

AT THE UNION

FAMILY WEEKEND

PERFORMANCE AND EXHIBITIONS

WEST CAMBRIDGE FAMILY DAY

BIG BIOMEDICAL CAMPUS FAMILY DAY

TALKS

EVERYTHING ELSE

AT THE UNION

Join Cambridge Festival for a series of headline talks sharing the highlights of research across topics from AI to Fixing the NHS. We are delighted to present these free talks at the historic Cambridge Union for the very first time. If you have never visited the debating chamber, now is your opportunity!

HOW WILL AI AFFECT THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS?

With elections due in many countries in 2024, including the UK, a panel of experts - Dr Ella McPherson, Associate Professor of the Sociology of New Media and Digital Technology at the University of Cambridge; Dr Melisa Basol, manager of Moonshot, a social impact business focused on ending online harms; Jonnie Penn, best-selling author and AI researcher at Cambridge; and journalist and author Chris Stokel-Walker - will discuss what role AI will play and how we mitigate any risks.

FREE

6PM-7:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

CAMBRIDGE CONVERSATIONS: WHAT CLIMATE CHANGE CAN DO FOR YOU

In this conversation, PhD supervisor Professor Mike Hulme and supervisee Madeleine Ary Hahne explore other ways of framing the challenge and opportunities of climate change.

FREE

8PM-9PM ON WED 20 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

HOW CAN WE FIX THE NHS AND SOCIAL CARE?

With the NHS and social care on emergency support, this panel - comprised of Professor Mike Kelly, University of Cambridge; Thara Raj Director of Population Health and Inequalities at an NHS Trust in Warrington; Dr Geoff Wong from the University of Oxford; and author Emily Kenway - will debate potential ways out of the crisis. Economic consultant, researcher and writer Hilary Cooper, co-author of After the virus, will chair.

FREE

6PM-7:30PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

HOW DO WARS END?

As regional conflicts spread, this panel discussion of experts will consider the big question of how wars end from a historical, political and cultural point of view. With Professor Sir Richard Evans from the University of Cambridge; Dr Uilleam Blacker from University College London; Professor Kristin Bakke from University College London and Professor Ayse Zarakol from the University of Cambridge. Award-winning BBC presenter Chris Mann, a former Moscow correspondent during the Cold War, will chair.

FREE

6PM-7:30PM ON MON 25 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

FROM SCIENCE FICTION TO SCIENCE FACT

What is the relationship between science and science fiction when it comes to our knowledge of the life, the universe and outer space? Astronomer Royal Professor Martin Rees is in conversation with Una McCormack, best-selling author of sci-fi novels, including novels set in franchises such as Dr Who and Star Trek, and former Anglia Ruskin lecturer.

FREE

8PM-9PM ON MON 25 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

CAMBRIDGE CONVERSATIONS: BEYOND THE LECTURE THEATRE

George the Poet will be in conversation with his Cambridge supervisor Sharath Srinivasan about education, life lessons and how he incorporates his sociology studies into his award-winning podcasts and spoken word performances.

FREE

6PM-7PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

MISINFORMATION, STATISTICS AND LIES

Kamal Ahmed, former BBC Economics editor and editor-in-chief of the News Movement, is in conversation with the University of Cambridge's Professor David Spiegelhalter, about the manipulation of statistics in an era of misinformation and how we can all be better at spotting false narratives.

FREE

8PM-9PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

CAMBRIDGE CONVERSATIONS: AN EVENING WITH THE VICE-CHANCELLOR - PROFESSOR DEBORAH PRENTICE

An evening with the The Vice-Chancellor - Professor Deborah Prentice, featuring a Q & A with her around her own research and the University of Cambridge.

FREE

6PM-7PM ON WED 27 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

RACE AND SOCIETY: HAVE WE MADE ANY REAL PROGRESS SINCE BLACK LIVES MATTER?

Professor Jason Arday will be in conversation with Dr Claire Hynes about his new book, Considering racialised contexts in education, which explores how to support BME teachers better through reflective practice and peer mentoring, and about wider issues of representation within the education system.

FREE

8PM-9PM ON WED 27 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

HUNGER: HOW WHAT WE EAT - OR CAN'T EAT - AFFECTS OUR MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH

Nazia Mintz Habib, Founder of the Centre for Resilience and Sustainable Development at the University of Cambridge, and biologist Giles Yeo, author of books including *Why Calories Don't Count*, are in conversation about the long-term impact of diet and hunger on our physical and mental development.

FREE

6PM-7PM ON THUR 28 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

FAMELAB CAMBRIDGE FINAL

FameLab, the science communication competition, returns to Cambridge. Join our finalists as they talk about their research in just three minutes with no presentations and limited props. Expect short snippets of fascinating science with, perhaps, a few puns thrown in!

FREE

7:30PM-9:30PM ON THUR 28 MAR

Cambridge Union Society
9A Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

FAMILY WEEKEND

Join Cambridge Festival for a free weekend of talks, workshops and hands-on activities for the whole family! From Amazing Animals to Romani storytelling, from bubble science to virtual reality; this is a weekend full of ideas to spark your curiosity and imagination.

CAMBRIDGE FESTIVAL'S FAMILY WEEKEND

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FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

12PM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

New Museums Site and Kings College lawn

New Museums site

Bene't Street

Cambridge

CB2 3PT

A HISTORY OF THE PERIODIC TABLE BY PROFESSOR PETER WOTHERS

Professor Wothers' lecture looks at the development of the Periodic Table from its earliest versions to the current familiar form. A display in St Catharine's College will accompany the lecture.

6PM-7PM ON SAT 23 MAR

3PM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

McGrath Centre

St Catharine's College

Trumpington Street

Cambridge

CB1 2RL

BOOKING REQUIRED

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS: THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF BIOCHEMISTRY

To mark the centenary of the Department of Biochemistry in Cambridge, we present a series of short talks charting the past, present and future of applications of biochemistry to problems in human health. We focus on what humans can learn from frogs, bees and worms.

FREE

2PM-3:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Thomas Lecture Theatre

Sanger Building

Department of Biochemistry

80 Tennis Court Road

Cambridge

CB2 1GA

BOOKING REQUIRED

ATOMIC ACADEMY

Earn your stripes at the Atomic Academy!

Gain your rankings alongside veterans of the academy and explore the world of nuclear!

We need U to fuel the future & save the world!

- Uncover the source of your home's power
- Discover about radiation of household objects
- See a star in a jar
- Drive a nuclear reactor

Interactive activities for all ages.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Engineering

Trumpington Street

Cambridge

CB2 1PZ

SEEING IS BELIEVING? THE SECRETS OF VISUAL ILLUSIONS UNVEILED

Prepare to be amazed as Prof Paul Bays unveils secrets behind baffling optical illusions. In a playful exploration of perception, young minds will be challenged to question what they see!

FREE

12PM-1PM ON SUN 24 MAR

3PM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Centre for Family Research

Ground Floor, Old Cavendish Building

(Rayleigh Wing)

Centre For Family Research,

University of Cambridge

Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3RQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

AMAZING ANIMALS

Are you smarter than a chimpanzee? What about a dolphin? Or some slime? Explore some of our most intelligent animal relatives and discover more about your own brilliant brain in Braintastic! Science's show Amazing Animals.

FREE

3PM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Babbage Lecture Theatre

(Through the Pembroke Archway)

New Museums Site

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3RS

BOOKING REQUIRED

BABRAHAM INSTITUTE SHOWCASE

Discover more about the Babraham Institute and our research into health ageing. Through investigating how our cells talk to each other, how our bodies fight disease, and how our DNA instructions change as we age we aim to find new ways to help people age healthier.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Student Services Centre

New Museum Site

Bene't St

Cambridge

CB2 3PT

BIG WORLD, BIG QUESTIONS: IS THERE SPACE FOR FAITH IN A SCIENTIFIC WORLD?

If you're curious about the world around you, and have questions about how science and religious faith can ever fit together, then join the Youth and Schools team from the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, for an interactive, hands-on science session, digging deeper into this fascinating topic.

FREE

1PM-1:40PM ON SUN 24 MAR

2PM-2:40PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre

New Museums Site

Benet Street

Cambridge

CB2 3PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

BREAKING BAD AND BUILDING GOOD: THE SCIENCE OF HABITS

Join researchers from ARU for an interactive and educational experience that explores the science of how we form habits and its implications for both humans and animals. Don't miss out on this opportunity to uncover the secrets of your own habits and learn about how we investigate habits we share with our animal counterparts!

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre

New Museums Site

Bene't Street

Cambridge

CB2 3PT

BRIDGING LIVED EXPERIENCE AND SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY: A PERSONAL JOURNEY THROUGH OCD RESEARCH

Embark on a journey with Margherita Zenoni as she transitions from battling OCD to a PhD at Cambridge. Discover the power of personal experiences in shaping scientific mental health breakthroughs.

FREE

**2PM-3PM ON SAT 23 MAR
1PM-2PM ON SUN 24 MAR**

Centre for Family Research
Ground Floor,
Old Cavendish Building (Rayleigh Wing)
Centre For Family Research,
University of Cambridge
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

BRIGHT NEW WORLD

Join children's author Cindy Forde to take a space-time machine to re-imagine our future together. Have we solved climate change, restored our coral reefs, rainforest? Do we have cars that run on sunlight? Step aboard and be part of building a bright new world.

FREE

10:15AM-11:15AM ON SAT 23 MAR

Babbage Lecture Theatre
(Through the Pembroke Archway)
New Museums Site
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3RS

BOOKING REQUIRED

BUBBLE SUPERSTARS SHOW

In the Bubble Superstars Show, we'll be exploring bubbles of different sizes and investigating their shape and colour too. The audience learns Makaton signing as we go! Dr Sarah Bearchell is a freelance science writer and presenter based in Oxfordshire.

FREE

1:30PM-2PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Podium space outside Babbage Lecture Theatre
(Through the Pembroke Archway)
New Museums Site
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3RS

BOOKING REQUIRED

BUILD A (CAM)BRAIN!

We have nearly a hundred billion neurons in our brain. Join our scientists to find out how these work together to power your brain! You will be able to...

- Craft your own neuron or a brain hat
- See real neurons through a microscope
- Take apart a life-size brain model – see how the human brain is over three times as big as the brain of other mammals our size!
- Explore a digital 3-D brain

FREE

**10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR
11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR**

New Museum Site
Bene't St
Cambridge
CB2 3PT

BUILD A VIRUS

Learn what viruses like the common cold, chicken pox, COVID-19 and AIDS are made of and build your own.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

CALLING ALL SUPER SLEUTHS: CAN YOU USE SCIENCE TO DISCOVER THE MYSTERY OF THE WHODUNNIT?

Three super villains are in the frame for stealing the beloved town trophy, test your sleuthing skills using separation science to determine which one is the guilty culprit. Delve deeper into the world of separation with our super fun hands-on activities.

FREE

**10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR
11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR**

Student Services
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
Cambridge
CB2 3PT

CAN A SAINT WEAR MAKEUP? COSMETICS AND DRESS IN THE MIDDLE AGES

Can a Saint wear make-up? Should 'respectable' women look a certain way? Join Alexandra Zhirnova to discover how medieval stereotypes about makeup and dress continue to affect women today.

FREE

3PM-3:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic
Room GR 06/07
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

CAMBRIDGE MUSEUM OF TECHNOLOGY POP-UP ACTIVITY

Create your own mini rocket and explore some of the ways technology has revolutionised our lives.

FREE

**10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR
11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR**

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Cambridge
CB2 1TN

CAN YOU BLOW UP THE SUN, AND OTHER DASTARDLY SPACE QUESTIONS

What happens if you throw someone into a black hole? Could you crash the Moon into the Earth? How could you blow up the Sun?

FREE

1:30PM-2:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Lecture Theatre A
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
Cambridge
CB2 3PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

CHANGING THE LANDSCAPE OF CONSERVATION

Come and discover the varied and vital work that goes in the Cambridge Conservation Initiative.

FREE

12PM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

David Attenborough Building
Main Seminar Room and Common Room,
1st floor
New Museums Site
Cambridge
CB2 3QZ

BOOKING REQUIRED

CRAFT YOUR OWN ANTIBODY LANDSCAPE

Get ready for a fascinating journey into antibody landscapes, a way of showing how the body responds to pathogen variants, from flu to COVID-19.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

CRAFTS FOR LITTLE VIKINGS

Fun crafts for kids with a Viking twist – come and join us in the Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic to make some Viking goodies!

FREE

1PM–2:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Anglo-Saxon,
Norse and Celtic
Room GR 06/07
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

DIGGING UP THE PAST: THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF MUST FARM

How did archaeologists discover a Bronze Age village in Whittlesey? What amazing artefacts did they find? And what can ancient poo tell us about the people that lived there? Find out at this talk at the Cambridge Festival family weekend!

FREE

11:30AM–12:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Lecture Theatre A
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

DNA HEROES FOR HEALTH

The NIHR BioResource's DNA, Children + Young People's Health Resource programme (D-CYPHR) invites children and their parents to learn about the power of spit to impact health research for everyone at our stand during Family Weekend.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

DRAGONS' TAILS AND BALOR'S EYE: IRELAND'S HISTORY WITH THE STARS

Hairy stars and dragons in the air! Find out what medieval Irish record-keepers claimed to see in the night sky and how they made a remarkable contribution to historical astronomy.

FREE

4:30PM–5PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Room GR 06/07
Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

EARTH SCIENCES FAIR

Meet Earth scientists from the University of Cambridge and have fun taking part in hands-on activities relating to their research.

FREE

11AM–3PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Sedgwick Museum of Earth Sciences
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3EQ

ENCHANTING TALES FOR YOUNG EXPLORERS

Join us for two magical story tales about the immune system.

FREE

11AM–12PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

ENGINEERING SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

Join CSIC and colleagues from Darwin and Churchill Colleges and NUAR for interactive games, hands-on activities and fun experiments to discover how engineers meet the challenges of flooding and climate change in our communities, create sustainable road systems, map and visualize our buried infrastructure and, in partnership with the public, make our infrastructure and cities smarter.

FREE

10AM–2PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Engineering
Inglis Building Lecture Theatres 1 and 2
Trumpington Street
Cambridge
CB2 1PZ

EXPLORING THE FUTURE OF THE FENS

Dive into the future of the Fens at the Cambridge Festival! Discover the science behind this unique landscape and explore its possible futures. Be part of the conversation.

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

David Attenborough Building
New Museums Site
Cambridge
CB2 3QZ

FAMILY ARTS, CRAFTS AND PUZZLES

Quiet time, with colouring, virtual graffiti & puzzles, based around our research themes.

FREE

11AM–12PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Centre for Family Research Ground Floor,
Old Cavendish Building (Rayleigh Wing)
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RQ

FROM POISONS TO MEDICINES: GET HANDS-ON WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACOLOGY

Want to learn more about how our medicines work and where they come from? Come join us for family-friendly activities, computer simulations and 3D printed models!

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

FUN WITH STATISTICS

Discover how the MRC Biostatistics Unit turn data into knowledge and have fun with our interactive activities and games.

