

CENTURY THEATRE

AT SNIBSTON



**SPRING / SUMMER
PROGRAMME
2012**

www.centurytheatre.co.uk

Welcome...

...to the Spring/Summer 2012 Season for the Century Theatre at Snibston

Spring will soon be here so it's time to plan some exciting nights out. We've got lots to enjoy from live music to drama and comedy, and a couple of treats for younger theatre goers and their families!

Theatre Hire

The Century Theatre is available for hire throughout the week. With a 200 seat auditorium, a foyer and bar area, it's a multi-purpose venue with flexible spaces ideal for community or business meetings, corporate launches and band or stage rehearsals and performances. Call **01530 278444** or email centurytheatre@leics.gov.uk for details, prices and availability.

Access

The theatre, toilets and foyer area (excluding the mezzanine) are accessible to wheelchair users. The auditorium has a hearing loop. Please contact us for specific requests on **01530 278444** or email centurytheatre@leics.gov.uk

Performing Arts Coalville

PAC is a voluntary organisation which is working with Leicestershire County Council to bring Centre Stage events to the Century Theatre. If you would like to get involved with promoting these events please email performingartscoalville@gmail.com


**Times provided are for show start times.
Doors open 45 minutes prior to start.**

* Ticket Booking Information

Advance booking advised. Telephone bookings are subject to £1 booking fee. Please note, tickets provide access to Century Theatre events only and do not grant entry to the museum unless otherwise stated. Tickets are non refundable.



TRANSPORT SERVICE NOW AVAILABLE!

MRC Community Transport have developed a new partnership with Century Theatre by providing a **door to door service** taking people within the local areas (Coalville, Thringstone, Ibstock, Whitwick, Ravenstone, Swannington) to the theatre to enjoy a variety of shows including the popular cinema nights. Any events supported by Community Transport will be marked with our logo. 

Please call Nikki Warrilow, Transport Co-ordinator at The Marlene Reid Centre for more info
Direct Line: 01530 512457 or email nwarrilow@mrc.uk.net

MRC Community Action at The Marlene Reid Centre,
85 Belvoir Road, Coalville, Leicestershire LE67 3PH

Tel: 01530 510515

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To book tickets call **01530 278444**, email centurytheatre@leics.gov.uk or purchase from reception at Snibston*

Diary at a Glance

Event	Date
Paranormal Investigation Night.	3rd February
Film Night.....	3rd February
Dance 4 A Double Bill.....	8th February
Bon Jovi UK tribute band.....	18th February
Pants and Politics	24th February
The Supernatural Adventures of Sherlock Holmes.....	25th February
Paranormal Investigation Night..	2nd March
Film Night.....	2nd March
Spring 2012 Open Day	4th March
Friends of Griffydham School Association An Evening of Comedy.....	9th March
Pathé Film Tomorrows World..	11th March
Some Like it Hotter	15th March
Where The Boats Went.....	17th March
When Will I Be Famous?.....	23rd March
Tony Stockwell Psychic Medium.	24th March
Pathé Film Reporting War.....	25th March
An Evening of Drama.....	30th March & 31st March
The Ugly Duckling	2nd April
Film Night.....	6th April
Snail and the Whale.....	9th April

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Paranormal Investigation Night...	13th April
An Audience with Charles Dickens.	21st April
The Stones tribute band.....	28th April
Pathé Film A Look Back to the 1960s.....	28th April
Film Night.....	4th May
Rock and Blues Party.....	11th May
Mars on the Rise Book Launch ...	12th May
Pathé Film Transport.....	13th May
Discover Festival.....	18th – 20th May
Oh, Whistle, and I'll come to You, my Lad.....	19th May
Paranormal Investigation Night....	25th May
Nick Toczek One Man Show	26th May
Film Night.....	1st June
Pathé Film Celebration of Diamond Jubilee.....	3rd June
Ann Duggan Band	9th June
Pathé Film Sporting Heroes	23rd June
Much Ado About Nothing.....	24th June
Century Theatre Oscars Night.....	1st July
Hooray for Hollywood	8th July
The Railway Children	26th August

Century Theatre Oscars Night

On Sunday 1st July we're holding our own Oscars night at which we will celebrate the highlights of the spring season. Voting forms will be available at each event so be sure to vote for your favourite shows by filling in a form next time you visit the theatre, you might even win a prize!



