

# Gosforth Civic Theatre



A Town Called Christmas, from 19 December

## What's On

September – December 2025

Arts Venue • Cafe Bar • Events Space • Community Hub



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# Spend your Christmas at Gosforth Civic Theatre

We are so excited to open our doors and invite you to celebrate Christmas with us. Our festive program includes a rich variety of performances, music, film, and magical experiences, ensuring there's something for everyone in the family to enjoy.

We've also tried to keep pricing as affordable as we can so that a family of four can meet Santa, see our family Christmas show and watch a film for less than £120. Your Christmas, all in one place!

## Storytime with Santa

Every weekend in December, you're invited to gather around and meet Santa in our Storytime with Santa sessions. Our studio will be transformed into a magical winter wonderland where starry-eyed children and their grown-ups will be welcomed in to share in a tale told by St. Nick himself and talk about what Christmas means to you. We will have sessions for schools, families, and young people with complex needs. No naughty list here! Just lovely times to enjoy together.

Fri 5, Sat 6, Fri 12, Sat 13, Sat 20, Sun 21 and Mon 22 Dec, various times between 10am - 4.45pm.  
*Including sessions for young people with complex needs.*

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## A Town Called Christmas

Far away, beyond the snow, and nestled in a perfect nook you'll find a town called Christmas...

Buckle in for a rollercoaster of magic, music, and mayhem as our hero crash-lands in a crumbling town where only the long-forgotten fables, a cantankerous caretaker and a glitching robot remain! Can they save the day, and the town called Christmas?

Fri 19, 2pm & 5pm.

Sat 20, & Sun 21 Dec, 11am & 2pm.

## A Proper Merry Christmess

A Proper Merry Christmess is a chaotic Christmas comedy for adults. At the time of year when being skint isn't an option, step into an honest festive story, featuring the authentic heartbreak and humour that the Christmas movies always leave out, actually.

Sat 20 Dec, 7.30pm.

## Even more...

**A Christmas Carol.** Monday 8 December, 7.30pm.

**Festive Films.** Monday 22 December.

*Arthur Christmas (U), 10.30am*

*Home Alone (PG), 2pm*

*Elf (PG), 5.30pm*

**Voices of Virtue Gospel Choir Festive Party.**  
Friday 6 December, 7pm.



The logo for Gosforth Civic Theatre (GCT) is displayed in white capital letters on a black rectangular background, which is set against a larger red geometric shape in the top left corner of the page.

# Hi!

The new edition of our What's on Guide seems to come around so quickly, this is our Christmas edition and I am sat here in shorts and a t-shirt. Our Christmas offer is more festive than ever and I look forward to welcoming you all to a magical GCT. But before then (and to avoid thinking about Christmas just yet) I wanted to look back for a moment.

Over the past six months we have tried to be clear and honest with you about how challenging it is for charities in the current economic environment and you have responded so generously. Please accept my heartfelt thanks as without this on going support running GCT would simply not be possible. You have joined our new membership scheme, local companies have donated raffle

prizes and advertised in this guide, and we hope that more of our community and corporate neighbours will continue to support our ongoing work (you can find out more about how to become a champion, trailblazer, or corporate member later in this guide).

GCT is all of ours and we hope you feel at home when you are here. Our company members, all of whom have a learning disability, have created a building for everyone to enjoy and their vision continues to shape what happens here. We need your help to shape how GCT can be even better so please share your thoughts by chatting to us, filling out our surveys or leaving a review.

Finally we have some incredible events coming up, Freedom Moving this year will be our first feature length show and we will be joined on stage by musicians and the excellent Sing United choir. So read on, book some tickets, and we will see you soon.

Thank you all so much and I hope you all value GCT as much as we value your support.

With best wishes

## Rob

CEO, Gosforth Civic Theatre



## Who we are

The story of Gosforth Civic Theatre started with a group of people with learning disabilities who set up and ran a theatre company called Liberdade (Lib-er-dar-jie). In 2012 they decided they wanted to open a theatre where everyone was welcome. They wanted to have jobs in their theatre and to provide the opportunities they'd had for other young people, and that's how Gosforth Civic Theatre came to be.

The journey to get to where we are makes GCT unique. Add to that a governance structure that empowers and gives a voice to both people with learning disabilities and young people, and you have a cultural building that can create real social change in a community. We hope you can sense that when you come and visit us.



