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Leeds Combined Arts Newsletter – Summer 2019

Dear All.

Welcome to the 'LCA Summer Newsletter'!

We have many events taking place over June, July and into the beginning of August when we will take a break until September.

The **Headingley Music Festival** main programme will be slightly later this year commencing on **Wednesday 26th June** and continuing to **Saturday 6th July** and we are very pleased to announce that '**Shaku**' an exciting new band will be our main headlining act playing a wide range of music from jazz, funk and blues with a hint of rock! There is a variety of music and spoken word events taking place and we hope there will be something for everyone.

We have several trips planned over the Summer & Autumn this year including Burnby Hall & Breezy Knees Garden' in July &, 'Yorkshire Wildlife Park' in August and you can see further details about this trip further down under 'Day Trips & Weekends Away'.

We hope you'll be able to join us for many of the events including our weekend away to Warwick & Stratford-upon-Avon at the end of August. We look forward to seeing you.

Best wishes.

The LCA Committee

Disclaimer: Leeds Combined Arts reserves the right to alter, cancel or amend an event when circumstances arise beyond their control. However, if an event has to be cancelled or changed this will always be advertised on the website. Participation in any event included in this Newsletter is undertaken at the individual's own risk.

WORKSHOPS

'Arts for Well-Being'

We have recently commenced a new programme of workshops at the beginning of May. This project mainly covers Voice, Dance, Storytelling, Music and Poetry and will continue throughout the year, (except the last week in August). The workshops are funded by the 'Community Fund' and at present we are running '**Voice Workshops**' in Meanwood hosted by singer and tutor Nel Begley. We aim to provide a variety of workshops in Meanwood, Headingley and Woodhouse and hope in the future months there will be something everyone can attend.

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POETRY & LITERATURE EVENTS

Wednesday 26th June 7.30 p.m., 'Poetry & Music Evening with Emma Sutton', HEART.

This evening's event will form part of the Headingley Music Festival. Emma will host the first half with poetry, song and music accompanied by Neil Garratt. In the second half there will be an open mic for anyone who would like to read, sing or play. Entrance is £3.50/£3.00. . The evening will be held at Headingley Enterprise & Arts Centre on Bennett Road, Headingley.

Wednesday 17th July 7.30 p.m. 'Poetry & Prose Evening' HEART, Headingley.

This will be our final poetry event before we take a break over August, and will be a complete 'open mic' evening for all who wish to take part on any theme or topic. Entrance is £3.50/£3.00 (which includes refreshments).

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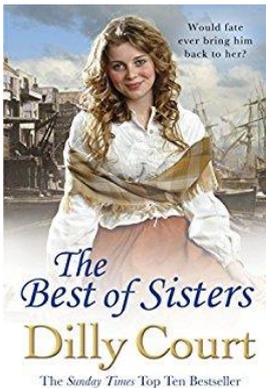
LCA BOOK GROUP



Meanwood Institute, Green Road, Meanwood LS6 3HN.

The LCA Book Reading Group continues to meet bi-weekly at 3 – 5 p.m. on Monday afternoons at Meanwood Institute, Green Road, Meanwood. We are currently reading *'The Best of Sisters'* by Dilly Court. Entrance is £3.00 including afternoon refreshments.

"The Best of Sisters" by Dilly Court



Twelve-year-old Eliza Bragg has known little in life but the cold, comfortless banks of the Thames. Living above her uncle's chandlery she has grown accustomed to a life of penury and servitude, her only comfort the love and protection of her older brother, Bart. But one day Bart accidentally kills a man and is forced to flee to New Zealand. Alone, barefoot, beaten down and at the mercy of her cruel uncle, Eliza realises that her very survival is at stake. *Entrance is £3.00 including refreshments.*

DAY TRIPS/OUTINGS

Why not sit back and enjoy a coach trip and let someone else do the driving. Both trips include travel from Leeds centre and entry into the Gardens, Hall and Park.

Sunday 7th July, Burnby Hall, Water Lillies & Breezy Knees Gardens, 9.15 a.m. Leeds Coach Station.

