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Welcome to Waterside's Autumn/Winter programme – a season packed with unforgettable cultural experiences. From spellbinding theatre and brilliant comedy to magical family shows, world-class music, and fantastic exhibitions, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

We're thrilled to present the third edition of **Prism** – our Winter Festival of Music and Light – alongside festive performances for all ages and our much-loved Christmas show, **Raymond Briggs' Father Christmas**.

While you're here, drop into '**Sup Bar & Coffee House** for a coffee and cake, set up at one of our informal workstations, or browse our gorgeous Gift Shop.

We look forward to welcoming you soon.

Darren Adams
Waterside Manager



Cover image: **Stuntman** see page 7

September



Counting Sheeps

Presented by The Herd Theatre

A sleepy, sheepy show for babies and toddlers (and very tired grown ups). Snuggle up and join two sheep on a journey through the joys and frustrations of everything bedtime. A touching, musical adventure filled with sensory play.

Sun 07 Sep 11:00 & 14:30

£9.50 | Age 0-3 years

The Chambers

FAMILY



Jekyll & Hyde

Presented by Don't Go Into The Cellar

Journey with us to Victorian London, and experience the unbridled horror of this perennial favourite. The City is paralysed with fear when the repugnant and wicked Mr Hyde embarks upon his criminal spree. But what is his shocking secret, and what possible connection can he have with the dour and respectable Dr Jekyll?

Sat 06 Sep 19:30

£15 | Age 12+

Robert Bolt Theatre

THEATRE MEMBERS 10% OFF



Best of Buzz Comedy

Waterside's legendary comedy night showcasing new and established talent features:

Percy Savage a rising star on the comedy circuit, bringing a bunch of effortlessly rib-tickling perspectives;

Jimmy Shirley a frenetic fool who ponders the absurdity of being a Scouser in Greece;

Philip Simon a world class comedian who writes superb puns and pin-sharp observations.

Sat 06 Sep 20:00

£15 | Age 18+

The Chambers

COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF



Catch Your Breath: The Secret Life Of a Sleepless Anaesthetist

Presented by Makin Projects Ltd

NHS anaesthetist, comedian and author Ed Patrick injects Sale with a gut-punch hilarious show about becoming a junior doctor, the NHS, the pitfalls of modern medicine and the power of questioning it. There's plenty of laughing gas to go round!

Fri 12 Sep 19:30

£17

Robert Bolt Theatre

COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF

ComedySportz

Two teams battle it out for laughs with quick-witted gags, games, sketches and songs inspired by your suggestions. There's a referee on hand to ensure a good clean match - it's a family friendly show after all - with penalties for bad behaviour and bad jokes. Who wins? You decide!

Sat 13 Sep 18:30

£9 / £7 | Age 7+

The Chambers

FAMILY MEMBERS 10% OFF



Alex Voysey Blues Band

Experience the electrifying energy of Alex Voysey and his powerhouse blues band as they return to Waterside with *Best of the Blues!* Expect jaw-dropping guitar virtuosity, explosive original tracks, and timeless classics from legends like Bonamassa, SRV and BB King.

Sat 13 Sep Doors 19:30

£18

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC MEMBERS 10% OFF



The Clone Roses & DJ Dave Sweetmoore

Presented by GS Concert Promotions

Making their welcome return to Waterside are the UK's leading tribute to The Stone Roses 'The Clone Roses'. Host for the evening is one of Manchester's finest Indie/Dance/Madchester DJs - Dave Sweetmore.

This event is sold out - join the waiting list online!

Fri 19 Sep Doors 19:30

£21 advance / £24 on the door

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC



SOLD OUT
-Join the
Waiting List

India Electric Company

Presented by Ostara Music

Described by BBC Radio 3 as ‘a veritable musical magpie’s nest’ and BBC Radio 1 as ‘a full musical odyssey’, India Electric Company’s sound fuses traditional folk instruments with subtle electronic textures.

Sat 20 Sep Doors 19:30

£17 / £15

The Chambers

LIVE MUSIC MEMBERS 10% OFF



Tom Gates

Presented by Mark Thompson Productions

Based on the bestselling books by Liz Pichon, Tom Gates EPIC Stage Show brings alive the illustrations and music that make Tom Gates hugely popular around the world! With catchy tunes and hilarious performances, this fantastic new stage production brings the best of The Brilliant World of Tom Gates into one live show!

Sun 21 Sep 14:00

£17.50 / £16.50 / Family of 4 £64 | Age 7+

Robert Bolt Theatre

FAMILY



The Stars of Irish Country

Presented by JMG Music Group

Four country music favourites showcase their trademark hit singalong songs in the company of a super live band, featuring the hugely popular queen of country music Philomena Begley, the energetic Shawn Cuddy, the talented accordion maestro Sean Wilson, and musical maestro Stephen Smyth.