DANCE4

A DOUBLE BILL:

Wednesday 8th February, 7.30pm

Badlands: a love story by Robert Clark

Accompanied by a selection of love songs, choreographer Robert Clark has created a new work of contemporary dance. In a world reminiscent of 50s America, two performers undertake to resolve a love story not of their choosing.

Referencing the films of Terrence Mallick, David Lynch and Guillermo del Toro, Robert attempts to create the one thing he

feels the dance world truly needs ... a real, honest love story.

30 Cecil Street by Dan Canham

In 2009 Dan Canham (Kneehigh, DV8, Punchdrunk, Fabulous Beast) made a film in a disused theatre in Limerick, Ireland. Using the film as inspiration, this original piece of dance-theatre is a tribute for a lost and ruined theatre.

A performance of fragments of memories, of wild nights and long-disappeared communities, it evokes the life of a once-mighty building and asks what is left when a theatre closes its doors to the public?

"Dan Canham raises ghosts in this spine tingling dance-theatre piece" - Lyn Gardner, The Guardian

Suitable for people aged 14 and over

Tickets: Adults £8, Under 16s £5

<http://ticketing.dance4.co.uk/>

0115 941 0773



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Adults £8
Under 16s £5

Paranormal Investigation Nights

Hosted by Gill Hibbert

Join us for a guided tour of the site and meet some of the previous residents who now rest in the galleries, colliery buildings and the historic Century Theatre. Thrilling exploration, not for the faint hearted. Bring torches and, for those who dare, recording equipment.

Suitable for people aged 18 and over

TICKETS
£35

Friday 3rd February

Friday 2th March

Friday 13th April

Friday 25th May

8pm – 1.30am

Tickets £35

Refreshments included

Film Nights

Our long established film evenings take place on the first Friday of every month. Featuring an expertly selected range of recent titles and support shorts that complement the exhibition programme at Snibston. Email performingartscoalville@gmail.com to join the mailing list and receive the latest information and find out forthcoming feature titles.



Friday 3rd February
Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy (15)

Friday 2nd March

Friday 6th April

Friday 4th May

Friday 1st June

Doors open 7pm, support film starts 7.30pm, main feature 8pm Admission £3.50 on the door

TICKETS
£3.50



TICKETS
Advance £13
Door £15

BON JOVI UK



Saturday 18th February, 7.30pm

Bon Jovi UK are bigger and better than before with a full throttle, anthem blasting Bon Jovi show. Experience all the hits from this top quality tribute to one of rock's most iconic bands.

www.bonjoviuk.com

Tickets: Advance £13, Door £15

Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender History Month Celebration:



'Pants and Politics'

TICKETS
Advance £5
Door £6

Friday 24th February

Drinks and talk in the Fashion Gallery 6pm, Film 7.30pm

Enjoy a glass of something fizzy while exhibition curator Philip Warren talks you through Snibston's 'Support and Seduction' exhibition, a display of underwear for men and women from the 18th century to the present day.

After the talk join us in the Century Theatre for a showing of the film 'Milk', the 2008 biopic of gay rights activist and politician Harvey Milk, the first openly gay person to be elected to public office in the US in the 1970s. The film stars Sean Penn who won an Oscar for his performance.

Tickets: Advance £5, Door £6

Pathé Films - 11am-3pm

Sunday 11th March Tomorrow's World

Sunday 25th March Reporting War

Saturday 28th April A look back to the 1960s

Sunday 13th May Transport

Sunday 3rd June Celebration of the Diamond Jubilee

Saturday 23rd June Sporting Heroes

Museum entry required.

Looped screenings between 11am and 3pm



TICKETS
Advance £8
Door £10

Don't Go Into The Cellar! presents:
The Supernatural Adventures of Sherlock Holmes **DRAMA**

Saturday 25th February, 8pm

Experience a dash of Baker Street nostalgia at the Century Theatre with this detective caper. "The Supernatural Adventures of Sherlock Holmes" will pit Holmes and Watson against the forces of darkness with adaptations of three of Conan Doyle's lesser-known stories: the Adventures of The Sussex Vampire, the Creeping Man and the Devil's Foot.