**Donate today**

*Registered charity no. 1163955*





# Get toastie at GCT Cafe



Whether you're grabbing a morning coffee, catching up with friends over brunch, or winding down after work with something tasty, our Cafe Bar is your go-to spot.

We're all about the laid-back vibes, fresh flavours, and a warm welcome; kids, laptops, and four-legged friends included!

Brunch your way with our all-day favourites served until 2.30pm—think fresh eggs, hearty breakfasts, and the perfect flat white.

Not up for brunch? No worries. Our Deli menu has you covered with vibrant salads, toasted sourdough sandwiches, flatbreads, and more which are served from lunch through early evening.

Need a change of scenery from the office? We've got free Wi-Fi, plenty of plug sockets, and a relaxed atmosphere that makes working (or pretending to) a breeze.

Open Tuesday to Sunday from 8.30am.

Come for the coffee, stay for the community.

## Opening hours.

Our usual opening times are 8.30am – 8pm and Sundays 8.30am – 5pm. Please check our website for current timings as they may change.



Takeaway Available



Free Wifi



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Baby Changing Facilities

## Introducing Live at GCT Cafe!

The first Thursday of the month our cafe bar will have free live music on to accompany your post work pints. Our bar is open all day until 8pm and food is served until 6.30pm, alongside live acoustic music from local musicians between 6.30pm and 8pm.

Come and hang out in our lush theatre bar and cafe for post-work or post-school run drinks and snacks. Keep your eyes peeled for food and drinks offers!



# What's On?

This is every show, performance, gig, screening and event coming up in autumn and winter here at GCT. Book tickets via [gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk](http://gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk).

## GCT



Workshop/  
Community



Film



Music



Spoken  
Word



Theatre/  
Dance

## Gosforth Business Network

### Gosforth Business Network

Fri 5 Sep, 9am – 11am, free.

You are invited to our new networking event for businesses in Gosforth and surrounding areas allowing you to meet with other local business people. Did you know that you are more likely to generate more sales leads, acquire new knowledge and increase profits for your business when you network? *Presented with UniqueThinking Coaching.*



### Prime Wrestling: Battlestorm

Sat 13 Sep, 4.15pm doors, from £13 via Prime Wrestling only.

A storm is coming... Join Prime Wrestling for an all-ages, all-action evening of live wrestling action featuring the best pro wrestling athletes from the North East and beyond! Prime champion Tommy Freeman will be taking on two competitors looking to leave with the gold. Real scores will be settled, real battles will be fought. Will you be there live to witness the storm? *Presented by Prime Wrestling.*



### Looking for me Friend: The Music of Victoria Wood | Thu 18 Sep, 7.30pm, £23.50.

"The most feel-good show in town" ★★★★★ (The Daily Mail) has spread nostalgia and laughter throughout the UK and has the seal of approval from Victoria's very own school chums and colleagues. Featuring the star of BBC1's 'All Together Now', Paulus The Cabaret Geek "King of Cabaret" (The Stage) with Michael Roulston (Fascinating Aida) on piano, it is an evening of pure joy filled with Victoria's best-loved songs.



### Jesterval Comedy

Fri 19 Sep, 7pm doors, £15.50, £13.50 conc.

A superb night of stand up comedy that will leave you in stitches. September's line up sees Kelly Rickard, Steve Royle and Phil Walker take to the stage. With side-splitting jokes, witty one-liners, and belly-aching performances, this event is a must-attend for comedy enthusiasts. So, gather your friends and get ready for a night of non-stop laughter at Jesterval Comedy. *Presented by Jesterval.*

## Homebake



THERE'S NO POINT IN BUILDING MORE HOUSES UNTIL YOU SOLVE THE BIG BAD WOLF PROBLEM.



### Homebake

Thu 25 Sep, 7pm doors, £10.

Homebake returns for another evening of platforming and shaping emerging theatre works! After the success of the pilot event, the team are working through submissions to bring another varied night of brand new stories. Can you be our secret ingredient for shaping these works in progress and developing North East Talent? "10/10. It was quite enriching to see plays in the middle of the creative process."

### David Haldane in conversation with Ed Waugh | Tue 30 Sep, 2pm, £7.

David Haldane has been a topical and political cartoonist for 50 years. His first cartoon was published in Punch in 1977 and he was a weekly contributor until the magazine closed in 1992. Working for numerous National newspapers, his cartoons have appeared in The Express, Mirror, Guardian, Telegraph, Daily Mail and the Sunday Times. Join him for an in depth conversation about his life and career with award-winning playwright Ed Waugh.

