

THE POLY

ARTS & CULTURAL VENUE



WHAT'S ON // JUNE-JULY 2026

EXHIBITION, FILMS & COMMUNITY EVENTS // Redesigning the Ride. Various dates. Image credit: James A. Grant.





FILM // THE GREAT TREK OF THE TRANSPORT PARTY, MEXICO 1825/26, WITH Q&A
Weds 03 June | 19:30

Dir. Sharron Schwartz | 2025 | 65 mins plus Q&A | English

An epic tale of tragedy and triumph, following the British men who brought the Industrial Revolution to Real del Monte, Mexico.

This director's cut with Q&A brings to life the opening chapter in an epic story linking the mines of Cornwall and Mexico.



FILM // NT LIVE: THE PLAYBOY OF THE WESTERN WORLD (12A)
Thurs 04 June | 19:00

Nicola Coughlan (BRIDGERTON) joins Éanna Hardwicke (THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT) and Siobhán McSweeney (DERRY GIRLS) in John Millington Synge's riveting play of youth and self-discovery.

Filed live on stage at the National Theatre, Caitríona McLaughlin directs this darkly funny tale full to the brim with secrets.



FILM // MOTHER MARY (15)
Sat 06 June | 19:45
Dir. David Lowery | 2026 | 112 mins | English

Long-buried wounds rise to the surface when iconic pop star Mother Mary reunites with her estranged best friend and former costume designer Sam Anselm on the eve of her comeback performance.



FILM // HEN (15)
Thurs 18 June | 19:30
Dir. György Pálfi | 2025 | 98 mins | Greek with English subtitles

Told entirely from the perspective of its avian protagonist, HEN follows a chicken who escapes an industrial farm only to find herself navigating the pecking order of a crumbling seaside restaurant in Greece. As she fights to protect her eggs, she becomes an unwitting witness to the complex human lives around her as the restaurant is caught up in greed, smuggling, and the migrant crisis.



FILM // TIME AND WATER (PG)
Fri 19 June | 17:15
Sat 20 June | 19:45
Dir. Sara Dosa | 2025 | 87 mins | English

Renowned Icelandic poet and author Andri Snær Magnason is chasing something elusive. As the glacial ice of his homeland melts, he constructs a cinematic time capsule to hold onto this moment and send it to the future. Using his own collected archives, his grandparents' photographs and films, and traditional songs and folktales, Andri interlaces his family's story with that of the land around him.



FILM // OBSESSION (18)
Fri 19 June | 19:30
Dir. Curry Barker | 2025 | 109 mins | English

After breaking the mysterious 'One Wish Willow' to win his crush's heart, a hopeless romantic finds himself getting exactly what he asked for – but soon discovers that some desires come at a dark, sinister price.



FILM // ROSE OF NEVADA (15)
Weds 10 June | 19:45
Sat 13 June | 19:45

WITH LIVE SCORE
Fri 17 July | See website

Dir. Mark Jenkin | 2026 | 114 mins plus Q&A | English

When a fishing boat, the Rose of Nevada, lost with all hands 30 years ago, mysteriously reappears in the old harbour of a forgotten Cornish village, for those who remember, it's surely a sign. The boat must go out to sea again and maybe then the luck of the devastated village will turn.



FILM // THE STRANGER (15)
Thurs 11 June | 19:00
Dir. François Ozon | 2025 | 122 mins | French with English subtitles

In this bold adaptation of Albert Camus's existential classic, François Ozon doesn't simply retell the story; he reinvents its emotional core with a daring, contemporary slant.

Rising French star Benjamin Voisin delivers a superb portrait of disaffection in a bracingly lossless transfer of book to screen that relishes the novel's menace and mystery.



FILM // OUR LAND (12A)
Fri 12 June | 19:30
Dir. Orban Wallace | 2025 | 91 mins | English

The UK is a wild and beautiful place, but the vast majority of it is off limits to the general public. At the same time, it is a landscape shaped by centuries of inheritance and tradition, with land held and cared for by families across multiple generations. OUR LAND dares to tread where few have trespassed before, asking the timely question of who has the right to roam in the English countryside?



FILM // BACKROOMS (15)
Weds 24 June | 19:45
Dir. Kane Parsons | 2025 | 110 mins | English

A strange doorway appears in the basement of a furniture showroom.