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

GENETICS: THE SECRET OF LIFE

The Department of Genetics looks into the effects of our different genes and explore these changes.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

GROW YOUR OWN PROTEIN CRYSTALS

Join us and learn how to grow your own protein crystals!

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

GROWING A BACKBONE FAMILY DAY

Visit the Museum of Zoology for a day of free hands-on activities inspired by skeletons.

FREE

10AM-4:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Museum of Zoology
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3EJ

HANDS-ON ARCHAEOLOGY

Meet some of the team from the Department of Archaeology, the McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research and the Cambridge Archaeological Unit for a selection of hands-on activities showcasing the variety of research within Archaeology.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

HOW DO VACCINES WORK?

Modern vaccines are safe and effective. Join Dr Brian Ferguson and colleagues to find out how they work to protect against infectious diseases. Our stand, in partnership with the British Society for Immunology (BSI), will help to explain the immunology behind vaccines.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

HOW TO CONFIRM AN OUTBREAK: AN INTERACTIVE, HANDS-ON SESSION FOR BUDDING DISEASE DETECTIVES

Interactive and hands-on workshop with epidemiologist Dr Charlotte Hammer.

FREE

1PM-2PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Alison Richard Building
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

INFECTION AND ARTHRITIS

How infection can result in arthritis with Dr Joe Hutton

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

INTO THE METAVERSE

Fancy getting a look into the latest research on future working and trying out some hands-on activities in the metaverse?

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

KAPLA WORKSHOP & LAPTOP GAMES!

Our laptop games and KAPLA Workshop for primary school children will show you how parent-child play supports the development of children's thinking skills (see <https://kaplaclubs.co.uk/>)

FREE

12PM-1PM ON SUN 24 MAR

1:30PM-2:30PM ON SUN 24 MAR

3PM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Centre for Family Research
Ground Floor
Old Cavendish Building (Rayleigh Wing)
Centre For Family Research
University of Cambridge
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

LEARN WITH LEGO: VIRAL TRICKS

Join us as we delve into the fascinating world of viruses through the art of LEGO!

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

MEDIEVAL 'NATIONS' AND THE PROPHECIES OF MERLIN IN BRITAIN

This presentation will show audience members how prophecies were used by both revolt movements and the monarchy of medieval England and Wales.

FREE

5PM-5:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Room GR 06/07
Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

ME, MY MICROBIOME AND I

Join researchers from @MRC_TU to learn about the trillions of bacteria living in your gut and how they impact your health. Come and discover the secrets of your gut!

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Cambridge
CB2 3RF

MEDICINE MAKERS: COME SEE WHAT SCIENCE CAN DO

An opportunity to be a Medicine Maker! Come and meet the team at AstraZeneca and see what science can do!

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

MICROBES LIVING INSIDE OUR CELLS

Learn about the fascinating world of microbes while playing cornhole

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

MISE-EN-PAGE: DESIGNING MUSICAL MANUSCRIPTS IN PRE-CONQUEST ENGLAND

How was music written down in the early 11th century? Lottie Wells explores the layout and materiality of three pre-conquest tropers (manuscripts of notated chant) to discuss how music books were used in pre-conquest England.

FREE

3:30PM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Room GR 06/07

Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic

9 West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DP

MOVING WITHOUT MUSCLES: PLANTS AS MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

Plants do not have muscles, but they are great architects that can engineer a variety of structures for fast movement and growth. These abilities are fascinating and an inspiration for modern engineering and materials development. Join us to explore plant biomechanics; you will get to use real equipment, generate your own data and try to interpret the results, just as our researchers do every day.

FREE

10:30AM-12PM ON SAT 16 MAR

1:30PM-3PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Sainsbury Laboratory

47 Bateman Street

Cambridge

CB2 1LR

BOOKING REQUIRED

MULTI-ACTIVITY FAMILY FUN!

Multi-activity, family fun with the Centre for Family Research and the Department of Psychology.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Ground Floor

Old Cavendish Research Laboratory (Rayleigh Wing)

Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3RQ

NATURE-INSPIRED INFRASTRUCTURE: BUILDING RESILIENT BRIDGES AND BUILDINGS TO COUNTER CLIMATE CHANGE

Want to be a future-resilient civil engineer?

Get ready to be inspired by spiders and trees, as you build bridges and buildings against nature's seismic threats. Learn more about how nature can inspire infrastructure.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Engineering

James Dyson Building

Seminar Room & Teaching Room

Trumpington Street

Cambridge

CB2 1PZ

NEWBORN LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION SIGNALS.

Hear from Dr Sarah Lloyd-Fox (Department of Psychology) & the Brazelton Centre UK in this mini-talk about newborn language and communication signals. Hosted by Centre for Child and Family Research.

FREE

10AM-11AM ON SAT 23 MAR

1PM-2PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Centre for Family Research

Ground Floor

Old Cavendish Building (Rayleigh Wing)

Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3RQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

ON THE SAME (BRAIN) WAVELENGTH: NEURAL SYNCHRONISATION DURING SOCIAL INTERACTIONS

When we interact others, our brains seem to synchronise in their activity. Greater levels of synchrony often suggests better social interactions and coordination. How does the brain achieve this? How do we measure this? And can neural synchrony reveal more about our ultra-social species?

Event hosted by the Centre for Family Research and the Department Of Psychology.

FREE

11AM-12PM ON SAT 23 MAR

2PM-3PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Centre for Family Research

Ground Floor, Old Cavendish Building

(Rayleigh Wing)

Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3RQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

OPTICAL ILLUSIONS

Explore our collection of optical illusions and see if you can fool your own eyes!

FREE

2PM-3PM ON SAT 23 MAR

2PM-3PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science

Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3RH

PATH CAFÉ

Join us for complimentary tea, coffee and a chat about Pathology with our experts. Meet our researchers and entertain the kids with colouring and craft activities.

FREE

10AM-2PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology

Tennis Court Road

Cambridge

CB2 1QP

POP-UP PLAY WITH THE HERD

Early years free play in a room filled with possibilities – explore, touch, build, imagine, play. Pop-Up play is a creative play space for under 5s and their families, created by The Herd Theatre.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Reception area

New Museums Site

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3RS

PROTEIN SUPERGLUE TO BUILD VACCINES

Ever wanted to build a vaccine? Join us and learn about protein superglue and build your very own vaccine.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology

Tennis Court Road

Cambridge

CB2 1QP

QUIET TIME AT CAMBRIDGE FESTIVAL'S FAMILY WEEKEND

The Quiet Time at our Family weekend is perfect for people who want to experience the festival, in a quieter environment.

FREE

11AM–12PM ON SUN 24 MAR

New Museums site and Kings College lawn
New Museums site
Bene't Street
Cambridge
CB2 3PT

RECORDING DATA IN YARN AND THREAD

Join textile artist Clare Wilkes to hear about her temperature records in yarn and thread. Learn about data visualisation and tracking projects, and stitch your own Mar 2024 temperature bookmark.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums site
Bene't Street
Cambridge
CB2 3PT

RESEARCHING CANCER IN CAMBRIDGE

How do cancer scientists see inside the body, and what are they looking for when they do? Join Cancer Research UK Cambridge Institute for hands-on activities to discover how our scientists' work in the lab is having real-world impact on patients.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

RISING STARS

Researchers from our Rising Stars training course will be popping up throughout the Festival. With subjects from economics, law, children's health, to astrophysics and plants, join us for activities and a chance to chat to our stars of the future!

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
Cambridge
CB2 3PT

ROYAL PAPWORTH HOSPITAL OPEN DAY

An open day at the UK's leading heart and lung hospital where people can explore all about what goes into providing world-class heart, lung and sleep care to patients.

FREE

10AM–2PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Royal Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
Papworth Road
Cambridge Biomedical Campus
Cambridge
CB2 0AY

SEA AND WILDERNESS: OLD ENGLISH READINGS OF THE HEBREW BIBLE

This paper asks what happens when we consider Old English poetry in conversation with traditions of wilderness found in the Hebrew bible. Probing some of the more famous instances of Old English sea imagery, the paper aims to demonstrate how the ocean is more than mere dramatic background but is indispensable, orienting a text's theological inquiries.

FREE

5:30PM–6PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Room GR 06/07
Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

SEE HOW TECHNOLOGY UTILISES ELECTRICITY & MAGNETISM

Demonstration of Electricity and Magnetism utilising generated energy.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

SEND: BUBBLE SUPERSTARS SHOW

In the Bubble Superstars Show, we'll be exploring bubbles of different sizes and investigating their shape and colour too. The audience learns Makaton signing as we go! Dr Sarah Bearchell is a freelance science writer and presenter based in Oxfordshire.

FREE

12PM–12:30PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

SUNSPACEART 'DROP-IN' ACTIVITIES AT THE FAMILY WEEKEND

The SunSpaceArt team will be running 'drop-in' workshops for children during the family weekend at the Cambridge Festival. The activities will involve making colourful 'pop-up' and collage cards about the Sun, Solar System and space.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

SUPPORTING YOUR MENTAL HEALTH- IT'S NOT ALL IN THE MIND - FAMILY WEEKEND

Do you know what causes depression? What to eat so gut bacteria help your brain, mood, learning? Why sleep, exercise, stress are key? Embrace strategies to transform your mental health!

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

SUSTAIN/EDUCATION PRESENTS: THE SUSTAINABILITY QUEST

An event which tests the knowledge of participants on sustainable solutions to climate change. Can you make it through the this Sustainability Quest successfully? Test yourself at the various stations provided at our exhibit! This event is for all ages and targeted from Primary School learners.

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

New Museum Site
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3RS

THE CANOE RACE: THE ART AND SCIENCE OF CREATION MYTHS

A traditional story comes alive with pictures drawn live onscreen in real time, to inspire questions and reflections about our planet, guided by environmental scientists from the University. With storyteller Marion Leeper, artist Tonka Uza and environmental scientist Manar Alsaif

FREE

10AM–11AM ON SAT 23 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE FORCE AWAKENS: QUANTUM COLLISIONS

This highly interactive talk from Professor Ben Allanach explores and explains the fascinating world of quantum field theory, from CERN to the Standard Model to possible signs of a new and unknown force...

FREE

11AM–12PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Isaac Newton Institute for Mathematical Sciences

20 Clarkson Road

Cambridge

CB3 0EH

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE INFECTION GAME

When germs such as viruses get into our body they often hide inside our cells. Your immune system is there to help you seek out the pesky pathogens. In this game, your job is to be your immune system. Find the cells with germs hiding in them!

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology

Tennis Court Road

Cambridge

CB2 1QP

THE MANY LIVES OF A MANUSCRIPT: INTRODUCING THE SOUTHAMPTON PSALTER

Follow the fascinating journey of the Southampton Psalter over the course of its many lives, from medieval Ireland to modern Cambridge, and discover a new online resource specifically designed for the budding researcher.

FREE

2:30PM–3PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Room GR 06/07

Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic

9 West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DP

THE META LAB: ACCELERATING LEARNING WITH AI AND VR

The Meta Lab uses emerging digital technology in innovative ways to create transformational educational experiences. Meet Lab Director, Dr Chris Macdonald, and see the VR Public Speaking Programme where students can build resilience through a gamified journey where the virtual 'audience' grows as tasks are completed. Try it out and learn how to access it for free from the comfort of your own home!

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre

New Museums Site

Bene't Street

CB2 3PT

THE NOMADIC STORYTELLER FROM THE NORTH

Join Romani storyteller, children's author and toymaker Richard O'Neill on a captivating journey through his quirky, enchanting, and humorous tales from the North. An experience that's perfect for the whole family.

FREE

1:30PM–2:30PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Babbage Lecture Theatre (Through the Pembroke Archway)

New Museums Site

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3RS

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE SECRET WORLD OF MICROBES

How do you wash hands correctly to help prevent the spread of infectious microbes? Discover what bacteria look like and build your own microbes to learn about the structure of bacteria and viruses. Presented by School of Life Sciences, Anglia Ruskin University.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre

New Museums Site

Bene't Street

CB2 3PT

THE UGLY ANIMAL PRESERVATION SOCIETY - WEIRD LIFE UNDERWATER

From hagfish that see off predators using sickening slime to sea cucumbers that fight with their bum, our seas are full of some of the strangest animals in the world. But this environment is one that needs a good clean up if these creatures, and maybe the planet as a whole is to survive.

FREE

1:15PM–2:15PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Babbage Lecture Theatre (Through the Pembroke Archway)

New Museums Site

Bene't Street

Cambridge

CB2 3RS

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE WEIRD WORLD OF CARNIVOROUS PLANTS

Come along to find out about carnivorous plants, including what they eat, how they catch it and where these plants grow in the wild.

FREE

10:30AM–4:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Botanic Garden Classroom

1 Brookside

Cambridge

CB2 1JE

BOOKING REQUIRED

WHAT REST BREAK OR INTERVAL IS RIGHT FOR YOU? RACING LIKE A BLOOD DONOR

How do we find a balance for having enough blood available in hospitals without causing blood donors to have anaemia? Let's simulate what that might feel like in a fun running race to gauge what rest break or interval you will need where the interval it's not too much or too little.

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Student Services Centre

Benet street

Cambridge

CB2 3PT

TIDY THAT ROOM RIGHT NOW! HOW TO TAME OUR CLUTTER CHAOS

Join us for an interactive and educational experience that explores the science of clutter and messy bedrooms. Do you have a drawer full of junk in your house? Learn how we can be more organised and explore some of the reasons why we don't like to throw things away.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre

New Museums Site

Bene't Street

CB2 3PT

TOXICOLOGY (TEMPORARY) TATTOO PARLOUR

Researchers from the MRC Toxicology Unit are transforming into (temporary) tattoo artists for our family weekend! Choose a temporary tattoo and while it's being applied, talk to the researchers about the unique design and how it relates to their work.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre

New Museums Site

Cambridge

CB2 3RF

TUBERCULOSIS: A FISHY TALE ABOUT A DEADLY DISEASE

Does anyone get tuberculosis nowadays? Why care about or research this disease? Come find out in this interactive talk as Jonathan Shanahan from the Department of Medicine tells us all about present day tuberculosis, what fish are teaching us about how disease starts and one way the bacteria defend against the attacks of the immune system!

FREE

3PM–3:40PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Lecture Theatre A

New Museums Site,

Bene't Street,

CB2 3PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

VIRUS FIGHTERS

Become a virus fighter and help control a disease outbreak in this educational game.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

WE'RE THERE FOR THEIR WELFARE

University Biomedical Services implements Replacement, Reduction, Refinement to ensure humane and ethical procedures are applied in scientific animal research. By fostering a culture of care, our community aims to advance knowledge whilst minimising harm and upholding the principles of respect for all living beings; taking responsibility for animal welfare, and conducting research reliably.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

WEEKEND AT THE WHIPPLE

Enjoy a rare chance to visit the Whipple Museum at the weekend

FREE

12:30PM–4:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

12:30PM–4:30PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

WHAT DOES AN ARTIST IN RESIDENCE IN A UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT DO?

