

# City of Secrets Saturday 10 May

## Welcome to City of Secrets...

This year's family day is an artistic treasure hunt where you are the hunter. Use the map to help you discover up to 50 secret performances 'hidden' throughout the city centre (see details over the page).

The fun starts in the morning and all City of Secrets events are free!

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# Norfolk & Norwich Festival 08

## 01 The Mall Norwich Pluck

1.30pm

A witty and inventive string trio who compete, ridicule, argue and seduce their way through Bach to the Beatles. Madcap comedy and superb musicianship in one!

## 02 Chapelfield Gardens

### Paschale Straiton

11.00am, 11.30am, 12.00 noon, 1.30pm, 2.00pm, 2.30pm, 4.00pm, 4.30pm & 5.00pm

The Séance

For 20 people at a time (suitable for children aged 10+) Performance lasts 15 minutes

'Psychic medium' Madame Narcosis is waiting for you to step across her threshold into her 'séance'. When you are sitting comfortably, she will lift the veil between this world and the next and talk to the spirits (pets a speciality!). If she's up to it, you may even witness a rare spiritual manifestation. Be on guard, a ghostly finger may be pointing to you! (Please note this is a performance and not a real séance)

## 03 Chapelfield Plain

### Dries Verhoeven

11.00am–6.30pm

Thy Kingdom Come

Performance lasts 30 minutes (there may be a wait before you can enter)

An experimental spectacle in which you, the spectator, play the main character. Thy Kingdom Come is a private meeting in a mobile cabin lasting 30 minutes that erases the frontiers between the real world and spectacle.

Presented in association with Huis en Festival a/d Werf

## 04 Cinema City

### Herbie Treehead & Band

1.00pm

A performance by Herbie Treehead and his band in the pretty courtyard of Cinema City with their trademark blend of silliness, juggling and dancing.

## Hilliard Ensemble

3.30pm

The critically acclaimed vocal ensemble present a short performance of a Bach motet in the courtyard of Cinema City.

## 05 Gentleman's Walk

### Acrojou

12 noon, 1.30pm, 3.00pm & 4.30pm

The Wheel House

World première

Performance lasts 30 minutes

Groundbreaking acrobatic and visual art company Acrojou defy gravity with this kaleidoscopic piece of rolling theatre! Blending acrobatics, surreal comedy and stunning visuals, two acrobatic characters show us their clanking and comically beautiful universe from their giant, rolling homes.

### Pluck

12.30pm & 4.00pm

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### Herbie Treehead & Pete Dobbing

3.30pm & 5.00pm

Enjoy Herbie Treehead and Pete Dobbing's hilarious one-man street performances, with their trademark blend of silliness, juggling and dancing.

## 06 Millennium Plain

### Motionhouse Dance Theatre

11.30am, 1.00pm, 3.00pm & 4.00pm

Chaser

Performance lasts 15 minutes

Chaser is 15 nail-biting minutes of dynamic dance encounters, high-speed socialising, friendly rivalry, flying and falling. Acrobatic, dramatic and engaging, Chaser draws you right in with its catchy music, attention-grabbing style and startling twist to the tale!

## 07 St Andrew's Hall

### Chamber Orchestra Anglia with Sir Colin Davis

10.30am–1.30pm & 2.30pm–3.30pm (open workshop)  
Performance: 4.00pm

The talented players of Chamber Orchestra Anglia's young musicians scheme (coCOA) and the UEA Symphony Orchestra work again with Sir Colin Davis, one of the world's greatest conductors, and Chamber Orchestra Anglia to rehearse and complete the work begun last year on Elgar's first symphony.

## 08 St Andrew's Plain

### Dot Comedy

12.00–3.00pm

The Mis-information Tent

Visit Dot Comedy's tent – full of leaflets, maps and noticeboards that are completely unhelpful and totally useless!

## 09 Upper Close, Cathedral

### Wired Aerial Theatre

12.30, 3.00pm & 5.30pm

Fervorosa

World première

Performance lasts 35 minutes

Witness the amazing aerial skills of Argentinean choreographer Brenda Angiel and renowned aerialist Wendy Hesketh, as they perform a bungee-assisted dance with the 'wow' factor of circus – the bungees attached to their waists allow them to fly, dive, swoop and slide through the air!

This is a world première of a new commission for the Without Walls consortium.

## 10 Expresso, St George's Street

### Rotozaza

11.00am–6.00pm

Etiquette

Performance lasts 30 minutes

Etiquette is a half-hour experience for two people in a public space but there is no one watching and other people in the café or bar are not aware of it happening! Put on your headphones and listen – they will tell you what to say to each other, or how to use one of the objects positioned near you. There is a kind of magic involved – this is best done with someone you know.

## Various locations

### Original Mixture

The Newspaper Men

Look out for a host of characters roaming the streets, with brilliantly disguised fake arms holding a newspaper or similar object in front of them. These become simple puppet theatres where a cast of fantastic creations can suddenly appear!

## Townley and Bradby

New commission

Local artists Laurence Townley and Emma Bradby, working with poet Jamie Wilkes, have been commissioned by the Norfolk & Norwich Festival to produce this new work. They create an intriguing 'conversation', passing back and forwards between the top levels of St Giles and St Andrew's car parks, using written messages on whiteboards.

Please keep your eyes peeled and ears open for secrets and surprises from roving poets, Norwich Samba and the Norfolk Youth Orchestra.

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