Thu 25 Sep Doors 19:30

£28.50

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC



Stuntman

Presented by Superfan Performance Ltd

Fusing the Pow! Biff! and Wallop! of over-the-top stunt fights with personal stories of real encounters with violence, Stuntman explores the relationship between violence and masculinity and the impact this has on our perceptions of men.

Thu 25 & Fri 26 Sep 20:00

£13 / £11 | Age 14+

The Chambers

THEATRE MEMBERS 10% OFF



Kerry Ellis: Queen of The West End

Presented by A Way With Media Productions Ltd

From My Fair Lady to We Will Rock You, from Les Miserables to Wicked, in both the West End and on Broadway, Kerry Ellis has starred in musical theatre’s biggest roles and will be looking back on her illustrious career and singing songs from the biggest musicals.

Fri 26 Sep 19:30

Meet & Greet 17:45 – 18:45

£31 Standard / £46 VIP/ £76 Meet & Greet

Robert Bolt Theatre

AUDIENCE WITH



Barbara Dickson

Presented by RLN Music

In this special semi-acoustic performance, Scotland's best-selling female album artist Barbara Dickson and her pianist Nick Holland explore her catalogue of songs at an intimate level. Known for hits such as *Another Suitcase in Another Hall*, *Caravan* and *I Know Him So Well*, Barbara will perform a range of material, drawing on her folk roots, contemporary greats, and some of her classic hits.

Sat 27 Sep Doors 19:30

£30

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC



Tales From The Lighthouse

Presented by Little Seeds Music

When a mysterious stranger appears with songs of the sea's magic, a lonely lighthouse keeper rediscovers the beauty of the ocean that surrounds him. Featuring storytelling, traditional music, original songs and spellbinding puppetry, this is the perfect show for anyone captivated by myths, magic, music and folklore.

Sun 28 Sep 11:30 & 14:30

£9.50 / £8.50 | Age 5+

The Chambers

FAMILY



Hamlet

Presented by National Production Company Limited

Prepare to be spellbound by this timeless masterpiece, brought to life in a thrilling and unforgettable full-scale production, set in the shadowy medieval court of Denmark, where love, power, and vengeance collide. A tale of ambition, heartbreak, and the eternal question: To be or not to be?

Wed 01 Oct 13:00 & 19:30

£24 / £17 / £13 Schools | Age 11+

Robert Bolt Theatre

THEATRE

Man Of The World: The Music Of Peter Green

Presented by Yardbird Arts

Celebrating the life and music of Peter Green, founder of the original Fleetwood Mac. Guitarist Remi Harris will be joined by vocalist Dave Small, bassist Tom Moore and Nicky Waters on drums to perform music from throughout Peter Green's career.

Sat 04 Oct Doors 19:30

£21

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC MEMBERS 10% OFF

October



Best of Buzz Comedy

Waterside's legendary comedy night showcasing new and established talent features:



Sat 04 Oct 20:00
£15 | Age 18+

The Chambers

COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF

Vladimir McTavish a legendary veteran of the Edinburgh Fringe Festival bringing hilariously abrasive topical satire;
Don Hatton-Woods - a rising star from a dysfunctional family who relates revealing true stories about them with an appealingly dry sarcasm;
The Halls of Ridiculous - an award-winning comedy improvisation duo with a lightning-fast silly spontaneity and 'a touch of the Monty Pythons'.



Outlawed

Presented by Nonsuch Studios

The fiercest night of burlesque, drag and comedy the middle ages can muster! Robin and their dangerously talented gang of Merry Fools are set to throw a party so big, even the Sheriff wants in! Unleash your inhibitions and get well and truly OUTLAWED in style in this madcap cabaret spectacular!

Thu 09 Oct 20:00

£15 / £13 | Age 18+

The Chambers



Braebach

Presented by Active Events

Contemporary folk act Braebach unite deep roots in Highland and Island Gaelic tradition, alongside progressive musical influences, their unique sound anchoring double bagpipes, fiddle, whistle, step-dance and song with energetic double bass and guitar accompaniment.

Sun 05 Oct Doors 19:30
£21

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC MEMBERS 10% OFF



Batty!

Presented by Victoria Firth & Company

Join Batty and her companion Wildthing for gossip, gay abandon, exquisite tenderness and raucous stories (with a side order of ranting), as they explore the magic and power of ageing, the wildness - as opposed to madness - of women, and how our feral side can reconnect us to ourselves and our environment.

Thu 09 Oct 19:30

£16 / £14 | Age 14+

Robert Bolt Theatre

THEATRE MEMBERS 10% OFF



Phobia

Presented by Wiebke Acton

In 2024 a government minister becomes the target of mockery when the object of her fear - bananas - makes headline news. To the minister, the fear is real. Blending fragmented storytelling, contemporary dance and audio installation, *Phobia* is a bold expedition into the veiled world of irrational fears.