Clive Wilkins has been the Artist in Residence for over twelve years. Discover the kind of research an artist undertakes in the University of Cambridge's world leading Department of Psychology.

FREE

12PM–1PM ON SAT 23 MAR

3PM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Centre for Family Research
Ground Floor
Old Cavendish Building (Rayleigh Wing)
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

WHAT IS A CELL?

Come and learn about cells: the building blocks of our bodies. Find out about what different types of cells do and make one of your own!

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

FREE

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

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FREE

10AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

WHAT WOULD NATURE DO? AN IMAGINARIUM TAKEOVER AT KING'S

Imagine a future that's teeming with life and guided by nature! Join the Imaginarium Takeover for a weekend of stories, ideas, creativity and hands-on activities as we ask "What Would Nature Do?" to build a greener, fairer and more connected future together.

FREE

10AM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

King's College
King's Parade
Cambridge
CB2 1ST

WHO HAS THE HEALTHIEST HEART?

A family-friendly fun card game to learn all about cardiovascular disease risk prediction and how it can identify adults at risk of heart diseases. You will be able to determine which of your favourite characters, or celebrities have the healthiest heart according to their medical charts!

10AM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Student Services Centre
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
CB2 3PT

WONDERS OF THE HUMAN BODY

Join Dr Jo for a fun and informative, interactive show as we journey around the human body, discovering wonders along the way. Explore some oddities relating to our vision and hearing, glimpse how our brains process information, consider how we can trick our senses, find out some of the things that make us unique individuals and more!

FREE

3PM–4PM ON SUN 24 MARCH

Babbage Lecture Theatre (Through the Pembroke Archway)
New Museums Site
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3RS

PERFORMANCE AND EXHIBITIONS

Join Cambridge Festival for a series of live performances and exhibitions that share research in new and different formats. From films to theatre, music performances to exhibitions at unique spaces, these events will inspire you to find out more about our research.

AESTHETICS AND COUNTER-AESTHETICS OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE

Book launch and exhibition on 'Aesthetics and Counter-Aesthetics of International Justice'

FREE

2PM-6PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Alison Richard Building
Sidgwick Site
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

ARCTIC CULTURES: COLLECTIONS AND IMAGINATIONS

An exhibition exploring perceptions of the Arctic. Learn about how the Arctic is framed in particular ways, and why it matters.

FREE

10AM-4PM TUE-SAT EVERY WEEK

STARTING TUE 5 MAR EXCEPT ON BANK HOLIDAYS

The Polar Museum
Lensfield Road
Cambridge
CB2 1ER

THE CENTRE FOR MUSIC PERFORMANCE PRESENTS ST JOHN PASSION - AT ST JOHN'S COLLEGE CHAPEL

2024 marks the 300th anniversary of the first performance of Bach's towering masterpiece, the St John Passion which debuted on Good Friday in 1724 in Leipzig. Still revered today, it remains among the composer's most cherished works.

£4-£30

8PM-10PM ON THUR 7 MAR

St John's College Chapel
St John's Street
Cambridge
CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE CENTRE FOR MUSIC PERFORMANCE PRESENTS ST JOHN PASSION - AT GIRTON COLLEGE

The performance in the Great Hall at Girton College, Cambridge will be an historically informed immersive experience. Performed in the round, the concert is designed to bring the audience into direct contact with the bodily enactment of this affective journey.

£25/£22.50/£5

6:45PM-10PM ON FRI 8 MAR

The Great Hall
Girton College
Huntingdon Road
Cambridge
CB3 0JG

BOOKING REQUIRED

CAMBRIDGE CREATIVE ENCOUNTERS

Join us for a unique exhibition of artistic creations, step into the world of research that showcase and transform some of the world's burning research questions into novel ways.

FREE

10AM-5PM DAILY FROM THUR 14 MAR UNTIL THUR 28 MAR

West Hub
JJ Thomson Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 0US

ELECTRO//ACOUSTIC DAY

Four classical, contemporary and electronic music concerts with national and international renowned artists. A sound-visual installation, in collaboration with Cambridge School of Visual and Performing Arts (CSVPA).

FREE

12:30PM-8:30PM ON THUR 14 MAR

West Road Concert Hall
11 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

QUEENS' OLD LIBRARY EXHIBITION: SOCIETY, POLITICS AND HEALTH - THE BOOKS OF SIR THOMAS SMITH

Discover how the library of a Tudor statesman educated in Cambridge reflects the concerns of society today: medical scares, mass migration and turbulent politics.

FREE

1:30PM-4:30PM ON WEEKDAYS FROM THUR 14 MAR UNTIL THUR 28 MAR

Queens' College
Silver Street
Cambridge
CB3 9ET

ROUTES INTO LANGUAGES EAST CELEBRATION EVENT

An opportunity to celebrate the poetry of secondary school students in the region and a celebration of languages in general and the benefits they bring individually and to society in general.

FREE

3PM-8PM ON THUR 14 MAR

Murray Edwards College
Huntingdon Road
Cambridge
CB3 0DF

BOOKING REQUIRED

SHAKESPEARE'S WHITE OTHERS

Join Dr David Sterling Brown from Trinity College for an online reading from his new book Shakespeare's White Others. Later, he will host a tour of his new virtual-reality Gallery exhibition titled Visualizing Race Virtually, which is a visual complement to his book. To close, Dr. Brown will take questions from the audience.

FREE

3PM-4PM ON THUR 14 MAR

Zoom Video Conferencing

BOOKING REQUIRED

THIS IS OUR STREET! - STREET EXHIBITIONS TELLING THE STORY OF PETERSFIELD

Get outside and explore pop-up street exhibitions about the people who used to live in the Petersfield area previously known as 'Sturton town' in the Victorian times, with commemorative blue plaques, artworks based on census records made by the local school children, and related research material displayed on windows and gates on participating streets.

FREE

9AM-7PM DAILY FROM THUR 14 MAR UNTIL THUR 28 MAR

OUTDOORS

Petersfield
Cambridge

REPRODUCTIVE FUTURES: SCREENING OF HIGH LIFE (2018)

Deep space. Monte and his daughter Willow live together aboard a spacecraft, in complete isolation. A man whose strict self-discipline is a shield against desire, Monte fathered her against his will. Join us for this special screening of HIGH LIFE (2018), followed by a panel discussion.

FREE

6PM-9PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Gonville and Caius College
Trinity Street
Cambridge
CB2 1TA

BOOKING REQUIRED

TEXTUAL GENETICS

Examining writer's notebooks, drafts and 'proofs' held at the Wren Library, this workshop thinks about the 'genesis' of a literary text from its earliest drafts through to publication (and beyond).

FREE

4:30PM-6PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Wren Library
Trinity College
Trinity Street
Access via Trinity College Porter's Lodge
Great Gate
Cambridge
CB2 1TQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

WOMEN IN WOLFSON'S RARE BOOKS COLLECTION

Visit Wolfson Library for an exhibition of rare books about and by women from the Karen Spärk Jones collection.

FREE

11AM-12PM ON FRI 15 MAR

3PM-4PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Wolfson College
Barton Road
Cambridge
CB3 9BB

BOOKING REQUIRED

ACADEMICS AND EMPIRE TOUR

Join us on a tour exploring the historic connections between Cambridge and the British Empire.

FREE

11AM ON SAT 16 MAR

11AM ON SUN 17 MAR

Meet at the Round Church
Bridge Street
Cambridge
CB2 1UB

BOOKING REQUIRED

FAUST SHOP: DISCOVER YOUR ARTIFICIAL DOUBLE

Come visit the Faust Shop, an innovative pop-up retail experience offering you the chance to meet your artificial double. Using an artificial, multi-dimensional human created by collective AI, we invite you to step inside and prompt our system to generate your optimised self. But what does it take to shake hands with your digital soul?

FREE

3PM-5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Alison Richard Building
Sidgwick Site
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DT

BOOKING REQUIRED

INTERFAITH PRAYERS FOR PEACE

An evening of interfaith prayers for World Peace. Everyone is welcome, no matter the faith or none.

FREE

5PM-6:20PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Pembroke College
Trumpington Street
Cambridge
CB2 1RF

BOOKING REQUIRED

MAKESPACE SHOWCASE

Join us as we celebrate over 10 years of making, inventing and collaboration at Cambridge's city centre makerspace. See products, prototypes and creations from science and engineering to craft and arts as well as the wide range of equipment on site our 400 members have used to make them.

FREE

12PM-5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Makespace
16 Mill Lane
Cambridge
CB2 1RX

QUEENS' OLD LIBRARY TALK: SOCIETY, POLITICS AND HEALTH - THE BOOKS OF SIR THOMAS SMITH

Explore cutting-edge doctoral research into the library of Sir Thomas Smith (1513-1577), student of Queens' College and political statesman, featuring a variety of rare and unique sixteenth-century books.

FREE

2PM-3PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Queens' College
Silver Street
Cambridge
CB3 9ET

BOOKING REQUIRED

RELAXATION THROUGH MINDFULNESS, BREATHWORK, MOTION AND MUSIC

The Centre for Intercultural Musicology at Churchill College curates an experiential session where participants engage in mindfulness techniques and deep breathing exercises with guided motion and music to foster relaxation and wellbeing, led by an interdisciplinary team of experts.

FREE

2:30PM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Churchill College
Storey's Way
Cambridge
CB3 0DS

BOOKING REQUIRED

RE-SHAPING LANDSCAPES PERFORMANCE

Re-shaping Landscapes is a performance project delving into the ephemerality of disappearing and transforming landscapes, focusing on the ever-changing terrain of East Anglia. Our goal is to connect communities across distances through the fusion of technology and performance. We aim to explore how our adaptability to change can pave the way to more sustainable futures for our communities.

FREE

4PM-5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

WOLFSON COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE ROYAL ACADEMY SCHOOLS GRADUATE PRIZE: ENEJ GALA - AFTER NEWS BEFORE BED

A display of works by the winner of this year's Wolfson College Royal Academy Schools Graduate Prize. Now in its fifth year, the prize gives an opportunity to a recent graduate of the RA Schools to create an exhibition in the College that also considers the special surroundings of the exhibition space.

FREE

10AM-5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

10AM-5PM ON SUN 17 MAR

10AM-5PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Wolfson College
Barton Road
Cambridge
CB3 9BB

WORDS FOR CLIMATE

Creative workshop for all ages. Inspired by Dadaist poetry, phrases have been cut out and are waiting to be put back together by you, to be published in a chapbook.

FREE

2PM-5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Faculty of English, GR06/07
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

FESTIVAL EVENSONG

Do join us for a beautiful choral Evensong service at Great St. Mary's the University Church. A special address will be given by keynote speaker the Revd Canon Jim Walters entitled Sacred texts or international agreements: which will save us from climate collapse?. Everyone, of any faith or none, is most warmly welcome.

FREE

4PM-5PM ON SUN 17 MAR

Great St Mary's Church
Senate House Hill
Cambridge
CB2 3PQ

REPRODUCTIVE FUTURES: STEM-CELL-BASED EMBRYO MODELS

As stem cell-based embryo models become increasingly more sophisticated they raise big questions: how do we define a human embryo and what should be the limits of such research? Join our panel of scientific, legal and sociological experts as they debate the future of stem cell-based embryo models – and don't forget to see our exhibition about research into human embryos and embryo models as well!

FREE
5PM-7:45PM ON SUN 17 MAR

The Pitt Building
Trumpington Street
Cambridge
CB2 1RP

BOOKING REQUIRED

BEYOND THE TRIGGER: TEACHING, THEATRE AND TRAUMATIC MEMORY

Following their work with psychologists, singers, counsellors and movement directors, the 'Beyond the Trigger' performance company share how dramatic form can inhabit, address, and process traumatic experience.

FREE
5:30PM-7PM ON MON 18 MAR

Faculty of English
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

INREACH: A MIXED MEDIA EXHIBITION OF LIVED EXPERTISE

inReach (an inversion of 'outreach') considers the creative work of those usually closed off from academic and artistic production because of addiction, perceived incapacity, or lack of permanent home.

FREE
**9AM-5PM ON WEEKDAYS FROM MON
18 MAR UNTIL FRI 12 APRIL EXCEPT ON
BANK HOLIDAYS**

Alison Richard Building
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

NOTHING EVER JUST DISAPPEARS: EXPLORING THE GAY IMAGINATION

Radical cultural historian and activist Diarmuid Hester and poet Mary Jean Chan, both from the University of Cambridge, are in conversation in and around Cambridge about Diarmuid's new book on how the gay imagination deals with place and displacement through time and place.

FREE
8PM-9PM ON MON 18 MAR

Online
BOOKING REQUIRED

AESTHETICS AND COUNTER- AESTHETICS OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE

A display of works by the winner of this year's Wolfson College Royal Academy Schools Graduate Prize. Now in its fifth year, the prize gives an opportunity to a recent graduate of the RA Schools to create an exhibition in the College that also considers the special surroundings of the exhibition space.

FREE
2PM-6PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Alison Richard Building
Sidgwick Site
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

CAMBRIDGE IMAGINES 2024

A fascinating series of short films with researchers at Cambridge who are imagining the future. These films share an insight into the researchers and their work.

FREE
6PM-7PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Online

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE VARIABLES PRESENT: AN EVENING OF SCIENCE COMEDY

Join regular Cambridge Festival favourites The Variables for an evening of science comedy.

£7 + BOOKING FEE
7:30PM-9:30PM ON TUE 19 MAR

The Portland Arms
129 Chesterton Road
Cambridge
CB4 3BA

BOOKING REQUIRED

INSPIRED BY UNCOMFORTABLE SCIENCE

Experience a fusion of art, history, and science, as CSVPA students interpret Uncomfortable Science – Museum Tour exhibits through drawing, dance, theatre, animation, and music. These thought-provoking works pose profound questions from alternate perspectives. Featuring staff contributions and Diploma Year 1 students' mixed-media animation, unravelling challenging aspects of scientific history.

FREE
**12:30PM-4:30PM FROM WED 20 MAR
UNTIL TUE 26 MAR**

Whipple Museum of the History of Science
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

SAMANTHA DAY - THE BOOBY TRAP

Breasts loom large in our culture, but why are we so obsessed with them? Award winning comedian Samantha Day gets her tit jokes out and exposes some big issues

£8
7:30PM-8:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

Thrive
5-7 Norfolk St
Cambridge
CB1 2LD

BOOKING REQUIRED

SENSORY SCIENCE

An exhibit created by Dr Erica Tandori—a legally blind artist—aims to communicate science in a way that is more inclusive to people with disabilities, with a particular focus on the blind and low vision community.

FREE
10AM ON WED 20 MAR

St Catharine's College
Trumpington Street
Cambridge
CB2 1RL

TADIWA MAHLUNGE: INHIBITION EXHIBITION

As seen on BBC One, Dave and Comedy Central, Tadiwa Mahlunge brings his hit Edinburgh Debut Show to Cambridge where Tadiwa discovers the true cost to ambition and the search for validation.