### Lady Nade Sings Nina Simone

Fri 3 Oct, 7.30pm doors, £22.

Comparisons have been made between Lady Nade's voice and the legendary Nina Simone. An artist known for paying homage to those who have profoundly influenced her journey, Lady Nade holds Nina Simone in high regard. This performance is a heartfelt dedication to recreating the transformative sound that blended popular tunes of the era into a distinctive fusion of jazz, blues, gospel, and folk music. *Presented by Jumpin Hot Club.*

### The Story Forge: Make Your Own Myth

Sat 4 Oct, 11am & 2pm, £11 adult, £9 child, 6+.

Brace yourselves for pandemonium and tidal waves of laughter in this hilariously unique family-friendly theatrical adventure! Expect side-splitting clowning, choose-your-own-adventure thrills, physical comedy capers, spontaneous improvisation, toe-tapping live music, and a mountain of magnificent tridents, swords and shields made out of cardboard. Forge your own unforgettable story and become a legend – you'd be mad to myth it!

### Sam Lee

Thu 9 Oct, 7.30pm doors, £25.

Sam has crafted a unique reimagining of songs, artfully narrating the kinship between us and our landscapes. The woodlands, rivers, birds and the ancestors who stewarded them. This is folk music as both map and memory, soulful, raw, unrefined, and deeply connected to the soil. He imagines what creative 'response-ability' means in the protection and adoration of our natural and folk heritage. *Presented by F54.*

# BEYOND the MOOR 2025.

**Saturday 11 October**

2.30pm doors | £45, £25 students/u18s.

**Kathryn Tickell  
& the Darkening  
Martin Simpson**

**Ross Couper & Tom Oakes**

**Ceitidh Mac Nev Clay**

**Eddie Doyle Andy Watt**

**Newcastle University Folk Degree**

Beyond the Moor celebrates folk and roots music, where we platform artists spanning the genres of traditional music. Started in 2022, this live music event showcase's the best in local and national musicians playing contemporary, alternative and traditional folk and roots music



## **Tom Robinson with Adam Phillips Then & Now**

**Sat 18 Oct, 7.30pm doors, £27.**

Tom Robinson presents an evening of songs and stories from fifty years wandering the wilder shores of the Record Industry. Classic hits such as War Baby, Up Against The Wall, and 2-4-6-8 Motorway rub shoulders with a Radio 1 ban for being Glad To be Gay, rocking against racism with The Clash, writing songs with Elton John, headlining Glasto with Peter Dinklage, and drug smuggling in East Germany. *Presented by Mr WishyWashy.*



## **Tom Waits for No Man**

**Fri 24 Oct, 7.30pm doors, £18.50.**

Vocalist and composer Lindsay Hannon ("A voice soulful, brooding unselfconscious in its longing" - Jazz Journal) has chosen and re-arranged a selection of songs from the legendary Tom Waits decades spanning back catalogue. Tom Waits for No Man is a homage to the song writing prowess of one of America's most enduring composers. They don't seek to impersonate Waits work, rather celebrate it. *Presented by Mr WishyWashy.*



## **Sister Shack's Autumn Market**

**Sun 26 Oct, 11am - 4pm, free entry.**

Join Sister Shack and Gosforth Civic Theatre in supporting a variety of local traders who sell a range of items. There will be clothing, books, jewellery, crafts, art, homeware, records, refreshments, festive gifts and more. So come down and support over 25 North East sellers and stay for food and drink from GCT's cafe!



## **Daydream Cinema Day**

**Tue 28 Oct, 1pm - 9pm, pay what you feel per film.**

Daydream Cinema welcomes you to a day of Relaxed Screenings to celebrate autism acceptance month. The screenings are designed to be an inclusive experience for disabled and neurodivergent audiences. Open to anyone who wants to enjoy films in a welcoming and supportive atmosphere. The screenings will be a selection of family friendly films, shorts and films created by neurodivergent filmmakers and/or programmed by ND programmers.



