

Bolton Library and Museum Services

What's On

July to December 2024

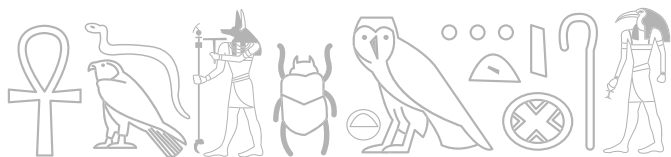


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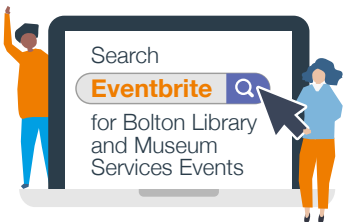
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libraries across
the borough for
residents, visitors,
students and
workers.

For a fun
family day out
and inspiration
for all, Bolton's
Museums and
Libraries are
the places
to go

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Museum Services on socials.



Come along
and see your
new-look
library, hope
to see you
soon!

Welcome

It's been a busy six months as Bolton Central Library opened its doors in January after our renovation project.

It's been great to welcome everyone. If you've not had chance to visit, come along and you'll see the expanded children's area, improved social spaces, updated digital facilities and there's a new café. The new space has been designed to reflect the changing way in which communities use their local libraries, with an added emphasis on reading, creativity, and digital inclusion.

During the next twelve months, there will be a wide range of events and activities appealing to our visitors, including a Bolton Town of Culture programme, the return of Put Big Light On Festival, family-friendly Library Theatre performances and more!

Our nine other Libraries across Bolton remain to be the anchors in the communities, and they too offer a wide range of services, support, activities and events, which you can find out more about on our website:
www.boltonlams.co.uk

Bolton is Greater Manchester's Town of Culture 2024!

We're really happy to be part of the Bolton Town of Culture team.

The Town of Culture programme was set up by Andy Burnham, Mayor of Greater Manchester, in 2019. Each year, towns across Greater Manchester are invited to bid to become Town of Culture, to support local creative projects.

We're delighted to be awarded this accolade, and we're really looking forward to helping host a year-long programme of exciting new creative events and activities. Bolton launched its year as Town of Culture with a spectacular event at the town's famous Octagon Theatre.

Stay in touch for the latest updates!

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#BoltonTownOfCulture



Smithills Hall

Smithills Hall is one of Bolton's original family homes. It is set in land on the edge of the West Pennine Moors and is one of the oldest and best preserved manor houses in the North West of England. It is a Grade 1 listed building and on your visit to the historic hall, you'll uncover lots of history and its drama from the past.

Smithills Hall is free to visit and open Wednesday to Friday from 10am to 4pm and Sunday from 12pm to 4pm.



Come along to our summer

Garden Party

Sun 14 July, 12pm to 4pm

Our annual garden party is back!

Join us for a family fun day, including craft and food stalls, music, and plenty of fantastic summer activities! *Charges applicable for some activities and refreshments.*

Free

The Puppet Van: The Lost Colour

Thurs 25 July

A unique outdoor theatre adventure presented by Half a String. Join Malcolm Brushell, a quirky painter and alchemist, on his quest to find the pinky-est pink paint on the planet! The show by The Puppet Van involves colourful puppetry, laughter, and creativity, suitable for art lovers and children 5+. Come prepared for a vibrant, unforgettable experience filled with fun and discovery, rain or shine.

[www.eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) **5+**

£5pp or £15 family of four
Times will be available when booking

Nature walks

Thurs 25 July, 1pm
Thurs 22 August, 1pm



Meet our Curator of Natural History, Lauren Field, to explore the nature surrounding Smithills Hall. We'll be hunting for insects, learning about trees, and looking for signs of other wildlife in the gardens. Suitable for families. Please meet at the entrance of Smithills Hall.

Come along for a fun-themed craft session

11am to 12.30pm on the following Fridays

26 Jul 2 Aug 9 Aug 16 Aug 23 Aug 30 Aug

[www.eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) **£3 child**

Adventure walks with Adam Blake

Thurs 1 August, 11am and 2pm

Join Adam Blake, the intrepid storyteller, on a thrilling adventure through the magnificent Smithills Halls and scenic grounds. Bring your family along for an unforgettable experience to create a brand-new story unique to your walk.



