

IGNITING AMBITION FESTIVAL 2010 APRIL — NOVEMBER

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A celebration of festival activity
across the cities and counties of
Derbyshire, Leicestershire and
Nottinghamshire
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WELCOME

Igniting Ambition Festival 2010 invests in and celebrates a broad range of festival activity across the three counties of Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire and their three cities. It is the third in a five year programme of annual celebrations in the East Midlands in the run-up to the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. It is made possible by funding through Legacy Trust UK, the European Regional Development Fund and the East Midlands Development Agency, with the support of many partners including Arts Council England.

Igniting Ambition Festival 2010 has been created through a partnership of six local authorities responsible for each of the three cities and counties. They are home to a wealth of cultural practitioners alongside a growing number of creative companies and cultural institutions, populated by an extraordinary range of communities. The partnership builds on existing regional capacity by investing in a range of projects that develop innovative, high quality work, providing new opportunities for local communities to participate, engage in and enjoy events that celebrate their region and its relationship with the rest of the world.

The festival introduces a number of exciting new partnerships, such as the *Sowing Seeds* project being led and delivered by the East Midlands Visual Arts Network (p.7) and *UK Young Artists*, a partnership of four regional universities and Arts Council England (p.18). As well as supporting established producers such as *Nottingham Carnival Club* and *Metro-Boulot-Dodo*, *Igniting Ambition Festival 2010* champions new work with the likes of *Night of Festivals* (p.16) and the *Story Traders of Sichuan* (p.20).

Igniting Ambition Festival 2010 is a diverse programme, celebrating the wealth of creativity, entrepreneurship and excellence that characterises the East Midlands' cultural landscape, putting the region firmly on the map as a key contributor to the UK Cultural Olympiad, inspired by the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Paul Brookes
Creative Programmer, East Midlands



SALLY SHEINMAN AND THE NATIONAL TRUST LET'S CELEBRATE

Let's Celebrate is a new work of art inspired by the staging of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, created by visual artist Sally Sheinman and touring to National Trust properties across the East Midlands. Comprising over 250 exquisitely painted sculptures, this participatory artwork invites visitors to consider and record what they want to celebrate. *Let's Celebrate* captures the spirit of celebration associated with the Olympic and Paralympic Games, marrying the national pride manifested by the National Trust with the anticipated national pride of London 2012. *Let's Celebrate* will continue to tour nationally in 2011 and 2012.

Tour Information:

1 May – 15 June 2010
Sudbury Hall, Derbyshire

17 June – 13 July
Staunton Harold Church, Leicestershire

17 July – 1 August
Longshaw Estate, Derbyshire

4 August – 5 September The Workhouse,
Southwell, Nottinghamshire

Further information:
www.sallysheinman.co.uk
www.nationaltrust.org.uk

Image: Mitra Memarzia





FOODSHED

Artists Amy Franceschini (US) and Myriel Milicivec (Germany) will transform a piece of land on the Loughborough University campus into a hub of creative and horticultural activity, exploring new ways of thinking about the role of food within our lives. With workshops, feasts, demonstrations and tours to be held both on and off campus, *Foodshed* will be a unique gardening experience.

May – October 2010
Loughborough University Campus

Further information:
www.arts.lboro.ac.uk/radar
www.futurefarmers.com

Image: Rainwater Harvester

PERSONAL CHOICES

Since November 2009, young people from Leicester and Leicestershire have been working in partnership with Phoenix Square to develop, commission and perform in two short films sharing the theme of personal best, one of the key values of the Olympic and Paralympic movement. Throughout the summer of 2010, the resulting short films will be screened at festivals in Leicester and Leicestershire via the Nanoplex mobile mini-cinema – an experimental, self-contained surround sound cinema housed within a family caravan – and at rural cinemas via the Centre Screen rural cinema initiative.