FILM // NT LIVE: LES LIAISONS DANGEREUSES
Fri 26 June | 19:00

Lesley Manville joins Aidan Turner in a striking new staging of Christopher Hampton's celebrated adaptation of the classic novel by Pierre Choderlos de Laclos, where among the glittering salons of the super-rich, one misstep can mean ruin.

Filed live on stage, Marianne Elliott (ANGELS IN AMERICA) directs this thrilling game of love, lies, and social warfare.

Shown in collaboration with The Arts Society Falmouth.



FILM // KOKUHO (15)
Sat 27 June | 19:00
Dir. Lee Sang-il | 2025 | 175 mins | Japanese with English subtitles

The extraordinary journey of two performers chasing greatness, as one rises to become a legendary master of Kabuki. After the death of his father, Kikuo is taken in by a renowned Kabuki actor. Growing up alongside Shunsuke, the actor's only son, the two boys devote their lives to the stage. The highest-grossing live-action film of all time in Japan spans decades of ambition, scandals, loyalty, and betrayal.



FILM // REINVENTING THE RIDE: OCEAN CULTURE & FILM SHORTS
Tues 30 June | 17:00

Ocean Culture Life is a global community dedicated to inspiring a deeper connection between people and the ocean. As part of the Reinventing The Ride exhibition, enjoy a free evening in the Main Gallery to share stories from our global ocean community, before heading to the cinema to watch award-winning short films that capture the beauty, power, and fragility of our ocean world. Come curious. Leave inspired.



FILM // REINVENTING THE RIDE: THE BIG SEA (12A), WITH FILMMAKER Q&A
Weds 01 July | 19:30

Dir. Lewis Arnold | 2024 | 75 mins plus Q&A | English
A multi-award winning environmental documentary that exposes surfing's hidden links to 'Cancer Alley' and the true cost Neoprene production, THE BIG SEA, from filmmakers Lewis Arnold, Chris Nelson and Demi Taylor, catalysed one of the biggest revolutions in the surf industry and celebrates the power we have as individuals to effect change.



FILM // HOME IS THE OCEAN
Thurs 02 July | 17:45

Dir. Livia Vonaesch | 2024 | 94 mins | German with English subtitles

For over 20 years, the Schwörers have sailed the globe, raising six children onboard, dedicating their lives to raising awareness about climate change. Filmed over seven years, this is an intimate portrait of a family redefining ideas of home, learning and togetherness. But when a violent storm strikes, they must reconsider the choices that have shaped their world. Part of UK Green Film Festival.



FILM // UNDER THE SHADOW (15), WITH MARY WILD
Sat 04 July | 17:00

Dir. Babak Anvari | 2016 | 84 mins plus discussion | Farsi with English subtitles

A critically acclaimed and BAFTA-winning psychological horror set in 1980s Tehran, where a mother and daughter navigate the pressures of war alongside an unsettling presence within the home. Mary Wild – Iranian-Canadian author of *Psychoanalysing Horror Cinema* – will offer a short presentation, opening up the film's themes and implications.



FILM // ENYS MEN (15)
Thurs 09 July | 19:30

Dir. Mark Jenkin | 2023 | 90 mins | English
A wildlife volunteer's daily observations of a rare flower take a dark turn into the strange and metaphysical, forcing both her and viewers to question what is real and what is nightmare. Is the landscape not only alive but sentient? Filmed on location around the disused tin mines of West Penwith, ENYS MEN is a mind-bending Cornish folk horror set in 1973 that unfolds on an uninhabited island off the Cornish coast.



FILM // THE LOST BOYS OF CARBIS BAY (12A), WITH Q&A
Sat 11 July | 19:30

Dir. Dan Simpkins | 2025 | 30 mins plus Q&A | English

A daring band of unlikely explorers, named the Carbis Bay Crew, venture into Cornwall's forgotten mines. Filmed over two years, this deeply personal project unearths not just history but the power of camaraderie and connection, resilience and self-discovery, and the quiet battles of men's mental health. Introduction and Q&A with the director and editor.



FILM // BAIT (15)
Thurs 02 July | 19:45

Dir. Mark Jenkin | 2019 | 89 mins | English

Simmering tensions between locals and newcomers in a modern-day Cornish fishing village reach boiling point in this hugely acclaimed British independent film.

