PROGRAMME OF EVENTS MID PENNINE ants

JANUARY • FEBRUARY • MARCH • APRIL 1998

TICKETS-IT'S SO EASY TO BOOK



IN PERSON: Call in at the Mid Pennine Gallery, Yorke Street, Burnle Open Monday to Saturday 10am-5pm, Tuesday open 10am-1pm (or buy your tickets in your area - see under Buy Your Tickets Locally



BY PHONE: (01282) 421986 BY FAX: (01282) 429513 Ring us to buy tickets for our events and pay for them. by credit card. All Access, Eurocard, Mastercard and Visa cards are accepted. RESERVE TICKETS: You can reserve tickets. Reservations will be held for three days.



BY POST: Write to us (NO STAMP REQUIRED) at FREEPOST BU 874, Burnley, Lancashire, 8811 IBR. Please make cheques payable to MPA and enclose an S.A.E.

CONCESSIONS: Concessionary rates are available to our MEMBERS, those in full time education, unemployed people, senior citizens, registered disabled people and members of The Met, Bury

GROUP BOOKINGS: Buy ten, get the eleventh free. For larger parties contact Kary in the Marketing Department to discuss rates.

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Clitheroe

YOUR TICKETS LOCALLY



MPA TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

The Information Shop, 3 Abbey Street

Hyndburn Leisure, Town Hall

Public Library, St. James Square

Barnoldswick Tourist Information, Fearnles Avenue The Met, Derby Hall, Market Street

Tourist Information Centre, Church Walk Pendle Leisure Services, Bank House, 61 Albert Road

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BECOME A MEMBER

Becoming a member of MPA is easy and will SAVE you £1.50 at most

events and 5% discount on cash purchases from the Gallery.

Members also get

- . The chance to borrow equipment (theatre equipment, children's play inflatables and more)
- · Advance information as a member you get the forthcoming season brochure mailed direct to your home
- · Personal invitations to join MPA staff and other members at Gallery openings and other special events

All this for £9 (£12 joint) annual membership

Becoming a member is simple. Just call in and see us during office hours, ring or write to us for a membership form. Send it back with your payment and you become a member immediately.



CAMERATA IN COLNE

Municipal Hall, Albert Road, Colne Concerts start at 7.30pm, Pre-concert talk at 6.45pm Tickets £9/£7.50 concs Balcony £7.50/£6 concs Stalls

Full Time Students £3 (rear stalls only) This season the Camerata Orchestra are celebrating their 25th anniversary. The first two concerts in the Coine series were very much enjoyed by an ever

appreciative audience and the quality of performance is set to reach new heights. An international event marks their special anniversary in February when we welcome the debuts of French guest conductor Andre Bernard and Italian violinist Marco Rizzi. The series concludes with the well liked Camerata Ensemble.

THURS 12 TH FEB

Mendelssohn . . . Symphony No4 Italian MozartSymphony No41 Jupiter

Andre Bernard . . Conductor Marco RizziViolin

THURS 12TH MARCH

MozartClarinet Quintet in A K581 SchubertOctet in F 0P166

Camerata Ensemble

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EXCURSION

THURS 5TH MARCH

HALLÉ ORCHESTRA

The Bridgewater Hall, Manchester Thursday 5 March 7.30pm Tickets: £13.50 (Rear Gallery Seats)

Programme: Cherubini - Overture Ali-Baba

Mozart - Piano Concerto No 21 K467

- Kammermusik No 1

Schumann - Symphony No 3 'Rhenish' Conductor - Lawrence Foster

Piano - Imogen Cooper

Closing date for registration Thursday 5 February. Pick-up points: Nelson, Burnley, Accrington, Rawtenstall

TUES 12TH MAY

OPERA NORTH - EUGENE ONEGIN

Grand Theatre, Leeds Tuesday 12 May 7.15pm Tickets: £21.50/£18.50 concs (Balcony Seats)

One of the best loved Russian operas in which Tchaikovsky's music reaches searing temperatures of emotional intensity. Moving from the simple, rural life of the provinces to the pomp of fashionable St Petersburg, Eugene Onegin traces the story of class divides, unrequited love and bitter rearets.