## **Chris Difford**

**Fri 31 Oct, 7.30pm doors, £27.**

"I will be playing songs from the Squeeze catalogue and from the solo albums I have recorded over the last 23 years. My story is told through stand-up and some sit-down, a trip back to my council estate in South London, from my very first lyrical expression to the dressing rooms of this show. It's not just a look back on 50 lyrical years, it's a journey that asks, "what happened?" *Presented by Mr WishyWashy.*





### Mary Gauthier + Jaimee Harris

Sun 2 Nov, 7.30pm doors, £24.50.

As well as Jumpin Hot's 40th anniversary, please join us in celebrating twenty-five years of the unique, courageous songs of Mary Gauthier. Her seminal hit "Drag Queens in Limousines" is an anthem for anyone who has ever felt like an outsider. It turns out, that's all of us. For twenty-five years, Mary Gauthier has brought all kinds of folks from all walks of life together with her deeply personal, yet paradoxically universal work. *Presented by Jumpin Hot Club.*



### O'Hooley & Tidow 'So Long for Now'

Thu 6 Nov, 7.30pm doors, £25.

After 15 years of performing together, eight studio albums, four BBC Folk Award nominations, composing Gentleman Jack as the BBC/HBO drama theme tune and hundreds of venues and festivals across the UK and Europe, the much loved Yorkshire folk duo of Belinda O'Hooley & Heidi Tidow have made the momentous decision to say farewell for now in order to explore other adventures that are beckoning to them.



### Wicked Waxworks, or The Mischievous Magic of Mr Wells | Fri 14 & Sat 15 Nov, 7.30pm, from £12.

Grimsby and Gertrude Grice hire the sorcerer John Wellington Wells to bring their waxworks to life, to commit burglaries without leaving fingerprints! After the waxworks kidnap Angelina just as she is about to get married, a disappointed groom summons the police to bring them to justice. A comedy with magic, romance and plenty of action, as well as wonderful songs from Gilbert and Sullivan! *Presented by Gosforth Musical Society.*



### Admiral Fallow

Mon 17 Nov, 7.30pm doors, £17 standing.

Admiral Fallow's recent live appearances include a UK tour, numerous festival appearances and four nights supporting The Proclaimers at their Back In The Big Top summer shows. A group of versatile musicians all uniquely in demand for their skills, the individual band members also find the time to tour and record with renowned artists such as Camera Obscura, Field Music, Kris Drever, Karine Polwart and many others. *Presented by F54.*



### Sheelanagig - 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour

Thu 20 Nov, 7.30pm doors, £22 hybrid standing and seated.

Sheelanagig have been whipping up a storm of foot-stomping, roof-raising, high-energy live folk for nigh on twenty years. With an arsenal of strings, soaring flute, pounding drums and a sprinkle of fairy dust they spin melodies that have set feet flying all across the globe. Their shows are a heady mix of raucous dance medleys and thoughtfully crafted original pieces feverishly brimming with fire, flair and finesse.

# Freedom Moving: Then and Now

Fri 28 November, 2pm & 7pm,  
£10.



Our flagship performance has grown! GCT's annual platform showcasing new work by people with learning disabilities and autism is this year part of a national project. We are shoulder to shoulder with 60 other arts centres reflecting on what freedom means 80 years after the end of the second world war.

This performance piece uses dance, physical theatre and song to celebrate this journey of freedom, to honour its past heritage then and celebrate where we are now, informed by local community. We invite you to come along on this journey with us.



