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Newsletter

March 2020

Indie Spot of the month!

Simon Pure

The bustling independent jewellers Simon Pure have been passionate about beautiful engagement rings since 1986.

With their award winning Guildford store nestled in Swan Lane & their workshop based in Cranleigh they really are right on your doorstep to help guide you through all your jewellery needs.

Pop in store to see the wonderful world of Simon Pure or follow them on Instagram [@simonpurejewels](#) to see the newest collections and behind the scenes fun.



Parkour Event

On Saturday 7th March, Brewman Parkour will be holding an un-official event in Guildford Town Centre to commemorate the life of Nye Newman. The event is scheduled to start at 12pm and will probably go town wide.

Please be aware that this event has not been sanctioned by any regulatory town body and there is no official meeting point or location.

Parkour or Free Running is a training discipline using movement that developed from military obstacle course training. Practitioners aim to get from one point to another in a complex environment, without assistive equipment and in the fastest and most efficient way possible. In recent years it has become more urban and practitioners of the sport will use street furniture, walls and rooftops for obstacles.

In the past we have had several incidents of damage to buildings from people performing this discipline.

We wanted to let you know about the un-official event, so you can plan and take reasonable precautions to protect your own buildings if necessary. Particularly regarding potential roof top access.

Please contact Pete Lambert if you think your property may be at risk before the day. If you are experiencing issues on the day then call 101 or 999.

For more information on Brewman please visit their Facebook profile www.facebook.com/BrewmanParkour

Weekly E-Newsletter

Our weekly BID member e-newsletter provides stakeholders with information about upcoming marketing opportunities, road closures and town centre works, on duty shift patterns for the Town Rangers and weekly football figures.

If you don't receive this already and would like to be added to the distribution list please email olivia@experienceguildford.com.

Business Breakfast with with a Difference!

**Thursday 19th March 2020
8.00am – 9.30am**

Yvonne Arnaud Theatre

You may have heard someone talk about CSR, Ethical Leadership and Environmental Sustainability before.

It's just possible that you've heard a retired top executive from a Blue Chip company talk about them.

But we're betting it wasn't the Archbishop of Canterbury...

You are warmly invited to hear the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, speak on 'Ethical Leadership and Business Success'.

Search Eventbrite to book your FREE ticket.



Best Bar None

Last chance for licensed venues to sign up for this year's Best Bar None scheme! For more information on how to get involved, email Pete@experienceguildford.com.



Guildford

Jazz Festival

Guildford Jazz's three day music festival will run from March 20-22



at Guildford's Electric Theatre and features a wide spectrum of jazz, funk and latin grooves from leading UK artists, the festival features free foyer jazz, a Gin in the Jazz Bar evening and a number of community events including a jazz vocal workshop. Unusually for a jazz festival, profits from the event will go to the local charity Guildford Philanthropy.

More details about the festival can be found on the web at guildfordjazz.org.uk/guildford-jazz-fest-20

Booking for individual gig and day and weekend festival passes is now open through the Electric Theatre Box Office at electric.theatre

Hanging Baskets

Once again, we are teaming up with Guildford in Bloom to offer town centre businesses on the side streets hanging baskets, which will be delivered in June and in-situ until the end of August.



We are paying for 40 in total and will allocate these on a first come, first served basis. To reserve yours, email olivia@experienceguildford.com.

Please let us know when you email whether you have an existing bracket in place. Brackets must meet Guildford Borough Council specification. Parks department representatives will come around to check these ahead of supplying the baskets and will replace if required at a cost to the individual business.

Recently Opened...

• **Bombay Buzz** – Friary Street

Coming soon...

• **Rituals** – High Street

• **Shah's Secreto** – Upper High Street

• **Dune** – The Friary Guildford

Surrey Day & VE Day 75

Surrey Day – 2nd May 2020

Visit Surrey, Surrey Life and BBC Surrey are coming together again to put on the second Surrey Day this May. A celebration of our beautiful county's people, places and heritage there are plenty of ways that Guildford businesses might like to get involved!

VE Day 75 – 8th – 10th May 2020

When VE Day dawns on 8th May 2020 it will be 75 years since the guns fell silent at the end of the war in Europe. To commemorate this important time there will be a three day international celebration (VE Day 75).

Guildford Borough Council and Guildford Cathedral are working in partnership to put on an event on the Friday but there are lots of opportunities for the town centre to take part.

If you would like to put on a special offer or event for either of the above please let us know by emailing olivia@experienceguildford.com.



Healthy Guildford Day

17th April 2020

Visit the Experience Guildford website to check out all the fantastic activities taking place in the town centre this April as part of Healthy Guildford Day! There's something for everyone, so why not check out that class you've always wanted to try or join in a walk or workshop!

Dates for the Diary



- 1 – Guildford Vegan Market, High Street
- 1 – Anusara 200hr Teacher Training Open Event, Red Hot Yoga
- 3 – The Boys are Back (5ive, Damage, A1, 911), G Live
- 3 – Farmers' Market, High Street
- 5 – Coffee Time Talk: Alexis Soyer Victorian Chef, Guildford House Gallery
- 6 – Rumours of Fleetwood Mac, G Live
- 8 – Hatha Yoga, Neom
- 8 – Wedding Fair, The Mandolay
- 13 – BANFF Mountain Film Festival, G Live
- 9-14 – Educating Rita, Yvonne Arnaud Theatre
- 14-22 – (selected dates over this period) – Steel Magnolias LIVE, KOKO Hair
- 14 – Guildford Town Guides: Guildford Story Walk (Day One), Tunsgate Arch
- 14 – Thrivefit Indoor Cycling Challenge, Turnfit Studio
- 18 – Wille & the Bandits, The Star Inn
- 18 – Bright Club Guildford, The Boileroom
- 19 – Meet the Brewer: Godstone Brewery, Growlers & Cans
- 20-22 – Guildford Jazz Festival, The Electric Theatre
- 20 – London Calling, The Boileroom
- 20 – YMCA Sleepy, Castle Grounds
- 20 – Lamb & Rioja: Food and Wine Pairing Event, The Guildford Institute
- 21 – Love Wine Guildford 2020, Harbour Hotel
- 21 – Family Fun Saturday: Cake Making at the Victorian Schoolroom, 39 1/2 Castle Street
- 23-28 – Friendsical the Musical, Yvonne Arnaud Theatre
- 27 – The Lock-In Cabaret, The Star Inn
- 28 – The Congakeyz LIVE, Cobbstar Bar and Restaurant