The Earlsdon Festival 2019
Bank holiday Monday | 6th of May | 10 - 4pm

EARLSDON STREET / EARLSDON SCHOOL PLAYGROUND
AND VARIOUS LOCATIONS ACROSS THE AREA

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ROAD CLOSURES & KEY INFORMATION FOR MAY DAY

[Map with road closures and key points marked]

Road Closure 6:30am - 6:30pm
Monday May 7th 2018
WELCOME TO THE 2019 FESTIVAL!

After eight months of planning we are all set for this year’s festival! On May Day you will find over 70 stalls spread across the two locations that we organise (Earlsdon Street and the playground at Earlsdon Primary School), two entertainment stages and street food / ice cream vendors to complement the wonderful businesses on Earlsdon Street who will be open.

And of course the brilliant “festival fringe” will take place in the week leading up to May Day so please support these events if you can.

The organising committee are all unpaid volunteers and collectively we have spent hundreds of hours planning the festival. It’s an honour to work with such dedicated people.

The festival is not-for-profit, so having found ourselves with a small amount of surplus money last year, we made cash donations to Friends of Spencer Park, Coventry Samaritans, Coventry Resource Centre for the Blind and Friends of Canley Ford. We also purchased and gave 84.3 kg of food to Coventry Food Bank to support the vital work that they do.

This year the festival is promoting the Earlsdon Carnegie Community Library and any surplus money will be given to them to support the amazing work that they are doing.

Our cover art by the talented cartoonist Nick Shingler naturally includes the iconic library building. It also reflects Coventry being the European City of Sport 2019 and pays homage to the 40th anniversary of 2-Tone music, which of course had its HQ at 51 Albany Road.

The team and I sincerely hope you enjoy this year’s celebrations.

James Whateley
Chair, Earlsdon Festival Committee
We are a Charity founded in 2018 to safeguard the future of our beloved library. We’re honoured that Earlsdon Festival has chosen us as their Charity for 2019.

In 1912, Andrew Carnegie funded the building of three libraries in Coventry. One of these was Earlsdon Library, located in the heart of the community. Over a century later, the library remains a community centre and information hub. More than 1000 people a week come through our doors. People visit us to borrow books, use computers, attend activities, buy second hand books, meet friends or have a cup of tea.

In response to a very real threat of closure, the Earlsdon community has taken on running the library. Our passionate and committed volunteers are working together to keep our library alive. We have extended opening hours, opened a second-hand bookshop and run a wide variety of events for all ages.

Can you help us to keep the library open? Have you got time and skills to volunteer? We need people to fill all kinds of roles, not only for working shifts behind the counter. The skills that we need include event management, administration, finance and fundraising. You don't need to be available during the daytime to volunteer with us!

Have you got ideas for new services, events or how to raise funds? We welcome any new ideas and feedback about what we've done so far. Please visit our website, Facebook page or email us to get in touch. Or pop into the Library on festival day and say hello!

www.earlsdonlibrary.org.uk / fb @EarlsdonCommunityLibrary

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THIS YEAR’S FESTIVAL FRINGE EVENTS!

Sunday 28 April
Festival Quiz in aid of Earlsdon Library with SENA
@ The Albany Club, Concert Room. 2.45pm for 3pm start.
Join us for a fun general knowledge quiz featuring the traditional ‘name that tune’ round with kazooos! Raffle of book themed cupcakes made by Miss Ellie’s of Coventry. £5 per team (4-6 people). Register in advance by emailing Jo at: jochima@icloud.com or turn up on the day.
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Monday 29 April
Open Mic Music Night at Millsy’s. 8pm till late. Free!
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Tuesday 30 April
“FrinjUKes” community sing-a-long, Beer Garden @ The Royal Oak, 8pm.
The Royal Oak & Earls of Uke ukulele group invite you to join them for a fun night of community singing! No experience needed, just bring your best singing lungs and a jacket / hat if it’s cold. Songs from the likes of The Undertones, Scissor Sisters, The Rolling Stones & Status Quo to join in with. Limited number of songbooks available on the night or can be downloaded & printed from www.earlsofuke.co.uk
Free entry, over 18’s only due to licensing regulations.
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Wednesday 1 May
Festival Open Mic Poetry Night @ The New Albany, 24 Albany Road
Upstairs function room. Hosted and organised by leading local wordsmith Nick Knibb AKA The Archbishop. If you want to take part just turn up on the night. Entry is by donation for the Coventry Music Museum. 7.30pm start.
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Thursday 2 May
History Walk with the Earlsdon Research Group. Join the local experts for a guided tour exploring the area’s rich history. £3 per person, meet at Earlsdon Methodist Church at 6.30pm for a 6.45pm start.
**THIS YEAR’S FESTIVAL FRINGE EVENTS!**