OUR  
FREEDOM:  
THEN & NOW



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# Storytime with Santa



**Fri 5, Sat 6, Fri 12, Sat 13, Sat 20, Sun 21 and Mon 22 December.**

Times vary per day between 10am and 4.45pm

**£15 per child.**

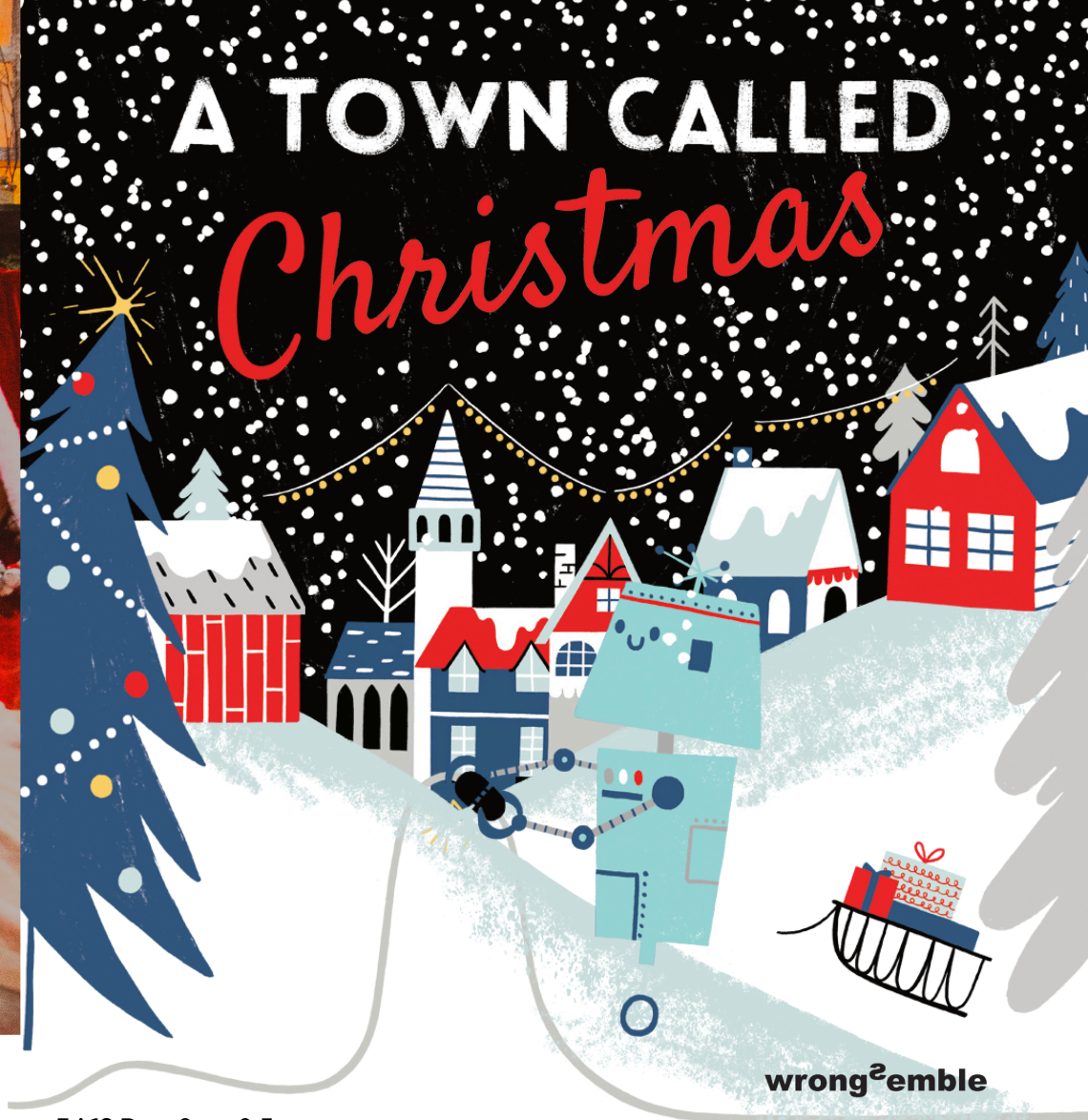
*The ticket includes admission of one child plus up to two adults, sessions are 30 minutes long and are limited to 20 children.*

Every weekend in December, you're invited to gather around and meet Santa in our Storytime with Santa sessions. Our studio will be transformed into a magical winter wonderland where starry-eyed children and their grown-ups will be welcomed in to share in a tale told by St. Nick himself and talk about what Christmas means to you.

We will have sessions for schools, families, and young people with complex needs. No naughty list here! Just lovely times to enjoy together.

*Ideal for up to 10 years but it's great for any young people who believe in Santa!*

# A TOWN CALLED Christmas



**Fri 19 Dec, 2pm & 5pm**

**Sat 20 & Sun 21 Dec, 11am & 2pm**

**£17 adult, £15 child**

*Age recommendation 3+ years.  
Running time approx. 55 minutes*

Clementine dreams of a place where gingerbread houses glow under twinkling fairy-lights, and chocolate coins are currency. Where the streets are filled with snow-ball fights, and laughter hangs like baubles in the air! The happiest place on Earth. Or at least it used to be...

Buckle in for a rollercoaster of magic, music, and mayhem as our hero crash-lands in a crumbling town where only the long-forgotten fables, a cantankerous caretaker and a glitching robot remain! Can they save the day, and the town called Christmas?