[www.eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) **£4 child £2 adult**

Tickets needed for everyone taking part in the walk. (Recommended for children 5+).

These performances are part of the Birds of Bolton exhibition programme (see page 13 for more details).

Family events

Come along to Bolton Library and Museum Services venues for a whole host of exciting and inspiring events for all the family.

Events are free and no need to book unless otherwise stated.



2024 Summer Reading Challenge Marvellous Makers Sat 13 July until Sat 7 September

Join the 2024 Summer Reading Challenge with a Marvellous Makers theme, encouraging children's creativity. Read six books, track progress online or with a logbook from Bolton Library, earn badges and stickers, and receive a certificate and medal upon completion.

Participate in fun activities, win prizes, and celebrate at your local library. Get ready for a creative adventure with your family!

Summer Reading Challenge launch Sat 20 July, 11am to 3pm

Come along to this year's Summer Reading launch event, hosted by Bolton Central Library, together with the Octagon Theatre.

This year's challenge promises to be an unforgettable adventure, filled with captivating stories and the chance to create something truly special in our marvellous making activities. Join us and start your summer with a story!



Summer of Stories Wed 24 July to Sat 30 August

Do you love stories? Join Bolton Libraries every week this summer and enjoy free storytimes. You'll have fun, make friends, and complete your Summer Reading Challenge faster!

Westhoughton Library, Mon, 10.30am

Brightmet Library, Tues, 10.30am

Little Lever Library, Tues, 10.30am

High Street Library, Thurs, 10.30am

Horwich Library, Fri, 10.30am

Farnworth Library, Fri, 10.30am

Central Library, Sat, 2pm
(excluding Sat 24 August)

Free **No booking** **4-12yrs**

Octagon Theatre Library Tour

Calling all families! This summer, embark on a magical journey through the world of books with the Octagon Theatre's Library Tours across seven wonderful Bolton Libraries. Let's make this a summer to remember!

Central Library, Sat 20 July, 11am to 3pm

Farnworth, Fri 26 July, 11am and 1.30pm

Westhoughton, Mon 29 July, 11am and 1.30pm

Brightmet, Tues 6 August, 11am and 1.30pm

High Street, Thurs 15 August, 1.30pm

Little Lever, Tues 20 August, 11am and 1.30pm

Horwich, Fri 30 August, 11am and 1.30pm

Family events



School's out!

Bolton Central Library and Museum, 11am to 3pm

Join us during the school holidays and there'll be fun activities, storytelling, trails and film screenings.

Sat 22 July to Sun 1 September

Explore our latest family-friendly exhibition 'Birds of Bolton'.

Sat 26 October to Sun 3 November

Explore all that is Light and Dark!

Sat 21 December to Sun 5 January

Enjoy the seasonal holiday with us as we'll have winter-themed activities, storytelling and trails.

Free

No booking
unless otherwise stated

Storytime with British Sign Language
Wed 31 July, 1pm
Wed 28 August, 1pm

Join us for a children's storytime with British Sign Language.

Free

No booking

Big Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Wed 21 August, 11am and 2pm

Big Goldilocks wanders off from her parents into the forest but soon gets lost, getting hungry, grumpy and tired. She meets lots of woodland animals on her way and to avoid her grumpiness, they plan to escape away into the sky using the Animal Rescue Centre. Goldilocks arrives at the Three Bears house for a big bowl of cereal but soon it's up to the audience to help scare her away. Join Bolton Libraries and Booster Cushion Theatre Company for a fun family-friendly retelling of this classic fairytale.

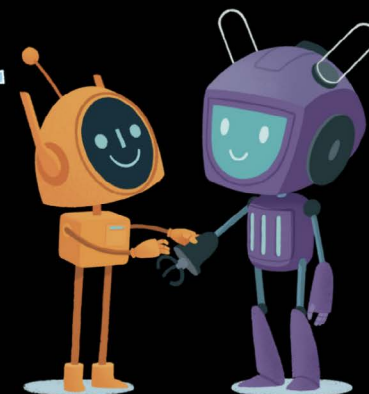
[www|eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

£5 adults

Suitable for children aged 3+ (under 12 months go free).

Family Ticket £15 (for 4 people).