£8
8:50PM-9:50PM ON WED 20 MAR

Thrive
5-7 Norfolk St
Cambridge
CB1 2LD

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE MIRROR TRAP

An online immersive experience for headphones and a mirror. The Mirror Trap is a short headphone play/experience/installation/horror story about psychology and quantum physics.

FREE
7PM-8PM ON WED 20 MAR

Online via Zoom

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE RECKONING - IN CONVERSATION

Join Artistic Director Josephine Burton in conversation about the company's new documentary theatre production The Reckoning, following several through-provoking productions telling Ukrainian stories by Dash Arts.

PAY WHAT YOU FEEL

7:30PM-9:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

Cambridge Junction, J3
Clifton Road
Cambridge
CB1 7GX

BOOKING REQUIRED

WALKING WITH CONSTABLE: THE CAMBRIDGE EDITION

'Walking with Constable' is a research project that explores how we can use digital technologies to take archive material out of Museums and Libraries and interact with it in the landscape. On this 'Cambridge Edition' we'll experience how we've been doing this by using sites in Cambridge as surrogates for the locations in the Dedham Vale where John Constable lived and worked.

FREE

1PM-4PM ON WED 20 MAR

Meet at Cambridge University Library
BOOKING REQUIRED

CAST AND REPEAT

For one night only: join us for an immersive experience at the Museum of Classical Archaeology as artist Ella McCartney transforms our Cast Gallery. Grab a glass of wine and look afresh at our casts of Graeco-Roman sculpture, bathed in an after-dark light show and a contemporary soundscape evoking the music of ancient Greece.

FREE

6PM-8PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Museum of Classical Archaeology
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

CHAMBER CONCERT: TENOR, CLARINET, VIOLA AND PIANO 'RELAXATION AND RENEWAL'

Music reflecting on leisure and solace

FREE

7:30PM-9PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Downing Place United Reform Church
Downing Place
Cambridge
CB2 3EL

BOOKING REQUIRED

GATTACA/HUMAN NATURE: THE SCI FI AND SCI FACT OF EMBRYO EDITING

An entertaining evening of cinema and conversation about science in society to launch the Just. Good. Science. Film Festival, coming March 2025

FREE

6PM-10PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Cambridge Arts Picturehouse
38-39 St Andrew's Street
Cambridge
CB2 3AR

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE CHALLENGES OF DELIVERING HEALTHCARE AND TELLING THE STORY IN A WARZONE

A film screening and discussion with the 'Healthcare in Conflict' Research Network at CRASSH.

FREE

5:30PM-7PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Alison Richard Building
Sidgwick Site
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DT

BOOKING REQUIRED

AM I NORMAL?

Cambridge Digital Humanities student Tristan Dot presents two art installations: 'Am I Normal?' is an interactive installation reflecting on body control in public spaces through Computer Vision technologies. 'Dreamy Cops' reflects on the similarities between synthesis and analysis in AI, and on the impact of university research in the development of public surveillance technologies.

FREE

12PM-4PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Alison Richard Building
Sidgwick Site
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DT

BOOKING REQUIRED

CURATOR'S TOUR: CASTING A NEW LIGHT

The Museum of Classical Archaeology is home to more than 450 plaster casts of ancient Greek and Roman sculpture. But why do we have a collection of copies or 'fakes'? Join curator Dr Susanne Turner for a guided tour of the casts and their history, ancient and modern.

FREE

2PM-3PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Museum of Classical Archaeology
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

REPRODUCTIVE FUTURES: SCREENING OF THE POD GENERATION (2023)

In a not-so-distant future, amid a society madly in love with technology, tech giant Pegazus offers couples the opportunity to share their pregnancies via detachable artificial wombs or pods. And so begins Rachel and Alvy's wild ride to parenthood in this brave new world. Join us for this special screening of THE POD GENERATION (2023), followed by a panel discussion.

FREE

6PM-9PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Gonville and Caius College
Trinity Street
Cambridge
CB2 1TA

BOOKING REQUIRED

'TO MAKE MUCH OF TIME': CALENDARS, CHRONICLES, COYNESS AND CLOCKS

The 17th-century Old Library of St John's hosts an exhibition on the subject of time.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

The Old Library
St John's College
St John's Street
Cambridge
CB2 1TP

A LECTURE-RECITAL CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND WORK OF RUSSIAN COMPOSER VALENTINA SEROVA (1846-1924)

Learn about the musical environment for women in nineteenth-century Russia through the life and work of composer Valentina Serova (1846-1924). In this lecture-recital, PhD student Nicholas Ong will introduce Serova's work, alongside extracts from Serova's opera 'Uriel Acosta' (1885), not performed since 1892 and never beyond the territories of the Russian Empire.

FREE

3PM-4:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Clare College
Trinity Lane
Cambridge
CB2 1TL

BOOKING REQUIRED

ARTISTS AT LARGE

Discover the unique artistic impressions of artists and designers who've attended and responded to a range of our Cambridge Festival events.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

11AM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

12PM-4PM DAILY FROM MON 25 MAR

UNTIL WED 27 MAR

Friar house

2A Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3QA

CONCERT AND WORKSHOP BY INDIGENOUS MUSICIANS AND PERFORMERS

A family-friendly workshop with various groups of UK-based Indigenous artists from across the world.

FREE

2PM-4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Alison Richard Building

Sidgwick Site

7 West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

MURDER BY THE BOOK: A CELEBRATION OF BRITISH CRIME WRITING

Curated by crime novelist Nicola Upson, Murder by the Book celebrates the richness and diversity of twentieth century British crime fiction. Hosted at Cambridge University Library, this free, public exhibition explores this fascinating world, from its origins in the work of Wilkie Collins and Charles Dickens to contemporary bestsellers Val McDermid, Ian Rankin and Anthony Horowitz.

FREE

10AM-4PM DAILY FROM SAT 23 MAR

UNTIL THUR 28 MAR

Cambridge University Library

West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DR

BOOKING REQUIRED

THIS IS OUR STREET! – POP-UP EXHIBITION UNCOVERING THE STORY OF 'STURTON TOWN'

The story of people living and working in Petersfield from the Victorian era to today is brought to life in a pop-up exhibition and talks programme, presenting archive records, artefacts from residents' homes and gardens, films and oral histories, with research led by Professor Helen Weinstein of Historyworks in collaboration with Gwydir Street Friends & local community researchers.

FREE

2PM-5PM ON SAT 23 MAR

2PM-5PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Mill Road Community Centre

6 Hazell Street

Cambridge

CB1 2GN

SOOTHE: DANCE THEATRE & BRAIN CHEMISTRY

Explore adrenaline, dopamine, oxytocin, the hormones that push, pull and drag us through life, in this thoughtful and rambunctious, multimedia dance production. Top researchers unpack the science in post-show talk.

4:30PM-5:45PM ON SUN 24 MAR

7:30PM-8:45PM ON SUN 24 MAR

West Road Concert Hall

11 West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

INREACH ARTIST TAKEOVER: ANTHROPOLOGY BY CHILDREN (ABC)

Artist takeover and children's workshop as part of 'inReach: a mixed media exhibition of lived expertise'.

FREE

9AM-1PM ON MON 25 MAR

Alison Richard Building

7 West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

GEYSERS TO GROOVES: THE SYMPHONY OF YELLOWSTONE'S SEISMIC SECRETS

Dr. Domenico Vicinanza, a pioneering expert in data sonification from Anglia Ruskin University, will take you on an auditory journey through the seismic wonders of Yellowstone National Park and in conversation with Earth scientist Dr Carrie Soderson from the University of Cambridge, will discuss new ways of understanding the planet.

FREE

4PM-5:30PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University

East Road

Cambridge

CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

INREACH ARTIST TAKEOVER | CLICK THERAPY

Artist takeover and workshop as part of 'inReach: a mixed media exhibition of lived expertise'.

FREE

9AM-1PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Alison Richard Building

7 West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

INSPIRED BY UNCOMFORTABLE SCIENCE: EVENING CELEBRATION

A live performance incorporating visual art, music, theatre and dance by Diploma and Foundation students from Cambridge School of Visual and Performing Arts (CSVPA) based on their outcomes from the Uncomfortable Science exhibition. Also featuring a talk on the historical relationship between medieval science and religion by Dr. Simone Kügeler-Race.

FREE

5:30PM-7:30PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science

Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3RH

BOOKING REQUIRED

WE SHALL NOT CEASE FROM EXPLORATION: AN EVENING OF POETRY AND PARASITOLOGY

Join us for a reading of poems about scientific research and malaria, written by Dr Catherine Merrick as part of Creative Encounters.

FREE

6PM-7:30PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

BOOKING REQUIRED

INREACH ARTIST TAKEOVER | MINISTRY OF STORIES: MY HERO IS NOT LIKE THE HEROES IN THE MOVIES

Artist takeover and workshop as part of 'inReach: a mixed media exhibition of lived expertise'.

FREE

9AM-1PM ON WED 27 MAR

Alison Richard Building
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

THIS IS OUR STREET! - HELEN WEINSTEIN LEADS A WALKING TOUR TELLING THE STORY OF GWYDIR STREET OFF MILL ROAD

This walking tour led by local historian Helen Weinstein in collaboration with local community members brings to life the story of key people and places on Gwydir Street from the 1800's to today, presenting the findings of local community history research.

FREE

6PM-7PM ON WED 27 MAR

Bath House PlayPark
Hector Pieterse memorial play area
192 Gwydir Street
Cambridge
CB1 2LW

BOOKING REQUIRED

WOULD I SCI TO YOU?

Would I Sci to You? - The relevant but irreverent science panel show from Cambridge Science Centre! Back for its third year, our teams discuss crazy tales and bizarre research.

£15

7:30PM-10:30PM ON WED 27 MAR

The Junction
Clifton Way
Cambridge
CB1 7GX

BOOKING REQUIRED

INREACH ARTIST TAKEOVER: ECHO ENSEMBLE

Artist takeover and workshop as part of 'inReach: a mixed media exhibition of lived expertise'.

FREE

9AM-1PM ON THUR 28 MAR

Alison Richard Building
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

WEST CAMBRIDGE FAMILY DAY

Join Cambridge Festival for a free day of family talks, workshops and hands-on activities across our West Cambridge Campus. From the Antarctic to Manufacturing, Astronomy to Chemistry and much more besides, this is a family day full of ideas to spark your curiosity and imagination. There will be a free shuttle bus on the day to enable you to visit the events taking place at the Biomedical Campus.

WEST CAMBRIDGE FAMILY OPEN DAY

Join a wide selection of interactive family events taking place across the University's West Cambridge Campus

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

West Cambridge Campus and the West Hub
JJ Thomson Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 0US

BOOKING REQUIRED

AMMONIA ENERGY FOR THE FUTURE

A presentation on ammonia as green energy source for the future followed by a live hydrogen balloon ignition demo!

FREE

10AM-2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology
Philippa Fawcett Drive
Cambridge
CB3 0AS

BOOKING REQUIRED

BUILDING NANOSTRUCTURES WITH DNA LEGO

Interactive games, quizzes and workshops building DNA bracelets and keyrings for children aged 7+.

FREE

10AM-2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology
Philippa Fawcett Drive
Cambridge
CB3 0AS

BOOKING REQUIRED

COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: OPEN DAY

Learn how to make music like a DJ with computer code. Find out how robot cars can navigate their way around humans. Craft your own binary bracelet. Tour the William Gates Building. Or chat to researchers about your hopes and fears about AI. These are just some of the activities visitors can try out at the Department of Computer Science and Technology Open Day on Sat 16 Mar 2024.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Computer Laboratory
William Gates Building
15 JJ Thomson Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 0FD

BOOKING REQUIRED

EASY EXPERIMENTS

Prepare to get your hands dirty and transform into a mini scientist. This interactive workshop invites you to get creative with science and why not even learn how to do some of these at home?

FREE

1PM-5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Institute for Manufacturing
17 Charles Babbage Road
Cambridge
CB3 0FS

EXPEDITION ICE @ BRITISH ANTARCTIC SURVEY

Expedition Ice - Join British Antarctic Survey at our Cambridge open day, and journey into the future of polar research, engineering and operations.

FREE

10AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

British Antarctic Survey
High Cross
Madingley Road
Cambridge
CB3 0ET

BOOKING REQUIRED

EXPLORE MATERIALS

Drop in and explore the world of Materials Science through table top displays and interactive activities.

FREE

9:30AM-4:30PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Materials Science and Metallurgy
27 Charles Babbage Road
Cambridge
CB3 0FS

HOW TO TAKE VALUE OUT OF YOUR EDUCATION

This talk will explore how to take value out of education. What is it that we should know in the times of AI and the endless knowledge in the internet.

FREE

3PM-3:30PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Institute For Manufacturing
Alan Reece Building
17 Charles Babbage Road
Cambridge
CB3 0FS

INSTITUTE OF ASTRONOMY OPEN AFTERNOON

The Institute of Astronomy opens its doors for an afternoon of hands-on activities, demonstrations, talks and displays all around our lovely wooded site. Meet the scientists and the telescopes, and learn more about both astronomy and the research we do.

FREE

2PM-6PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Institute of Astronomy
Madingley Road
Cambridge
CB3 0HA

MAKING SOLAR CELLS FROM BERRIES!

Make a working Grätzel solar cell using blackberries!

FREE

10AM-2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology
Philippa Fawcett Drive
Cambridge
CB3 0AS

BOOKING REQUIRED

MOLECULAR (E)MOTION: HOW BIOCHEMISTRY DRIVES OUR EMOTIONS

In-person talk/presentation with Q&A about the brain make-up and beyond: from brain anatomy and how the brain works, to funny feelings and related hormone release!

FREE

12PM-2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology
Philippa Fawcett Drive
Cambridge
CB3 0AS

BOOKING REQUIRED

MOLECULAR SCIENCE LIVE

Every-day molecular science experiments and hands-on activities.

FREE

10AM-2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology
Philippa Fawcett Drive
Cambridge
CB3 0AS

BOOKING REQUIRED

NANOMATERIALS UNVEILED: A FUSION OF SCIENCE, ART AND IMAGINATION

Artwork exhibition

FREE

10AM–2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemical Engineering and
Biotechnology

Philippa Fawcett Drive

Cambridge

CB3 0AS

BOOKING REQUIRED

SHOWING DIFFERENT ANGLES OF AI AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

Sharing the latest on AI, blockchain and
metaverse with audience to show its power
and encourage future generations to be
interested in this area of engineering.

FREE

3:30PM–4:15PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Institute for Manufacturing

17 Charles Babbage Road

Cambridge

CB3 0FS

SURPRISING AND INFORMATIVE KAHOOT QUIZ FOR ENERGY TRANSITION

Energy technology interactive Kahoot quiz/
interactive game – A hybrid activity (both
online and in-person)

FREE

10:30AM–11:30AM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemical Engineering and
Biotechnology

Philippa Fawcett Drive

Cambridge

CB3 0AS

BOOKING REQUIRED

WHAT WOULD YOU USE THAT FOR?

See some of the latest science-based
products from local companies and win a prize
for thinking of the most original ways to use
them!