The show guarantees the audience an eerie evening's entertainment.

www.dontgointothecellar.com

Tickets: Advance £8, Door £10

Spring 2012 Open Day

Sunday 4th March **EVENT**

Join us for a day of fun and fundraising! Find out more about our fabulous historic theatre with backstage tours, drama workshops and an exhibition of archive photographs. Plus face painting, raffle, quiz and displays from Performing Arts Coalville, Chorus Theatre Company, and the Century Youth Theatre. Refreshments available.

Free entry, charge for some activities **FREE ENTRY!**

Friends of Griffydam School Association presents: **COMEDY**

An Evening of Comedy

Friday 9th March, 8pm

TICKETS
£5

A line up of up and coming comedians with a teaching and parenting connection, including a live onstage quiz panel game.

Tickets: £5, available from Snibston and Nikki Shields 07976 270095

In association with Centre Stage

Some Like it Hotter **DRAMA**
Oxfordshire Theatre Company

Thursday 15th March, 7.30pm

Funny man Jack Lemmon and the incomparable Marilyn Monroe are reunited with old friend Tony Curtis.

TICKETS
Advance £6
Door £8

This fast moving fantasy comedy whisks three screen icons back to their most beautiful, sexy and hilarious selves as they once again don heels and stockings for the making of one of the best loved classic Hollywood comedies. Daring dialogue, razor-sharp wisecracks, sparkling musical numbers and red hot jazz feature in the most surprising comeback in movie history.

www.oxfordshiretheatrecompany.co.uk

Tickets: Advance £6, Door £8



TICKETS
Advance £5
Door £7

Where The Boats Went

by Life and Times **DRAMA**

Saturday 17th March, 7.30pm

Brought to the Century Theatre in association with Hermitage FM and the Moira Furnace Folk Festival

Travel through 250 years of history as this show traces the development and the demise of British canals through wonderful song, story and images.

Tickets: Advance 5, Door £7

Available from Snibston and Hermitage FM. Call 01530 272305 for tickets after 5pm

Fundraising event for the Century Theatre and Hermitage FM

When Will I Be Famous?

Friday 23rd March, 7pm **EVENT**

Local young people have been working with artists to explore the meaning of celebrity and how it affects them.

Join them in their showcase of film, drama and photography for this red carpet event.

Tickets: £2.50 (includes complimentary drink)

TICKETS
£2.50

An Evening of Mediumship with Psychic Tony Stockwell **EVENT**

Saturday 24th March, 2pm & 7.30pm

For those with an interest in mediumship, the name of Tony Stockwell will certainly need no introduction. Tony has been working tirelessly for over 20 years to bring forward messages of love from the grave.

TICKETS
£18.50

Tony has a special gift. He can communicate with spirits, decipher their messages and share them with those who have lost people dear to them.

Tickets: £18.50

An Evening of Drama...

presented by Cahoots Theatre Company **DRAMA**

Friday 30th & Saturday 31st March

Doors 7pm, showcase starts 7.30pm

Join us for an exciting evening of brand new drama, written and performed by talented artists in the Midlands. Watch six plays, each lasting 15 minutes, and vote for your favourite when the final curtain falls! After the showcase, the prize will be awarded, followed by a chat with the Cahoots troupes in the bar.

More details available at www.cahootstheatrecompany.co.uk

Tickets: Advance £7, Door £9



Derek Grant presents
The Ugly Duckling

Monday 2nd April, 1pm & 4pm

Follow the Ugly Duckling on his eventful journey. Meet Mother Duck, the nasty hunters, the Farm Cat, Drumstick the Turkey and many more. This captivating show includes colourful costumes, comedy, music and surprises. Based on the well-loved tale by Hans Christian Andersen.



Great fun for ALL the family!
Book early – this one usually sells out!



TICKETS
Adults £9.50
Children £7.50

DRAMA

TICKETS
FAMILY
OF 4
£30

Tickets: Adults £9.50,
Children £7.50, Family of four £30
Includes FREE entry into the museum

Snail and the Whale

Easter Monday 9th April

12 noon & 2.30pm

‘How I long to sail,’ said the tiny snail...