Fri 10 Oct 19:30

£15 / £12 | Age: 14+

Robert Bolt Theatre

THEATRE MEMBERS 10% OFF



The Blackheart Orchestra

British multi-award winning, multi-instrumentalists Chrissy Mostyn and Rick Pilkington comprise a two person 'orchestra' playing up to 13 instruments and take influences from as far afield as Pink Floyd and Kate Bush to modern composers Steve Reich and Philip Glass.

Sat 11 Oct Doors 19:30

£20

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC MEMBERS 10% OFF



Simon Yates: Pleasure & Pain
Presented by Speakers from the Edge

Join legendary mountaineer Simon Yates, of the *Touching the Void* docu-drama, as he recounts a decade of thrilling new climbs across the globe, including how, in 2023, he and Mick Fowler faced a life-threatening ordeal on the un-climbed north face of Patkhor in Tajikistan.

Mon 13 Oct 19:30
£21

Robert Bolt Theatre
AUDIENCE WITH



John Lydon: I Could be Wrong, I Could be Right
Presented by A Way With Media Productions Ltd

Legend and icon John Lydon will talk about how he sees life, along with his unique and extraordinary career, and will reflect on the Sex Pistols, Public Image Limited (PiL), his art and his life's story during an informal evening of conversation and audience questions.

Thu 16 Oct 19:30
Meet & Greet **17:45 – 18:45**

£36 Standard / £56 VIP / £96 Meet & Greet

Robert Bolt Theatre
AUDIENCE WITH



Havisham
Presented by Emul8 Theatre

Havisham offers a fresh perspective of Charles Dickens' greatest work of Gothic characterisation, Miss Havisham from *Great Expectations*. Miss Havisham is the embodiment of stuck trauma and malignant rage. But how did she arrive at this place and what are the tragic secrets of her calamitous past...?

Fri 17 Oct 19:30
£17 / £12 when you buy a ticket for **Room** | Age 12+

The Chambers
THEATRE

Funny Stuff
Presented by LipService

When Sue's comedy partner Maggie Fox died, Sue was left with a shipping container full of stage props. In this humorous and creative response to grief, Sue struggles to part with a life-sized stuffed sheep, a badger onesie, some ruby slippers, a sinking bog, Charlotte Bronte's knickers and a host of soft toys. Come along and help Sue on her journey of letting go.

Fri 17 Oct 20:00
£17 | Age 12+

Robert Bolt Theatre
COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF



Room: Inside The Creative Mind of Virginia Woolf
Presented by Emul8 Theatre

Award-winning actor Heather Alexander presents a powerful insight into Woolf's passionate creative journey. Highly critically acclaimed, this outstanding show provides a witty and provocative homage to one of feminism's brightest minds.

Sat 18 Oct 19:30
£17 / £12 when you buy a ticket for **Havisham** | Age 12+

The Chambers
THEATRE



Alfie Moore: Acocalypse Now
Presented by Moore Enterprising

Alfie has the antidote to the breakdown of law and order, fake news and the price of baked beans. He's encountered more than his fair share of egotistical dictators in his policing career and learnt when pragmatism, and more than a dash of laughter, can defuse even the most menacing showdown.

Sat 18 Oct 20:00
£22

Robert Bolt Theatre
COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF





Lisa Knapp & Gerry Diver

Presented by Concerted Artists

Lisa Knapp and Gerry Diver are at the forefront of contemporary folk. Lisa's spellbinding vocals blend seamlessly with Gerry's multi-instrumental talents, creating richly textured, emotionally resonant music rooted in English and Irish traditions.

Sun 19 Oct Doors 19:30

£17

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC MEMBERS 10% OFF



Happy Hour

Presented by Something Underground

One man's odyssey to save his son and his own sanity from the sinister forces he's exposed them both to. Bernie wants his pub to be 'child friendly', a party atmosphere... But he's so busy making his dream come true, that his own ten year old son, Teddy, doesn't get a look in. Funny, moving, disturbing, poignant and emotionally satisfying.

Fri 24 Oct 19:30

£13 / £11 | Age 14+

The Chambers

THEATRE MEMBERS 10% OFF



Mama Afrika: Celebrating The Life of Miriam Makeba

Presented by Anna Mudeka

Zimbabwean born singer, musician and storyteller Anna Mudeka tells the remarkable life story of an iconic South African singer, songwriter and civil rights activist, Miriam Makeba, charting her rise from the townships of Johannesburg to global star.

Fri 24 Oct Doors 19:30

£19

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC

ComedySportz

Two teams battle it out for laughs with quick-witted gags, games, sketches and songs inspired by your suggestions. There's a referee on hand to ensure a good clean match - it's a family friendly show after all - with penalties for bad behaviour and bad jokes. Who wins? You decide!