FREE

1PM–5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Institute for Manufacturing

17 Charles Babbage Road

Cambridge

CB3 0FS

YEAR 2124: CABINET OF CURIOSITY

A 'display cabinet' of future science
discoveries of our Department of Chemical
Engineering and Biotechnology.

FREE

10AM–2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemical Engineering and
Biotechnology

Philippa Fawcett Drive

Cambridge

CB3 0AS

BOOKING REQUIRED

YOUR LIFE IS MANUFACTURED: REVEALING THE SECRETS OF HOW THINGS GET MADE AND DELIVERED TO YOU

Join us for this talk at the Institute for
Manufacturing and discover the secrets of
how things get made and delivered to you.

FREE

1:30PM–2:30PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Institute for Manufacturing

17 Charles Babbage Road

Cambridge

CB3 0FS

BOOKING REQUIRED

BIG BIOMEDICAL CAMPUS FAMILY DAY

Join Cambridge Festival at the Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology for a Family-day sharing interactive activities about the latest research from the University's cutting edge Biomedical Campus. There will be a free shuttle bus on the day to enable you to visit the events taking place at the West Cambridge Campus.

BIG BIOMEDICAL CAMPUS DAY AT THE CAMBRIDGE ACADEMY FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Family-day sharing interactive activities about the latest research across the University's cutting edge Biomedical Campus. Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology is a state-of-the-art Academy School dedicated to educating the next generation of Britain's scientists, technicians, engineers and programmers.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

MITOTRUMPS

MITOTrumps is a card game based on comparing/contrasting mitochondrial proteins. Mitochondria are the powerhouses of our cells that process our food into ATP – a molecular fuel for the rest of the cell – and carry out many essential processes. The MITOTrumps challenge: choose the best statistic most likely to beat the other cards, take all the other players' cards and establish the winner.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

TIME OF YOUR LIFE

How does your body know when to eat, sleep, or spring into action? Discover your body clock and put it to the test at the ChronOlympics!

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

WORKSHOP ON DEEPFAKES AND AI-GENERATED MEDIA

Come and learn about how deepfakes and AI-generated media work, their ethical issues, and how you can responsibly interact with the technology!

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

PREGNANCY AND CARDIOVASCULAR HEALTH CAFÉ

Have you heard of pre-eclampsia? Do you know how this serious condition can influence women's future cardiovascular health? Join Cambridge Cardiovascular researchers to explore research into the impact of pregnancy complications on long-term cardiovascular health. Visitors may also have their blood pressure measured, receive advice about home blood pressure monitoring and enjoy a cup of tea!

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

THE COLOURFUL WORLD OF MICROBIOLOGY

The colourful world of microbiology – bugs, germs: bacteria, virus, parasite and fungal infections – how the UK Health Security Agency identifies what might be making us feel ill. Interactive, fun and even a bit messy!

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

THE HEROES AND VILLAINS OF THE BUG WORLD

The UK Health Security Agency helps us learn about the bugs that may be good for our bodies and the ones that we want to stay away from! It will be fun and even a bit messy!

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

VISION ASSESSMENT IN CLINICAL BRAIN RESEARCH

Tabletop workshop by the Cambridge Clinical Multiple Sclerosis Research Team, Department of Clinical Neurosciences. Demonstration and hands-on activities exploring the clinical assessment of vision in our research.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

CELEBRATING SCIENCE: EXPLORING THE WONDERS OF THE UNIVERSE

From the breathtaking scale and beauty of stars and galaxies, to the amazing diversity of life on Earth, our universe is incredible! Join the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, Cambridge, to explore these wonders.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

PSYCHOTIC EXPERIENCES: EVERYONE HAS THEM AND SO DO YOU!

Heard your name when you were alone? Saw something out of the corner of your eye? Join us to understand 'psychotic experiences' and how they happen to all of us!

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology
Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)
Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

GET HANDS-ON WITH CANCER RESEARCH IN CAMBRIDGE

Join the Cancer Research UK Cambridge Centre in the CAST Building to get hands-on with the ground-breaking cancer research being undertaken by scientists and clinicians across Cambridge.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

RELATIONSHIPS AND STORIES IN HEALTHCARE: WHAT MATTERS MOST TO YOU IN LIFE AND DEATH

Explore why relationships and stories are important in healthcare through research with people living with serious illness and those who care for them. Daniel Regan, a photographer, created images representing key ideas from our study. Learn how creative healthcare research methods can help people communicate. Join us in exploring ideas about 'being safe and feeling safe' when unwell.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

CAMBRIDGE REALTIME REHABILITATION ACTIVITY TRACKER (CARRAT)

Interactive demonstration of wrist worn prototype devices for recognising and measuring different types of activities and postures. Demonstration of how accelerometer and gyroscope sensors work and a discussion regarding how the AI models were built using the sensors to recognise different postures/activities of hospitalised adults, and how they may be utilised in hospital.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

A STORY WITH MANDISA: THE POWER OF YOU!

In this interactive story Mandisa Nakana-Taylor, award-winning children's presenter for South African TV, takes you on a journey that shows how our small actions can make a big difference.

FREE

12PM-1PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

BOOKING REQUIRED

DISCOVERING RESEARCH WITH NIHR CAMBRIDGE BRC

Did you know that medical research is happening all over the Cambridge Biomedical campus? Our giant puzzle board explains more - with prizes for everyone who solves the puzzle!

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

ALL ABOUT OUR CELLS

What's in your cells and what are they made from? Take a closer look with our microscopes and have a go at making your own model cell or molecule.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

GUT LABYRINTH

From mouth to bum - everyone eats and poos!

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

AWESOME ORGANS

How much do you know about your amazing organs and about organ donation and transplantation? Join researchers from the NIHR BTRU in Organ Donation and Transplantation to find out more, plus try out our hands-on organ activities and get your brain cells buzzing with our awesome organs quiz.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

MIND AND BODY CONNECTION: LET'S GET CREATIVE FOR CAMBRIDGE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL!

A series of awe-inspiring activities that will give an insight into the pioneering vision of Cambridge Children's Hospital where research will unpin a holistic approach to care.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

TALKING TIME: CONVERSATIONS ABOUT LIVED TIME THROUGH OBJECTS

From the breathtaking scale and beauty of stars and galaxies, to the amazing diversity of life on Earth, our universe is incredible! Join the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, Cambridge, to explore these wonders.

FREE

11AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Academy for Science and Technology

Robinson Way (Close to the Junction of Robinson Way and Long Road)

Cambridge
CB2 0SZ

TALKS

Join Cambridge Festival to explore over 150 talks sharing the research of the University and our partner organisations. These talks are the place to discover all about our research across the Environment, Health, Society and Discovery!

AI NEEDS YOU: AN EVENING WITH VERITY HARDING

As part of the Cambridge Festival, one of Time's 100 Most Influential People in AI, Verity Harding, will discuss her new book: AI Needs You: How We Can Change AI's Future and Save Our Own with Prof Dame Diane Coyle, Bennett Institute for Public Policy, Cambridge.

**£8 GENERAL ADMISSION /
£5 WATERSTONES LOYALTY
CARDHOLDERS**

6PM-7:30PM ON THUR 14 MAR

Waterstones - Cambridge
22 Sidney St.
Cambridge
CB2 3HG

BOOKING REQUIRED

CAPTURING SUNLIGHT FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE: A CHEMISTRY LECTURE BY PROFESSOR ERWIN REISNER

Professor Reisner presents the latest technologies for the production of sustainable fuels and chemicals from air, water and waste powered by sunlight, highlighting chemistry's critical role in achieving net zero.

FREE

12:15PM-1:15PM ON SAT 16 MAR

2:45PM-3:45PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry
Wolfson Lecture Theatre
Lensfield Road
Cambridge
CB2 1EW

BOOKING REQUIRED

DJUDEO-ESPANYOL OF THESSALONIKI: AN ENDANGERED LANGUAGE AND HERITAGE

Join Prof. Ioanna Sitaridou, Dr Željko Jovanovi (INALCO, Paris), and Prof. Andrés Enrique Arias (Universitat de les Illes Balears) for an interactive recounting of the vanishing language of Djudeo-espanyol, an Ibero-Romance language spoken by Jews in Thessaloniki and diaspora.

FREE

4PM-5:30PM ON THUR 14 MAR

Room 142
Raised Faculty Building
Faculty of Faculty of Modern & Medieval Languages and Linguistics
University of Cambridge
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

EDDINGTON'S ENERGY CENTRE TOUR AND DISCUSSION

See behind-the-scenes of the energy centre at Eddington and learn how it supports the district heating network and sustainability ambition for the neighbourhood. The tour of the energy centre will be followed by a discussion about the benefits and challenges of this infrastructure and the wider context. The talk will be at Storey's Field Centre, a short walk from the Energy Centre.

FREE

5:30PM-7:30PM ON THUR 14 MAR

Eddington Energy Centre and Storey's Field Centre
Eddington Energy Centre,
Burkitt Lane,
Cambridge
CB3 1TZ

BOOKING REQUIRED

JUST ENERGY TRANSITION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Man-made climate change is one of the greatest existential challenges facing society. The consequences of this will be felt more acutely in the Global South. This panel discussion showcases work at Cambridge, including how marginalised communities interact with energy.

FREE

2PM-3PM ON THUR 14 MAR

Maxwell Centre
Rayleigh Seminar Room
JJ Thomson Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 0HE

MEMORY MATTERS

Join the team from the Memory Clinic for a discussion about brain health and dementia. To meet doctors, nurses and psychologists from the memory clinic, ask any questions, and learn what we do at the Cambridge Memory Clinic.

FREE

3:30PM-5PM ON THUR 14 MAR

Herchel Smith Building
Forvie Site
Robinson Way
Cambridge
CB20SZ

BOOKING REQUIRED

NO SIMPLE CHOICES: PRIVACY AND CONSENT IN HEALTH DATA RESEARCH

Exploring the impact of patient consent on research using health data.

FREE

5:30PM-7PM ON THUR 14 MAR

School of Clinical Medicine
William Harvey Lecture Theatre
Addenbrooke's Hospital
Hills Road
Cambridge
CB22 5BX

BOOKING REQUIRED

RULES FOR THE HUMAN ZOO: NIETZSCHE'S PERFECT SOCIETY

Nietzsche's views on the nature and purpose of human society are both fascinating and unsettling. They call into question our most fundamental liberal-democratic beliefs. What can we learn from his radical critique of equality and fraternity.

FREE

6PM-7PM ON THUR 14 MAR

SG1: Alison Richard Building
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

A PERFECT STORM? WATER, BIODIVERSITY AND CLIMATE CRISES

In a virtual roundtable discussion Professor Charles Kennel will engage with current converging ecological challenges affecting both humans and non-humans.

FREE

5PM-6:30PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Online

BOOKING REQUIRED

YORK BENEATH THE STREETS: A FORTRESS CITY IN THE ROMAN EMPIRE

Join Thomas Matthews Boehmer as he shines a light on the urban history of York (Eboracum), the most northerly provincial capital of the Roman Empire. By combining the results from new geophysics, recent excavations, and older investigations, this talk demonstrates how new stories are constantly emerging from beneath the tarmacadam of one of Britain's most touristed cities.

FREE

1:15PM-2PM ON SUN 17 MAR 24

Faculty of Classics G19
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

'THE DISASTERS THAT SHAPED US': THE WARS, DROUGHTS, AND MIGRATIONS OF THE LONG-19TH CENTURY THAT MADE MODERN EAST AFRICA

Dr Nik Petek-Sargeant discusses how the famous revolutions of the 19th century were not limited to Europe, but equally transformed what is now Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda.

FREE

6PM-7PM ON FRI 15 MAR

McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research
McDonald Seminar Room
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3ER

BOOKING REQUIRED

CLIMATE CHANGE LECTURE SERIES: FINAL LECTURE

In this final lecture of the Cambridge Climate Lecture Series (CCLS), young people from Finland and Cambridge will discuss the topic of 1.5°C.

7PM-8:30PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Babbage Lecture Theatre (Through the Pembroke Archway)
New Museums Site
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3RS

BOOKING REQUIRED

DOES MILL ROAD MATTER? LOCAL HISTORY AND MUSEUMS IN THE 21ST CENTURY

The Mill Road History Society and The Museum of Cambridge present a talk looking at their history, relationship and the opportunities for the future as well as some of the interesting material the Museum holds about Mill Road

FREE

7:30PM-9PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Mill Road Community Centre
Main Hall
6 Hazell Street
Cambridge
CB1 2GN

BOOKING REQUIRED

PRESERVING OUR GLOBAL HEALTH: UNITING AGAINST ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE

This talk session will include 3 talks (each 20-30 minutes long) from scientists at different career stages including both early career researchers (Dr Harriet Bartlett, University of Oxford) as well as established PIs (Dr Lucy Weinert; Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Cambridge and Dr Gemma Murray; UCL)

FREE

5:30PM-7PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Babbage Lecture Theatre (Through the Pembroke Archway)
New Museums Site
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3RS

BOOKING REQUIRED

SPLENDID IN ASHES, AND POMPOUS IN THE GRAVE': THE USEFULNESS OF FUNERARY MONUMENTS.

Dr Jean Wilson (MBE) explores how funerary monuments widen our understanding of the ages in which they were manufactured and may cause us to question common assumptions about the past.

FREE

7PM-8PM ON FRI 15 MAR

McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research
McDonald Seminar Room
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3ER

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE ALGÉRIE OF ALBERT CAMUS AND XAVIER LE CLERC

Talks about Algeria, Albert Camus and the latest book of Xavier Le Clerc, *Un homme sans titre* published by Gallimard.

FREE

4PM-5:15PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Alliance Française Cambridge Lecture room
1 Red Cross Lane
CB2 0QU
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

WRITING FOR DISPLAY IN THE ANCIENT WORLD

Writing isn't just a way of recording and communicating language. From ancient times it has been used to make a statement visually. Join members of the VIEWS Project (Visual Interactions in Early Writing Systems) to explore the uses of writing in art, monuments and ideology in the ancient Mediterranean and Near East.

FREE

1:15PM-2PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Faculty of Classics G19
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

DIGITAL CONSUMER AND GENDER BIAS

Psychologists Dr Magdalena Zawisza and Dr Craig Owen discuss the fascinating topic of Digital Consumer and Gender Bias.

FREE

12PM-1PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

IS THE FEMALE PSYCHOPATH MORE HIDDEN THAN THE MALE?

Using evidence from his own and other studies of corporate psychopaths, Dr Clive Boddy will discuss the incidence rates of female psychopathy in the adult population and argue that there are more female psychopaths than anyone has previously imagined.

FREE

6PM-7PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

ISLAM AND THE NATURAL WORLD

In this interactive talk, Dr Davide Pettinato from the Centre of Islamic Studies outlines the Islamic understanding of the natural world and of how Muslims (and more broadly, humanity) are called to relate to, and interact with it.

FREE

10:30AM-12PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Botanic Garden
Classroom entrance, via the bike park on Bateman Street
1 Brookside
Cambridge
CB2 1JE

BOOKING REQUIRED

JANE AUSTEN AND THE MODERNIST WRITERS: A FORGOTTEN INFLUENCE

In this talk, Tom Zille from the Faculty of English will explore the influence of Jane Austen's novels on modern literary writers, who treated her as a model for their own styles, and also explaining why this influence is largely forgotten.

