunate to have the support of so many partners, and I extend our deepest gratitude to our sponsors and donors (see pages 90 to 91) – without them we would not be able to deliver so many events for free.

We also thank you, our audience, for embracing the Festival's hybrid format and continuing to make each Festival engaging and inspiring. We hope you will join us this year to rediscover, reimagine and rebuild.

Joan Concannon Director of York Festival of Ideas

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# MAKING THE MOST OF THE FESTIVAL

We are proud to return with a packed programme of more than 150 inspiring in-person and online events. Here are some handy hints to help you make the most of your Festival experience.



#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

All our events are listed in date order beginning on page 14. If an event runs for more than one day, full details are given on the date it begins. To make sure you don't miss it on another day, you'll find a reminder in our 'There's still time to catch' column, which appears at the end of each date section.

#### Exploring York

#### THEMES

To help you find the events that are right for you, we have divided our programme into 15 broad themes, such as *Exploring York, Performances* and *Of Women*. An outline of each theme is presented on pages seven to nine. As you browse our events, look out for the coloured tab above each entry, which tells you the theme it falls under (examples above).

#### FAMILY ACTIVITIES

A number of our events are specifically designed for families to enjoy. When browsing events, look out for the tab 'Fun for Families'. A selection of our family events can be found on pages ten to 13.

#### VENUES 🔂 😢 🌆

Festival events take place across the city of York. You'll find a list of venues, information about wheelchair access, as well as maps on pages 92 to 95. Each event entry shows an icon with a number, which helps you locate the venue on the map (examples above).

#### **BOOKING YOUR TICKET**

To avoid disappointment, check if your chosen event requires a pre-booked ticket. To reserve your ticket, simply follow the instructions given for each event in this brochure. Most events will be bookable online.

#### TRAVEL AND TRANSPORT

For information on planning your journey and car parking see page 92.

#### FOOD AND DRINK

On the University of York campus, enjoy hot and cold snacks at the Ron Cooke Hub. Many city venues also have cafés serving refreshments.

#### **IN-PERSON EVENTS**

Although there are no COVID-19 restrictions in place at time of printing, our events may still be subject to change. Please check the Festival website and our social media for the latest information. Ticket-holders will receive an email to alert them of any changes after booking.

#### **ONLINE EVENTS**

For more information on online and hybrid events see page six.

#### ONLINE EVENTS



# **ONLINE EVENTS**

#### **GLOBAL AND INCLUSIVE**

We are delighted to keep offering an exciting online programme to our audiences, as we aim to become a truly global and inclusive Festival. This page provides you with information on how to find online and hybrid events in this brochure and how to attend events online.

#### **ONLINE EVENTS**

Our Festival brochure includes in-person, online and hybrid events. To clearly distinguish between these formats, online events are presented in boxes against a yellow background (example below). You can find more detailed event descriptions for all online events on our website, yorkfestivalofideas.com.



Thurs 8 June, 8pm to 9pm Queer science fiction writer and researcher Bee Scott explores how science fiction plays are challenging our assumptions about the future of queer life.

#### HYBRID EVENTS

The programme includes a small number of hybrid events. These are presented in the same way as in-person ones, but include the in-person and online icons next to the theme tab at the top of an event (example above). The booking details will also highlight the hybrid format by including the sentence, 'Also available live online'.

#### ATTENDING EVENTS ONLINE

We use a variety of online and social media platforms to deliver online events. In order to watch talks live using Zoom technology, you need to download the free app/software.

Please also be aware that online sessions provide automated live-captioning that may not be 100 per cent accurate and can vary in quality.

In the case of hybrid events, you will have to indicate at booking whether you want to attend in person or online.

#### EXPLORE THE RANGE OF EVENTS ON OFFER

# OUR FESTIVAL THEMES

All our events are grouped under 15 broad themes to make it easier for you to identify what might be of interest to you.

Check out the summaries of each theme, then look out for the matching coloured tab at the top of each event (see page 14 onwards).





Our history events bring the past to life. Learn about the great kingdoms of Africa, the Cold War, global travel in the age of Shakespeare, and more, and watch a medieval 'dating show'.



Explore the history of Anglo-Saxon festivals, customs and traditions, discover how a seventh-century ship is being rebuilt and learn about early medieval migration.

#### Arts and Creativity



Attend workshops, talks and exhibitions on a variety of subjects, from pagan visual culture to queer futures in sci-fi theatre, from television and death to how we can find beauty in our daily lives.



Our Festival Focus sessions explore solutions to poverty, as well as urban regeneration. Other events cover topics from audio description to the economy and ecology of waste tyres.

#### EXPLORE THE RANGE OF EVENTS ON OFFER



Discover the hidden stories behind some of York's most fascinating places and people, and join tours to immerse yourself in the city's past. Fun for Families



Come along for a wide range of fun, hands-on scientific and creative activities, and for the opportunity to have your favourite toy turned into an animated film star.



Find out how we can reimagine healthcare and pharmaceutical innovation, unlock the mysteries of smell, participate in a Brazilian dance workshop, walk a labyrinth, and more.



Experts at our Festival Focus sessions discuss the UK's criminal justice system, while other events focus on Russia's war in Ukraine, the highs and lows of British politics, and more.



Explore the ancient world – from lost civilisations and cultures, and 'oral' histories of ancient Greece to Egyptian treasures in North Yorkshire.



Discover the latest research on topics such as robotics, cryptorealities and lunar exploration, and join talks, tours and activities at the University of York's Institute for Safe Autonomy.

#### EXPLORE THE RANGE OF EVENTS ON OFFER



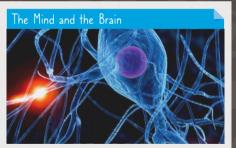
Explore the wonders of the natural world! Discover the deep ocean and its inhabitants, hunt dinosaurs in the Jurassic and learn about biodiversity and other fascinating topics.



Explore Anne Lister's diaries, learn about the gender health gap, and more. Conduct research on women in history and hear about the adventures of extraordinary women.



Join us for an array of concerts by musical talents, watch Michael Morpurgo perform his novel *War Horse*, and don't miss our Festival Finale with actor Tim McInnerny and pianist Lucy Parham.



Go on an epic journey through the brain, learn about dreams and other altered states, delve into the science of emotion, and more.



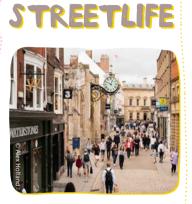
From poetry to linguistics, enjoy talks on a variety of topics such as vampires, dialects and the linguistic aspect of Russia's war in Ukraine.



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# FAMILY EVENTS!



Throughout the Festival StreetLife Hub, Coney Street

> Find out more: yorkfestivalofideas.com

★★★★★
Explore York's ancient high street through exhibitions, events and activities for all ages.

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Sat 20 May, 11am to 12 noon Acomb Explore Library, Front Street

Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

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Join children's author Alice
Harman for an entertaining
workshop that offers a witty
introduction to art through
the Louvre Museum's many
masterpieces, including
the Mona Lisa.

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# **EXPLORE!**



Weds 31 May, 10am to 12 noon Acomb Explore Library, Front Street

2pm to 4pm Tang Hall – The Centre @ Burnholme, Mossdale Avenue Free. No booking required.

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fly over a moon of Saturn, wonder at the scale of space and experience what it might feel like to be an astronaut.

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# THE WORLD AT YOUR FEET



Sat 3 June, 10am to 1pm Three Hagges Woodmeadow, Escrick

Free tickets: woodmeadowtrust.org.uk (donations welcome)

★★★★★
Learn about the partnerships between fungi, flowering plants and trees, and discover how animals keep our planet healthy.

# FAMILY EVENTS!





Sat 3 and Sun 4 June. 10am to 4pm (one-hour sessions) The Guildhall. St Helen's Square Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

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Join us for an interactive workshop that will turn your favourite toy into a fullyanimated short-film star!

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Sat 3 June, 11am to 4pm Parliament Street Free. No booking required. \*\*\*\*

Participate in lots of fun hands-on activities and find out about the exciting research being carried out in York.



Sat 3 June, parade starts at 12 noon York Minster (start of parade), **Knavesmire** (festival) Free. No booking required.

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North Yorkshire's biggest annual LGBTQ+ event returns with a parade and plenty of family-friendly activities and entertainment.



# WAR HORSE: THE CONCERT



Sun 4 June, 6pm to 7.15pm York Theatre Royal, St Leonard's Place

Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

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Celebrated children's author Michael Morpurgo retells an abridged version of his bestselling novel War Horse, accompanied by Ben Murray, with music and songs from the National Theatre production.

## FAMILY EVENTS!



Sat 10 June, 10am to 4pm Institute for Safe Autonomy, University of York

Free. Find out more: yorkfestivalofideas.com

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 Participate in hands-on activities and tour the Institute for Safe Autonomy's brand-new robotics laboratories and facilities.

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Sat 10 June, 10.30am to 5pm Campus East, University of York Free. Find out more: yorkfestivalofideas.com

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Join us for an exhibition and activities surrounding the seventh-century, 90ft-long Sutton Hoo ship, which was discovered in 1939 and is now being rebuilt.

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Sat 10 June, 11am to 12 noon and 2pm to 3pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

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Find out what it's like to be an archaeologist through exciting hands-on activities.

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Sat 10 June, 1pm to 4pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York Free. No booking required.

Enjoy an afternoon of energetic, crafty, puzzling, scientific and historical fun with University of York postgraduate students and staff.



Sat 10 June, 1.30pm to 3.30pm and 4.30pm to 6.30pm (times include pre- and post-show activities) Clements Hall, Nunthorpe Road

Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

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 Come along to this magical children's opera weaving together live music, puppetry and animation.

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Sun 11 June, 1pm to 2pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

★★★★★
Why don't today's classical musicians improvise anymore? Learn about a lost art and participate in interactive games with violinist Nina Kümin.

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ZOMBIES IN YORK



Weds 14 and Thurs 15 June, 6pm to 7.30pm York Explore Library, Museum Street

Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

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Zombies have taken over York! Watch as University of York scientists dissect a captured zombie, and help save the city through hands-on activities.

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FAMILY EVENTS!



Sat 17 June, 2pm to 3.30pm National Centre for Early Music, Walmgate Tickets: £10 (£5.50 u-16) ncem.co.uk/events

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Fancy trying something new? Discover the Brazilian martial art of Capoeira with musician, percussionist and workshop leader Claudio Kron.

#### Fun for Families

### Mona Lisa and the Others



Sat 20 May, 11am to 12 noon Acomb Explore Library, Front Street 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

What is art all about? How should we talk about art? What kind of questions should we ask when looking at it? Join children's author Alice Harman as she explores all of these questions and more, all while taking you on a journey through the Louvre Museum and its many masterpieces, including the Mona Lisa.

> **explore** Libraries and Archives

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## Explore!



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Join us to explore space in virtual reality! Discover the Martian landscape, fly over a moon of Saturn, wonder at the scale of space and experience what it might feel like to be an astronaut.

Drop by at any time to join us on these short, familyfriendly adventures!



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#### Arts and Creativity

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#### Health and Wellbeing

## Art and Development Trail



Throughout the Festival Start at Spring Lane Building, University of York Free. Download info: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Development is often seen as the giving of aid, but it is much more complex and multidimensional than that. This self-guided trail will change your understanding of what development is and show you the ways in which development practitioners and researchers are using art to communicate their findings and effect local change. Rediscover and reimagine what

development means – at your own pace and convenience.



## Labyrinth for Wellbeing



Throughout the Festival, 9am to 5pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Come along to (re)discover how enriching walking a labyrinth can be. In the atmospheric setting of King's Manor, explore a labyrinth that reflects its natural surroundings, laid out in a pattern you won't have seen before. Rebuild your calm and confidence as you walk or view the labyrinth, which is suitable for people familiar with labyrinths as well as those of you who are just beginning to learn about them.



# A Date with History Arts and Creativity Exploring York **StreetLife:** Rediscover and reimagine Coney Street

Throughout the Festival, 10am to 5pm • StreetLife Hub, Coney Street 😰







UK Research and Innovation



Fun for Families

Visit the StreetLife Hub to explore the fascinating history and vibrant future of Coney Street, one of York's most familiar thoroughfares, through exhibitions, events and activities for all ages.

Coney Street, York's ancient high street, was once a hub for leisure, a site of civic business and pageantry, a bustling home for York's diverse communities, a stopping place for strangers, the centre of York's ancient Jewish community and connected to the River Ouse in ways that now feel hard to imagine. The StreetLife Hub is home to hands-on and immersive experiences created by community- and creativity-driven research to bring the multiple histories and creative spirit of Coney Street to life.

Use the past to think differently about the future and design your own high street, and be inspired by exhibitions of historic and contemporary print to try your hand at letterpress and linocut printing in our studio. Experience the street afresh by attending performances and workshops and exploring interactive visualisations, and book tours that tell of York's musical past and bring to light lesser-known histories.

Visit yorkfestivalofideas.com and streetlifeyork.uk to find out more about the programme of events and to book your free tickets.

