

EXTRA EVENTS

Friday 13 - Sunday 22 September



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DROP IN

All Saints Church

Highcross Street,
Leicester LE1 4PH

Friday 13 and Saturday
14 September
12noon – 3pm

ArtReach opens the doors of Grade 1 listed All Saints Church. Explore the interior of this historic building, one of Leicester's five remaining medieval churches and learn a little more about the history of its building and contents.

DROP IN

All Saints Church: War Memorials at Risk Project

All Saints Church,
Highcross Street,
Leicester LE1 4PH

Thursday 12 September
2pm – 5pm
Friday 13 September
3pm – 6pm
Saturday 14 September
10am – 6pm
Sunday 15 September
2.30pm – 5pm

There will be over 40 war memorials on display, ranging from document Rolls of Honour to stained glass windows. The memorials have been taken into care by this project from closed churches, clubs and factories which otherwise would have been lost forever through sale, vandalism, destruction or theft. Each of the memorials has an amazing story to tell.

DROP IN

Bishop Street Methodist Church

10a Bishop Street,
Town Hall Square,
Leicester LE1 6AF

Saturday 14 September
10am – 4pm

The church heritage room will be open. Church registers will be available along with photographs, displays and historic items. There will also be on request tours of the building including the gallery. There will be dressing up clothes available for children.

BOOK TOUR

Hidden Heritage of the Leicester Royal Infirmary Tours

Infirmary Square,
Leicester LE1 5WW

Sunday 22 September
10.30am & 12.30pm

Find out more about the fascinating history of the Leicester Royal Infirmary. The tour will include a short visit to the Victoria Building. There will also be objects and photographs on display.

Pre-booking is required.
To book contact Visit Leicester
T: 0116 299 4444.
Max 10 people per tour.

DROP IN

Leicester Cathedral – David Vaughan & Workers' Education Exhibition

Peacock Lane,
Leicester LE1 5PZ

Friday 13 - Sunday
22 September

Open during the Cathedral's normal opening times. David Vaughan was the Vicar of St Martins Church (later to become Leicester Cathedral) during the second half of the 19th century. He was determined to raise the standard of life for Leicester's working classes. In 1863 Vaughan founded the Working Men's Institute and Reading Room which later became Vaughan College. Drawing on archive material, this exhibition explores the rise of worker's education. The exhibition will be of interest to anyone wanting to learn more about Leicester's social history.



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BOOK TOUR**Leicester Cathedral Tower Tours****Peacock Lane,
Leicester LE1 5PZ****Saturday 14 September
11am & 1pm**

The Cathedral tower was rebuilt in the 19th century to replace the original Norman tower and 18th century spire. The tower is not normally open to the public, so this is a unique opportunity and one which is only available for Heritage Open Days. On the tour visitors will learn about the theory and practice of bell ringing and find out more about the history of the tower.

Pre-booking is required.
To book contact
Rebecca Hale on
T: 0116 261 5362 or
email
rebecca.hale@leccofe.org
Max 15 people per tour.

**BOOK TOUR****Leicester Cathedral Windows Tours****Peacock Lane,
Leicester LE1 5PZ****Saturday 14 September
11.30am & 2.30pm**

St Martins Church became the Cathedral of Leicester in 1927 and the church dates to the Norman times. The tour, specially commissioned for this years Heritage Open Days, looks at the stained glass around the Cathedral, taking in the most significant examples and reflecting different styles. The Victorian stained glass covers a variety of styles and includes exquisite details.

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DROP IN**St Guthlacs' Church****Holbrook Road,
Leicester LE2 3LF****Saturday 14 September
9.30am – 4pm
Sunday 15 September
12.30pm – 4pm**

St Guthlacs' Church in the suburb of South Knighton was built in 1912, just before the outbreak of the First World War. It is a small, unassuming church which reveals an interior influenced by the Arts and Crafts movement. Of interest is the plasterwork in the chancel and wrought iron motifs of the four Gospel writers in the roof of the nave. The roughcast exterior has an interesting timbered porch.

The architect, Stockdale Harrison, was responsible for several churches and public buildings in Leicester, including the De Montfort Hall. He also designed the Usher Hall in Edinburgh.

DROP IN**Stoneygate Baptist Church****315 London Road,
Leicester LE2 3ND****Saturday 14 September
10am – 6pm**

Learn about the history of Stoneygate Baptist Church and help the church to imagine its future. There will be a heritage display and trail and you will be invited to share your ideas for how the church can better serve the community. There will be activities suitable for children, including the creche area (children must be supervised).

**DROP IN****St Peters' Church Highfields Open Day****2 St Peters Road,
Leicester LE2 1DA****Friday 13 September
10.30am – 2pm
Saturday 14 September
10am – 4pm
Sunday 15 September
12.30pm – 4pm
Tuesday 17 September
9.30am – 11am**

St Peters', Highfields has been at the heart of the community for almost 150 years. Come and find out more about how and why the church was built, the impact of both world wars and how the church has responded to new communities in the area.

There will be the opportunity to see the progress of restoration work and learn more about the community projects that are taking place at the church which include Voices of Windrush and Let's Eat.

BOOK TOUR**Tours of LCB Depot and Makers' Yard****31 Rutland Street,
Leicester LE1 1RE****Friday 13, Monday 16
and Friday 20 September
10am**

An exciting opportunity to join a guided tour to see behind the scenes at the LCB Depot and Makers' Yard. There are lots of original features to see including a strong room, wheels and cogs, trap doors, original paintwork and floorboards. The Makers' Yard is a recently refurbished Grade II listed hosiery factory dating back to 1854. The LCB Depot is the former Leicester City Transport bus operating centre.

Pre-booking is required.
To book contact **LCB Depot** on
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