



Friday 27th February 2026

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## News and information

Send yours to [news@visitthirsk.uk](mailto:news@visitthirsk.uk)

### Ritz Adventure Film Festival



#### SUNDAY EVENINGS 8th, 15th & 22nd MARCH

*Though the core of our festival films are bold exploits and derring-do there is much more besides with contemplative works and the beauty of the outdoors. Please don't think "this isn't for me". If you are a climber, a biker, a skier, or a boarder, you will certainly not be disappointed; however, if you are none of these, you can still enjoy the grandeur of the natural habitat and the touching human tales told.*

Full details of the content for each night are detailed on the Ritz website. Each week is a totally different showreel. For each event the doors open at 7pm with the show starting at 7:30pm. Each is approximately 90 minutes duration, category 12A and standard Ritz ticket price. Tickets can be booked online now or on the door on the night. For more information see [ritzcinema.co.uk](http://ritzcinema.co.uk)

### Restaurant week discounts



**From Mon 23 Feb to Sun 1 Mar.** Restaurants, cafes, tea rooms and pubs across Helmsley and the Howardian Hills are offering set-price dining for £15, £20, £25, £30 or £35. Places include Black Swan, Helmsley, Hawnbly Stores and Tea Room, The Olive Branch Easingwold, The Fika Room Easingwold, La Trattoria Helmsley, The Stapylton At Wass, The Fairfax Arms Gilling East, The Owl at Hawnbly and more... For the full list see [helmsley.radiodeals.co.uk](http://helmsley.radiodeals.co.uk)

### The Information Office is open



We welcome both Thirsk residents and visitors. We are 30 volunteers - come have a chat and catch up with what is going on in Thirsk and neighbouring places. Open Mon-Sat 10am-3pm. Collect free leaflets and buy greetings cards, postcards, stamps, maps, walking books & inexpensive presents. Also watch our Market Place camera 24/7 at [VisitThirsk.uk/webcam](http://VisitThirsk.uk/webcam)

### Thirsk: Have your say

There is still time to complete the Thirsk Town Investment Plan Survey. If you haven't done so already, please complete the survey, and share your views. The survey will close on the Sat 28 Feb, complete it at [YO7.org.uk/Thirsksurvey](http://YO7.org.uk/Thirsksurvey)

### Swaledale Festival booking



**Across 15 vibrant days, a record 75 events will burst across the dales. Sat 23 May - Sat 6 Jun**  
We present a kaleidoscope of incredible music alongside compelling visual art, intriguing film and literature, hands-on opportunities to get creative, and a wealth of guided walks exploring local scenery and stories. Find your own magical moments in this creative gathering like no other.  
*Booking is now open at [swalefest.org](http://swalefest.org)*

### To receive this regularly

... please tell us at [VisitThirsk.uk/news](http://VisitThirsk.uk/news)

### To send a news article

... please email it, with picture, to [News@VisitThirsk.uk](mailto:News@VisitThirsk.uk)

### To send us an event

... please let us know at [VisitThirsk.uk/event](http://VisitThirsk.uk/event)

## What's on in the coming weeks

Send your event - go to [VisitThirsk.uk/event](http://VisitThirsk.uk/event)

**Now until Sun 1 Mar**  
**Moors Dark Skies Festival**  
*North York Moors, Sutton Bank & elsewhere*



Celebrate the wonders of our skies and explore this incredible International Dark Sky Reserve in the peak of our



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stargazing season. 23 different events at places all over the Moors.

[darkskiesnationalparks.org.uk/north-york-moors-events](http://darkskiesnationalparks.org.uk/north-york-moors-events)

**Now until Sun 1 Mar**

### Lambing Live

**Monk Park Farm, Green Lane, Bagby, Thirsk, YO72AG**

Step into the heart of lambing at our Maternity Ewe-nit. Learn fascinating sheep facts, enjoy live farmer talks, meet newborn lambs, bottle-feed calves, cuddle small animals, hand-feed barn animals and explore outdoor play (weather permitting). A lamb-tastic family day out at Monk Park Farm. From 10am. Adult £6.95 Child £6.95 Under 1's £3 (Online Price) \*If booked online before midnight the day before. Tickets: Online or on the door (For the cheapest price book online). E: [eyup@monkparkfarm.co.uk](mailto:eyup@monkparkfarm.co.uk). T: 01845 421124.

[www.monkparkfarm.co.uk](http://www.monkparkfarm.co.uk)

**Sun 1 Mar**

### National Theatre Live: The Audience

**The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP**

(12A) Helen Mirren plays Queen Elizabeth II. For 60 years, Queen Elizabeth II met with each of her 12 prime ministers in a private weekly meeting. This meeting is known as The Audience. Through these private audiences, we see glimpses of the woman behind the crown and witness the moments that shaped a monarch. 7.00pm. £16, Child £10, Senior £13. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: [info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk](mailto:info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk). T: 01609 776230.