## A Date with History –

York Crime Walk

#### Exploring York

## York Death & Culture Walk



**Throughout the Festival** Start at Walmgate Bar **1** Free. Download info: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Delve into York's dark past with this self-guided podcast walking tour. View buildings, landmarks, people and places in a new light as you investigate the city's hidden secrets and reveal the history of crime, justice and punishment. The trail starts at Walmgate Bar, where in the 14th century, heads of executed criminals were displayed.







Throughout the Festival Start at St George's Graveyard Free. Download info: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Explore death, dying and the dead on a self-guided podcast walking trail around the ancient city of York. Download the York Death & Culture Walk on your phone and discover more about human mortality both across the ages and in the present. Appropriately starting from St George's Graveyard, the trail takes you to locations including the cholera burial ground and the North Eastern Railway War Memorial.



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#### YorkIdeas on the Green



Let's talk about big ideas... **AT THE PUB!** 

YorkIdeas at the University of York is teaming up with Angel on the Green – a community-owned enterprise – to bring ideas, research and engagement into York's neighbourhoods.

On selected Monday evenings, **from 17 April until 12 June**, a speaker from the University of York will set out a big idea related to the challenges we are facing as a society, and discuss the research that is helping to address these.

From cleaning up York's rivers to why art matters, from digital rights to alternative protein sources – let's talk about big ideas!

Free to attend for all! Find out more at york.ac.uk/events

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## Between Continents and Cultures

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Tempest Anderson Hall. Museum Gardens B Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us as we partner with the French Embassy in the UK to discuss the relationships between Africa and Europe, and how we can reimagine research in the Creative Industries in the UK and France.

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Study of French History

## Africa and Europe: Reversing points of view

Fri 2 June, 7pm to 8.15pm

The relationships between Africa and Europe are of high importance economic, geographic and cultural ties, and an interconnected





creative professionals? Where are the areas for growth and opportunity? What can we learn from each other? Our panellists

from France and the UK discuss their experiences of cultural regeneration, examples of best practice and new approaches to research, creation and innovation.



internationally, with close history. Our experts explore the complex

dynamics between the two continents and the deeply-rooted social and political challenges that, if better understood, could pave the way for better collaborations and dialogue.

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## Transitioning to a Poverty-Free Futur<u>e</u>

**Fri 2 June** Free tickets: yorkfestivalofidea<u>s.com</u>

The Joseph Rowntree Foundation is partnering with York Festival of Ideas to discuss how we can support the transition to a more equitable and just future, free from poverty. This work is both urgent and deep. We will focus on the experiences of those living in poverty today from a range of perspectives.





Presented in collaboration with The Joseph Rowntree Foundation

# Poverty in the UK



#### 12 noon to 1.15pm

Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 37

Join Tom Clark, editor of a new book, *Broke: Fixing Britain's Poverty Crisis*, as he leads a discussion about the scale of poverty, its impacts and consequences, and the inequality in Britain today. Speakers include Helen Barnard from the Trussell Trust and Ruth Patrick of the University of York.

## Another World Is Possible



#### 2.15pm to 3.30pm

Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 37

Join us as we discuss how we can use our creative imagination to imagine a more just future and where we can see glimmers of different versions of the future within the present. Sophia Parker (JRF) chairs a panel of speakers, including Rob Hopkins, author of From What Is to What If.

## Who Gets to Imagine the Future?



#### 4.30pm to 5.45pm

Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 37

We will be asking ourselves: who gets the opportunity to imagine the future and whose voices are being heard? How can we work to centre the voices of people who are furthest from power? Sophia Parker (JRF) will be joined by Amahra Spence, Founding Director of MAIA, and Lukus Robbins and Roseanna Dias, Creative Producers for the UnEarthed Project.

#### Performances

### Ligeti Quartet x Anna Meredith



**Fri 2 June, 7.30pm to 9.30pm** Rymer Auditorium, University of York **2** Tickets: £14 (£12 concessions, £5 students) yorkconcerts.co.uk 01904 322439

Renowned for their innovative programming and championing of today's most exciting composers, the Ligeti Quartet has been at the forefront of new music since their formation in 2010. The Quartet returns to York to present a ground-breaking new project with University of York alumna Anna Meredith, which marks the thrilling alignment of the two camps' aesthetics. Join the quartet for a memorable performance!

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#### Arts and Creativity

### Hidden Treasures



Sat 3 June to Thurs 16 June, during library opening hours York Explore Library, Museum Street 1 Free. No booking required.

Are you interested in different forms of art and creative ways of engaging with it? Then come along to this exciting exhibition by Navigators Art & Performance, a York-based collective of artists, writers, musicians and other performers. Discover their visual art reinterpreting works in York Art Gallery and inspired by favourite books and other cultural sources around the city. You can also book tickets for a film screening and live performance at The Basement, City Screen, on **10 June**! Details: yorkfestivalofideas.com

#### Ancient World

# Rediscovering the Dead of Roman York



Sat 3 June, 10am to 11am Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Rediscover the archaeological treasures of Roman York in this exciting panel discussion focusing on a mysterious burial custom in which the Romans poured liquid gypsum over the clothed corpses of adults and children in coffins before burying them. Learn about this funerary practice and the 3D scanning of the gypsum body casts that helps us 'see' the dead and better HERITAGE360

understand the

past.

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#### Fun for Families

### The World at Your Feet



Sat 3 June, 10am to 1pm Three Hagges Woodmeadow, Escrick Free tickets: woodmeadowtrust.org.uk (donations welcome)

The soil beneath our feet holds much of the world's carbon. It is home to life forms and interactions as complex and fascinating as those in a rock pool, but which few of us ever see. Join us to learn about the partnerships between fungi, flowering plants and trees, and to discover how strange and familiar animals help keep our soils – and our planet – healthy.



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#### Fun for Families

## Toy Stories



Sat 3 and Sun 4 June, 10am to 4pm (sessions at 10am, 11am, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm) The Guildhall, St Helen's Square 😰 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Kids, join us for an interactive workshop that will give you the unique chance to bring your favourite toy to life! After you have had your toy scanned to capture a 3D digital replica, you will craft a simple story and direct an actor to bring your toy to life on screen through motion capture technology. The workshop will wrap up with an exclusive screening showcasing your toy as a fully-animated short-film star!

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## **Discovery Zone**

Sat 3 June, 11am to 4pm Parliament Street 2 Free. No booking required.

Fun for Families

Find out about some of the exciting research being carried out in York. With lots of hands-on activities, this fun event – held in the heart of the city – is suitable for the whole family.

Why not come along and talk face-to-face with researchers about how their cutting-edge work is improving the world we live in?





#### Evolving Society

### Your Heritage, Your Story



## Pride Parade and Festival

Sat 3 June, 11am to 12 noon King's Manor, Exhibition Square 17 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

How can we promote inclusion, diversity and equity in archaeology and heritage? Our panel introduces an important University of York project that challenges prevalent storytelling narratives in these areas, which, historically, have been dominated by white, middle-class perspectives. Discover everyday stories

about experiences of heritage, told by people who have immigrated to the UK.

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Sat 3 June, parade starts at 12 noon York Minster (start of the parade), Knavesmire (destination of the parade, venue for afternoon activities) Free. Find out more: yorkpride.org.uk

North Yorkshire's biggest annual LGBTQ+ event returns with a colour-filled parade and festival. Join us to celebrate inclusivity and diversity, whether you feel like flying your flag in the parade or coming along to the festival and making new friends – everyone is welcome. The parade starts at York Minster and makes its way to the

Knavesmire for a vibrant afternoon with plenty of family-friendly activities and entertainment.



## How to Have a Good Death

Evolving Society



Sat 3 June, 12.30pm to 1.30pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

People often say they want to have a 'good death'. But what does that mean? Campaigns to legalise assisted dying are gaining ground, death is being discussed more openly and funerals are often less sombre than they used to be. Explore issues related to 'end of life' with our panellists, including Yorkshire author Colin Philpott, whose debut novel *Deathday* imagines a future England where, by law, life ends at the age of 90.



#### Exploring York

## The Uncomfortable York Tour



Sat 3 June and Sun 11 June, 1pm to 2.30pm Meet at Minster Yard (Constantine the Great statue) 2 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Explore York from a different perspective. Travel back in time to find out about the more difficult aspects in the history of our city, York's industrial heritage and its colonial significance as 'chocolate city'. Visit famous locations and discover lesser-known sites to see how the city was shaped by the imperial project and how this can still be observed in York today.



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#### Women

## As Good as a Marriage: The Anne Lister diaries



Sat 3 June, 2pm to 3pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

At this exciting talk, renowned writer and historian Jill Liddington will discuss Anne Lister's 1836-38 diaries. These are the focus of her new book. As Good as a Marriage, the sequel to Female Fortune, which inspired Sally Wainwright to write Gentleman Jack, the highly popular BBC and HBO series. Hear all about Anne's unconventional 'marriage' to wealthy heiress Ann Walker and explore the daily lives of these two women.

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#### Evolving Society

## Whiteness, Religion and Food Banks



Sat 3 June, 2pm to 3pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square 🇰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Join Maddy Power, University of York researcher, activist and author of Hunger, Whiteness and Religion in Neoliberal Britain, as she exposes the inner workings of Britain's food banks, revealing how religion structures food distribution and how Whiteness shapes the daily practices of food banks. In conversation with people who have lived experience of food poverty, Maddy asks: should we be providing food charity at all?

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## A Turbulent Entanglement: German-Greek relations



Sat 3 June, 3.30pm to 4.30pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

The debt crisis saw Venus of Milos flipping off Europe and Berlin's Victory Column holding a swastika. How indicative is this of German-Greek relations? Is this a story defined by counter-accusations? Join us for an intriguing talk that examines German-Greek relations, focusing on the circulation of Modern Greek literature

in Germany and how specific publishers enact the cross-cultural exchanges between these two countries.



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## Vampyres: A literary anthology

Way with Words



Sat 3 June, 4pm to 5pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

From Dracula to Twilight, explore the history of one of the most enduring figures in the history of mass culture: the vampire. Award-winning broadcaster, writer, art educator and cultural historian Christopher Frayling recounts the most significant moments in Gothic history, discussing a huge range of sources and demonstrating the enduring appeal of the vampire in literature – from popular press to film and fine art.

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#### A Date with History

## Great Kingdoms of Africa



Sat 3 June, 6pm to 7pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 3 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us to explore the great precolonial kingdoms, dynasties and city-states of Africa that have shaped cultures across the African continent, but have been marginalised throughout history. From ancient Egypt and Nubia to the Zulu Kingdom almost two thousand years later, learn about Africa's rich political and social history.

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## Anna Phoebe: Sea Souls

Sat 3 June, 7pm to 8pm National Centre for Early Music, Walmgate 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

#### Violinist and composer Anna Phoebe is delighted to present her brand-new album, 'Sea Souls'.

In March 2020, Anna was asked to produce a 10-minute music package for a radio arts programme. Inspired by her love of the ocean, she sat on the beach, watched the tide come and go, and let creativity take over. From this short piece of programming, 'Sea Souls' was born, envisaged as a 'Dear Diary' to the sea, the seashore and Anna's beloved Kent coast, where she lives.

Come along to experience the comfort and inspiration of the ocean, beautifully conveyed by Anna and her violin.

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#### Exploring York

## A Pilgrimage of Sound



Sun 4 June, 10am to 12 noon Meet at Heslington Hall (main entrance), University of York 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us for an evocative journey through the acoustic world of 16th-century York, which will allow you to experience our city's rich natural heritage from a fresh perspective. As you walk and listen, engage with creation on this fascinating pilgrimage that reflects the beauty of nature and history,

opportunity to reconnect with York's natural heritage.



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## Rediscover D-Day



Sun 4 June, 10am to 3pm Eye of York (lawn outside York Castle Museum) 12 Free. No booking required.

The D-Day operation on 6 June 1944 was the largest invasion in history. Rediscover stories from this crucial event with the East Yorkshire Regiment Living History Group. Join us to find out about the men, kit and vehicles involved in the Normandy landings, which were the beginning of Allied efforts that, ultimately, would lead to the liberation of Western Europe, the defeat of Nazi Germany and the end of WWII. A Date with History

Medieval York

Picking a Partner in

Sun 4 June, 10.30am to 11.30am

Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

What made an ideal partner in medieval

York? And what does that tell us about

fun performance and Q&A session with

Department of History. Meet characters

from the city's past as they participate

in a dating show, learn about changing

on who you find most eligible.

attitudes to marriage, singledom, LGBTO+

relationships, friendship and age, and vote

medieval culture? Come along for a

experts from the University of York's

Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 😰

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## Imagining England's Past



Sun 4 June, 11am to 12 noon King's Manor, Exhibition Square 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

England has long built its sense of self on visions of its past. But how have successive generations imagined this past, and how can we interpret these imagined histories? Join art historian and curator Susan Owens to discover England's invented histories, and how and why national myths have come into being. Explore the multitude of forms these myths have taken and what centuries of looking back might mean for the present and future.

