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- News for Southampton's Cultural People –  
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Nineteenth Edition – 18 January 2010

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*N-n-n-n-nineteen (remember Paul Hardcastle? – you are older than you look!)*

**Remember – this is YOUR newsletter!**  
**To send any information that you want listed in the SHAPe newsletter to this address:**  
[southamptonshape@googlemail.com](mailto:southamptonshape@googlemail.com)

**If there are any other things you'd like to see listed - apart from events, activities and news - send them through. The newsletter belongs to you, SHAPe members.**

**And:** Make sure you spread this information to anyone you think may be interested. If one of your friends has passed this message on to you and you want to join the SHAPe list, contact: [southamptonshape@googlemail.com](mailto:southamptonshape@googlemail.com).

**ARE YOU A SCROLLER? THEN READ THIS.**

**We're the first newsletter (well, the first SHAPe newsletter, anyway) to be nice to scrollers - without diminishing the content for non-scrollers:**

**As most people scroll down newsletters and don't read every word, there's a 'For Scrollers' heading next to each entry. This will help you skim without missing the best bits. Read it? Skim it? Discard it? You decide.**

**1) For scrollers: Duggie Chop's Editorial**

**Duggie Chop does culture**

Hi SHAPe people. My name's Duggie Chop and every week I'll be giving you a short spiel on what I think's important about 'cultural life' in Southampton, in the UK, in the World and, hey, why not – in the Universe!

**You know, it's up to all of us to create.** We can all be artists we can all be musicians. I remember the great Peter Gabriel saying something like: "give anyone a studio and a load of musical instruments and they'll be able to make a record." (ok, I am paraphrasing there, from an incomplete memory – but you get the gist).

I know I'm talking to the cultural people of the city, and I don't need to tell you how important creativity is.

So, I'd like to add this: we - us creative types - have a duty to encourage everyone else to bring out their innate creativity (hey, Duggie – I like your word usage, Steve) and to celebrate the great creative art work, writing, music, everything, that we – all of us, humanity – can achieve.

Let's not hog the limelight. That's what I'm saying. Let's spread the light!

There's a condition called 'the curse of knowledge' which means that the more you know about something, the less you experiment and the less attuned you are to new ideas and new ways of doing things.

By encouraging everyone – without prejudice – to create, we might just get to some higher place and learn something uplifting and new ourselves.

Creativity is freedom. Unlock the doors.

As the great Phil Ochs said, "we're only as rich as the poorest of the poor" and it must follow that we're only as creative as the least creative member of our society or, to be more precise, the person who gets the least opportunity and encouragement to use their imagination and be creative.

That's me for this week. So, here's Duggie Chop signing off!

**If you want to comment on what Duggie says, please email [southamptonshape@googlemail.com](mailto:southamptonshape@googlemail.com)**

**2) For scrollers: Get involved with the St Denys Community Radio Project**

## **Open meeting for St. Denys Community Radio Project**

St. Denys Community Radio is a local podcast service providing community news and entertainment available for download online and on CD. It will cover St. Denys, Bitterne Park, Portswood and Swathling.

We're looking for people to get involved in all aspects of the project from presenting and developing ideas to writing or editing the final product.

You don't have to live in the area to get involved and we'll be running regular editorial and training sessions covering all aspects of radio and podcast production.

**We're having an open meeting for anyone who wants to get involved on Wednesday 20th January at St. Denys Community Centre, Priory Road, St. Denys, Southampton, SO17 2JZ. Meeting starts at 8pm... biscuits will be provided!**

For more information call St Denys Community Radio on 07514 457720 or email [info@stdenyscommunityradio.org.uk](mailto:info@stdenyscommunityradio.org.uk)"

### **3) For Scrollers: Storytelling and poetry with Coco P on Unity 101.org**

(Message from Coco P)

I've just started a radio community show hour at [unity101.org](http://unity101.org) on Storytelling and Poetry. From 3pm-4pm on a monthly basis.

Next dates are; 15th February, 15th March, 19th April 2010.

Listen in at: [www.unity101.org](http://www.unity101.org)

### **4) For scrollers: City Council Grants have changed**

City Council Grants are changed from 4 January 2010

Visit <http://www.southampton.gov.uk/living/grants/> for more information and to apply for funding.

