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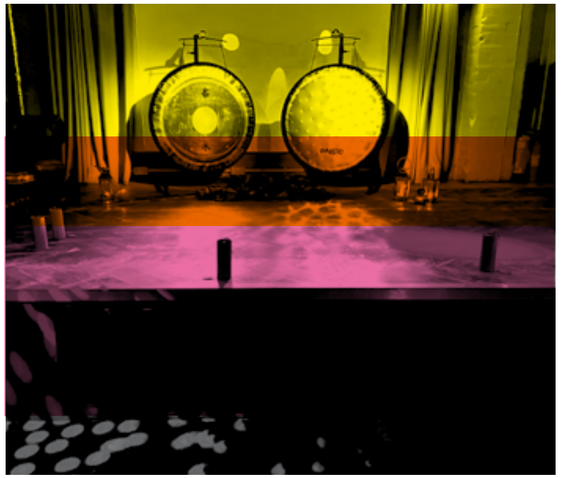
## JAN 23 – APR 02

## 2023

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# LEARN & DO

INTERACTIVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CREATIVE LEARNING & DOING



## MONDAY

| FRESHLY SQUEEZED (OPEN MIC) | BODY JAM (OPEN DANCE) | GONG BATH | MUSICAL YOGA |
|---|---|---|---|
| A welcoming monthly open-mic night at Cobalt led by Jayne Dent (aka Me Lost Me). | Feel good free form dancing for all without the mess of a Saturday. | Immersive sonic massage and a cellular cleanse for your mind, body and soul. Soak yourself in gorgeous, peaceful & healing vibrations at this gong bath led by Tracey West. | A practice where stillness & music takes centre stage. Join us for a slow, 75-minute flow to restore class taught by Louise Henry with Weston (Shy Bairns) on the decks. |
| 7pm / Suggested donation £5 | 6.30pm / S. donation £5 | 7pm / Suggested donation £10 | 7pm / Suggested donation £8 |
| Jan 23 Feb 20 Mar 20 | Jan 30 Feb 27 Mar 27 | Feb 06 Mar 06 | Feb 13 Mar 13 |



L.A.D.S (LADIES & DECKS)

## TUESDAY / OPEN HOUSE - PLAY

EVERY TUESDAY

Pop in for a one-off session of collectively improvised music. An open invitation to all to join in the creation of spontaneous sound in the spirit of community, curiosity, and play. Let's play and make some noise!

**(£5 per session or use the honesty box donation option).**



LIFE DRAWING



L.A.D.S (LADIES & DECKS)

## WEDNESDAY

| LIFE DRAWING | BORN LIPPY | L.A.D.S (LADIES & DECKS) |
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| Chilled life drawing in a very relaxed environment with gentle music, colourful lighting and fully licensed bar & hot drinks. No judgement, no pressure, no teacher – just drawings. | Your monthly celebrations of all things spoken word, staring with a poetry writing workshop.<br><br>**W/S: 4-6pm**<br>**Main Event: 7-10pm** | L.A.D's is an electronic music workshop followed by open decks social for women and those identifying as female. |
| 6pm / £8 | £5 -10 | Suggested donation £5 |
| Feb 01 Feb 15 Mar 01 Mar 15 | Feb 08 Mar 08 | Feb 22 Mar 22 |



# FRESH THURSDAY

EVERY THURSDAY FROM 7PM - NEW MUSIC & PLANT BASED DINNER (£7 / £10 WITH FOOD)



**Jan 26** **The Often Herd + Bertie Armstrong**
Alternative bluegrass with an industrial northern twist & Welsh/Geordie hybrid of trad Appalachian old time, blues & British folk.



**Feb 02** **Frankie Archer + Mush Collective**
Exploring and honing harmony with enchanting song writing, creating contemporary music from traditional roots.



**Feb 09** **R. Aggs + Itching Powder + Ciaran Llyric**
3 DIY creatives working across comedy, music, activism & art – expect euphoric post-punk, kitchen-sink indie-pop & hypnotic minimalist soundscape-songs.



**Feb 16** **Fara + Cath & Phil Tyler**
Fiery, frisky, high spirited fiddles from Orkney & a highly concentrated, intimate musical experience that penetrates to the very rawest essence of folk tradition.



**Feb 23** **Loris & The Lion + Rosie Miles**
Gentle fairy tales of joy and loss; a patchwork of sonic delights to soothe the soul and feed the heart with a piano, a clarinet, a harmonium, a guitar, homemade bells & a captivating blend of anthemic songs, acoustic lullabies from Rosie Miles.