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# Back to the Moon: The next giant leap for humankind



Sun 4 June, 12 noon to 1pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Just over half a century since Neil Armstrong first stepped foot on the lunar surface, a new space race to the Moon is rapidly gaining momentum. Renowned astrophysicist Joseph Silk lays out an inspiring vision for the next 50 years, discussing how the colonisation of the Moon could usher in a thrilling new age of scientific exploration that would enable

us to address the deepest cosmic mysteries.

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#### A Date with History

# Hands of Time: A watchmaker's history



Sun 4 June, 12.30pm to 1.30pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Timepieces are among humanity's most ingenious innovations. Discover the hidden world of watchmaking with award-winning designer, watchmaker and historian Rebecca Struthers, who will reveal how timekeeping has shaped our attitudes to work, leisure, trade, politics, exploration and mortality. Find out how timepieces each have their own history to lose oneself in and how, in their history, we can find the history of time itself.

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Arts and Creativity

# Shoes: An illustrated history



Sun 4 June, 2pm to 3pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 🛐 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Shoes have always been more than just a practical necessity. They reveal the culture of their time – the sexual morals, the social power play, as well as the endless shifting of fashion. Rebecca Shawcross, Senior Shoe Curator at Northampton Museum and Art Gallery, takes you on a fascinating journey of making and wearing – from chopines to stilettos, from Louis XIV to Louboutin, from antiquity to the present.

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#### Arts and Creativity

#### A Date with History

# Who Shot Van Gogh? Facts and counterfacts



Sun 4 June, 2pm to 3pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square T Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Van Gogh has become one of the most famous artists in the world and yet our understanding of his life and work is full of contradictions. This illustrated talk by Alan Turnbull, author of *Who Shot Van Gogh?*, follows the extraordinary story of his Sunflower paintings, from the artist's easel to a London auction house a hundred years later, charting the changing view of Van Gogh from a misunderstood outsider to a worldwide phenomenon.

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## York's Medieval City Walls



Sun 4 June, 3.30pm to 4.30pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

(Re)discover York's medieval city walls with archaeologist Barry Crump, who will make you see our city's iconic landmark in a new light. Find out how the walls have been rebuilt, repurposed and reimagined repeatedly since Roman times, how they have been put to a variety of uses depending on the context, and how they were understood and experienced differently by

different people

across time.

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## Egypt in North Yorkshire



Sun 4 June, 4pm to 5pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens **B** Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Explore some of North Yorkshire's fascinating Egyptian treasures with Egyptologist Jo Fletcher. Find out how these objects can be presented to the wider world, whose fascination with ancient Egypt remains as strong as ever. With the newly created North Yorkshire Council now working in partnership with the City of York Council, this is the perfect time to focus on the importance of our region's museums and the wonderful things they

contain.

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#### Fun for Families

#### Performances

Way with Words

## War Horse: The concert

## Michael Morpurgo with Ben Murray

#### Sun 4 June, 6pm to 7.15pm

York Theatre Royal, St Leonard's Place 🗊 Free tickets: yorktheatreroyal.co.uk/war-horse-concert

Come along for a powerful performance of *War Horse*, one of the most beloved books by renowned British children's author Michael Morpurgo.

Set in 1914 and told from the perspective of a young farm horse named Joey, the novel relates how he is taken from the fields of Devon and thrust into the midst of the 'Great War', where he witnesses the horrors of the frontline but also moves the soldiers around him with his courage.

In this very special concert, Michael Morpurgo retells an abridged version of *War Horse*, accompanied by Ben Murray, with music and songs from the National Theatre production, which Ben also starred in as the Songman.

Join us for an unforgettable concert!











#### Arts and Creativity

## **Once More, With Feeling!**



Sun 4 June, 4pm to 5pm Sir Jack Lyons Concert Hall. University of York 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Mechanical instruments, and the street musicians who played them, haven't always been taken seriously within the history of performance, as these instruments are often associated with robotic, 'unmusical' renditions. But what if it was possible to play 'expressively' with a mechanical instrument? Curator and music expert Claire McGinn will explore this question, drawing on historical sources and modern-day experiments.

Ancient World

## Ancient Greek 'Oral' Histories: Old flames, new science



Sun 4 June, 6pm to 7pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 😰 Free. No booking required.

Did you know that ancient Greek mouths continue to 'speak' from beyond the grave? Archaeological chemist Stephen Buckley of the University of York reveals the unexpected tales preserved on ancient Greeks' teeth, showing how their chemical 'fingerprints' provide the earliest evidence for the use of coal in the western world - 3,000 years before its role in the modern industrial revolution that remade our world.

Fearless: Adventures with extraordinary women





Sun 4 June, 7.30pm to 8.30pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens 🗊 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us for a celebration of adventurous. brave, courageous women who are doing extraordinary things through sport, exercise and a love of the great outdoors. BBC presenter and Team GB triathlete Louise Minchin shares the story of how she set out to push herself beyond her limits, alongside a host of trailblazing women, leaving you empowered, touched and inspired, and moved by the power of the female spirit.

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#### Exploring York

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# York Unlocked's 'Architecture of the River Ouse'



Mon 5 June to Thurs 15 June (for departure times see City Cruise schedule) King's Staith Landing 1 or Lendal Bridge Landing 2 Tickets: £9.80 (use discount code IDEAS) cityexperiences.com/york/city-cruises/ york-city-cruise/

Join this special York Unlocked City Cruises tour at a discounted rate. Explore the key architectural sites along the Ouse and find

out about the plans for enhancing our city's riverside in the coming years.





## Their Finest Hour



Mon 5 June, 10.30am to 3.30pm York Army Museum, Tower Street 4 Free. No booking required.

Do you have any stories or items related to the Second World War? 'Their Finest Hour', a nationwide campaign to preserve the stories and objects of WWII, are hosting a Digital Collection Day at the York Army Museum. Bring your diaries, letters, photos, memories, objects or tales about your family's wartime experience, so that they can be recorded and added to a free-to-use online archive, theirfinesthour.english.ox.ac.uk.



#### Health and Wellbeing

## **Communicating About Bodies During Childbirth**



Mon 5 June, 2.30pm to 3.30pm Explore York Haxby and Wiggington Library 🔟 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

This workshop, hosted by University of York sociologists, will explore how women communicate their body sensations during labour, and the ways in which midwives respond. It will show audiovisual recordings of labour and birth on midwife-led units, and invite your participation in a discussion of what better communication might look like.

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### Sita: The multifaceted heroine of Ramayana



Mon 5 June, 7.30pm to 9pm The Guildhall, St Helen's Square 👪 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

This wonderful concert takes you on a journey into the world of Sita, the queen of Ayodhya and central figure of Ramayana, a world-famous epic that celebrates the Hindu god Ram and his life, and that, in North India, is the basis for Diwali, the Festival of Lights. Enjoy the beautiful lyrics and music, written, composed and performed by vocalist and storyteller Supriya

Nagarajan, with musician and sound artist Duncan CELEBRATING DIVERSIT Chapman.



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#### ONLINE EVENTS



✤ Mon 5 June, 1pm to 2pm Join historian Gillian Waters for an exploration of a love triangle that may have been the inspiration for the medieval Arthur, Guinevere and Lancelot stories.



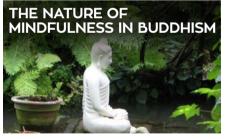
• Mon 5 June, 1pm to 2pm Our expert panel reflects on what it would look like to have economic institutions that worked to reduce inequality and create a more democratic economy.



☆ Mon 5 June, 6pm to 7pm What would it take to have a conversation with a whale? Delve into the pioneering world of animal communication with wildlife filmmaker Tom Mustill.



✤ Mon 5 June, 6pm to 7pm Medievalist Eleanor Parker explores the fascinating history of Anglo-Saxon festivals, customs and traditions linked to the different seasons.



✤ Mon 5 June, 7.30pm to 8.45pm Join Peter Harvey, teacher of mindfulness of breathing and scholar of Buddhism, to find out more about mindfulness as understood in Buddhist philosophy.



☆ Mon 5 June, 8pm to 9pm Writer and educator Philip 'Maty' Matyszak reveals the lost peoples and cultures who flourished and fought for survival alongside the Egyptians, Greeks and Romans.

## From Cave to Cosmos: YPS science in York



Mon 5 June, 7pm to 8pm Bootham School, Bootham 5 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Founded in 1822, the Yorkshire Philosophical Society has continuously provided activities to promote the public understanding of science. Discussing her book, *From Cave to Cosmos: A History of the Yorkshire Philosophical Society*, author Sarah Sheils will explore the ideas and scientists forming part of this distinguished history. Come along to celebrate the work the indefatigable society members have put in for over 200 years.







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#### Exploring York

## Who Are York's Trailblazers?



Tues 6 June, 2pm to 4pm and Thurs 15 June 10am to 12 noon Fairfax House, Castlegate 13 Free tickets: vorkcivictrust.co.uk/events

Fed up with hearing about the same historical characters from York's past? Need more diversity? Then the York Trailblazers Team wants to hear from you! Supported by the National Lottery Heritage Fund, York Trailblazers aims to unearth people in York who have made a difference, but have been forgotten, ignored or overlooked. Join our

workshop to hear and share stories, and to help shape a city-wide sculpture trail in 2024.



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Missed an event that sounded fantastic? Want to see a talk you enjoyed once more? Good news! We are recording many of our Festival events - you can watch these and a lot more from previous Festival years on

youtube.com/YorkIdeas





Online events - Free tickets and more information: vorkfestivalofideas.com

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#### **ONLINE EVENTS**



◆ Tues 6 June, 1pm to 2pm Human geographer Anika Haque of the University of York discusses the importance of gender equality for sustainable development.



◆ Tues 6 June, 6pm to 7pm
Find out how a collaborative project
between the Universities of York and
Maastricht is helping to transform our food
system through business model innovation.





◆ Tues 6 June, 6pm to 7pm Neuroscientist Mark Humphries will take you on an epic journey to discover what happens in our brain in a single, brief action.



◆ Tues 6 June, 7pm to 8pm Join us as we explore and reminisce about what the internet has been, and how this helps us build paths forward into the digital future.

#### BULLINGDON CLUB BRITAIN: THE RANSACKING OF A NATION



◆ Tues 6 June, 8pm to 9pm
Writer and editor Sam Bright reveals how a privileged elite has emulated the infamous Oxford society, inflicting its debauchery and destruction on the nation.

#### TYRED: THE ECONOMY AND ECOLOGY OF WASTE TYRES IN LAGOS, NIGERIA



◆ Tues 6 June, 8pm to 9pm Join us for a panel discussion on urban sustainability, focusing on how waste tyres are being made into new resources in the megacity of Lagos, Nigeria.

#### Health and Wellbeing

## 'hidden': Joanna



Tues 6 June, 2pm to 3.45pm,4pm to 5.45pm and 6pm to 7.45pmYork Explore Library, Museum Street Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

This immersive audio experience tells the story of Joanna, who uses mental health services and lacks digital skills. Put on the headphones, wear the blindfold and follow her journey as she tries to navigate a world where services and other aspects of daily

life become increasingly digitised. Based on research findings and anchored in 'hidden' theory of change, this experience challenges you to walk in Joanna's shoes.



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#### A Date with History

## Emeralds and Ink: Rediscovering British history



Tues 6 June, 6.30pm to 7.30pm The Merchant Taylors' Hall, Aldwark Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

From Colombian emeralds in Tudor jewellery to Black voices in 18th-century novels, Lauren Working and Olivia Carpenter from the University of York's Department of English and Related Literature invite you to rediscover British art and literature, revealing how we can find historical information in less obvious places and/or through overlooked perspectives, and how this information can help us build

a better present

and future.

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#### Evolving Society

## 42 Ways to Transform York



Weds 7 June, 7pm to 9pm Main Hall, Priory Street Centre Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

What could a truly cycle-friendly city look like? Join us to learn about '42 Ways', York Cycle Campaign's manifesto that critiques the existing transport policy in York and presents an alternative approach. Find out how cycling in York can be made safe, convenient and accessible, creating a healthier, happier, more equitable environment not just for cyclists, but for everyone in York – residents, businesses and visitors alike.



Thankonomics: The value in appreciation

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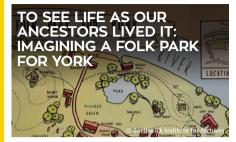


Thankonomics is a new concept developed by York-based author, Andrew Robshaw, who highlights that, through value and appreciation, we can challenge the fundamentals of business and economics. Value is created everywhere – yet there is no all-encompassing definition. Discover how we can define and capture value and appreciation, and how the Thankonomics model can help us end poverty and create a fairer and happier work environment.

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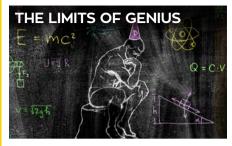
#### ONLINE EVENTS



✤ Weds 7 June, 1pm to 2pm Archivist Sally-Anne Shearn provides a unique look into J. B. Morrell's imaginative idea for preserving and presenting history by building a Folk Park in York.



• Weds 7 June, 6pm to 7pm Award-winning *Guardian* journalist Luke Harding discusses the war that changed everything, confronting the crucial question: which side will prevail?