Tall Stories (creator of the Gruffalo and Room on the Broom stage shows) is proud to present its latest collaboration with Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler.

A tiny snail longs to see the world, so she hitches a lift on the tail of a huge humpback whale. Together they go on an amazing

journey, experiencing sharks and penguins, icebergs and volcanoes. The little snail is amazed by it all but starts feeling very small in the vastness of the world...

Then disaster strikes ... can the tiny snail save the day?

Created in Tall Stories’ unique style, The Snail and the Whale combines physical storytelling, live music and lots of laughs – for everyone aged 4 and up.

DRAMA



Tickets: Adults £8.50
Children £6.50
Family of 4 £28

Includes FREE entry
into the museum

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Children £6.50

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Derek Grant presents
An Audience with Charles Dickens

200th Anniversary of Charles Dickens Birth

Saturday 21st April, 7.30pm

A virtuoso performance of the greatest scenes from some of Dickens’ best stories, performed by Charles Dickens’ great great grandson, Gerald Dickens.

Includes scenes from Pickwick Papers, David Copperfield, Oliver Twist and Nicholas Nickleby.

Tickets: Adults £12, under 16s £10

DRAMA

TICKETS
Adults £12
Under 16s £10



TICKETS
Advance £15
Door £17

The Stones

Saturday 28th April, 7.30pm

The Rolling Stones are known as “The Greatest Rock and Roll Band in the World”, having sold over 200 million albums worldwide, with hits such as “Satisfaction”, “Start Me Up”, “Honky Tonk Women”, and “Jumping Jack Flash”.

“The Stones” bring all the energy and excitement of a live Rolling Stones concert in a serious tribute to their music - prepare to be amazed!!

Tickets: Advance £15, Door £17

MUSIC

Rock ‘n’ Blues Party

Friday 11th May, 7pm

Live bands on stage, acoustic sounds in the bar, talented musicians from the local area will showcase their talents in this varied and exciting programme.

Tickets: £5

TICKETS
£5

Mars on the Rise by Rae Gee

UK Book Launch

Saturday 12th May, 7.30pm

The latest Steam Punk novel from US publisher, Torquere Press written by Leicestershire based writer Rae Gee. The evening will include a film, interview, reading, Q&A, book signing and live music. Tickets £20, includes signed copy of book and promotional materials plus an invitation to this fantastic launch.

Contact **Rae@glasscompletelyempty.co.uk** for tickets and more details.



DISCOVER Festival

EVENT

Friday 18th - Sunday 20th May

A weekend of science-fiction, fantasy and horror

DISCOVER the exciting worlds of science-fiction, fantasy and horror.

DISCOVER new writers with our programme of author readings and Q&As. DISCOVER more about writing and publishing with our superb panels.

DISCOVER your writing talent through a host of quality workshops.

Special guest authors: Peter F Hamilton and Graham Masterton, plus local authors Gav Thorpe, Mark Chadbourn, Kim Lakin-Smith and Freda Warrington.

To DISCOVER more, visit www.discover.co.uk

Tickets: Adults £45, Under 16s £40

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Adults £45
Under 16s £40

Oh, Whistle...

DRAMA

Two ghost stories by M R James

Performed by R M Lloyd Parry

Saturday 19th May, 8pm

'Lloyd Parry catches the sense of dread that gives James his originality' The Times

M R James is acknowledged as the master of the English Ghost Story. Now Nunkie Theatre Company have brought two of these unforgettable spinechillers back to life.

Oh, Whistle, and I'll Come to You, My Lad is a tale of nocturnal horror on the Suffolk coast plus The Ash Tree, a story of witchcraft and vengeance down the generations.

Tickets: £10, £5 for Discovery Festival ticket holders

www.nunkie.co.uk



Nick Toczek

DRAMA

Saturday 26th May

Performances

12.30pm & 3.30pm,

Workshop 2pm

Writer and entertainer, Nick Toczek, presents his wonderful one-man show in which he chats and jokes, performs his snappy poems, does brilliantly baffling magic tricks, tells and acts out fantastic tales, and introduces you to some of his wild and wilful puppets... all at breakneck speed. Join in and enjoy it... OR ELSE!

