

A woman with long, dark, curly hair is singing passionately into a microphone. She is wearing a patterned top and a bracelet. The background is dark with several out-of-focus, warm-toned bokeh lights. The text is overlaid on the top left and bottom of the image.

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**HORSE +**  
**BAMBOO**

# HORSE + BAMBOO

## A brilliant new season of events!

This season is jam packed with both new, as well as familiar artists and events for you to enjoy!

This season is also big one, taking us into the New Year. Our programme once again offers an eclectic mix of family theatre, live music, cinema screenings and workshops. We also have the return of many popular Horse + Bamboo events, including The Pumpkin Trail, Crafternoon & Board Game Day.

We are delighted to present our new Monster immersive, festive show, 'A Monster Christmas'. Expect Horse + Bamboo's signature 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



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# A Monster Christmas



7 - 15  
Dec 24

## This season features new theatre from old friends we are excited to welcome back!

Oliver Sykes returns in September with his new show 'Fishing for Rainbows'.

In October Half Term, we have a new show from Little Seeds Music & Horse + Bamboo, 'Tales from the Lighthouse'.

Plus, a new immersive Christmas show will bring the wintery magic this festive period!

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



### Fishing for Rainbows OLIVER SYKES

**Sunday 29 September**

SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM | £8.50/£6.50\*

Inspired by Oliver's own experiences being raised in poverty by his single dad, the show follows 12-year-old Kezia. While her brothers regularly fish with their dad, Kezia stays at home, cooking and cleaning, until one day, when she is called upon to prove what she can do with a fishing rod... What could possibly go wrong...?

Featuring fearless fishing action, surprising plot twists, compelling characters and an inspiring girl-hero, this funny and heart-warming show will reel the whole family in for an unforgettable adventure!

Duration: 60 minutes | Ages 5+



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### Tales from the Lighthouse LITTLE SEEDS MUSIC

**Sunday 20th October**

SHOW 11AM & 3PM, CRAFT 10AM & 2PM  
£8.50/£6.50\*

Prepare yourself for a musical voyage full of stories, songs and the sea...

Upon a distant shore, a lonely lighthouse keeper has grown fearful of the sea and its wild and stormy nature. But when a mysterious stranger appears with songs of the sea's magic and power, the keeper is forced to confront his fears and slowly rediscover the beauty of the ocean that surrounds him.

Duration: 60 minutes | Ages 5+



### Pumpkin Trail EDGESIDE PARK

**Friday 1 November**

4:30PM - 6:30PM

Horse + Bamboo's Pumpkin Trail is back!

Join us for an extra special Halloween themed activity for all the family at Edgeside Park, the day after Halloween!

Explore our torchlit display that presents an interactive challenge to complete and stick around for craft activities with the chance to explore shadow puppets and imagery.

Why not also bring your own pumpkins along and help make community-led trail in the park? Leave them at the end and Horse + Bamboo will compost them for you!

Ages: All ages



### 3 Little Pig Tails GARLIC THEATRE

**Sunday 16 February**

SHOW 11AM & 3PM, CRAFT 10AM & 2PM | £8.50/£6.50\*  
Duration: 45 minutes | Ages 3 - 7 years

A wonderful retelling of the classic story of the three little pigs set in Paris. A grumpy old wolf is a chef who wants some pigs' tails for his soup. Will the little pigs outwit the wolf and what kind of house will they build? A funny, warmhearted and interactive rustic tale to make you squeal with laughter, bristling with puppets, live music and lots of joining in. Garlic Theatre entertain the whole family with beautifully crafted puppets, music and a garlicky French twist to the tale.

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### A Monster Christmas

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**Sat 7 - Sun 8 & Sat 14 - Sun 15 December**

SHOW 11AM, CRAFT 10AM | £8.50/£6.50\*  
SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM

Who would a lonely Yeti invite for Christmas Dinner?

The Loch Ness Monster? Only if we can find him!

This year join Horse + Bamboo for our signature festive adventure to seek out hidden, cheeky monsters and make sure they're not alone for the festive season.

This immersive journey through the forest is brought to life with animation, puppetry, music, and games.

Duration: 35 minutes Ages: 2 - 5 years





## Tarren NEW-FOLK MUSIC.

**Friday 27 September**  
BAR 7PM, MUSIC 8PM | £14/£12\*

Tarren is an ambassador for New-Folk, music that is fresh and dynamic, still rooted in the English tradition. Original and traditional material is expertly arranged by this trio of musicians who are creating music that moves and excites people. Tarren is made up of Bristol-based artists Sid Goldsmith (Jimmy Aldridge & Sid Goldsmith, Awake Arise), Alex Garden (The Drystones, Harriet Riley & Alex Garden) and Danny Pedler (Pedler // Russell).