**5) For Scrollers: Try something new at the local library**

Let's Try Clubs are a new kind of learning exchange, where you can share things you know with people who don't, and learn stuff you wish you did from people who do.

They're free to join and take place at libraries around Southampton. Click the link to find out more...

<http://www.letstry.org.uk>

**6) For Scrollers: Create, Compete, Collaborate launch event**

*(Apologies people, I put the image in last week but missed off the words. Here it is in full.)*

**Create, Compete, Collaborate** (CCC) is the South East's principal objective for 2012 relating to children and young people.

Above is an invitation to the Global Magnet event for **Hampshire, Portsmouth, Southampton** and **the Isle of Wight** to mark the official launch of Create, Compete, Collaborate in your area.

It is on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010** at the Winchester Discovery Centre between 1.30-4.30pm. **Create, Compete, Collaborate** is running this event in conjunction with **Find your Talent-PUSH**.

CCC is a groundbreaking ambition, which aims to ensure that:

*'Every young person in the South East has the opportunity to participate in a project with another young person from a competitor country between now and 2012'.*

CCC is inspired by the 2012 Games and aims to increase opportunities for every young person in the region to engage with peers, internationally, and leave a legacy of young people with broadened horizons, new skills, and enhanced global awareness and connectedness.

The CCC Global Magnet events will bring together a wide range of people and organisations working with, and providing services for, young people in the area in order to:

**Celebrate** the launch of CCC in your area and identify how you might support and benefit from involvement in the programme

**Explore** the potential of 2012 as an opportunity to enrich the lives of young people and communities

**Showcase** the best of local work engaging young people, internationally, including activities inspired by the 2012 games

**Launch** and demonstrate the new CCC e-Community - a free online tool to enable people to communicate across the World

**Promote** dialogue between policy makers and influencers, cultural sector organisations and those who work with young people

**Draw** attention to opportunities available through national organisations such as the British Council

The event will feature a range of presentations, local case studies and break-out activities.

Best regards,

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## **7) For Scrollers: Events at the Soul Cellar – discount for SHAPers!**

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(Message from Jonny at the Soul Cellar)

Get into SHAPe... IT'S TIME YOU GOT OUT OF YOUR HOMES INTO THAT  
CRISP FRESH WINTER AIR  
& SHAKE DOWN YER BOOTIE TO SOME MORE QUALITY LIVE  
ENTERTAINMENT HERE AT YOUR CELLAR OF SOUL...

**Dionne Charles** was recently voted the world's best female funk vocalist in  
BBC 6 Music's 'fantasy funk band 2009' line up. If you caught their  
performance live on air for NYE you will know why!!!

We know them well here at the Soul Cellar & it will be a treat for us, them and  
more importantly YOU to see their powerful performance here in your City.

**The UK's BEST FUNK SHOW,  
full 7 piece line up plus Ms Charles 'BABY CHARLES'.**

**On Saturday 6 February 2010 - £6.50 (in advance)**

Plus Plus Plus another Soul Cellar Discovery...

From Winchester...

**'Hannah Williams & the One Takes'**

probably the Funkiest Sound from Hampshire in 10 years...  
See them here first...

IF THAT DON'T WARM UP YER ICY SOLES, SEE A DOCTOR!

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL HERE...

**We want to treat all our culturally aware friends of the Cellar so we can  
offer one free ticket from the bands guest list to each of you SHAPers,**

**just please spread the word where you can and invite your friends to the best night of live music in the City this year to date right in the heart of your Cultural Quarter!**

**A big claim but we defy you to be disappointed see their links below...  
If your friends want to join the fun we can offer the a 20% discount if they book through us here online.**

TAXIS and travel info can be arranged by us here please ask if required.

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**8) For scrollers: Why not book a stall at the Chinese New Year/Art and Craft event in the city centre?**

**Art & Craft Opportunities for the Chinese New Year & Valentines Market.**

**Where and when: Outside West Quay Shopping Centre on the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> February.**

Southampton is one of the key locations in the country where they celebrate the Chinese New Year in the City Centre with the Dragon Dance and Chinese Festivities.