Sat 25 Oct 18:30

£9 / £7 | Age 7+

The Chambers

FAMILY MEMBERS 10% OFF



Martin Harley

Presented by Midnight Mango Ltd

Known for his spellbinding slide guitar and ability to blend Americana, Blues, and Folk, Harley has captivated audiences for three decades. His latest release, *Morning Sun*, showcases his finest songwriting to date and his heartfelt music continues to push boundaries in contemporary roots.

Sat 25 Oct Doors 19:30

£21

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC



Nick Cope: I've Lost My Bobble Hat

Help Nick find his beloved bobble hat in this fun filled musical hour with all your favourite Nick Cope hits and more. Nick has a magical way of reaching into people's hearts, igniting children's imagination in an organic, unpatronising, educational and fun way.

Sun 26 Oct 11:00 & 14:00

£17 / £16 | Age 3+

Robert Bolt Theatre

FAMILY





An Intimate Evening with Trevor Horn

Presented by A Way With Media Productions Ltd

Trevor Horn is a bona fide pop legend having worked with everyone from Seal to Frankie Goes to Hollywood, from ABC to Yes, from Robbie Williams to Pet Shop Boys. Hear about the exploits of one of the world's greatest music producers – who has been described as 'the man who invented the 80s'.

Tue 28 Oct 20:00

Meet & Greet **18:15 – 19:15**

£30 Standard / £46 VIP /

£81 Meet & Greet

Robert Bolt Theatre

AUDIENCE WITH



Steve Knightley

Presented by Midnight Mango Ltd

Steve joins forces with three incredible musicians—guitar virtuoso David Delarre, master percussionist Evan Carson, and double bass maestro John Parker. This is an unmissable opportunity to witness one of folk music's most revered figures in a bold new setting.

Thu 30 Oct Doors 19:30

£27

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC



The Witch Who Couldn't Sleep

Presented by The People's Theatre Company

An enchanting sing-along musical presented with a magical mixture of live action, music and animation and based on a story from Steven Lee's best-selling *How The Koala Learnt To Hug and Other Australian Fairytales*. Being a witch is super exciting. There's always so much to do and so much fun to be had. Especially around Halloween. And maybe that's why Natascha The Witch can't sleep... Can anyone, or anything, help her drift off?

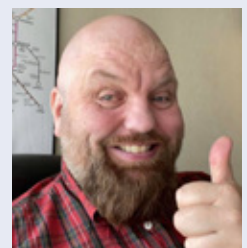
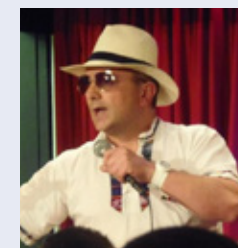
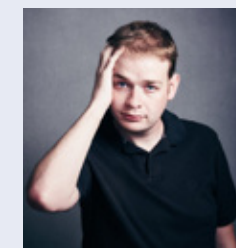
Sat 01 Nov 14:30

£12.50 / £10.50 | Age 3+

Robert Bolt Theatre

FAMILY

November



Best of Buzz Comedy

Waterside's legendary comedy night showcasing new and established talent features:

Headliner **Matt Rees** - a multi-award-winning comedian from Wales;

El Purnell - showcasing his native Ecuador in an energetic presentation;

Big Brummie **Ryan Gough** is a jovial compere who has the remarkable ability to remember British telephone dialling codes.

Sat 01 Nov 20:00

£15 | Age 18+

The Chambers

COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF



Nik Kershaw: Musings & Lyrics

Presented by A Way With Media Productions Ltd

Nik Kershaw exploded onto the UK pop scene in 1984. After stepping out of the limelight to concentrate on writing and producing, he is now ready to look back with an intimate evening of songs and stories.

Sun 09 Nov 19:30
Meet & Greet **18:00 – 18:45**

£35 Standard / £51 VIP /
£86 Meet & Greet

Robert Bolt Theatre

AUDIENCE WITH



Brett Tippie: The Right Line

Presented by Speakers from the Edge

A multi-talented professional extreme sports athlete, Brett Tippie has had a rollercoaster of a career - from Giant Slalom & Snowboard Cross to becoming one of the most prominent Freeride Mountain Bikers in the world, then losing it all and finally resurrecting his profession.

Mon 10 Nov 19:30
£21

Robert Bolt Theatre

AUDIENCE WITH



Ultimate Coldplay

Ultimate Coldplay feature a true look-a-like Chris Martin and are frequently described as the 'next best thing' to one the UK's most famous bands, faithfully replicating note for note all the biggest hits including *Paradise*, *Fix You*, *Viva la Vida*, *My Universe* and *Yellow*.