Stunningly shot on a vintage 16mm camera using monochrome Kodak stock, Mark Jenkin's BAIT is a timely and funny yet poignant film that gets to the heart of a community facing up to unwelcome change.



FILM // MELT
Fri 03 July | 17:15

Dir. Nikolaus Geyrhalter | 2025 | 127 mins | German with English subtitles

Geyrhalter journeys through frozen landscapes, from Alpine glaciers to Antarctica, capturing lives shaped by snow and ice as they face rapid disappearance. As seasons shift, and ancient ice retreats, MELT documents both the majesty of these environments and the quiet violence of climate change; a record of a planet that may soon survive only in film. Part of UK Green Film Festival.



FILM // THE MANDALORIAN AND GROGU (12A)
Fri 03 July | 20:00

Dir. Jon Favreau | 2024 | 132 mins | English

The Mandalorian and Grogu embark on their most thrilling mission yet in an all-new Star Wars adventure. The evil Empire has fallen, and Imperial warlords remain scattered throughout the galaxy. As the fledgling New Republic works to protect everything the Rebellion fought for, they enlist the help of Mandalorian bounty hunter Din Djarin and his young apprentice Grogu.



FILM // EDGE OF SUMMER (15), WITH DIRECTOR Q&A
Weds 15 July | 19:30

Dir. Lucy Cohen | 2025 | 98 mins plus Q&A | English

Set on the Cornish coast in the early 90s, a pre-digital era, where childhood was so different, where holidays were spent fighting the boredom and finding new adventures, children had their secret lives, and parents had theirs.

A haunting coming-of-age drama featuring brilliant performances from newcomers Flora Hylton and Joel Sefton-longi alongside Cornish actor Edward Rowe.

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FILM // EFFI O BLAENAU (15)
Thurs 16 July | 19:30
Dir. Marc Evans | 2026 | 91 mins | Welsh with English subtitles

The film follows Effi, a young woman desperate to escape a town where the pubs are closed, the jobs have vanished, and her grandmother works night shifts in the local chip shop just to get by. A chance encounter in a Llandudno nightclub with injured soldier Lee briefly opens a door to something better. For a moment, Effi glimpses a life she never imagined. The reality that follows is far tougher.



FILM // DISCLOSURE DAY
Sat 18 July | 16:00
Sat 18 July | 19:30
Dir. Steven Spielberg | 2025 | 145 mins | English

If you found out we weren't alone, if someone showed you, proved it to you, would that frighten you?
This summer, the truth belongs to seven billion people. We are coming close to ...
DISCLOSURE DAY.



FILM // NOWHERE (15), WITH Q&A
Weds 22 July | 19:30
Dir. Tim Seyfert | 2025 | 85 mins plus Q&A | English

Max is a troubled American who self-destructed after tragedy led him to dump his life and flee to England with a woman he barely knew. A year later, he is alone, aimlessly adrift in a foreign land, and spends his days self-medicating and working as a reluctant substitute teacher – until events force him to face the past and reclaim his life. Q&A with writer and director Tim Seyfert and producer Ben Fullman.



FILM // THE SEVERED SUN (15), WITH DIRECTOR Q&A AND SHORT FILM
Thurs 30 July | 19:30
Dir. Dean Puckett | 2024 | 80 mins plus Q&A and short film (8 mins) | English

Magpie lives in an isolated church community ruled over by her father, The Pastor. When a man is murdered, paranoia sets in and people start to whisper about a strange 'Beast' that lives in the forest. **Plus short film:** A single mother and her child are put through a nightmarish ordeal when a politician knocks on their door.



FILM // BROWN WILLY (15), WITH Q&A
Fri 31 July | 19:30
Dir. Brett Harvey | 2015 | 83 mins plus Q&A | English

Michael is about to get married. He doesn't want a traditional 'stag do' and instead opts for a quiet weekend camping on the winds of Bodmin Moor. Pete, however, has other ideas.
A beautifully shot comedy drama about friendship against the odds that shows one of Cornwall's most stunning areas in all its brutal majesty.
'Cornwall's answer to WITHNAIL AND I.' *The New Statesman*.



FILM // ISH
Sat 08 Aug | 17:15
Thurs 13 Aug | 19:30
Dir. Imran Perretta | 2025 | 90 mins | English

ISH follows 12-year-old best friends Ish and Maram, who wrestle to hold on to their friendship in the wake of a police stop and search.
As the ripples take hold, the boys try to make sense of the men they are becoming – and how 'letting go' can be the hardest part of growing up.