**Mar 02** **Swordman Kitala + Donald Jenkins**
New underground hip hop from Uganda & late blooming midlife hip hop from Newcastle.



**Mar 09** **Rheingans Sisters + Fran Knowles and Amy Thatcher**
Contemporary music anchored in folk traditions & scandi noir plus raucous rule breaking accordion and percussion.



**Mar 16** **The Flamenco Thief & Haythem Mohamed**
Upbeat, gypsy swing guitar with rumba and Balkan beats and new immersive & nostalgic instrumental music using synthesisers, drum machines and a Japanese Guitar.



**Mar 23** **Kerrin Tatman + John Pope & John Garner**
New music from three of Newcastle freshest musician composers. An apocalyptic re-imagining of a requiem & an unusual immersive conversation between violin and double bass.



**Mar 30** **Jasmine Myra + Wacklaw Zimpel**
Two important new jazz acts from the UK and Poland – both questioning, pushing and blurring boundaries.

# FRIDAY - LIVE

GLOBAL BEATS, JAZZ BASED, EXPERIMENTAL & MORE

ECLECTIC & DIVERSE LIVE MUSIC OF THE FINEST QUALITY: GLOBA



**Jan 27** **Wild Winter Party / £10,12,14**
Our annual 'last weekend in Jan' let loose knees up, an irresistible mash up of punky inspired pleasures, trad hardcore Northumberland Reggae & Ska.



**Feb 03** **K.O.G Soundsystem & Electroni Kongo / £12,14,16**
Afro-sonic roots and joyful euphoric vocals with trad afro carribean sounds, garage, drum & bass dancehall and afrobeat.



**Feb 10** **Violent Magic Orchestra / £8,10,12**
Strobe soaked Japanese art music where techno, black metal, industrial & noise come together.



**Feb 17** **Pierre Bastien & Tim Shaw / £8,10,12**
Two experimental sound artists, composers, inventors, mechanics and performers. An audio visual feast.



**Feb 24** **Kiik Amor Takeover / £8,10,12**
Three experimental composers, producers & performers exploring visceral expression & divine queerness.



**Mar 03** **OFFGRID: Bird in the Belly / £10,12,14**
Raw, earthy, bare boned new folk delivered with vocal harmonies, flute & violin in a distilled candlelit acoustic space.



**Mar 10** **Dizraeli & Part God Part Lion / £10,12,14**
Poet, producer, collaborator & fire starter Dizraeli plays an intimate solo set, followed by brand new unheard material created during a week long residency at Cobalt with his new band Part God Part Lion, making Rebel music for broken times, hear it here first.



**Mar 17** **El Khat & Sarah Heneghan / £8,10,12**
Homemade DIY junkyard band led by self-taught Eyal El Wahab, a child of the Yemeni diaspora living in Tel Aviv creating hypnotic music inspired by his roots.



**Mar 24** **Archipelago + Support TBC / £8,10,12**
Archipelago are a genre-defying trio of adventurous musicians, formed out of the North East's creative musical underground, their sound is a dreamlike collision of otherworldly atmospheres, heartfelt song-writing and energetic off-kilter rhythms.



**Mar 31** **Me & My Friends / £10,12,14**
The long awaited return of Me & My Friends! Genre defying, soulful vocal harmonies & poignant music with infectious beats and energy.



# SATURDAY - LIVE

GLOBAL BEATS, JAZZ BASED, EXPERIMENTAL & MORE

ECLECTIC & DIVERSE LIVE MUSIC OF THE FINEST QUALITY: GLOBA



**Jan 28** **Avalanche Kaito + Mirrored Fatality / £7-11**
Urban Griot Kaito Winse collides with Brussels punk musicians. Expect a sound-world of ancestral proverbs and "freaked, juddering electronic punk". Experimental and healing noise queer punk farmer duo 'Mirrored Fatality' combine performance art, music, spoken word, film, photography & more. Visceral & rousing.



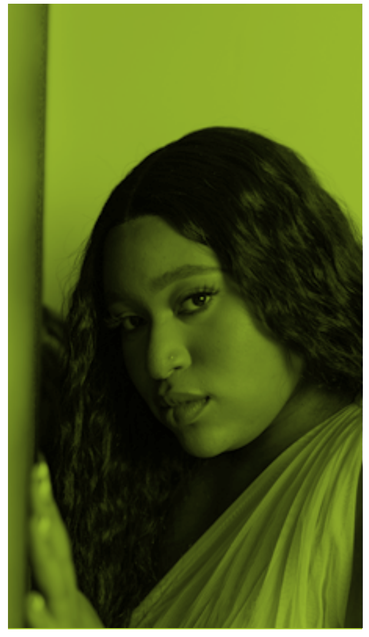
**Feb 04** **Amber Archives + Hater + Thala / £14**
A showcase of left field and shoegaze pop.



