

LETCWORTH FESTIVAL

Friday 10 June

4pm & 6:30pm: Scarecrow A play for children by award-winning playwright Mike Kenny. Letchworth Arts Centre. £6/£4 V

10:30pm: Ghostly Tales Grisly tales told by Eve Le-Fay will send shivers up your spine. St Mary the Virgin, Letchworth Lane. £2 D, T

Saturday 11 June

10am-5pm: Street Fest Details overleaf.

10am-2pm: Family Fun Day Includes bouncy castle, rodeo bull, fire engine, games, crafts and barbeque. St Paul's Church. Free entry, donations to charity.

10am-1pm: Coffee morning and car wash Have your car hand-washed by our enthusiastic team! Central Methodist Church. £5 per car.

8pm: Fiesta de La Concha Spanish-themed live music, dancers, traditional tapas. La Concha Winebar.

Sunday 12 June

Dawn-dusk: Greensand Ridge Walk Challenge 40 miles between Leighton Buzzard and Gamlingay. Contact Tourist Information Centre.

10am-5pm: Horticultural Workshops Details overleaf.

10am-3pm: Open Garages Don't let spare goods go to waste! Visit the Open Garage sales (map will be on website) or contact Transition Town Letchworth to hold your own.

11am-6pm: Norton Walkabout Open gardens, flower displays in St Nicholas Church, band, maypole, refreshments. £3.50 (adv) £4.00 V

11am-4pm: The Letchworth Centre Open Day

Treatments, classes, talks and workshops plus outdoor family activities. The Letchworth Centre for Healthy Living. Free but booking recommended. V

2pm: Guided Foraging Walk Join Growing People to find food in the hedgerows. The Letchworth Centre for Healthy Living. £5/free T

3-5pm: Afternoon Tea and Cakes Join All Saints' Church Willian for afternoon tea and cakes. Donations to charity. Willian Village Hall.

7pm: International Port Tasting Try port from around the world; prize competition to match the port and country. La Concha Winebar. £15 incl cheeseboard. V

8pm: An Evening with Ruth Goodman Ruth Goodman of TV's *The Victorian & Edwardian Farms* delivers an insight into life as a social historian. Plinston. £9/£7 T, V

Monday 13 June

3pm: Afternoon Tea and Talk Explore the history of tea while enjoying a cup or two. Letchworth Museum and Art Gallery. £1.50 V

7:45pm: International Film Season The first film in the Season. Details overleaf.

Tuesday 14 June

10am: The History of St Francis' College and its Building A talk followed by a tour and tea/coffee. Free but booking essential. T

10am-12 noon: NCT Coffee, Cake Sale & Tombola Open to everyone with children under 5. Norton Methodist Community Church.

11am: International Film Season Details overleaf.

Programme of Events: Friday 10 June to Sunday 26 June

12 noon-2pm: Golf Taster Sessions for Beginners Group coaching sessions in the driving range & putting green with the club's Professional. Letchworth Golf Club. Free but booking essential. T

2-5pm: Open Afternoon All Saints' Church Willian Learn about its history and improvement plans. Refreshments available. Free, donations welcome. Contact Peter Harkness 01462-682659.

4pm: Children's Tales Eve Le-Fay tells stories in Letchworth Museum. Free.

7pm: The Wildlife of Norton Common Stroll with Letchworth Natural History Society and learn about the habitats, mammals, flowers and birds. £1 T

7:30pm: International Film Season Details overleaf.

7:30pm: The Sky's Dark Labyrinth - Author Talk & Book Signing Stuart Clark introduces the first novel in a trilogy which brings our understanding of the cosmos to life. David's Bookshop. Free but booking essential. D

Wednesday 15 June

10:30am: Tour of St Christopher School Coffee, then a tour and talk. Free but booking essential. T

11am: Milton Keynes Theatre Backstage Tour Meet at Milton Keynes Theatre. £2.50 from Lordship Theatregoers 07831 417687.

6-10pm: St John Ambulance Open Evening Displays and demonstrations by members. Have a go at resuscitation! Letchworth Garden City Division Headquarters 13 Lacre Way. Free.

Thursday 16 June

9am-5pm: Car Valet Tuition Learn to valet a car with Autoglym. Give names to Tourist Information Centre by 10 June; 6 winners informed 11 June. Free.

9:30am: Circular walk via Church Farm Ardeley A walk of either 9 or 18 miles – you choose! Contact Tourist Information Centre.

7pm: Norton Archaeology A talk by Norton Community Archaeology Group then get hands-on with local archaeology. Letchworth Museum & Art Gallery. Free.

7:30pm: The Pioneer Years An illustrated talk exploring the Garden City's early years. Mrs Howard Memorial Hall. Free, tickets from First Garden City Heritage Museum.

7:45pm: Prescription for Murder The Settlement Players present a thriller by Norman Robbins. The Settlement. £7 D

Friday 17 June

10am-12:30pm: Seasonal Summer Flowers Flower arranging for all levels of experience. The Settlement. £12.50 plus materials. V

7pm: Housing in the World's First Garden City (past & future) Howard Cottage Housing Assoc. hosts a centenary debate on housing with a panel of housing and Letchworth experts. Ballroom, The Spirella Building. Free incl refreshments.

