



## Regular Events

### Sport & Fitness

- **Finchley & Hornsey Ramblers Group**  
Call Vivien 8883 8190
- **Glebelands Indoor Bowls Club**, Summers Lane N12. New and experienced bowlers welcome.
- **Muswell Hill Bowling Club**, Kings Ave, N10. New & experienced bowlers welcome. Tel: 8883 0433.
- **Outdoor Bootcamp** 9.30am & 10.30am every Sat; **Boxing and Kettlebells**, 6.45pm Weds, Victoria Park, N3. Contact Sarah 07956 589902.
- **Outdoor Fit Camp** Lyttelton Playing Fields, N2, 6.30pm Wed and 9.30am Sat. Call Martin on 07809 593952.
- **Pilates class** Weds 3.30 & 7pm at Ann Owens Ctr, N2. Call Penny 8444 2882.
- **Pilates Classes** Tue 9.30, Fri 9.15 & Sun 11am. [www.pilatesineastfinchley.co.uk](http://www.pilatesineastfinchley.co.uk). Michelle 07767 804 564
- **Tai Chi & Qigong** in N2, Weds 1pm. James 8883 3308/07836 710281 or [james@taiji.co.uk](mailto:james@taiji.co.uk)
- **Tennis club** with four clay courts off Southern Road. Call 8883 7723.
- **Yoga, breathing & relaxation**. Weekly drop-in classes - N3, N6, N10. Phone Judy on 07956 375607.
- **Yoga beginners' course** at Yogalogy, High Road, N2. Contact 020 70187377 or [info@yogalogy.co.uk](mailto:info@yogalogy.co.uk)
- **Yoga**, pregnancy yoga, meditation classes. Call Sunnah 07941 321 772 [www.stretchingpeople.co.uk](http://www.stretchingpeople.co.uk).
- **Women's kick boxing**, Thursdays 9.30am, East Finchley Combat Academy, Church Lane, N2. Contact 07956 340540.

### Music, Dance & Creative Arts

- **Art Classes**. Call Henry on 8888 5133.
- **A-Chord**, friendly choir, all genres, open to all. Thursdays 8pm at NNLS, East End Rd. Laura 07732 120464. [www.a-chord.uk](http://www.a-chord.uk)
- **Ballroom & Latin American Dance Classes** - beginners & improvers. Wed & Fri eve, Bishop Douglass Sch. 8207 2323.
- **'Calm & Sing' workshops**. Contact Angie on [missangiea@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:missangiea@yahoo.co.uk)
- **Creative writing classes** in informal, friendly atmosphere. Tel Sallie Rose 020 8444 7217.
- **Dance conditioning classes**. New body in 10 lessons. Diana: 07580 041270. [www.boldbodies.co.uk](http://www.boldbodies.co.uk).
- **East Finchley Writers Group**, Weds at the Old White Lion. Contact Ralph 8444 5903.
- **East Finchley Poetry Writing Workshops**. Monthly on Saturdays. Contact Dennis Evans 8346 9528.
- **Memory Lane Singing Club** - friendly singing club meets every Friday in Finchley. Call Valerie 8458 4508.
- **Over 50s Tea Dance** at Christ Church, North Finchley. Every Weds, 1pm. 020 8444 0280.
- **Learn to sing** at Finchley Methodist Church, Ballards La. Call 8888 4412.
- **Muswell Hill after school ukulele club**, Wednesdays 4.15-5.15pm, ages 6-10. Contact Margie 07909 439513.
- **Traditional tunes** @ TOC Highgate Hill, join in playing by ear - 1st & 3rd Tues monthly from 8.30pm. Free. 07958 282898.

### Clubs & Social

- **Bingo evening**, 8pm Sundays, at the Constitutional Club, The Walks, N2.
- **Bingo Club** Mondays 7-9 pm, Green Man Centre, Contact: Jan 8815 5452
- **French conversation** in small friendly group with native speaker. 8444 9395.
- **Friends of Cherry Tree Wood** [www.cherrytreewood.co.uk](http://www.cherrytreewood.co.uk) or 8883 7544.
- **Haringey Recorded Music Society** informal meetings locally. Call David Moldon on 8361 1696.
- **Muslim Ladies Lunch Club** 1st & 3rd Weds, Ann Owen Ctr., Oak La. Call 8432 1415 to book.
- **Bridge Club**, every Saturday 1.30-4pm, Ann Owens Centre, Oak Lane, N2 8LT. Contact Ray Tiano 07944 562180.
- **Jewish Friendship Club** for over 60s, Tues 1-3 pm at Muswell Hill Synagogue, Tetherdown. Anita 8886 6140.