*Brought to you by Gala Durham and Wrongsemble.*





### Ashley Campbell and her Band

Sun 23 Nov, 7.30pm doors, £22.

Part of Jumpin Hot Club's 40th Anniversary celebrations. Ashley Campbell, the daughter of country legend Glen Campbell began her career playing banjo and piano in her father's band on several world tours and has found success as a solo artist in the country/Americana/singer-songwriter music scene; most notably with her debut single "Remembering" which she wrote for her father. *Presented by Jumpin Hot Club.*



### An Evening with Alfie Joey and Mark Deeks

Sat 29 Nov, 7.30pm doors, £18.50, £16.50 *conc.*

Join The Speak Easy Guy Alfie Joey (BBC, BGT) and That Piano Guy Mark Deeks (TEDx, Sing Utd) for a tour de force evening. Live music, live drawing and superb story telling from two North East favourites who have plenty of stories to tell and gifts to share. Original music, funny pastiches, comical caricatures and heartwarming tales... this dynamic duo bring it all to life on stage.



### Jesterval Comedy

Fri 5 Dec, 7pm doors, £15.50, £13.50 *conc.*

A superb night of stand up comedy that will leave you in stitches. September's line up sees Sally Anne Hayward, Dan Evans, Susan Riddell and David Haddingham take to the stage. With side-splitting jokes, witty one-liners, and belly-aching performances, this event is a must-attend for comedy enthusiasts. So, gather your friends and get ready for a night of non-stop laughter at Jesterval Comedy. *Presented by Jesterval.*



### Voices of Virtue Gospel Choir Festive Party

Sat 6 Dec, 7pm doors, £16, £12 *under 14s.*

Enter the festive season in style with the uplifting Voices of Virtue Gospel Choir! As our soul-stirring melodies and infectious energy transport you to a realm of holiday cheer and celebration. Join us for an evening of music that will uplift your spirits and set the perfect tone for the most wonderful time of the year. Don't miss the opportunity to kick off the festive season in a joyous and memorable way with Voices of Virtue Gospel Choir.



### A Christmas Carol

Mon 8 Dec, 7.30pm, £16.50.

After the success of last year's NIGHTMARES, The Book of Darkness & Light return with their ghostly adaption of this most beloved festive classic. Join Ebenezer Scrooge on a supernatural journey into the past, present and yet-to-come. The chilling atmosphere of Victorian London is brought to life and the spirits of Christmas return from the dead – all through the spellbinding art of storytelling in this thrilling solo show.



### A Proper Merry Christmess

Sat 20 Dec, 7.30pm, £17, £15 *conc.*

It's Christmas Eve at West Yorkshire's (almost) favourite garden centre – and the last chance for one lucky department to win the seasonal bonus. Over at the grotto, a reluctant Santa, relentlessly positive Tree, and stressed-out student Elf all need cash and quick. Forget Christmas miracles, they'll have to pull together to sleigh this competition. A chaotic Christmas comedy for adults, an antidote to the snowy schmaltz of the festive romcom.



### Festive Films: Arthur Christmas

Mon 22 Dec, 10.30am, £6.

Our annual showing of Arthur Christmas is now a sold out Christmas tradition at GCT. We welcome back the heartwarming and funny tale of Santa's clumsy son Arthur who gets put on a mission with his grandpa to give out a present they forgot to deliver. Stay for lunch! Book a table in our cafe after the showing to make it a real treat before Christmas.

*Year: 2011 | Cert: PG | Duration: 97 min*



### Festive Films: Home Alone

Mon 22 Dec, 2pm, £6.

Merry Christmas ya filthy animals! Come and see Kevin fight off the Wet Bandits on the big screen. A sell out in 2023, get your tickets quick. Settle in our comfy seats and watch on our giant screen. Grab some treats to take in with you or book a table for food in our cafe to make it a real treat before Christmas!

*Year: 1990 | Cert: PG | Duration: 108 min*



### Festive Films: Elf

Mon 22 Dec, 5.30pm, £6.

Come and see Buddy the Elf bring us all bundles of Christmas cheer. You'd be a cotton-headed ninny-muggins to miss it! Settle in our comfy seats and watch on our giant screen. Grab some treats to take in with you or book a table for food in our cafe to make it a real treat before Christmas!