Fri 14 Nov Doors 19:30
£25

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC

Broua

Presented by Akacia Productions

Broua is a band that blends traditional Tunisian and Arabic music with Mediterranean and contemporary influences. With members from Tunisia, France, and the Netherlands, their music blends oud, violin, guitar, and percussion into rich, genre-defying rhythms, where tradition meets jazz, blues, and Latin grooves in one captivating sonic journey.

Sun 16 Nov Doors 19:30
£17

Robert Bolt Theatre

LIVE MUSIC MEMBERS 10% OFF



Prism: A Winter Festival of Music & Light

Our ambitious winter festival returns, using music, projection, light and performance to create magical and thought-provoking experiences for all, in and outside the building.

Thu 20 – Sat 22 Nov
FESTIVAL



Christmas at Waterside

Our
Festive
Show!

★★★★★
The Observer
Mumsnet

★★★★
The Mirror
The Sunday Times

Raymond Briggs' Father Christmas

Based on the book by Raymond Briggs.

Adapted by Pins and Needles. A Lyric Hammersmith Theatre and Pins and Needles Production.

Step inside the bloomin' brilliant world of Raymond Briggs' Father Christmas this winter!

Children of all ages will delight in Briggs' grumpy but loveable Father Christmas as he gets ready for his busiest day of the year: Christmas Eve. Watch as he prepares his Christmas deliveries, feeds his reindeer and finally takes flight into the snowy night.

But things don't run smoothly and he soon encounters soot-covered chimneys to squeeze through and treacherous weather conditions, all while plenty of mischief is had by his cheeky pets, Cat and Dog.

With plenty of live music, songs and playful puppetry, this critically acclaimed adaptation of Raymond Briggs' much loved book is a delightful festive treat for children and families to enjoy.

Thu 04 – Sat 27 Dec Times Vary

£20* / £18* / £17 / £15 /
£10 low income tickets** / £12 schools | Age 3+ | 60 mins

Robert Bolt Theatre

Schools' performances:

Thu 04 – Thu 18 Dec 10:30 & 13:30

*For performances between Sat 13 - Wed 24 Dec

**On selected performances



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Best of Buzz Comedy

Waterside's legendary comedy night showcasing new and established talent features:



Sat 06 Dec 20:00
£15 | Age 18+
The Chambers

COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF

El Baldiniho - a mind-bogglingly daft magician a la Tommy Cooper;
Kevin Daniel - the latest Scottish stand-up, naturally funny in a Billy Connolly way;
Dominic Woodward - the perfect pre-Christmas host, guaranteed lively laughs in a cheeky chatty charming manner.



ComedySportz Panto

Heroes, villains, songs and silliness are guaranteed as the gang improvise a brand-new pantomime using only your suggestions and a sprinkling of fairy dust. The performers don't know their roles beforehand and might even get you involved in the action!

For Tots, Sat 13 Dec 14:30
£6 / £4 | Age 6 and under

For Kids, Sat 13 Dec 16:30 & 18:30
£8.50 / £6.50 | Age 7+

The Chambers
FAMILY MEMBERS 10% OFF

And if you're fed up of the kids having all the fun, join the raunchier, bawdier adults only version of this all-improvised alternative panto show - with all the innuendo you can fit into a panto dame's nightie!

For Adults, Fri 19 & Sat 20 Dec 19:30
£10 | Age 16+

The Chambers
COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF



Gaudete! Songs, Tunes & Carols from Yuletide Past

Presented by GreenMatthews

Featuring Christmas carols, winter folk songs, toe-tapping tunes and a plethora of weird and wonderful instruments, Gaudete! brings the festive season to life in a riot of sound and colour. The music is lush, rich and heartwarming - perfectly evoking the Spirit of Christmas Past.

Fri 19 Dec Doors 19:30
£21 / £16

Robert Bolt Theatre
LIVE MUSIC MEMBERS 10% OFF

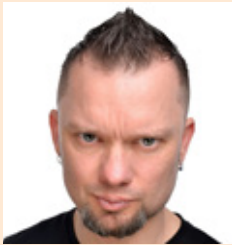


A Pleasing Terror: Two Ghost Stories by M.R. James

Presented by Robert Lloyd Parry

This gripping one man show retells two of the earliest and eeriest ghost stories by M. R. James. In Canon Alberic's Scrap-book, a young Cambridge antiquary discovers the devil in the details of an old book. In The Mezzotint a ghoulish revenge is enacted within a work of art.

Fri 06 Feb 19:30
£16 | Age 12+
The Chambers
THEATRE



Best of Buzz Comedy

Waterside's legendary comedy night showcasing new and established talent featuring:
International star Sully O'Sullivan - the quintessential Kiwi comic with killer punchlines;
Karen Bayley - a delightfully saucy, comedic force with a spiky edge;
Local star Tony Vino who adds a natural warmth to his observational humour.