Touring

May – October 2010
Premiere at Phoenix Square, Leicester
31 May Melton Show, Melton Mowbray
5 – 6 June Riverside Festival, Leicester
13 June Streets Alive, Loughborough

Further information:
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IGNITING DERBYSHIRE DANCE: INTERFACE 10

Interface 10 showcases the best of Derbyshire's youth dance talent from schools and community groups across the city and county. *Interface 10* promises audiences an evening of spectacular performance and choreography, with pieces inspired by the themes of the UK Cultural Olympiad. The dances presented have been made during the academic year with young people aged 11-19 driving the creative process, inspired along the way by teachers and dance artists from a wealth of diverse backgrounds. *Interface 10* is a Stage two

event for U.Dance, hosted by Déda, in partnership with Dance4 and Youth Dance England. *Interface 10* is also supported by the Derbyshire Schools' Sports Association.

17 May 2010, 7pm
Buxton Opera House

Further information:
www.buxtonoperahouse.org.uk/whats-on/interface-10
www.deda.uk.com

Image: In Company by Thea Aimee Brunton





METRO-BOULOT-DODO WHISPERS FROM A RICKSHAW

Take a ride in the *Whispers* rickshaw and get a taste of China. As you spin through the city streets, don the headphones and immerse yourself in a world where secret pockets hide intriguing objects that contemplate the nature of journeys and destiny. Classical Chinese music, low-fi electronica, computer gadgetry and story-telling intermingle to create a philosophical ride. *Whispers from a Rickshaw* is an intimate experience that asks the essential question: Where are you going?

Touring June – September 2010

1 June Hatch Across, Nottingham

5 June Riverside Festival, Leicester

27 June Picnic in the Park, Coalville

**25 & 26 June Earth and Fire Ceramic Fair,
Rufford Craft Centre, Nottinghamshire**

**11 & 12 September
Wirksworth Festival, Derbyshire**

25 September Derby Festé

Further information:
www.metro-boulot-dodo.com



SOWING SEEDS: INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE

Contemporary artists from China, India, Finland and Singapore will make links with the region's artists and audiences in the first partnership project of its kind by major visual arts organisations in the East Midlands. The artists will work with communities local to each venue to make links between different countries, cultures and histories, both collective and personal, past and present, through public workshops, talks and events during the summer and autumn. This will lead to a series of new commissions, exhibitions and events in 2012. Artists include: Simo Alitalo, Sonia Khurana, Dinu Li, Jason Lim and Vidha Saumya.

June – October 2010

Participating Venues:

Derby Museums & Art Gallery
Fermynwoods Contemporary Art
New Art Exchange
New Walk Museum
Nottingham Contemporary
Nottingham Castle Museum & Art Gallery
QUAD

The Collection
The Hub: National Centre
for Craft & Design

Further information:
Please contact individual venues.

Image: Dinu Li

**1623
THEATRE
COMPANY**
**THE GREAT
SHAKESPEAREAN
WORKOUT 2010**

The Great Shakespearean Workout 2010 is an exciting, new way of exploring *Troilus and Cressida*, Shakespeare's only play to feature events and figures from the mythology of Ancient Greece, the birthplace of the Olympic Games. The beat of Shakespeare's poetry provides the pulse for fun, aerobic-based exercise while his amazing language, vibrant characters and fascinating themes are explored. 1623 Theatre Company delivers the workout at Derbyshire arts festivals throughout the summer and autumn of 2010 before moving into schools and colleges across the county in the autumn term. *The Great Shakespearean Workout 2010* has been developed with support from Derbyshire County Council, Derby Hospitals and air: arts to aid wellbeing.

April – October 2010 Various locations

23 April Royal Derby Hospital

3, 6 & 8 June Derbyshire Literature Festival, various locations

18 September Melbourne Arts Festival

24 & 30 October Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Discovery Days