✤ Weds 7 June, 6pm to 7pm Science writer Katie Spalding shares the hilarious stories of celebrated historical figures that show the fine line between 'genius' and 'extremely lucky idiot'.



• Weds 7 June, 8pm to 9pm Authors Emily Hund and Paula Marantz Cohen discuss how social media impacts our conversations, intimacy and relationship dynamics.

## WHEN BAD THINKING HAPPENS TO GOOD PEOPLE Bad Thinking

#### ✤ Weds 7 June, 8pm to 9pm

Philosophy professor Lawrence Shapiro explains why the tools of philosophy offer a powerful antidote to today's epidemic of irrationality. FOX LANE BOOKS

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### Gamelan Sekar Petak



Weds 7 June, 7.30pm to 9.30pm The Guildhall, St Helen's Square Tickets: £10 (£8 concessions, £3 students) yorkconcerts.co.uk 01904 322439

Gamelan Sekar Petak's student and community ensembles present a relaxed performance in the spectacular setting of York's 15th-century Guildhall. Join them for a spirited celebration of local and global culture, both old and new, featuring a refined repertoire from the Central Javanese karawitan tradition, upbeat songs in the popular dangdut style and new music by York-based composers.

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#### Natural World

## Flower Festival



Thurs 8 June to Sun 11 June, 10am to 4pm and during services All Saints Church, North Street 12 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Celebrate divine and earthly beauty at this year's Flower Festival, organised by the All Saints Church in collaboration with Askham Bryan College, York. Talented floristry students from the college will create stunning floral displays inspired by the rich history and worship of the medieval church and its unique stained glass, and the building will be filled with light, colour and scent, highlighting the beauty of our natural world.



#### Exploring York

## Urban River Restoration in Action



Thurs 8 June, 1pm to 3pm and 5pm to 7pm Hull Road Park, Millfield Avenue (meet by the beck) Free. No booking required.

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**St Nicks** 

Join community environment charity St Nicks to see river restoration in action as part of the York Cares Big Community Challenge, which is happening throughout June with the aim of supporting river and wetland restoration at various locations across our city. Bring your wellies and be prepared to get your hands dirty, as you'll have the chance to do some planting to improve habitats.

#### Arts and Creativity

## Vain Trifles: Clothes, literature, identity



Thurs 8 June, 4pm to 5.30pm York St John University – Holgate Student Centre 2 Free tickets: yorksj.ac.uk/events

Virginia Woolf said, 'Vain trifles as they seem, clothes change our view of the world and the world's view of us'. Join us for an exciting workshop on the power of clothes. Examine the literature that brings clothing to life and explore what clothes mean to you through creative writing. Challenging fast fashion or celebrating self-expression – let's rediscover, reimagine and rebuild our relationship to the clothes we wear.



### **ONLINE EVENTS**



◆ Thurs 8 June, 1pm to 2pm Cognitive neuroscientist Ana B. Vivas discusses a new approach to improve learning in people with cognitive impairments.



◆ Thurs 8 June, 1pm to 2pm A panel of literature experts introduce the first ever anthology of Sri Lankan and diasporic poetry, and how it reshapes our understanding of migrational poetics.



◆ Thurs 8 June, 6pm to 7pm Art curator Helena Cox reveals the hidden treasures from the University of York's extensive and exciting art collection.



◆ Thurs 8 June, 6pm to 7pm Join neuroscientist Eric H. Chudler as he explores the mysteries and marvels of the three pounds of tissue between our ears – the brain.

## PAGANS: THE VISUAL CULTURE OF PAGAN MYTHS, LEGENDS AND RITUALS



◆ Thurs 8 June, 7pm to 8pm
Writer and researcher Ethan Doyle
White explains the complex history of paganism and how today's Pagans are inspired by the pre-Christian past.



◆ Thurs 8 June, 8pm to 9pm Have your understanding of democratic politics and populism turned upside down by political scientist Larry M. Bartels and political analyst Jarosław Kuisz.

### **ONLINE EVENT**

#### QUEER FUTURES IN SCIENCE FICTION THEATRE



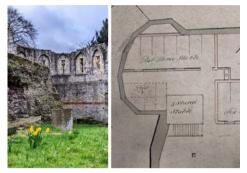
◆ Thurs 8 June, 8pm to 9pm Queer science fiction writer and researcher Bee Scott explores how science fiction plays are challenging our assumptions about the future of queer life.

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#### Exploring York

## Rediscovering York's Mint Yard



Thurs 8 June, 6pm to 7.30pm York Explore Library, Museum Street Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

For three centuries, York's Mint Yard, located between the Multangular Tower and Petergate, had a unique place in the life of the city. It housed sculptors, merchants, combmakers, poor gentlewomen, a theatre and sufficient horses to maintain York's vital stagecoaches. Local historian Peter Hogarth charts the Mint Yard's journey through the centuries – and his own journey through York's extraordinary archives. *Donations welcome*.



## Exploring York

### Celebrating Multilingual York: The OurLOTE project



Thurs 8 June, 7pm to 8pm York St John University – De Grey Court 1 Free tickets: bit.ly/3Ht18d3

What languages, other than English, are used in the City of York? And how can we create a more positive and vibrant multilingual environment? Find out from Becky Muradás-Taylor, Professor of Languages and Linguistics at the University of Leeds, who will introduce the OurLOTE Project, a collaborative social media project. Watch a multilingual film – with English subtitles – and join the discussion about language use in

our city.



#### Evolving Society

### The Philosophers' Daughters



Thurs 8 June, 7pm to 8.30pm The Memorial Hall, St Peter's School, Clifton 😰 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Why should we care for the vulnerable? Why are people concerned with the labels on clothes? What is love? Philosopher and theologian Peter Vardy collected 54 questions about life asked by his young daughters Petra and Thora, attempted to answer them himself and gathered additional answers from leading figures

in a variety of fields from across the world. Join Peter for a lively discussion on life's biggest questions.

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#### Performances

## Rumi and the Masnavi: Talk and recitation



Thurs 8 June, 7pm to 9.15pm National Centre for Early Music, Walmgate 23 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Rumi is one of the best-loved and most influential poets in Islamic culture, and today his fame is global. Join Alan Williams, University of Manchester Emeritus Professor of Iranian Studies, for a fascinating talk including a recitation and a performance by Seyed Ali Jaberi and the Hamdel Ensemble, centring on the story of

an old musician, from the first book of Rumi's *Masnavi*, a work of couplet verses in Persian and Arabic.



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#### Performances

### The Chimera Ensemble



Fri 9 June, 7.30pm to 9.30pm Sir Jack Lyons Concert Hall, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkconcerts.co.uk

One of the UK's largest student-run music groups, The Chimera Ensemble is renowned for its innovative programming, often giving the first UK performances of works by leading international composers. For their last concert of the season, the Ensemble presents a scintillating programme exploring the theme of music inspired by art and colour, featuring pieces by Helen Grime, Per Nørgård and Yorkbased composer James Williamson.

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#### ONLINE EVENT

# BRAIN AND HEART: THE DYNAMIC CONNECTION

#### ✤ Fri 9 June, 1pm to 2pm Clinical neuropsychologist Kalliopi Megari provides intriguing insights into the dynamic relationship and strong connection between the heart and the brain.

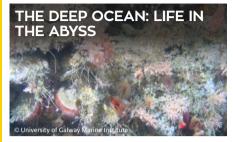
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✤ Fri 9 June, 1pm to 2pm Zoologist Louise Allcock presents the deep ocean and its inhabitants as you have never seen them before.



✤ Fri 9 June, 6pm to 7pm Leading archaeologist Duncan Sayer reveals how ancient DNA is helping us explore the movement of people in the early Middle Ages, from AD 450–750.



◆ Fri 9 June, 6pm to 7pm Journalists Paola Totaro and Robert Wainwright discuss how our sense of smell shapes our experiences, particularly within the context of the pandemic.



◆ Fri 9 June, 7pm to 7.30pm Hear from and chat to 'manonabeach<sup>®</sup>', Ian Brighouse, whose fascinating project celebrates the elemental power of the beach, where the air, land and sea meet.

#### EMOTIONAL IGNORANCE: LOST AND FOUND IN THE SCIENCE OF EMOTION



• Fri 9 June, 8pm to 9pm Neuroscientist and bestselling author Dean Burnett puts our everyday emotions under the microscope and explains how they make us who we are.



✤ Fri 9 June, 8pm to 9pm Writer, scientist and educator Lixing Sun explores the evolution of cheating in the natural world, revealing how it has given rise to wondrous diversity.

SATURDA

## Different Class: The untold story of English cricket



Sat 10 June, 10am to 11am Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Sports historian Duncan Stone proposes that all sports are socially constructed – and cricket in England is no exception. Join Duncan, in conversation with Kevin Tennent and Alex Gillett of the University of York's School for Business and Society, to explore the role of social class in the evolution of sports governance, and to find out how elitism in cricket has impeded the performance of the England national team.



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#### Natural World

## One Thousand Shades of Green



Sat 10 June, 10am to 11am Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Celebrate the beauty and diversity of our nation's plants with ecologist, writer and BBC Countryfile presenter Mike Dilger, who will discuss his mission to see a thousand different wild plants in one calendar year. From Cornwall to the Scottish Highlands, Mike travelled the country, meeting reserve wardens and conservationists, and experiencing firsthand the difficulties associated with saving our rarest, most charismatic plants.

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### Rediscovering Women's Lives



Sat 10 June, 10am to 11am The Mount School York, Dalton Terrace Also available live online (see page 6) Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

The UK's only all-girls Quaker school, The Mount School York, is joining forces with the 'A Few Forgotten Women' project and the Rowntree Society to investigate ways in which women are omitted from historical record. Join us to discover how we can better preserve women's

stories and voices that might otherwise be lost in perpetuity.



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## Researching Women in History



Sat 10 June, 11.30am to 2pm The Mount School York, Dalton Terrace Also available live online (see page 6) Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us for the opportunity to conduct real-time, interactive research. Hone your research skills and discover more about the women appearing on the 'A Few Forgotten Women' project website. You'll have access to online resources and helpers, and you'll be able to share your findings. (Includes a 30-minute break.)







## Rediscover the Cold War



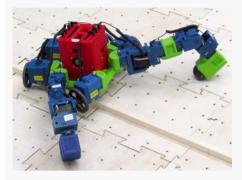
Sat 10 June and Sun 11 June, 10am to 2pm Eye of York (lawn outside York Castle Museum) 12 Free. No booking required.

Rediscover the Cold War with the 20th-Century Soldier Living History Group. Join us to learn all about the story of the Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire during the Cold War years. Formed in 1958, the Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire was amalgamated into the Yorkshire Regiment in 2006. Drop by to find out more from our friendly living history group.

> YORK ARMY **MUSEUM**

## Institute for Safe Autonomy: Talks, tours and activities

Science/Technology



Evolving Society

## The Autonomous Robot Evolution Project

For a long time, humans have been designing and constructing robots. But what if these are not operating efficiently enough? In this talk, discover how researchers from the University of York's Institute for Safe Autonomy are planning to create the first robot system that will design and produce other robots that work well in any environment.

#### Sat 10 June, 10am to 4pm Institute for Safe Autonomy, University of York 1 Free. Find out more: yorkfestivalofideas.com





Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council

## Laser-Powered 'Puppet'

Rescue robotics or outer space robotics play a vital role in extremely harsh environments such as those with very high or low temperatures, or those containing radioactive or toxic substances. This talk explores how a laser-powered 'puppet' could tackle such environmental challenges without sacrificing the mission.

#### Family-friendly tours and activities

There will also be tours and activities for all the family at the Institute for Safe Autonomy on this day. For more information visit yorkfestivalofideas.com.

## Flagship of Early England: Reconstructing the Sutton Hoo Ship

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Sat 10 June, 10.30am to 5pm Campus East, University of York 6 Free, Find out more: vorkfestivalofideas.com

The Sutton Hoo Ship's Company based in Woodbridge, Suffolk, is reconstructing the giant 90ft-long ship discovered under a mound at the roval burial ground of Sutton Hoo in 1939. Find out how the ship was dug up and how it is being rebuilt using authentic tools and researched methods to make the ship and its journeys as close to real life in the seventh century CE as possible.

#### Exhibition

#### Free. No booking required.

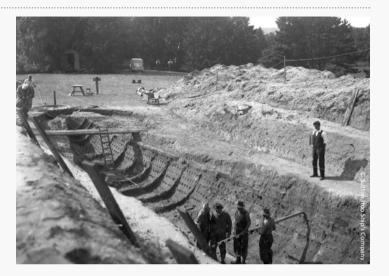
An exhibition including videos, oars, maps, models and more tells the story of the reconstructed ship so far, what it is made of and how it is held together to survive the winds, waves and tides of the planned voyages.

Find out more about the Sutton Hoo exhibition, activities and talks at yorkfestivalofideas.com

#### Woodwork

#### Free. No booking required.

See the Anglo-Saxon tools such as axes and draw-knives that have been replicated to fashion the oak for the ship, and discover how the five-metre-long oars are being made.



