

Easy read booklet



# What is on at Reaction Festival



An  
**Art Reach**  
Project

**26–27**  
**August 2023**  
Leicester  
City Centre

# Who we are and what this booklet is about

An  
**Art Reach**  
Project

We are **Art Reach**. We make exciting art and **festivals**.



**Festivals** are events where you can enjoy things like music, dance and plays.



This booklet is about our festival called **Reaction Festival**.



**Reaction festival** will happen in Leicester from **26 to 27 August**.

# What Reaction festival is about



Reaction festival has lots of activities and shows to help you learn more about the **environment**.



The **environment** is everything around us including air, water, plants and animals.



We want our festival to bring people together to talk about ways we can all help the environment.



Our festival is free and for everyone.

# Icons in this booklet



The activities and shows in this booklet have icons next to them. These icons are small black circles with white shapes inside them. Each icon tells you more about the activity or show.



This activity or show has no talking



This activity or show has some loud moments



This activity or show moves around



You can take part in this activity or show



This activity or show is for everyone



You need to be a certain age to take part in this activity or show

# The Hidden Music of Trees



**The Hidden Music of Trees** lets you listen to music made by trees.

Point the camera on your mobile phone at a QR code on this page to download our app. Choose the right QR code for the type of mobile phone you have. You need this app to listen to the trees.



This will happen at **Museum Square**

**26 and 27 August**

- 12pm to 6pm

iPhone

Android phone



# The Bees



**The Bees** is an activity where you look inside different beehives to find art inside.

This will happen at **St Peter's Square**

**26 and 27 August**

- 12.30pm to 2pm
- 3pm to 4.30pm

# Bee Cart



**Bee Cart** are 2 people who want to teach you about **pollination**.



**Pollination** is when bees take pollen from 1 flower and give it to another so that flower can make seeds.

This will happen at the **Clock Tower**  
**22 and 23 July**

- 12pm to 12.50pm
- 2.45pm to 3.35pm

# River Soar Floating Litter Pick



**River Soar Floating Litter pick** takes you out on a little boat where you can help pick up litter from the river.

Go to this website to book your trip on the boat **reactionfestival.org.uk**

You need to bring gloves.

This will happen at **Castle Gardens**  
**26 August**

- 12pm to 1pm
- 2.30pm to 2.30pm
- 3pm to 4pm



# Gnomus



**Gnomus** is a big friendly **puppet** who wants to teach you how to look after our environment.

A **puppet** is a toy person or animal that can be moved around to pretend it's real.

This will happen at the **High Street**  
**26 and 27 August**

- 12.15pm to 12.45pm
- 2pm to 2.30pm
- 4pm to 4.30pm

# The vegetable Orchestra



The **vegetable Orchestra** are an **orchestra** who make music with vegetables. You also get some free vegetable soup.

An **Orchestra** is a group of people who play musical instruments together.

This will happen at **Clock Tower**  
**26 August** 3pm to 4.10pm

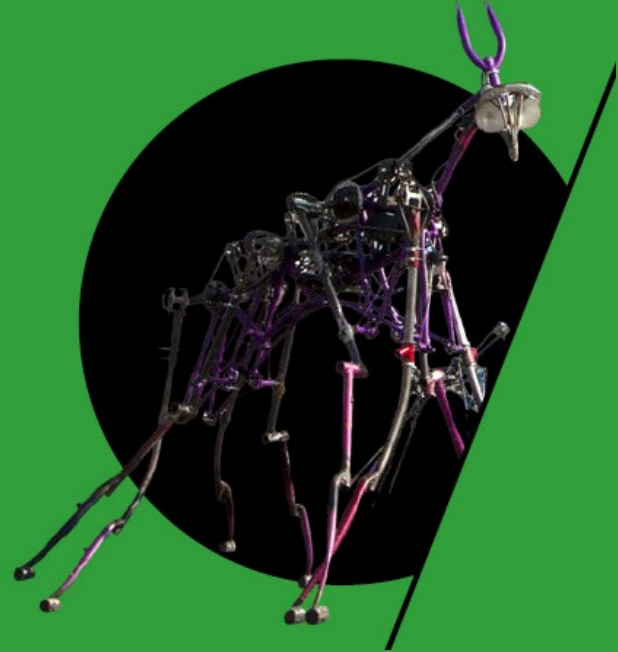
# The Herd of Mechanical Creatures



**The Herd of Mechanical Creatures** are creatures made from pieces of old metal. Come and watch them move slowly around the city.