FREE

3PM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Faculty of English GR05
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

LONG TO RULE OVER US? WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF MONARCHY?

The world shows no sign of losing its fascination with monarchy, but what does monarchy mean in the modern world? Dr Sean Lang, ARU, will look beyond royal ceremonial to consider the phenomenon of monarchy in the modern world, what it means to people, how and why it survives and flourishes – and how it might help shape our future.

FREE

11AM-12PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

LONGEVITY AND NUTRITION: CAN WE ALL REALLY LIVE TO 100 AND BEYOND?

Join us for a light-hearted research-informed investigation, including audience participation exploring whether we can truly manipulate our age expectancy and reach 100 through nutrition and lifestyle changes.

FREE

11AM-12PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE EDUCATIONAL CHAT NETWORK: BIG IDEAS, FEWER WORDS

This conversation is about bridging the knowledge divide; our presenter will introduce you to EdChat.net, a groundbreaking new platform designed to break down the barriers that have historically made research an exclusive domain for the privileged few.

FREE

11AM-12PM ON SAT 16 MAR

7PM-8PM ON WED 20 MAR

7PM-8PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE PHILOSOPHY OF BAD HABITS

We all struggle with bad habits in our life, but why do we have them, how do we overcome them, and what does it reveal about our human predicament?

FREE

2PM-3PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SHOPPING

Dr Cathrine Jansson-Boyd, consumer psychologist, will take the audience on an interactive journey exploring why shoppers act, think and behave the way they do. In this talk, the audience will be shown examples that demonstrate how our minds work when we shop.

FREE

3PM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

REPRODUCTIVE FUTURES: STEM-CELL-BASED EMBRYO MODELS

As stem cell-based embryo models become increasingly more sophisticated they raise big questions: how do we define a human embryo and what should be the limits of such research? Join our panel of scientific, legal and sociological experts as they debate the future of stem cell-based embryo models – and don't forget to see our exhibition about research into human embryos and embryo models as well!

FREE

5PM-7:45PM ON SUN 17 MAR

The Pitt Building
Trumpington Street
Cambridge
CB2 1RP

BOOKING REQUIRED

LIFESCAPES: THE EXPERIENCE OF LANDSCAPE IN BRITAIN, 1870-1960

Why does landscape matter to us? In this talk, Jeremy Burchardt draws on three remarkable unpublished diaries to explore its role as a source of well-being, emotional equilibrium and personal development.

FREE

7PM-8PM ON MON 18 MAR

Cambridge University Press Bookshop
1-2 Trinity St
Cambridge
CB2 1SZ

BOOKING REQUIRED

MASCULINITY AND THE 'NATURAL' BODY WITH CLARE CHAMBERS

Why did a philosopher go to a bodybuilding competition? Prof Clare Chambers explores what bodybuilding shows us about masculinity.

FREE

7:30PM-8:45PM ON MON 18 MAR

West Court Jesus College
Jesus College
Jesus Lane,
Cambridge
CB5 8BJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

TEA & TALK AT THE MUSEUM: THE ANTARCTIC SEAFLOOR: DISCOVERIES, THREATS & THE FUTURE

Discover some of the fascinating themes in the museum with our tea and talk programme for adults. Each session will have a 40-minute talk followed by a chance to chat with the experts and your fellow attendees over a cuppa. For this session Dr Huw Griffiths from the British Antarctic Survey will be exploring the discoveries, threats and future of the Antarctic seafloor.

FREE

2:15PM–3:30PM ON MON 18 MAR

The Polar Museum Scott Polar Research Institute
Lensfield Road
Cambridge
CB2 1ER

BOOKING REQUIRED

500 YEARS OF SCIENCE IN PRINT

See rare books from the Whipple Library collection, including some of the earliest Western Scientific books.

FREE

2PM–3PM ON FRI 22 MAR

1PM–2PM ON SAT 23 MAR

3PM–4PM ON SAT 23 MAR

1PM–2PM ON SUN 24 MAR

3PM–4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Whipple Library
New Museums Site,
Free School Lane,
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

BOOKING REQUIRED

ANCIENT GREEK SHIELD-BANDS: INSIDE THE MIND OF A HOPLITE

What can the decoration of ancient Greek shields tell us about the mindset of hoplite warriors?

FREE

5:30PM–7PM ON SUN 19 MAR

Wolfson College
Gatsby Room (Chancellor's Centre)
Wolfson College
Barton Road
Cambridge
CB3 9BB

BOOKING REQUIRED

ARCTIC CULTURES: COLLECTIONS AND IMAGINATIONS – MEET THE RESEARCHERS

Talk and tour by the researchers behind the Arctic Cultures exhibition.

FREE

6PM–7PM ON TUE 19 MAR

The Polar Museum Scott Polar Research Institute
Lensfield Road
Cambridge
CB2 1ER

BOOKING REQUIRED

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: WITH GREAT POWER COMES GREAT RESPONSIBILITY

There is a lot of noise about AI. In this talk, we will open the black box of Artificial Intelligence and how it works. This is an essential step towards a more ethical and responsible digital society.

5PM–6PM ON TUE 19 MAR

6:30PM–7:30PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Babbage Lecture Theatre (Through the Pembroke Archway)
New Museums Site
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3RS

BOOKING REQUIRED

CYBER POLICY AND ELECTORAL CREDIBILITY IN YOUNG DEMOCRACIES: THE NIGERIAN CASE STUDY

This presentation by Myesha Jemison provides a historical account of Nigeria's elections from 2007 to 2023, highlighting changes in cyber policy and the introduction of new digital technologies. It argues that electoral officials and stakeholders were technologically deterministic in their efforts, missing consideration for the unique cyber challenges faced by Nigeria.

FREE

3PM–4PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

D-CYPHRING DNA AND THE POWER OF SPIT

The NIHR BioResource's DNA, Children + Young People's Health Resource programme (D-CYPHR) invites children and their parents to learn about the power of spit to impact health research from D-CYPHR's clinical lead, Dr. Anna Moore.

FREE

8PM–9PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Zoom Video Conferencing
BOOKING REQUIRED

EXISTENTIAL RISK DIALOGUES: PERSONAL JOURNEYS INTO GLOBAL CATASTROPHE RESEARCH

Starting with a hopeful scenario for the future, in this fireside chat you'll hear stories from a global community of researchers on a mission to bring together the diverse knowledge, skills and experience needed to avoid catastrophe and reach this better future.

FREE

5:30PM–6:15PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Runcie Room
Faculty of Divinity
University of Cambridge
West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9BS

BOOKING REQUIRED

ILLUSTRATED BOOKS AND HUMOUR IN CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY'S LIBERATION COLLECTION (1944–1946)

This talk will examine illustrated works and humorous drawings in Cambridge University Library's Chadwyck-Healey collection of books in French on the Second World War, the Occupation and the Liberation.

FREE

5PM–6PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Room 142
Raised Faculty Building
Faculty of Modern & Medieval Languages and Linguistics
Raised Faculty Building
University of Cambridge
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

LEADERSHIP AND FOLLOWERSHIP: SHAPING OPINION

Leaders and followers engage in a constant dialogue, moulding opinions, actions, and mindsets. Leadership does not happen in isolation, it is a vibrant exchange between those who lead and those who choose to follow. We will explore this fascinating interplay, delving into how those in power, those granting consent to that power, and keen observers navigate and understand this exchange.

FREE

5:30PM–7PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Møller Institute
Lecture Theatre
Storey's Way
Cambridge
CB3 0DE

BOOKING REQUIRED

TALES FROM THE TROWEL'S EDGE: NEW ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES ON THE ISLAND OF SAMOS

What more is there to learn about Greek island archaeology? Join Michael Loy to find out more about how investigative techniques including fieldwalking, drone photography, and the microscopic analysis of ceramics are changing the way we look at ancient and post-antique Samos. Hear tales fresh from the field – and find out more about the team behind the data.

FREE

1:15PM–2PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Faculty of Classics G19
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE REALLY POPULAR BOOK CLUB: PETER PAN BY J. M. BARRIE

Join Cambridge University Library's online book group as we discuss J. M. Barrie's best-loved children's book, Peter Pan.

FREE

7PM–8PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Zoom Meetings Online

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE TARTAR MOMENT: MARTINO MARTINI AND THE GLOBALISATION OF CHINESE COSMOPOLITICS

This talk explores how the Manchu conquest of China in 1644 transformed the sciences and politics across Eurasia for over a century. Through the experiences of the Jesuit missionary Martino Martini, Gianamar Giovannetti-Singh reveals how Chinese scientific knowledge came to be seen as credible and even valuable in early modern Europe.

FREE

1PM–2PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

WHAT'S HECUBA TO US? MYTHOLOGICAL REVISIONISM THROUGH THE AGES

From comic translations of the Iliad written in seventeenth-century Cambridge to bestselling retellings by Pat Barker and Madeline Miller, Evgeniia Ganberg and Claudia Cornelissen discuss myth's many afterlives.

FREE

5PM–6PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Faculty of English GR06/07
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

ASTROBIOLOGY AND CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE: EXPLORING THE IMPLICATIONS OF LIFE IN THE UNIVERSE

Theologian Andrew Davison a member of Cambridge's new centre for the study of life in the universe – bring us up to speed on current thinking on the origins of life.

FREE

7PM–8PM ON WED 20 MAR

Cambridge University Press Bookshop
1–2 Trinity St
Cambridge
CB2 1SZ

BOOKING REQUIRED

CITIZEN SCIENCE FOR LADYBIRDS AND OTHER WILDLIFE: HOW TO GET INVOLVED!

Did you know that there are nearly 50 ladybird species in the UK? Using ladybirds as a case study, Dr Peter Brown will talk about the value of citizen science in ecology and conservation – and how people can engage with the UK Ladybird Survey.

FREE

5:30PM–6:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

DIVERSITY IN THE IMMUNE SYSTEM

We are all different and so are our immune systems. Join Professor Adrian Liston and learn just how different our immune systems can be and what makes them so.

FREE

6PM–7:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

BOOKING REQUIRED

FROM RESILIENCE TO LEADERSHIP: A JOURNEY OF CHANGE AND EMPOWERMENT

In today's dynamic and rapidly evolving world, leadership is not just about guiding and managing others; it's also about resilience, adaptability, and empowerment. This thought-provoking panel is designed to shed light on the transformative journey that leaders undertake as they navigate the challenges, uncertainties, and opportunities that come their way.

FREE

4PM–6PM ON WED 20 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

MARATHON MADNESS: THE SCIENCE AND PRACTICE OF MARATHON RUNNING

This panel event will explore the latest science and knowledge on marathon running and training. The panel will focus on the principles of marathon training and how to maximise your training results. This event may be of particular interest to runners, fitness trainers, physiologists, scientists and coaches.

FREE

7PM–8:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University
East Road
Cambridge
CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

MIND MATTERS: AN EVENING LOOKING INTO THE BRAIN

A fun and educational evening at the MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit (MRC CBU), exploring research in psychology and neuroscience through interactive hands-on activities and experiments followed by short talks on current research studies, delivered by our team of expert scientists.

FREE

6PM–8:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit
15 Chaucer Road
Cambridge
CB2 7EF

SPEECH BY THE UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES JOSÉ FRANCISCO PANCHO CALÍ TZAY

This Keynote Address aims to provide a platform for high-profile engagement with the presence and voice of prominent Indigenous scholars and notable figures outside of academia at Cambridge. The inaugural speech will be delivered by José Francisco Pancho Calí Tzay who is appointed The United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in 2020 for a four-year term.

FREE
5:30PM–6:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

Alison Richard Building
Sidgwick Site
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DT

BOOKING REQUIRED

TEN YEARS OF DISCOVERY AT DAVID PARR HOUSE: REFLECTIONS ON THE JOURNEY SO FAR

Join Annabelle Campbell, the director of David Parr House to celebrate ten years as a charitable trust for a talk on the discovery of 186 Gwydir Street and the road to saving, restoring and opening this extraordinary house to the public.

FREE
6:30PM–8PM ON WED 20 MAR

David Parr House
Visitor Centre
184/186 Gwydir Street
Cambridge
CB1 2LW

BOOKING REQUIRED

WHO CAN FIX THE TEACHER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION CRISIS?

Teacher recruitment in England is now falling short of Government targets year on year and many experienced teachers are leaving the profession. This Question Time-style discussion will ask educators, policy experts and academics not just how to fix the crisis – but who can do it?

5:30PM–7PM ON WED 20 MAR

Faculty of Education
Donald McIntyre Building (Rooms GS4 & GS5)
184 Hills Road
Cambridge
CB2 8PQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

HOW CAN WE PREPARE STUDENTS FOR A DIFFERENT FUTURE? GETTING CLIMATE AND SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION INTO THE CLASSROOM

Education has a vital role in tackling the climate crisis. Join Cambridge University Press & Assessment for this talk where students and educators from across Cambridge explore how to give learners the skills and knowledge they need to thrive. What is the current reality in schools? How can learners prepare for sustainable, clean tech jobs of the future in a rapidly shifting economy and society?

FREE
6PM–8PM ON TUE 21 MAR 2023

Museum of Zoology
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3EJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

ARUK EAST NETWORK CENTRE PUBLIC MEETING 2024

In this talk, researchers will discuss the use of new drugs for dementia, and also look into whether diet can help to prevent dementia.

FREE
2PM–4PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Student Services
New Museums Site
Bene't Street
Cambridge
CB2 3PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

BIOETHICS: ARE BIOLOGISTS OPENING PANDORA'S BOX?

The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion invites you to a fascinating talk by Professor Keith Fox on the entanglements of bioethics.

FREE
6PM–7:15PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Queen's Lecture Theatre
Emmanuel College
St Andrews Street
Cambridge
CB2 3AP

BOOKING REQUIRED

CANCER IMMUNOTHERAPY: INNOVATION FROM LABORATORY BENCH TO BEDSIDE

Cancer immunotherapy harnesses the power of our immune system in the fight against cancer. How does it work? How is it helping patients? Join Professor Klaus Okkenhaug, Dr Pippa Corrie and Professor Rahul Roychoudhuri to find out more.

FREE
6PM–7:30PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Department of Pathology
Tennis Court Road
Cambridge
CB2 1QP

BOOKING REQUIRED

CROSS-CULTURAL INSTRUMENTS: CHINESE SUNDIALS IN THE WHIPPLE MUSEUM AND OTHER BRITISH COLLECTIONS

Did you know that the founder of the Whipple Museum of the History of Science purchased and donated four Chinese sundials? This talk by Zhiyu Chen will provide the first overview of similar sundials in Britain, and what we can learn about science, culture, and politics in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

FREE
1PM–2PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

HOW DO YOU MAP THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL HERITAGE OF SOUTH ASIA? THE WHYS AND WHEREFORES OF LARGE-SCALE MAPPING AND SURVEYING OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES IN THE INDUS RIVER BASIN

Pakistan and western India are rich in archaeological and cultural heritage sites, often viewed as obstacles to development. This talk will introduce the Mapping Archaeological Heritage in South Asia (MAHSA) project, which is documenting the endangered archaeology and cultural heritage of the Indus River basin and surrounding areas.