Further information: www.1623theatre.co.uk



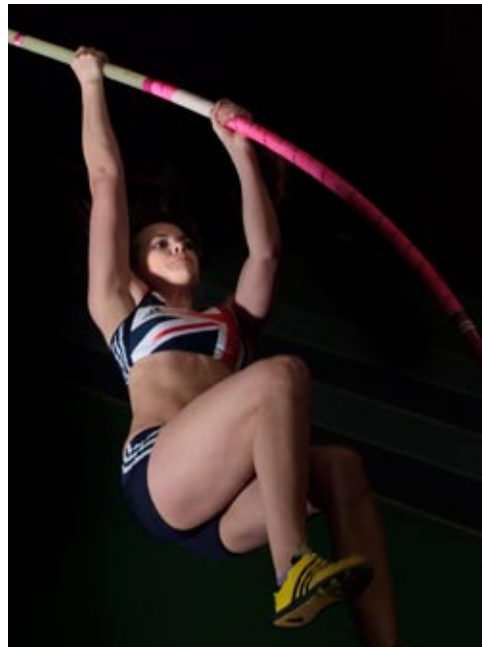
**SPORTING
STORIES**

Derbyshire Poet Laureate, Ann Atkinson, is working with young writers to create a series of poems inspired by the sports and aspirations of some of the county's talented young sportspeople. *Sporting Stories* is part of the Derbyshire Literature Festival 2010 and the resulting work will be showcased in June. A selection of the poems will be published as posters and postcards, with photographs taken by local photographer Chris Webb.

**1 June 2010
Donut Studios, Chesterfield**

Further information:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/festival

Image: Katie Byers by Chris Webb



**LYRIC
LOUNGE
2010**

Lyric Lounge 2010 will be a season of mini-festivals across the East Midlands celebrating spoken word in transformed spaces with an aim to inspire people as readers, writers and performers. The season begins at Déda, Derby on the weekend of 11–13 June, kicking off with a special *Lyric Lounge – Sugar Shack* featuring legendary dub poet Jean Binta Breeze. The weekend will feature renowned spoken word artists performing alongside local talent and

young people who will have taken part in a writing and performance programme prior to the event. *Lyric Lounge 2010* is a Renaissance East Midlands project funded by Arts Council England and delivered by Writing East Midlands.

June – October 2010 Various Locations

Further information:
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Image: 2FunkY Arts





THE MIGHTY CREATIVES JOURNALS PROJECT

Over the next three years *The Mighty Creatives* are looking to recruit 500 young people to make a personal record of their engagement with the Cultural Olympiad and London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Young participants will act as diarists and "citizen" journalists, developing new journalism and media skills and creating an extraordinary moving image, audio and written archive. This archive will be deposited in local record offices, placing the engagement of young people in the build up to and delivery of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games in an historical context for future generations. This exciting project is open to all young people aged 11-21 across the East Midlands.

Further information:
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CELEBRATING YOUNG PEOPLE'S DANCE: INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION AND EXCHANGE

Initiated by Dance4, the region's host for Youth Dance England, the *Young People's International Commission and Exchange* will give a regional youth group and a young choreographer the opportunity to work intensively with a high-profile international artist and participate in a creative, cultural international exchange with a youth performance group overseas. The project will offer a number of workshop and performance opportunities regionally including a performance at Curve as part of Spark Children's Arts Festival (see next entry), culminating in a celebratory performance by both UK and international young people in Nottingham in autumn 2010.

June – October 2010
Various locations

Further information:
www.dance4.co.uk



2FUNKY ARTS IGNITING HIP-HOP

A spell-binding evening of dance, poetry, lyricism and theatre, reaching deep into the heart of hip-hop culture and its African roots. Explosive and emotive, this show is proof that hip-hop is a whole lot more than just hoodies and bling. Features the title piece *Igniting Hip-Hop* – a performance by Moat Community College, directed by Donald Edwards (Olivier award nominee with Phoenix Dance). It also includes Dance4's international youth dance commission (see previous entry) and 2Funky Arts' ILUVLYRICS youth group, led by poetry slam champion Dreadlockalien.

12 June 2010
Curve, Leicester

Further information:
www.curveonline.co.uk
www.2funkyarts.co.uk
www.sparkfestival.co.uk

Image: 2Funky Arts



BEACON ART PROJECT PROFUSION

Profusion is an exhibition of commissioned and existing artworks by 13 acclaimed international artists within the house and grounds of Calke Abbey, a National Trust property in Derbyshire. The artworks respond to the uniqueness of Calke Abbey, whose interiors and outbuildings are filled with the accumulation of years of collecting and hoarding by its eccentric and reclusive owners. A programme of performances, screenings and events will be presented every weekend during the exhibition.

