

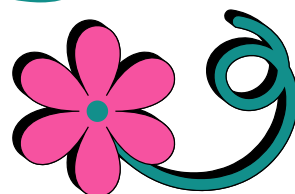
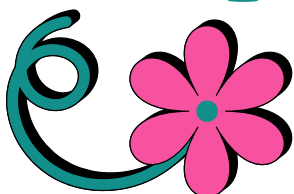
# WHAT'S ON IN NOTTINGHAM

Summer 2023

Compiled by St Nic's Church



# AT ST NIC'S



Everyone is welcome to church on Sundays at 10:45am and 6:30pm. We also have some social events planned, so meet us under the orange gazebo. Bring your own picnic and we provide free ice cream! Enjoy food, games and friendship with us for **free** on:



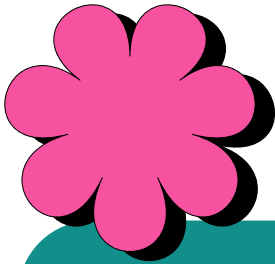
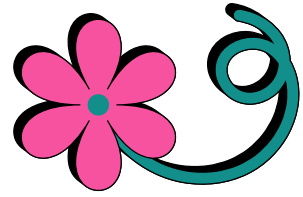
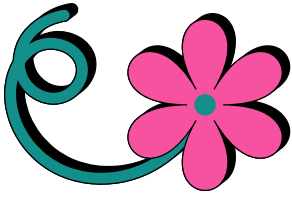
**Wednesday 9 August.** 10.30am to 12.30pm  
at Highfields Park, Lenton NG7 2RD.  
Book at [stnics.org/kids](https://stnics.org/kids)

**Wednesday 16 August.** 10.30am to 12.30pm  
at Green's Windmill, Windmill Lane NG2 4QB.  
Book at [stnics.org/kids](https://stnics.org/kids)

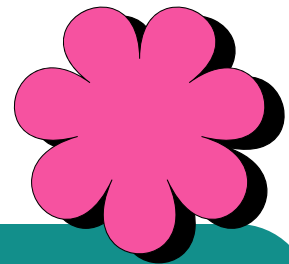
**Wednesday 31 August.** 10.30am to 12.30pm  
at Victoria Embankment NG2 5FB – meet at the  
children's cycle park..  
Book at [stnics.org/kids](https://stnics.org/kids)



# ART

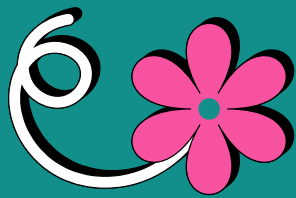


Tiger Community Hub, 19 Listergate NG1 7DE. **Free painting session** for children. 10.30am to 12:30pm on **Friday August 18th**. A parent can attend and paint too. Book at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nottingham-free-summer-arts-programme-freestyle-painting-tickets-671626863027?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>


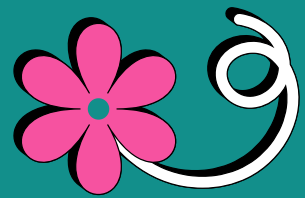


There are more free art sessions throughout the summer – see them all at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/tiger-community-enterprise-cic-4618169469>





# ART GALLERY



New Art Exchange, 39 Gregory Boulevard NG7 6BE.  
Closed on Sundays. Other days the art gallery is open  
10am to 4pm. **Free.**

See <https://www.nae.org.uk/event/8202/>

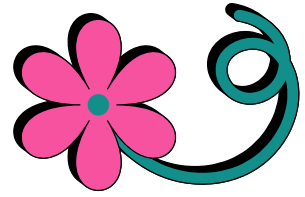
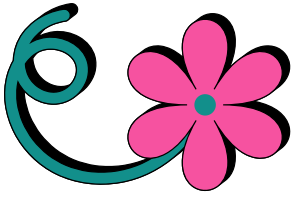
Wallner Gallery at Lakeside Arts, University Park NG7  
2RD. Exhibition of puppets. Open 10am to 5pm every  
day from now to 9 September. **Free entry.** See  
<https://www.lakesidearts.org.uk/children-and-families/event/5807/puppets-puppets-puppets-exhibition.html>.

Djanogly Gallery at Lakeside Arts. Enchanted forest  
experience, 8 August to 3 September. Closed on  
Mondays. Open every other day, 10am to 4pm. **Free.**  
<https://www.lakesidearts.org.uk/exhibitions/event/5814/enchanted-forest-interactive-installation.html>.