Alwyn Mellor, well-known to Welsh National Opera audiences makes her debut. Sung in English

Closing date for registration Monday 13 April. Pick-up points: Rawtenstall, Accrington,

MID PENNINE

Tel: 01282 421986

FAMILY CONCERTS

The series continues with these deservedly popular concerts in the delightful setting of St Mary's Parish Church. Enjoy music from around the world. Upbeatl is for children of all ages, this is quality entertainment and fun for all the family. Great afternoons for everybody, come and join us!

U+P+B+E+A+T+!

St Mary's Parish Church, Todmorden
All concerts start at 3pm (doors 2.30pm)
Tickets: Children (over 1 metre tall) and adults £2
(smaller children FREE)
FREE refreshments
Special Offer: 3 for the price of 2
Book all 3 concerts in the series Jan - March.
Pay only for 2.

SUN 25TH JAN

PRISM

Inspired particularly by folk musics of England, Ireland and America, this talented trio combines violin, vocals, Celtic Harp, harmonica, guitar and bouzouki. From the hushed calm of a slow air to the feet-tapping energy excited by jigs, reels and other dance rhythms, no audience can fail to be absorbed by Prism's delightful performance. A wonderful programme to start the New Year.

SUN 22ND FEB

AD LIB

What music comes to mind when you think of the clarinet? Jazz, maybe, or something classical? Ad LIb have other ideas! They play clarinets like you've never heard them before. Incorporating folk music and contemporary work, including their own compositions, Ad Lib's programme brings music from around the world and from different moments in history. Be prepared for some surprises.

Ad ILb are members of the Live Music Now! scheme.

SUN 22ND MARCH

MANCHESTER SANGEET ACADEMY

The final concert provides an introduction to the instruments and musical styles of South Asia. Members of Sangeet Academy will demonstrate vocal techniques, the various rhythms and effects achieved with the tabla, the special sound of the harmonium and much more. Learn about the cultures of the South Asian continent. Who knows how the season might end? We'll b''e clamouring for more!

Upbeat! is prese<mark>nted in association with Nice Work</mark> The series is fund<mark>ed by Ca</mark>lderdale MBC, YHAB, Halifax Building Society



SPRING TERM

VIVA BLUES - WORKSHOPS

Anthony Frost will lead a series of workshops for schools.

Wednesday 21 January 10 - 12noon Thursday 22 January 10- 12noon & 1 - 3pm Friday 23 January 10 - 12 noon & 1 - 3pm

Wednesday 21 January 4 - 5.30pm. Teachers Workshop

Anthony and local Arts Educationalist Pat Southern will conduct a workshop for teachers on how to use abstraction in the classroom.

SPRING TERM

SPEAKERS

21 February to 21 March

To celebrate Science Week (14 - 21 March) and as part of the region's Art, Science and Technology initiative. The Mid Pennine Gallery welcomes 'Speakers' a site specific sound installation.

Throughout January the artists will conduct a two week residency with High Schools in the area.

SPRING TERM

LEIKIN LOPPU RESIDENCY

During the Spring Term Leikin Loppu will assist BTEC students from Accrington & Rossendale College in their directing and devising module. A first showing of the students work will precede Leikin Loppu's performance on Tuesday 17 February. (see under Theatre)

SPRING TERM

Todmorden Schools Tour WHITEWOOD AND FLEMING 'WHISTLIN SCRAP'

The week commencing 23rd March is amorden welcomes a unique tour of quality performance around the local Junior Schools. The ever popular Whitewood and Fleming bring 'Whistlin Scrap' to enchant their young audiences...the teachers will enjoy it too.







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Contact Janet to bool

PROJECT ONE O ONE

Project One o One is Haslingden's Community Literature Project, offering a wide range of word-based activities in the town. The Project base at 5a Manchester Road also acts as a drop-in centre for people interested in creative writing or reading. It houses a small but growing library of books and magazines, and you can access literature sites on the Internet by prior arrangement with the Co-ordinator Jean Sprackland, Tel 01706 831260.