**Feb 11** **Lande Hekt + Fortitude Valley / £6 - 9**
Lande Hekt is the solo project from the front woman of UK DIY punk band Muncie Girls. Offering up indie rock in the vein of Juliana Hatfield and the Sundays.

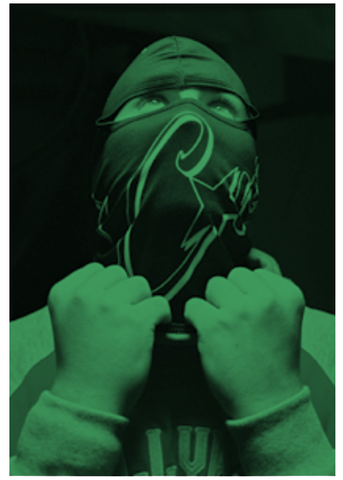


**Feb 25** **The Wings of a Moth Book Launch / FREE**
'The wings of a moth, without the moth-bit in between' - Publication launch with readings from Kate Sweeney and a performance from Nicky Rushton, commissioned by the Women Artists of the North East Library.



**Mar 18** **Nrthrn Baby: Unplugged / £6,10,12**
Newcastle-based independent label, Nrthrn Baby, presents a live music showcase that spans across genres such as Afropop, Alt-Rap and beyond. The female-led label is proud to host their debut live event at Cobalt Studios.

**Line up: Merczz, Sisi, Frankie Jobling, Eyeconic, The97Renn, Sengi, Muzz, Too Common, Reali-T and DJ Melo.**



## SUNDAY SPECIAL

SPECIALS



**Feb 19** **Thomas Truax / £11**
Thomas Truax merges a fevered imagination, solid songwriting abilities and a groovy showbiz attitude with a mad scientist's brain for weird gadgets. Performing with mechanical sound sculptures and instruments that he builds himself from found objects and spare parts.

# SAT LEARN & DO

## CREATIVE LEARNING & DOING

### AM

**Jan 28**


MMIRRORED FATALITY

**Feb 04**

**Sticker Making For Families / 11am -1pm / £8,10,12 (Ages 7+)** Join the Newbridge print and create waterproof stickers and explore fun finishes such as holographic effects.

**Feb 11/25 – Mar 18**

**Music & Yoga – Live improvised music, vinyasas & restorative edition / 11.30 am – 1pm / £10,12,14**
Luca Rutherford will lead a grounding flow mixing Hatha Vinyasa & Restorative Yoga alongside live improvised music. Expect a playful & deeply relaxing practice.

**Feb 18**

**Sound Walk with Tim Shaw 11am / Suggested donations £5,7,9**
Part walk, part performance, follow Tim Shaw as he makes live field recordings from the immediate environment and captures electromagnetic waves transmitted straight to your ears via wireless headsets.

**Mar 04**

**Embossed Collagraph Printmaking for families / (Age 5+) 11am – 1pm / £10,12,14**
Make 3D collages using recycled and found materials which we will run through the mini press to create embossed prints.

**Mar 11**

**Draw All Morn-A-Thon / 11am -1pm / £12 adult & child ticket, additional child £3**
Ideal for families and anyone aged 5 and up - try your small hands at figure and observational drawing with the fine freedom of anything goes!

Make an unexpected masterpiece! Make a mess! Weird is best! We're all artists here!

**Mar 25**

**Playing through drawing family session / 11am -1pm / £12 adult & child ticket (additional child £3)**
Join Newbridge Print Studio with a series of drawing playful exercises to loosen up creative and explore drawing / mark making. Expect mirror drawings, collaged drawings, drawing on elongated pens & much more.

### PM

**Mirrored Fatality Workshop / 2-4pm / Suggested Donation £5**
Join healing noise queer punks and farmers 'Mirrored fatality' for a talk, film screening and collaged collective altar building workshop. You are invited to bring a picture, photograph or drawing, something natural of meaning to you and anything else that you wish as an offering.

**Sticker Making For Adults / 2-4pm / £8,10,12**
Join the Newbridge print and create waterproof stickers and explore fun finishes such as holographic effects.