This will happen at the **Clock Tower**  
**26 and 27 July**

- 12pm to 12.40pm
- 2.20pm to 3.00pm
- 4.30pm to 5.10pm



# The Allotment Project



**The Allotment Project** is a dance and **comedy** about people who have **allotments**.

A **comedy** is a show that tries to be funny and make you laugh.

**Allotments** are small areas of land that you can rent to grow plants.

This will happen at **Jubilee Square**  
**26 and 27 August**

- 1pm to 1.20pm
- 2.30pm to 2.50pm
- 4pm to 4.20pm





# Creative Corner

Our **Creative Corner** is a place where everyone to take part in creative activities.

You can make badges and flowers from **recycled** materials and make art prints from leaves.

**Recycled** means to use something again and not throw it away.

This will happen at **Jubilee Square**  
**26 and 27 August**

12pm to 6pm



# The Journey to Leicester – From Gujarat to the Golden Mile



**The Journey to Leicester – From Gujarat to the Golden Mile** is a dance about people who have moved from India and Africa to Leicester.

All the dancing, costumes and props are from **Gujarati culture**.

**Gujarati culture** means the way people choose to live their life in **Gujarati**. **Gujarati** is a place in India.

The dance will start at **Gallowtree Gate**, move to the **Clock Tower**, through the **High Street**, and finish in **Jubilee Square**.

**27 August** 2pm to 2.25pm

This will also happen at **Jubilee Square**  
**27 August** 3pm to 3.20pm



# Time Machine Disco



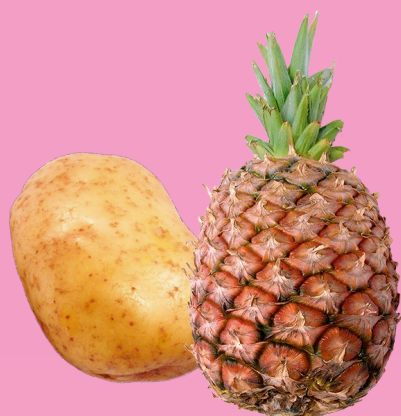
**The Time Machine Disco** is a disco with lots of music from different times in history.

There will be a smoke machine.

This will happen at the **Clock Tower**  
**26 and 27 August**

- 1pm to 2pm
- 3.30pm to 4.30pm

# The Vegetable Nannies



**The Vegetable Nannies** are a group of nannies who push their baby fruits and vegetables around in a pram.

They are part of **let's grow**, a website by **CBeebies**. Go to **letsgrow.org.uk** to learn how to eat healthy and grow fruits and vegetables.

This will happen at **Jubilee Square**  
**26 and 27 August**

- 1.30pm to 1.50pm
- 3.20pm to 3.40pm
- 4.30pm to 4.50pm

# Natural Journal Walks



**Nature Journal Walks** are walks into places like woods and gardens where you can draw everything you see in a special journal.

You will start at **Jubilee Square** and then walk to the **Castle Gardens**.

**26 August**

- 12pm to 1pm
- 1.30pm to 2.30pm
- 3pm to 4pm

# Giant Floor Artwork



**Giant Floor Artwork** is an activity where you draw something to do with **nature** in chalk on the floor.

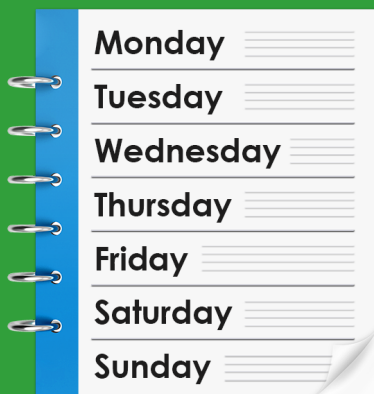
**Nature** includes plants, animals and rivers.

Then we will use different materials to turn one drawing into an art piece together.