HASLINGDEN WRITERS

A friendly group for anyone who writes, or would like to give writing a try. We meet at the Public Hall on Regent Street on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. Forthcoming dates January 7th and 21st, February 4th and 18th, March 4th and 18th, April 1st and 15th

WRITING ADVICE DESK

Drop in at Haslingden Library between 10.30 and 12.00 on the first Thursday of each month for a free advice and information on all aspects of writing and getting your work published.

MIKE AUSTIN London to Peking by Bicycle! Thursday 12th Feb

Thursday 12th Feb Haslingden Library, 2.00-4.00pm Admission £2.00

Mike is a travel writer and photographer whose exciting audio-visual presentation will recreate his marathon cycle adventure in 1998. This audio-visual presentation records Mike and Mel's five year journey from London to Peking. Their odyssey incorporated 22 countries and covered 30,000km. They journeyed through Europe to Asia, venturing across some of the world's most spectacular terrain. Through shooting in-excess of 10,000 slides, the camera became 'an extension of the artist's eye'.

Man Mela Theatre Company present AZADI - THE STORY OF FREEDOM

Thursday 30 April

Haslingden Public Hall, 7.30pm Admission £3/£2

Nehru's speech on the eve of Indian independence opens this ambitious production from Man Melà Theatre Company. This stimulating performance combines a wealth of British, Indian, and Pakistani novelists. Man Mela's original production creates a poignancy to surpass any cultural divide.

SEE UNDER THEATRE FOR DETAILS OF OTHER TOUR DATES

MINI MUSHAIRA Making Bridges, Making Friends

Wednesday 11th March both events at Haslingden Library 2.00-4.00pm, Workshop Free

A poetry workshop with a difference! Try your hand at writing a ghazal in English or experiment with forms of Indian folk poetry. Places are open to the public and free of charge but must be booked in advance. Phone 01706

8.00pm, Admission £2.00

Poetry reading in English, Bengali and Urdu . . . with translations A multicultural event not to be missed.

Mini Mushaira id Debjani Chaterjee, Simon Fletcher and Basir Sultan Kazmi. Three Northern poets with roots in Pakistan, India and Britain, published extensively and reading their work across four continents.

Tel: 01706 831260

ADMISSION MID PENNINE GALLERY ADMISSION



NY FROST

nts a major new exhibition of work by and Cornish-based artist, Anthony Frost. both painting and print, Frost brings to his work a highly unique and characteristic style of abstraction, inspired by music and portra his continued passion for colour and form.

'Viva Blues' is a Newlyn Art Gallery touring exhibition.

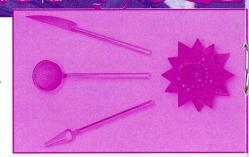
Anthony will be leading a series of workshops for teachers and students (see under Schools) From 21 - 23 January.

Thursday 22 January from 7.30 - 9pm Anthony Frost will talk about his work and in

CRAFTS

M.IMAN & Mini Metals

Mersey Jewellers and Metal Artists Network (MJMAN) is a group of practising jewellers and metal artists working on Merseyside. The group is committed to encouraging the highest standards of design and craftmanship and their work includes precious and non-precious jewellery. enamelled work, tableware, larger domestic ware and furniture. A selection of their larger work is complemented by 'Mini Metals' an Artreach exhibition of the group's jewellery and small metalwork, currently on national tour.



FEBRUARY 21 TO MARCH 21

SPEAKERS

KERRY JOHN ANDREWS

Sounds from Speakers and other environments to query what is interior/exterior and our relations to the wider world. To celebrate Science Week (14 - 21 March) and as part of the region's Art, Science and Technology initiative, The Mid Pennine Gallery welcomes 'Speakers'. 'Speakers' is a site specific sound installation designed by London-based artist and composer Kerry John Andrews and developed with the assistance of local artist, Clive Barnden.

The Mid Pennine Gallery is a part of the Mechanics building in the town centre. Approach from Yorke Street or via the Mechanics foyer.

