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LEAMINGTON SPA
Art Gallery & Museum

Exhibitions & Events

March - August 2009



Dancing on Ice © The Singh Twins
(www.singhtwins.co.uk)

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Culture in Warwick District

ART GALLERY & MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS

THE SINGH TWINS:

Art in Motion

27 March - 24 May

This retrospective exhibition will feature selected works by internationally acclaimed contemporary British artists, The Singh Twins.

Inspired by the Indian miniature tradition, twin sisters, Amrit and Rabindra, produce exquisitely detailed paintings that are both symbolic and witty. Using a style they have titled 'Past Modern' they explore a diverse range of challenging themes from the cult of celebrity to politics. Their work is beautiful, thought-provoking and often provocative.

Alongside some of their better known paintings the exhibition will feature two short films produced and directed by the twins. These films demonstrate a new development in their work, exploring their creative ideas and British Asian Sikh identity through the world of moving imagery.



In Action Replay, 2002 © The Singh Twins
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ART GALLERY & MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS

OPEN 2009

5 June - 2 August

Leamington Spa Art Gallery & Museum's biennial *OPEN* exhibition will feature selected work by artists based in the West Midlands. A distinguished panel of judges will select from a wide range of work including painting, sculpture, drawing, printmaking, photography, digital media and craft. There will be one overall prize winner and a 'People's Choice Award'. All exhibited works will be for sale.

If you are interested in submitting a work for the *OPEN 2009*, please collect an entry form from the art gallery desk or telephone **01926 742700**. Submission date **Thursday 28 May, 1.30 - 7.30pm**.



ART GALLERY & MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS

10 GLORIOUS YEARS!

**Culture at the Royal Pump Rooms
1999 - 2009**

19 June - 13 September

It is 10 years this summer since the award winning redevelopment of the Royal Pump Rooms was completed, placing the building at the heart of cultural activities in Leamington Spa and beyond.

To mark this special occasion, from Friday 19 June, there will be a new display celebrating the redevelopment project including eyewitness accounts and fascinating before and after images.

Look out for details of a number of anniversary themed events at the Art Gallery & Museum over the summer.



The redevelopment of the Royal Pump Rooms
(1998/1999)

ART GALLERY & MUSEUM EVENTS

COLLECTION CONNECTION

Every month a local personality is invited choose their favourite exhibit from Leamington Spa Art Gallery & Museum. The chosen exhibit is highlighted with a caption that explains who selected it and why it appealed to them. The exhibit is also featured in our *Friday Focus* programme of talks.



Touch Radio presenter Ben Day
with his favourite painting

THURSDAY FLICKERS

Thursdays 6.30 - 7.30pm

Thursday Flickers is a great opportunity to see some unique short films made by local and emerging film makers. Screenings include work from video artists, short-film makers, animators, motion-graphic designers and artists using video installations.

Please ask at the art gallery reception desk or visit www.warwickdc.gov.uk/royalpumprooms for a current programme.

FREE, no need to book

If you would like to show your work at one of our *Thursday Flickers* screenings, please contact Tammy Woodrow on 01926 742700 or email tammy.woodrow@warwickdc.gov.uk

ART GALLERY & MUSEUM EVENTS

FRIDAY FOCUS Fridays at 1pm

Learn something new in your lunch break! *Friday Focus* lunchtime talks cover a wide range of topics relating to the Art Gallery & Museum's collections and the Royal Pump Rooms. Come and discover some of the fascinating facts and stories behind our exhibits. The talks are informal and last about 10 minutes.

Please ask at the art gallery reception desk or visit www.warwickdc.gov.uk/royalpumprooms for a current programme.



FREE, no need to book

ART CART FAMILY FUN



Last Saturday of each month, 1 - 3pm



Join us for family art sessions in the galleries using our mobile Art Cart. Take part in a different activity every month.

**FREE, drop in
and join in
Suitable for
children
up to 12 years
Children must
be accompanied
by an adult**

ART GALLERY & MUSEUM EVENTS

EASTER ART CLUB

Thursday 16 April, 2 - 4pm



Create bright, eye-catching posters inspired by our current exhibition, *The Singh Twins: Art in Motion*.