#### Talks Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join talks on the design, building and planned voyages of the reconstructed ship with Master Shipwright Tim Kirk, project manager Jacq Barnard, volunteer coordinator David Keeble and University of York researcher Martin Carver.



#### Exploring York

#### Evolving Society

#### Fun for Families

## Food and Farming in Early Heslington



Sat 10 June, 10am to 4pm (9.30am registration) St Oswald's Church Hall, Fulford 12 Tickets: £5 (optional lunch £5) – booking required, pay at the door ffhyork.localhistory@gmail.com 07914 426744

Join us for a day of interdisciplinary events focusing on the changing ways in which humans have engaged with landscapes in and around Heslington from the pre-Roman period onwards. How did they live? What did they eat? Discover the continuities and variations in agricultural practices over time.



## **Re-DEAF-ining Society**



Sat 10 June, 11am to 1pm York St John University – Creative Centre 43 Free tickets: yorksj.ac.uk/events

How can we redefine society so that it values deaf people and communities as equals? Join Dai O'Brien and Steve Emery, lecturers in British Sign Language and Deaf Studies at York St John University, as they explore examples of radical politics in deaf communities and imagine how these politics can help us rebuild our communities in more accessible ways.



## Indoor Dig



Sat 10 June, 11am to 12 noon and 2pm to 3pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

What's it like to be an archaeologist? And what was life like in the prehistoric past? Join archaeologist and educator Julian Richards for an exciting 'indoor dig', a hands-on activity which introduces children of primary age and above (as well as adults!) to the processes of excavation and the gathering of evidence through interpretation and eventual rebuild. The clues are there, so become a dig detective and help unearth them!

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## Curating the World's Game



Sat 10 June, 11.30am to 12.30pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Are you interested in the history of English football? Join us for an exciting talk with Alex Jackson, Curator at the National Football Museum in Manchester. Alex will discuss his own research, focusing on wartime football as well as the evolution of women's football, and he will elaborate on his collaboration with University of York researchers that brought the 1966 FIFA World Cup back to life at the National Football Museum.

#### Natural World

## Hunting Dinosaurs in the Jurassic



Sat 10 June, 12 noon to 1pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🙆 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Palaeontologist Phil Manning takes you on a journey to the remote badlands of Wyoming, where he and his team have been investigating a dinosaur graveyard packed with skeletons, fossilised plants and footprints. Join Phil to hear about the latest spectacular finds that are changing the way we think about the Jurassic, his work on the BBC show Secrets of the Jurassic Dinosaurs. and his research much closer to home, in Yorkshire.

#### Science/Technology

## Reimagining the Changing Roles of a Research Scientist



Sat 10 June, 1pm to 2.30pm York St John University – Foss Building 🛍 Free tickets: yorksj.ac.uk/events

How do research scientists in biomedicine approach the discovery process? York St John University academics and Biomedical Science students invite you to (re)discover a love for science, as they take you through the research design process to find new ways of understanding cancer and other common diseases. Learn about diagnosis and detection methods, lab techniques and the exciting changes coming to a diagnostic lab near you!

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#### Fun for Families

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Science/Technology

#### Health and Wellbeing

#### Festival Fringe Family Fun Soapbox Science



Sat 10 June, 1pm to 4pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free. No booking required.

Join us for an afternoon of energetic, crafty, puzzling, scientific and historical fun with University of York postgraduate students and staff at this year's Festival Fringe Family Fun Afternoon. No ticket needed - just come along! Activities are particularly suitable for five- to 11-year-olds, but other family members are welcome too.





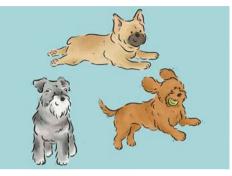
Sat 10 June, 1pm to 4pm St Sampson's Square 👪 Free. No booking required.

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Come and listen to top female and nonbinary scientists as they take science to the streets of York - while standing on a soapbox! Established in 2011, Soapbox Science promises a summer of fun and fantastic science with events across the world. Catch the York event and meet inspirational speakers from the University of York as they explain their research and promote the visibility of women and non-binary people in UNIVERSITY of York



## Happy Dog, Happy You



Sat 10 June, 1.30pm to 2.30pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🙆 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Want to raise a calm, happy and fulfilled dog? Award-winning dog groomer, TV personality and experienced dog handler Verity Hardcastle will tell you everything you need to know: from choosing a breed to practical diet and nutrition tips, and from knowing what to buy to behaviour training and exercise advice. Join us to discover how you can fill life with fun and forge a lasting bond with your four-legged friend.



## Borka: The adventures of a goose with no feathers



Sat 10 June, 1.30pm to 3.30pm and 4.30pm to 6.30pm (times include pre- and post-show activities) Clements Hall, Nunthorpe Road 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Ignite Music celebrates 60 years since the publication of John Burningham's touching tale, *Borka: The Adventures of a Goose With No Feathers*, with a magical 45-minute children's opera adaptation. Join us for a fantastic performance weaving together live music, puppetry and animation. *Aimed at children between five and seven years, but suitable for all the family.* 



#### Science/Technology

## Cryptorealities



Sat 10 June, 2pm to 3pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

An angry beginning, a failing present and a dystopian future. Whilst no longer at its peak, cryptocurrency seems like it is here to stay. So it is worth looking beyond the hype, the buzzwords and the catchy headlines to ask: what is it really all about? Join science communicator James Lees for a fascinating talk discussing questions such as: where did crypto actually come from, what is it doing now and what lies in its future?



#### Evolving Society

## Navigating Economic Storms



Sat 10 June, 2pm to 3pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Britain is in the midst of an economic storm – battered by high inflation, rising interest rates and falling GDP, and set against a wider backdrop of low growth and high inequality. But we are hardly alone in this. Join our panel as we discuss how the UK and other major economies have adjusted to past periods of disruptive change and the lessons we can learn from this to make the current **Resolution** 

decade a success.

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## Come and Sing



Sat 10 June, 2pm to 3.30pm York St John University – Chapel 🌆 Free tickets: yorksj.ac.uk/events

Immerse yourself in gorgeous harmony with a massed choir of singers from Bergen (Norway), Cumbria, the North East and York, as we test the idea that group singing is an effective way of connecting with strangers. Hosted by leading academics and singing leaders from the UK and Norway, this promises to be an inspiring and uplifting session demonstrating the power of group singing, with lots of opportunities to join in.

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#### A Date with History

## Footmarks: A journey into our restless past



Sat 10 June, 3.30pm to 4.30pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🙆 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

All too often we think of the past as static, 'frozen in time'. But the past was never still, as archaeologist Jim Leary of the University of York reveals. Looking back over the last 3.5 million years to see how footprints lead to

pathways, which then become roads, Jim shows how people have always been moving. Join us for a fascinating exploration of our past that will make you look at the landscape around you with fresh

eyes.

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#### Evolving Society

### Imagining Just Transition Futures



Sat 10 June, 3.30pm to 4.30pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

How we move about in our daily lives impacts the environment as well as our health. This workshop, hosted in collaboration with the York Cycle Campaign Group, will explore what a 'just transition' away from current systems and infrastructures of mobility will involve. Using creative methods developed at the University of York,

you will reimagine the future of mobility and how to rebuild our citv for a sustainable future. UNIVERSITY の



#### Women

## Rebel Bodies: How to bridge the gender health gap



Sat 10 June, 4pm to 5pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Women make up 51 per cent of the population and are the biggest users of healthcare services - for themselves and as mothers and carers. But research shows that there are significant gender differences when it comes to men's and women's healthcare. Join award-winning health journalist Sarah Graham to learn about

the systemic and deep-rooted sexism within medicine. and to discover what it will take to bridge the gender health



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## **Embroidering Her Truth:** Mary, Queen of Scots

Women



Sat 10 June, 6pm to 7pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Why did Mary, Queen of Scots, wear red at her execution? Blending history, politics and memoir, textile expert and author Clare Hunter reveals how Mary used textiles to advance her political agenda, affirm her royal lineage and tell her own story at a time when women's voices were suppressed and silenced, and even a queen's prime duty was to bear sons.



## Vaughan Williams: A Sea Symphony



Sat 10 June, 7.30pm to 10pm York Minster, Deangate 16 Tickets: £25/£20/£12 (£6 students and u18s; free for u13s accompanied by an adult) vorktheatreroyal.co.uk 01904 623568

Two choirs collaborate to bring you a Vaughan Williams concert: York Musical Society and Philharmonischer Chor Münster from York's German twin city. The panoramic 'A Sea Symphony' is contrasted with 'Toward the Unknown Region' and the beautiful orchestral work 'Serenade in A minor'. The concert marks a 30-year partnership between the two choirs that began with a performance in Münster cathedral in 1993.



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## Pyramids of Life: Improving the health of oceans



Sun 11 June, 10.30am to 11.30am Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Our planet's natural resources face unsustainable demands, and current management approaches are failing to improve the situation. This failure is particularly evident in marine ecology, where commercial fishing is at odds with marine conservation. Join our panel of experts to hear all about the groundbreaking 'Pyramids of Life' project that seeks to better understand how we can work sustainably to manage our oceans.



Pyramids of Life Working With Nature for a Sustainable Future

#### Evolving Society

### Audio Description as a Supporting Tool for Children



Sun 11 June, 11am to 12 noon Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Audio Description (AD) is typically used as an accessibility tool for visually impaired people. But, as University of York Visiting Researcher Monika Zabrocka will reveal, AD can also be beneficial as an educational tool for sighted neurodiverse children and people more generally. Join Monika to discover how offering viewers more appealing, creative AD formats allows us to reinvent this tool in an entirely new context.

#### A Date with History

## Steeple Chasing: Around Britain by church



Sun 11 June, 11am to 12 noon King's Manor, Exhibition Square 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Churches are all around us. Their steeples remain landmarks in our towns, villages and cities, even as their influence and authority has waned, and they contain art and architectural wonders. Award-winning writer Peter Ross tells their stories, and through them a story of Britain, one that is about people as much as place. Come along to celebrate our country's churches for their beauty and meaning, and for the tales they tell.

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#### Natural World

## York Living Labs: Campus biodiversity walk



Sun 11 June, 11am to 12.30pm Meet at Heslington Hall (courtyard), University of York 12 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us for a guided walk exploring the flora and fauna of the University of York campus grounds. In the summer of 2022 a York Living Labs biodiversity pilot study saw students work with a team of consultants to undertake a baseline ecological survey of the campus grounds and help identify areas of biodiversity. This walk will showcase some of their fascinating findings. *Please wear sturdy footwear and* 

warm clothing.

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## Reimagining Our Criminal Justice System

Sun 11 June Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

The UK criminal justice system costs tens of billions of pounds each year. But is it working? Our experts discuss the challenges and opportunities surrounding our criminal justice system, focusing on how we might reimagine it for everyone's benefit.



Presented in collaboration with the Morrell Centre for Legal and Political Philosophy, which is generously supported by the C and JB Morrell Trust

## Criminal Justice: The state of the nation



#### 11am to 12.30pm

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Our criminal justice system is in crisis thanks to understaffing, the selling of Court buildings, cuts to Legal Aid, the increasing numbers in prison and other pressing issues. Our experts survey the current state of the system and discuss which areas most urgently need reform.

## Rebuilding: Policing and public trust



#### 2pm to 3.30pm

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The policing model in the UK relies on the public's consent and trust. Join our panel as they explore the root causes of public mistrust as well as the importance of understanding how policing contributes and responds to vulnerability. How can we rebuild trust in the police?

## Reimagining Punishment: Do prisons work?



#### 4pm to 5.30pm

Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄

There is overwhelming evidence that our way of dealing with crime and with those who offend does not work. Which other approaches have been successful? Our panel experts compare and contrast the UK prison system with real-life alternatives.

#### Way with Words

## Why Is This a Question?



Sun 11 June, 12 noon to 1pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Why do these letters look the way they do? Why are some uppercase and others lowercase? Why are these words in this order? Join author and linguist Paul Anthony Jones to discover the true nuts and bolts of language, including the origins of our alphabet and writing system, the sound structure of language, and more. Come along for an enlightening exploration of linguistic questions you've likely never thought to ask.

#### Exploring York

## The City of York's Coat of Arms: Hidden stories



Sun 11 June, 12.30pm to 1.30pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

If you have ever ridden on a city bus, you are likely to be familiar with the City of York's coat of arms, which also decorates many buildings across the city. It may seem like part of York's 'furniture' today, but the coat of arms is much more than that: its evolution tells the story of medieval York, signifying key historical moments. Join historian Gillian Waters to explore the stories behind the city's coat of arms and to learn more about York.

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## York Law School 15th Anniversary: Nazir Afzal

Power of Politics



Sun 11 June, 12.45pm to 1.45pm Piazza Building, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Nazir Afzal knows a thing or two about justice. As a Chief Prosecutor, it was his job to make sure the most complex, violent and harrowing crimes made it to court, and that their perpetrators were convicted. He also knows what it's like to break the glass ceiling, challenge prejudice and shake up predominantly white institutions. Join us for insights into Nazir's career, the UK's relationship with race and power, and more.

