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- News for Southampton's Cultural People –
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<http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/artsandheritagesouthampton/>

What does 8 mean? It is an integer. It means more than 7 but less than 9.

Remember to send any information that you want listed in the SHAPe newsletter to this address: 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.

IMPORTANT READ THIS

Newsletter innovation of (last and every other) week:

I know that most people scroll down newsletters and don't read every word. So, to help you there's a 'For scrollers' heading next to each entry. Read it? Skim it? Discard it? You decide.

1) Black History Month in Southampton

Black History Month 2009 is dedicated to the concept of "Heroes" and many of the events and activities relate to that theme

The aim of Black History Month is:

- To promote knowledge of black history and experience.
- To disseminate information on positive black contributions
- To heighten confidence and awareness of black people in their cultural heritage

Positive Message Limited are the main sponsors, together with Southampton Solent University, Western Challenge Housing Association and Swaythling Housing Society. Other Southampton organizations have been very generous in their support.

There are many events throughout October and they are listed in the Black History Month Guide 2009 available free of charge from libraries and other venues.

You can also visit <http://www.southampton.gov.uk/leisure/events/black-history-month.asp> for details.

For further details please contact Jayanti Shah-Positive Message Limited-02380 235280 -jayanti@positivemessage.co.uk
Don John-Southampton City Council-02380 832274 -
don.john@southampton.gov.uk

2) For scrollers: Message from Cat Loriggio London 2012

Please find below information on one of our region's fabulous London 2012 Inspire projects; funded and delivered by the University of Kent, supported by Arts Council England and SEEDA with local support from Medway Council and Kent County Council. I believe that this site is going to be a terrific resource for the outdoor arts sector nationally and internationally, a fab place to archive your (London 2012) outdoor arts projects, network, find new collaborative partners, advertise your events, profile your work etc etc. Please forward this email to your contacts.

All best

Cat Loriggio

Creative Programmer for London 2012 south east:

The **Celebratory and Outdoor Performance Online Resource** (COPOR) has just gone live on a public server, address www.copor.co.uk. This website is aimed at providing an easy to use and flexible networking and archiving tool for artists, producers and enthusiasts of outdoor and celebratory arts. While this will of course serve as a publicity tool its primary objective is to provide

dynamically linked archives, thus creating a record of the sector's work, networks and artists. There is also an opportunity to advertise up-coming projects.

3) For scrollers: Mirador Culture's Festival of Ephemeral Arts

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR SHAPE from Kalwant Ajimal of Mirador Culture

Mirador Culture, based in Guildford, is now working towards its next Festival of Ephemeral Arts. The earlier festivals have been supported by a creative website www.ephemeralarts.com

The next festival will have an exciting new theme of Masks and will be called 'Mask the Message'. People create masks to develop identities and sometimes also to hide them. Masks have meanings and new work is being created to help students and children to work with masks.

The festival is now in its Tenth Anniversary Year but its success has not come from doing more of the same every year. It has had regular thematic improvements and all members of the design and delivery teams have been encouraged to be creative.

The next few festivals will see the benefit of the following investment:

- Attracting greater collaborations with artists and communities. Please see our new networking site at <http://ephemeralarts.ning.com> The work programme is aimed at developing Ephemeral Arts Innovators.
- Attracting more professional collaboration with teachers. We have created a dedicated 'wikispace' which will address issues of special interest to teachers in helping them to meet the requirements of the National Curriculum. Please see <http://ephemeralarts.wikispaces.com>
- Mirador's blog is being circulated to an expanding readership. Please see <http://miradorculture.wordpress.com>
- Mirador has been invited to East London but also continues its work in the South East. A new networking site is being created on the festival of Masks.

WORK EXPERIENCE AND PROSPECTIVE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Finally, Mirador is working on an ambitious programme for creating job opportunities and work experience for young people aged 18-24. We are also creating a new programme for Digital Inclusion. We are seeking partnerships with local authorities, cultural and community organisations and also, schools and colleges.