- "Just the kind of band we need on the Folk circuit today. Brilliant!" - FRUK

"A Mini Folk Supergroup" - Tradfolk

## Salt House ALT-FOLK TRIO

**Saturday 19 October**  
BAR 7PM, EVENT 8PM | £10 / £8\*

Salt House have been a mainstay on the folk scene for over a decade. The band's reputation as thoughtful and innovative interpreters of both ancient ballads and contemporary songs has been solidified with acclaimed album releases and extensive touring. New songs that sound like they've always been here, ancient ballads woken up. Poems given melodies they've long deserved.

Salt House's sound is influenced by the landscapes of the Scottish Highlands, Northumberland and Shetland, the respective homes of band members Ewan MacPherson (vocals, electric and acoustic guitars), Anna Hughes (vocals, fiddle, viola, tenor guitar) and Jenny Sturgeon (vocals, keys, guitar). They incorporate their natural surroundings into the fabric of the music that speaks of a shared love of place, people, and evolving tradition.

Described as a "gentle, lulling delight" by The Guardian, Salt House blend heartfelt vocal and instrumental interplay, offering listeners a moment of reflection and connection.



## Mikey Kenney LIVERPOOL STYLE FIDDLER

**Friday 22 November**  
BAR 7PM, MUSIC 8PM | £12/£10

Mikey Kenney is an original. A passionate and well-respected advocate for traditional music - a brilliant Liverpool-style fiddler drawing primarily on his native North West English and Irish heritage - but grounded in a present-day, urban reality. He is a musician with wide-open horizons and insatiable curiosity for new possibilities.

"Superbly charismatic fiddle playing / once heard, never forgotten singing" - FRUK

"This is magical, medicinal music that defies labels and borders" - Liverpool Echo



## Baked A La Ska MANCHESTER SKA

**Thursday 19 December**  
BAR 7PM, MUSIC 8PM | £14/£12\*

Baked A La Ska are the "heavy heavy sound" of Manchester, a super charged 11-headed ska monster on a rampage through the dance floors of the UK leaving a trail of skanked out bodies in their wake.

It's a band of assembled oddballs and pranksters! Baked A La Ska also feature one of the tightest rhythm sections in Manchester with the "chops to make you drop".

"RETRO-HIP ENOUGH FOR THE COOL KIDS YET GRANNY CAN SHAKE HER BONY HIPS AROUND TO IT TOO" The Independent on Sunday

## Kyla Brox BLUES AND SOUL

**Friday 28 February**  
BAR 7PM, EVENT 8PM | £14/£12\*

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.

An authentic soul diva... sensitive, sexy, and with infinite reserves of sassiness" City Life



# EVENT CALENDAR

Sep 24 - Feb 25

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## Sep

Tues 3	<b>Film Club : Gladiator</b>	7.30pm	£5.50	15
Fri 6	<b>Open Decks</b>	7pm	Free	Adults
Thur 12	<b>NT Live : Prima Facie (15)</b>	7pm	£15 /£13*	15
Thur 12	<b>Arts Award : Circus Skills (Start of 6 week workshop)</b>	4.00pm - 5.00pm	£18	7-9yrs
Thurs 12	<b>Arts Award : Shadow Puppet (Start of 6 week workshop)</b>	5.30pm - 6.30pm	£18	9-13yrs
Fri 13	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Tues 17	<b>Baby Boo Special</b>	10am & 1pm	£3.50	0-4 yrs
Fri 20	<b>Open Mic Night</b>	7pm	Free	Adults
Fri 20	<b>Subversive Knitting (Start of 6 week workshop)</b>	7pm - 9pm	£30	Adults
Fri 27	<b>Live Music : Tarren</b>	8pm	£14 /£12*	Adults
Sun 29	<b>Family Theatre : Fishing for Rainbows</b>	Craft 2pm Show 3pm	£8.50 /£6.50	5+

## Oct

Tue 1	<b>Film Club : Amazing Grace (12)</b>	Film 7.30pm	£5.50	12
Fri 4	<b>Theatre : Slowing Down to the Speed of Light</b>	8pm	£10 /£8*	Adults
Sat 11	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Sat 19	<b>Live Music: Salt House</b>	8pm	£10 /£8	Adults
Sun 20	<b>Family Theatre: Tales from the Lighthouse</b>	11am & 3pm	£8.50 /£6.50	5+ yrs
Wed 23	<b>Crafternoon</b>	10am-3pm	Free	All Ages
Wed 23	<b>Family Film : Hocus Pocus (PG)</b>	11am & 3pm	£3.50	PG
Thur 24	<b>Family Board Games Day</b>	11am - 3pm	Free	All Ages