In addition this year it falls on the same weekend as Valentines Day and this is a brilliant opportunity for individual craft makers and artists over this weekend to offer their work for sale or gain commissions.

Southampton City Council and the Chinese Community are involved in making this a very successful event.

**For more information about having a stall- fees start from £50 including gazebo, electricity & parking. Please contact:**

**[jackie@prodgrowevents.co.uk](mailto:jackie@prodgrowevents.co.uk) or telephone 02380 693245/07515797878**

**9) For scrollers: a space - Private View – ‘Legends of Circumstance’**

**Private View Friday 12th Feb 6 - 8pm  
Bargate Monument Gallery**

**Legends of Circumstance**

Group Show Curated by Dave Evans and Frances Disley. Presented in association with *a space*.

**13th Feb - 21st March 2010**

**Legends of Circumstance** comes to **a space** from London bringing with it a series of works that celebrate the disillusionment and disaffection of the anti-hero. These artists look below the surface gloss of popular culture, utopian ideals and sanitised media fantasies to wallow in the underworld with the corrupt, sullen, selfish, addicted and scurrilous! The artists in this show explore these ideas through the individuals who represent lost humanity and the undercurrents which can often come to the fore in times of recession and financial crisis. Yet as the title *Legends of Circumstance* suggests, the reluctant protagonists in this show do, in the end, emerge triumphant.

**Artists Featured include Gareth Brookes, Adam Dant, Frances Disley, Dave Evans, Mikey Georgeson, John Hewitt, Mark Hampson, Peter Lloyd, Ryan McClelland, Laura Oldfield Ford, John Strutton and James Unsworth.**

**Look Forward to seeing you there!**

**Please RSVP to [info@aspacearts.org.uk](mailto:info@aspacearts.org.uk) to guarantee entry**

**10) For Scrollers: Spotlight on Southampton Philharmonic Choir**

**Southampton Philharmonic Choir 1860 – 2010**

**150 Glorious Years**

Southampton Philharmonic Choir has its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2010 and is celebrating with a year-long programme of special concerts.

The Phil was founded in 1860, making it Southampton's longest-established music society, and it has been a constant part of Southampton's cultural life ever since. 150 years later it is bigger and better than ever – a large choral society formed of singers from Southampton and the surrounding area, combined with the student singers of the Southampton University Phil.

The choir performs with a professional orchestra - the New London Sinfonia - led by musical director David Gibson.

**The 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary concert is on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April** in Southampton Guildhall, the Phil's main venue since 1937 – the year the Guildhall opened. The main work will be **Mozart's *Requiem***. The concert will also include **Dominic Muldowney's *The Fall of Jerusalem***, an oratorio with words by poet and writer James Fenton. The work was jointly commissioned by the Phil and the Leeds Festival Chorus for the Millennium and this will be its third performance. Dominic Muldowney was born and educated in Southampton. His output includes songs for David Bowie and Sting, and themes for film and TV, as well as concert works.

On **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** the choir is off to the Anvil for a joint concert with Basingstoke Choral Society – performing **Ravel's *Bolero*** and ***Daphnis et Chloe***, and **Villa-Lobos' *Choros 10***, a stunningly rhythmic piece featured in the 2009 Last Night of the Proms.

The celebrations continue on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November** with a concert that includes **Grieg's** complete incidental music for ***Peer Gynt***. The Phil is commissioning an English libretto to this work, which features the well-loved tunes from the orchestral suites - tunes such as *Morning Mood* and *In the Hall of the Mountain King*. This concert, in Southampton Guildhall, will mark David Gibson's 20th anniversary as the choir's musical director.

Tickets for the concert on 24<sup>th</sup> April, which begins at 7.30pm, can be obtained from the Guildhall Box Office (tel: 023 8063 2601, [www.livenation.co.uk/southampton](http://www.livenation.co.uk/southampton)), priced £8 to £19 (generous concessions available). Tickets for the other concerts are not yet on sale.

Further details about the Phil and all concerts can be found at [www.southamptonphil.org](http://www.southamptonphil.org).