THE GREATEST ROBOT EVER



Mon 28 October, 11am and 2pm

Dive into the heartwarming world of 'The Greatest Robot Ever,' a captivating, rhyming dance theatre show brought to life by Hawk Dance Theatre and The Knotted Project.

Join Glitch, a little robot on a thrilling quest for uniqueness, in an adventure filled with fun, self-discovery, and the true meaning of standing out. This is an interactive performance, enriched with projection, dance, and storytelling. Created by the talented Josh Hawkins and Natalie Morrell, this show promises an unforgettable experience for the whole family.

Suitable for children aged 3+ (under 12 months go free).

[www|eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

£5 adults

£15 family of four

3+

Fish Feeds

During the school holidays, there will be fish feeds on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1pm. Join our Aquarium experts to find out more about our Freshwater fish collection.



Family events

Haunted family fun day, ghost tours, Father Christmas and much more at Smithills Hall.

Tickets will be available on Eventbrite page from mid-September.

[www | eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

Halloween event

Thurs 31 October, 11am to 3pm

Join us at the Hall for a fang-tastic Halloween-themed craft and a spook-tacular trail.

Suitable for children aged 4+ and families. Free session and no need to book.

After Dark

**Smithills Hall Halloween Haunted Family Fun Ghost Tours
Thurs 31 October, from 5pm**

Ever wondered if there are haunted happenings at Smithills Hall? Come along to the Hall after dark as we take you on a guided tour filled with spooky stories! You never know, you just might see a ghost or two yourself!

This is a ticket-only event, tickets must be purchased in advance via Eventbrite, available from mid-September.

Not suitable for children in prams/buggies.



The Father Christmas experience at Smithills Hall

Father Christmas will be returning to Smithills Hall this year!



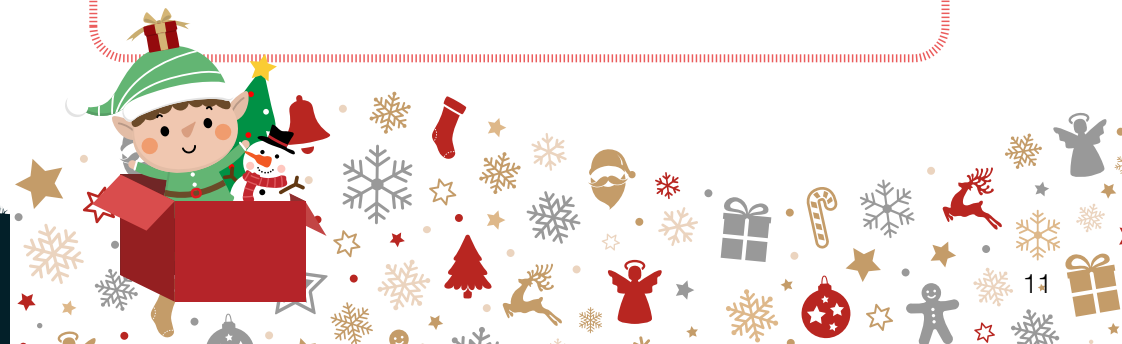
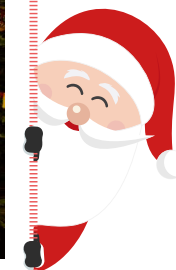
All the events will include a gift from Santa, Christmas decoration, Elf Storytime, Festive Trail, and the chance to write a letter to Santa to get a reply via Elf Post!

For our events for children with additional needs and for Teen/Adult believers, we will have a more chilled out Waiting Room, including bubbles and a sensory

space for those children who may need a quieter atmosphere.

For our Sunday events, we have teamed up with our tearoom Bake and Roast who will provide festive drinks and treats for the children in the Elf Waiting Room.

Dates will be released in September along with the booking details.



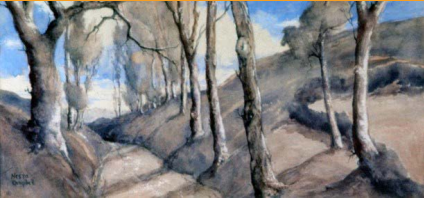
Exhibitions

As well as permanent museum galleries, we also have temporary exhibitions which change during the year.

Upcoming ones are...



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Nature into Art until Sun 29 September

Discover the natural world as seen through the eyes of British artists, including Edward Bawden, Nesta Campbell, Michael Landy, Gwenda Morgan, and John and Paul Nash.