**Friday 3 May**
Soul Junction in concert @ The Albany Club. 7.30pm
£2 for guests, free for club members.

**Saturday 4 May**
Family Fun Day @ Spencer Park, 12 noon - 4pm.
Try tennis and bowls for free. Games to play, yoga to try, craft stalls and refreshments on sale. Email friendsofspencerpark@gmail.com for more information, or visit www.friendsofspencerpark.org

The Upsiders in concert @ The Albany Club. 7.30pm
£2 for guests, free for club members.

**Sunday 5 May**
Woodland Walk with Ray Wilson, 11am.
Meet @ the drinking fountain, Earlsdon Avenue South and join Ray for a guided walk through the woods that he and a team of volunteers have transformed over recent years. Will go ahead in the rain but not high winds. Suitable for all (including dogs), please wear appropriate clothing.

A Medieval May Open Day @ The Weaver’s House, 11am-4pm.
Visit this medieval gem at 122 Upper Spon Street to see Coventry Militia dressed in period costume and demonstrating armour and arms from the Wars of the Roses. Visitors will also have the chance to take part in some late medieval tabletop games and hear about Coventry's importance in this period when it was where the royal court was held.
Tea, coffee and homemade cakes available. Free entry.
More info online: theweavershouse.org

The Subterraneans in concert @ The Albany Club. 7.30pm
Traditional headline gig by this top band. Tickets £10. Available from club, online at www.thesubs.co.uk or give D.C. a call on 07956 692375
Will you be joining the community sing-a-long at The Royal Oak?
CAN YOU HELP US ON MAY DAY?

We urgently need volunteers to help supervise our road closure barriers. The road closures ensure that the festival can take place safely and must be adequately staffed otherwise the festival cannot take place. If you are aged 16 or over, have a friendly disposition and can spare a couple of hours or more between 6:30am and 6:30pm please get in touch with us.

Volunteering is rewarding and fun, plus it always looks good on a CV and you’ll be playing your part in ensuring another successful festival.

To sign-up just send an email to us at: earlsdonfest@gmail.com and we’ll get back to you. We’ll be accepting volunteers right up until the big day itself - Monday 6 May.
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Fortnightly Monday : Soul Classics Club every other week from 8:00pm
   Every Tuesday : Quiz with Quizztastic from 9:00pm
   Every Wednesday : Ballroom & Latin Dancing from 7:00pm
   Every Thursday : Over 55s Club with Bingo & Raffles
Fri May 3 : Live Music feat Soul Junction (Members free/Guests £2)
Sat May 4 : Live Music feat The Upsiders + DJ Shanksy till late (Members free/Guests £2)
Sun May 6 : Lounge - So Last Century from 6:00pm (Members free/Guests £2)
Sun May 6 : Concert Room - The Subterraneans (£10 tickets/door)

For the festival this year we’re delighted to host many of the Festival Fringe events, and have displays by Coventry Rugby Club, Coventry United Football Club, the Albany Bowls Team, Chris and Jan’s flower sale and a bouncy castle supplied By All Seasons Inflatables.

Make sure you visit our car park which is just off Moor Street and join in the fun.

See more at our website albanyclub.co.uk
A Fabulous Festival in 2018!
A Fabulous Festival in 2018!
Come and see us at the Earlsdon Festival on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May

...and see if you can win an amazing prize!

All proceeds of the competition will be donated to Earlsdon Carnegie Community Library.

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CHECK OUT THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND ON MAY DAY!

Earlsdon Primary School playground is a “must visit” on festival day! There will be a bouncy castle, face painting and activities for young festival goers who can also use the play equipment if supervised by an accompanying adult. Once again it will have a wide variety of stalls with many raising money and awareness for good causes - so look out for raffles, tombolas and fun games to play! There should be ice cream on sale too which will be needed if it’s another scorcher like last year!