19 June – 11 July 2010
Calke Abbey, Derbyshire

Further information:
www.beaconartproject.org



THE HARLEY GALLERY
MAKING SENSE: SENSING PLACE

Making Sense: Sensing Place is a partnership between the Harley Gallery and the V&A Museum of Childhood, hosting an international artist exchange with artists from India and the UK. The exchange will explore the relationships between people, cultural artefacts and cultural identity, using the visiting artists as agents, creators and mediators. The visiting artists will work with pupils at Hodthorpe Primary School (Derbyshire) and Redlands Primary School (Bethnal Green, London), giving pupils from both schools the opportunity to learn about the diverse rural and urban communities that make up the UK.

21 June – 15 August 2010
 The Harley Gallery, Welbeck, Nottinghamshire

Further information:
www.harleygallery.co.uk

Image: *Places that I Visited* by Ranesh Hengadi



MANTLE ARTS THE MONKEY KING

A spectacular outdoor performance based on the tale of *The Monkey King*, from the classic Chinese story 'Into the West'. The story concerns a fantastical pilgrimage from China to India on which Monkey and his companions battle mythological creatures including fantastic gods and despicable monsters. The performance will include dance, movement, comedy, martial arts, music, giant puppets, masks and percussion to create a unique visual treat that will tour to outdoor festivals in summer 2010.

27 June 2010
 Picnic in the Park, Coalville

4 July
 Moira Furnace, Derbyshire

Further information:
www.mantlearts.org.uk

Image: Nathan Jurevicius

DE MONTFORT UNIVERSITY
INTERNATIONAL YOUTH THEATRE FESTIVAL

Young people's theatre groups from Colombia, France, Italy, Korea and Lithuania will perform in Leicester during this five-day festival, linked to De Montfort University's hosting of the International University Theatre Association 8th World Congress. This will be the first ever staging of a World Congress in the UK, bringing theatre practitioners and academics together from all over the world. *The International Youth Theatre Festival* will be a truly global programme of performances and performance styles representing a wide range of countries and cultures, in tandem with the university conference.

28 June – 2 July 2010
 Various locations, Leicester

Further information:
www.dmu.ac.uk/faculties/humanities/cepa/international-university-theatre-association/index.jsp

Image: Candy





NOTTINGHAM CARNIVAL CLUB 2010 UK TOUR

As part of Nottingham Carnival Club's participation in the 2008 – 2012 UK Cultural Olympiad, the Club will be touring four regions with its carnival troupe and local Nottingham artists throughout the summer of 2010, with its spectacular UK tour. The tour will be complemented with a master class, workshops and an exhibition with an international carnival artist. Anyone interested in taking part should visit the websites below, and join the Club for a whistle-stop national carnival tour that will include the carnivals of Leicester, Nottingham, Birmingham, Kendal and Leeds.

4 July 2010
Nottingham Carnival

31 July
Leicester Caribbean Carnival

Further information:
www.nottinghamcarnivalclub.co.uk
www.globalcarnivalcentre.com



PHIZZICAL POWER OF DANCE

Power of Dance represents an exciting new opportunity for young performing talent aged 16-25, taking them on a journey from rehearsal studio to stage. The series of workshops will include dance training with choreographers from around the world, working with indigenous styles from Argentina, Canada, India, New Zealand, South Africa and the UK to create a fusion performance piece, to be showcased at Curve in Leicester.

April – August 2010
Curve, Leicester

Further information:
www.phizzical.com
Image: Dee Udaniya



MIGRATION STORIES

Migration Stories is one of five strands developed by Renaissance East Midlands linking to the Igniting Ambition programme 2008 – 2012. Launching in 2010, Migration Stories will involve activities and events to collect and share stories of migrant communities, their arrival in the East Midlands, the aspirations they came with and the challenges they have faced. Stories will be sourced and collated from existing and long-standing migrant communities as well as from more recent, less well-documented arrivals. The stories will be brought together at a celebratory event in autumn 2010 with archive footage being shown across the BBC Live Sites network in the region.

