



the real wrexham 2011

what's on january-march



the real buzz



january

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Wrexham Year of Culture 2011

An array of events taking place throughout the year to celebrate Wrexham's Year of Culture. Tel: 01978 667322 www.yearofculture.co.uk

Cinderella

The most magical panto of them all.

***1 - 8 January**

Check with box office for performance times. Grove Park Theatre, Hill Street, Wrexham. Box office tel: 01978 351091 www.grovetheatre.co.uk

Louisa Theunissen Echoes of Memory

Working mainly in compressed charcoal, Theunissen produces large drawings of derelict houses, factories, shops and warehouses around Wales. These haunting works give a sense of places having once been occupied and busy, yet the movement of the charcoal brings new life to these now abandoned spaces.

4 - 15 January Monday - Friday

9.30 a.m. - 6.45 p.m. and Saturday

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Oriel Wrecsam, Rhosddu Road, Wrexham. LL11 1AU.

For further details tel: 01978 292093.

oriel.wrecsam@wrexham.gov.uk

www.wrexham.gov.uk/arts

Mari Thomas

With her decorative concepts range of previous jewellery, Thomas takes inspiration from the process of thoughts and designs on paper.

Charlotte Green

Green's stitched and manipulated paper pieces are inspired by intricate parts of faded patterns, flowers and architectural details.

Jessica Sherriff

Sheriff translates photographic images into printed acrylic jewellery pieces, often incorporating close up tree and flower forms inspired by the colours and view of Yorkshire.

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Christmas Tree Recycling

A change to recycle your real Christmas tree. Trees can be dropped off the week proceeding, at the bottom car park off Bellevue Road.

11 January 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Bellevue Park, Wrexham.

For further details tel: 01978 264150.

Woodland Management

Meet the rangers and friends of Alyn Waters and help our woodland flourish. Your reward is a baked potato.

13 January 1.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.

Meet at Llay Car park, Llay, Nr. Wrexham.

Suitable for ages 8+. Admission: Free.

For further information tel: 01978 763140.

Antiques Fair

Antiques and collectors fair with 50 stalls exhibiting.

***15 January, 12 February, 19 March**

9.30 a.m. - 3.30 p.m.

Admission: £1.00, accompanied children free. Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham.

For further details tel: 01492 547868.

Cabaret Evening with The Ballet Pod

The members of The Ballet Pod, an innovative company of three Wales based dancers and their artistic director, former Royal Ballet dancer, Richard Slaughter, invite you to join them for an evening of delicious food and delightful entertainment. The dancers will perform a gala of exciting dance works ranging from excerpts for Sleeping Beauty to new pieces choreographed by Richard Slaughter.

15 January 6.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.

The Parish Hall, Chirk, Nr. Wrexham. Tickets from the Old Vicarage, Trevor Road, Chirk.

Tel: 01691 773016.

Ballroom Dancing

***21 January, 18 February, 18 March**

7.30 p.m. - 11.00 p.m.

Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham.

For further information tel: 07866 394203.

Light Fantastic Launch Event

This is where the story really begins. A spectacular parade with lanterns and music that will set Wrexham's cultural flame alight. Departing from the Memorial Hall, the parade will blaze a visually spectacular trail through the town centre to Llwyn Isaf for opening speeches and a short performance by the oldest and in our opinion greatest boy-band in the world, the Froncysyllte Male Voice Choir then stand back and witness a truly awesome firework display.

21 January 6.00 p.m. - 7.15 p.m.

Free event. For a plan of the route, and how to make a lantern and join the parade see www.yearofculture.co.uk or Tel: 01978 667320.

Fun in the Meadow

Come and celebrate the launch of Wrexham Year of Culture with some of the friendly presenters from Calon FM, your local Community Radio Station. They would love you to join them at Eagles Meadow for lots of fun, games, music, laughter and a very special SURPRISE.

22 January 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

Eagles Meadow, Wrexham.

The Three Welsh Tenors

Aled Hall, Alun Rhys-Jenkins and Rhys Meirion are 'The Three Welsh Tenors'. Their voices are surprisingly different, yet they complement one another perfectly. With a programme consisting of operatic classics, hymns, old Welsh songs and medleys.

22 January 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

Stiwt Theatre Box Office, Broad Street, Rhosllannerchrugog. Tel: 01978 841300.

february

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Russell Kane

2 February

Glyndwr University, Mold Road, Wrexham.
Tickets available from Wrexham Tourist
Information Centre tel: 01978 292015.

Line Dancing Disco

With the Eazystompers Line Dance Club

4 February, 4 March 8.00 p.m.

Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham.
For further details contact Geoff tel: 01978 824311.

