



# School Workshops

## Dear Headteacher

This is our 29th year of providing exciting workshop opportunities for every child in the Henley and district schools as part of the Henley Youth Festival.

We are offering some great workshop opportunities for you to book.

Please **review the details below** and **complete the separate Application Form** which gives detailed performance times.

As previously, we would like you to tell us which sessions you do NOT want to attend in addition to those you would be able to attend, as this makes the distribution of places easier.

**The theme this year is 'Going Green'**. We hope that the workshops will fuel creativity and spark imaginations. Please encourage the students to enter the Writing, Art and Film Competitions, as well as taking part in the Performing Arts events too.

If you have any queries after you have read the information please contact: **Daniel Sadler** by email: [dan38sadler@icloud.com](mailto:dan38sadler@icloud.com) (Tel: 07776303858).

The completed Application Form should be sent to Daniel by email to [dan38sadler@icloud.com](mailto:dan38sadler@icloud.com) by the deadline of **31 January 2023**

*The Henley Youth Festival is extremely grateful for the generous sponsorship by local businesses and organisations, without which the Festival would not be able to take place.*



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## Young Shakespeare Company – “Hamlet”



On the ramparts of Elsinore Castle, the ghost of old King Hamlet appears through the mist to reveal a startling and extraordinary secret to his son Prince Hamlet. Should he believe what the ghost tells him? And if so what should the young Prince do with this shocking information?

Four Young Shakespeare Company actors perform Shakespeare’s gripping drama in a fast-moving interactive production. Throughout the performance the children become involved in the play through a carefully structured range of drama and language activities, encouraging them to explore the motives, thoughts and feelings of the characters. Volunteers from among the children are also chosen to become individual characters in the story and all the children have the opportunity to speak and enjoy Shakespeare’s words in short, accessible sections

**The performances are for years 5 and 6.**

**There are five performances in HYF 2023**

[www.youngshakespeare.org.uk](http://www.youngshakespeare.org.uk)

## Scarlet Oak Theatre – “The Zoo That Comes To You”



The Zoo That Comes To You follows the efforts of two wildlife enthusiasts who provide respite, care or a temporary home to those in need. They now have a sanctuary full of animals, however, no-one has come to visit their zoo. So everybody - animals and humans alike - have decided it is time to get out, see the world, and bring the zoo, to you!

Come and meet this eclectic group of charming yet cheeky animals, as they discuss their life experiences and the challenges they face. These chatty animals have a lot of stories to tell and want to inspire people of all ages to take action, because they know small actions can make a big difference in the world.

**The performances are for years Reception/1/2/3**

**8 x 1 hour performances in schools 6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023**



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## Stefan Gates 'The Rude Science Show'

### THE **UTTERLY REVOLTING** SCIENCE SHOW



BBC Gastronomer Stefan Gates takes you on a funny, cheeky, thoroughly disgusting but utterly scientific multimedia journey through the human body from head to bottom, with lots of spectacular science stunts and audience interaction. There'll be edible bogies, cooking in vomit, farts, faeces and urine as well as live insects and some VERY weird food. Stefan is renowned for his world-class science and food shows. 5yrs+

**The performances are for years 4 and 9.**

**Two Performances on Thursday 9th March 2023 at the  
Kenton Theatre**



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## Greener Henley



We are delighted to welcome 'Greener Henley' as a partner this year in delivering a programme of in-school activities aimed at raising awareness of 'green issues' and helping young people learn how they can make a positive difference to their environment.

Learn more about 'Greener Henley' here: <https://greenerhenley.org.uk/>

The **Environmental Science Challenge** is Greener Henley's annual invitation to local schools to showcase their children's talents answering an environmental question. This year they would like to launch their Challenge during Henley Youth Festival for entries to be in by 26 May 2023 for judging. They hope to present the Environmental Science Challenge Award in Great Big Green Week (10 – 18 June 2023) with a public display of some of the students' work.

The area of focus in 2023 will be Hedges – why they are a good idea? This could include work on how they change during the year, what life they support, how old they are (how to determine the age of an old hedge), what is their purpose, what happens below the hedge, their importance in history and now, etc. etc. This could cover a lot of subject areas but it is entirely up to the teachers and students how they respond to this challenge – science, geography, art, history, English and maths. Greener Henley will visit schools to deliver assemblies or talk to smaller groups about what the Challenge entails

### **Trees' - A mini cross curricular project for Year 4 classes**

Each child will be given a resource pack which will include a Project Booklet with 10 activities . They can choose to do 6 or all of them.

These would include tree identification activities, an audit of trees growing in the school grounds or vicinity, identifying the parts of the tree, looking at the micro-ecological system in and around the tree, using geometry to measure the height of a tree, fact finding, comparing different tree bark, tree-inspired creativity. We would provide teachers with cross curricular ideas and resources to make this an enjoyable class activity.

### **Nature walks and trails in school grounds or nearby for younger children**

A 'Greener Henley' expert will lead a nature walk with students from Year 1 or Year 2 finding out about their local ecosystem.



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**Artist:** Michaela Clarke

**Workshop Name:** Create 'n Make – artwork on a “Green” theme

**Workshop Description:**

Michaela has a knack for pitching her art at the younger pupils producing wonderful original individual and collaborative artworks. In her 1 hour workshops children will create artwork on a ‘Green’ theme.

