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**HORSE +  
BAMBOO**



# HORSE + BAM BOO

Cover Image : Baked Al Ska (Fri 15 Dec)

## A New Season and a Great Line up of Events!

This season is jam packed with lots of brilliant acts!

We have a varied programme of family theatre, live music, cinema + workshops, as well as returning events including the Pumpkin Trail, Crafternoon & the much-requested Board Game Day. So come down with friends + family and join in all season long.

We're also delighted to present 'The Squirrel, The Cake and The Cabinet', this December. Our brand new production will take you on a whirlwind adventure, through the woods and into magical lands!

This is a brand new, immersive show that we can't wait to bring you - expect Horse + Bamboo puppetry, animation & wintery magic to get you ready for the festive season!

### Venue Information



Our venue is wheelchair + pushchair friendly.



Free road parking is available in front + behind the venue.

### Key



Craft activity - We open an hour before family shows for craft activities



Deaf-friendly performance



The production is supported by the Big Imaginations Network

## THE SQUIRREL THE CAKE AND THE CABINET



2nd - 10th December  
at Horse + Bamboo



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## This season of theatre is going to be full of Fairy Tale Magic!

This September, David Gibb returns to us with his new show, "JACK!". For October Half Term, you might notice a 'FAIRYTALE' theme - reflected in the new Theatre Fideri Fidera show, Will Tell & the Big Bad Baron. Plus, we'll be making fairytale inspired crafts as part of the crafternoon!

As always, our family theatre performances are coupled with a related craft activity one hour before the start, so come down early for a whole afternoon with us at Horse + Bamboo.



### JACK!

LITTLE SEEDS MUSIC | DAVID GIBB

**Sunday 24 September**

SHOW 11AM & 3PM, CRAFT 10AM & 2PM | £8/£6\*

For as long as tales have been told, the character of Jack has been a constant presence in stories. In this new musical for families and children, discover the truth behind the original fairytale hero, JACK! Music & lyrics by Horse + Bamboo favourite, David Gibb.

**"The show was brilliant! It was really inspirational and I shed a tear or two!"**

Duration : 60 minutes | Ages : 5+ years



### Will Tell & The Big Bad Baron

THEATRE FIDERI FIDERA

**Thursday 26 October**

SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM | £8/£6\*

Join plucky Will as she rides off on a chivalric quest to rescue her folk hero father Wilhelm Tell from the Big Bad Baron's deepest darkest dungeon. Don't miss this fun-packed comic adventure which promises capers around castles, Strictly Come Medieval Dancing and a nail-biting joust on life-size horse puppets, all woven together with engaging storytelling and catchy, original songs.

Duration : 60 minutes | Ages : 3+



### Pumpkin Trail

EDGESIDE PARK

**Wednesday 1 November**

4:30PM - 6:30PM

Join us for our annual Pumpkin Trail, the day after Halloween!

Bring down your carved pumpkins to Edgeside Park, create a community Pumpkin Trail and check out the amazing sculpting skills on display.

Plus this year, why not take part in our Pumpkin Hunt through the park & shadow play on our giant screens as it starts to go dark. This is a magical, torchlit, outdoor experience - please dress for all weathers!

\*Leave your pumpkin at the end and it will be composted for you after the event.

Ages : All ages



### The Squirrel, The Cake & The Cabinet

HORSE + BAMBOO

**Sat 2 - Sun 3 & Sat 9 - Sun 10 December**

DAILY : SHOW 11AM, CRAFT 10AM

SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM | £8/£6\*

If a squirrel spoke to you in the wintry woods, what would you do?

Would you follow it if it asked you?

If it offered you a piece of cake, would you eat it?

Adam did...

Join Horse + Bamboo for our signature festive adventure through the woods and into magical lands where strange characters will share their stories. This immersive journey through the forest is brought to life with animation, puppetry, music, and games.

Duration: 45 minutes | Ages : 3 - 7 years



### Baby Boo

**Fortnightly Tuesdays from 5 September**

10AM - 11.30AM | 1PM - 2.30PM | £3

Baby Boo is a relaxed, open ended play session that runs fortnightly on Tuesdays at Horse + Bamboo in Waterfoot. Our sessions are designed to help children and babies feel comfortable and happy in our lovely theatre space. Come and play in an exciting and inviting environment. We have a huge selection of play and sensory objects which are regularly refreshed and cater for all ages and stages.