BY TRAIN: Burnley is served by three stations with regular services from Leeds and Preston. Enquiries 'phone 01282 425421.

BY CAR: See map for car parking, all car parks are just a few minutes walk from the Gallery.

BY BUS: Regular services stop outside the Mechanics from the local area/Manchester/Preston. Enquiries 'phone 01282 423125

EDUCATION: Tuesday afternoon 1pm - 5pm reserved exclusively for schools, colleges and art group study sessions. If you would like to use the space phone Julian on 01282 421986.

EASY ACCESS: The Gallery has full ramped access at the rear of the building and adjusted toilet facilities. Guide dogs are welcome.







OPEN MONDAY TO SATURDAY 10AM - 5PM TUESDAY IOAM - IPM

Associate Member of Lancashire's Hill Country

MID PENNINE GALLERY



FIRST GLASS

A range of colourful and lively glassware by Stewart Hearne and Bob Crooks in a wide variety of shapes and surface designs.



WARREN

A collection of silver jewellery with some pieces incorporating specially cast and coloured elements, inspired by the sea.

PENNY

Jewellery in brass, copper and nickel silver patinated in red, green, blue and plum.

LOUISE PARRY

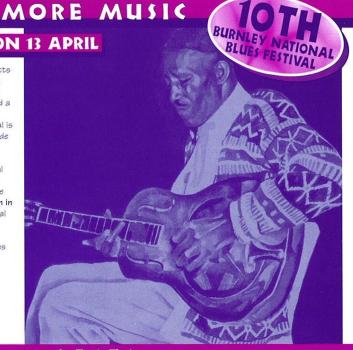
THURS 9TH TO MON 13 APRIL

The Burnley National Blues Festival attracts lovers of the Blues from all over the world. Aiming to bring the best in true American blues to the UK, the festival has developed a reputation for attracting big names. To celebrate the 10th Anniversary the festival is to develop in both size and scope, to include a number of new venues.

With a main stage, acoustic stage, several fringe venues, a film festival, beer festival, competitions, workshops, lectures and late night club along with an exciting exhibition in the Mid Pennine Gallery, this years festival is to be the biggest and best!

With so much going on Blues and non Blues fans alike will enjoy this unique event.

Telephone 01282 430055 for details.



CASES

Cases represents four touring North West Arts Board exhibitions that aim to communicate ideas about design and have been produced by students of the North West. Cases can be seen at many venues throughout the MPA region, so be on the lookout for one near you!

JAN - MARCH

CASES: THE LOOK OF BOOKS

until 20 January Bear Cafe, Todmorden 20 January - 10 March Co-Operative Stores, Barnoldswick

The Look of Books is an exploration of now artists and designers make containers for texts and images. These books tagge the reader into an executation of the content and give new form to the message. Most of the books have been made by students of the Crewe and Alsager Faculty at Mancreater Metro University, where there has been a strong tradition of creating and recreating texts and images.

MARCH - MAY

CASES: CHANGING ROOMS

31 March - 12 May

Co-Operative Non-Food Stores, Nelson

A set of work collated by students of the University of Manchester that celebrates the rise of the designer/maker over the past decade who moves freely between traditional crafts and new technology design and manufacture, art and the economy.

Tel: 01282 421986



YORKE STREET, OFF MANCHESTER ROAD, BURNLEY BB11 1HD. **TELEPHONE: 01282 421986**

THEATRE AND DANCE

TUE 20TH JAN & TUE 27TH JAN

NTC Touring Theatre Company present SCHEHEREZADE

Tuesday 20 January 6pm Vale Centre, Cornholme Tuesday 27 January 7pm Parish Hall, Kelbrook All Tickets: £3

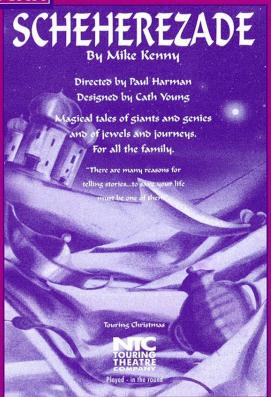
MPA are delighted to welcome NTC, a professional small-scale touring company whose policy is to provide high quality theatre to rural communities. Dispel those post -Christmas blues, this is the perfect antidote!