July – October 2010
Various locations, regionwide

Further information:
simon.ighofose@leicester.gov.uk



BRIGHT IN THE CORNER WHERE YOU ARE

Bright in the Corner Where You Are is a vibrant dance theatre performance inspired by an artistic exchange between artists and young people from Derbyshire with the former Black township Mamelodi, South Africa. The cultural exchange demonstrates the potential for people from different corners of the world to shine the light of their talents towards each other and create cultural connections. Even from a backdrop of serious social and economic challenge come examples of creative richness, positivity and pride. The performance will tour to Wirksworth Festival and Derby Festé in September 2010.

September 2010
Various locations, Derbyshire

Image: Chris Webb



NIGHT OF FESTIVALS

Night of Festivals is a flagship ArtReach project celebrating the 2010 Bicentenary of Latin American independence and the centenary of the Mexican Revolution. It is a free festival showcasing exciting, interactive art installations, digital art projections, live music and carnival and street arts from many different Latin American countries and cultures. It platforms innovative contemporary arts in celebration of the values of freedom and democracy, the richness of Latin American cultures, and the potential of Latin America and its peoples. *Night of Festivals* is financially supported by Arts Council England and Nottingham City Council.

15 – 18 September 2010
Old Market Square, Nottingham

Further information:
www.artreach.biz

Image: Mandinga Arts, Brighitta Moser



DERBY FESTE

Following increasingly successful events in 2007, 2008 and 2009, *Derby Festé* is fast becoming a central event in Derby's cultural calendar, bringing the whole city out on the streets for three days of fantastic events and extraordinary performance. *Derby Festé* 2009 featured outstanding international artists such as Compagnie des Quidams and Transe Express, alongside regional and national performers. 2010 promises to be just as spectacular.

24 – 26 September 2010
Derby City Centre

Further information:
www.derbyfeste.com

Image: Kevin Ryan

UK YOUNG ARTISTS

Derby is very excited to host the first ever *UK Young Artists* event, a cross-artform event for artists aged 18-30, which will showcase and bring together exceptional young talent from around the UK. Artforms will include dance, performance, visual arts and moving image. A group of artists from the event will be selected by a prestigious international panel to represent the UK at the XV edition of the *Biennale of Young Artists from Europe and the Mediterranean* in Morocco in 2011.

21 – 24 October 2010
Various locations, Derby

Further information:
www.ukyoungartists.co.uk

Image: Oslem Tasman by Nick Lockett



BASIC

BASIC – the British Art Show Information Centre – will be designed, developed and delivered by young people from Nottingham with the objective of widening access to the British Art Show 7.

The young people will work with museum and arts professionals to offer an information centre in the city centre for the public to engage with the contemporary art show and will run guided tours at all three festival venues New Art Exchange, Nottingham Castle and Nottingham Contemporary.

October 2010
Various locations, Nottingham



SIDESHOW

Sideshow is a unique city-wide event in Nottingham presenting a range of contemporary art exhibitions, ambitious new artwork commissions, site-specific public projects, artists' talks, performances, screenings and music events in the artist-led spaces, studios and empty buildings of the city. *Sideshow* aims to provide local, national and international artists with the opportunity to achieve new heights and possibilities.

In October 2010, *Sideshow* will support the British Art Show 7 for its nationwide launch in Nottingham.

As well as promoting artist-led and alternative venues for presenting its events, *Sideshow* will also take place in some of Nottingham's major arts centres and museums including Broadway Cinema & Media Centre, Lakeside Arts Centre, Nottingham Castle Museum & Art Gallery, and Nottingham Playhouse.

October – December 2010
Various locations, Nottingham

Further information:
www.nottinghamvisualarts.net

Image: The Attic



THE LONELINESS OF THE LONG DISTANCE DIVA

In *The Loneliness of the Long Distance Diva*, a gifted but deeply flawed diva reflects on her life, imbued with a glorious dream, a prize seemingly everyone would want.

The long distance diva, love her or hate her, tells us a modern day epic story of strength and vulnerability, written and performed by multi-talented artist Carol Leeming. It is a compelling choreopoem, combining poetry and physical theatre with sublime cutting-edge music and stunning digital visuals.

Produced by Dare to Diva Productions in association with Apples & Snakes, Foot in Hand and Peepul Centre.