## **11) For Scrollers: Singing Workshop with Fiona Moore**

**Singing Workshop: SONGS OF 'LURVE'!**

All acapella harmonies, songs to tug your heart strings, cheesy love songs, beautiful heart wrenching. Come and be our singing valentine!

Led by, Fiona Moore and Sandra Tibault (from Delicious Soundbites).

Saturday 13th February 2010  
10.30am til 1pm  
Hanger Farm Arts Centre,  
Aikman Lane, Totton SO40 8FT

Cost: £15/£12 concessions  
Book now!  
Box office:(023) 8066 7683

## **12) For Scrollers: Design Competition from CultureLabel**

### **Exciting design competition news from CultureLabel**

Hello SHAPers!

I wanted to make contact with you to let you know about a competition that we at [www.CultureLabel.com](http://www.CultureLabel.com) are running.

In conjunction with Tate and Wallpaper\* magazine, we're looking for the best new product designs to be produced and sold in Tate shops, at Tate online and at [www.CultureLabel.com](http://www.CultureLabel.com).

This is a fantastic opportunity for an emerging artist or designer to get their work into the Tate in quite an unconventional way! If you have a blog, a facebook account or you tweet, please let everyone you know in on the secret.

**The competition url is [www.culturelabel.com/release](http://www.culturelabel.com/release) and the deadline is 26th February.**

Thanks & best wishes for 2010.

Sophie from CultureLabel

### **13) For Scrollers: New reps for Southampton City Youth Parliament**

#### **New representatives needed for Southampton City Youth Parliament**

Southampton City Youth Parliament (SCYP) has been representing the views of people in the city aged between 11-19 years old, since 2004.

SCYP is developing better links with school councils and youth groups to spread participation and is actively seeking young people that can become representatives.

Contact youth support workers [katherine.wiedland@southampton.gov.uk](mailto:katherine.wiedland@southampton.gov.uk) or [jane.axton@southampton.gov.uk](mailto:jane.axton@southampton.gov.uk) tel: 023 8022 5858, to request an 'online election' (deadline 18<sup>th</sup> January) or **let them know by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2010** if you are holding your own election, or only have one young person wishing to stand.

### **14) For Scrollers: 2<sup>nd</sup> UPROAR magazine OUT NOW! - Culture in your back pocket**

**Look out for the Second edition of UPROAR – “Culture in your back pocket”. The first edition of the new FREE magazine for arts and culture in the Southampton area.**

**If you want to advertise in the next edition of UPROAR** provide any other information **contact Caroline at UPROAR on 07969 561242 or email [uproarmagazine@picturesense.co.uk](mailto:uproarmagazine@picturesense.co.uk)**

UPROAR is available FREE at cultural places around Southampton.

### **15) For Scrollers: Want to post an event FOR FREE on the City Council events website?**

If you want to post an event on the Southampton City Council events website, it's really easy to do and free.

Add your events by completing the details here:

<http://www.southampton.gov.uk/news-events/events/SubmitYourEvent.aspx>

The events website is the most visited section of the City Council's website so is well worth doing.

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**16) For Scrollers: Cultural Choice of the week**  
**Sent in by Nels Barton**

Book: **The Day John Met Paul – An Hour-by-hour account of how The Beatles began.**

Author: **Jim O' Donnell (Routledge, 2006)**

A great depiction of the day music changed forever (July 6<sup>th</sup> 1957). Was this the most important cultural event of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century? Discuss.

You can borrow it from Southampton library.

**(don't forget to send yours to [southamptonshape@googlemail.com](mailto:southamptonshape@googlemail.com) )**

**17) For Scrollers: Thought For The Week # 19**

**(don't forget to send yours to [southamptonshape@googlemail.com](mailto:southamptonshape@googlemail.com) )**

"Let's live it up! Why not, we're all dying..." - Loudon Wainwright III

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**Keep scrolling....**

**And**

**For Scrollers and readers alike...**

**Finally**

**...if you only do one thing over the Festive Period**, to help further the interests of culture in Southampton then make it this:

***Join Southampton's cultural debate:***

**<http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/artsandheritagesouthampton/>**

Click the link above, register and let's get talking...