MotoFest Coventry will have two vintage 50cc child sized racing machines on display that kids can have their picture taken on. These are set to feature at the MotoFest which takes place on 1 & 2 June. The world famous Earlsdon Morris Men will be making an appearance at 2:30pm. If you are not familiar with Earlsdon, the school is next to Earlsdon Library (near the clock island) on Earlsdon Avenue North - look out for the Union Jack flying at the entrance.
MAY DAY ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

CITY ARMS PERFORMANCE STAGE
Earlsdon Street / Near The City Arms / Clock Island

10:30 Coventry Morris Men
11:00 Kirsty Clarke AKA Indie Mama
11:30 Wilde
12:00 Hydan
12:30 Forte Gospel Choir
13:00 Whizzy
13:30 Just Rena
14:00 Druncmonkey
14:30 Alchemista
15:00 The Session
15:30 Brass Hip Flask

LEAN BODY VISION DANCE, DRAMA & FITNESS STAGE
Earlsdon Street / Near A P Harvey Wines / Boots

11:15 Y6 Crew / Spotlight (Hearsall Academy)
11:45 OUTcast Theatre
12:15 Coventry Rugby Club
12:45 Jill Purser Theatre School
13:15 The Crew Girls
13:45 GKR Karate
14:15 Moving Space Collective
14:45 SR Dance Academy
15:15 Earlsdon Morris Men

The Earlsdon Morris Men will also be performing at the school playground at 2.30pm.

Information correct at time of going to print.
MAY DAY FUN ACROSS THE AREA!

**Earlsdon Carnegie Community Library** will have a cartoon workshop by Nick Shingler (who did our cover art), a book stall, tea / coffee available and a ‘quiet zone’ for tired children.

**Earlsdon Methodist Church** will have free craft activities for children, a photographic display, stalls, a tasty selection of refreshments and the awesome Dayspring steel band will be performing!

**The Criterion Theatre** (Berkeley Road South/Moor St.) will have stalls and much more (see advert on p.20).

**The Albany Club Car Park** (entrance on Moor Street just up from Millsy’s) you’ll find a bouncy castle and other attractions (see advert on p.11).

**Coventry Resource Centre for the Blind** (33 Earlsdon Avenue South) will have refreshments, a table top and craft sale plus their famous tombola in their front car park.

**St Barbara’s Church** (Rochester Road) will have stalls and a wonderful range of hot meals and refreshments. It’s also a great place to rest weary feet.

**Earlsdon Open Gardens** is taking place with 12 stunning gardens open to the public from 11am - 4pm. Entrance is £4 for adults, which gives admission to all gardens. Children are free. These can also be purchased at any participating garden or at St Barbara’s Church and include a map.

The gardens taking part include 3 Bates Road, 15 Rochester Road, 27, 40 & 114 Hartington Crescent, 2 Shaftesbury Road, 28 Clarendon Street (new for this year) Some will also have plants for sale.

More information can be found at:
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By E. Nesbit adapted for the stage by Mike Kenny
12th to 19th October 2019
Matinée Saturday 18th October 2019

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COVENTRY RUGBY CLUB AT THE FESTIVAL!

For the second year running the festival is delighted to be joined by Coventry Rugby Club, who have enjoyed a solid start to life in the Greene King IPA Championship after winning promotion to it in 2018. Established in 1874, the club play their home games right on Earlsdon’s doorstep at the Butts Park Arena.

They will have a promotional stand in Moor Street which will be near the entrance to the Albany Club car park (just up from Millsy’s). Some players will be attending and you can also find out more about the club, including information about season tickets for the 2019/2020 season. They will also be staging a passing and catching challenge for festival goers at our Dance, Drama & Fitness Stage on Earlsdon Street at 12.15pm. Why not see how many rugby balls you can pass through a hoop in 1 minute?

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The Paneer Wrap Street Food Company, I Love Crepes, Caribbean Choice Mobile Catering and Hillbilly’s Grill Shack will be tantalising your taste buds and there will be ice cream vendors too!

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Caroline White - Colin Halliwell - Chris Norman for running the
entertainment stages.

Nick Shingler for our wonderful cover art.

All those who have organised and hosted Fringe Events &
Miss Ellie’s of Coventry for the cupcakes.

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our social media posts to help publicise the festival.

And last but not least to everyone who has helped us in
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