Inspired by Nature: Watercolour Workshop 1pm to 3.30pm, Bolton Museum

Come along for a watercolour workshop inspired by our Nature into Art exhibition with artist Johanne Parsons.

Workshop sessions on the following Sundays:

7 Jul 4 Aug 15 Sept 6 Oct

Suitable for all skill levels.
Materials included.

[www.eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) £18 per session 16+

Friday films during the school holiday 2pm, Bolton Central Library and Museum Lecture Theatre

Family-friendly films themed around nature will be on the following dates:

19 Jul 26 Jul
2 Aug 9 Aug 16 Aug 23 Aug 30 Aug

Free No booking

Birds of Bolton



Until Sun 3 November, Temporary Exhibition Gallery

Birds of Bolton is a family-friendly exhibition that focuses on birds, observing nature and local habitats.

Through artworks and the museum's Natural History collections, the exhibition will inspire visitors to look closely at the incredible variety of birds that live in Bolton. It will also feature a recent gift to the museum, a stunning collection of sketchbooks and illustrations by Eric Gorton.

Birds of Bolton exhibition tours, 2pm on Wednesdays

Discover more about the exhibition with a guided tour.

3 Jul 14 Aug 4 Sept 9 Oct



Birds of Bolton Talks with Russ Hedley, Lecture Theatre

Join Russ Hedley from Nature Walks and Talks to explore the birds of Bolton, a series of talks to accompany our summer exhibition. Learn which birds you can spot in Bolton, and how to identify them via sight and sound.

- **Mon 22 July**, 2pm, Rivington Birds
- **Wed 21 August**, 2pm, Wildlife in the Garden
- **Sat 7 September**, 2pm, Garden Birdsong Workshop
- **Sat 5 October**, 2pm, Rumworth Lodge Birds

Poetry Night Nature Poems for Summer Friday 19 July, 7pm to 9pm

Come along for an evening of poetry celebrating nature, birds, and local wildlife.



Free No booking 16+

Free No booking Family-friendly

Exhibitions

**Danionella the Noisy Fish
- The Pygmy Glass Danio**
**Mon 7 October to Sun 3
November,**
Up Close Gallery

Bolton Aquarium was the first institution in the world where 'The Pygmy Glass Danio' were regularly bred.

The exhibition highlights this tiny transparent fish that has recently become very important for science around the world as it can make a big noise which is as loud as a gun shot. The noise is way of communicating with each other.



Rites of Passage
Sat 9 November to Sun 5 January,
Up Close Gallery

In 2023, local charity Precious Gems worked with 14 women to identify the important events in their lives and to record those they viewed as "Rites of Passage".

Through film, photographs and objects, this unique exhibition explores the women's experiences over time, capturing key moments, such as engagements, weddings, and first haircuts.

The project was made possible with funding from The National Lottery Heritage Fund.



Image Dharmista's wedding. From the Rites of Passage project



'Queen of Egyptology'
comes to Bolton, 140 years
after she helped create the
Museum's Collection

Newly conserved 130-year-old oil painting of Egypt Exploration Society (EES) founder, Amelia Edwards is on temporary display in Bolton for the first time.

The painting was unveiled in June on the 140th anniversary of the founding of Bolton's First Museum, the Chadwick Museum in Queen's Park, which opened to the public on the 12 June 1884.

Amelia Edwards founded the Egypt Exploration Society in 1882 to excavate and record Egyptian heritage after she visited Egypt in 1873.

She recruited Local Honorary Secretaries across the world to raise funds for the work of the Society, including Bolton's own Annie Barlow, through whom much of Bolton's 12,000 strong ancient Egyptian collection was formed and is the largest in a local authority museum in the UK.

The painting, which is on display in Bolton Museum, was donated by a Mrs Manston from Redruth in Cornwall.

Class of 1937 and 2023
Until Sun 30 March,
Worktown Gallery



Pupils of Essa Primary with The Videobox.

This exhibition features a collection of captivating images taken by pupils from Essa Primary and St Peter & St Paul's RC Primary School. The pupils worked with a professional photographer to reinterpret and update Humphrey Spender's iconic Mass Observation photographs taken in the late 1930s.

Museum events

Dug It - Archaeology ID Days

Found something in the flower bed? Discovered something on a dig?