Nottingham Contemporary Art Gallery has **free** family  
activities and exhibitions throughout the summer  
holidays. See  
<https://www.nottinghamcontemporary.org/exchange/for-families/>



# THEATRE



See The Jungle Book at Studio 2, Nonsuch Studios, NG1 1EH. Puppets and songs for children aged 3-8 years. Bring a blanket to sit on. **Free.** 2:30pm to 4pm on **Tuesday 8 August.** Book online at

<https://nonsuchstudios.online.red61.co.uk/event/419:448/419:1759/>

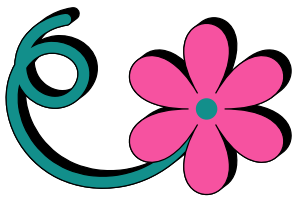


See The Hare and the Moon behind the DHL Pavilion at Highfields Park, Lenton NG7 2RD or inside if it is raining. **Saturday 12 August** from 3pm to 3:45pm. **Free.** For ages 5-12. Puppets and songs. Book at <https://tickets.lakesidearts.org.uk/overview/150218>.

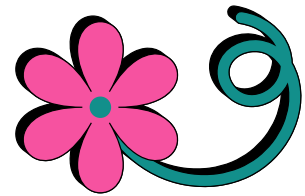


Nottingham Playhouse, Wellington Circus NG1 5AF will sell tickets on 13 September from 1pm for a performance of the real and imagined history of the Elephant Man. It's a '**pay what you can**' performance that will take place at 7.30pm on Thursday 21 September. See <https://nottinghamplayhouse.co.uk/pay-what-you-can/>.





# MUSIC



Riverside Festival on Victoria Embankment NG2 5FB. From **Friday 4 to Sunday 6 August. Free to get in.** Fairground rides, street food, bars and market stalls. Dragon Boat Racing. Music – Afrobeat, Reggae, Berber, Bhangra and Cajun music. Music from Senegal, the Balkans and other places. Fireworks at 10:30pm on Friday and Saturday.

See the BBC Introducing in the East Midlands at the Metronome, Marco Island, Huntingdon Street NG1 1AP from 7pm on **20 September. Free music.** The show will be filmed and recorded for radio broadcast. See

<https://www.ntu.ac.uk/about-us/events/events/2023/9/bbc-introducing-in-the-east-midlands>

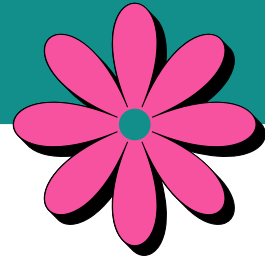
Higgs Bo'sun band are playing and singing at the Bandstand, Dovecote Lane, Beeston NG9 1HU from 6pm to 7pm on **4 August** and again at 6pm on **11 August. Free.** See

[https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=558790859587910&set=a.516216557178674.](https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=558790859587910&set=a.516216557178674)

Carlton Male Voice choir will sing outside at Gedling Country Park, Spring Lane, Mapperley, Nottingham NG4 4PE on **Wednesday 2 August** between 12 noon and 1:30pm. **Free.**



# THE BEACH



The beach at the Old Market Square NG1  
2LH.

Tuesday 25 July - Sun-day 3 September.  
Beach and paddling area are free, but you  
need to pay for some other activities.

Details at [nottinghambeach.co.uk](http://nottinghambeach.co.uk).



# MUSEUMS



Green's Windmill and Science Centre, Windmill Lane NG2 4QB. Open from 10am to 4pm. Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. **Free entry.**

Lakeside Arts. 12 noon to 3.30pm, **Saturday 29 July.**

Make crafts like the Romans did.

<https://www.lakesidearts.org.uk/children-and-families/event/5843/festival-of-archaeology-2023.html>



National Justice Museum, High Pavement NG1 1HN. **Two free exhibitions** on the ground floor (i) a history of criminology, (ii) art created by people in prison. Open every day from 10am to 4pm. If you want to go upstairs to see more you will have to pay.


Nottingham Castle, Lenton Road NG1 6EL. Adults pay £12 for the whole year so you can go as many times as you want. An adult can take up to three children under 15 years old in with them for no extra cost.