**Life Drawing & Live Music / 2-4pm / £11,13,15**
Relaxed sat afternoon life drawing and gorgeous live improvised music session from Lindsay Hannon and Martin Douglas.

**Synth Club / 2-4pm / Suggested donations £5,7,9**
Make beats and sounds with synthesizers and drum machines. Chill and find your headspace at synth club. No experience necessary, all kit provided.

**Embossed Collagraph Printmaking for adults / 11am – 1pm / £10,12,14**
Make 3D collages using recycled and found materials which we will run through the mini press to create embossed prints.

**Café Charcoal / Life Drawing 2-4pm / £9,11,13**
Flaneurs, observers, casual creatives?

An afternoon of artist led playful experimental life drawing with focussed perspectives, dramatic lighting, old time music & a cabaret energy that will get your ideas rollin' and your pencils scratchin'!"

**Playing through drawing adult session / 2-4pm / £10,12,14**
Join Newbridge Print Studio with a series of drawing playful exercises to loosen up creative and explore drawing / mark making. Expect mirror drawings, collaged drawings, drawing on elongated pens & much more.

### AM

**Apr 01**

**Make your own upcycled notebook / 11am - 1pm £13,15,17**
Join the Newbridge Print Studio to create your very own scrapbook/notebook. You will learn some beginner's binding techniques and leave with your own new book. We will provide options of creating a lined/gridded note book or you can go wild and use old risograph posters from cobalt for your pages.


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NEWBRIDGE PRINT STUDIO

### PM

**Synth Club / 2-4pm Suggested donation £5**
Hey electronic music fans! Make beats and sounds with synthesizers and drum machines. Chill and find your headspace at synth club. No experience necessary, all kit provided.


SYNTH CLUB



# C L U B

## FOR THE DANCERS, SMALL, SWEATY PARTIES MAKING SPACE FOR THE UNDERGROUND

## ROULETTE

**Jan 28**

**Roulette / £5-9**
Our new party. You trust us & we bring you mystery DJ's selected for their varied genre journey sets & room shaking bangers. Is it a local or national under the radar Djs or maybe the odd well over the radar mega star? Who knows! Take a risk & spin the party wheel with us.



**Feb 04**

**Homoelectric with Gina Breeze & Jamie Bull / £12-15**
A raw, no frills non-stop off-piste dark discotek for homos, hetros, lesbos and don't knows.



**Feb 11**

**Ghetec presents Emotional Body Music, 1st Birthday / £10**
Ghetec presents Emotional Body Music, a party bound by euphoria & high energy shifting club sounds which will make U sweat.



**Feb 18**

**Shybairns / £10-12 (Aged 20+)**
Community + Techno, Trance, House and many more earthly wonders, Shy Bairns are back in the house for their first Cobalt party of the year!



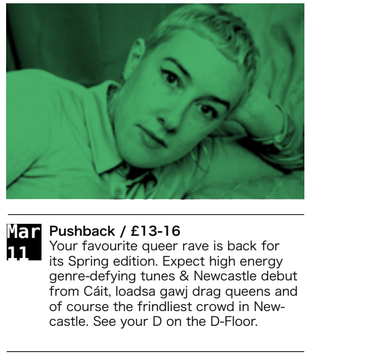
**Feb 25**

**Alex Kassian / £8-14**
Sophisticated & precise Alex's sound is designed to promote the kind of out of body experiences demanded by discerning ravers across the universe - act 2 still to be announced.



**Mar 04**

**Anish Kumar + Hu-Sane / £8-14**
Distinctive & boundary pushing sound from fast rising DJ & producer Kumar recognized by Ninja Tunes, Four Tet, Pete Tong & Danny Howard. He is one to watch. And so is electronic music activist curator and DJ Hu-Sane who plays disco, house, acid, garage, and jungle to Panjabi classics, bhangra, afrobeats and an excellent old pop edits.



**Mar 11**

**Pushback / £13-16**
Your favourite queer rave is back for its Spring edition. Expect high energy genre-defying tunes & Newcastle debut from Cáit, loadsa gawj drag queens and of course the frindliest crowd in Newcastle. See your D on the D-Floor.

**Mar 18**

**L.A.D.S Presents: Nancy Live / £8-14**
Nancy Live is here and heads will fucking roll! Feisty, fast and furious live techno / act 2 still to be announced.



