



Regular Events

SPORT & FITNESS

- ❖ **Finchley & Hornsey Ramblers Group** Call Vivien 8883 8190
- ❖ **Glebelands Indoor Bowls Club**, Summers Lane N12. New and experienced bowlers welcome.
- ❖ **Keep fit for the Retired** on Wednesdays, Christ Church N12. Call Bridie 8883 5269
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Bowling Club**, Kings Ave, N10. New & experienced bowlers welcome. Tel: 8883 1178.
- ❖ **Pilates** in East Finchley, qualified teacher. Contact Dee on 8883 7029
- ❖ **Pilates class** Wednesdays, 2.15-3.15pm at Youth Theatre, N2. Ring Penny Hill 8444 2882.
- ❖ **Tae Kwon Do** at The Green Man Thursdays 7-9pm 07949 612 706
- ❖ **Tennis club** with four clay courts off Southern Road. Call 8883 7723.
- ❖ **Wood Walk**, meet 10am at Cherry Tree Wood cafe on 1st & 2nd Mon of month for 1 hr walk, Call 8883 8750.
- ❖ **Yoga, breathing & relaxation.** Weekly drop-in classes - N2, N6, N10. Phone Judy on 8444 7783.
- ❖ **Yoga, pregnancy yoga, meditation** classes at Holy Trinity Church. Call Sunnah 07941 321 772 or visit www.stretchingpeople.co.uk

DANCE, DRAMA & CREATIVE ARTS

- ❖ **Art Classes.** For info call Henry on 8888 5133.
- ❖ **Ballroom Dance Classes**, Wednesday eves for beginners & improvers. St Mary's Church Hall, N3. 8444 0280.
- ❖ **Club Dramatika** drama club for kids. Call 8883 7110.
- ❖ **Creative writing classes** in informal, friendly atmosphere. Tel Sallie Rose 0208 444 7217
- ❖ **East Finchley Writers Group** Creative writing 6.30pm every Weds at the Old White Lion. Contact Carola 8883 5808 or Lilian 8444 1793.
- ❖ **East Finchley Writing Workshops.** poetry writing monthly on Saturdays. Contact Dennis Evans 8346 9528.
- ❖ **Line dancing** Tuesdays from 8.30pm at The Constitutional Club. Call Maureen 8440 8530.
- ❖ **Memory Lane Singing Club** - a communal singing club. Call Idit Gold 8458 4508.
- ❖ **Over 50s Tea Dance** at Christ Church, North Finchley. Every Weds, 1pm. 020 8444 0280.
- ❖ **Learn to sing** at Finchley Methodist Church. Call 8883 4070 for info.
- ❖ **Street Dance** every Tuesday at Old Barn for children of various ages. Contact Lorna 07976 203669.
- ❖ **Symphonic Wind Orchestra** Contact Caroline Egan 8340 2706
- ❖ **Tap Dance** for children beginning at Old Barn every Monday, Contact Sharon 8349 4613

CLUBS & SOCIAL

- ❖ **Bingo Club** Mondays 7-9pm, Green Man Centre, Contact: Jan 8815 5459
- ❖ **Contact Lunch Club** Tuesdays at the Green Man. Call 8444 1162 to book.
- ❖ **EF National Childbirth Trust** contact Joanna 8883 0941 or joannabrunt@cybergal.com
- ❖ **Finchley & District Philatelic Society**, Contact Brian 8444 3251
- ❖ **Finchley Jazz Club** 12 & 26 Nov at 8pm, Wilf Slack Cricket Pavilion, East End Rd, N3.
- ❖ **Friendly Rubber Bridge** at The Old Barn. Contact 8349 4613
- ❖ **Friends of Cherry Tree Wood.** www.cherrytreewood.co.uk or call 020 8883 7544.
- ❖ **Haringey Recorded Music Society** informal meetings locally. Call David Mouldon on 8361 1696.
- ❖ **Highgate Film Society**, contact Admin Office 8340 3343 or email: admin@hlsi.net.
- ❖ **North London Bridge Club**, Muswell Hill. Contact 8348 3495
- ❖ **Muswell Hill and Highgate Pensioners' Action Group** Call Bob Cottingham on 8444 7635.
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Tetherdown Bridge**, contact 8883 4390
- ❖ **Old Barn pre-school club**, contact 8349 4613/1961
- ❖ **Parent & Toddler Group**, Green Man Centre, Julia 8444 2276
- ❖ **Probus Lunch Club** for retired professionals. Call John 8883 8114.
- ❖ **Stepping Stones**, interactive play session for under 3's. Karen 07957 278860.
- ❖ **SwampRock** live music events. See www.swamprock.org.uk
- ❖ **Traditional Music** in the Alexandra pub, Church Lane from 8.30pm on the last Thursday of every month.