Many aspects of our new work will be based on innovative use of digital media for developing creative cultural enterprise. Another new networking site is under development.

For further information and details please contact Kalwant Ajimal preferably by email: kalwant.ajimal@btinternet.com or please call on 07973 168331.

4) For scrollers: IT'S THE PLACE TO BE THIS NOVEMBER!

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The SHAPe Conference - theme Creative Industries – takes place on Thursday 19 November, 2009, between 5.30pm and 8pm at Soul Cellar

For full details and to book your FREE place please click this link:

<http://shapeconference2009nov.eventbrite.com>

CIBAS (Creative Industries Business Advice and Services), **SCDF** (South Coast Design Forum), **aspace** (the arts organisation) and **SHAPe Education working group** will all be running discussion islands.

If enough creative industries want to take part there will be a small 'trade show' for local businesses. **If you are a creative business, group or organisation based in Southampton and want to present what you do at the conference in the 'trade show' please email: southamptonshape@googlemail.com.**

5) For scrollers: Speed Networking – for educators

Are you an educator based and/or working in Southampton?

Then click the link:

<http://www.hwtma.org.uk/education-outreach/educatorworkshops/>

6) Event Review: Southampton Guildhall Organ Concert 4th October

Review of Southampton Guildhall Organ Concert on Sunday 4th October From Nigel Greene

The silent screen element of the organ concert programme was presented as part of Southampton Film Week and the organ concert was included in the Film Week publicity.

Peter Hammond, the concert organiser (and organ restorer) hired a large projection screen and projector for the show, with which was shown a silent film. The organist, Donald MacKenzie (resident organist at the Odeon Leicester Square) accompanied the film which brought the film to life very well.

The rest of the concert was music from the movies and Peter Hammond had arranged a camera on each console providing a close-up shot of the organist on the screen. The audience seemed delighted, one of whom, Jim Wilkes, came over from Canada for the concert and was shown around the chambers afterwards.

If you missed the concert, there's a special Christmas event on the 13th December 2009 at the Guildhall, featuring Southampton Philharmonic Choir and Victoria Simmonds, who sang so wonderfully at the organ launch concert in October 2008. Richard Hills will be at the organ.

For tickets contact Southampton Guildhall Box Office
<http://www.livenation.co.uk/southampton>

**If you have any cultural reviews, send them to
southamptonshape@googlemail.com**

7) For Scrollers: Halloween Ghost walk - £5

Sarah Siddons Fan Club are "Getting Away With Murder" in a Halloween ghost walk

Sat 31st Oct & Sun 1st Nov

Starting at Holyrood Church Performances begin at
5.00, 7.00 & 9.00pm

Tickets £5 from the Tourist Information Centre
or 8086 2882 sarahsiddons@ntlworld.com

www.sarahsiddonsfanclub.org

8) For Scrollers: Community volunteers available from Southampton Uni

9) For scrollers: Message about Ethical Pants from whomadeyourpants

whomadeyourpants? is a new creative social enterprise making ethical pants right here in Southampton. Founded and run by Becky John, a member of SHAPe. It provides up front, free of charge training in English and sewing to marginalised women (broadly, refugees) and will be making and shipping gorgeous ethical pants from the first of December 2010. The plan is that the women will be educated and supported into a more confident life, and will then move up in the business, or onwards to new jobs, leaving whomadeyourpants? room to take on more women every year.

Being, as many start ups are, very poor, and needing to raise some funds, whomadeyourpants? has become a futures trader, and is now selling pants futures - buy now, and your pants will be dispatched in early December, as soon as they are made! The first collection, 'Jasmine' features elegant black, clean white and vibrant pink pants, sizes 6 to 20, and in three styles. There's something for those who like a lot of coverage to those who prefer a little less! If, like a friend of whomadeyourpants, you want to buy some pants for a special someone but don't want to admit you have no idea what their size is, they also do gift vouchers.