FILM // ENZO (15)
Thurs 23 July | 19:30
A film by Laurent Cantet & dir. Robin Campillo | 2025 | 103 mins | French with English subtitles

Enzo, 16, defies his bourgeois family's expectations by starting a masonry apprenticeship. In their chic villa in the sun-drenched south of France, tensions simmer as relentless questions and pressures weigh on Enzo's. On the construction sites, however, Vlad, a charismatic Ukrainian colleague, shakes up Enzo's world and opens the door to unexpected possibilities.



FILM // FAMILIAR TOUCH (12A)
Fri 24 July | 17:15
Dir. Sarah Friedland | 2024 | 92 mins | English

An octogenarian woman transitions to life in assisted living as she contends with her conflicting relationship to herself and her caregivers amidst her shifting memory, age identity, and desires.



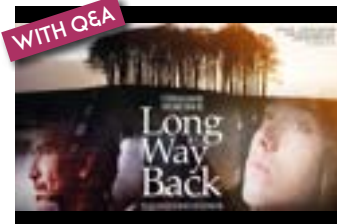
FILM // BLUE HERON
Fri 24 July | 19:45
Dir. Sophy Romvari | 2025 | 90 mins | Hungarian and English with English subtitles

Set on Vancouver Island in the late 1990s, BLUE HERON follows eight-year-old Sasha and her Hungarian immigrant family as they attempt to build a new life, only to be destabilised by the increasingly dangerous behaviour of her older brother. Drawing on her own memories, filmmaker Sophy Romvari shapes a deeply personal portrait of childhood, family fractures, and the fragility of recollection.



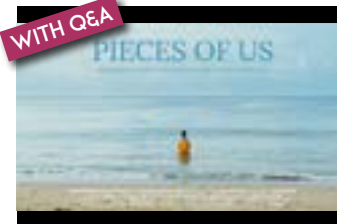
FILM // GENTLE ANGRY WOMEN (12A), WITH Q&A
Weds 12 Aug | 19:30
Dir. Barbara Santi | 2025 | 63 mins plus Q&A | English

Three teenagers discover the largely overlooked Greenham Common Women's Peace Camp, where thousands of women lived for 19 years protesting against nuclear missiles. A poignant and timely documentary celebrating the enduring power of women's collective action, revealing a bridge between past courage and present hope. Q&A with director Barbara Santi.



FILM // LONG WAY BACK (12A), WITH Q&A
Sat 15 Aug | 19:30
Dir. Brett Harvey | 2022 | 93 mins plus Q&A | English

Reluctant father David has spent his life running away: from his foster home, from his marriage, from responsibility. Now his estranged daughter Lea is leaving university under tragic circumstances. As they make an eventful car journey across Britain, David attempts to make up for a lifetime of disappointments... but is it too late? Q&A with writer and director Brett Harvey and producer Simon Harvey.



FILM // PIECES OF US (12A), WITH Q&A
Fri 21 Aug | 19:30
Dir. Ben Fullman | 2025 | 72 mins plus Q&A | English

An intimate, emotional drama about two strangers – an American author (Tim Seyfert) and a young woman (Sinead Ferguson) in Cornwall – whose lives unexpectedly collide. As they form a fragile connection, secrets from the past resurface, forcing them both to confront pain, guilt, and the possibility of redemption.
Q&A with director Ben Fullman and writer Tim Seyfert.