Big Draw proves a big draw

By Nicola Sim

Finchley residents turned out in force at Community Focus on Saturday 13 October to take part in the nationwide Campaign for Drawing celebration, The Big Draw.

Proving that drawing doesn't have to involve a pencil, visitors of all ages and abilities collaborated with artist Orly Orbach to create a working installation that took over the studios of artsdepot in North Finchley.

Participants experimented with giant paintbrushes, food dyes, ink and printing blocks and were inspired by mysterious objects and words to devise their own stories or theatrical dramas.

Friedi Baldeweg, a volunteer from East Finchley, said: "There was an exceptional amount of enthusiasm and the atmosphere was really friendly and encouraging. It was great to see people of every age enjoying expressing themselves through art."

Community Focus is a charity that specialises in creative and performing arts for all members of the Barnet community.

Community Focus is running an Open Exhibition where you could get your art work put on show and even on sale. Anyone wishing to submit their work should collect an application form from the charity's office on level 2 at artsdepot or download it from the website www.communityfocus.co.uk. The exhibition will be open to the public at artsdepot from 10am to 5pm on 10 - 14 December.



The Big Draw at Community Focus

Va-va ZUM

By Betti Blatman

On 21 September the original gypsy-tango band ZUM brought their stunning new show to North Finchley's Trinity Church Centre. There was phenomenal fiddling from Adam Summerhayes, sensational jazz soloing from Dave Gordon on piano, awesome bass virtuosity from Jani Pensola, stunning accordion mastery from Eddie Hession and supreme lyricism from cellist Chris Grist.

Each musician entered the hall separately, adding their instrument's music to the culmination of a jazzy interpretation of tango which then became interwoven with bluesy and passionate gypsy sounds with seductive beats, chilled grooves, pumping rhythms and cataclysmic frenzy.

All ZUM's music is written and arranged by Adam Summerhayes and Dave Gordon. The group, who are preparing

for a new album, were inspired by their recent tour of mid-west USA and played *Roof Top Highway*, which featured Cajun and Zydeco influence.

There was a wonderful interaction between all the musicians, with separate melodies merging in a fabulous finale of *Toe Tapper for Jessie*. The audience's standing ovation expressed their delight at the explosive performance.

Give me Moore

By Linda Dolata

Until the end of March there is a unique exhibition of the sculptures of Henry Moore at Kew Gardens. It is the first time a display of this size has ever been attempted. There are 28 pieces in all, some brought from their usual location in Perry Green, Hertfordshire, where Moore lived and worked, others from more distant locations. It will be many years, if ever, before such a huge and impressive exhibition is mounted, so do make time to go and see it.

Moore intended his pieces to stand in space so that they could be seen from all angles, and this is precisely what Kew has been able to do. The individual sites have been chosen with great care, and not only do the sculptures enhance Kew, but the gardens add to the pieces and allow the viewer really to see them.

There are events on at Kew throughout the year. For more information visit the website at www.kew.org.

Stallholders required for

Winter Fayre

Are you interested in holding a stall at the East Finchley Winter Fayre at Martin Primary School on Saturday 8th December?

If you have something to sell (art & crafts) or a talent to share (magician, facepainting) or, alternatively, have anything

you would be happy to donate we would be delighted to hear from you.

Stall hire is £20 with all proceeds going to East Finchley Neighbourhood Contact. For further information or to reserve your space please contact Sian or Tareshia on 8444 1162.

What's On...

E-mail your listings to: the-archer@lineone.net

Monday 5 November

- **Firework Display** at Martin Primary School, Plane Tree Walk, 6pm.

Saturday 10 November

- **Spike Milligan Statue Fund Raising Evening; On the Home Front** by H&S Productions, a look at life in wartime Britain in story and song. East Finchley Constitutional Club, The Walks, 7.30pm.