2 October 2010 Peepul Centre, Leicester

15 October Déda, Derby

4 November Lakeside Arts, Nottingham

Further information:

www.applesandsnakes.org

Twitter: stardiva

Image: Carol Leeming by Dan Arab



FLYING PANDA INTERNATIONAL THEATRE PROJECT THE STORY TRADERS OF SICHUAN

Four of the region's most respected theatre makers are creating a brand new family theatre show that will be touring across the rural East Midlands and beyond this autumn/winter. Working with members of the prestigious Chongqing Troupe of Sichuan this feast of story-telling will include acrobatic routines, live music, wonderfully colourful costumes and the incredible and ancient Chinese art of face changing that has to be seen to be believed. This is a show that mixes all the best ingredients from the East and West to create something utterly unique.

Touring October – December 2010

22 October Lakeside Arts, Nottingham

Further information:

www.flyingpanda.org

DERBY FESTIVAL OF LIGHT

Derby is a vibrant home to 182 nationalities; the city will celebrate its unique diversity through *Derby Festival of Light*, with Eid, Diwali, Christmas Light Switch-on and Bonfire Night all in close proximity.

As part of the festival, Derby City Council and Surtal Asian Arts will bring a lantern procession to the city centre for a music and dance celebration. An international drumming circle will provide a backbeat to the dance performance, celebrating the sounds of bhangra, samba and western bass. The event will culminate in a pyrotechnic display on Cathedral

Green and floating lights on the River Derwent. Young people and communities from across the city will be at the heart of the *Festival of Light* celebrations through workshops in lantern making, dance and world percussion, facilitated by international artists who will perform for the spectacle finalé.

November 2010
Derby City Centre

Further information:

wenna.stockdale@derby.gov.uk

Image: Surtal Asian Arts





BALLARE: TO DANCE

Ballare: To Dance takes a voyage across the African diaspora, Argentina, Cuba, India, Mexico and Spain using moving visual images, dance and music to connect existing classical music scores with strong world music flavours to international dance traditions. The production features two newly composed works. *The Suite for Solo Steel Pan and Strings* is modelled on the Baroque dance suite, re-invented to include contemporary dances from African America, the Caribbean, France and Peru. *Mantra for an Athlete* is directly inspired by the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, connecting the sound world of India to strains from the west.

Ballare: To Dance brings together world-class musicians and dancers in a unique collaboration. The work is devised collaboratively by Philip Herbert (composer), David Soden, (moving image artist), and Thomas Michael Voss, (choreographer). The musicians are Timescale Ensemble (soloists from London Symphony Orchestras), along with world music instrumentalists.

18 November 2010
Peepul Centre, Leicester

Further information:
www.myspace.com/philipherbert

LOOKING FORWARD TO 2011

There are a number of exciting projects in the pipelines for 2011 already. These include:

WHEN THE PICTURES CAME

Terrapin Puppet Theatre (Tasmania) and Children's Art Theatre of Shanghai in association with Creative Producers Reckless Moments (Shanghai) and Associate Producers Lakeside Arts Centre, University of Nottingham.

This fabulous new work for children and families will be a celebration of visual and digital theatre, blurring the distinction between theatre and cartoon, and merging seamlessly with projection and live action. Scripted by the renowned playwright Finegan Kruckemeyer, and directed by Frank Newman, this production will be created in China and Tasmania. *Igniting Ambition* funding in 2010 has enabled Nottingham-based composer Matt Marks to create the soundtrack for this intriguing project which will be premiered in the UK during the European Theatre Festival in Nottingham, June 2011.

June 2011, Lakeside Arts, Nottingham

www.lakesidearts.org.uk

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

During May – October 2011 Connecting Communities will showcase exceptional cultural projects, events and festivals that celebrate Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire and Rutland's rich cultural heritage, outstanding natural environment, local traditions and hidden gems as part of the *Igniting Ambition Festival 2011*.

BREATH OF FRESH AIR

Breath of Fresh Air is a unique East Midlands partnership which operates with the vision of using cultural activities to raise issues of environmental sustainability. The partnership is funded by *Igniting Ambition* as a unique natural environment delivery theme for the UK Cultural Olympiad. In 2011, *Breath of Fresh Air* will culminate in a major showcase of events across the region encouraging people to get active, enjoy their local natural environment, volunteer, learn new skills and engage in cultural activity.