WHAT'S ON CALENDAR

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08	09 EXHIBITION // Victoria Gillow WORKSHOP // Sip & Paint Henry Scott Tuke's 'Our Jack'	10 TALK // Falmouth's Black Histories, c1690-c1920 FILM // Rose of Nevada	11 WORKSHOP // Cloth and Clothes FILM // The Stranger	12 FILM // Our Land	13 WORKSHOPS // Block Printing on Fabric Costumed Life Drawing: Pirates FILM // Rose of Nevada
15	16 EXHIBITION // Landscape Take Five - Wild Cornwall WORKSHOP // Life Drawing	17	18 WORKSHOP // Introduction to Painting with Oil & Cold Wax FILM // Hen	19 POTTERY // Drop-in session FILMS // Time and Water Obsession	20 FILM // Time and Water SUNDAY 21 WORKSHOP // Sword Fighting: Lightsabers
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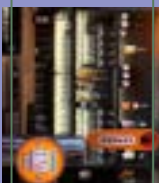
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06 POTTERY // Three-day Intensive: Raku	07 EXHIBITION // Printed Sea, Painted Shore & Beads of Light WORKSHOP // Life Drawing	08	09 WORKSHOP // Cloth and Clothes FILM // Enys Men	10 THEATRE // Bar Tape	11 WORKSHOP // Watercolour Unleashed! Let's Play! FILM // The Lost Boys of Carbis Bay, with Q&A
13	14 EXHIBITIONS // Salt, Stone, Air WORKSHOP // Crochet Beginners' Class	15 WORKSHOP // Introduction to Painting with Oil & Cold Wax FILM // Edge of Summer, with Q&A	16 THEATRE // The Story of a Cornish Orchard Queered Selkie Stories FILM // Effi O Blaenau	17	18 WORKSHOPS // Costumed Life Drawing: Napoleonic FILM // Disclosure Day
20	21 EXHIBITION // The Exquisite Corpse The Poly's Secret Postcard Exhibition	22 FILM // Nowhere, with Q&A	23 FILM // Enzo	24 FILMS // Familiar Touch Blue Heron	25 COMMUNITY // Petra Dish's Parlour Night
27	28 EXHIBITION // Charlotte Easingwood	29 WORKSHOPS // Sword Fighting for Kids MUSIC // Enys Festival Opening Night: Sean Graefe-Morrison & Tarren	30 FILM // The Severed Sun, with Q&A & Short Film	31 FILM // Brown Willy, with Q&A	01 AUGUST
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Open Tuesday to Saturday
Tuesday 10:00-16:00
Wednesday & Thursday 10:00-20:00
Friday & Saturday 10:00-22:00
(hours may vary depending on events)



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MUSIC // SARAH MCQUAID IN CONCERT
Tues 02 June | 19:30

Singer-songwriter with peerless musicianship, working in a tradition that spans cultures and genres.



COMMUNITY // FALMOUTH FEMINIST BOOK CLUB
Thurs 04 June | 19:00

The launch of Falmouth Feminist Book Club – a brand-new book club for reading books by women, but open to all. Reading HEART THE LOVER by Lily King.

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COMMUNITY // THE BOARD MEETING
Weds 24 June | 11:00-13:00

Warmly welcoming all surfboard shapers, at any level, to join some of the UK's best shapers to talk and share ideas and progress in surfboard production.

TALK // RISING TIDE FESTIVAL RECONNECTS
Thurs 25 June | from 17:00

Rising Tide exists to promote a more sustainable approach to surfing and introduce it to a broader audience through collectivism, and gatherings. Come join in the conversation!



THEATRE // MADE IN CORNWALL
Thurs 25 June | 20:00

Scratch Night: test bold ideas, share feedback, and shape Cornwall's creative future. Artists experiment; audiences listen, encourage, and inspire growth.



TALKS // THE STORY OF A CORNISH ORCHARD
Thurs 16 July | 17:30

A talk by Sally Pyner of Kehelland Trust delving into the many facets of holding & utilising a 220-strong collection of Cornish (and other) heritage apple trees.



THEATRE // QUEERED SELKIE STORIES
Thurs 16 July | 18:00

SeaVoice presents an evening with award-winning storyteller Niall Moorjani. Come for the selkies, stay for the trans themes and gorgeous exploration of the ocean and queerness.



MUSIC // MOMENTS OF PLEASURE: THE MUSIC OF KATE BUSH
Fri 05 June | 19:30

A journey through the career of one of the UK's greatest musical artists, featuring the stunning vocals of Lisa-Marie Walters.



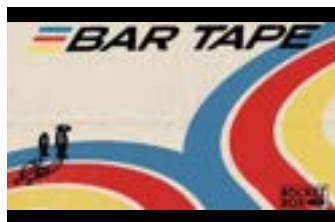
TALK // ARMING NELSON'S NAVY
Sat 06 June | 17:30

Battle onboard ship during the age of sail was a bloody and brutal affair. This talk with demonstrations looks at the small arms used in naval combat before & during the Napoleonic Wars.