## Nov

Fri 1	<b>Edgeside Pumpkin Trail</b>	4.30pm - 6.30pm	Free	All Ages
Fri 1	<b>Open Decks</b>	7pm	Free	Adults

Tue 5	<b>Film Club - TBC</b>	Film 7.30pm	£5.50	TBC
Fri 8	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Fri 15	<b>Quiz Night</b>	7.30pm	£2pp	Adults
Sat 16 - Sun 17	<b>Christmas Art Market</b>	11am-6pm	Free	All Ages
Fri 22	<b>Live Music: Mikey Kenney</b>	8pm	£12/ £10*	Adults
Fri 29	<b>Open Mic Night</b>	7pm	Free	Adults

## Dec

Fri 6	<b>Open Decks</b>	7pm	Free	Adults
Sat 7 & Sun 8	<b>Family Theatre: A Monster Christmas</b>	11am & 3pm	£8.50 /£6.50	3-7yrs
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Fri 20	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	Adults
Sun 22	<b>Christmas Family Film : Elf (PG)</b>	11am & 3pm	£3.50	PG

## Jan

Fri 17	<b>Open Decks</b>
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## Feb

Tues 4	<b>Film Club: TBC</b>			
Fri 7	<b>Open Decks</b>			
Sun 16	<b>Family Theatre : 3 Little Pigs</b>	11am & 3pm	£8.50 /£6.50	3-7yrs
Tues 18	<b>Baby Boo Special</b>	10am & 1pm	£3.50	0-4yrs
Thur 20	<b>Family Board Games Day</b>	11am - 3pm	Free	All Ages
Fri 28	<b>Live Music : Kyla Brox</b>	8pm	£14 /£12*	Adults



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## Crafternoon

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Wed 23 Oct & 19 Feb

DROP IN SESSION 10AM - 3PM | FREE

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. This October half term, we'll be getting all spooky with our crafternoon.

We have a Family Film on the same day showing Hocus Pocus

Look out on our social media for craft reveals of what we'll be making ahead of time!

For all the family



## Family Board Games

CARDS OR DIE

Thur 24 Oct & 20 Feb

DROP IN SESSION 11AM - 3PM | FREE

Family favourite, Board Game Day is returning! Following on from successful days last year and high demand - board gaming fun with 'Cards or Die' is back! Come and check out the enormous array of board games in our cafe. There's sooo many to choose from and they'll even help teach you how to play games you may not know.

No need to book - just turn up.

For all the family



## Quiz Night

SEASONAL EVENT

Friday 15 November

DOORS 6:30PM, EVENT 7.30PM | £2 PP

Horse + Bamboo's mind-bending Quiz Night is BACK! Your gracious 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!



## Open Decks

MONTHLY EVENT

6 Sep, 1 Nov, 6 Dec, 17 Jan & 7 Feb

BAR + MUSIC 7PM | 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+



## Christmas Art Market

### SEASONAL EVENT

SAT 16TH - SUN 17TH NOV  
11 AM - 6PM | FREE ENTRY

The Christmas Art Market returns - the perfect place to find unique Christmas presents! This year, we've got EXTENDED HOURS so come shop any time from 11am til 6pm both days.

Some sellers are joining us across the weekend, others are with us for one day only - so check out our social media posts for some of the fabulous makers joining us & when they'll be here!



## Open Mic Night

SEASONAL EVENT

Fri 20 Sep & 29 Nov

BAR 7PM, MUSIC 7:30PM

Open Mic Night returns! Hosted by amazing Rossendale musicians each month. 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+



## Rossendale Board Games Night

MONTHLY EVENT

Friday 13 Sep, 11 Oct, 8 Nov & 20 Dec

6PM - 11PM | FREE

Join Rossendale Board Games for their monthly Board Games Night at Horse + Bamboo! Always a busy event, come by yourself or in a group, bring your favourite game or come and learn something completely new!

This group is welcoming to all ages, newbies or experts of all things board games.



## Subversive Knitting : Masked Resistance

HELEN DAVIES YARN ARTIST

Friday 20 Sep - 25 Oct

7PM - 9PM | 6 WEEKS WORKSHOP

Join Helen for a six-week course dedicated to honing your knitting skills and making a full-head mask perfect for a crafty revolution. Throughout the course, we'll delve into essential techniques including casting on, knit and purl stitches, binding off, picking up stitches, and decreasing.



## Arts Award Discover Circus Skills

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Thursday 12 Sept - 17 Oct  
(6 week workshop)

4:00PM - 5:00PM | £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.