Show what you have uncovered to our expert archaeologist for identification.

Drop in from 11am to 3pm on:



10 Jul **10 Aug** **11 Sept** **5 Oct** **6 Nov** **14 Dec**

Surprises from the Natural History Stores

Become a nature detective and explore the natural world by getting up close to the natural history collections at the museum not currently on public display.

Join us in the Natural History Gallery at **1pm** on the following Saturdays:

13 Jul **10 Aug** **7 Sept** **5 Oct** **2 Nov** **14 Dec**

All About Mummification Egypt Study Day

Sat 7 September

Bolton is set to host another Egypt Study Day following the record sell-out of 'All About Mummification' event which is to be held this month.

At the study day, expert Egyptologists will be providing entertaining lectures and practical workshops where you get up close to real, ancient Egyptian objects in Bolton's famous collection.

We'll be looking at mummification and burial textiles, featuring the work of the University of York's Mummy Research Group.

Co-founders of the group Dr Stephen Buckley and Prof Joann Fletcher will be guest speakers at the study along with Bolton Museum's Curator Ian Trumble.

Prices: £45 full day, £10 lectures only £5 single lecture

To book, visit the Museum shop or call 01204 332211

Check website for updates.



Bolton Egypt Gallery Tuesday tours, 11am and 2pm

- 9 Jul** Egyptian mummification
- 13 Aug** Tutankhamun and his family
- 10 Sept** All that glitters: Gold in ancient Egypt
- 8 Oct** Egyptian hieroglyphs
- 5 Nov** For fashion's sake: Clothing in ancient Egypt
- 3 Dec** Offerings and gifts in ancient Egypt

Bolton's Egypt Tuesday Art Talks, 1pm

Discover more about Egyptian art with our Curator of Egyptology, Ian Trumble.

- 16 Jul** An Introduction to Egyptian Art
- 27 Aug** Establishing Egyptian Art – The Predynastic to the Middle Kingdom
- 24 Sept** New Kingdom and Amarna Art
- 22 Oct** Egyptian Art in the Outside World
- 19 Nov** Greco-Roman Art in Egypt
- 17 Dec** Egyptian Art in the 20th Century

Free **No booking**

Slow Art



Join us for a new programme of Slow Art sessions. Guided by our curator of art, each session will focus on a small selection of artworks for deeper reflection and discussion. Featured artists will include Thomas and Mary Nimmo Moran, John and Paul Nash, and Humphrey Jennings.

Meet in the Art Gallery on the following Tuesdays, 1pm to 2pm:

16 Jul **20 Aug** **17 Sept** **15 Oct** **19 Nov**

Free **No booking**

Library events

Our venues offer a wide range of activities for all ages. The sessions are free and no need to book.

National Poetry Day - Open Mic Thurs 3 October, 6pm to 7.30pm Bolton Central Library

Come and join as we celebrate National Poetry Day for an evening of poetry with our annual Open Mic event at Bolton Central Library.

Whether you're a seasoned poet or a first-time performer, this is the perfect opportunity for you to showcase your talent and connect with other creatives in the community. Slots to perform will open Friday 13 September on Eventbrite, so make sure to sign up early to secure your spot.

Free

No booking



Book Speed Dating Thurs 10 October, 5.30pm to 7pm Bolton Museum's Art Gallery

Fall in love with a book at our Book Speed Dating event.

Can our book lovers persuade you of the charms of their favourite book in four minutes?


[www|eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

Free

16+



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World Mental Health Day

Thurs 10 October, 2.30pm to 4pm

This is a 1.5 hour interactive and engaging workshop, exploring the 5 Ways to Wellbeing.

We will discuss the differences between physical health and mental health & wellbeing. Plus, we will be looking at five different ways in which you can begin to support your own wellbeing.

[www|eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)


Library and Museum events and activities

Community Library regular activities

Bolton's libraries host free regular activities for adults and families, including reading groups, art classes, writing groups, Toddler Tales, parent and baby groups, crafts and more.

For more information about these activities, contact:

askboltonlibraries@bolton.gov.uk

01204 332853

www.boltonlams.co.uk



Reading Friends **Bolton Central Library,** **Second Friday of every month** **2pm to 3pm**

Join us to enjoy conversations about reading. Becoming a Reading Friend is a chance to take time out, meet new people and share stories.