**Mar 25**

**Manpower + Josh Caffé / £10-14**
Two underground heavyweights collide, Expect a night of intersections, House, Techno, EBM & Italo. The Sensual & The Jacking. Queer Culture & Local History. The Capital & OUR City.



**Apr 01**

**L.A.D.S Presents Bibi Seck: £8-14**
Covering everything from funky & 80's to house, garage & beyond Bibi is known for her sweat inducing, energetic and neuphoric sets /exciting act 2 still 2 b confirmed

# JANUARY

23 FRESHLY SQUEEZED
24 OPEN HOUSE
25 LIFE DRAWING
26 THE OFTEN HERD + BERTIE ARMSTRONG
27 PONYLAND/ DIDDLEY SQUAT/QUEENS SCREECH
28 MIRRORED FATALITY: WORKSHOP
28 AVALANCHE KAITO + MIRRORED FATALITY
28 ROULETTE
29 /
30 BODY JAM
31 OPEN HOUSE



SISI
(MARCH 18)



ANISH KUMAR
(MARCH 04)

# FEBRUARY

01 LIFE DRAWING
02 FRANKIE ARCHER + MUSH COLLECTIVE
03 K.O.G SOUNDSYSTEM + ELECTRONI KONGO DJ SET
04 STICKER MAKING WORKSHOP FOR KIDS
04 STICKER MAKING WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS
04 AMBER ARCADES + HATER +THALA
05 HOMO ELECTRIC
06 GONG BATH
07 OPEN HOUSE
08 BORN LIPPY
09 R.AGGS, ITCHING POWDER + CIARÁN LLYRIC
10 VIOLENT MAGIC ORCHESTRA + KENTARO HAYASHI
11 MUSICAL YOGA
11 LIFE DRAWING WITH LIVE MUSIC
11 GHETEC
13 MUSICAL YOGA
14 OPEN HOUSE
15 LIFE DRAWING
16 FARA + CATH & PHIL TYLER
17 PIERRE BASTIEN + TIM SHAW
18 SOUND WALK
18 SYNTH CLUB
18 SHY BAIRNS
19 THOMAS TRUAX
20 FRESHLY SQUEEZED
21 OPEN HOUSE
22 L.A.D.S (LADIES + DECKS)
23 LORIS & THE LION + ROSIE MILES
24 KIIK AMOR TAKEOVER + SARAHSSON + PEACHES
25 MUSICAL YOGA / LIFE DRAWING
25 THE WINGS OF A MOTH BOOK LAUNCH
25 ALEX KASSIAN
27 BODY JAM
28 OPEN HOUSE

# MARCH

01 LIFE DRAWING
02 SWORDMAN KITALA + DON
03 BIRD IN THE BELLY
04 EMBOSSED COLLAGRAPH PRINTMAKING (FAMILIES)
04 EMBOSSED COLLAGRAPH PRINT MAKING (ADULTS)
04 ANISH KUMAR + HU-SANE
05 /
06 GONG BATH
07 OPEN HOUSE
08 BORN LIPPY
09 THE RHEINGANS SISTERS + THATCHER & KNOWLES
10 DIZRAELI + PART GOD PART LION
11 DRAW-ALL-MORN-A-THON
11 CAFE CHARCOAL
11 PUSHBACK
12 /
13 MUSICAL YOGA
14 OPEN HOUSE
15 LIFE DRAWING
16 THE FLAMENCO THIEF + HAYTHAM MOHAMMED
17 EL KHAT + SARAH HENEGHAN
18 MUSICAL YOGA
18 LIFE DRAWING + LIVE MUSIC
18 NRTHRN BABY: UNPLUGGED
18 LADS: NANCY LIVE
19 /
20 FRESHLY SQUEEZED
21 OPEN HOUSE
22 L.A.D.S (LADIES + DECKS)
23 KERRIN TATMAN + JOHN GARNER + JOHN POPE
24 ARCHIPELAGO + TBC
25 PLAYING THROUGH DRAWING FOR FAMILIES
25 PLAYING THROUGH DRAWING FOR ADULTS
25 MAN POWER + JOSH CAFFÉ
26 /
27 BODY JAM
28 OPEN HOUSE
29 LIFE DRAWING
30 JASMINE MYRA + WACKLAW ZIMPEL
31 ME & MY FRIENDS + SUPPORT

# APRIL

01 MAKE YOUR OWN UPCYCLED NOTEPAD
01 SYNTH CLUB
01 LADS: BIBI SECK
02 /



KERRIN TATMAN (MARCH 23)

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