# One-man show triumphs at Edinburgh Fringe

One-man show *Venus and Adonis* was carried up to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival at the end of July on a tide of support after first playing to a tiny audience in the back garden of a home near Cherry Tree Wood (*The Archer*, August 2017).

It played the full four weeks at the festival with only one day off, and now actor Christopher Hunter and producers Stephen Graham and Hilary Townley have returned home, tired but happy.

Christopher's moving adaptation of Shakespeare's poem was a triumph, and fast became one of the standout performances of the festival fringe. Despite competition from 3,500 shows this year, it is a testament to the quality of the piece that it captured the attention of the coveted national press, along with many rave reviews.

As a result of the production's success in Edinburgh, The Rose Playhouse, an enchanting venue on Bankside, has invited Christopher to give six performances from 10-15 October.

The original Rose Playhouse was the first Elizabethan theatre on the Southbank and pre-dated The Globe. For details of Christopher's performances there, visit [www.thenoontidesun.com](http://www.thenoontidesun.com).



Actor Christopher Hunter giving a strong performance. Photo by Mihaela Bodlovic



Better Breathing: Angie Anuforo, right, with her Keep Calm singing group

## A jump jive night out

Local professional vocalist and teacher Angie A is seeking crowdfunding help for a Jump Jive Night at the Bohemia in North Finchley in November. Angie is asking for minimum £2 pledges to get the event off the ground. She runs regular Keep Calm & Sing workshops where she shares ways to overcome stress and improve breathing. Help Angie's crowdfunding project by going to [www.spacehive.com](http://www.spacehive.com) and searching for Jump Jive Barnet.

Those who pledge over £20 will receive a free ticket to the event, a fun night of song and dance with a jump jive live band, DJ and swing class icebreaker.

## Play for power

Garden Suburb Theatre brings a historical tale of intrigue, money, sex and power to north London with its production of *Power* by Nick Dear. The play is set in France at the court of the young King Louis XIV in the 1660s. Louis decides to take the reins of power to glorify France and himself. The court, however, is much happier with a king who dances and pursues his mistresses.

Performances run from Thursday 19 to Saturday 21 October at 7.30pm and on Sunday 22 October at 4pm, Upstairs at the Gatehouse, Highgate Village. Tickets £13/£11. To book visit [www.upstairsatthegatehouse.com](http://www.upstairsatthegatehouse.com).



Court of the King: The Garden Suburb Theatre cast in rehearsals

## What's On...

**Saturday 7 October to Sunday 15 October**  
East Finchley Arts Festival: eight-day celebration of art, music, literature and film, at All Saints' Church, Durham Road, N2, and the Phoenix Cinema. Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Massive Violins; Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Martin School Concert and Robert Powell celebrating the Life of Dickens; Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Pianist Masayuki Tayama; Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> London Mozart Players; Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Kosmos; Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> London Metropolitan Brass Band; Friday 13<sup>th</sup> singer/songwriter Tim Arnold; Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Come and Sing Faure; Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> *The Ladykillers* at the Phoenix Cinema and Pop-Up Opera. Times and

tickets online at [www.ticketsource.co.uk/efinchleyarts](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/efinchleyarts) and from Black Gull Books, 121 High Road, N2, (tel 020 8444 4717). Tickets also available on the door. Festival Art Exhibition open every weekday in the church from 6pm, and weekend from 12 noon to 10pm.

### Sunday 8 October

• **Grange Big Local's free annual festival and Fun Palace**, featuring live music and lots of activities from football to cooking, art, mad science, sensible kick-boxing, basketball and bouncy castles; lots to do for all ages, and everything completely free; Ann Owens Centre, Oak Lane, N2,

from 12-4pm.

• **Free concert at East Finchley Methodist Church**, High Road, opposite Creighton Avenue, 7.30pm; The Hermitage Ensemble with guest soprano Carola Darwin and pianist Nicholas Baumgartner play a programme including the UK premiere of *Goethe Songs* by Johanna Müller-Hermann and *Gypsy Songs* by Dvorak. Free entry with collection in aid of Freedom from Torture. Venue fully accessible.

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### Sunday 28 October

• **Combat Stress' Winter Fair**, fundraising for the treatment of armed forces veterans with mental health issues; 10am to 3pm at the Free Church Hall, Northway, Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11 6PB. Free parking. H2 passes the door, or 102 bus to Market Place/Falldon Way and walk up Northway.

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