This is an Arabian Nights story of how Scheherezade keeps her head and how Caliph loses his heart. She tells the best stories of all time, of giants and genies, of jewels and journeys. It's Sinbad, Ali Baba and Aladdin all rolled into one!

TUE 17TH FEB

Mr and Mrs Lopp were locked out...





Leikin Loppu Dance Theatre present 'ON THE BEACH' and STUDENT SHOWCASE

Tuesday 17 February 7.30pm The Studio, Accrington & Rossendale College, Rawtenstall Tickets £4.50/£3 concs

The Lancashire premiere of 'On the Beach' a simple and very funny bathing-suited double act. The setting consists of a deckchair, a suitcase and a flask of tea. Mr and Mrs Lopp find themselves locked out and in a state of marital bliss. Then they find the deckchair and suitcase on the beach.....Using a combination of Shostakovitch's Chamber Symphony, a simple text and ridiculous movement sequences.....the couple attempt to enjoy their recently discovered possessions.

Leikin Loppu have been assisting the BTEC Performing Arts students at the college with workshops on directing and devising, the evening will begin with the first showing of the students work. A joint promotion with Accrinaton & Rossendale College

THEATRE AND DANCE

WED 11TH MARCH

REJECTS REVENGE THEATRE COC PRESENT DUSTY FRUIT

Wednesday 11 March 7.30pm

The Studio Accrington & Rossendale College, Rawtenstall Tickets £4.50/£3 concs

Dusty Fruit won a Fringe First award at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in August 1997. The story of two removal men, one woman on a cliff, a man

carrying a box of shells, an old woman who's gone to get the Bourbons and something a bit odd in the cellar. Dusty Fruit involves inventive storytelling, live music and tea chests.

'Rejects Revenge gives as splendid a display of physical theatre as you could hope to see.' - The Times



ARTS & MEDIA FESTIVAL

Monday 27 April - Friday 1 May

Following last year's hugely successful week, Accrington & Rossendale College are again hosting an Arts & Media Festival. MPA are delighted to welcome back the ever popular Inner Sense as our contribution to the event. As a further treat there will be a performance by the college students based on workshops led by the company - not to be missed!

WED 29TH APRIL

INNER SENSE + STUDENT SUPPORT

Wednesday 29 April 7.30pm Tickets £4.50/£3

Driving searing samba is what to expect from Manchester posse, Inner Sense A full-ahead batteria of drummers with the dv layers of ragga. Rio samba, samba reggae ar her hot Brazilian/Mancunian Music that speaks to the spirits. Dance music es with contemporary urban b

THUR 30TH APRIL

Man Mela Theatre Company present AZADI - THE STORY OF FREEDOM (See under Project One O One)

FRI 1ST MAY

Man Mela Theatre Company present AZADI - THE STORY OF FREEDOM

Friday 1 May 1pm 50p **Accrington & Rossendale** College. Sandy Lane.

FRI 1ST MAY

Man Mela Theatre Company present AZADI - THE STORY OF FREEDOM Civic Theatre, Nelson 7.30pm £3/£2

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SOUND

SAT 21ST FEB

YEAR ROUND SOUND SOUND '98

Throughout the war there will be regular gigs in and around Accrington.

If you would like to receive details about Year Rosend your name & address to our Freepost address needed) Mid Pennine Arts, FREEPOST BUS Burnley Do

The Sound Steering Group would have to have flow you

MORE MUSIC IN ACCRINGTON

FRI 3RD APRIL

SALEEM SABRI AND PARTY - QAWWALI MUSIC

Town Hall, Accrington
Friday 3 April Doors 7.30pm, Music 8pm
All tickets £2

Saleem Sabri is based in Blackburn and is well known on the local Asian music scene.

Throughout 1997 he has attracted a growing following of appreciative audiences all over the North West. We are delighted to welcome him and his fellow musicians to Accrington for an evening of quality entertainment for all the family.