Reading Friends is a national initiative co-ordinated by The Reading Agency and funded by The National Lottery and Arts Council England.

Relaxed weekends @ Museum **First Sunday of each month** **2.30pm to 4pm** **Third Saturday of each month** **9am to 10am**

Relaxed openings are designed for visitors who would prefer a quieter visit to our buildings, for people with autism, learning disabilities or sensory and communication disorders, along with their families. Touch, feel and smell some of our fascinating objects!

We will put our lights on full and turn off all the sound effects so it's a less overwhelming environment. You'll still be able to visit all the galleries, but there will be no dark areas and no sudden sounds. There is seating provided around the museum, and a quiet space will be available should you need it.

Saturday Club, 1pm to 3pm **Bolton Central Library and Museum**

Join us every week at Saturday Club for free self-led activities from crafts to games and object handling to trails, there's always something different every week! There will also be a storytelling session from 3pm.

Saturday Stars **2.30pm to 3.30pm**

Saturday family fun drop-in activity sessions aged 4 to 11 at our community libraries. Please see our website for your local library's timings.

Under 5s

We have a wide range of fun and creative learning events and activities throughout our libraries and museums for under 5s and their families.

Babytime!

Calling all babies and their families! Babytime - a fortnightly group for babies and their families every Tuesday at 10.30am at Bolton Central Library.



Toddler Tales

Free storytelling sessions for young children and their mums, dads and carers, ideal for toddlers.

Sessions take place at all Bolton libraries throughout the week. See below for details:

Blackrod Library, Thurs, 10.30am
Brightmet Library, Wed, 10.30am
Bromley Cross Library, Thurs, 2.30pm
Farnworth Library, Tues, 11am
Harwood Library, Mon, 10.30am
High Street Library, Mon, 10.30am
Horwich Library, Thurs, 10.30am
Little Lever Library, Fri, 10.30am
Westhoughton Library, Fri, 10.30am
Bolton Central Library, Fri, 11.30am

Contact
any Bolton
library
for further
details.

Town events



Bolton Film Festival

Wed 2 to Sun 6 October

The eighth edition of Bolton Film Festival is back, showcasing 300 short films, including world and national premieres. The BAFTA & BIFA accredited festival is held at the Light Cinema in Bolton and offers its audiences the chance to experience work from top, emerging filmmakers, engage in Q&A sessions, and access an industry programme featuring renowned figures from Film & TV.

Tickets and festival passes are for all budgets and will be on sale at www.boltonfilmfestival.com @BoltonFilmFest BoltonFilmFest



Put Big Light On Festival 2024

Thurs 5 to Sun 8 December

After the huge success of the first Put Big Light On festival in Bolton, we're excited to reveal that the popular light art trail will be returning once again this year. A fantastic display of light art installations from around the world lit up the town.

This year, one of the mesmerising light installations will be Gaia, created by UK artist Luke Jerram who brought the Museum of the Moon to last year's festival. Measuring six metres in diameter, Gaia features 120dpi detailed NASA imagery of the Earth's surface (compiled from the Visible Earth series). The artwork provides the opportunity to see our planet on this scale, floating in three-dimensions.



For more updates PutBigLightOnFestival

Bolton Food & Drink Festival 2024

FRI 23rd TO MON 26th AUGUST

Bolton's biggest event of the year...

Bolton Food and Drink Festival!

This year's family feast of fun will take place at Bolton Central Library, the Octagon Theatre and Elizabeth Park.

Scrumptious
Sun 25 and Mon 26 August,
11am and 2pm

All is well at Sylvie's Scrumptious sweet shop. P.C. Cole can't resist the fruit cake, Samson the Horse loves peppermint creams, and the terrible twins only cause a crumb of chaos. Until a stranger arrives, that is, and their irresistible ice cream threatens to spoil everything.

This magical show is the perfect treat for families and anyone young at heart.

Book your free place on [www.eventbrite](http://www.eventbrite.com)

Family Festival
Sat 24 to Mon 26 August,
Octagon Theatre

The Octagon's Family Festival is back. Expect bubbles, storytelling, discos and facepainting at the Octagon and throughout the town centre.

Tickets for activities in the Octagon building are free but must be booked in advance.