FREE
5:30PM–6:45PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Ancient India and Iran Trust
23 Brooklands Avenue
Cambridge
CB2 8BG

BOOKING REQUIRED

MEDICINE AND THE RULE OF LAW

Professor Sir Jonathan Montgomery will be presenting this year's annual Baron de Lancey Lecture hosted by the Centre for Law, Medicine and Life Sciences.

FREE

5PM–6:30PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Faculty of Law
Lecture Theatre 18
Sidgwick Site
10 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DZ

BOOKING REQUIRED

SCIENCE SPOTLIGHT: STEP INTO OUR SCIENCE

Join us for a virtual tour of the Babraham Institute's Biological Support Unit to see how this vital work is carried out. Meet the people ensuring animal welfare is our top priority and find out what it's really like working with animals in science!

FREE

1PM–2PM ON THUR 21 MAR

BOOKING REQUIRED

SEEING THE MESS: GENDER, HOUSEWORK AND PERCEPTION

There are still considerable gender imbalances in how housework is distributed in different-sex couples. Existing explanations can't fully capture why these inequalities persist. Tom McClelland offers a new theory according to which women and men are trained by society to perceive the domestic environment differently.

FREE

3PM–4PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

SOLITUDE: THE SCIENCE AND POWER OF BEING ALONE

Join some of the world's top solitude researchers to talk about how time alone can be a powerful tool for daily well-being. The authors approach the concept of 'solitude for all' with stories from people around the world. They help the audience envision solitude spaces where they can find rest, relaxation and more, if they allow themselves to discover its power.

FREE

7PM–8PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Cambridge University Press
Bookshop and Showroom
1 Trinity Street
Cambridge
CB2 1SZ

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE CHALLENGES OF DELIVERING HEALTHCARE AND TELLING THE STORY IN A WARZONE

A film screening and discussion with the 'Healthcare in Conflict' Research Network at CRSSH.

FREE

5:30PM–7PM ON THUR 21 MAR

Alison Richard Building
Sidgwick Site
7 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DT

BOOKING REQUIRED

KNIVES OUT! HOW IRON WAS FIRST USED IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND WESTERN ANATOLIA

The technological road from the first working iron objects to the ultimate stainless steels of today was long and bumpy. Join Jana Mokrisova for this lunchtime talk, exploring the beginnings of iron working in the Bronze and Iron Ages and the many experiments which led to discoveries along the way – some more successful than others...

FREE

1:15PM–2PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Faculty of Classics G19
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

ARCHAEOLOGY VERSUS THE NAZIS

The Nazis are well-known for covering up their crimes by destroying evidence. But what role can archaeology play in uncovering new evidence? This session reveals the work of conflict archaeologists.

FREE

6PM–7PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Zoom Video Conferencing
BOOKING REQUIRED

BIOPLASTICS FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

For Humankind, materials have defined Ages, there was the Stone Age, the Bronze Age, the Iron Age.... These days plastics are the key materials for developing our technology and our standard of life. Is it possible to do without them? Which are the alternatives? In this lecture, in memory of chemist Alex Hopkins, we will discuss how to make plastics more sustainable, the elephant in the room.

FREE

5PM–6:15PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Department of Chemistry
BMS Lecture Theatre
Lensfield Road
Cambridge
CB2 1EW

URGENT CALL FOR CANCER AWARENESS IN FRANCOPHONE AFRICA

In this event, we will have an overview of cancer in francophone Africa. We would see the main risk factors, the burden and mortality from cancer and talk about efforts being made towards better cancer surveillance in this region.

FREE

4PM–5PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Alliance Française Cambridge Lecture theatre
1 Red Cross Lane
Cambridge
CB2 0QU

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE METAVERSE: PROS AND CONS

We've all heard about it, but what is the metaverse, will it actually happen and how could it change our lives? A discussion between Shannon Pierson and Matteo Zallio from the University of Cambridge and Michelle Lim, Cambridge Consultants.

FREE

6PM–7PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Online

BOOKING REQUIRED

TIME TRAVEL WITH CREATIVE WRITING

Led by writer Yvonne Battle-Felton, with newspaper headlines, articles, and pictures we'll write poetry and/or prose that reimagines the past, present, and future as we write our way through time.

FREE

ON FRI 22 MAR

Zoom Video Conferencing
BOOKING REQUIRED

WHY SCHOOL HISTORY MATTERS: PUBLIC DISCOURSES ON THE VALUE OF HISTORY FOR SOCIETY, 1924–2024

History is a contested school subject and a topic of polarized public debates. The value of history for society is related to ideas on identity, citizenship, 'cultural truths', community cohesion, and processes of inclusion and exclusion. Dr Tina Van der Vlies discusses how and why ideas on the value and purpose of school history for society changed in the period 1924 – 2024.

FREE

1PM–2PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

WILD NEIGHBOURS: LIVING WITH ELEPHANTS AND TIGERS

We all want to save endangered wild animals, but would we want them as neighbours? Conserving wildlife is fraught with challenges, not the least of which is saving predators and large-bodied animals such as tigers and elephants living amidst dense human populations. In my presentation, I talk about what it means to have wildlife as neighbours and explore potential peaceful coexistence solutions.

FREE
3PM-4PM ON FRI 22 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science
Free School Lane
Cambridge
CB2 3RH

A HISTORY OF THE PERIODIC TABLE BY PROFESSOR PETER WOTHERS

Professor Wothers' lecture looks at the development of the Periodic Table from its earliest versions to the current familiar form. A display in St Catharine's College will accompany the lecture.

FREE
6PM-7PM ON SAT 23 MAR
3PM-4PM ON SUN 24 MAR

McGrath Centre
St Catharine's College
Trumpington Street
Cambridge
CB1 2RL

BOOKING REQUIRED

A LECTURE-RECITAL CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND WORK OF RUSSIAN COMPOSER VALENTINA SEROVA (1846-1924)

Learn about the musical environment for women in nineteenth-century Russia through the life and work of composer Valentina Serova (1846-1924). In this lecture-recital, PhD student Nicholas Ong will introduce Serova's work, alongside extracts from Serova's opera 'Uriel Acosta' (1885), not performed since 1892 and never beyond the territories of the Russian Empire.

FREE
3PM-4:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Clare College Chapel
Trinity Lane
Cambridge
CB2 1TL

BOOKING REQUIRED

EMPIRE OF NORMALITY

Robert Chapman is a neurodivergent philosopher, writing on neurodiversity theory, madness and disability. They have taught at King's College London, the University of Bristol, Sheffield Hallam and Durham University where they are currently an Assistant Professor in Critical Neurodiversity Studies. They blog at Psychology Today and at Critical Neurodiversity.

FREE
2PM-3PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Lucy Cavendish College
Lady Margaret Road
Cambridge
CB3 0BU

BOOKING REQUIRED

FASHIONING DRUIDS FROM CAESAR TO TODAY (DR BRIGID EHRMANTRAUT)

This talk explores how authors and audiences from Classical writers such as Caesar, to medieval scribes, to the modern fashion houses have interpreted and reinterpreted Celtic druids.

FREE
4PM-4:30PM ON MON 25 MAR

Room GR 06/07
Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic
9 West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9DP

UNDERSTANDING HEALTH INEQUALITIES AND THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The Covid-19 pandemic has laid bare health inequalities between different social groups in society. This session will explore the meaning, measurement and causes of health inequalities including those associated with the pandemic.

FREE
10AM-11AM ON SUN 24 MAR

Institute of Continuing Education,
Madingley Hall
Hickson Room
Madingley
Cambridge
CB23 8AQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

VICTIMS OF THE PATRIARCHY? FAITH, GENDER AND THE QUESTION OF AGENCY

Women in religious communities have typically been seen as victims of patriarchy. This panel brings together scholars who have carried out research with women in religious movements and communities connected to Islam, Judaism, and Christianity to shed light on their lived realities.

FREE
11AM-12:30PM ON SUN 24 MAR

Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
Sidgwick Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

EXPLORING BRONZE AGE HOMES: THE STORY OF MUST FARM

Chris Wakefield from the Cambridge Archaeological Unit returns to tell the fascinating story of Must Farm, the best-preserved Bronze Age settlement ever discovered in the UK. Consisting of stilted roundhouses built over a river the site was destroyed in a huge fire almost 3,000 years ago.

FREE
8PM-9:30PM ON SUN 24 MAR

St John's College Old Divinity School
All Saints Passage
Cambridge
CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

SANCTUARY GARDENS

Three literary historians will talk about the history of gardens as sanctuary. Author Sue Stuart Smith will read from *The Well Gardened Mind*. A tour of Downing College's Wellbeing Garden and an exhibition in The Heong Gallery.

FREE
2:30PM-4PM ON MON 25 MAR
4PM-4:45PM ON MON 25 MAR
4:45PM-5:15PM ON MON 25 MAR

Downing College
Regent Street
Cambridge
CB2 1DQ

BOOKING REQUIRED

ULTRA-PROCESSED FOODS: WHAT DO WE REALLY KNOW?

Ultra-processed foods are a hot topic, with growing calls for tighter regulation. But what do we really know about them? Join our panel with members of the public and experts in the field to discuss what ultra-processed foods are, their health implications, and what we can and should do about them.

FREE

6PM-7PM ON MON 25 MAR

St John's College Old Divinity School

All Saints Passage

Cambridge

CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

AFTERLIVES OF URBAN MUSLIM ASIA

Predominantly Muslim cities in Asia have historically been home to sizeable communities of ethno-religious minorities. This panel considers the experiences of ethno-religious minorities in contexts of migration and conflict during the late 20th and early 21st centuries.

FREE

2PM-3:30PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Rooms 8/9,

Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies

Sidgwick Avenue

Cambridge

CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

ANIMAL HEARTBEAT LIVE PODCAST EVENT

A live event of the Animal Heartbeat Live Podcast Event

FREE

7:30PM-9PM ON TUE 26 MAR

St John's College Old Divinity School

All Saints Passage

Cambridge

CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

GEYSERS TO GROOVES: THE SYMPHONY OF YELLOWSTONE'S SEISMIC SECRETS

Dr Domenico Vicinanza, a pioneering expert in data sonification from Anglia Ruskin University, will take you on an auditory journey through the seismic wonders of Yellowstone National Park. In conversation with Earth Scientist Dr Carrie Soderson from the University of Cambridge, they will discuss new ways of understanding the planet.

FREE

4PM-5:30PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University

East Road

Cambridge

CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

IS TEMPERATURE A CONTINUOUS VARIABLE?

It is widely believed that continuity is an essential principle in scientific representations and thus many physical variables are best modelled continuously. By focusing on temperature discontinuities, Dr Aditya Jha argues that such a view may well be fallacious, and that it does not require us to commit to some deep metaphysical belief in continuity or discontinuity.

FREE

1PM-2PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science

Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3RH

LEADERSHIP AND FOLLOWERSHIP: THE RISE OF THE FOLLOWER

Leadership is a dynamic, evolving set of behaviours and mindsets, transforming, and responding to its surroundings. The traditional one-directional view has shifted to recognize leadership as a dialogue between leaders and followers, with the follower's role just as crucial for success and impact.

FREE

5:30PM-7PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Møller Institute

Lecture Theatre

Storey's Way

Cambridge

CB3 0DE

BOOKING REQUIRED

RADIO SÉANCES AND SPIRITUALISM IN BBC RADIO DRAMA 1922-1941

This talk will explore the resurgence in popularity of spiritualism and séances in the interwar era as a theme which crops up repeatedly in radio dramas of the period.

FREE

12PM-12:30PM ON TUE 26 MAR

The Faculty of English

GR05

9 West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE FUTURE OF MENTAL HEALTH- IT'S NOT ALL IN THE MIND

Do you know what causes depression? What to eat so gut bacteria help your brain, mood, learning? Why sleep, exercise, stress are key? Embrace strategies to transform your mental health!

FREE

6PM-7PM ON TUE 26 MAR

St John's College Old Divinity School

Main Lecture Theatre

All Saints Passage

Cambridge

CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE MILNER THERAPEUTICS INSTITUTE: BRINGING DISCOVERIES TO LIFE

How can the Milner Therapeutics Institute support you? This talk will provide opportunity to learn how our unique Institute at the University of Cambridge is driving research into therapies by connecting academia with business.

FREE

4PM-5PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Department of Biochemistry

Thomas Lecture Theatre

80 Tennis Court Road

Cambridge

CB2 1GA

BOOKING REQUIRED

UNVEILING THE SHADOWS: MODERN-DAY SLAVERY PANEL DISCUSSION

Join us for an eye-opening panel discussion on Modern-day Slavery. Are you concerned about human rights and social justice? Do you want to make a meaningful impact on one of the most pressing global issues of our time? If so, we invite you to participate in our enlightening panel discussion.

FREE

6PM-8PM ON TUE 26 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University

East Road

Cambridge

CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

WHAT'S NOVEL ABOUT A NOVEL? STORYTELLING AND TRAVELLING KNOWLEDGE

Prizewinning author Shida Bazayr in conversation with Miriam Schwarz and Tara Talwar Windsor.

FREE

7:30PM-8:45PM ON TUE 26 MAR

West Court Jesus College

Jesus College

Jesus Lane

Cambridge

CB5 8BJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

IS BEING A TYRANT GOOD FOR YOU?

Being subject to a Greek tyrant was bad but was being a tyrant yourself good if you could get away with it? Join Il Kweon Sir for this lunchtime foray into those early Greek lyric poets who, living in the age of tyrants, explore the almost irresistible allure of tyranny – but also its dangers.

FREE

1:15PM–2PM ON WED 27 MAR

Faculty of Classics

G19

Sidgwick Avenue

Cambridge

CB3 9DA

BOOKING REQUIRED

MEET THE RESEARCHERS: CLINICAL MS RESEARCH IN CAMBRIDGE

Mini-symposium by the Cambridge Clinical Multiple Sclerosis Research Team, Department of Clinical Neurosciences. Our team of clinicians and scientists will share our latest research focussing on our two main themes: remyelination and Big Data. Following our interactive talks, we will facilitate an open discussion on MS research.

FREE

10:30AM–12PM ON WED 27 MAR

Babbage Lecture Theatre (Through the Pembroke Archway)

New Museums Site

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3RS

NOURISHING MOTHER CAMBRIDGE

'Nourishing Mother Cambridge' is a documentary film, made by members of the University. It's a story of how we make sense of what came before us, and how visions of the past inform our perception of the present. A story of the people who live in Cambridge today, and how this history has shaped them. The screening will be followed by a Q&A with the film makers.

FREE

8PM–9PM ON WED 27 MAR

St John's College Old Divinity School

All Saints Passage

Cambridge

CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

ONE HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGY AND THE PATH TO PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS

Join researcher Charlotte Hammer as she shares a disease detective's journey in academia and public health emergency response.