The Day After the Fair

From Hardy's short story, this is the lyrical tale of Anna a young servant girl who meets an attractive stranger from London at the local fair. On his return to the capital they continue their relationship by correspondence. Anna, who is unable to read and write, asks her mistress to compose her letters for her and so unfolds a complex chain of events with devastating consequences.

10 - 19 February 7.30 p.m.

Grove Park Theatre, Hill Street, Wrexham.
Box office tel: 01978 351091
www.grovetheatre.co.uk

Horse Racing

Enjoy the thrills and spills of National Hunt racing at Bangor on Dee's picturesque country racecourse.

*11 February, 2 March, 26 March

Bangor on Dee Racecourse, Bangor on Dee, Nr. Wrexham. Admission: Contact venue direct.
For further information tel: 01978 780323.

Bill Basey Big Band

An evening of big band entertainment.

*14 February & 14 March

The Clubhouse, Wrexham Industrial Estate, Wrexham. 8.30 p.m. Admission: £3.00.
For further details tel: 01978 751487/662266.

Woodland Management

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17 February 1.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.

Meet at Llay Car park, Llay, Nr. Wrexham.
Suitable for ages 8+. Admission: Free.
For further information tel: 01978 763140.

Pig Tales Story Walk

Where are those three little pigs?

21 February 1.30 p.m.

Nant Mill Visitor Centre, Nant Road, Coedpoeth, Wrexham. Admission: Free.
Suitable for all ages with an adult.
For further details tel: 01978 752772.

Acton Adventure Walk

Hear about Bethanella and Aledin's adventure.

22 February 1.30 p.m.

Meet at the viewing platform by the lake. All ages welcome with an adult.

Bellvue Brownie Walk

Find out who the Bellevue Brownie is.

23 February 11.00 a.m.

Meet at the Bandstand, Bellevue Park, Wrexham.
Admission: Free. All ages welcome with an adult.
For further details tel: 01978 264150.

Squawk Walk

23 February 1.30 p.m.

Meet at Alyn Water Country Park (Llay side) at the top car park, Wrexham. Suitable for all ages with an adult. Admission: Free.
For further information tel: 01978 763140.

Bird Feeders & Cakes

Make some treats for our feathered friends.

24 February 1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.

Meet at the bowls pavilion. Suitable for all ages with an adult. Admission £1.75.
For further details tel: 01978 264150.

Riddle Rhymes Walk

Solve the animal riddles and rhymes as we go!

24 February 1.30 p.m.

Ty Mawr Country Park, Cae Gwilym Lane, Cefn Mawr, Nr. Wrexham. Admission: Free.
Suitable for all ages with an adult.
For further details tel: 01978 822780.

Half Term Activity Story Safaris in the Parks

The story walks are all between half and one mile long and take about 1 hour. They have been written especially, to encourage listeners to take part in activity stories around the parks. During half term the stories will be told by the authors Amy Douglas and Fiona Collins and the book of six stories can be bought to read and use again.

Wrexham Parks and Countryside Service
www.wrexham.gov.uk/countryside or
www.wrexham.gov.uk/walks

Ponciau s Past Walk

Hear all about 'Moon' the pit pony.

25 February 1.30 p.m.

Meet at the Bowling Pavilion, Ponciau Banks.
Suitable for all ages with an adult.
For further details tel: 01978 844028.

Wrexham Symphony Orchestra

The Wrexham Symphony Orchestra is one of the most progressive orchestras in North Wales and has grown to its present day membership numbering almost 60 players and regularly attracts professional guest conductors and outstanding soloists. Programme includes: Mahler: Symphony No 6 'Tragic', Conductor: Kenneth Woods.

26 February 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

Glyndwr Theatre, Mold Road, Wrexham.
Tickets available from Wrexham Tourist
Information Centre tel: 01978 292015. £10, £8 and £6 conc.

St. David s Market

An annual event in Wrexham town centre, this bustling market brings together the best of local craft and food producers in celebration of St David's Day.

27 February 10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

Queen Square, Wrexham.
For further details contact Wrexham Tourist
Information Centre tel: 01978 292015.

march

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St. David s Day Parade

Starting from Eagles Meadow, this annual parade will make its way to Llwyn Isaf via Smithfield Road, Charles Street, High Street, Hope Street, Regent Street, Egerton Join, Lord Street, and Rhosddu Road. Join the parade at the start or anywhere along the route. Stalls selling food and Welsh goods will be set up on Llwyn Isaf from 10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. and there will be musical entertainment from approximately 2.30 p.m.