Follow the Octagon on social media or check out our website for more information

www.octagonbolton.co.uk

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Find us in Elizabeth Park, there'll be a sand pit, crafts, bingo, Mark Daniel the Magician and lots more.

Digital skills

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click away



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Just a click away

Monthly Digital Drop-ins

Call in to one of our monthly drop-in sessions at your local library to get help with your device. Our friendly team will be on hand to guide you. There's no need to book, just turn up! The frequency of the drop-ins for each location are listed below.

- » **Blackrod**, first Monday of every month, 2pm to 4pm
- » **Farnworth**, third Monday of every month, 2pm to 4pm
- » **Harwood**, second Tuesday of every month, 2pm to 4pm
- » **Horwich**, last Monday of every month, 2pm to 4pm
- » **Little Lever**, last Thursday of every month, 2pm to 4pm
- » **Westhoughton**, last Friday of every month, 2pm to 4pm



Digital One to Ones

Bolton Library and Museum Services offer free one-to-one support to help you get the most from your laptop, tablet and smartphone.

Whether you need help with online forms and shopping, applying for jobs or downloading our free e-books and e-audiobooks, our Digital Helpers are on hand to support you.

There are a variety of time slots available including Saturday. To book your session, please call **01204 332853** or email **digitalhelp@bolton.gov.uk**

Build a Business FREE Accounts and Tax Clinics - Pro-bono advice from qualified accountants

Starting a business is challenging. Getting free, impartial, professional accountancy advice is valuable. Drop in to talk to the professionals and learn how to get it right.

- Thurs 18 July, 12pm to 2pm**
- Thurs 15 August, 12pm to 2pm**
- Thurs 19 September, 10am to 2pm**
- Thurs 17 October, 10am to 2pm**
- Thurs 14 November, 10am to 2pm**
- Thurs 12 December, 10am to 2pm**

BAB coffee mornings

Bolton Central Library
Every Wednesday,
10am to 12pm

Meet our Enterprise Officer and find out what support is available to you to start or grow your business, just drop in for a friendly chat over a cuppa.

Build a Business workshops - experts to help you plan, start and grow your business.

Bolton Central Library,
10am to 1pm (dates TBC),

Learn about market research, marketing, protecting your ideas, and the basics of running a business. The sessions are open to anyone over 18 that lives (or has/ intends to have a business) in Greater Manchester.

Workshops are free, book on Eventbrite: **www.eventbrite.com/cc/business-start-up-280889**

Provided by:



Workshops
in August and
November
(dates TBC)

July

August

September

October

November

December



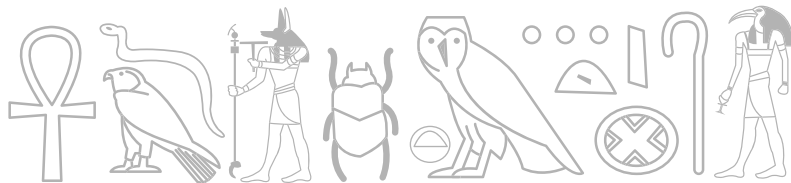
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Visitor Information

The Crescent

Le Mans Crescent, BL1 1SE
01204 333173

Smithills Hall

Smithills Dean Rd, BL1 7NP
01204 332370

Blackrod Library

Church St, Blackrod, BL6 5EQ
01204 332380

Brightmet Library

Brightmet Fold Lane, BL2 6NT
01204 332352

Bromley Cross Library

The Crescent, Toppings Estate
BL7 9JU 01204 332354

Farnworth Library

Market St, Farnworth, BL4 7PG
01204 332344

Harwood Library

Gate Fold, Harwood, BL2 3HN
01204 332340

High Street Library

High St, Bolton, BL3 6SZ
01204 332358

Horwich Library

Jones St, Horwich, BL6 7AJ
01204 332347

Little Lever Library

Market Street, Little Lever, BL3 1LP
01204 332360

Westhoughton Library

Library St, Westhoughton, BL5 3AU
01942 634640

Please see **www.boltonlams.co.uk** for opening times and email addresses.

Group visits:

If your group is planning to visit us, we would love to see you so please let us know when you intend to come.

Join our monthly e-newsletter mailing list and receive regular updates about events, exhibitions and museum news. Please email **museum@bolton.gov.uk** or visit **www.boltonlams.co.uk**

Stay in touch!

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 **www.facebook.com/smithillshall**

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