Ages : 0 - 4 years are welcome at both morning & afternoon sessions.

[horseandbamboo.org](http://horseandbamboo.org)

## Horse + Bamboo is bringing some amazing music acts for the end of 2023!

Whatever your preferred genre, we're delighted to welcome a hugely talented line up of artists and multi-instrumentalists to Horse + Bamboo this season. Cerys Hafana on the enchanting triple harp is not one to be missed! Followed by Suntou Susso in October, combining the rich, traditional sound of his West African Mandinka culture with Afro funk and soul on the kora.

Kyla Brox, daughter of cult blues figure, Victor Brox, joins us in October with her own sophisticated sound that sees her at the very top of the UK Blues scene.

In December, get into the festive spirit with Baked A La Ska performing their fun loving Christmas album, Ska Of Wonder. They'll be delivering seasonal ska treats such as "When You Wish Upon A Ska", "Walking In The Air", "We Three Kings", "Harmonica for Christmas" and many more!

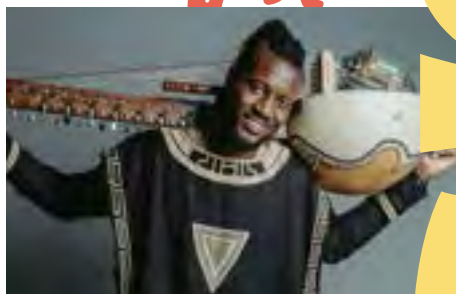


**Cerys Hafana**  
TRIPLE HARP, FOLK

**Friday 15 September**  
BAR 6PM, EVENT 8PM | £10/£8\*

Cerys Hafana is a composer and multi-instrumentalist who mangles, mutates, and transforms traditional music. She explores the creative possibilities and unique qualities of the triple harp, and is also interested in found sounds, archival materials and electronic processing.

**'she's an adept shapeshifter, entwining tradition with direct and personal interpretations to create music that's both progressive, profound and inspiring.'**  
Alex Gallagher, Folk Radio UK



**Suntou Susso**  
AFRO FUNK AND SOUL

**Friday 20 October**  
BAR 6PM, EVENT 8PM | £10/ £8\*

Suntou Susso is a multi-instrumentalist: kora player, percussionist, singer and composer from The Gambia.

Suntou's family includes some of the world's most highly respected West African musicians. An in-demand and charismatic performer, he attracted attention as soon as he arrived on the UK music scene.

**'He mixes styles and sounds on stage with a pedal board to rival any self-respecting guitar hero. I call him the Jimi Hendrix of the kora!'**  
Tim Tyson Short, 360 Degree Radio Show



**Kyla Brox Band**  
BLUES AND SOUL

**Friday 24 November**  
BAR 6PM, EVENT 8PM | £10/ £8\*

Blues and soul become inextricably entwined in award-winning singer-songwriter, Kyla Brox, whose raw talent has seen her described as "the finest female blues singer of her generation".

Her voice; tender, urgent, gritty, blurring the distinction between pleasure and pain, mixed with the enchantingly fluent guitar work of Paul Farr, inspired bass playing of Danny Blomeley and in-the-pocket drumming of Mark Warburton, combine to make a unique and powerful, often joyous, always emotional experience.

**"Kyla Brox knows how to handle the gears... the Mancunian vocalist lets songs percolate, raising the temperature by degrees, then giving it both barrels in the final stretch. It's a thrilling tactic."**  
Henry Yates, The Blues Magazine



**Baked A La Ska**  
MANCHESTER SKA

**Friday 15 December**  
BAR 6PM, EVENT 8PM | £15 / £13\*

Baked A La Ska are the 'heavy heavy sound' of Manchester. Since 2008, they have been serving up the sweetest of good party vibes, vintage ska sounds and an eccentric platter of covers.

It's a band of assembled oddballs and pranksters brought together by keyboardist and wizard, Basil Padprik, fronted by an un-holy trio of singers: Tommy Robot, Kuntri Ranks and Robin Sunflower. Baked A La Ska also feature one of the tightest rhythm sections in Manchester with the "chops to make you drop". Sound like the perfect group for H+B to us!