Burnby Hall Gardens are home to a National Collection of over 100 varieties of Hardy Water-Lily. Carp and Roach are in both lakes in large numbers and can be hand fed by visitors. There are walkways around both lakes, an ornamental bridge, a Victorian Garden, an Aviary, a new restored Edwardian Rock Garden and a Stumpery, the latter being the most recent addition to this popular visitor attraction. The Gardens are seven times winners of the Yorkshire in Bloom Gold Award for Country Houses, Estates, Parks and Gardens (2010 to 2016). The Stewart Museum houses a fascinating collection of artefacts collected by Major Stewart on eight world tours that undertaken between 1906 and 1926. A café, gift shop and playground are situated on the site. All facilities are wheelchair and pushchair friendly. **Breezy Knees** are 20 acres of award winning gardens which are packed with over 7,000 different varieties of flowers, shrubs and trees, and have been designed through careful successional planting to be at their best throughout the summer. They feature extensive herbaceous borders, sparkling fountains, rose gardens, annual meadows, lake and arboretum plus much more. The price of £25.00 includes all travel and entrance into the hall and gardens, (usual price £28.00). **Please book early to avoid disappointment.**

Monday 19th August Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Centre. 9.00 a.m. Leeds Coach Station.

Join us for this day out at the Yorkshire Wildlife Park. Yorkshire Wildlife Park is home to the charity, the Yorkshire Wildlife Park Foundation. The Foundation was created in 2013 to be a dynamic catalyst for inspiring people to support conservation and welfare. In 2010 Yorkshire Wildlife Park rescued 13 lions from a rundown zoo in Romania by launching Lion Rescue. YWPF aims to make a big difference, a little bit at a time. Since their humble beginnings they have gone on to work with various charities and conservation projects throughout the world to save habitats and project species, improve welfare, encourage sustainable behaviours and educate tomorrow's wildlife experts. Their vision is to create a better world for wild animals by creating dynamic communities who promote, conserve and sustain the world's biodiversity and improve animal welfare." Price £25.00 including all travel from Leeds and entrance into the Wildlife Park, (Usual price £28.00).

(If you would like to book for either of these trips please send a cheque for £25.00 for each trip made payable to '**Leeds Combined Arts Theatre Group**' at Leeds Combined Arts, HEART Centre, Bennett Road, Headingley, Leeds LS6 3HN. We advise booking early to avoid disappointment).

WEEKEND AWAY

Friday 30th August – Sunday 1st September, Warwick/Stratford-upon-Avon.

We have organised a cultural weekend in Warwick and Stratford-upon-Avon with a visit to the Swan Theatre to see the Royal Shakespeare Theatre Company on Saturday. You can see more about the Play under 'Theatre Visits'. If you would like an information sheet on this weekend with more details and cost please e-mail sibylle@leedscombinedarts.org.uk

THEATRE VISITS

Please find below a list of theatre trips over the summer period (June, July & August). We hope you enjoy attending some of them. Please remember you can always **check availability** on the web-site before booking www.leedscombinedarts.org.uk and double click on the event you wish to book, if it is sold out it will say so underneath the blurb. The refurbished Leeds Playhouse will open in the autumn with a fantastic new programme, until then we have included theatre trips in other theatres around Leeds and Harrogate as well as our trip to the Swan Theatre in Stratford-upon-Avon in August, and an open air event at Harewood House. **All tickets are discounted from the usual rate!** We may also send out extra offers if we get them by e-mail.

COMPETITION!

In October 2018 we organised a theatre trip to see a show called 'Lets Twist Again'. **Question: At which theatre was this held?**

Please send an e-mail to sibylle@leedscombinedarts.org.uk with the answer in the Subject Header. You will not receive a reply, but the winner will be announced in the '**LCA Autumn Newsletter**' and will receive a voucher for **two free tickets** for a future theatre trip with Leeds Combined Arts at the refurbished Leeds Playhouse.

Entries via email only.

The winner will be the first entry drawn on Sunday June 30th, 2019.



Tuesday 18th June 7.00 p.m. 'Footloose'
Carriageworks Theatre, Millennium Square, Leeds.

'Kick off your Sunday Shoes and Cut Loose' with the cast of LIDOS, as they perform the explosive rock 'n' roll musical sensation - 'Footloose'. When Ren McCormack, a teenage boy from Chicago, arrives in Bomont, he finds himself at odds with the town, including the Reverend Moore who has outlawed dancing. Enlisting the help of Ariel and Willard, Ren convinces the Reverend to let the teenagers dance. Come and join the award winning LIDOS as they bring you the classic hits - including 'Holding Out for a Hero', 'Almost Paradise', 'Let's hear it for the Boy' and the unforgettable title track, 'Footloose'! All tickets £11.50. (Usual price £17.00).



Friday 21st June 'My Fair Lady'
7.30 p.m. Harrogate Theatre.