This will happen at **Jubilee Square**  
**27 August** 12pm to 5pm

# Eco-Fest



**Eco-Fest** is a week of different activities for everyone to enjoy.

## Junk Sculpture Workshops

You can make a sculpture out of recycled materials.

**23 to 27 August**

11pm to 2.30pm



## Open Mics

An **open mic** is a show where you can do things like sing, read poems, or tell jokes in front of other people.

**24 August**

12pm to 3pm

## STepUP Showcase

**25 August**

4pm to 9.30pm

## ECO-disco!

**26 August**

2.30pm

Go to this website to find out more about these activities and where they will happen

[Soft-touch.org.uk](http://Soft-touch.org.uk)



# Where our festival activities and shows will happen

**Clock Tower**

East Gates, LE1 5YA

**Gallowtree Gate**

Gallowtree Gate, LE1 1DD

**High Street (near HMV)**

High Street, LE1 4FP

**Jubilee Square**

Jubilee Square, LE1 4LD

**St Peter's Square**

Bath House Lane, LE1 4SA

**Castle Gardens**

Castle Park, LE2 7BY

**Soft Touch Arts**

New Walk, LE1 6TF

**Museum Square**

New Walk, LE1 6UF

# Your visit to our festival



If you live in Leicester, you might be able to walk or cycle to our festival.

Go to this website to find out more  
[www.choosehowyoumove.co.uk](http://www.choosehowyoumove.co.uk)



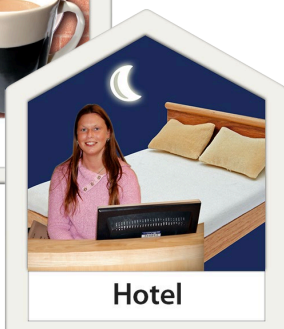
If you do not live in Leicester, you might want to get a coach or a train to our festival.



Go to these websites to find out more  
[www.nationalexpress.com](http://www.nationalexpress.com)  
[www.nationalrail.co.uk](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk)



Cafe



Hotel

Go to this website to find out about nice places to eat or to stay while you are in Leicester

[www.visitleicester.info](http://www.visitleicester.info)

# How to access our festival



We want our festival to be **accessible**. **Accessible** means everyone can get to our festival and enjoy the activities and shows.

Go to this website to find out more  
[www.artreach.org.uk/access](http://www.artreach.org.uk/access)



If you have any questions about accessibility at the festival, send an email to this address

[Lisa@artreach.org.uk](mailto:Lisa@artreach.org.uk)

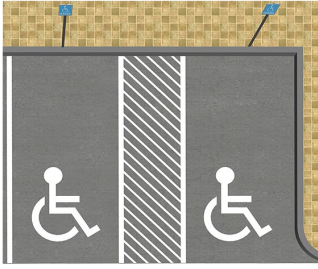
or call this phone number

**01162 616 882**



All our activities and shows are accessible with a wheelchair. You can ask us for a chair if you need to sit down for a bit.





## Blue Badge Parking

- **Highcross Shopping Centre**  
Includes Blue Badge parking  
LE1 4FY
- **Applegate**  
Only Blue Badge parking  
LE1 5LD
- **NCP Rutland Street**  
Includes disabled parking  
LE1 1UT
- **Haymarket Centre**  
Free Blue Badge parking  
LE1 3HR
- **NCP Lee Circle**  
Includes disabled parking  
LE1 3RE
- **Dover Street**  
Free Blue Badge parking  
LE1 6PT
- **Newarke Street**  
Free Blue Badge parking  
LE2 7AD
- **Upper Brown Street**  
Free Blue Badge parking  
LE1 5AG





## Accessible toilets and baby changing

- **Highcross Shopping Centre**  
High Street, LE1 4JB
- **Haymarket Shopping Centre**  
1 Kildare Walk, LE1 3YH



**Baby changing** means places where you can change your baby's nappy.

## Tell us what you think



After your visit to our festival, we want you to tell us what you thought about it.



We will use what you tell us to make our festival better.



Point the camera on your mobile phone at this QR code to answer some questions about our festival.

# Find out more



To find out the latest information about our festival, go to this website <https://artreach.org.uk/reaction-festival/>



Call this telephone number **01162 616 882**



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