**'Wonderfully eccentric and infectious'**  
Do The Dog Skazine



# EVENT CALENDAR

## September

Fri 1	<b>Rossendale Board Game Night</b>	6pm	Free	All Ages
Tues 5	<b>Film Club : The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry</b>	7.30pm	£5	12A
Thur 7	<b>NT Live : Fleabag</b>	7:30pm	£15/ £13*	Adults
Fri 8	<b>Spoken word : Me/Not Me</b>	8pm	£5	Adults
Fri 15	<b>Live Music : Cerys Hafana</b>	8pm	£10 £8*	Adults
Fri 22	<b>Open Mic Night</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Sun 24	<b>JACK!</b>	Show 11am & 3pm	£8 / £6*	5+ yrs
Sun 24	<b>Live Music : Rossendale Ladies Choir Autumn Concert</b>	7.30pm	£8 OTD	All Ages

## October

Tue 3	<b>Film Club – Title TBA</b>	7.30pm	£5	TBC
Fri 6	<b>Rossendale Board Game Night</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Fri 13	<b>Open Decks</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Tues 17	<b>Baby Boo Special Musical Session</b>	10am & 1pm	£3	0-4yrs
Fri 20	<b>Live Music : Suntou Susso</b>	8pm	£10 £8*	Adults
Sat 21	<b>Live Music : An Evening of British Contemporary &amp; Gothic Americana</b>	8pm	£5	Adults
Tues 24	<b>Crafternoon</b>	11am - 3pm	Free	All Ages

## ‘Pay What You Can’ Tickets Available

This means that you can donate any amount for your ticket. Whilst we do have ticket prices listed against all of our events - Pay What You Can tickets are available for all of our events, whether booking online or walking in. We do this so that everyone is able to attend and enjoy our events.

Regardless of what you pay to attend an event - we **ALWAYS** recommend booking in advance online wherever possible.

### Concessions & Carer Tickets

\* Concession prices are available to : children age 16 and under, students, people with disabilities and senior citizens 65+

Free carer tickets are also available with concessions - please email info@horseandbamboo.org to book your free carer ticket in advance.

Tues 24	<b>Family Film - FairyTale : A True Story</b>	Craft 11am Film 3pm	£3	PG
Tues 24	<b>Family Film (Subtitled) - FairyTale : A True Story</b>	Craft 5pm Film 6pm	£3	PG
Wed 25	<b>Family Board Game Day</b>	11am - 4pm	Free	All Ages
Thur 26	<b>Will Tell &amp; The Big Bad Baron</b>	Craft 2pm Show 3pm	£8 / £6*	3+ yrs
Fri 27	<b>Horse + Bamboo's Quiz Night</b>	7.30pm	£2pp	Adults

## November

Wed 1	<b>Edgeside Park Pumpkin Trail</b>	4:30pm	Free	All Ages
Thur 2	<b>Arts Award Discover : Circus Skills</b>	4pm - 5pm	£3	7-9yrs
Thur 2	<b>Arts Award Explore : Stop Motion Animation</b>	5:30pm - 6:30pm	£3	9-11yrs
Fri 3	<b>Rossendale Board Game Night</b>	6pm	Free	All Ages
Tue 7	<b>Film Club – Title TBA</b>	7.30pm	£5	TBC
Fri 10	<b>Open Decks</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Fri 17	<b>Open Mic Night</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Sat 18 - Sun 19	<b>Christmas Art Market</b>	11am - 6pm	Free	All Ages
Fri 24	<b>Live Music : Kyla Brox Band</b>	8pm	£10 £8*	Adults

## December

Sat 2 & Sun 3	<b>The Squirrel, The Cake &amp; The Cabinet</b>	Show 11am & 3pm	£8 / £6*	3 - 7 years
Wed 6	<b>Baby Boo Special Sensory Play on the Christmas Set</b>	10am & 1pm	£3	0-4yrs
Sat 9 & Sat 10	<b>The Squirrel, The Cake &amp; The Cabinet</b>	Show 11am & 3pm	£8 / £6	3 - 7 years
Fri 8	<b>Open Decks</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Fri 15	<b>Live Music : Baked A La Ska</b>	8pm	£15/ £13*	Adults



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Book your tickets online at:  
[horseandbamboo.org](https://horseandbamboo.org)



## Even more events to 'Join In' this season

We've got lots of our fantastic returning events this season - including our bi-annual 'Quiz Night' with our very own, Alastair Price. If you've not attended a Horse + Bamboo Quiz Night before... expect the unexpected!