The tale of a cockney flower girl transformed into an elegant lady features one of musical theatre's greatest scores. Lerner and Loewe's award winning story based on George Bernard Shaw's play, Pygmalion. 'My Fair Lady' is that rare musical by which all others are measured. Performed by Harrogate Operatic Society. All tickets £12.00. (Usual price £18.00)

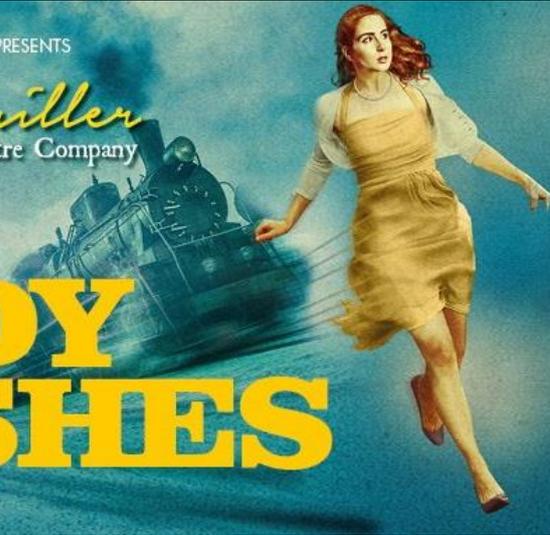


Saturday 13th July 5.00 p.m. 'Pride & Prejudice', Open Air Theatre Harewood House. 'Take a step back in time with **Chapterhouse Theatre Company** to meet Elizabeth Bennet, Jane Austen's notorious heroine.

When Elizabeth meets the terse and abrupt Mr. Darcy, she loathes him at first sight. But is there more to him than meets the eye? Brought to life by award-winning writer Laura Turner, this adaptation has been a favourite of Chapterhouse audiences for years and will be a joy to perform in the company's 20th year of touring. Join friends and family for an evening of theatre beneath the stars, basking in the glow of this timeless classic. **Bring along your picnics, blankets and folding chairs, and enjoy this wonderful open-air production!** All tickets £12.00 (Usual price £16.00).

BILL KENWRIGHT PRESENTS
The
Classic Thriller
Theatre Company

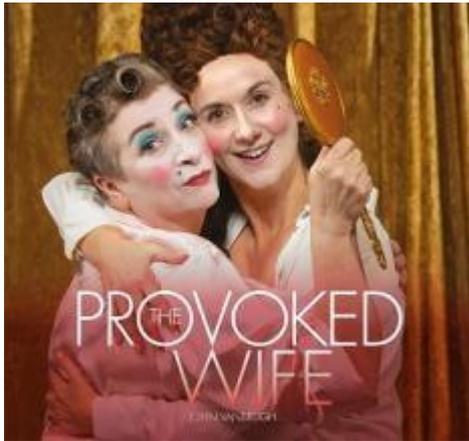
THE LADY VANISHES



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Wednesday 24th July 7.30 p.m. 'The Lady Vanishes' A new adaptation of the much-loved film directed by Alfred Hitchcock, a quick-witted and devilishly fun thriller ranked as one of the best British films of all time. Emmy Award-winner **Juliet Mills** (*Wild at Heart*) and husband **Maxwell Caulfield** (*Dynasty*) lead the star cast in the latest instalment of the **Classic Thriller Theatre Company**. They are joined by **Lorna Fitzgerald**, fresh from her shock departure from the role of Abi Branning in *EastEnders*; **Matt Barber** (Atticus Aldridge in *Downtown Abbey*); **Robert Duncan** (*Drop The Dead Donkey*); **Philip Lowrie** (Dennis Tanner in *Coronation Street*); and **Ben Nealon** (*Soldier Soldier*). Socialite Iris is travelling home to England on the train when an accident introduces her to the mild-mannered Miss Froy. After her travelling companion suddenly disappears, Iris is perplexed to find that all the other passengers deny ever having seen her. With the help of urbane musician Max she turns detective and together they become drawn into a complex web of European intrigue as they try to solve the mystery of why the lady vanished. All tickets £17.50. (usual price £33.00).