[forumnorthallerton.org.uk](http://forumnorthallerton.org.uk)

**Sun 1 Mar**

### Sunday Jazz

**The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP**

Come along and enjoy the fabulous sounds of the Big Band Era performed, in an open session, by Alan Owens and The Forum Big Band. 12pm-2pm. £4, and the bar is open. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: [info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk](mailto:info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk). T: 01609 776230.

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**Sun 1 Mar**

### Thirsk Farmers' Market

**Market Place, Thirsk YO7 1EY**



Unlike some other markets all stallholders are local independent businesses who grow, rear or produce the food or drink on their stall. They're passionate about what they do and it shows. 9am-2pm. E: [info@northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com](mailto:info@northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com). [northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com](http://northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com)

**Tue 3 Mar**

### Royal Ballet: Giselle (12A)

**The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP**

The peasant girl Giselle has fallen in love with Albrecht and discovers that he is actually a nobleman promised to another. 7.15pm. £16, Child £10, Senior £13. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: [info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk](mailto:info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk). T: 01609 776230.

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### Bedale Archaeology & History Society

**online only**

Capability Brown – His Life and Times at Temple Newsam, Mike Turpin, Chair of South Leeds Archaeology. Current investigations by South Leeds Archaeology into various aspects of the heritage of Temple Newsam and CB's approach to 18th-C. English natural landscaping. 7.30 pm. non-members £3 per screen (full-time education free), or £12 pp for membership for the whole of 2026 (9 talks & at least 1 field trip). Tickets: Please email.

E: [bedale.arch@gmail.com](mailto:bedale.arch@gmail.com)

**Tue 3 Mar**

### Bad Behaviour - unruly audiences

**Golden Lion Hotel, Northallerton, DL7 8PP**

Lecture by Mark Fisher on A history of unruly audiences - is bad behaviour a new phenomenon? We examine audiences in the past to discover outbursts, protests and punch ups! 1.30 for 1.45pm. free to members, visitors

£11 or £5.50 if a member of another Arts Society. Tickets: On the door. E: [hambleton@theartsociety.org](mailto:hambleton@theartsociety.org). [www.theartsociety.org/hambleton](http://www.theartsociety.org/hambleton)

**Now until Wed 4 Mar**

### Learn to Paint Watercolours

**Family Life Church Hall, Finkle Street, Thirsk, YO7 1DA**

ONLY WED. Learn to paint in an encouraging and supportive environment. 8 weekly watercolour workshops for the beginner with an experienced tutor and artist. All materials and equipment provided, plus refreshments. 09.30am - 12.30pm. £195. Tickets: [allez.art@hotmail.com](mailto:allez.art@hotmail.com). E: [allez.art@hotmail.com](mailto:allez.art@hotmail.com). T: 07783 931661

**Fri 27 Feb until Thu 5 Mar**

### Send Help (15)

**Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS**

Two colleagues become stranded on a deserted island, the only survivors of a plane crash. On the island, they must overcome past grievances and work together to survive, but ultimately, it's a battle of wills and wits to make it out alive. 7.30pm. £6 on door, £7 online. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751.

[ritzcinema.co.uk](http://ritzcinema.co.uk)

**Thu 5 Mar**

### "The Allure of Coco Chanel."

**Sowerby Parochial Hall**

Sowerby Flower Club hosts a Floral Demonstration by Alex Gracey. Visitors very welcome. £8 includes Refreshments.

**Thu 5 Mar**

### Music Monthlies: Gary Stewart

**Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS**

Gary Stewart is a singer/songwriter from Perthshire, who cut his teeth performing on the Leeds music scene for 15 years, before moving to York where he currently resides. Stewart writes songs in the Folk/Pop vein and is influenced by the folk artists of the '60's and '70's. 7:30pm. £13.00. Tickets: Online. E: [admin@ruralarts.org](mailto:admin@ruralarts.org). T: 01845 526536. [www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/at-the-courthouse/music-monthlies-gary-stewart/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/at-the-courthouse/music-monthlies-gary-stewart/)



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**One Voice: Barry Manilow Tribute**

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP*

A spectacular live tribute to music legend Barry Manilow - A live concert, featuring a full band, dazzling showgirls, and an electrifying celebration of Manilow's iconic music and career. Get two tickets for the price of one as an early Mother's Day treat - offer available until the day of the performance. 7.30pm. £28. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: [info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk](mailto:info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk). T: 01609 776230.

[forumnorthallerton.org.uk](http://forumnorthallerton.org.uk)

**Sat 7 Mar**

**Coffee & Cake Morning**

*Thirsk Athletic Sports & Social Club*

Are you looking for a friendly bowls club in Thirsk? Are you new to the Sport & wanting to find out more? Are you a regular bowler? Thirsk Athletic Bowls Club offer a warm invitation to old and new members. 10am to 12 noon.