Christmas Art Market is making a return and is already promising to be our busiest line up of local artists and makers yet - not one to be missed!

We've also got some new events joining the line up including two new Arts Award workshops in Circus Skills & Stop Motion Animation. 7 to 11 year olds can sign up to six weeks of after school club style workshops and earn themselves their first Arts Award certificate.



## Crafternoon OCTOBER HALF TERM

**Tuesday 24 October**  
11AM - 3PM | FREE DROP IN SESSION

Looking for a way to entertain the children over the school holidays? Head over to us for crafting fun you can enjoy with the whole family. The theme for this October half term is 'Fairy Tales'.

Keep an eye on our social media for our craft reveals of what you'll be making!

No need to book - just turn up.

For all the family



## Family Board Games OCTOBER HALF TERM

**Wednesday 25 October**  
11AM - 4PM | FREE DROP IN SESSION

Family favourite, Board Game Day is returning! Come for board gaming fun with 'Cards or Die' and check out the enormous array of board games in our cafe. There are so many to choose from and they'll even help teach you how to play them.

Come down any time and enjoy a few hours of family fun in our cafe.

No need to book - just turn up.

For all the family



## Quiz Night SEASONAL EVENT

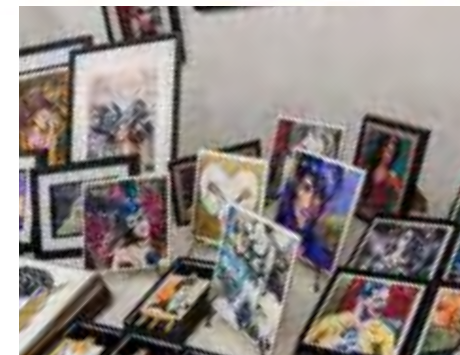
**Fri 27 October**  
BAR 6PM, EVENT 7:30PM | £2 PP

The mind - bending Quiz Night is back! Your genial host, Alastair Price, is returning with more question rounds, from the creative and innovative to the downright ridiculous.

Prepare your quiz teams (maximum of 6 people per table), warn your fellow contestants and get ready for a quiz like no other!

Ages 18+

Please pre book for this event - it will sell out!



## Christmas Art Market SEASONAL EVENT

**Sat 18 & Sun 19 November**  
11AM - 6PM | FREE

Christmas Art Market returns - the perfect place to find unique Christmas presents!

Horse + Bamboo's ever-popular seasonal craft and art market is the place to buy unique, hand-made and creative gifts. Come and browse the many stalls for something different, while enjoying a mince pie and mulled wine!

Due to high demand, we have extended this year's Art Market hours until 6pm.

## Rossendale Board Game Night MONTHLY EVENT

**Fri 1 Sept, Fri 6 Oct, Fri 3 Nov**  
6PM - 11PM | FREE

Organised by local group, Rossendale Board Games, this new monthly night is proving a hit! Come on your own or with a mate, bring your favourite game or just head in and join a table. This friendly, community-led evening is the perfect place to meet new people and try your hand at some different board games.

Suitable for seasoned board game enthusiasts or beginners. Supervised children are welcome but please note, the event takes place in our bar area.







## Open Decks MONTHLY EVENT

**13 Oct, 10 Nov, 8 Dec**  
BAR + MUSIC 6PM | FREE

Bring your vinyl and sign up for half an hour to an hour set, playing YOUR music. Open to experienced DJs and beginners. If this is your first time using decks, don't worry, we'll be on hand to help you out!

Contact us on social media or email [info@horseandbamboo.org](mailto:info@horseandbamboo.org) to reserve your slot now.

**Ages 16+**



## Open Mic Night BIMONTHLY EVENT

**22 Sep & 17 Nov**  
BAR 6PM, EVENT 8PM | FREE

Open Mic Night is back! Bring an instrument, a poem: whatever your creative passion, this is the stage.