**Saturday 31st August 1.30 p.m. (matinee)
'The Provoked Wife', the Swan Theatre,
Stratford-upon-Avon.**

The Provoked Wife is a comedy, but Elizabeth Barry who played the abused wife was especially famous as a tragic actress, and for her power of "moving the passions", i.e., moving an audience to pity and tears. Barry and the younger Bracegirdle had often

worked together as a tragic/comic heroine pair to bring audiences the typically tragic/comic rollercoaster experience of Restoration plays. Vanbrugh takes advantage of this scheme and these actresses to deepen audience sympathy for the unhappily married Lady Brute, even as she fires off her witty ripostes. In the intimate conversational dialogue between Lady Brute and her niece Bellinda (Bracegirdle), and especially in the star part of Sir John Brute the brutish husband (Betterton). The premise of the plot, that a wife trapped in an abusive marriage might consider either leaving it or taking a lover, outraged some sections of Restoration society. Lady Brute is tired of her tedious, loveless marriage, and her tedious drunk husband. When she decides to spice up her live life with a younger man scandal threatens to ruin her. All tickets £16.50. (Usual price £47.50).

MUSIC & DANCE EVENTS

Wednesday 26th June 7.30 p.m. LCA Poetry & Music Evening as part of HMF, HEART.

This evening's event will form part of the Headingley Music Festival. Emma will host the first half with poetry and music accompanied by Neil Garrett. In the second half there will be an open mic for anyone who would like to read, sing or play. Entrance £3.50/£3.00. **(Joint event with Leeds Combined Arts).**

Thursday 27th June 7.30 p.m. Music Quiz & Wine Tasting as part of HMF, HEART Café.

Join Paul from Headingley Music Festival for a quiz with wine tasting. Quiz sheets are £1.00 and the wine tasting is free!. There will be two prizes of tickets to various events in the Headingley Music Festival as well as wine.

Saturday 29th June 7.30 p.m. 'Music Evening with Four Choirs' at Holy Trinity Community Hall, Meanwood.

This evening Headingley Music Festival presents an evening of music from four different bands/choirs. Appearing will be – **'May Contain Notes'** a 5 piece male choir, **'North Leeds Community Singers'**, **'Sing the world Choir'** who are based at the Yorkshire College of Music & Drama, and **'Good in Parts'**, a community Choir who rehearse at the Immaculate Church Hall on Harrogate Road. Entrance **£4.00/£3.50** concessions & LCA Members.

Monday 1st July 2.00 p.m. OWL's 60's & 70's Tea dance at Headingley Parish Church Hall. (Next to St. Michael's Church).

Join OWL's for a 60's disco afternoon with afternoon tea. A musical event at Headingley Parish Hall for the annual Headingley Music Festival. Enjoy live music from David A Jameson, acoustic covers of 60'S AND 70'S songs with percussionist Deryk Isherwood. Refreshments included. **Call 0113 369 7077 or email infoowls@gmail.com to book. Tickets £3.50 (Joint event with OWL's Group).**

Latin Dance Class followed by 'Nel and the Elephants', Wednesday 3 July, 7.00 p.m. HEART, Headingley.

Join us for a Latin American dance class with tutor Emma Sutton followed by - Nel and the Elephants bringing an exciting mix of swing, traditional tunes and fiery Latin American numbers to get you on your feet. Formed out of a love and passion for music that gets people moving, the band bring their excitement and joy to each performance! Featuring Nel Begley on vocals. Entrance £6.00 /£5.00 includes both class at 7.00 p.m. and band at 8.15 p.m.

Thursday 4 July 8.30 p.m. Cardigan Arms Community Hub, 364 Kirkstall Road, Leeds LS4 2HQ

If you fancy a bit of Irish Music this evening then head down to the Cardigan Arms Community Hub for an informal session hosted by the Irish Arts Foundation. (donations only).

Saturday 6th July, 2.00 – 5.00 Voice Workshop with Kyla Dante, HEART, Headingley.

Come and join us for an afternoon of energising and deeply nourishing singing. We will enjoy opening our voices using enjoyable warm ups suitable for all levels of singers, no experience needed. We will explore circle singing which is a wonderful way to connect with people and foster self confidence. Kyla has a wonderful array of world music to share, from all over the globe and values stories from all cultures. Having a strong belief that singing and music can go a long way in creating a universally inclusive language which is so very much needed in our world today.

On a personal level singing can be transformative and extremely healing and Kyla see's herself in a role of welcoming and encouraging as many people as possible into the liberating experience of singing. Kyla belongs to a wider group of singing facilitators called Together Singers, who all share the desire to get people singing for the amazing experience of singing rather than for any external judgement or for an opinion of another. We want to hear your voice, we work with people from where they are at and nobody is excluded. Expect to laugh and feel connected to a wonderful group of people, learn some beautiful songs from around the world and leave feeling very energised and alive! Entrance **£8.00/£6.00** concessions and LCA members.