7:30pm: Simeon Wood In Concert A multi-instrumentalist of dazzling versatility and inspiration. St Paul's Church. Profit to charities. £8 (2 for £15)/£4 incl refreshments. T, V

7:45pm: Prescription for Murder See 16 June.

Saturday 18 June

9am-1pm: Farmers' Market Leys Square.

10am-4pm: Art and Craft Market Details overleaf.

10am-3pm: Clay Bead Workshop The Settlement. £25 V

10am-12 noon & 2-3:30pm: Create a Scarecrow Cut out or decorate a flat paper scarecrow for display. Letchworth Children's Library.

7:30pm: Summer Concert Letchworth Chorale presents works by Jenkins, V. Williams, Elgar and more. Letchworth Free Church £8/£6 D, V

7:30pm: John Leyton and the Flame's Sixties Explosion Enjoy a Great Escape to the swinging sixties. Plinston. £12 (adv) £14 on door. T, V

7:45pm: Prescription for Murder See 16 June.

Sunday 19 June - Fathers' Day

10am-6pm: Family Fun Day Details overleaf.

10am-4pm: Jackmans Fun Day Details overleaf.

10am-3pm: Car Boot Sale Organised by Ernest Gardiner Day Hospital League of Friends. Book in advance (0778 4736562) £10 a car, no traders. Goldsmith Centre Car Park.

11am-12:30pm: Golf Taster Sessions for Beginners See 14 June.

3:30pm: Children's Concert Enjoy the Kariosa Ensemble's music and learn about their instruments. The Settlement. Tickets £5 / £3 / Family £10 V

5-6pm: Songs of Praise The Salvation Army Band and "Churches Together in Letchworth" lead open-air worship. Bring your singing voice! Leys Square.

Monday 20 June

9am: Garden Cities Walk Enjoy the countryside on this walk from Welwyn to Letchworth. Contact Tourist Information Centre.

7:45pm: International Film Season Details overleaf.

Tuesday 21 June

2-5pm: Open Afternoon All Saints' Church Willian See 14 June.

7pm: The Trees of Letchworth Stroll with Letchworth Natural History Society and learn about the town centre's original and more recent trees. £1 T

7:45pm: International Film Season Details overleaf.

9pm-5am: Midsummer Night's Walk 13.6 miles round the Greenway from dusk till dawn. Meet at Manor Farm car park. Come prepared!

Wednesday 22 June

2pm: Tea Dance Ballroom and latin dancing with music by Maurice. Plinston. £3.25 incl refreshments T, V

4:15pm: Children's Tales As 14 June, but venue is David's Bookshop.

6-10pm: St John Ambulance Open Evening See 15 June.

7:30pm: An Historical Atlas of Hertfordshire Editor David Short talks about Hertfordshire history to launch this book. David's Bookshop. Free but booking essential. D

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Thursday 23 June

10am: Visit to Hitchin Lavender Farm A tour of the farm and a talk. £4/£1 incl tea/coffee. T

7:45pm: Outside Edge SPADS presents this 2-act comedy about events on and off the cricket field. St Paul's Church Hall. £7 Booking office 01462 676090 (adv) or on the door. T, V

Friday 24 June

6pm: The Witches Come and thrill to Highfield School's dramatisation of Roald Dahl's classic story! Letchworth Arts Centre. £3/free V

7:30pm: Festival Wine Tasting Meet local wine groups, discover some great wines and test your skill in a blind tasting. Mercure Letchworth Hall Hotel. £10 incl tastings and light finger buffet. T

7:30pm: The Sound of Simon & Garfunkel plus The Free-Wheelin' Bob Dylan Plinston. £11 (adv) £13 on door. T, V

7:30pm: William Ratcliffe Book and Exhibition Launch Celebrate the Exhibition opening and the launch of a book about Ratcliffe's paintings. Letchworth Museum and Art Gallery. Free.

7:45pm: Outside Edge See 23 June.

10:30pm: Ghostly Tales See 10 June.

Saturday 25 June

10am-4pm: Discover Letchworth Life Details overleaf.

10am-3pm: Music on Broadway Performances by local musicians, next to Morrisons.

10:30am-3:30pm: Day of Dance Details overleaf.

11am: 1907 Exhibition Cottages A walk around some of the 1907 competition cottages. £1/free. T

2pm: 1905 Exhibition Cottages A walk around some of the 1905 competition cottages. £1/free. T

7pm: Sunset Fest Live music, food, Sangria, Pimms. La Concha Winebar.

7:30pm: We'll Meet Again Britain's best war-time variety show. Plinston. £12.50/£10.50 T, V

7:45pm: Outside Edge See 23 June.

Sunday 26 June

11am: Saving Norton Common A guided walk with The Friends of Norton Common explaining maintenance and conservation work. £1/free T

1-6pm: Proms in the Park Details overleaf.