Sat 07 Feb 20:00
£15 | Age 18+
The Chambers
COMEDY MEMBERS 10% OFF

February



Mark Watson: Before it Overtakes Us

Presented by Impatient Productions

A recent encounter with a stranger caused Mark to spend some time pondering the uncertain future facing humanity. He explores this - along with equally pressing matters, like the worst word he has ever said in public - the current state of the UK sausage industry, and much more.

Sun 08 Feb 19:30

£23.50

Robert Bolt Theatre

COMEDY



Leo Houlding: Exposed

Presented by Speakers from the Edge

After three decades on the edge of adventure, Leo now explores with his young family - kiting across the Norwegian Arctic, canyoning in the Arabian desert, paddling remote Pacific islands, and spending a week vertical camping with the kids up El Capitan. A story of risk, resilience, and reward - *Exposed* will inspire you to embrace discomfort, confront fear, and chase your own horizons.

Mon 09 Feb 19:30

£20

Robert Bolt Theatre

AUDIENCE WITH MEMBERS 10% OFF



The Parody of The Rings

Presented by The Production Garden

At the local cinema, all hell breaks loose when the ushers misplace the DVDs of *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy! Get ready for an uproarious evening of comedy, chaos, and utter nonsense, as they attempt to recreate the epic tale of hobbits, elves, and orcs - without any clue what they're doing!

Wed 11 Feb 19:30

£26 | Age 10+

Robert Bolt Theatre

COMEDY



ComedySportz

Two teams battle it out for laughs with quick-witted gags, games, sketches and songs inspired by your suggestions. There's a referee on hand to ensure a good clean match - it's a family friendly show after all - with penalties for bad behaviour and bad jokes. Who wins? You decide!

Sat 14 Feb 18:30

£9 / £7 | Age 7+

The Chambers

FAMILY MEMBERS 10% OFF



The Enormous Turnip

Presented by Stuff & Nonsense Theatre Company

Unswerving energy, eccentric puppetry and live music in a re-potted version of this world-famous and much-loved children's story. Help save the day as we pull The Enormous Turnip out of the ground before it takes over the planet!

Fri 20 - Sun 22 Feb

Fri 20 Feb 14:30

Sat 21 & Sun 22 Feb 11:00 & 14:30

£13.50 / £11.50 | Age 3+

Robert Bolt Theatre

FAMILY MEMBERS 10% OFF

Night Terrors

Presented by Gerard Logan

A chilling evening of supernatural tales from E.F. Benson's brilliant collection of ghost stories. The award-winning actor, Gerard Logan, will transport you to a dark, sinister world of the unexpected and the unexplainable.

Fri 20 Feb 19:30

£13.50 | Age 12+

The Chambers

THEATRE MEMBERS 10% OFF



Shaparak Khorsandi: Scatterbrain

Presented by Impatient Productions

Having reassessed her life through the prism of an ADHD diagnosis, one of Britain's most beloved and most scatterbrained stand-ups lets you back into her mind (warning: it's cluttered in there). Among other things, this show will be a love-letter to letter-writing, a trip back through her early years as a comic and woman-about-town, and a whirlwind tour of a chaotic, hilarious brain.

Fri 27 Feb 20:00

£19 | Age 14+

Robert Bolt Theatre

COMEDY



Accessible Films for All

Our friendly screenings aim to make cinema more accessible to local communities by providing a fun and inclusive experience to enable people living with dementia or additional access needs, their families and carers to attend the cinema in a safe and welcoming environment. watersidearts.org/films

Monthly Matinee Screenings

on Wed 14:00

£6

Robert Bolt Theatre

MEMBERS 10% OFF



Coming Soon...

Pete Firman: Tricks & Giggles

Presented by Phil McIntyre Entertainments Ltd

Pete Firman is the UK's top comic magician. Join him for an evening of *Tricks & Giggles*, as Pete brings his trademark blend of magic and comedy from the small screen to stages around the UK with this brand-new show. Expect impossible feats, sleight of hand and big laughs from one of magic's most exciting performers!

Fri 20 Mar 19:30

£21 | Age 11+

Robert Bolt Theatre

COMEDY



Huey Morgan: The Fun Lovin' Criminal

Presented by A Way with Media Productions Ltd

Frontman, radio and television broadcaster, author and DJ, Huey Morgan is many things at once. Known as the frontman of the eclectic Fun Lovin' Criminals, then as host of *The Huey Show* on BBC Radio 6, Morgan is a charismatic and popular renegade himself. Now he's mixing music and chat - so fans can get up close and personal with Huey Morgan - *The Fun Lovin' Criminal*.

Sun 26 Apr 19:30

Meet & Greet 18:00

£29.50 Standard | £66 Premium includes

Meet & Greet

Robert Bolt Theatre

AUDIENCE WITH



An Evening With Toyah: Songs & Stories

Presented by A Way with Media Productions Ltd

A singer and actor, a TV host and author, a BRIT Award winner and a film star - Toyah has worn many hats during a remarkable career spanning more than 50 years. The High Priestess of Punk burst onto the scene in 1976 as she forged dual careers as a musician and actress. Toyah will be singing favourite hits and telling stories from her remarkable career.