For more information and an introductory discount offer, please check out <http://whomadeyourpants.co.uk/preorder.html>

10) For scrollers: a weekend of wordsmithery and workshops

Viva Voce! Latin: (*vē-va -vō-chā*) - with living voice
**Apples & Snakes South East showcase launch weekend
at The Nuffield Theatre and Turner Simms Concert Hall**

Friday 23rd October

Nuffield Theatre 7.30pm

Price: £6 / £4

Hosted by:

Sophia Blackwell

Performance poet, cabaret vamp, burlesque wannabe, feminist lesbian warrior princess and Italian pasta-momma.

And featuring:

Jean 'Binta' Breeze

Coming through on the rhythms and reverberations of reggae, she generates all the power and excitement of a full-blown theatrical performance.

Kat Francois

An open, honest, fearsome and exciting performer of passionate poetry who appears at festivals all over the UK.

Dizraeli

Rapper, writer and poet, Dizraeli is a hip hop tour de force.

Byron Vincent

Byron's subversive brand of barking doggerel has taken the UK poetry scene by storm and kicked it until it's handed over it's wallet.

Saturday 24th October

Turner Simms Concert Hall

12.30 – 1.30 Free Buffet lunch and networking opportunity

Free Workshops

2.00 – 3.00pm Writing to Perform

with **Russell Thompson** seasoned performer and Apples & Snakes London Programmer

3.15 – 4.15pm Stagecraft

with **Patrick Sandford** Artistic Director of Nuffield Theatre and acclaimed production director

4.30 -5.30pm From Open Mic to 10 minute Set

with **Steve Larkin** Hammer and Tongue impresario and accomplished performance poet

7.30pm Viva Voce! 451

Nuffield Theatre 7.30pm

Price: £5

Hosted by **Rachel Pantechnicon**

"Technicolour suburban entertainment" – John Hegley

Baba Brinkman

Winner of the prestigious **Scotsman First Award for Best New Writing 2009** at the Edinburgh Fringe.

Malika Booker

Her sensuous performances are moving and funny. They creep up and punch you in the stomach when you least expect it.

Plus Open Mic

Your opportunity to shine behind the mic! Spaces are limited and priority will be given to those who attend the workshops.

Please book to perform in the open mic by emailing

pete@applesandsnakes.org

Open mic performers get in free.

Ticket details:

Viva Voce Showcase, Fri £6 (£4 concs)

Viva Voce 451, Sat £5 (open mic performers-free)

Viva Voce weekend ticket (Fri & Sat) £8

Sat afternoon

Networking and workshops - Free

(please book as workshop space is limited)

Box Office 023 8067 1771

www.nuffieldtheatre.co.uk

University Road, Southampton, SO17 1TR

Apples & Snakes South East

Based in the Nuffield Theatre, Southampton, Apples & Snakes South East Programme Coordinator, Peter Hunter, will be supporting spoken word events and artists in the region, helping build artistic and educational relationships and developing spoken word audiences.

The South East area covers Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, Oxfordshire, Hampshire, East and West Sussex, Surrey and Kent.

Peter is in the office on Weds, Thurs and Fri

E: pete@applesandsnakes.org

Tel: 02380 315500 ext 206

10) For Scrollers: Advertise in UPROAR magazine - Culture in your back pocket

Look out for 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**

UPROAR is available FREE at cultural places around Southampton.

11) Cultural Choice(s) of the week
(don't forget to send yours to southamptonshape@googlemail.com.)

The Art of Medicine event at Southampton Solent University
16 October 2009,
Painting Patients: The Art of Surgery
PROF SIR ROY CALNE + PROF IAIN HUTCHISON
Tickets £3. in advance (£5 on the door)
for more information visit : www.artofmedicine.co.uk
To book tickets click on
<http://theartofmedicinepaintingpatients.eventbrite.com>

12) Thought for the week # 8 – sent in by Lisa Moore

(don't forget to send yours to southamptonshape@googlemail.com)

“All will be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well.”
Julian Of Norwich