Tickets: Adults £4, Under 16s £2.50, Family of 4 £10

Workshop: Adults £2, Under 16s £1, Family of 4 £5
Booking essential - places limited

TICKETS
FAMILY OF 4
£10
TICKETS
Adults £4
Under 16s £2.50

Ann Duggan

MUSIC

Band

Saturday 9th June, 7.30pm

Ann Duggan will take you on a magical journey in a musical celebration of songs made famous by some of the most influential female artists of our time, includes the music of Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday, Patsy Cline, Janis Joplin, Gladys Knight, Emmylou Harris, Dolly Parton and Eva Cassidy.

Tickets: Advance £6, Door £8

TICKETS
Advance £6
Door £8



Heartbreak Productions Presents

Much Ado About Nothing

by William Shakespeare

Sunday 24th June, 7pm

Amid a flurry of airforce uniforms, a whirlwind of wartime song and dance, Heartbreak's sexy, sunny 1940s adaptation of Shakespeare's comedy is full of sparkling merriment and positively soars along as one



set of lovers battle against dirty tricks, and another simply battle each other!

Dynamic, poignant and ultimately

hilarious, this production guarantees audiences will be filling the skies with roars of laughter.

Tickets: Adults £12, Children £6

TICKETS
Adults £12
Children £6

Outdoor performances! These shows will go on whatever the weather so please bring appropriate clothing for rain or a chilly evening. Bring blankets/cushions or seats and your own picnic. Refreshments will also be on sale in the theatre.

Century Theatre

EVENT

Oscars Night

Sunday 1st July, 7.30pm

Come dressed to celebrate our very own Oscars ceremony featuring live music, quiz, raffle and refreshments. Be sure to vote for your favourite shows in the Spring/Summer programme – you could win a fabulous prize!

Tickets: £10 including supper. Fundraiser for the Century Theatre.

TICKETS
£10

Charnwood Symphonic

MUSIC

Wind Orchestra presents

Hooray for Hollywood

Sunday 8th July, 7.30pm

Join us for an evening of glitz and glamour as the Charnwood Symphonic Wind Orchestra guides us through the sounds of Tinsel Town's greatest hits. Including pieces from James Bond, The Sound of Music, Pirates of the Caribbean and Singing in the Rain, plus plenty more.

www.charnwoodconcertbands.co.uk

Tickets: £10. Fundraiser for the Century Theatre. Including light supper

TICKETS
£10





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Please email performingartscoalville@gmail.com
to:

- Join our mailing list to receive details about forthcoming performances
- Make a suggestion for future shows
- Get involved as a volunteer



A Century Goes By

2012 marks the 60th anniversary of the Century Theatre and to celebrate, Chorus Theatre, will be staging a specially written community play telling the story of this fascinating building.

We are looking for members of the community to participate in this exciting project. Opportunities include acting, singing, dancing, playing music, backstage or front of house support and prop making.

The project will commence in spring 2012 and the performance will take place at the Century Theatre in September 2012.

For more information or to register your interest in participating, please contact Chorus Theatre: andrew@chorustheatre.co.uk

The Century Youth Theatre Starting Soon!

Set your child on the path to stardom with the CYT.

Based in the famous Century Theatre your child will be following in the footsteps of acting legends such as Laurence Olivier, Judi Dench, Helen Mirren, Tom Courtney, Derek Fowlds and Eileen Derbyshire.

After school classes in drama, performing arts and stage craft for young people.

Little Stars: 4 – 7 years

Centurions: 8 – 18 years

Contact Tsвета for more details and a joining pack on:

07411 615011 (evenings only)

Or email: CYT2012@hotmail.co.uk



If you would like to receive a copy of this programme in large print please call 01530 278444

History of the Century Theatre

The Century Theatre is the largest item in the museum collections of Leicestershire County Council.

Built between 1948 and 1952 in Hinckley, this innovative structure could once be packed away into four trailers!

The theatre toured Britain until 1974 and was

used as the town theatre at Keswick in the Lake District until 1997. Then, thanks to support from the Heritage Lottery Fund, it was refurbished and brought home to Leicestershire.

Many famous actors, playwrights and authors have had links to the theatre and it still offers a unique home for the arts for the people of Leicestershire.