Sat 02 May 19:30

Meet & Greet 17:45 - 18:45

£30 Standard | £51 VIP | £81 Meet & Greet

Robert Bolt Theatre

AUDIENCE WITH



Exhibitions

In the Lauriston Gallery & Gallery '74 | Free Entry



Trinity Buoy Wharf Drawing Prize Exhibition

The Trinity Buoy Wharf Drawing Prize is an annual touring exhibition of selected drawings supported by the Trinity Buoy Wharf Trust. Waterside is the final venue to showcase the 30th edition of this open international exhibition comprising of 92 drawings.

Until **Sat 11 Oct**



Great Northern Graduates

An exhibition of handmade contemporary craft, shining a light on talented graduates from craft and design courses predominantly from the north of the UK. Working in partnership with the Great Northern Contemporary Craft Fair, the exhibition is the perfect chance for visitors to see and buy from the strongest graduate talent. *There will be an accompanying graduate photography exhibition in Gallery '74.*

Sat 31 Jan – Sat 25 Apr



Meet The Puppet Masters

For a decade, Creative Industries Trafford has hosted our *Puppet Masters* conference, bringing some of the world's leading animators, including BAFTA winners, Oscar nominees, and industry pioneers to Waterside.

To mark this milestone, Waterside presents a special exhibition honouring the legacy of stop motion as an enduring and evolving art-form. Featuring work from past *Puppet Masters* speakers, the exhibition showcases original models, puppets, and behind-the-scenes materials from acclaimed projects.

There will be a programme of talks, workshops, and masterclasses led by industry experts alongside the exhibition.

Sat 25 Oct – Sat 17 Jan

Screenlight

Our Screenlight cinema booth in 'Sup Bar & Coffee House offers visitors an intimate space to watch contemporary video art projects featuring artists using moving image and animation in their practice.

For more information visit watersidearts.org/exhibitions

Free



Manchester Made Craft Fair

Waterside's annual table-top fair showcases the work of high quality Greater Manchester artists and makers, including ceramics, jewellery, photography, print and homewares.

Sat 29 Nov 11:00 – 17:00

The Chambers

Creative Industries Trafford



Creatives Brunch Club

Our popular Creatives Brunch Club returns as a calendar staple. We'll hear from some local creatives about the exciting projects they are working on and an opportunity to connect with others from the sector.

Tue 16 Sep, 14 Oct, 11 Nov, 16 Dec, 13 Jan, 17 Feb 10:15 – 11:30

Free

The Studio

Phobia - Creative Writing Workshop

Theatre-maker Wiebke Acton and health psychologist Prof. Vincent Deary present these introductory writing exercises for those seeking new ways to understand phobias and to share their stories in a safe and supportive environment.

Tue 07 Oct 13:00 – 16:00

Free

The Chambers



Breaking Ground

A showcase for work in development by some of the region's most talented performance-makers.

Tue 07 Oct 19:00

£8 / £5 low income

The Chambers

MEMBERS 10% OFF

Introduction to IP & Copyright for Artists

An introduction to copyright and Intellectual Property for artists led by Suzanne Oliver from Scintilla IP, who will explain what these terms mean as well as how and why artists should protect their creative output.

Thu 16 Oct 10:00 – 12:00

£10 / £8

The Chambers

Developing A Writing Career – with Natalie Beech

Writer, editor and arts marketer Natalie Beech will lead a session exploring how to utilise your creative skills to build a sustainable career in the arts.

Tue 21 Oct 10:00 – 16:00

£15 / £10

The Chambers



Puppet Masters Masterclass with Joseph Wallace

We celebrate 10 years of CIT's Puppet Masters Animation Conference with this special masterclass with Joseph Wallace. The session will explore techniques, colour theory, story construction in animation projects.

Sat 08 Nov 12:00 – 16:00

£20 / £15

The Chambers

Curator Incubator Advice Sessions

One to One advice sessions to discuss your application to our Curator Incubator Scheme

Tue 18 Nov 13:00 – 15:00

Free

The Studio

Celebrating Our Community at Waterside

A hub at the heart of Sale, Waterside is delighted to be a part of the local community and offer plenty of free or low cost arts activities to get involved in:



Volunteer

join our amazing team and help bring Waterside to life



Visit Sup Bar & Café

for a brew and cake or set up your laptop at one of our informal workstations



Take part in our amazing classes

(for kids & adults) from dance and drama to crafts and creativity for all ages and skill levels



Drop in to our Open Mic Poetry Nights

let your inner poet shine!