1 March 1.30 p.m. start from Eagles Meadow, 2.00 p.m. at Llwyn Isaf, Wrexham town centre.

Froncysyllte Male Voice Choir

With guest soloist Rhys Meirion. The proceeds of this concert will go to National Eisteddfod of Wales to be held in Wrexham between the 31 July - 7 August, 2011.

5 March 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

Glyndwr Theatre, William Aston Hall, Wrexham. Box office tel: 01978 292015. Tickets: £12.00.

Pancake Extravaganza

8 March 12 noon - 4.00 p.m.

Queen Square, Wrexham. Free Event. All Welcome.

Heritage Walk Clean Up

Tidy the path to the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct world heritage site.

10 March 1.00 p.m.

Ty Mawr Country Park, Cae Gwilym Lane, Cefn Mawr, Nr. Wrexham. Admission: Free. Suitable for all ages with an adult.

For further details tel: 01978 822780.

An Evening of Clairvoyance with Stephen Holbrook

Britain's most accurate medium.

11 March 7.00 p.m.

Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham. *For further information contact 01924 256542.*

Welsh Chamber Orchestra

11 March 7.30 p.m.

Glyndwr Theatre, Mold Road, Wrexham. Tickets: £10.00/£8.00 tel: 01978 293293 www.glyndwr.ac.uk/events

The Mayor s St. David s Day and St. Patrick s Day Celebration Evening

Entertainment will be provided by Welsh and Irish performers and the event will finish with a hot buffet.

12 March 7.30 - 10.00 p.m.

Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham. Tickets from the Mayor's Office, Guildhall, Wrexham tel: 01978 292276/8/9. E-mail: mayoralty@wrexham.gov.uk

Acton Park Community Clean Up

17 March 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon.

Suitable for all ages with an adult. Meet at the Bowls Pavilion, Acton Park Wrexham. Admission: Free. Suitable for all ages with an adult.

For further information tel: 01978 264150.

Toddle Into Spring

and play games along a gentle walk with the ranger.

17 March 10.30 a.m.

Meet at Alyn Water Country Park, Gwersyllt, Nr. Wrexham. Suitable for toddlers with an adult. Admission: Free.

For further information tel: 01978 763140.

Bird Walk

bird ID walk.

19 March 9.00 a.m.

Cwm Glas, Park Street. To book a place tel: 01352 742115.

BBC National Orchestra of Wales

Jack Liebeck. Programme: Gareth Glyn – A Night at the Opera, Sibelius – Violin Concerto, Mendelssohn – Symphony No. 3 (Scottish).

19 March 7.30 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.

Glyndwr Theatre, William Aston Hall, Mold Road, Wrexham. Tickets £9.00 - £15.00 with discounts available from Wrexham Tourist Information Centre tel: 01978 292015.

Motown Soul Night

Rafa Club, Ruthin Road, Wrexham.

For information on ticket prices tel: 01978 261221, E-mail: djdonden@aol.com

Annual Spring Clean

22 March 1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.

Meet at the Bowls Pavilion, Bellevue Park, Wrexham. Suitable for all ages with an adult. *For further details tel: 01978 264150*

The Extraordinary Revelations

present two one-act plays in one evening - two very different takes on love.

The first is the extraordinary story of married couple Henry and Alice whose relationship is heading for a disaster witnessed only by their pet goldfish Orca. Our second offering is a classic tale from master storyteller John Mortimer about an illicit lunchtime liaison that has unexpected consequences ...

24 March - 2 April 7.30 p.m.

Grove Park Theatre, Hill Street, Wrexham. Box office tel: 01978 351091 www.groveparktheatre.co.uk

regular weekly events

Mini Strikers

Football fun sessions for boys and girls 3 - 6 years. Various dates and venues throughout the year. Admission: £25.00 per month.
For further details contact Mark Hitchcox Tel: 07923 426610 or email: just4strikers@live.co.uk

Steam Trains

Wrexham and District Model Engineering Society run miniature Steam Trains at their 800 ft (260m) track on Sundays throughout the year - come and experience the journey of a lifetime behind a Real Steam Locomotive.

Every Sunday

Entrance to track via the Pant-yr-Ochain car park, Gresford, Nr. Wrexham. Rides are free but donations are welcome.

For further details tel: 01978 852287.

Evening Taster

Events for adults offering a chance to try a variety of creative techniques/medias.

Booking recommended.

First Monday of the month

(except Bank Holidays)

Oriel Wrecsam, Rhosddu Road, Wrexham. First session is FREE, then £3.00 (£2.00 concs).
For further information tel: 01978 292093.