E: [thirskbowls@yahoo.com](mailto:thirskbowls@yahoo.com)

**Sat 7 Mar**

**Northallerton Male Voice Choir**

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP*

Musicality singers and Northallerton Male Voice Choir join together for this spring concert in aid of Friends of the Friarage. An unforgettable evening's entertainment jam packed with a fabulously rich song selection including pop and rock classics, show songs and well-known favourites. 7.30pm. £12. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: [info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk](mailto:info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk). T: 01609 776230.

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**Taste of Art: Fabric Corsage**

*Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Create your own corsage with a variety of fabrics to use as a brooch or to embellish an accessory. Learn how to draft and cut a pattern from fabric, then layer, stitch, and shape your design into a beautiful, wearable piece. 1pm - 4pm. £25. Tickets: Online. E: [admin@ruralarts.org](mailto:admin@ruralarts.org). T: 01845 526536.

[www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/taste-of-art-fabric-corsage/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/taste-of-art-fabric-corsage/)

**Sat 7 Mar**

**Craft Market**

*Northallerton Town Hall*

Arts & Crafts, Handmade goods, Charity Tombola (Yorkshire Air Ambulance) Tea & coffee available, all proceeds go to Parkinson's UK. 9.30am - 4pm.

E: [RoxyResin2023@gmail.com](mailto:RoxyResin2023@gmail.com)

**Fri 6 Mar until Sun 8 Mar**

**Women's Spirituality Retreat**

*Holy Rood House, Centre for Health & Pastoral Care, 10 Sowerby Rd. Thirsk YO7 1HX*

'Women of the World' with Rev Sue Hammersley & Helen Warwick. Encompassing the International Women's Day of Prayer on Friday, International Women's Day on Sunday and connecting to the Season of Lent. We will offer creativity, liturgy, inspiration, discussion & rest. Fri. 4pm - Sun. 2pm. Tickets: 01845522580. E: [enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk).

T: 01845 522580

**Sat 7 Mar until Sun 8 Mar**

**Fusion Art Fair**

*Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate, HG2 8NZ*

An Original Art Show - buy direct from the Artists. 90 Artists and Galleries, 3000+ works of art from £50 - £5000, Live Art Demonstrations, Creative Art Workshops. 10am-5pm. Advance £8 on the door £10. E: [info@fusionartfair.co.uk](mailto:info@fusionartfair.co.uk). T: 0114 400 0128.

[fusionartfair.co.uk](http://fusionartfair.co.uk)

**Sun 8 Mar**

**James Acaster: Cinemagoers Welcome**

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP*

Comedian James Acaster unleashes his infectious energy as he explores his love/hate relationship with stand-up - while welcoming a heckle or two. Filmed in Truro, Dublin and Northampton, we see how this experiment panned out in front of three very different audiences. 7.00pm. £16, Child £10, Senior £13. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: [info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk](mailto:info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk). T: 01609 776230.

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**Sun 8 Mar**

**Raphael Wallfisch plays Bach**

*Holy Trinity Church, Kirkby Rd, Ripon HG4 2EY*

One of the greatest cellists of our time plays Bach's cello suites 1, 3 4 and 6 and provides insights into Bach's extraordinary life with readings from his diaries. 3pm. £21.56 & £10.78, Students/18 and under free, Adult accompanying under 18 free. Tickets: Book online.

[riponconcerts.co.uk](http://riponconcerts.co.uk)

**Mon 9 Mar**

**Sowerby WI Monthly Meeting**

*Parochial Hall, The Flatts, Sowerby, Thirsk, YO7 1JG*

International Women's Day (Members Lives). 7.30pm. Members free, small charge for visitors. Tickets: Pay on door, no need to book. E: [sue.reynard@btinternet.com](mailto:sue.reynard@btinternet.com). T: 01845 524529.

[www.nyorkseastwi.org.uk](http://www.nyorkseastwi.org.uk) (search sowerby wi)

**Tue 10 Mar**

**Mark Simmons: Jest to Impress**

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP*

(14+) As Seen on Mock The Week, BT Sport and ITV, 'Master of one-liners' Mark Simmons had a groundbreaking 200+ date sell out debut tour lasting two years, spanning the UK, Ireland,



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Australia, and New Zealand. 7.30pm.  
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01609 776230.  
[forumnorthallerton.org.uk](http://forumnorthallerton.org.uk)

**Tue 10 Mar**

### Archaeology in the River Wear

*Sacred Heart Church, Thirsk Rd,  
Northallerton DL6 1PJ*

Northallerton & District Local History  
Society. Talk by Gary Bankhead, scuba  
diver. 7pm. Non members £5, full-time  
students free. E:  
heritage1138@outlook.com.  
T: 07566 770625

**Tue 10 Mar**

### Lenten Poetry Morning

*Holy Rood House, Centre for Health &  
Pastoral Care, 10 Sowerby Rd. Thirsk YO7  
1HX*

Led by Helen Warwick. Exploring how  
we can find poems that connect our  
journey and open our creativity. Poems  
from 3 Beguine women from 12th &  
14th centuries on Love, Wisdom &  
Soul. Guests are welcome to stay for  
lunch. 10am - 12 noon. Tickets:  
01845522580.