Grab a gift from our gorgeous shop

full of beautiful, handmade and locally-sourced treasures



Visit our free exhibitions

inspiring artwork from brilliant local and national artists



Support your local am dram shows

community and local theatre productions



Come along to an accessible film screening

monthly, inclusive, welcoming, and full of nostalgia.

Autumn Winter 2025/26

September

06	Jekyll & Hyde	19:30
06	Buzz Comedy	20:00
07	Counting Sheeps	11:00 & 14:30
12	Catch Your Breath: The Secret Life of a Sleepless Anaesthetist	19:30
13	ComedySportz	18:30
13	Alex Voysey Blues Band	19:30
17	Funny Face (Accessible Films for All)	14:00
19	The Clone Roses & DJ Dave Sweetmore	19:30
20	India Electric Company	19:30
21	Tom Gates	14:00
25	The Stars of Irish Country	19:30
25 & 26	Stuntman	20:00
26	Kerry Ellis: Queen of the West End	19:30
27	Barbara Dickson	19:30
28	Tales from the Lighthouse	11:30 & 14:30

October

01	Hamlet	13:00 & 19:30
04	Man of the World: The Music of Peter Green	19:30
04	Buzz Comedy	20:00
05	Braebach	19:30
09	Batty!	19:30
09	Outlawed	20:00
10	Phobia	19:30
11	The Blackheart Orchestra	19:30
13	Simon Yates: Pleasure & Pain	19:30
15	A Complete Unknown (Accessible Films for All)	14:00
16	John Lydon: I Could Be Wrong, I Could Be Right	19:30
17	Havisham	19:30
17	Funny Stuff	20:00
18	Room: Inside The Creative Mind of Virginia Woolf	19:30
18	Alfie Moore: Acopalypse now	20:00
19	Lisa Knapp & Gerry Diver	19:30
24	Mama Afrika: Celebrating the Life of Miriam Makeba	19:30
24	Happy Hour	19:30
25	ComedySportz	18:30
25	Martin Harley	19:30
26	Nick Cope: I've Lost My Bobble Hat	11:00 & 14:00
28	An Intimate Evening with Trevor Horn	20:00
30	Steve Knightley	19:30

November

01	The Witch Who Couldn't Sleep	14:30
01	Buzz Comedy	20:00
09	Nik Kershaw: Musings and Lyrics	19:30
10	Brett Tippie: The Right Line	19:30
12	Grease (Accessible Films for All)	14:00
14	Ultimate Coldplay	19:30
16	Broua	19:30
20 - 22	Prism: A Winter Festival of Music & Light	Times vary

December

06 - 27	Raymond Briggs' Father Christmas	Times vary
06	Buzz Comedy	20:00
13	ComedySportz Panto for Tots	14:30
13	ComedySportz Panto	16:30 & 18:30
19	Gaudete! Songs, Tunes & Carols from Yuletide Past	19:30
19 & 20	ComedySportz Panto for Adults	19:30

February

06	A Pleasing Terror: Two Ghost Stories	19:30
07	Buzz Comedy	20:00
08	Mark Watson: Before It Overtakes Us	19:30
09	Leo Houlding: Exposed	19:30
11	The Parody of the Rings	19:30
14	ComedySportz	18:30
20 - 22	The Enormous Turnip	times vary
20	Night Terrors	19:30
25	Roman Holiday (Accessible Films for All)	14:00
27	Shaparak Khorsandi: Scatterbrain	20:00

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How To Book

In Person

Mon - Sat 10:00 – 17:00 (later on event nights)

Sun: Open for performances only

Online

watersidearts.org

By phone

0161 912 5616

We do not charge booking fees online, in person or over the phone.

For details on ticket collection, concessions and group bookings, lost tickets, ticket refunds or exchanges and latecomers please visit FAQs at **watersidearts.org/FAQs**

Seating

The majority of shows in the Robert Bolt Theatre are reserved seating. Any shows taking place in the Chambers or standing events are generally unreserved. For more details contact Box Office.

Access

Waterside is a fully accessible venue, with a ramp to the entrance and wheelchair spaces in the theatres. Accessible seating bookable online. For further information call 0161 912 5616, visit **watersidearts.org/access** or email **access@watersidearts.org**

Galleries

Our galleries are open Mon - Sat 10:00 – 17:00 and later on event nights. Free entry, donations welcome.

Location

WATERSIDE

1 Waterside Plaza, Sale, Trafford, M33 7ZF

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We are located next to the Town Hall and Bridgewater Canal in Sale town centre, 20 minutes from Manchester city centre. We are directly opposite Sale Metrolink station and just off the A56 (Junction 7, M60). A 300-space Q-Park multi-storey car park is within easy walking distance on Broad Road.

Claim your 20% discount voucher at Box Office. (Applies to physical tickets only).

For sat nav directions, please use Q-Park's postcode M33 2AE.

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