COMMUNITY // ROMA SURFSHOP'S BOARD HOARD
Sat 27 June | 13:00-17:00

A jumble sale for surf and beyond! The best approach to sustainability is to buy used. Come to browse, buy or sell. For stall enquiries, contact Roma.



THEATRE // BAR TAPE
Mon 20 July | 19:30

Davidson is a young, enthusiastic cyclist growing up in early 1980s rural Britain. As the pressure of success builds, he finds himself caught like a rabbit in the headlights, unsure of which path to take.



COMEDY // PETRA DISH'S PARLOUR NIGHT
Sat 25 July | 19:30

Do you miss Saturday nights watching TV game shows? Petra Dish's Parlour Night in The Poly Café is an evening of revelry, hilarity and inventive games to enjoy with friends and family!



MUSIC // ENYS CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL OPENING NIGHT: SEAN GRAEFE-MORRISON & TARREN
Tues 29 July | 19:30

Award-winning trad violinist Sean Morrison opens the 2026 Enys Festival with celebrated folk trio Tarren.



TALK // FALMOUTH'S BLACK HISTORIES, C1690-1920
Weds 10 June | 18:00

Discover fascinating stories of the lives of Black men and women who lived in Falmouth and surrounding parishes, including St Gluvias and Mylor, between 1690 and 1920.



TALK // NAVIGATING THE UNFOLDING ENERGY CRISIS
Weds 24 June | 18:00

Drawing on his naval and energy careers, Commodore Steve Jermy overviews the unfolding energy crisis and its international consequences.

WORKSHOP // NEXT GEN BY KINGSLEY SURF ACADEMY
Sat 27 June | 10:30-12:00

A hands-on creative surf shaping & sustainable print workshop, alongside Kingsley Surf Academy scholars & staff, exploring sustainability and the future of surf craft. For 10-16 year-olds.



THEATRE // SQUASHBOX THEATRE PRESENTS: CURIOUS CREATURES
Thurs 06 Aug | 14:30

Using puppets, comedy, slapstick and live music - plus lots of amazing natural history facts - Squashbox Theatre will uncover the mysteries of the animal kingdom.



THEATRE // SQUASHBOX THEATRE PRESENTS: TALES FROM THE TREES
Thurs 13 Aug | 14:30

Let Squashbox Theatre be your guide to the tremendous world of trees! A terrific tangle of puppetry, storytelling, live music and comedy.



MUSIC // FAIRPORT CONVENTIONS' RIC SANDERS & VO FLETCHER
Thurs 20 Aug | 19:30

Together Ric and Vo play a greatly varied repertoire of songs and instrumentals drawing from their vast and eclectic musical experiences.

POTTERY/WORKSHOPS



WORKSHOP // SLOW STITCH CIRCLE
 Tues 02 June | 14:00-15:30
 Thurs 25 June | 10:30-12:00

Learn, create, and connect through stitch in a relaxed bi-monthly workshop and explore a new hand-stitching technique or skill each time.



WORKSHOP // SIP AND PAINT: HENRY SCOTT TUKE, 'OUR JACK'
 Tues 09 June | 18:00-20:30

Create your own Henry Scott Tuke 'Our Jack' masterpiece to take home, using templates or painting freestyle. An evening of painting, fun and laughter.



WORKSHOP // CLOTH & CLOTHES
 Thurs 11 June | 10:30-12:30
 Thurs 09 July | 10:30-12:30

Each monthly class concentrates on a different aspect of garment construction, with a focus on crafting the expert finish seen in clothes of quality.



WORKSHOP // SWORD FIGHTING: LIGHTSABERS
 Sun 21 June
 10:30-11:30 | 12:15-13:15

Ever wanted to battle with a Lightsaber? Cover the basics footwork, parries and attacks leaving you ready to embrace the Force as a Jedi or Sith...



POTTERY // THREE-DAY INTENSIVE THROWING
 Mon 22 June - Weds 24 June
 Mon 29 June - Weds 01 July
 10:00-15:30

Learn all the fundamental techniques in three days of making to get to grips with the wheel in an immersive way.



WORKSHOP // WONDERS OF THE OCEAN: BEGINNERS' WATERCOLOURS
 Tues 23 June | 18:00-20:30

Dive into watercolour with Janavi and learn essential techniques, build confidence, and paint beautiful sea creatures inspired by our local marine wildlife.