For more information on the Igniting Ambition programme and to join the mailing list please contact the team on info@ignitingambition.com / 0115 989 7565

FESTIVALS CALENDAR 2010

There's a wealth of activity going on across the three cities and counties outside the *Igniting Ambition Festival 2010* – the calendar below provides a snapshot of just some of the events taking place between April and November 2010.

| Festival | Date | Location | Further information |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Leicester Caribbean Carnival | 31 April | Leicester | www.leicestercarnival.com |
| Newark Jazz Festival | 21 – 23 May | Newark, Nottinghamshire | www.newarkjazz.co.uk |
| City Pulse | 29 – 31 May | Nottingham | www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk |
| Spark Children's Arts Festival | 31 May – 13 June | Leicester and Leicestershire | www.sparkfestival.co.uk |
| Derbyshire Literature Festival | 1 – 14 June | Various locations, Derbyshire | www.artserdebyshire.org.uk/litfest |
| Hatch: Across | 1 June | Nottingham | www.hatchnottingham.co.uk |
| Leicester Riverside Festival | 5 – 6 June | Leicester | www.leicester.gov.uk/festivals |
| Streets Alive | 13 June | Loughborough, Leicestershire | www.charnwoodarts.com |
| Ashbourne Arts Festival | 18 June – 4 July | Ashbourne, Derbyshire | www.ashbournefestival.org |
| Lowdham Book Festival | 18 – 26 June | Lowdham, Nottinghamshire | www.lowdhambookfestival.co.uk |
| International Byron Festival | 19 – 27 June | Hucknall, Nottinghamshire | www.ashfield-dc.gov.uk |
| Earth and Fire Ceramic Fair | 25 – 27 June | Rufford Craft Centre, Nottinghamshire | www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk |
| Picnic in the Park | 27 June | Coalville, Leicestershire | www.nwleics.gov.uk |
| International Youth Theatre Festival | 28 June – 2 July | Leicester | www.dmu.ac.uk |

| Festival | Date | Location | Further information |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Nottingham Caribbean Carnival | 4 July | Nottingham | www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk |
| One City, One World | 10 July | Nottingham | www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk |
| Buxton Festival | 7 – 25 July | Buxton, Derbyshire | www.buxtonfestival.co.uk |
| Nottingham Mela | 11 July | Nottingham | www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk |
| Nottingham Riviera | 24 July – 5 September | Nottingham | www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk |
| Leicester Belgrave Mela | 18 July | Leicester | www.leicester-mela.co.uk |
| Nottingham Children's Festival | 31 July | Nottingham | www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk |
| Robin Hood Festival | 2 – 8 August | Sherwood Forest, Nottinghamshire | www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk |
| Castle Park Heritage and Arts Festival | 20 August | Leicester | www.leicester.gov.uk/festivals |
| Darley Park Festival | 6 September | Derby | www.derby.gov.uk |
| Wirksworth Festival | 10 – 25 September | Wirksworth, Derbyshire | www.wirksworthfestival.co.uk |
| Melbourne Arts Festival | 10 – 26 September | Melbourne, Derbyshire | www.melbournefestival.co.uk |
| Night of Festivals | 15 – 18 September | Nottingham | www.artreach.biz |
| Derby Festé | 24 – 26 September | Derby | www.derbyfeste.com |
| British Art Show 7 | 23 October onwards | Nottingham | www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk |
| Chesterfield Arts and Market Festival | 28 – 30 October | Chesterfield, Derbyshire | www.visitpeakdistrict.com/chesterfieldfestival |
| Black History Season | October – November | Across the region | see local tourist information centres |
| Derby Festival of Light | November | Derby | www.derby.gov.uk |

A WORD FROM LEGACY TRUST UK

Legacy Trust UK is an independent charity, created to support a wide range of cultural and sporting activities which celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and which will leave a lasting legacy in communities throughout the UK.

We are delighted to be supporting the *Igniting Ambition Festival 2010*, which has already established itself at the forefront of exciting and ambitious cultural activity in the East Midlands. We hope you enjoy the events taking place over the next seven months.

Image: Mahogany Arts,
Igniting Ambition Festival 2009

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