RURAL ARTS IN EAST LANCASHIRE

Do you live in a village or smaller rural community? We are agents for a special Rural Arts Fund and can offer grants towards projects which:

- · Involve a community or group working together
- · Are creative and a new departure for your community
- Say something about your community or surroundings in the present or future rather than the past
- · Have a majority of adult participants
- · Have a lasting effect

ANY GROUP CAN APPLY!

Contact:
NICK AT MID PENNINE ARTS
ON 01282 421986
for further details or to
discuss any ideas you may
have.

SUMMER FUN

WED 1ST JULY

'THE TAMING OF THE SHREW'
Barrowford Park, Wednesday 1 July.

THUR 2ND JULY

'ALICE IN WONDERLAND'

Rose Garden, Haworth Art Gallery, Accrington, Thursday 2 July

'Magical' ... 'more please' ... 'what a wonderful performance' ... just some of the comments from last year's performance by Illyria.

For the past two years the magic of open air theatre has enchanted audiences throughout the MPA area. We are delighted to welcome back this superb company for two contrasting performances this summer. Illyria perform 'The Taming of the Shrew' in Barrowford Park on Wednesday 1 July. On Thursday 2 July we move to the Rose Garden at the Haworth Art Gallery in Accrington for this in Wooderland'.

Why not join us for both performances? Ring Janet for details.

PROJECTS

TODMORDEN PHOTOGRAPHY

In 1998 it is Yorkshire and Humberside's Year of Photography and the Electronic Image. Mid Pennine Arts are marking the occasion with a

special community photography project based in Todmorden. We need you to make this project a success! Through the medium of photography we want to involve local groups and individuals, anyone with a

story to tell to record their experience of life in a changing town.

In Phase One we are looking to recruit young people between the ages of 16 and 25 years to be part of a Project Support Team.

If you live in the Todmorden area and would like to be involved in all aspects of planning the project, including learning photography techniques and exhibition organisation then ring Nick for a chat on 01282 421986.



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Tel: 01282 421986



DATE EVENT VENUE

EXHIBITIONS

10 Jan - 14 Feb Anthony Frost: Viva Blues The Mid Pennine Gallery
21 Feb - 21 Mar Speakers The Mid Pennine Gallery
28 Mar - 25 April Beyond the Blue The Mid Pennine Gallery

JANUARY

Tues 20 N.T.C. 'Scheherezade' Vale Centre, Cornholme
Sun 25 Upbeat! Prism St Mary's Church, Todmorden
Tues 27 N.T.C. 'Scheherezade' Parish Hall, Kelbrook

FEBRUARY

Thurs 12 Camerata Municipal Hall, Colne
Tues 17 Leikin Loppu College Studio, Rawtenstall
Sat 21 Sound Town Hall, Accrington
Sun 22 Upbeat! Ad Lib St Mary's Church, Todmorden

MARCH

Manchester Thurs 5 Excursion: Halle Town Hall, Accrington Fri 6 Worldbeat Wed 11 College Studio, Rawtenstall Rejects Revenge Mini Mushaira Haslingden Library Wed 11 Municipal Hall, Colne Thurs 12 Camerata Civic Theatre, Nelson Fri 20 Live Music Now! St Mary's Church, Todmorden Upbeat! Sangeet Academy Sun 22



Fri 3 Saleem Sabri & Party Town Hall, Accrington
Sat 11 Blues Festival Fringe Burnley Canal
Wed 29 Inner Sense Accrington & Rossendale College
Sandy Lane
Thuir 30 Man Mela Tour Haslingden Public Hall

MAY

Fri 1 Man Mela Tour Civic Theatre, Nelson
Fri 1 Man Mela Tour Accrington & Rossendale College
Tues 12 Excursion: Opera North Leeds

JULY

Wed 1 & Thurs 2 Illyria Outdoor Theatre Barrowford & Accrington



Mid-Pennine Arts gratefully acknowledges the financial assistance of the Borough Councils of Burnley, Hyndburn, Pendle and Rossendale, the Town Council of Todmorden, North West Arts Board, Yorkshire and Humberside Arts and Lancashire County Council Arts Unit.

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