POTTERY // FRIDAY DROP-IN SESSIONS
 15:00-20:00

Every Friday we open our doors for potters to use our facilities - perfect for anyone wanting to develop their existing skills and catch up on some quality studio time.

This is not a taught session, but there is always a member of staff on hand to answer any questions and give some guidance.

Pop down to the pottery and use the wonderful studio space for just £10 an hour.

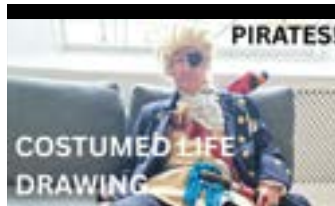
Pop in and pay-as-you-go or email pottery@thepoly.org to prebook a slot on one of the wheels.

The last session before summer closure is Fri 03 July. Closed Fri 12 June.



WORKSHOP // BLOCK PRINTING ON FABRIC
 Sat 13 June | 10:00-15:00

Explore the artful fusion of printmaking and textiles through relief printmaking and linocut techniques, and master the skills to hand-print intricate repeat patterns and motifs.



WORKSHOP // COSTUMED LIFE DRAWING: PIRATES
 Sat 13 June | 11:00-13:00

All aboard! We are setting sail for a voyage of piratical adventures in this month's Costumed Life Drawing. An untutored session with poses between one-10 minutes.



WORKSHOP // INTRO TO CORNISH INKS | Sat 04 July
 Talk & Demo | 11:00-12:00
 Workshop | 13:00-15:00

Meet the founders & hear the story of Cornish Inks, & see their products in action. Learn about their latest ink collection and try them out in the workshop.



POTTERY // THREE-DAY INTENSIVE RAKU
 Mon 06, Tues 07, Sat 11 July | 10:00-15:30

Returning for summer 2026, dive into the mesmerising world of Raku firing, in which pottery is sculpted, shaped, and transformed by the elements.



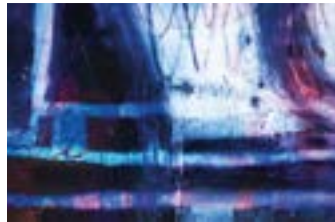
WORKSHOP // WATERCOLOURS UNLEASHED! LET'S PLAY!
 Sat 11 July | 10:30-14:00

A playful and inspiring watercolour experience where curiosity leads the way. Loosen up, explore, and embrace the unexpected with unconventional techniques and materials.



WORKSHOP // LIFE DRAWING AT THE POLY
 Tues 16 June | 18:30-20:30
 Tues 07 July | 18:30-20:30

Experienced artists, improvers and beginners are all welcome. Follow guided exercises or draw freely, with support available from the tutor as required.



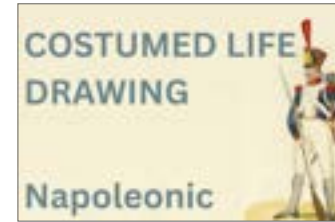
WORKSHOP // INTRODUCTION TO PAINTING WITH OIL AND COLD WAX
 Thurs 18 June | 10:30-16:30
 Weds 15 July | 10:30-16:30

Cold wax adds body, transparency and depth to oil paint and speeds up its drying time. Learn more in this fun and experimental one-day workshop.



WORKSHOP // CROCHET BEGINNERS' CLASS
 Tues 14 July | 18:30-20:30

Discover the joy of crochet in this beginner-friendly class, perfect for those starting from scratch. Learn essential techniques and basic stitches while building confidence.



WORKSHOP // COSTUMED LIFE DRAWING: NAPOLEONIC
 Sat 18 July | 11:00-13:00

We are stepping away from our Redcoats and embracing Napoleonic/Regency looks from across the channel. An untutored session with poses between one to 10 mins.



WORKSHOP // SWORD FIGHTING FOR KIDS
 Weds 29 July | 10:15 & 12:00
 10:15-11:15 | 12:00-13:00

(Foam) sword fighting workshops for young knights, warriors and pirates!