*Year: 2003 | Cert: PG | Duration: 97 min*



### Family New Year's Eve Party

Wed 31 Dec, 12pm & 4pm, Tickets on sale Oct 2024.

The hottest ticket in town on NYE. Our DJ will be spinning tunes for big ones and little ones alike, our craft room and kids snacks will keep the littler ones busy while the adults can take advantage of our bar to celebrate in style. It all culminates in a "midnight moment" where we count down to the New Year on our big screen! Each session lasts two hours.



# Your alternative wedding venue

## Get married at GCT

Did you know, GCT is a licensed wedding venue? We are your alternative, suburban venue with a social conscience and a unique vibe. Make GCT your own and have a flexible, professional theatre and music venue at your finger tips. Including full theatrical lighting, gig quality sound system, HD cinema, a dedicated tech and event team, alongside our professional kitchen, bar and catering team, to make your event anything you want it to be.



**Hire us.**

For more information, or to make a booking contact our Events Manager at [weddings@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk](mailto:weddings@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk).



# Activities for young people

## GCT Gaming Social

Tuesdays during term time, 4.30pm - 6pm, under 11s;  
6pm - 8pm, 12-18s, Free or pay what you can per term.  
*Contact [info@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk](mailto:info@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk) for more info.*

The Gaming Social is a weekly gaming drop in for young people to socialise and mix in a relaxed environment. Gaming Social is a place where gamers can come together to play our huge range of consoles with your friends. *Under 11s must be accompanied by an adult. Delivered by GCT.*

## Contemporary Dance Class

Wednesdays during term time, 4pm - 5pm, 14-24yrs, Free.  
*Contact [kelly@liberdade.co.uk](mailto:kelly@liberdade.co.uk) for more info.*

Our Contemporary Dance Class is open to young people with learning disabilities who enjoy dance, all you have to do is turn up! Led by a qualified contemporary dance teacher, beginners contemporary is perfect for those wishing to attend a fun class which will leave you feeling energised, inspired and worked out! For ages 14 - 24 years. *Delivered by GCT.*



## North East Deaf Youth Theatre

Third Saturday every month, 9.30am - 11.30am, 5-12yrs, Free.  
*Contact [info@unfoldingtheatre.co.uk](mailto:info@unfoldingtheatre.co.uk) for more info.*

Join us for monthly North East Deaf Youth Theatre workshops! Designed for deaf children and young people aged 5 - 12 years, North East Deaf Youth Theatre explores all aspects of theatre-making including, creative writing, storytelling, acting, lighting and backstage skills to create group productions to share with friends and family. *Delivered by Unfolding Theatre.*



# Did you know?

Our Work Placement Programme creates meaningful opportunities for young neurodivergent people and young people with learning disabilities aged between 16-24.



Since September 2024

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680

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One

graduate now works for Newcastle City Council.

Four

graduates have gone on to further education and training.



To find out more, contact [rebecca@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk](mailto:rebecca@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk). There are limited spaces available this year so get in touch..

**"I feel very well trained... I wish I could come back next year!"**

*Cameron, GCT Work Placement*

# Become a member



## Join our community of GCT Champions and Trailblazers

Starting from just £5 per month you'll get some great perks including:

- Exclusive access to advanced tickets and ticket offers.
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Join us and help to provide a truly inclusive arts venue at the heart of our community.

**'GCT is a real community asset,  
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Alison Fowler, GCT Champion

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For more info, please contact  
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Check out our socials for more information & upcoming events: linktr.ee/grandhotelgosforthpark



# Some important stuff

We work with adults and young people with learning disabilities, autistic people and those who have additional needs, this means that our top priority is keeping GCT a safe place for the most vulnerable people visiting and using our spaces. We take the health and safety of our customers, participants and staff extremely seriously and will endeavour to make coming to a performance, visiting our Cafe Bar or hiring our spaces, a comfortable, safe and enjoyable experience.

## Payment

While we accept cash payments we encourage card and contactless payments wherever possible. We accept all major credit and debit cards, except American Express, as well as Apple and Google Pay.

## Car park

We have a free car park of 12 bays at the rear of the building, which is accessible through Regent Plaza car park next door to us. Please note the numbered bays are not ours and are subject to a pay and display scheme. Our car park gets busy and is prioritised for staff, participants and artists. There is alternative parking around us, including at Regent Centre Metro Station, Gosforth Leisure Centre and Bulman House, however please do your research on parking restrictions at external car parks when planning your journey.