FREE, drop in
and join in
Sessions last 20
minutes, final
entry 3.40pm
Suitable for ages
6 - 12 years
Children must
be accompanied
by an adult

THE SINGH TWINS - ARTISTS TALK

Thursday 30 April, 7 - 8pm

The Singh Twins will discuss their inspirations, themes and development as artists, highlighting works in the exhibition, *The Singh Twins: Art in Motion*.



£3 per person
(free entry to
FLAG members
and students)
Places are limited,
please call
01926 742700
Payment
required to
confirm booking

The Singh Twins creating the painting,
Art Matters: The Pool of Life, 2008 © The Singh Twins
(www.singhtwins.co.uk)

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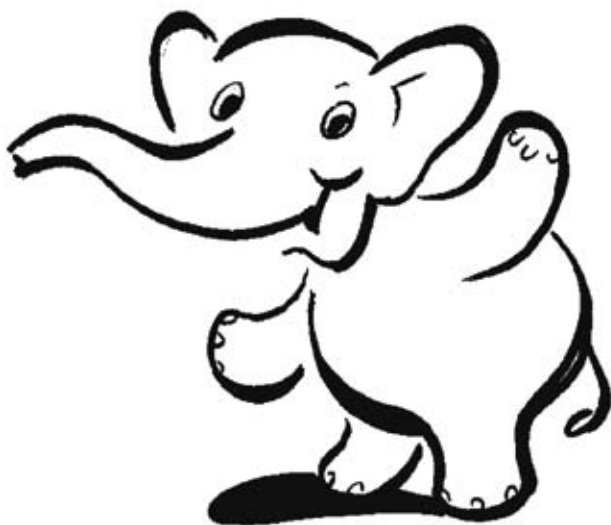
HADDIE'S GALLERY

Opening May 2009

Join Haddie the circus elephant and explore our new family gallery to discover what life was like for a child in Victorian Leamington Spa. Find out about Sam Lockhart, the world famous elephant trainer, journey along the river Leam and try out games played by Victorian children. *Haddie's Gallery* will contain something for all the family to enjoy. There will be fun interactives, exciting historical objects and artworks from across our collections.

Haddie's Gallery will be opening in May 2009.

Look out for further details about activities and events celebrating the opening nearer the time.



ART GALLERY & MUSEUM EVENTS

LEAMINGTON SPA CANAL FESTIVAL 2009:

Crazy Collage at the Royal Pump Rooms

Sunday 3 May, 12noon - 3pm

Have fun creating artwork with the theme *What I love about Leamington*. Hang your masterpieces at the Canal Festival to share with passers by.



FREE, drop in and join in
Suitable for ages 6 – 12 years
Children must be accompanied by an adult

ANIMATE!

Saturday 16 May, 11am - 4pm

Back by popular demand, this one day animation workshop offers young people aged from 12 - 16 years the opportunity to work with a professional filmmaker to create a short animation which will be screened as part of our *Thursday Flickers* programme. Participants are advised to bring a packed lunch.

£3 per person. Suitable for ages 12 - 16 years
Places are limited, please call 01926 742700
Payment required to confirm booking

ART GALLERY & MUSEUM EVENTS

HALF TERM ART CLUB Thursday 28 May, 2 - 4pm



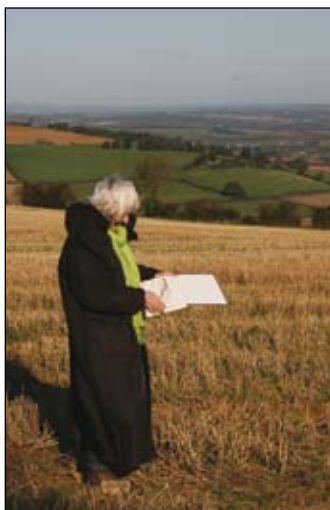
Summer is nearly here! Make your own creative kites to try out in the Pump Room Gardens.

FREE, drop in and join in
Sessions last 20 minutes, final entry 3.40pm
Suitable for ages 6 - 12 years
Children must be accompanied by an adult

LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP WITH MARY RILEY

Saturday 18 July 10.30am - 4.30pm

Join artist Mary Riley to sketch on location. Participants will be encouraged to experiment using a wide range of materials and explore new ways to record their experiences. Materials will be provided.



£30 per adult
Places are limited,
please call
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Mary Riley sketching
at Larkstoke Hill