<https://www.nottinghamcastle.org.uk/>

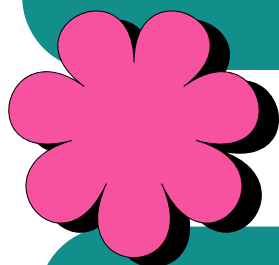




# LIBRARIES



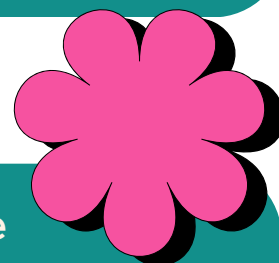
**Free** Conversation groups to practise your English.  
<https://www.nottinghamcitylibraries.co.uk/conversation-groups-for-improving-your-english/>



**Free** chess clubs — see  
<https://www.nottinghamcitylibraries.co.uk/chess-clubs/>.



**Free** knitting and sewing clubs — see  
<https://www.nottinghamcitylibraries.co.uk/knit-natter/>



Dinosaur crafts and Lego clubs — see  
<https://www.nottinghamcitylibraries.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Summer-activities.pdf>



# SPORTS

There is a **free** guided walk every weekday around one of the Nottingham parks. Details at <https://nottsguidedwalks.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/best-foot-forward-leaflet-v10.3.pdf>.



National Water Sports Centre, Adbolton Lane, Holme Pierrepont NG12 2LU. Walk around the lake and watch canoes on the white water. On 26 and 27 August it is **free** to watch a canoeing competition. See <https://www.nwscnotts.com/nwsc/events/>.




A 5km Parkrun that you can walk or run will be held at several places around Nottingham. See <https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/events-markets-parks-and-museums/parks-and-open-spaces/park-activities/>

Redhill Leisure Centre Open Day, 9:30am to 2:30pm, **Saturday 29 July. Free tour**, fitness assessment, gym session and two exercise classes.




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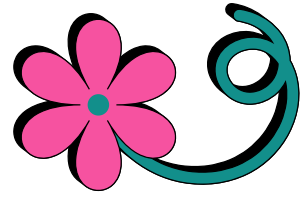
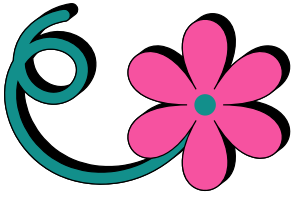
The ice skating Centre has a Family Fun Day on **Saturday 5 August**. This will include **some free activities** on Bolero Square NG1 1LA.

Tennis courts, Valley Road NG5 3HA. Book online.  
£6.50 per hour. See  
<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ValleyRoadTennisCourts>.  
Bring your own racquets and balls.

Table tennis. Outdoor ping pong tables at Lenton Abbey Park, Woodside Road NG9 2SF. Bring your own bats and ball and play for free. There are tables at some other parks too.



# PARKS



Victoria Embankment NG2 2JY. Free park by the River Trent.

Wollaton Park NG8 2AE. Wild deer, a lake, paths and gardens, a museum and country house – all **free** to walk round. **Free** exhibition of tiny sculptures and a free museum including dinosaur bones. Everything open 11am to 4pm. See <https://wollatonhall.org.uk/visit/>

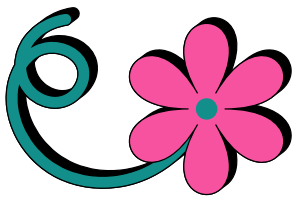


Rushcliffe Country Park, Mere Way, Loughborough Road NG11 6JS. Lakes, nature trails, big children's play area, picnic tables, outdoor gym. **Free**. See <https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/rushcliffecountrypark/>

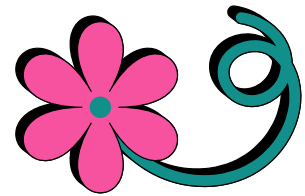


Woodthorpe Grange Park, Woodthorpe Drive NG5 4HA  
Open 8am to 8pm. Help with the **Big Butterfly Count** on **2 August 10:30am to 12:30** to find out if planting wildflowers has helped. See <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/big-butterfly-count-at-woodthorpe-grange-park-family-event-tickets-661094741167>





# PARKS



Beeston Marina, Riverside Road NG9 1NA. Watch boats on the canal.



Highfields Park, University Park NG7 2RD. Park, playground and lake



Nottingham Arboretum, Waverley Street NG7 4HF. Park with trees, caged birds, lake and gardens.