FREE

6PM ON MON 25 MAR

Department of Pathology

Tennis Court Road

Cambridge

CB2 1QP

BOOKING REQUIRED

RETHINKING ORGAN DONATION POLICIES FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Just 45 minutes of your time today could help you save up to 9-lives. Organ transplantation prolongs and improves lives however, many patients continue to die due to organ shortages. Join Aycha Ates-Di-Adamo and together rethink organ donation policies for the 21st century.

FREE

1PM–2PM ON WED 27 MAR

Whipple Museum of the History of Science

Free School Lane

Cambridge

CB2 3RH

VACCINES: INTO THE FUTURE

Let's discuss how vaccines work and what we can expect from vaccines in the future

FREE

6PM–7:30PM ON WED 27 MAR

St John's College Old Divinity School

All Saints Passage

Cambridge

CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

AGEING, DEMENTIA AND CURE

Dementia researchers and clinicians from the University of Cambridge will discuss the fast moving area of dementia research as well as emerging treatments. Is a cure on the horizon?

FREE

3:30PM–5PM ON THUR 28 MAR

MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit

15 Chaucer Road

Cambridge

CB2 7EF

BOOKING REQUIRED

CREATING A LIVEABLE FUTURE: POSITIVE ACTION TO AVERT CLIMATE CATASTROPHE

Ramit Debnath from Cambridge Zero will be in conversation with researcher Ariel De Fauconberg, winner of an FT book prize for her forthcoming book on climate tech entrepreneurs, and playwright Steve Waters, author of numerous plays about climate change and described as 'one of the UK's most accomplished political playwrights'.

FREE

8PM–9PM ON THUR 28 MAR

St John's College Old Divinity School

All Saints Passage

Cambridge

CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

CRIME DOESN'T HAVE TO BE SECOND CLASS LITERATURE: AN EVENING WITH NICOLA UPSON

Join Cambridge University Library for an evening with crime writer Nicola Upson. Nicola talks to us about curating the Library's new exhibition, Murder by the Book, and the importance of crime writing as a genre. She will be in conversation with University Librarian Dr Jessica Gardner. With wine and a book signing.

FREE

5:30PM–7PM ON THUR 28 MAR

Cambridge University Library

Milstein Seminar Rooms

West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DR

BOOKING REQUIRED

LAST CALL: HOW DIFFERENT CULTURES DEAL WITH DEATH

Around the world, people show incredible creativity and variety in what they do with their dead. This talk takes you on a tour: Where is it normal to dig up and rebury a body? Keep the body at home for months, feeding and caring for it? Offer it to birds of prey? Thinking carefully about how different cultures handle death helps us understand their values, and helps us see our own traditions in a new way. With social anthropologist, Sally Raudon.

FREE

6PM–7PM ON THUR 28 MAR

St John's College Old Divinity School

All Saints Passage

Cambridge

CB2 1TP

BOOKING REQUIRED

MONSTROUS ARCHIVES: COLONIALISM AND THE EMERGENCE OF DATA

Dr Siddharth Soni locates the birth of data in colonial attitudes to the archive.

FREE

7:30PM–8:45PM ON THUR 28 MAR

West Court Jesus College

Jesus College

Jesus Lane

Cambridge

CB5 8BJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

PRE-ECLAMPSIA AND ITS LASTING IMPACT ON WOMEN'S HEALTH: NOT JUST A VILLAIN OF PREGNANCY?

This talk will explore the puzzling relationship between pregnancy, pre-eclampsia and women's long-term cardiovascular health, and explain how the University of Cambridge-led POPPY study hopes to provide answers to some of these questions.

FREE

6:30PM–7:30PM ON THUR 28 MAR

Lecture Theatre

Trinity Hall

Trinity Lane

Cambridge

CB2 1TJ

EVERYTHING ELSE

Join Cambridge Festival for everything else taking place that is unique and perfect for the curious mind. From guided walks to happenings, philosothon to farming, this is an eclectic selection perfect for those seeking the thrill of discovery.

CLIMATE RESEARCH HAPPENINGS

A series of short videos, documentaries in relation to climate change research taking place in the University

FREE
SHOWING THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL
Online

CHEMISTRY IN ACTION IN THE YUSUF HAMIED DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Visit the Department of Chemistry to try some hands-on chemistry experiments and get inside a world of science. Once kitted-out in a lab coat and safety goggles you will be ready to go!

Supported by The Walters Kundert Charitable Trust.

FREE
10AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry
Lensfield Road
Cambridge
CB2 1EW

CHAOS TALKS AT CRASH, BANG, SQUELCH!

CHaOS volunteers are running a series of talks filled with exciting demonstrations. You will find even more crashes, bangs and squelches!

FREE
10:10AM-10:40AM ON SAT 16 MAR
11:10AM-11:40AM ON SAT 16 MAR
12:10PM-12:40PM ON SAT 16 MAR
1:10PM-1:40PM ON SAT 16 MAR
2:10PM-2:40PM ON SAT 16 MAR
3:10PM-3:40PM ON SAT 16 MAR
4:10PM-4:40PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Zoology Lecture Hall
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3EJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

CRYSTAL ADVENTURES

Explore the wonders of crystals and structural chemistry surrounding you in your daily life, including chocolate, lemons and sweets. Expect impressive visualisations, fun hands on activities and games for all the family! These activities are designed by the curators of the Cambridge Structural Database, a resource created in Cambridge and shared worldwide for education and research.

FREE
10AM-4PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Chemistry
Todd-Hamied Room
Lensfield Road
Cambridge
CB2 1EW

JUST ADD WATER: A DEMONSTRATION LECTURE BY PROFESSOR PETER WOTHERS

Just Add Water. In this exciting demonstration lecture Professor Peter Wothers explores the remarkable properties of this familiar liquid. Expect loud bangs! Supported by The Walters Kundert Charitable Trust.

FREE
11AM-12PM ON SAT 16 MAR
1:30PM-2:30PM ON SAT 16 MAR
4PM-5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry
BMS Lecture Theatre
Lensfield Road
Cambridge
CB2 1EW

BOOKING REQUIRED

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF OUR RESEARCHERS

Researchers at @MRC_TU are finding ways to make our medicines and environment safer! But what does that look like day to day? Follow our researchers in our video series and discover what a day as a scientist is really like!

FREE
12AM-11:59PM DAILY FROM THUR 14 MAR UNTIL THUR 28 MAR
Online

DISCOVER WOLFSON'S GARDENS: BIODIVERSITY TOUR

A guided talk and discovery tour of Wolfson College gardens, offering insights into the environmental practices we use to protect and promote biodiversity.

FREE
2PM-3PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Wolfson College
Barton Road
Cambridge
CB3 9BB

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE CAMBRIDGE PHILOSOTHON

Teachers are invited to enter teams to compete in this friendly inter-school competition in which students participate in a series of communities of inquiry exploring philosophical and ethical issues

FREE
10:30AM-3PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Faculty of Divinity
Sidgwick Site
West Road
Cambridge
CB3 9BS

BOOKING REQUIRED

THE RUDD CENTRE: HOW WE ARE MEETING THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TODAY

See a colourful and insightful short animation projected onto a building throughout the evening. Our animation introduces some of the work we do at the Cambridge Rudd Centre to better understand how parents, families, and children can be supported to promote youth mental health and development. Members of the team will also be on hand to answer questions.

FREE
4PM-7PM ON FRI 15 MAR

Museum of Zoology
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3EJ

WEST CAMBRIDGE BIODIVERSITY WALK

Join the University Estates Division's Senior Grounds Supervisor Mark Jermy on a tour of the ponds and other biodiversity interventions that are taking place on the West Cambridge site.

FREE
9AM-10AM ON FRI 15 MAR

Meet outside the main entrance of the West Hub
JJ Thomson Avenue
Cambridge
CB3 0US

BOOKING REQUIRED

BE AN ARCHAEOLOGIST: SKETCHING THE PAST

A hands-on archaeological illustration workshop led by the Cambridge Archaeological Unit

FREE
11AM-12:30PM ON SAT 16 MAR
1PM-2.30PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Archaeology North and South
Lecture Rooms
Downing Street
Cambridge
CB2 3QY

BOOKING REQUIRED

BE AN ARCHAEOLOGIST: EXPLORING ROMAN POTTERY THROUGH A HANDS-ON WORKSHOP

Learn more about pottery from the past and have a go at piecing some artefacts back together!

FREE

10AM–11:30AM ON SAT 16 MAR

11:30AM–1PM ON SAT 16 MAR

1:30PM–3PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Archaeology North and South
Lecture Rooms

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3QY

BOOKING REQUIRED

CHALLENGING THE MYSTERIES OF CANCER

Come and learn about cancer with multiple activities. Look at real cancer cells under the microscope, make your own 3D cells, find the right antibody (key) that fits the right antigen (lock), or try your hands at origami to make your own 2D miniature lab coat.

FREE

11AM–3PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University

East Road

Cambridge

CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

CHAOS ROBOTICS WORKSHOPS AT CRASH, BANG, SQUELCH!

Join ChaOS for robotics workshops packed full of hands on design and programming. Zero experience is **BOOKING REQUIRED**.

FREE

10:15AM–1PM ON SAT 16 MAR

11:15AM–12PM ON SAT 16 MAR

1:15PM–2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

2:15PM–3PM ON SAT 16 MAR

3:15PM–6PM ON SAT 16 MAR

4:15PM–17PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Zoology

Computer Room

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3EJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

CRASH, BANG, SQUELCH! CHAOS AT THE CAMBRIDGE FESTIVAL

On Saturday 16th March 2024 CHaOS will take over the zoology labs of the University of Cambridge for a day for Crash, Bang, Squelch! Come and see lots of exciting hands-on experiments from all areas of science! We'll have around 50 different experiments, each of which will be demonstrated by a friendly student volunteer! This hands-on event will be open from 10am to 5pm, and is absolutely free.

FREE

10AM–5PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Zoology

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3EJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

LET'S SHAPE RESEARCH TOGETHER

Do you want to make a change in your community? Are you interested in sharing your opinions to help academics develop ground-breaking research? Join this event to find out how ARU academics and members of the public collaborate at the early stages of research design. Learn about volunteering opportunities with ARU's 'Let's Shape Research Together' programme.

FREE

12PM–1PM ON SAT 16 MAR

5PM–6PM ON WED 20 MAR

Anglia Ruskin University

East Road

Cambridge

CB1 1PT

BOOKING REQUIRED

PARCHMENT CRAFTSMANSHIP: HANDS-ON TECHNIQUES AND WRITING EXPLORATION

A live demonstration of parchment preparation techniques and an opportunity to get hands-on with smoothing and writing on parchments.

FREE

11AM–2PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Department of Archaeology

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3QY

ROADS TO SUSTAIN

Join us for a thrilling and educational Minecraft game Roads to Sustain designed for kids aged 8 and above! Roads to Sustain offers a fun and thought-provoking way to explore the challenges of road design and environmental stewardship.

FREE

11AM–4PM

Department of Engineering

Trumpington Street

Cambridge

CB2 1PZ

SECRETS OF NATURE: HISTORY, FILM AND ENVIRONMENT

This workshop showcases a new set of teaching resources based on Dr Max Long's research into natural history films from the 1920s and 1930s.

FREE

10AM–12PM ON SAT 16 MAR

West Court Jesus College

Jesus Lane

Cambridge

CB5 8BJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

SHADOWS AND LIGHT: EXPLORING DEATH THROUGH ART

Join us at the Museum of Technology for a drop-in print workshop looking at the art relating to death ceremonies around the world. Attendees will be able to look through different examples of such art and design and print their own memento mori or memorial piece.

FREE

11AM–3PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Cambridge Museum of Technology

The Old Pumping Station

Cheddars Lane

Cambridge

CB5 8LD

SPECULATIVE FICTION AND IMAGINING OTHERWISE

This workshop explores the potentials of speculative fiction to imagine other ways of living together. We will discuss excerpts and do creative writing/drawing exercises to develop openings into other worlds.

FREE

11AM–1PM ON SAT 16 MAR

Faculty of English GR06/07

9 West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DP

BOOKING REQUIRED

BE AN ARCHAEOLOGIST: FLINT KNAPPING!

Learn to flint knap with an archaeologist!

FREE

11AM–2:30PM ON MON 18 MAR

Department of Archaeology

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3QY

BOOKING REQUIRED

SHINING A LIGHT ON SCIENCE

Two hands on practicals available in Chemistry & Physics at Cambridge Regional College, led by our expert lecturing staff

FREE

5PM–5:55PM ON TUE 19 MAR

6PM–7PM ON TUE 19 MAR

Cambridge Regional College

Meet at Reception to be guided to C133

Chemistry; C017 for Physics

Kings Hedges Road

Cambridge

CB4 2QT

BOOKING REQUIRED

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY'S FARM AND PARKLAND

Enjoy a tour of the University's Park Farm to learn about the dairy herd and sustainable farming, and then take a walk to the Madingley Estates parkland to hear about biodiversity, heritage, land management and landscape.

FREE

10:30AM–12PM

Cambridge University Farm

Park Farm

Madingley

Cambridge

CB23 8YW

BOARD GAMES NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM OF ZOOLOGY

Visit the Museum of Zoology after hours for animal-themed boardgames.

£5

6:30PM–9:30PM ON WED 20 MAR

Museum of Zoology

Downing Street

Cambridge

CB2 3EJ

BOOKING REQUIRED

CYCLE SAFELY, SECURELY AND SUSTAINABLY

Come along and meet the University's sustainable travel team, and find out how they encourage cycling and other forms of sustainable travel.

FREE

8:30AM–5:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Eddington Market Square

Cambridge

CB3 1SE

SHARE YOUR EXPERTISE: A WIKIPEDIA EDIT-A-THON

This edit-a-thon provides an accessible space to help new and returning Wikipedians share their expertise. We'll begin with a brief presentation on neutrality and critical reading before editing. We can help you set up an editorial account, too. The goal of this workshop is to improve media literacy and help all participants share their expertise to diversify knowledge in our global community.

FREE

10:30AM–12:30PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Alison Richard Building

SG2

Sidgwick Site

West Road

Cambridge

CB3 9DT

BOOKING REQUIRED

PLAYFUL LEARNING ZONE WITH PEDAL

Come and discover how we do research, and have a go yourself! Join the PEDAL Centre at the Faculty of Education for some playful learning, and see what educational research is all about.

FREE

10AM–3PM ON SAT 23 MAR

Faculty of Education

184 Hills Road

Cambridge

CB2 8PQ

ASTRAZENECA: A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY

Join AstraZeneca for public tours of the AstraZeneca Discovery Centre.

FREE

10AM–10:45AM ON THUR 21 MARCH

12PM–12:45PM ON THUR 21 MARCH

2PM–2:45PM ON THUR 21 MARCH

4PM–4:45PM ON THUR 21 MARCH

The DISC - AstraZeneca Discovery Centre

1 Francis Crick Avenue

Cambridge

CB2 0AA

BOOKING REQUIRED

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