Each one hour workshop will be based in your school.

**Years:** 1 - 4

**Requirements from the school:** Class teacher and support teacher, classroom space, aprons.

**Artist provides:** all materials

Please see some of Michaela’s fantastic art at <http://www.createnmake.com>



**Artist:** Nick Garnett (Redvanman)

**Workshop Name:** Up-cycled sculpture



**Workshop Description:**

Working with Doctor Brian Squabbles and his Red van full of 'objects from a previous life' the children will create an up-cycled sculpture.

The workshop will be a full day in your school and accommodate up to 30 students across the day.

All materials used by Nick are recycled.

**Years:** 5/6

**Requirements from School:** Class teacher and support and large class room space or hall/and or outdoor space.

**Artist provides:** all materials

Please see Nick’s fantastic works at [www.redvanman.net](http://www.redvanman.net)



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**Artist:** Emily Cooling

**Workshop name:** Artwork on an “eco” theme



## Workshop description

Emily Cooling is the heart and soul of Creating ART. She is an artist above all, but she is also something more unique – a born educator. She works with people of all ages and literally all walks of life, delivering amazing workshops, installations and events throughout Oxfordshire and beyond.

Emily is an accomplished artist who will visit schools delivering workshops aimed at producing artwork for display based on an ‘eco’ theme.

**Years:** 3 - 6

**Requirements of school:** 2 support teachers, classroom space, tables, chairs, aprons, sink and water, electric point.

**Artist provides:** all materials

Please see Emily’s fantastic website [www.creatingart.co.uk/](http://www.creatingart.co.uk/)

**Artist:** A Noisy Silence

**Workshop Name:** Sound Recycling      **Years:** 4 - 6

It is easy to miss the beauty and intricacy of everyday sounds, those sounds in our environment that we take for granted and those sounds we make that are lost to forgetfulness and familiarity. This hands-on workshop gets pupils to see everyday and recycled objects as instruments and the soundscape as a musical composition. It aims to reawaken their curiosity and reconnect them with their soundworld.

In this workshop we will be using recycled household objects and portable recorders, to help pupils playfully explore and capture everyday sounds. Pupils will also get to use a variety of microphones that allow them to uncover sounds that cannot normally be heard. In the process we will compose short sonic-postcards from the familiar places they’ve rediscovered which will be recorded and made available to share with other pupils, teachers and parents/carers. The workshop is designed for groups of 10-15 KS2 pupils and takes around one hour per group. It meets the following KS2 Music Curriculum of Study outcomes:

- play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression
- improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using the inter-related dimensions of music
- listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory

You can read more about other similar workshops here: [www.anoisysilence.com/workshops](http://www.anoisysilence.com/workshops)



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Kathryn Fell  
Photography

**Artist:** Kathryn Fell, Photography

**Workshop name:** Digital Portraits

A 50 minute workshop that will teach children the basics of taking digital photographs.

**It should be noted no photographs of children will be taken or used in this workshop.**

**Years:** 5/6

**Artist provides:** will use props available in normal school environment. **School to ensure that children to have bring in a smart phone or tablet per two children. Access to school internet.**

**Requirements of school:** Minimum of 2 support staff. School to ensure that children to have bring in a smart phone or tablet per two children. Access to school internet.

Kathryn Fell is a local Professional photographer, specialising in Family portraits, Weddings, Food, Events, Commercial photography as well as teaching Digital SLR photography workshops and Smart Phone Photography for Business Social media.

After studying Art and Design at College I got my first job in a design studio and went on to have a successful career in marketing after studying with The Chartered Institute of Marketing, driven by my interest in branding and advertising. I continued, however, to dream of becoming a professional photographer and, after some wise words from a dear friend, decided to take the plunge and turn my passion into my business. I enrolled on a Professional Portrait course, passed with flying colours, and haven't looked back since. I am at my most content behind a camera, and nothing gives me more satisfaction than capturing a special moment for my clients.

[www.kathrynfellphotography.co.uk](http://www.kathrynfellphotography.co.uk)

Instagram [www.instagram.com/kathrynfellphotography](https://www.instagram.com/kathrynfellphotography)



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## Flamenco classes



Tailored to any age group from Year 2 upwards, children will have lots of fun watching a flamenco performance, before learning about how flamenco developed and how a flamenco group is formed.

We then move on to trying out some flamenco footwork and movements - children love delving into my flamenco fancy dress box too!

*'Danielle had myself and the children enthralled with her flamenco performances! The sessions were jam packed with content on dance and Spanish culture, which she tailored to our topic unit, 'Geographical Neighbours'. I love that there was a focus on men and boys in dance, which encouraged our boys to put forward their best effort! Every child learned a thing or two about flamenco and it was enjoyable for all (children and staff alike)!'*

## AFC Henley



A one-hour football skills workshop with an opportunity to hear about the highly regarded AFC Henley Mini-Soccer sessions which run every Saturday morning on the Jubilee Field. Over 600 local boys and girls play football with AFC Henley.

A great introduction to football development with the Oxfordshire FA Community Club of the Year 2022

**Years: 2-4**

### Next steps:

If you would like to book spaces for your class, please complete the **separate Application Form** and return to **Daniel Sadler at [dan38sadler@icloud.com](mailto:dan38sadler@icloud.com)** by **31 January 2023**

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