2pm: Wilbury Walk Discover Wilbury's history. Free, book at Letchworth Museum and Art Gallery.

2-4pm: Have a Go at Croquet Try this most enjoyable, social and addictive game. The Sports and Tennis Club, Muddy Lane. Free.

7:30pm: Letchworth Sinfonia Summer Concert Works by Rutter, Schubert and Dvorak with guest flautist Emma Halnan. Plinston. £10/£8 D, T, V

7:45pm: International Film Season Details overleaf.

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Letchworth Festival 2012

Bookshop.

More detail about these and other events is available from www.leitchworthfestival.org, Letchworth Tourist Information Centre, Letchworth Library and David's Bookshop.

Further Information

Tourist Information Centre	Station Road	01462 487868
Pilston	Broadway	01462 672003
The Settlement	Newells Road	01462 682828
Letchworth Museum & Art Gallery	Broadway	01462 685647
Letchworth Centre for Healthy Living	Hitchin Road	01462 678804
Letchworth Arts Centre	The Arcade	01462 670788
La Concha Wine Bar	Station Place	01462 673804
Heritage Museum	Norton Way South	01462 482710
First Garden City	Eastcheap	01462 684631
David's Bookshop	Eastcheap	01462 681300
Broadway Cinema	Eastcheap	01462 681300

Booking Information

The standard price is followed by concession or child price if applicable. Please note payment may often be by cash or cheque only.

D = David's Bookshop
T = Letchworth Tourist Information Centre
V = the relevant venue.

Tickets will be available from Saturday 21 May. Details of where to obtain them are given with each event.

Tickets

Running Throughout the Festival:

Reflections Festival poems in Letchworth shop windows, written by poetry id. Each poem is an original work reflecting the trade of each shop and the imagination of the poet.

A selection of Festival events: the full programme is available overleaf.

Saturday 11 June

10am-5pm: Street Fest The Street Fest returns to Letchworth and promises to be better than ever. Join Titan the Robot and over 50 other acts in a celebration of the Arts.

Sunday 12 June

10am-5pm: Horticultural Workshops
10am-1pm then lunch: Introduction to Vegetable Growing - what to grow and how to grow it.

2-5pm (lunch from 12:30pm): Introduction to Growing Culinary Herbs.

In aid of Growing People (horticultural therapy for people with mental health issues), The Letchworth Centre for Healthy Living. 1 workshop incl lunch £25, 2 workshops incl lunch £40.V

Saturday 18 June

10am-4pm: Art and Craft Market A range of crafts for sale with demonstrations and opportunities to try your hand. Garden Square.

Sunday 19 June – Fun on Fathers' Day

10am-6pm: Family Fun Day Bring Dad to Hertfordshire Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre's Fun Day to test his skills at challenges from archery to traditional sideshows. Lots for Mums and children as well! The Letchworth Centre for Healthy Living. Admission free.

10am-4pm: Jackmans Fun Day Stalls, live music, food and family activities in Ivel Court and the Jackmans Community Centre.

Saturday 25 June

10am-4pm: Discover Letchworth Life

Demonstrations by local organisations and a chance to have a go. Come and discover what Letchworth has to offer. Leys Avenue.

10:30am-3:30pm: Day of Dance

Leys Square. Demonstrations from local dancing groups and the opportunity to learn a few moves. Includes:

Rodney's Dance School, Pragathi Café, St Andrew's Society, Garden City Samba, Ceroc Central, Horizon, Flexit Dance Academy, Raq Shaqi, Get In the Swing.

Sunday 26 June

1-6pm: Proms in the Park A grand open air concert by our schools and organisations including Fearnhill School, St Christopher School, Letchworth Garden City Band, The Settlement Guitar School, local bands The Nimblewits and Strange Folk and many more. Broadway Gardens, all free!

Side shows include **sword fighting, face painting, and hot rod cars.**

International Film Season at the Broadway Cinema

Five films brought to you by the Letchworth Festival Steering Committee, the Broadway Cinema, Letchworth Film Club and First Garden City Heritage Museum. Tickets can be bought for all films at the Cinema on the night; tickets for all except **The Illusionist** can also be bought in advance or online.

Monday 13 June, 7.45pm: Welcome (15)

A young Iraqi tries to get to London to see his girlfriend. £5V

Tuesday 14 June, 11am & 7:30pm:

Made in Dagenham (15) Supporting First Garden City Heritage Museum's *Women in Letchworth* exhibition. 11am silver screen £3.75, 7:30pm £4.50 V

Monday 20 June, 7.45pm: White Material (15)

A French woman's efforts to save her family's coffee plantation in Africa. £5V

Tuesday 21 June, 7.45pm: Motor Cycle Diaries (15)

Che Guevara and a fellow student travel South America with life-changing results. £5 V

Sunday 26 June, 7.45pm: The Illusionist (PG)

An animated film set in Edinburgh based on a story by Jacques Tati. £5/£4V

Acknowledgements

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Great care was taken when producing this programme and information was believed to be correct at time of printing. Unforeseen circumstances may necessitate changes in events. Please visit: www.leitchworthfestival.org for updates and extra events.

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