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#### Fun for Families

## The Lost Art of Baroque Musical Improvisation



Sun 11 June, 1pm to 2pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Why don't today's classical musicians improvise anymore? Learn about a lost art and find out how research can help rediscover and recreate baroque musical improvisation. This fascinating talk, followed by live improvisation and interactive games, allows you to deepen your understanding of baroque music and to experience first-hand how improvisation in classical music can increase accessibility, diversity and excitement.

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## Evolving Society Natural World What Is Biodiversity?

Sun 11 June Piazza Building, University of York 😰 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

#### **2.30pm to 3.15pm** Chris Thomas and Emma Marris in Conversation

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Delve into the topic of biodiversity and discover the nuanced relationships between humanity and nature with acclaimed environmental writer Emma Marris and Chris Thomas, Director of the Leverhulme Centre for Anthropocene Biodiversity at the University of York.

Human activities have caused the world's physical and biological processes to change so significantly that we increasingly think of Earth as having entered a new geological epoch – the 'Anthropocene'.

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This disruption has resulted in the extinction of many species, but the Anthropocene is also a time of biological gains and it may eventually be considered one of the greatest boosts to biological diversity in history. It is important to understand the causes and consequences of biodiversity gains and losses, and to use this knowledge to inform and influence how society responds.

Join Chris and Emma as they discuss biodiversity, tackling challenging questions such as: Are humans causing new species to come into existence? And do negative and positive human attitudes to different species have any impact on their fates?

#### **3.30pm to 5pm** Hands-On Activities

Want to learn even more about biodiversity? Then why not stay on for some exciting and informative hands-on activities!

This work was funded by a Leverhulme Trust Research Centre – the Leverhulme Centre for Anthropocene Biodiversity at the University of York.

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#### A Date with History

## Global Travel in the Age of Shakespeare



Sun 11 June, 2pm to 3pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Rediscover the Renaissance with Emily Stevenson and Lauren Working of the University of York, who, together with artist Loraine Rutt, will discuss their exhibition at Oxford's Bodleian Library, 'Global Networks and the Early Modern World'. Explore global travel in Shakespeare's time and find out how bringing historical documents in conversation

with contemporary artworks can generate new ways of imagining the past.



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A Date with History

## On Savage Shores



Sun 11 June, 2pm to 3pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

We have been taught to presume that modern global history began when the 'Old World' encountered the 'New', when Christopher Columbus 'discovered' America in 1492. But the reverse was true for tens of thousands of Aztecs, Maya, Totonacs, Inuit and others – enslaved people, diplomats, explorers, servants, traders. Historian Caroline Dodds Pennock discusses what 'discovering Europe' meant for these Indigenous Americans.

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## Coronations: Legacy and representation



Sun 11 June, 3.30pm to 5pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us to revisit Queen Elizabeth II's coronation and her tour of England. The film, consisting of footage from the Yorkshire Film Archive, affectionately looks at how the people of Yorkshire celebrated coronations, jubilees and royal visits. Together with experts, reflect on the Queen's legacy, Charles' coronation during a cost-of-living crisis and the UNIVERSITY of Vork

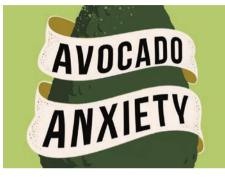
crisis and the monarchy's role in a post-

modern world.



#### Evolving Society

## Avocado Anxiety



Sun 11 June, 4pm to 5pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Have you ever wondered who picked your Fairtrade banana? Or why we can buy British strawberries in April? How far do you think your green beans travelled to get to your plate? And above all, how do we stop worrying about our food choices and start making decisions that make a difference? Join environmental writer Louise Gray to discover the stories behind your favourite fruits and vegetables, and why nothing is ever perfect.



#### Arts and Creativity

## Television/Death



Sun 11 June, 6pm to 7pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

How are death, dying and bereavement represented on television, and how can television 'bring back the dead'? Film and TV studies expert Helen Wheatley of the University of Warwick shares her most recent research on this topic, in conversation with death studies scholar Ruth Penfold-Mounce of the University of York. Join us for a fascinating discussion that will reveal television as the posthumous medium par excellence.

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Arts and Creativity

## Spike Milligan: The unseen archive



Sun 11 June, 6pm to 8.30pm Piazza Building, University of York **2** Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Finding new material after a great artist has passed on is not unheard of, but how often do we discover entire unpublished plays among hundreds of papers and recordings? Now collated into a documentary, *Spike Milligan: The Unseen Archive* tells a fascinating new story of the inimitable comic genius and former Goon. Watch our special screening

accompanied by a discussion with those who made it, including Spike's daughter, Jane Milligan.





## The Fall of Boris Johnson



Sun 11 June, 7pm to 8pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Boris Johnson was touted as the saviour of the country and his party, obtaining a huge commons majority and finally getting Brexit done. But within three short years, he was deposed in disgrace, leaving the country in crisis. Sebastian Payne, Whitehall Editor for the *Financial Times*, tells the essential behind-the-scenes story. Join us for a gripping and timely look at how power is gained, wielded and lost in Britain today.

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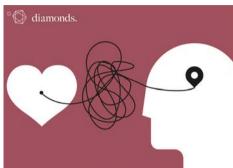
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#### Health and Wellbeing

## Reimagining Healthcare: Treating the body and mind



Mon 12 June, 2pm to 3pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square î Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

People with severe mental illness are more likely to develop chronic diseases. They also face difficulties in accessing and engaging with a healthcare system

that is not designed to meet their needs. Hear from people with lived experience of severe mental illness and chronic conditions, and find out how and why our healthcare system needs to UNIVERSITY of York change.

Bradford District Care NHS Foundation Trust



## Charles Dickens and Georgina Hogarth

Of Women



Mon 12 June, 6pm to 7pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🙆 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

We are all familiar with Oliver Twist, David Copperfield and Scrooge. We also know a lot about Charles Dickens' personal life - his difficult childhood and his sympathy for London's working poor. But how much do you know about his relationship with his sisterin-law, Georgina Hogarth, whom Dickens called his 'best and truest friend'? Join us to find out all about their curious and enduring relationship.

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## The Unspoken Rules of Spoken English Dialects



Mon 12 June, 6pm to 7pm York Explore Library, Museum Street 4 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

People are often criticised for using non-standard grammatical constructions such as 'I didn't see nobody' instead of 'I didn't see anybody', but these are widely used in dialects of English spoken around the world. Join University of York linguist Claire Childs

to explore the diversity of grammatical variation in dialects of English and to find out how dialects follow their own sets of rules.





## The Death of Consensus

Power of Politics



Mon 12 June, 6.30pm to 7.30pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🙆 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Over Britain's first century of mass democracy, politics has lurched from crisis to crisis. How does this history of political agony illuminate our current age of upheaval? Join author and BBC Radio producer Phil Tinline for an insightful talk exploring the highs and lows of British politics over the past century - from the Great Depression to the current cost-ofliving crisis.

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A Date with History

### One Object, Many Voices



Mon 12 June, 7pm to 8pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🙆 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Love visiting country houses or museums? Or haven't been to one in a while? We are bringing one to you! Rediscover the intellectual and cultural value of art through a close encounter with objects from the historic collection at Castle Howard. Our panel of experts will examine rarely seen works from the collection from four very different perspectives, offering new insights into the many questions that

art raises.



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#### Arts and Creativity

## Tattoo: The body as archive



Mon 12 June, 7pm to 8pm StreetLife Hub, Coney Street Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Discover the world of complex and unexpected imagery that people throughout history have used to inscribe their identities on their bodies. Explore the idea of the body as an archive, learn about the social networks and ideas of the self that tattooing can express, and find out how we can go about recovering the insights that it can reveal.





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Art and Development Film Screening

Evolving Society



Mon 12 June, 7.30pm to 8.30pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us for a film screening and Q&A that will change your understanding of what development means. Watch and discuss clips from documentaries focusing on the invisibility and marginalisation of migrant workers, the struggles induced by ongoing contestations over citizenship and the effects of climate change on the livelihoods of communities. How can we address these global development challenges in innovative ways?



#### Power of Politics

## The North Will Rise Again



Mon 12 June, 8pm to 9pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

How did England's North become a place of lost potential and broken dreams? And what can be done to turn it into a dynamic and forward-looking place once again? Writer Alex Niven – a native Northerner himself – provides an in-depth exploration of the importance of the North of England in the modern era that will address some of the biggest questions at the forefront of British politics and society today.



### Street Wisdom



Tues 13 June, 10.30am to 12.30pmMeet at Minster Yard(Constantine the Great statue)Pree tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Answers are everywhere – you just have to ask! Street Wisdom can help you problemsolve and expand your sense of possibility in partnership with the world around you. Roam the streets of York with personal and business coach, Diane Tricker, as you complete exercises to 'tune up' your senses, search for signs and signals to a question you pose, and reflect on what you learned – a creative method you'll be able to use again and again.





#### Health and Wellbeing

## Shaping the Nurses of the Future



Tues 13 June, 10.30am to 12 noon and 2.30pm to 4pm York St John University -Health Simulation Suite 🗊 Free tickets: yorksj.ac.uk/events

At York St John University, student nurses learn to care for their patients holistically, as people capable of healing. They are guided to become compassionate, competent and confident, able to deliver safe, evidence-informed, person-centred care. Join us for a hands-on experience of what it's like to be a student nurse and to discover the cutting-

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edge facilities shaping the nurses of the future.

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#### Evolving Society

## Access to Justice: Rights and needs



Tues 13 June, 5pm to 6.30pm York St John University – De Grey Court 🗐 Free tickets: vorksi.ac.uk/events

Come along to this panel discussion. hosted by Citizens Advice York, to engage with and better understand the workings of our justice system, and to talk about it with people who are directly involved with the law After short presentations from a judge, a legal researcher and providers of legal advice, you will be able to join the conversation about the current state of

access to justice and Est discuss how it can be 1841

improved.

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## Anne Bolevn and Elizabeth I

Women



Tues 13 June, 6pm to 7pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

The most famous of Henry VIII's wives, Anne Boleyn continues to fascinate, almost 500 years after her death. She is usually considered in the context of her relationship with the Tudor monarch, but even more interesting is her relationship with her daughter, the future Elizabeth I. Join bestselling author, historian and broadcaster Tracy Borman to hear one of the most extraordinary mother-anddaughter stories of all time.



#### Exploring York

## Connecting With Our Neighbours



Tues 13 June, 6pm to 7pmRon Cooke Hub, University of York free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Hear from York residents who are connecting with like-minded people in Münster and Dijon over a shared interest – from cycling to singing, from books to football, and more. Our town twinning groups and York for Europe will present their recent activities and plans, followed by a conversation. Tell us your views and help reimagine York's European connections. Speakers will be from York Münster and York Dijon Twinning Associations, York for Europe and Huntington School.

#### Science/Technology

## Science Fiction: Voyage to the edge of imagination



Tues 13 June, 6pm to 7pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Science fiction offers an invitation to imagine: to speculate, to theorise, to give voice to anxieties and shape to the unknown. In this fascinating talk, Science Museum Curator Glyn Morgan traces the science of science fiction, covering film, literature and art, and exploring a vast array of topics – from alien communication to cyborgs and from distant galaxies to earthbound futures shaped by nuclear warfare and climate change.

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#### Power of Politics

## One of Them: From Albert Square to Parliament Square



Tues 13 June, 6.30pm to 7.30pmPiazza Building, University of YorkFree tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Growing up in post-war East London, the son of a docker and an office cleaner, Michael Cashman's life changed when he was discovered, aged 12, and transported to the West End stage. Michael would go on to make history – first as an actor, one half of the first gay kiss broadcast on a British soap, BBC's *EastEnders*, and then as a campaigner and politician fighting for gay rights. Join us for a fascinating conversation.

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### Exploring York

# Power and Print: The King's printer in York



Tues 13 June, 7pm to 8pm StreetLife Hub, Coney Street 🗈 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Fleeing from London in 1642. King Charles I immediately ordered the Royal Printer to follow him and set up shop in York's St William's College. Join Dave Harper, US-UK Fulbright Scholar at the University of York and Head of the Department of English and Philosophy at West Point, New York, to learn about how the relocation of the King's Printer to York invites us to consider anew the relationship of print and power.



# Imagining the Apocalypse: A history



Tues 13 June, 7pm to 8.30pm All Saints Church, North Street 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

It's the end of the world as they knew it... How did people in the past think the world would end, how soon did they believe it would happen and what did thoughts of imminent destruction cause them to do? Inspired by the unique Pricke of Conscience window at All Saints North Street, historian Andrew Crome explores how people through time have imagined the apocalypse and how this affected their daily lives.



#### Natural World

### Reimagining a Rewilded York



Tues 13 June, 7pm to 9pm St Saviourgate York 🕰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us for an inspiring collaboration between our expert panel and artist James Mackay, as they reimagine what a rewilded York could look like and what this would mean for the people, infrastructure and wildlife of our city. Do not miss this informative, imaginative and collaborative vision of the role York could have in Yorkshire's rewilding journey, pulled together by an artist's impression created live on the night.