Tea Dance

Tea Dance with live music.

Every Monday 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.

Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham. Admission: £2.00 includes tea/coffee.
For further information tel: 01978 292683.

Open Mic Acoustic Night

Every Monday 8.00 p.m.

Yales Café Bar and Central Station, 15 - 17 Hill Street, Wrexham. Admission: £1.00 entry, £1.00 back if you play. All welcome.
For further details tel: 01978 358780/311857.

Hoola Nation Classes

Every Tuesday Tuesday morning and evenings

Adults 10.25 a.m. - 11.10 a.m. and 6.45 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. Children 5.15 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. Gresford Memorial Hall, Gresford, Nr. Wrexham. Suitable for Adults and children aged 6 - 11 years. All welcome. Admission: £27.00 for 6 week course.

For further details contact Sasha tel: 07841 261582 or email sasha@hoolanation.co.uk

American Line Dancing

It's easy to learn and a fun way to get fit. All ages welcome.

Every Tuesday 7.30 p.m. - 10.00 p.m. &

Every Friday 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon

Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham. Admission: £3.50.

For further information tel: 01978 292683.

Walking Your Way to Health Introductory Walk

As part of the groundwork run scheme a weekly walk is held every Tuesday in the park. The walk is around 1.5 miles and is mostly on the flat. Lasts 35 - 40 mins approx. Suitable for all.

Every Tuesday 1.15 p.m.

Meet at the Bandstand, Bellevue Park. Please wear suitable shoes and bring a coat.

For more information contact Groundwork tel: 01978 363555. Free admission.

Dance Jive

If you're 18 or 80 you can enjoy this fun, easy to learn modern jive.

Every Wednesday 7.45 p.m. - 10.30 p.m.

Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham. Admission: £5.00. Beginners: 7.30 p.m. Intermediate: 8.45 p.m.

For further details tel: 07812 369702.

Experimenting with Colour

A rolling programme of practical art courses to provide opportunities to work with a variety of different media. A friendly and informal class for adults who are available in the day time. No experience necessary.

Every Wednesday term time

3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

Oriel Wrecsam, Rhosddu Road, Wrexham. Admission: £5.00 per session (£4.00 Concs). For an additional £1.00 per session all materials can be provided.

For further information tel: 01978 292093.

Lifedrawing Classes for Adults

Come and practice your drawing skill using a life model.

First Thursday of the month

7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.

Oriel Wrecsam, Rhosddu Road, Wrexham. Admission: £4.00, Concessions £3.00.

For further information tel: 01978 292093.

Tower Tours

Climb the 151 steps to the top of St. Giles' famous Tower.

Every Thursday and Saturday

12.30 p.m. (Weather Permitting).

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Donation £2.50 to church funds. Group/party tours by prior arrangement.

For further details tel: 01978 355808.

Alternative Night

The best new Indie, Rock, alt dance (plus some classics) played by resident D.J.'s

Every Thursday

Yales Cafe Bar and Central Station, 15 - 17 Hill Street, Wrexham. Admission: Free between 10.00 p.m. and 10.30 p.m. £3.00 after.
For further details tel: 01978 358780/311857.

Olde Time Dancing

Ballroom dancing (olde time style).

Every Thursday (except bank holiday weeks). 7.00 p.m. - 10.00 p.m.

Coedpoeth Parish Hall, Coedpoeth, Nr. Wrexham. Admission: £1.50.

For further information tel: 01978 757338.

Cheshire/North Wales Contact Karate

All ages welcome. Club established 12 years.

Every Thursday 6.15 p.m. - 7.15 p.m.

Memorial Hall, Bodhyfryd, Wrexham. Admission: Adults: £3.50, Child: £2.50.

For further information contact Graham Jones tel: 01244 535878.

Hookers Blues Club

Continuous programme of blues bands and performers - local, national and international. Wrexham Rugby Club, and Worthenbury Village Hall.

For further details tel: 01948 770215.

Email: hookerblues.co.uk

EVENTS 2011

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Light Fantastic, Wrexham Town Centre

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2 FEBRUARY

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27 FEBRUARY

St. David's Day Market, Queen Square, Wrexham

1 MARCH

St. David's Day Parade, Wrexham Town Centre

5 MARCH

Froncysyllte Male Voice Choir, Glyndwr Theatre

19 MARCH

BBC National Orchestra of Wales, Glyndwr Theatre

30 JULY 6 AUGUST

National Eisteddfod of Wales, Ruthin Road, Wrexham

WHAT'S ON INFORMATION

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