E: [enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk)

**Wed 11 Mar**

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£25. Tickets: Online. E:  
admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.  
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**Wed 11 Mar**

### Fused Glass Sun Catchers

*Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate,  
Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Embrace the springtime sunshine and  
make a colourful fused glass sun catcher  
on this half-day workshop with Rachel  
from The Glass Forge. 1:30pm -  
4:30pm. £75. Tickets: Online. E:  
admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.  
[www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/fused-glass-sun-catchers/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/fused-glass-sun-catchers/)

**Fri 6 Mar until Thu 12 Mar**

### Wuthering Heights (TBC)

*Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS*



NOT SUN. A passionate and tumultuous  
love story set against the backdrop of the  
Yorkshire moors, exploring the intense  
and destructive relationship between  
Heathcliff and Catherine Earnshaw.  
7.30pm, also 2.30pm Wed. No showing  
on Sunday. £6 on door, £7 online.  
Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845  
524751.

[ritzcinema.co.uk](http://ritzcinema.co.uk)

**Thu 12 Mar**

### Ladies Charity Night

*Sandhutton Village Hall*

Come for a nibble, a chat and a new  
outfit! bring 3 items of clothing to  
donate, take home up to 3 items of new  
clothing! 6.30pm. £10.

**Fri 13 Mar**

### Bootleg Eagles

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton  
DL6 1LP*

The music of the Eagles defines the  
music of the 1970s. The Bootleg Eagles  
take their audience on a powerful  
journey through the band's career, from  
their country-rock roots to global  
chart-toppers. 7.30pm. £25. Tickets:  
Book online, at The Forum or on the  
door. E:

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01609 776230.

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**Fri 13 Mar**

### Needle Felt Birds

*Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate,  
Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Learn needle felting with artist Claire  
Ford and craft charming winter birds.  
Explore shaping, blending, and detailing  
techniques to create a unique handmade  
decoration to take home. 10.30am -  
1.30pm. £35. Tickets: Online. E:  
admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.  
[www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/needle-felt-birds/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/needle-felt-birds/)

**Fri 13 Mar**

### Jivin' Miss Daisy

*Romanby Golf & Country Club, Yafforth  
Rd. Romanby. DL7 0PE*

Romanby Jazz and Swing Cabaret Club.  
Jivin' Miss Daisy, a specialised band in  
vintage music from the era of swing,  
jazz and jive. Hot supper included.  
Doors open 6.45pm. 7.30pm-10.30pm.  
£27. Tickets: online or by phone. E:  
stephenwest277@gmail.com. T: 07856  
432673.

[www.romanby.com/jazz](http://www.romanby.com/jazz)

**Sat 14 Mar**

### Bach - St Matthew Passion

*York Minster*

York Musical Society, and York  
Musical Society Orchestra present  
Bach's St Matthew Passion. 7.30pm.  
£27.50, £20, £12, Students & Under 18s  
£6, under 13 free with adult. Tickets:  
Book online.

[www.yorkmusicalsociety.org.uk](http://www.yorkmusicalsociety.org.uk)

**Sat 14 Mar**

### Tommy Cannon

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton  
DL6 1LP*

Join legendary comedy icon Tommy  
Cannon for an unforgettable evening of  
laughter, memories from over 50 years  
in showbiz. Best known as half of the  
legendary double act Cannon & Ball.  
7.30pm. £21. Tickets: Book online, at  
The Forum or on the door. E:  
info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T:  
01609 776230.

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**Sat 14 Mar**

### Clay Workshop & Afternoon Tea

*Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate,  
Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Join Rebecca Norris, the talented artist  
behind The Clay Place and a celebrated  
contestant on The Great Pottery  
Throwdown, for inspiring three-hour  
ceramics workshop this Mother's Day  
weekend. 10:30am - 3:00pm. £90.  
Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org.  
T: 01845 526536.

[www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/mothers-day-clay-and-afternoon-tea/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/mothers-day-clay-and-afternoon-tea/)

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### £1 Clothes & Toy Sale

*Family Life Church Hall, Finkle Street,  
Thirsk, YO7 1DA*

Help raise funds for a new climbing  
frame for Topcliffe Primary School.