## GCT Cafe Bar

Our bar is open before, during and after all of our shows offering a range of beer, wine, spirits, hot and soft drinks and bar snacks when available. Our deli service is available pre-show or after show for matinee performances. Check the website to check our opening times and book a table.

## Buying tickets

You can buy tickets for advertised shows, events or activities by visiting our website. While all GCT promoted events and some selected third party promoted events will be available to purchase in person at the Theatre, some third party promoted events will only be available to buy online.

## Fees

Ticket prices will include a booking fee that covers the cost of the ticket platform and the administration of tickets, ticket prices will be consistent whether booking online or in person. Tickets bought on other ticketing platforms from third-party promoters and agents may be subject to different booking fees beyond the control of Gosforth Civic Theatre.

## Concessions and carers

Concession tickets are available to people with disabilities, OAPs, under 18s and Asylum Seekers. We will endeavour to provide free tickets to carers where possible. Please contact us directly at [info@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk](mailto:info@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk) if you require a carers ticket.

## Child and family tickets

A child is classed as anyone under the age of 14, and Family Tickets, where advertised, apply to a family of four where there is at least one adult and one child in the group. Babies in Arms, up to the age of 12 months, go free at all of our family shows.

## Refunds

While we are not required to offer refunds under The Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013, refunds are available up until 28 days before the date of an event and will be granted at the Theatre's discretion. To request a refund, email [info@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk](mailto:info@gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk).

## Receiving your tickets

We do not print physical tickets and instead email you a copy of your tickets. You can show us your tickets on a mobile device or simply give us the name of the lead booker when you arrive at the Theatre for the event.

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# Finding us

Gosforth Civic Theatre, Regent Farm Road, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE3 3HD

We're less than one minute from Regent Centre Metro station, which is on the green Airport to South Hylton Tyne and Wear Metro Line. Regular buses also run to Regent Centre and Great North Road, while a car or taxi ride will take you about 10 minutes from Newcastle city centre.

## Accessibility

All of our entrances are wheelchair accessible. We have two blue badge parking spots in the car park and an accessible toilet on site. If you have any questions before you visit please give us a call on 0191 284 3700.



# Thank you to our funders



# And to our wonderful GCT Trailblazers!

Margaret and Neil Curry

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Thank you also to our GCT Champions for their continued support. If you would like to become a member find out more here: [gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk/support-us/become-a-member](http://gosforthcivictheatre.co.uk/support-us/become-a-member).

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## September

- Fri 5 Gosforth Business Network
- Sat 13 Prime Wrestling: Battlestorm
- Thu 18 Looking for me Friend: The Music of Victoria Wood
- Fri 19 Jesterval Comedy
- Thu 25 Homebake
- Tue 30 David Haldane in conversation with Ed Waugh

## October

- Fri 3 Lady Nade Sings Nina Simone
- Sat 4 The Story Forge: Make Your Own Myth
- Thu 9 Sam Lee
- Sat 11 Beyond the Moor
- Sat 18 Tom Robinson with Adam Phillips Then & Now
- Fri 24 Tom Waits for No Man
- Sun 26 Sister Shack Autumn Market
- Tue 28 Daydream Cinema
- Thu 31 Chris Difford

## November

- Sun 2 Mary Gauthier + Jaimee Harris
- Thu 6 O'Hooley & Tidow 'So Long For Now'
- Fri 14–Sat 15 Wicked Waxworks, or The Mischievous Magic of Mr Wells
- Mon 17 Admiral Fallow
- Thu 20 Sheelanagig – 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour
- Sun 23 Ashley Campbell and her Band
- Fri 28 Freedom Moving: Then and Now
- Sat 29 Melodies, Monks & Mr. Benn: An Evening with Alfie Joey and Mark Deeks

## December

- Fri 5–Mon 22 Storytime with Santa
- Fri 5 Jesterval Comedy
- Sat 6 Voices of Virtue Gospel Choir Festive Party
- Mon 8 A Christmas Carol
- Fri 19–Sun 21 A Town Called Christmas
- Sat 20 A Proper Merry Christmess
- Mon 22 Festive Film: Arthur Christmas
- Mon 22 Festive Film: Home Alone
- Mon 22 Festive Film: Elf
- Wed 31 New Year's Eve Family Party