Gedling Country Park, Spring Lane NG4 4PE. Nature trail, lakes and cafe. Open every day, and a **special event from 11am to 3pm on 2 August** - free environmental and creative activities. Try craft activities and enjoy music, stories and theatre. Lots of stalls selling things and a free children's play area. See

<https://www.gedling.gov.uk/events/event/gedling-love-parks-day.php>

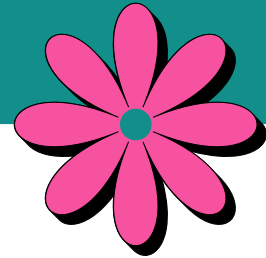
Attenborough Nature Reserve, Barton Lane NG9 6DY. Walk, watch the birds around the lakes. **Free**. 8am-8pm. <https://www.nottinghamshirewildlife.org/attenborough-plan-your-visit>



# STARTING A BUSINESS



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Three free sessions on self-employment for  
people thinking about starting their own  
business.

Free lunch too.

12.30 to 3pm on 5, 12 and 19 August at  
Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens,  
Kirkby Gardens NG2 2HZ.



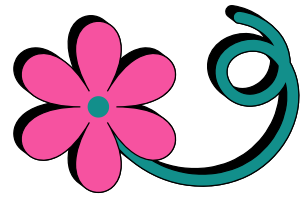
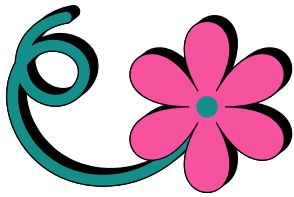
Book at

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/self-employment-in-the-sun-tickets-657502807597?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

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# PLANTS AND ANIMALS



Plant Care Drop-in at The Watered Garden, Unit 11,  
Sneinton Market Gedling Street NG1 1DS on **Sunday 6  
August 11am to 4pm. Free.** Visit to ask questions or bring  
your plant for a check-up. No need to book.




Gardening at Windmill Community Gardens, Nottingham,  
NG8 5HD. 2:30pm to 4:30pm on **Friday 28th July. Free.**  
Book at [https://www.refugeeroots.org.uk/Event/wind-  
july28](https://www.refugeeroots.org.uk/Event/wind-july28)



Help to look after the wildlife habitat at St Ann's  
Allotments. 10am to 2pm on **Saturday 12 August.** Meet  
opposite 80 Ransom Road NG3 3LH at 10am. Book at  
[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/staa-saturday-  
volunteering-urban-nature-tickets-671410525957?  
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# PLANTS AND ANIMALS



Visit Stonebridge City Farm, Stonebridge Road, NG3 2FR.  
Phone: 0115 950 5113. Visit farm animals 10am to 4.15pm  
every day. **Free entry.** <https://stonebridgecityfarm.com/>.

They have free events on Wednesdays with lots of  
activities for children – 2 August Pirate Day, 9 August  
Superhero Day, 23 August Robin Hood Day and 30 August  
Teddy Bear's Picnic.

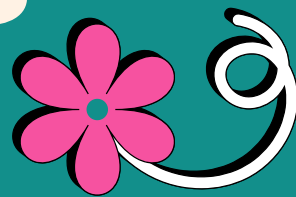
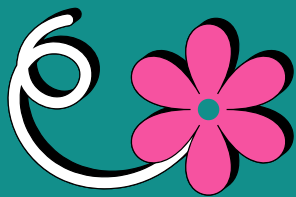


Learn to fish at the canal by the Lawcourts, Wilson Walk,  
off Wilford Street NG2 1EE. 9.30am to 4pm on **Monday 31  
July. Free** – book at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-lets-fish-nottingham-city-310723-learn-to-fish-session-tickets-573058462287?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>.





# FESTIVALS



Birthday party at Base51 youth centre, 29-31 Castle Gate NG1 7AR. 2pm to 4pm on **Saturday 12 August**. **Free**. BBQ, face painting, crafts and games. Book at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/base-51-birthday-open-day-tickets-668684211477?aff=oddtcreator>



Snapewood Community Centre, Snape Wood Rd, Bulwell NG6 7GH. Summer fayre. 12 to 3pm on **5 August**. **Free on the door** and some games are free.

Wednesday 2 August from 10am to 4pm. **Free festival** for children and families at Bridgford Park, Albert Road NG2 5GS. Circus skills, soft play, storytelling, sports and free singing and dancing. See <https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/whats-on-in-rushcliffe/lark-in-the-park/>



Global Roots Festival at Stonebridge City Farm, Stonebridge Road, NG3 2FR. 11am to 4pm on Saturday 19 August. **Free** to enter. Music from around the world and lots of free activities. See <https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=752583609997921&set=pcb.752583883331227>





**HAVE A  
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