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Adults £1 Under 16's free. E:  
allez.art@hotmail.com.  
T: 07783 931661

### Sat 14 Mar until Sun 15 Mar Kangaroo (PG)

**Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS**  
Ex TV personality, Chris Masterman, becomes stranded in an Outback town outside Alice Springs. There, he teams up with 12-year-old Indigenous girl Charlie. The pair form an unlikely friendship and work together to rescue and rehabilitate orphaned joeys in the remote but stunning Outback community. 2.30pm. £6 on door, £7 online. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751.  
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### Sun 15 Mar Thirsk Artisan Market

**Market Place, Thirsk YO7 1EY**



An artisan market that wants to help serve local communities with the best artisan stalls, whilst giving traders the best opportunities to showcase and sell their handmade goods. 10am-3pm. E:

[info@littlebirdmade.co.uk](mailto:info@littlebirdmade.co.uk)  
[littlebirdmade.com](http://littlebirdmade.com)

### Sun 15 Mar 10 years of Yarnbombers

**Around Thirsk**  
Yarnbombers' display to celebrate their 10 years in Thirsk..  
[www.facebook.com/tyb2016](http://www.facebook.com/tyb2016)

### Mon 16 Mar Lecture: Ethics, Religion and Life

**Quaker Meeting House, 24 Kirkgate YO7 1PL**  
Just War, a lecture by Peter Vardy. Surveys the Just War tradition from Augustine to Aquinas, applying it to modern conflicts, pacifism, and the impact of drone warfare. 6.30pm for 7.00pm. Free with free non alcoholic refreshments. Tickets: Booking essential by email. E: [clerk@thirskquakers.org](mailto:clerk@thirskquakers.org). T: 07749 504140

### Tue 17 Mar Book Club

**Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS**  
The Rural Arts book club is all about bringing people together through the power of a good story. Come along to our welcoming monthly sessions and chat about the book we've chosen with friendly fellow readers. Over 16s only. 6:30pm-8pm. £5.00. Tickets: Book online. E: [admin@ruralarts.org](mailto:admin@ruralarts.org). T: 01845 526536.  
[www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/book-club/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/book-club/)

### Wed 18 Mar Confessions of a Darwinian Gardener

**Knayton Village Hall, YO7 4AZ**  
Hillside Garden & Social Club present a talk by Dr Sarah Owen-Hughes. Sarah is the Head Gardener at Ruddung Park Hotel & Spa in Harrogate, where she manages a 33-acre estate including the award-winning Rooftop Spa and a thriving Kitchen Garden producing over 500 types of herbs, fruit and vegetables year-round. Sarah's passion has always been to promote horticulture and opportunities for all. Everyone welcome. Tea and biscuits included. 7.30pm. Members annual fee £15. Guests £5 per visit.  
T: 07989 265525

### Thu 19 Mar Spring Woods in Watercolour

**Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS**  
This full day workshop is suitable for you whether you have some experience of watercolour and would like to explore new techniques, or a total beginner. Minimal drawing required! The emphasis of the workshop is very much on play and experimentation. 10:30am - 3:30pm. £90. Tickets: Online. E: [admin@ruralarts.org](mailto:admin@ruralarts.org). T: 01845 526536.  
[www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/spring-woods-in-watercolour/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/spring-woods-in-watercolour/)

### Fri 20 Mar Exhibition Screening Turner/Constable

**Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS**  
Celebrating the 250th anniversary of their births, this unmissable new documentary explores Turner and Constable's intertwined lives and legacies alongside the groundbreaking Tate exhibition. 7pm. £12 or £10 concession. Tickets: Online. E: [admin@ruralarts.org](mailto:admin@ruralarts.org). T: 01845 526536.  
[www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/at-the-courthouse/exhibitions-on-screen-turner-constable/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/at-the-courthouse/exhibitions-on-screen-turner-constable/)

### Fri 20 Mar Rob Rouse - 'Funny Bones'

**Helmsley Arts Centre, Meeting House Ct, Helmsley, YO62 5DW**  
'Rob Rouse is a man with genuinely funny bones' The Sunday Times. Funny Bones is Rob's brand new stand-up show, a relentlessly funny and daft evening of comedy from a one man whirlwind who pulls the audience into his craftily open tall tales with bucketfuls of manic energy, first class stage craft & convincing characters & barrage of brilliant one-liners. 8pm. Tickets: 01439771700.

### Tue 17 Mar until Sat 21 Mar The Buddy Holly Story

**Darlington Hippodrome, Parkgate DL1 1RR**  
This musical tells the enduring story of Buddy Holly's meteoric rise to fame. Includes the classics Peggy Sue, That'll Be The Day', 'Oh Boy', 'Rave On', 'La Bamba', 'Chantilly Lace', 'Johnny B. Goode', 'Raining In My Heart', 'Everyday', 'Shout' and more, 7.30pm. £15 to £39.50. Tickets: Book online. E: [hippodrome.boxoffice@darlington.gov.uk](mailto:hippodrome.boxoffice@darlington.gov.uk). T: 01325 405405.  
[darlingtonhippodrome.co.uk](http://darlingtonhippodrome.co.uk)



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**Thu 19 Mar until Sat 21 Mar**

## **The Importance of Being Earnest**

*The Joseph Rowntree Theatre, Haxby Rd, York YO31 8TA*



Rowntree Players – Oscar Wilde's farcical play about evading social obligations via deception. 7.30pm, also 2.00pm Sat. £15. Tickets: Book online. E: [boxoffice@jrtheatre.co.uk](mailto:boxoffice@jrtheatre.co.uk). T: 01904 501935.