For 7 to 9 years



## Arts Award Discover Shadow Puppet

HORSE + BAMBOO

Thursday 12 Sept - 17 Oct  
(6 week workshop)

5:30PM - 6:30PM | £18 FOR 6 WEEKS

Over the course of six weeks, you will learn how to create your own shadow puppets, how to manipulate light as a means to tell stories, create moods and atmosphere. Finally, after creating your own shadow play, those brave enough will be invited to perform your show live in public at this year's Pumpkin Trail at Edgeside park!

For 9 to 13 years



## Slowing Down to the Speed of Light

ADULT THEATRE

Friday 4 October

DOORS OPEN 6:30PM

SHOW 7:30PM | £10/£8\*

Slowing Down to the Speed of Light explores an adult ADHD diagnosis through playful and provocative storytelling, alongside original music. A woman untangling a lifetime of tales, while a girl from the future searches for an ancestor lost in faerie. A minstrel plays a song he's never heard before and the Lady of the Lake keeps a promise. New stories are up for grabs and there are choices to be made, but will it be too late?



Jacqueline Harris and Maja Bugge

"A beautiful interweaving of folklore, personal story and landscape."

## Cosy up with Film Nights at Horse + Bamboo!

Snuggle into a blanket at our relaxed cinema for some amazing film titles this season. Tuesday Film Club is back every first Tuesday of the month. We're delighted to be showing *Gladiator* (15), for the first screening of new season! Future film club titles are always announced on our website & social channels.

We're also continuing to host National Theatre Live screenings, so you can enjoy the brilliance of live theatre right here at Horse + Bamboo. Upcoming titles include *Prima Facie*. Look out for more coming up later in the season!



### **Gladiator** (15)

**Tues 3 Sept**

BAR 6:30PM, FILM 7:30PM  
£5.50

*Gladiator* is an epic historical drama film. A former Roman General sets out to exact vengeance against the corrupt emperor who murdered his family and sent him into slavery.

Commodus takes over power and demotes Maximus, one of the preferred generals of his father, Emperor Marcus Aurelius. As a result, Maximus is relegated to fighting till death as a gladiator.

Director: Ridley Scott | 2000 | 2hr 35min



### **Hocus Pocus** (PG)

**Wed 23 Oct**

CRAFT 10AM-3PM | FILM 11AM & 3PM | £3.50

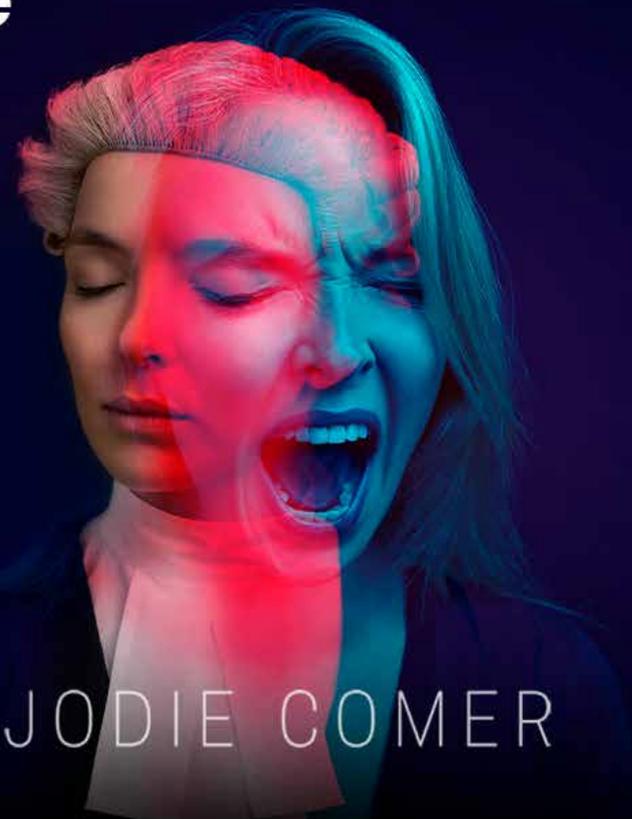
October half term family film is *Hocus Pocus*.

Three witches resurrect after 300 years to exact revenge and begin a reign of terror after Max, a young boy who moves to Salem with his family, lights the cursed Candle of Black Flame.

Director: : Kenny Ortega | 1993 | 1hr 36min



## National Theatre Live



JODIE COMER

# Prima Facie

written by Suzie Miller  
directed by Justin Martin

empire  
street  
productions

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## Events & Party Hire

Looking for a location for your Party? We have exclusive use packages for the downstairs of our venue!

We are set up to host bands or DJs, can work with a variety of local caterers and have flexible bar options, so you really can host the party you've always dreamed of!

Suitable for up to 100 guests.

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

Book your tickets online at:

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

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## 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. Please book in advance to avoid disappointment as we cannot guarantee there will be 'walk up' tickets available for every event.



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