

Halton Libraries

Let's Make Festival

Monday 17th May - Sunday 18th July 2021

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Year of Culture 2021

Halton is the Liverpool City Region's Borough of Culture 2021 and Halton Libraries are very excited to be joining in the celebrations! Throughout the year we will bring you three fabulous festivals where there will be lots of opportunities for our local communities to come together to celebrate and participate in culture and creativity across the borough and to celebrate all that makes Halton unique and special.

Our first library festival is Let's Make! We have lots of activities and events that highlight the joy of making for you to enjoy.

We have Makers' Workshops throughout the festival for all ages, including puppet making, tote bag design and cyanotypes, along with special Book Makers creative book sculpting workshops and an online author talk. The award winning Get It Loud In Libraries is also returning to Halton for our special Music Makers gigs.

So come on Halton, Let's Make!

Booking Information

All tickets can be booked via the library website
www.halton.gov.uk/libraries

Halton Lea Library 0151 511 7744

Widnes Library 0151 907 8383

Runcorn Library 0151 511 7666

Ditton Library 0151 424 2459

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Your Safety

Your safety in library buildings is our priority and we have planned all our events and activities with this in mind.

Whilst Coronavirus is still ongoing, we have implemented the following safety measures for events based on the most up to date national guidance:

- Hand sanitising on entry
- Face masks to be worn (unless exempt)
- Social distancing
- Limited numbers at events
- Allocated seating
- One way systems
- Increased cleaning
- Test and Trace

We will update procedures as and when new national and local guidance is issued. Any updates will be explained on our website and social media channels.

We will endeavour to ensure that all events go ahead. However, in the event of any cancellations due to the ongoing pandemic we will try to rearrange events for a later date or offer refunds to paid tickets where a later date is not possible.

All library staff are fully updated on procedures and will be on hand at all events to offer help and guidance.

Thank you for helping us to keep our libraries safe.



Monday 17th May

FREE
BOOK YOUR PLACE

Science Makers: Bug Hotel

Widnes Library – 4-4.45pm

Free, please book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult only.

Suitable for all ages

Make your very own bug hotel at this fascinating science making workshop. You'll be able to take your creation home and offer luxury accommodation to insects and spiders!



Tuesday 18th May

FREE
BOOK YOUR PLACE

Maker Workshop: Dream Catchers

Widnes Library – 4-5pm

Free, please book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult only.

Suitable for all ages

We're making dream catchers during this making session. Design your catcher to be as decorative and as vibrant as you can for you to take home and hang in your bedroom to ensure you have lots of wonderful dreams!

Wednesday 19th May

Science Makers: Oreo Moons

Halton Lea Library – 4-4.45pm

Free, please book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult only.

Suitable for all ages

Did you know that you can create the phases of the moon using Oreo biscuits? This workshop is for astronomers, budding astrophysicists and biscuit lovers (just promise not to eat the biscuits!).

FREE
BOOK YOUR PLACE

In Her Own Words: Author Talk with S.E Lynes

Online event, 6.30-7.30pm

Free, please book online via the library website

Suitable for adults

Join us for an evening with Runcorn born author S.E Lynes. Former BBC Producer, S.E. Lynes is the bestselling author of 'intelligent and haunting', 'beautifully written' psychological thrillers, including *The Pact*, *Mother*, *Can You See Her?* and her latest novel *The Housewarming*. Susie will talk about her writing process, how she researches her works and the common themes and threads that join her novels together. There will also be a Q & A session for you to put your questions to Susie.

The event will take place as a live event on Zoom. After you register, you will receive an email closer to the date with the link to the event.

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Thursday 20th May

Maker Workshop: String Art

Halton Lea Library – 4-5pm

Free, please book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult only.

Suitable for ages 7+ (due to the need to handle small pins)

Often referred to as pin and thread art and dating back to the 19th century, you will make string art by creating a design and using pins and colourful embroidery silks to produce striking geometric designs and bold patterns resulting in a perfect piece of art for your home or a lovely gift for someone special.



FREE
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Friday 21st May

Maker Workshop: Design a Tote Bag

Halton Lea Library, 4-4.45pm

Free, please book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult only.

Suitable for all ages

Design your very own tote bag using fabric pens and stencils; you will create a colourful tote bag that you can then take home to amaze your family and friends with!

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Saturday 22nd May

Maker Workshop: Puppet Making and Performance with Altru Drama

Halton Lea Library, 10.30-12.30pm

£3 per ticket, please book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult only.

Suitable for ages 7+

Altru Drama are a Liverpool based creative organisation who focus on delivering key messages and building skills through performance. This workshop will give each participant the opportunity to design and create their own amazing puppet. There will then be an opportunity for each puppet to take part in a workshop performance, showing off all of the puppetry skills learnt!



Maker Workshop: Pixel Art & Tote Bags with Mako Create

Widnes Library, 10.30-12pm

£3 per ticket, please book online via the library website.
One ticket can have an accompanying adult

if needed.

Suitable for ages 8+

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Do you love retro pixel art and helping the environment? If you answered yes, this is the workshop for you! This workshop is the perfect introduction to those interested in getting creative using retro pixel art. During the session, you will be given a crash course on

how you can design and create your own retro pixel art masterpiece and use a heat transfer vinyl to create a reusable tote bag featuring your own bespoke pixel art design.