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# Beauty Will Save the World: Reimagining the everyday



Tues 13 June, 7.30pm to 8.30pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Can something in our everyday lives be considered 'beautiful' in the way that paintings or poems are? Why should beauty matter in ordinary objects and activities? And how can we uncover more of it? Join our panel for an exploration of how to find beauty in our day-to-day lives and to discover

how beauty can manifest itself in seemingly ordinary items, actions and relations. Refreshments provided.



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**Reginald Mobley and** 

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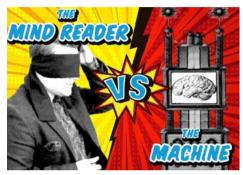
Tues 13 June, 7.30pm to 9.30pm National Centre for Early Music, Walmgate 😢 Tickets: £22 (£20 concessions, £6 u-35) ncem.co.uk/events 01904 658338

Just as Bach. Beethoven and Mozart were settling the backbone of Western European musical canon, in the American Colonies, slave songs and Negro spirituals were born from the pain and hardship of African people deprived of fundamental rights. Join us for an evening of powerful spirituals performed by GRAMMY-nominated countertenor Reginald Mobley and acclaimed pianist Baptiste Trotignon. Preceded by an illustrated talk starting at 6.30pm.



### Mind and Brain

## The Mind Reader vs The Machine



Tues 13 June, 8pm to 9pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 😰 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Mind reading remains a popular and intriguing subject. But is it really possible? Science is yet to prove this, but recent research using functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI) technology has provided demonstrations of thought identification. Can our modern machines beat a mind reader in identifying your thoughts? Join scientists Elisa Zamboni and Aneurin J Kennerley for a stage show mixing magic and science.



### Evolving Society

### On Being Unreasonable



Weds 14 June, 6pm to 7pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

In a world where no one seems to be able to agree on anything, how do we decide what is 'reasonable'? How can we figure out what is *right*? Join cultural studies expert Kirsty Sedgman of the University of Bristol to find out how unfairness and discrimination got baked into our social norms and why, sometimes, we need to act unreasonably to bring about positive change.

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### A Date with History

# Reimagining the History of **British Radicalism**



Weds 14 June, 6pm to 7pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square 🇰 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

There is a strong tradition of political and religious dissent in York - from the activities of Ouakers and Methodists in the 17th and 18th centuries to the Yorkshire West Riding Revolt of 1820. Revisiting the work of York-born historian and public intellectual Christopher Hill, our panel of historians, librarians and literary scholars will explore the legacy and afterlife of these radical traditions in local and national history.



### Arts and Creativity

## The Art of the Illustrated Book



Weds 14 June, 6pm to 7pm StreetLife Hub, Coney Street 🚯 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Join Julius Bryant, Emeritus Keeper of Word and Image at the Victoria and Albert Museum (V&A) in London, to discover some of the most influential and compelling illustrated books on subjects ranging from religion to shopping, and from natural history to fashion, all chosen from the National Art Library at the V&A. Explore their illustration and be enthralled by their enduring appeal. Julius Bryant is the editor of The Art of the Illustrated Book, published by Thames & Hudson in

association with the V&A.



### Fun for Families

## Zombies in York



Weds 14 June and Thurs 15 June, 6pm to 7.30pm York Explore Library, Museum Street 45 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Zombies have taken over York and brought the city to a standstill - but we were quick enough to catch one! Come along and watch as University of York scientists dissect the captured zombie, and then help us save the city through hands-on activities: examine zombie blood, play with brains and more. Suitable for children aged eight to 12.





### Evolving Society

# York's Three Minute Thesis Competition



**Weds 14 June, 6pm to 7.30pm** Ron Cooke Hub, University of York **2** Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Be inspired and learn about the cutting-edge research at the University of York from ten of our talented PhD Researchers. In a challenge against the clock, competing finalists each have just three minutes to explain how their research is helping society to rediscover, reimagine and rebuild the future. Join us at our live final to celebrate the 10th

anniversary of the competition. Vote for your favourite and see who wins!



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### Power of Politics

# Post Brexit: Reimagining Scottish-English relations



Weds 14 June, 6.30pm to 7.30pm Piazza Building, University of York **2** Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Scottish MP Ian Blackford and award-winning broadcaster and writer Gavin Esler discuss the relationship between Scotland and England in the recent past, exploring the potential for creating a more constructive and positive relationship going forward. Within this context, they examine the role of parliament in a post-Brexit age of politics and address the crucial question of whether and how an independent Scotland could co-exist with the rest of the UK.



### A Date with History

# A Story in Stone: From York to Oxford



Weds 14 June, 7pm to 8pm Tempest Anderson Hall, Museum Gardens **3** Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

The geologist John Phillips arrived in Oxford from the Yorkshire Museum in 1853 and played a key role in the design of the Oxford University Museum of Natural History – one of the most important Gothic revival buildings of the 19th century. Every element of the building was designed to teach science. Join geologist and science writer Nina Morgan to find out how – and learn a lot about geology along the way.



### Way with Words

### Preti Taneja: Aftermath



Weds 14 June, 7pm to 8pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join Preti Taneja – writer, educator, activist and Professor of World Literature and Creative Writing at Newcastle University – in conversation with Juliana Mensah, writer and University of York lecturer. Preti will discuss her award-winning nonfiction book *Aftermath*. Revisiting a past event of violent terrorism, Preti interrogates the language of terror, trauma and grief, questioning how one rebuilds in the aftermath. *Presented by Writers at York*. Science/Technology

# Perfume in the Bible



Weds 14 June, 7.30pm to 8.30pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Perfume pervades our modern life. But did you know that it is also part of the Bible, from Genesis through to Revelation? Join author and perfumery expert Charles Sell for an engaging exploration of biblical perfumes. Find out why plants make chemicals and how the sense of smell functions, and discover the role of perfume in biblical events – from courtship and seduction to prostitution and murder.

# Way with Words

# The Linguistic Aspect of Russia's War in Ukraine



Weds 14 June, 7.30pm to 8.30pm King's Manor, Exhibition Square 1 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Language is an important but overlooked aspect in the Russia-Ukraine conflict. Join University of York linguist Ursula Lanvers and Ukrainian visiting scholar Tetyana Lunyova to learn about Russia's long history of suppressing the Ukrainian language and Ukrainians' continued efforts to use it across all domains of life. (Re)discover the Ukrainian language in its uniqueness and be reminded of the power of language.

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#### Performances

# University of York Choir and Symphony Orchestra



Weds 14 June, 7.30pm to 9.30pm York Minster, Deangate Tickets: £25/£20 (£23/£18 concessions, £7/£5 students), unreserved £15 (£13 concessions, £3 students) yorkconcerts.co.uk 01904 322439

'This is the best of me', wrote Elgar on his score of *The Dream of Gerontius*, a statement echoed by audiences and musicians alike since the work's premiere in 1900. Wagnerian in scope, Elgar's music references liturgical music, romantic opera and even music hall. University of York Choir and Symphony Orchestra come together for this favourite of choirs, orchestras and audiences. A Date with History

# Bringing the Past to Life



Weds 14 June, 8pm to 9pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 2 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Archaeology is all about discovery: the process of excavation and the finds that are made – the artefacts of stone, metal or pottery, and the environmental evidence that come from seeds and bone, pollen and snails. Join archaeologist, educator and broadcaster Julian Richards for a captivating discussion on why science may not have all the answers to our questions about the past, and why we need imagination to bring it to life.

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### A Date with History

# Coercion and Control: Daily life under colonialism



Weds 14 June, 8pm to 9pm Ron Cooke Hub, University of York 🖄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Historian Thomas Wright discusses the role of coercion and control in 1950s colonial Kenya through the lens of the rediscovered and controversial 'migrated archives'. Drawing on these 'hidden' histories, Thomas focuses on the Mau Mau Rebellion, one of Britain's bloodiest postwar conflicts, turning our attention to the everyday rather than the extraordinary, and providing a unique take on today's imperial culture wars.

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## **Creating Inclusive Internet** Communities



Thurs 15 June, 10am to 1pm Barclays Bank, Parliament Street 🔒 Free. No booking required.

Wonder how you can support those who may not be as tech-savvy as you are? Or do you want to talk about your experiences and challenges with the Internet? This interactive drop-in event for people of all ages will allow you to discover how to bolster people's internet literacy. Children must be accompanied by adults.





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# Reimagining Cities: Regeneration and social enterprise

**Thurs 15 June, 12.30pm to 4.45pm** St Saviourgate York **2** Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Our two panels explore the need for a different approach to urban regeneration through inclusive growth, harnessing the power of major employer institutions, education providers and social enterprise to deliver more equitable and inclusive economic outcomes for everyone.

Social enterprise is undoubtedly playing a significant role in delivering inspirational community-based entrepreneurship, but the sector is not yet well understood and has so far been largely overlooked in the national discourse on how to achieve levelling up.

What are the opportunities for York to build on its strengths and become a magnet city for investment, levelling up and net zero? What challenges and opportunities might we see as a result of digitalisation, globalisation and demographic shifts? Our expert panellists will address these and similar questions.

Ready to learn and be inspired? This event will include an opportunity to meet and hear from Social Enterprises and to learn more about the fantastic contributions they make to communities and the economy. Join us for some refreshments and the informal opportunity to connect with other people working in this arena.

Part of an N8 Research Partnership and RSA series on levelling up

Kindlewoods community tree planting work with 200 members of the local community last year

### Schedule

#### 12.30pm to 1.45pm

Reimagining Cities in the Context of Urban Regeneration – Panel discussion

Refreshments

### 2.30pm to 3.45pm

The Importance of Social Enterprise – Panel discussion

#### 3.45pm to 4.45pm

Reception including networking and a chance to hear people involved in social enterprise



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### **ONLINE EVENT**



Thurs 15 June, 5.45pm to 6.45pm Award-winning psychology enthusiast Harriet Ennis discusses the latest dream theories and explores the science behind why we dream. Join the live O&A.



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Power and Policing in the

**British Metropole** 

Thurs 15 June, 5.30pm to 7pm

Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

communities: specifically, about the

Berrick Saul Building, University of York 🍊 Also available live online (see page 6)

In 1957 the Home Office surveyed British

police forces to find out about their local

people of colour who had settled there

from the Commonwealth. Join historian

Charlotte Lydia Riley of the University of

helps us understand more about the

cultures of policing in Britain today.

Southampton to find out how this moment

Windrush Scandal, British race history and

### Arts and Creativity

### Photography in Yorkshire in the 1990s



Thurs 15 June, 6.30pm to 7.30pm Explore York Hungate Reading Cafe 🋍 Free tickets: vorkfestivalofideas.com

Join art historian Theo Gordon in conversation with photographer Sunil Gupta, whose work helps to historicise recent interest in decolonisation and queer representation. Sunil will talk about his work in Yorkshire in the 1990s, in particular curating the landmark AIDS activist exhibition 'Ecstatic Antibodies: Resisting the AIDS Mythology' at Impressions Gallery, York, and reflect on his time working at the University of UNIVERSITY Of

Annual Aylmer Lecture Hull.

### FESTIVAL FINALE

# Elégie – Rachmaninoff, A Heart in Exile

#### "This is the crowning glory of Parham's Composer Portrait series" ★★★★★ Pianist Magazine – Oct 2018

Lucy Parham – piano Tim McInnerny – narrator

Thurs 15 June, 7pm to 8.20pmSir Jack Lyons Concert Hall,University of York 2Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com



Elégie chronicles the life of composer and pianist Sergei Rachmaninoff.

The narrative, scripted from letters and diaries, follows Rachmaninoff from his youth in Russia, through his subsequent self-imposed exile in 1917 and, finally, to California, USA, where he died in 1943.

The concert includes many of his bestloved works for solo piano, including a selection of Preludes, Etudes-Tableaux and Moments Musicaux, some of his own transcriptions and the haunting Elégie, as well as works by Scriabin and Tchaikovsky.

Known internationally for her 'Composer Portraits' in words and music, pianist Lucy Parham is presenting Elégie with acclaimed actor Tim McInnerny as narrator to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Rachmaninoff.

A powerful performance not to be missed!





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### Arts and Creativity

# Rediscover Your Inner Musician



Thurs 15 June, 7.30pm to 9pm Tang Hall – The Centre @ Burnholme, Mossdale Avenue 🕄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Do you want to reclaim the lost musician in you, rebuild your social life after the pandemic, reinvent yourself as a musician in adulthood or rediscover the thrill of playing in an orchestra? Bring along your instrument(s) and a music stand (if you have one), and be guided through a range of specially tailored activities and music conducted by the All Seasons Orchestra's Artistic Director, Catherine E. Holbrook.



POST-FESTIVAL EVENTS

# Interactive Media Showcase



Fri 16 June, 7pm to 11pm (gala); Sat 17 and Sun 18 June, 10.30am to 3pm School of Arts and Creative Technologies, TFTI, University of York 😰 Free tickets: tftv.ticketsolve.com/shows

Immerse yourself in the innovative work created by the University of York's Interactive Media student community and celebrate their achievements in an exciting field where creativity and technology converge. Projects range from games and web design to mobile applications and virtual reality. The showcase begins with a ticketed Gala on Friday. *No booking required Saturday or* UNIVERSITY of Vor

Sunday.