[josephrowntreetheatre.co.uk](http://josephrowntreetheatre.co.uk)

**Sat 21 Mar**

## **Megaslam Wrestling**

*Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QR*

Featuring all of your favourite Megaslam stars and some brand new ones. Team Nasty will battle it out with Team Megaslam in a series of action packed matches designed to get the whole family out of their seats and cheering on their favourites. 7.30pm. £5.00 - £50.00 + booking fee. Tickets: Book online.

[www.ticketsource.com/whats-on/thirsk/thirsk-sowerby-town-hall/megaslam-2026-mega-tour-thirsk](http://www.ticketsource.com/whats-on/thirsk/thirsk-sowerby-town-hall/megaslam-2026-mega-tour-thirsk)

**Sat 21 Mar**

## **Forum Big Band**

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP*

Matthew Ford, Alan Owens & The Forum Big Band in a night of outstanding Swing Era Music. Matt is the UK's most experienced and in-demand Swing Era vocalist. 7.30pm. £15. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: [info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk](mailto:info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk). T: 01609 776230.

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**Sat 21 Mar**

## **Easter Bingo Night**

*Sessay Village Hall YO73BE*

Fun for the whole family. pop-up Bar, Raffle, Nibbles. Doors open 6.30pm. Bingo from 7pm. £10 per book of tickets. E: [info@sessayvillagehall.co.uk](mailto:info@sessayvillagehall.co.uk).

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**Sat 21 Mar**

## **Observing the Seasons – Spring**

*Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Enjoy the emerging of new life as the days get lighter in this two-hour workshop led by artist Dove Armistead. Explore the colours of the shifting seasons with the uplifting blooms and buds of Spring. (Afternoon session). 13:00 - 15:30. £25. Tickets: Online. E: [admin@ruralarts.org](mailto:admin@ruralarts.org). T: 01845 526536. [www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/taste-of-art-observing-the-seasons-spring](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/taste-of-art-observing-the-seasons-spring)

**Sat 21 Mar**

## **£1 Clothes & Toy Sale**

*Family Life Church, The Old Library, Thirsk YO7 1DA*

£1 Clothes & Toy Sale to help raise funds for a new climbing frame for Topcliffe Primary School. Great quality used items all £1 each. Please bring small change. 10am-1pm. £1 Adults (under 16's free).

**Fri 20 Mar until Sun 22 Mar**

## **Men's Spirituality Retreat**

*Holy Rood House, Centre for Health & Pastoral Care, 10 Sowerby Rd. Thirsk YO7 1HX*

'Liberation into Life: Pathways to be authentic & free as men.' Led by Revd Rory Dalgliesh & Urs Mattmann. We will explore seasons of death and resurrection, and our evolving identity, both potential pathways to our most authentic, free selves. We also bring in our own stories, the men who have shaped us most, whatever their legacy. Fri. 4pm - Sun. 2pm. E: [enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk).

T: 01845 522580

**Sun 22 Mar**

## **Thirsk 10 Mile Road Race**

*Thirsk Racecourse, Station Road, Thirsk YO7 1QL*



Also wheelchair race and Fun Run. With only 1100 places, it sells out every year,

so secure your spot for the main race or the 1.5 mile children's fun run. A share of proceeds supports charities, which in 2025 received £1500 each. Kids Fun Run 9.00am, main race 10.00am, wheelchairs at 9.50am. £23 affiliated, £25 unaffiliated, £3 Kids Fun Run. Tickets: Book online (or on the day for kids). E: [rdthirsk10@tasharriers.club](mailto:rdthirsk10@tasharriers.club). [tasharriers.club/thirsk10](http://tasharriers.club/thirsk10)

**Sun 22 Mar**

## **Tribute Concert to Cher**

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP*

'Strong Enough'. Celebrating the global superstar and great female icon that is Cher. Featuring all of the classic hits. 7.30pm. £28. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: [info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk](mailto:info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk). T: 01609 776230.

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**Sun 22 Mar**

## **London Mountain Film Festival**

*Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS*



Showreel three (12A). A curated selection of shorts and features covering climbing, cycling, snow sports and the like. Expect epic adventures, breathtaking scenery and inspirational tales. There will be something for everyone - armchair adventure most definitely, but, you might be on the edge of your seat at times. 7.30pm. £6 on door, £7 online. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751.

[ritzcinema.co.uk](http://ritzcinema.co.uk)

**Sun 22 Mar**

## **Soul Canvas - Grounding**

*Helmsley Arts Centre, Meeting House Ct, Helmsley, YO62 5DW*

Workshop - A sacred creative & transformational circle where art & journaling become your medicine. Each session blends intuitive painting or mixed media with guided journaling & soulful prompts. Come to process, play & manifest through colour, texture & soul expression. 10am. T: 01439 771700.