Sunday 11 November

- **East Finchley Farmers' Market.** 10am-2pm at Martin Primary School, High Road, N2. Call Wayne Atkinson on 077 579 808 48 or visit www.green-artisan.org.uk.
- **Hampstead Garden Suburb Horticultural Society's Fungus Foray on Hampstead Heath**, guided by an expert. Meet 10am at The Wells Pub, Well Walk, Hampstead, NW3. Cost £5. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult; under 10s free. No dogs. Details from Michael Franklin on 020 8458 5846 or hgs@hortsoc.co.uk.
- **East Finchley Methodist Church concert**, High Road, 8pm; pianist Colin Wharton plays Beethoven, Schubert, Liszt, Chopin and Gershwin. Free admission. Collection in aid of Asthma UK. This venue is fully accessible to people with disabilities.

Wednesday 14 - Saturday 17 November

- **Southgate Opera** presents *Kismet*, at Wyllyotts Centre, Darkes Lane, Poters Bar, EN6 2HN. 7.30pm every evening, and 2.30pm Saturday matinee. Call 01707 645 005, or see www.scoopera.co.uk.

Saturday 17 November

- **Muswell Hill Craft Fair**, an excellent place for Christmas shopping, 10am-4pm, Tetherdown Hall, Tetherdown, N10. In support of North London Hospice. Jewellery, pottery, scarves, woodwork, bags and stained glass products, as well as Christmas cards and decorations. Admission £1 for adults.
- **Christmas Sale** at the RSPCA Small Animal Clinic, Market Place, N2, 12noon-3pm.

Sunday 18 November

- **Art Fair**, East Finchley Open annual event, 10.30am-4pm, Martin Primary School, Plane Tree Walk, off High Road, N2. Original and affordable work by local artists, many different arts and crafts. Refreshments. See www.eastfinchleyopen.org.uk. Free admission with suggested £1 donation to neighbourhood charity Contact.

Thursday 29 November

- **The Finchley Society** hosts a talk by John Rickard on The Statue of La Delivrance (The Naked Lady): an enquiry into its history. 8pm at Avenue House, East End Road, N3. All welcome. £2 entry for non-members.

Thursday 6, Friday 7 and Saturday 8 December

- **The Guild Players** present *The Fumblings at Friar's Bottom*. 7.45pm at Ballards Lane Methodist Church Hall, N3. Telephone 020 8346 6337.

Friday 7 December

- **Friends of Barnet Libraries** host a talk by Mrs K. Lansbury on *dyslexia*. 11am - 12 noon at East Finchley Library. Refreshments. Everyone welcome.

Saturday 8 December

- Special charity performance of *A Christmas Carol* in aid of Noah's Ark Children's Hospice, **Chickenshed Theatre Company**, Southgate, 3.30pm. Tickets £15 (£13 concs) from 020 8449 8877.

Saturday 15 December

- **North London Chorus** celebrates 30 glorious years with a programme of choral classics: Messiah Part I, Pergolesi Magnificat, Bach Cantata BWV 133 and Schoenberg Friede auf Erden (Peace on Earth); St Michael's Church, Highgate, N6, at 7pm. Tickets from 020 8883 8123 or from Les Aldrich Music Shop, 98 Fortis Green Road, Muswell Hill, N10. Retiring collection for the North London Hospice.

What's On at artsdepot, North Finchley

- **There's Something About Simmy**, Tuesday 6 November - Saturday 10 November, 7.30pm; **More of Me - Stephen K Amos**, Thursday 8 November, 8pm; **Claire Martin**, Sunday 11 November, 8pm; **Tango Siempre** presents *Tango:Nuevo*, Wednesday 14 November, 8pm; **London Jazz Festival, Voices / Body / Space / Beat**, Friday 16 November, 6pm; **Creative Routes 07** - Inspired by the work of Raymond Briggs, Friday 16 November - Sunday 13 January 2008; **London Jazz Festival, Juliet Kelly**, Sunday 18 November, 8pm; **Shobana Jeyasingh Dance Company** presents *The Dancers' Cut*, Thursday 22 November, 8pm; **Moishe's Bagel**, Wednesday 28 November, 8pm.