Saturday 6th July 8.00 p.m. 'Shaku', HEART Centre, Bennett Road, Headingley.

We are very pleased and proud to present 'Shaku' our main band who will be playing for us at HEART on the final Saturday of the Festival. Shaku are a 6-piece outfit hailing from all four corners of the globe, infusing your musical nourishment with a 'six of your five a day' blend that is sure to fulfil your dietary desires. Fusing old school Jazz-Rock, Funk, and Blues they spearhead a genre they like to call "Frog Rock", and for the past year have rattled audiences with their off-kilter melodies, groovy jams and unique performances. This particular performance is set to be extra special, with the band setting aside their electric gear to provide a full acoustic show. Entrance: **£PAYF.**



MIND BODY SPIRIT EVENT

(All take place at The HEART Centre, Bennett Road, Headingley LS6 3HN)

Wednesday 19th June 7.45 p.m. 'Somatic Movement' with Sylvia Jay, HEART, Headingley.

Join us for the last in our Mind, Body, and Spirit Evenings this season when we will be taking part in a practical workshop with Sylvia Jay. Sylvia is a Somatic Educator in the tradition of Thomas Hanna; and also a Hendrickson Method massage and manual therapy Practitioner. Based in Meanwood, Leeds Sylvia offers private sessions, classes and workshops in north Leeds and beyond; and in Bristol. Enjoy more mobility, freedom of movement, a healthier, better looking posture; find greater enjoyment and performance in your chosen sport and activities. Please wear loose and comfortable clothing. Entrance £4.00/£3.50 concessions and LCA members including refreshments.

A new programme of Mind, Body, Spirit Events
will commence in September

WALKS

Saturday 22 June 12.00 p.m. Golden Acre Park & Eccup with OWF.

Join Carol at the Golden Acre Park Car Park for a 5.5 mile walk as part of the Otley Walking Festival Easy Walk through paths, fields & meadows with poetry on a 'Summer' theme.

The walk will take us through Golden Acre Park, calling at The New Inn Eccup on the way round. (Packed lunches may be eaten in the New Inn Garden at the picnic tables if a drink is purchased). Snacks can also be purchased at the New Inn. Contact Carol for any further info on 07708 230333.

Tuesday 9th July 7.30 p.m. Walk round King Alfred's and Meanwood, (joint walk with Leeds YHA).

Meet Carol outside the **Well Cafe** Stonegate Road, Meanwood LS6 4PU for a 4 mile walk through King Alfred's Fields, Meanwood Woods, and Park. The walk will finish at the East of Arcadia in the centre of Meanwood Tel: Carol on 07708 230 333 for more details.

Sunday 21st July Walk 11.30 a.m. round Temple Newsam with Natasha.

Join Natasha at the **Brown Cow pub** in Whitkirk (opp. St Mary's Church) at 11.30 a.m. for a 4.5 mile walk around Whitkirk, Colton village and Temple Newsam. Please bring poems to read on the topic of "Medieval Poetry". After the walk, there will be an optional visit to the **Brown Cow** pub for a drink. The **No.19** bus from **Leeds Corn Exchange** which runs at 10 minutes past the hour will drop you just beyond the Brown Cow Pub. For further details contact Natasha on (0113 2686077).

Sunday 11 August Walk 11.30 a.m. around Berwick in Elmet with Rob.

A 5 mile circular from Barwick in Elmet. Meet at the huge historic Maypole in the centre of the village - you can't miss it. Parking can be found in nearby streets. There are remains of an ancient hill-fort yards from the Maypole if you arrive early. We'll set off soon after 11.30 for a varied, interesting and mostly easy-going walk through open countryside, along the track of the former railway line from Leeds to Wetherby and through gorgeous woodland (Saw Wood). There are a couple of gentle slopes and in places the path may be muddy - especially if it has rained heavily in early August (as usual!) Bring suitable clothing and footwear, water and a packed lunch for a woodland picnic stop, with perhaps an opportunity to sing or read a favourite poem (choose your own theme). Buses are hourly from Leeds on Sundays. Rob aims to catch the Number 64 bus at 10.55 from Infirmary Street, which passes by the Corn Exchange and through Cross Gates. The bus should arrive in Barwick at 11.29, so do not be alarmed if the walk leader is not there yet at 11.30. All being well I will be on my way. There are 3 pubs in Barwick. The largest is the Gascoigne, which has cold and hot drinks and serves lunches on Sundays. Buses return to Leeds at 51 minutes past the hour. For more details contact: Rob on 0113 216 4492



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