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**Mon 23 Mar**

**Lecture: Ethics, Religion and Life**

*Quaker Meeting House, 24 Kirkgate YO7 1PL*

The Problem of Truth, a lecture by Peter Vardy. Explores relativism and 'post-truth', debating whether absolute truth exists in ethics or politics while comparing competing global claims. 6.30pm for 7.00pm. Free with free non alcoholic refreshments. Tickets: Booking essential by email. E: clerk@thirskquakers.org. T: 07749 504140

**Wed 25 Mar**

**Observing the Seasons – Spring**

*Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Enjoy the emerging of new life as the days get lighter in this two-hour workshop led by artist Dove Armistead. Explore the colours of the shifting seasons with the uplifting blooms and buds of Spring. (Morning session). 10:30am - 1pm. £25.00. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.

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**Thu 26 Mar**

**Thirsk Ladies Club**

*Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Annexe, Westgate, Thirsk, YO7 1QR*

This month will be a talk given by our entertaining and informative local historian Marion Moverley on the "Ladies of Letters", extracts from diaries and letters of ladies in the past which gives a glimpse of their experience of marriage, child bearing, work. 7.30pm. Free for members, visitors £4. T: 01845 522819

**Thu 26 Mar**

**Buildings of England**

*Thirkleby Village Hall*

Thirkleby History Society presentation by Dr Jane Greville. 2pm. Annual subs £15 - visitors £3.00. Tickets: Contact A Stoney. T: 01845 501365

**Fri 27 Mar**

**Needle Felting and Fizz**

*Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Our evening workshops are the perfect way to meet new people and make friendships, all fun and sociable. We're offering a drink at all of these as a great way to get crafting and creative. 7pm - 9pm. £25. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536. [www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/something-social-needle-felting-and-fizz/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/something-social-needle-felting-and-fizz/)

**Fri 27 Mar**

**National Theatre Live: Hamlet (12A)**

*Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Onight only. Olivier Award-winner Hiran Abeysekera (Life of Pi) is Hamlet. 7.30pm. £16 on door, child (under 15) £11. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751. [ritzcinema.co.uk](http://ritzcinema.co.uk)

**Fri 27 Mar**

**Fixing: Ripon Festival Launch**

*Ripon Arts Hub, 49 Allhallowgate, HG4 1LQ*

Fixing is a gloriously silly drag car maintenance class which shifts in and out of the performer's childhood memories of their parents' break up. How their Dad struggled, and then started to restore a classic car. We've all had breakdowns, haven't we?. 7:30pm. £17. Tickets: [ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/ripon/ripon-arts-hub-ripon-operatics-hall](http://ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/ripon/ripon-arts-hub-ripon-operatics-hall). E: romily@ripontheatrefestival.org. T: 07804 899612.

[www.ripontheatrefestival.org](http://www.ripontheatrefestival.org)

**Sat 28 Mar**

**Repair your stuff**

*Thirsk Library, Meadowfields, Chapel St YO7 1TH*



Be greener by avoiding waste and save money by letting a team of dedicated

and talented volunteers try to repair your broken or "worn-out" items; cost is a voluntary donation. For further details or if you would like to volunteer, please email. 10am-1pm, last repair 12.30pm. Free, donations welcome.

E: [thirskrepaircafe@gmail.com](mailto:thirskrepaircafe@gmail.com)

**Sat 28 Mar**

**Ripon Choral Society**

*Ripon Cathedral, Minster Road, Ripon HG4 1QT*

Our Spring concert is Finzi's setting of Wordsworth's Ode in one continuous movement. "The things which I have seen I now can do no more" Plus two of Poulenc's most celebrated works: his Gloria and Organ Concerto. 7.30pm. Tickets £26 reserved, £24 unreserved, students £10. Tickets: book online, or at the door. E: [tickets@riponchoralsociety.org.uk](mailto:tickets@riponchoralsociety.org.uk). [riponchoralsociety.org.uk](http://riponchoralsociety.org.uk)

**Sat 28 Mar**

**Clocks go forward**

*All UK & most of Europe*



The clocks will go forward by one hour, changing from 1am to 2am tonight.

**Fri 27 Mar until Sun 29 Mar**

**Film: Wuthering Heights (TBC)**

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP*



A passionate and tumultuous love story set against the backdrop of the Yorkshire moors, exploring the intense and destructive relationship between Heathcliff and Catherine Earnshaw. Fri 7.30pm, Sat 1.30pm, Sun 7.30pm. £6, Child/Senior/Student £5. Tickets: Book online, by phone or on the door. E:



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**Sun 29 Mar**

### Write Your Memoir with Steve Harvey

*Helmsley Arts Centre, Meeting House Ct,  
Helmsley, YO62 5DW*

Come & be inspired to write about your life. Have you ever thought about writing your memoir? Everyone has a story to tell & Steve Harvey will help you to develop yours. 10am. T: 01439 771700.