This event isn't just for performers! Come down to enjoy an extra special night of local music and creativity.

**Ages 16+**

## Party Hire At Horse + Bamboo

Whether it's a birthday party, regular workshop or class, meeting room – even your wedding! We are a fully flexible venue that can host a variety of different events. Our spaces are made for bands, cinema screenings and performances, and we can work with you to make your day a success.

If you are interested in hosting a weekly or regular workshop at Horse + Bamboo, email us: [info@horseandbamboo.org](mailto:info@horseandbamboo.org)



## Arts Award Discover Circus Skills

**Thursday 2 Nov - 7 Dec | 6 Weeks Workshop**  
4PM - 5PM | £18 FOR 6 WEEKS

A six week course to earn your Discover Arts Award here at Horse + Bamboo!

During the workshop you'll try your hand at various circus skills including juggling, diabolo and plate spinning! You'll take inspiration from finding out about circus acts past and present, share what you have learnt with others and complete the Arts Award booklet filled with fun, creative activities.

**Ages 7 to 9 years**



## Arts Award Explore Stop Motion Animation

**Thursday 2 Nov - 7 Dec | 6 Weeks Workshop**  
5:30PM - 6:30PM | £18 FOR 6 WEEKS

Ever fancied making your own little piece of stop motion wonder, but were never sure where to start? Well, luckily for you Horse + Bamboo's resident animation extraordinaire and craft technician, Andy is on hand to help you make such a dream a reality!

Andy is responsible for a lot of in house animation at Horse + Bamboo. Recent examples of work you may have seen from him include scenes from Horse + Bamboo's last Christmas production, 'Christmas in the Valley'.

Within this workshop, you will learn the basics of stop motion animation, and together with other participants, create a collaborative small piece from everyone's shared ideas and creativity over the 6 weeks.

**Ages 9 to 11 years**



## Film Club at Horse + Bamboo

Every first Tuesday of the month, we put on a new screening as part of Horse + Bamboo's Film Club, and we are so excited to share the first title with you, 'The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry' starring Jim Broadbent.

Be sure to look out for the film announcements for October to December Film Club nights, which will be coming out on our social media and website two weeks before each Film Night.

Do you know what film you want to see next in our cosy cinema? Send us your suggestions to [info@horseandbamboo.org](mailto:info@horseandbamboo.org) or send us a message on our socials!



### FairyTale: A True Story (PG)

**Tues 24 October**

CRAFT 11AM | FILM 3PM | £3

SUBTITLED FILM

CRAFT 5PM | FILM 6PM | £3

Join us this October half term for a classic screening of the magical, true fairy tale of the Cottingley fairies. Our crafternoon will be running before our first 3pm screening - drop in any time from 11am for free family crafting!

Director: Charles Sturridge | 1997 | 1hr 39min



### The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry (12A)

**Tues 5 September**

DOORS 6.30PM

FILM 7.30PM | £5

A seemingly unremarkable man in his 60s named Harold, learns his old friend Queenie is dying. He embarks on a walk, only to keep going for 450 miles until he reaches Queenie's hospice, much to the despair of his wife Maureen.

Director: Hettie Macdonald | 2023 | 1hr 48min

# National Theatre Live

**Horse + Bamboo**  
**Thurs 7 Sept**  
**7.30pm**



# FLEABAG

WRITTEN AND PERFORMED BY  
**PHOEBE WALLER-BRIDGE**  
DIRECTED BY  
**VICKY JONES**

A production from

**DryWrite**  
**SOHO**  
THEATRE



**'Witty, filthy  
and supreme'**

*Guardian*







# HORSE + BAM BOO

## Volunteering at H+B

We are always looking for lively, enthusiastic individuals to join our team of volunteers here at Horse + Bamboo. Our volunteers can help with a variety of activities including craft workshops, cafe or on the Box Office.

For more information please email:  
[info@horseandbamboo.org](mailto:info@horseandbamboo.org)

## Book your tickets

Our shows and events are very popular. We always recommend that you book in advance to avoid disappointment as we cannot guarantee there will be 'walk up' tickets available for all events.

Book your tickets online at:

**horseandbamboo.org**

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