10:15 session: **ages 5-7**
 12:00 session: **ages 8-12**



KELLGREN, HAYES & BUCKNELL
Lee Kellgren, Derek Hayes
& Grant Bucknell
02-06 June, Spring Gallery
PV: 02 June from 17:00



SHORE TO SHORE
Victoria Gillow
09-13 June, Spring Gallery
PV: 09 June from 17:00



**LANDSCAPE TAKE FIVE
-WILD CORNWALL**
Mary Taylor, Ann Richards,
Karen Needham, Sally Cole,
& Sarah Trewheila
16-20 June, Spring Gallery



Award-winning British photographer James A. Grant uses his lens to explore the culture, community and quiet moments that exist where land meets sea. His project **Reinventing The Ride** began with a question that is deceptively simple: what is a surfboard actually made of, and does it have to be made that way? From there, it became something much richer. A portrait series. A document of an emerging movement within surf culture that is rethinking the relationship between surfing and sustainability, one surfboard board at a time.

At the exhibition, audiences can engage with UK shapers through a series of photographs accompanied by audio in which the shapers discuss key questions: Why? How? Is the technology already here? How do we change the surf industry?

Part of a series of community events and films at The Poly.
Opening event Tues 23 June, 17:00-20:00 – all welcome.



REINVENTING THE RIDE
James A. Grant
23 June-01 July, Main Gallery
PV: 23 June from 17:00



**UNCHARTED –
A HOMECOMING**
Julia Mackenzie
23 June-04 July, Spring Gallery



**PRINTED SEA, PAINTED
SHORE & BEADS OF LIGHT**
Layla Ousley, Georgie Hare
& Nic Danning
07-11 July, Spring Gallery
PV: 07 July from 17:00



THE POLY'S SECRET POSTCARD EXHIBITION 2026

TUES 21-SAT 25 JULY, MAIN GALLERY
PRIVATE VIEW 21 JULY, 17:00-19:00

**CALLING LOCAL ARTISTS,
DESIGNERS & DOODLERS:
WE NEED YOUR POSTCARDS!**

Design an A6 postcard & sign the reverse. Each postcard will be anonymously displayed and for sale in our **exhibition in July**. All funds raised go towards our **#POLY200** campaign.



SALT STONE AIR
Cathy Eastment,
Gordon Virgo, Janie Cameron,
& Vicki Clark
14-18 July, Spring Gallery
PV: 14 July from 17:00



THE EXQUISITE CORPSE
Beth McFadden, Jo House,
& Martin Tomsky
21-25 July, Spring Gallery
PV: 21 July from 17:00



REFLECTIONS
Charlotte Easingwood
28 July-01 Aug, Spring Gallery

CALL FOR ENTRIES THE POLY MEMBERS' SHOW 2026

OUR ANNUAL EXHIBITION FOR
POLY MEMBERS, SHOWCASING THE
CREATIVE TALENT OF OUR COMMUNITY

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: SAT 11 JULY
EXHIBITION: TUES 25 AUG - SAT 12 SEPT

TO APPLY:
WWW.THEPOLY.ORG/MEMBERSHOW2026

Strange Light, by Linda Mary Jones
www.lindamaryjonesartist.com



THE POLY MEMBERS' SHOW 2026

COMING UP IN AUGUST...



THEATRE // SQUASHBOX THEATRE PRESENTS: TALES FROM THE TREES Thurs 13 Aug | 14:30

From branch to leaf and twig to root, from berry to blossom and bark to fruit! Discover the wonder of photosynthesis, meet some friendly forest creatures, and encounter crazy characters from folklore and fairy tales! A terrific tangle of puppetry, storytelling, live music and comedy, with a theme that embraces natural history, folklore and ecology. Listen – the trees are talking...!



MUSIC // FAIRPORT CONVENTION'S RIC SANDERS & VO FLETCHER Thurs 20 Aug | 19:30

Ric Sanders has been the violinist with Fairport Convention since 1985, touring the world and contributing many arrangements which have become fixtures in their repertoire. Vo Fletcher has worked with artists as diverse as Rik Mayall and Nigel Kennedy (just to keep Ric on his toes!). Together Ric and Vo play a varied repertoire of songs and instrumentals drawing from their vast and eclectic musical experiences.



THEATRE // A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM Sat 22 Aug | 19:00

Whether you're a Shakespeare lover or brand new to his plays, this production brims with warmth, laughter, and unexpected surprises. It's a summer dream brought vividly – and hilariously – to life. Runaway lovers, magical creatures, and a group of very determined actors find themselves in over their heads. With quick character changes, playful invention, and a sparkle of silliness, Four Forty transform the classic into a joyful night for audiences.

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