Session breakdown:

- Drafting pixel art designs
- Create Pixel art with heat transfer vinyl
- Heat press designs onto Tote Bags
- Finish / Showing off your finished tote bag.

Mako
CREATE



Monday 24th May

Science Makers: Circuit Bugs

Widnes Library – 4-4.45pm

FREE
BOOK YOUR PLACE

Free, please book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult only.

Suitable for all ages

Create your own light up bugs using electronics and circuits. This is creative science making at its very best and lots of fun too!

FREE
BOOK YOUR PLACE

Tuesday 25th May

Maker workshop: Let's Cross Stitch!

Halton Lea Library – 4-4.45pm

FREE, book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult.

Suitable for all ages

This workshop is perfect for young ones wanting to create their own cross stitch creation. A relaxing end to a busy week of making!

Wednesday 26th May

Science Makers: Gene Bracelets

Halton Lea Library – 4-4.45pm

FREE
BOOK YOUR PLACE

FREE, book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult.

Suitable for all ages

Explore genes and DNA in this hands on making workshop where you'll get to create your very own DNA bracelet!



Thursday 27th May

Maker Workshop: Cyanotypes with Hazlehurst Studios

Halton Lea Library, 10.30-12.30pm

£3 per ticket, please book online via the library website.

Suitable for adults

Join Hazlehurst Studio for this hands on workshop exploring the traditional photography technique of cyanotypes, a photographic printing process that produces a cyan-blue print. Engineers used the process well into the 20th century as a simple and low-cost process to produce copies of drawings, referred to as blueprints. No previous experience needed for this workshop. The artist will take you through step by step how to produce these beautiful artistic images.



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Friday 28th May

Drumming Workshop: Drum-Believable!

Halton Lea Library, 4-5pm

FREE, book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult.

Suitable for all ages

Let's Make music! Children can book onto this drumming workshop to experience the fun and excitement of rhythm and noise. Learn to hold drum sticks, take part in hands-on drumming exercises and then end with a bang! Help us fill the library with noise, beats and laughter!

Drums kindly loaned to Halton Libraries from The Studio, Widnes.





Saturday 29th May

Maker Workshop: Book Sculpture with Artist Kate Bufton

Halton Lea Library, 11-1pm

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£3 per ticket, please book online via the library website.

Suitable for adults

In this special workshop for adults, Kate Bufton, a North West artist who creates intricate and fragile paper sculptures from pages of timeworn books, will take you through the book sculpting process to create a piece of beautiful art. Kate transforms the familiar medium of books from a carrier of text to an object of art.



Maker Workshop: Paperchain Wall Hangings

Widnes Library, 11-12pm

Free, please book online via the library website. One ticket is for one child and one accompanying adult only.

Suitable for all ages

Paper crafts are an important art form that allow each artist to have a creative outlet to express feelings. Come along to this making session to create your own paperchain wall hanging, make it unique with your own creative flair.

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Sunday 6th June

Get It Loud In Libraries

Katy J Pearson

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Widnes Library. Doors open 2.30pm.

Ticket price £8, book online via [getitloudinlibraries.com](https://www.getitloudinlibraries.com)

Suitable for all ages

We have live music amongst the book shelves once again at Widnes Library! Hailing from Bristol, Katy J Pearson has been described by the NME as American-glazed rock where West Country meets Wild West. Her debut album, *Return*, was released November 2020.

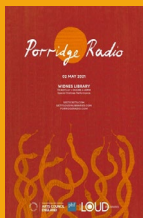
Sunday 18th July

Porridge Radio

Widnes Library. Doors open 2.30pm

Ticket price £7, please book online via [getitloudinlibraries.com](https://www.getitloudinlibraries.com)

Suitable for all ages



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Porridge Radio are a British indie rock band, originating from Brighton. They were listed among The Guardian's top 40 new artists in 2018 and they have performed live on BBC Radio 6 Mark Riley's show in May 2020. Their latest album, *Every Bad*, was released to critical acclaim in March 2020.





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Friday 28th May, 4-4.45pm	Halton Lea Library	Drumming Workshop: Drum-Believable!
Saturday 29th May, 11-12pm	Widnes Library	Maker Workshop: Paperchain Art
Saturday 29th May, 11-1pm	Halton Lea Library	Book sculpture workshop (adults)
Sunday 6th June, 2.30pm	Widnes Library	Get It Loud In Libraries: Katy J Pearson
Sunday 27th June, 2.30pm	Widnes Library	Get It Loud In Libraries: Lounge Society
Sunday 18th July, 2.30pm	Widnes Library	Get It Loud In Libraries: Porridge Radio



INFORMATION

Halton Libraries are an accredited
Family Arts Standards organisation



Our libraries – visit

Don't forget to drop in and visit us at all 4 Halton Libraries.
You can currently return and choose more amazing
books or use a computer.

Halton Lea Library and Widnes Library

Monday: 10.30-4.30pm

Tuesday: 10-6pm

Wednesday: 10.30-4.30pm

Thursday: 10-6pm

Friday: 10.30-4.30pm

Saturday: 10.30-2pm



Runcorn Library and Ditton Library

Monday: 10.30-4.30pm

Tuesday: 10.30-5.30pm

Wednesday: Closed

Thursday: 10-4.30pm

Friday: 10.30-4.30pm (Runcorn) / 10.30-1.30pm (Ditton)

Saturday: 10.30-2pm



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Runcorn Library
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Ditton Library
0151 424 2459

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