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**Mon 30 Mar until Tue 31 Mar**

### Tokyo Sketch Studio

*Helmsley Arts Centre, Meeting House Ct,  
Helmsley, YO62 5DW*

Workshop: Kawaii & Manga Art Adventure. This Easter holiday join local artist Nicola Hutchinson for an incredibly exciting Art Adventure. Young artists (ages 5 to 16) will explore the vibrant world of Japanese art from cute Kawaii characters to Manga & anime-comic creations. 10am, 10.30am & 1pm. £35 (8 - 11yrs full day, £20 (12-16 yrs) half day, £10 (5-7yrs) 1 hour session. + £1.50 (online only) booking fee. T: 01439 771700.

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**Tue 31 Mar**

### Royal Opera: Siegfried (15)

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton  
DL6 1LP*

Raised by a scheming dwarf and unaware of his true family origins, a young man embarks on an epic journey. 5.15pm, duration 5hrs 30mins. £16, Child £10, Senior £13. Tickets: Booking essential, online or at The Forum. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.

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**Wed 1 Apr**

### Thirsk Museum is open

*Thirsk Museum, 14-16 Kirkgate, Thirsk  
YO7 1PQ*

Re-opening for the Summer Season. Experience the history of Thirsk in the house where Thomas Lord, founder of Lord's Cricket Ground, was born in 1755. Explore rooms full of exhibits featuring local life and industry, cricketing memorabilia, farming equipment, furniture, costumes and toys. Marvel at the bones of our Saxon Giant

and shudder at the legend of the Busby Stoop Chair!

**Thu 2 Apr**

### Holly Taymar Sings Eva Cassidy

*Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate,  
Thirsk YO7 1QS*

Holly Taymar is a highly accomplished singer-songwriter from York with a warm, expressive voice and a mesmerising stage presence. Holly has been performing for over 20 years, earning a reputation for her sensitive interpretations of classic songs. 7:30pm. £13. Tickets: Book online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536. [www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/at-the-courthouse/music-monthlies-holly-taymar-sings-eva-cassidy/](http://www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/at-the-courthouse/music-monthlies-holly-taymar-sings-eva-cassidy/)

**Sat 4 Apr**

### Made in Tennessee

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton  
DL6 1LP*

Country fans are given a taste of Nashville with Soul Street Productions' sell-out show. A Night of Country Music. 7.30pm. £28. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.

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**Sat 4 Apr**

### Easter Fun Day

*Martree Business Park, Cedar Rd, Thirsk  
YO7 3FF*

Easter egg hunt, Mini-Market, Activities, Tombola, Food & Drink. Free on-site parking. 10am-3pm.

**Fri 3 Apr until Sun 5 Apr**

### The Great Yorkshire Egg hunt

*Monk Park Farm, Green Lane, Bagby,  
Thirsk, YO7 2AG*



Join us for Yorkshire's biggest Easter Egg Hunt as you explore the Easter Woods in search of hidden eggs. Enjoy a full day of farm fun alongside the hunt, including animal encounters and outdoor play. Every child receives a chocolate

treat. Book online early, this popular event sells out fast. From 10am. Adult £12.45 Child £18.45 Under 1 £6 when booked in advance online. Tickets: Online or on the door (cheapest is online up to the day before your visit). E: eyup@monkparkfarm.co.uk. T: 01845 421124.

[www.monkparkfarm.co.uk](http://www.monkparkfarm.co.uk)

**Sun 5 Apr**

### Thirsk Farmers' Market

*Market Place, Thirsk YO7 1EY*



Unlike some other markets all stallholders are local independent businesses who grow, rear or produce the food or drink on their stall. They're passionate about what they do and it shows. 9am-2pm. E: info@northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com. [northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com](http://northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com)

**Tue 7 Apr**

### The World of Homer

*Golden Lion Hotel, Northallerton, DL7 8PP*

Lecture by James Renshaw: How the history and cultural legacy of The Iliad and The Odyssey have influenced western art up to modern times. 1.30 for 1.45pm. free to members, visitors £11 or £5.50 if a member of another Arts Society. Tickets: On the door. E: hambleton@theartsociety.org. [www.theartsociety.org/hambleton](http://www.theartsociety.org/hambleton)

**Tue 7 Apr**

### Bedale Archaeology & History Society

*Bedale Hall, DL8 1AA, and online*

WWI memorialisation in stained-glass windows in Yorkshire churches, talk by Graham E. Seel, historian and author. 7.30 pm. non-members £3 per screen (full-time education free), or £12 pp for membership for the whole of 2026 (8 more talks & at least 1 field trip). Tickets: on the door at the Hall or, for online, email for details.

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