#### Power of Politics

# Regenerate: The Big Tent Ideas Festival 2023

#### Sat 17 June, 10am to 7pm Dean's Park, Minster Yard 19 Free tickets: bigtent.org.uk

Think you can do better than our current politicians? Want to challenge them and share your ideas with policymakers from across the country?

Then come along to participate in conversations and interactive sessions to regenerate the city, the region and the country – physically, socially and culturally.

Taking place in York for the first time, the Big Tent Ideas Festival is the cross-party platform for constructive debate and civil disagreement.

Join Government Ministers, Shadow Ministers, leading journalists and commentators as well as all local MPs and council leaders for:

- Open debates and panel discussions
- Dragon's Den-style pitches for real cash from real angel investors
- Political walking tours
- Speakers' Corner to make yourself heard
- Drama workshops and art for the whole family
- Our local community fair and festival bookshop
- Food and drink stalls from local providers

#### Registration is free, but spaces are limited. To find out more and see who was at Big Tent 2022 in Bristol visit bigtent.org.uk.

The Big Tent Foundation is a registered charity no: 1195014







#### Performances

# University of York Jazz Orchestra



Fri 16 June, 7.30pm to 9.30pm National Centre for Early Music, Walmgate 23 Tickets: £12 (£10 concessions, £3 students) yorkconcerts.co.uk 01904 322439

Following their sold-out concert in 2022, University of York Jazz Orchestra returns for its popular summer mix of standards and new compositions. Directed by the creator of the award-winning Roller Trio, James Mainwaring, the group's trademark combination of new tunes and classic jazz standards is the perfect way to spend a summer's evening!

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### Health and Wellbeing

# Brazilian Dance and Percussion Workshop



Sat 17 June, 10.30am to 12 noon (adults, teens) and 2pm to 3.30pm (children aged 7 upwards and their families) National Centre for Early Music, Walmgate Tickets: £10 (£5.50 u-16) ncem.co.uk/events 01904 658338

Fancy trying something new? Discover the Brazilian martial art of Capoeira with musician, percussionist and workshop leader Claudio Kron in this fun-packed introductory session guaranteed to keep you on your toes! Session 1 is suitable for adults and teenagers, and session 2 is suitable for children aged 7 upwards – and their families, of course!



### Arts and Creativity

## York Design Awards: Winners presentation



Mon 3 July, 6pm to 9pm The Guildhall, St Helen's Square 🕄 Free tickets: yorkfestivalofideas.com

Join us for the 15th annual York Design Awards winners presentation in categories covering residential, community and commercial buildings, and open spaces. York Design Awards promotes excellence in architectural design and conservation in the York area, demonstrating how good sustainable design and conservation support the city's special heritage and contribute to the wellbeing of its residents and visitors.



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The Higher Education, Research and Innovation (ESRI) Department of the French Embassy in the United Kingdom is recognised as a partner for British Institutions and their French counterparts. The ESRI is very happy to work with York Festival of Ideas to present two events under the theme *Between Continents and Cultures* (page 18) that bring together leading academics from France and the UK.

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Enterprise Works is a new business hub in York that helps businesses to grow and drives social change by encouraging and supporting entrepreneurial activity. Our work is underpinned by the University's established research expertise and our existing business support services. We are delighted to sponsor a panel discussion including networking opportunities on *Reimagining Cities: Regeneration and social enterprise* (page 81).









# The Institution of Engineering and Technology

The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) is the largest multidisciplinary professional engineering institution in the world. The North Yorkshire Network of the IET is a proud sponsor and collaborator of York Festival of Ideas. This year we will be supporting *Back to the Moon* (page 29).

#### Jane Moody Fund

With thanks to the Jane Moody Fund for supporting *War Horse: The concert* (page 31). Professor Jane Moody, who died in 2011, was founding Director of the University of York's Humanities Research Centre and co-founder of York Festival of Ideas.

#### Leverhulme Centre for Anthropocene Biodiversity

The Leverhulme Centre for Anthropocene Biodiversity, funded by The Leverhulme Trust, examines how the relationship between humanity and the natural world is changing, and how we might develop and maintain a sustainable Earth. We are proud to support a talk and activities on biodiversity (page 63).

#### Lorna and David Foster

Lorna and David Foster are pleased to support the Festival Finale, *Elégie – Rachmaninoff, A Heart in Exile* (page 83).

#### Athena Swan

The Athena Swan Charter recognises the advancement of gender equality: representation, progression and success for all. The University of York has held a bronze award since 2006. The University's Athena Swan Steering Group is delighted to support *Rebel Bodies: How to bridge the gender health gap* (page 58).

#### **Shepherd Group**

Shepherd Group is one of the leading family-owned private businesses in the UK. Founded in 1890 in York, its head offices remain in the city and its operations are now purely focused on its flagship business, Portakabin, Europe's marketleading modular building innovator. Shepherd Group is proud to support York Festival of Ideas again this year.

#### York-Maastricht Partnership

The York-Maastricht Partnership is a major strategic investment between the universities of York and Maastricht, intended to develop a deep and lasting relationship, and built around excellent sustainability research, teaching and knowledge exchange. The Partnership is very proud to support an online event related to our new 'Creating a Greener Future' strategy (page 38).

Our thanks to those donors and supporters who wish to remain anonymous.

If you would like to discuss sponsorship opportunities, please email the Festival team at yorkfestivalofideas@york.ac.uk.

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- 1. Acomb Explore Library Front Street
- 2. All Saints Church North Street
- 3. Barclays Bank Parliament Street
- 4. Berrick Saul Building University of York
- 5. Bootham School Bootham
- 6. Campus East University of York
- 7. Church Lane Building, School for Business and Society, University of York
- 8. Clements Hall Nunthorpe Road
- 9. Dean's Park Minster Yard
- 10. Explore York Haxby and Wigginton Library
- 11. Explore York Hungate Reading Cafe
- 12. Eye of York (lawn outside York Castle Museum)
- 13. Fairfax House Castlegate
- 14. Heslington Hall University of York
- 15. Hull Road Park Millfield Avenue
- 16. Institute for Safe Autonomy University of York

- **17. King's Manor** Exhibition Square Limited wheelchair access
  - (for detailed accessibility info email yorkfestivalofideas@york.ac.uk). No parking.
- 18. King's Staith Landing
- 19. Knavesmire
- 20. Lendal Bridge Landing
- 21. Main Hall Priory Street Centre
- 22. Minster Yard (Constantine the Great statue)
- 23. National Centre for Early Music Walmgate
- 24. Parliament Street
- 25. Piazza Building University of York
- 26. Ron Cooke Hub University of York
- 27. Rymer Auditorium University of York
- 28. School of Arts and Creative Technologies TFTI, University of York
- 29. Sir Jack Lyons Concert Hall University of York
- 30. Spring Lane Building University of York
- 31 St George's Graveyard Lead Mill Lane
- 32. St Oswald's Church Hall Fulford

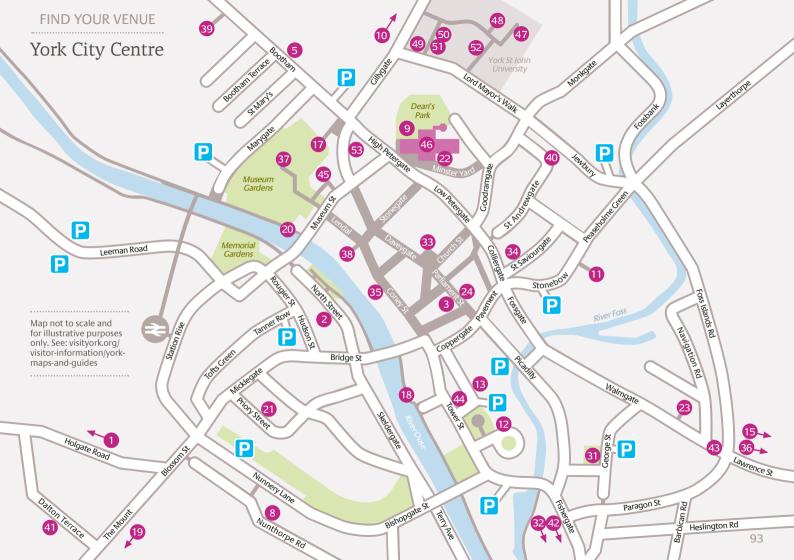
- 33. St Sampson's Square
- 34. St Saviourgate York
- **35. StreetLife Hub** Coney Street For accessibility information please visit streetlifeyork.uk/venues/ streetlifehub.
- 36. Tang Hall The Centre @ Burnholme Mossdale Avenue
- **37. Tempest Anderson Hall** Yorkshire Museum, Museum Gardens
- 38. The Guildhall St Helen's Square
- 39. The Memorial Hall St Peter's School, Clifton
- 40. The Merchant Taylors' Hall Aldwark
- 41. The Mount School York Dalton Terrace
- 42. Three Hagges Woodmeadow Escrick
- 43. Walmgate Bar Foss Islands Road
- 44. York Army Museum Tower Street
- 45. York Explore Library Library Square, Museum Street
- 46. York Minster Deangate
- 47. York St John University Chapel Lord Mayor's Walk

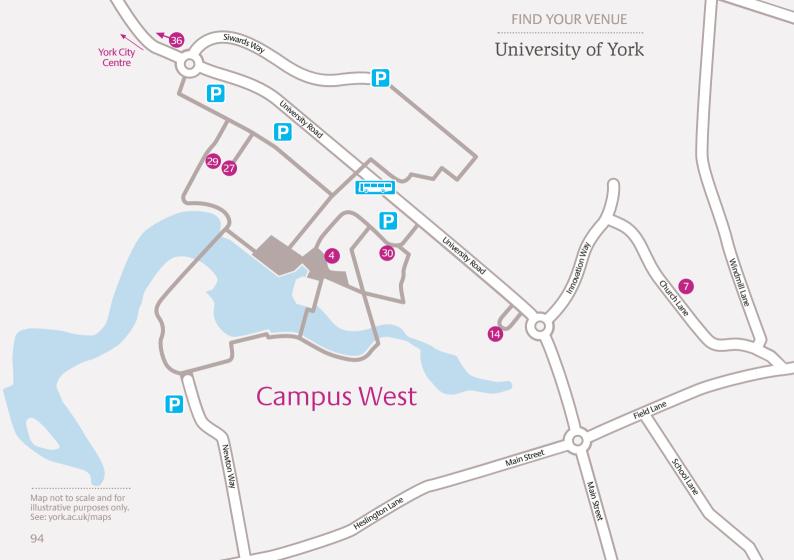
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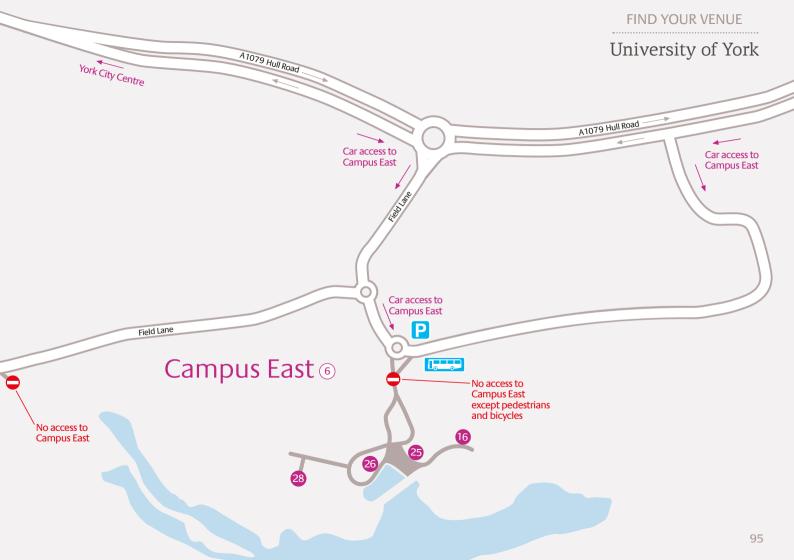
# TRAVEL TIPS

You can plan your journey by public transport by consulting the York Journey Planner at itravelyork.info/planjourney. For information on central York car parks visit york.gov.uk/parking. Parking facilities at venues outside the city centre will vary, so please see the venue's website for information.

Many of the Festival events take place on the University of York's Campus East and Campus West, where parking is free after 6pm and on weekends. There are also frequent bus services between the city centre and campus.













### Celebrate the University of York's 60th anniversary with us!

"Our 60th anniversary gives us a moment in time, enabling us to pause and reflect. But this isn't about nostalgia. It's about realising how far we've come in such a short space of time.

We're a young university. Yet we've achieved so much. And our future is limitless. This isn't a moment for complacency, or self-satisfaction, but about channelling this spirit and ambition for all there is still to come."

The University was founded with a strong social purpose, drawing on a rich tradition of social justice and combating inequality in a way that is distinctive to the City of York. Both the University and the Festival are committed to the public good and excited to use the 60th anniversary to reaffirm this commitment.