

CURRENTS?

Summer Showcase Late

Friday 21 June

Ground floor

The Reading Room

'Cat' café

Project Soothe is on a mission to find out what kind of photographs help us to relax. So if you spend hours looking at photos of animals, this robo-cat café is for you! Drink cat-themed cocktails, discuss what photos make you happy, or take a selfie for the project. What meow could you want?

6:30–9:00pm

The Waiting Room

Balamii Radio feat Wussah

DJ set

6:30–9:00pm

The Garden

Reinventing literature

How are writers redefining literature for YA audiences? From fairy tales to political fiction, we ask award-winning author Nikesh Shukla and leading poet Nikita Gill to discuss how reinvention, modern re-tellings and fresh perspectives are empowering a new generation of readers.

6:45–7:45pm

Nelson & Friends

Wind down with a performance by London-based Afro-fusion collective Nelson & Friends, serving a soulful blend of native Mozambique music, jazz and funk.

8:15–9:00pm

Experience an evening of performances, live music, DJ sets and talks at a special late-night view of our Summer Showcase. Drop in to explore the exhibits, listen to spoken-word poetry or simply relax with a cocktail at our themed bar.

First floor

The Wolfson Room

Anti-suffrage waxworks

Join performer and suffrage historian Naomi Paxton for a special demonstration of an Edwardian parlour entertainment, featuring six exceedingly life-like figures with hidden clockwork mechanisms inside. Come and be amused by the delightful anti-suffrage waxworks!

7:00–7:20pm & 8:00–8:20pm

The Council Room

Period poetry

Join poet and activist Jaspreet Kaur, founder of the Behind the Netra blog and YouTube channel, in a spoken-word exploration of period poverty and stigma.

7:20–7:30pm & 7:45–7:55pm

The Gallery

Neolithic nibbles

Channel your inner hunter-gatherer and taste your way back to BCE with our limited-edition prehistoric treats. A taste of history, brought to you by food historian and artist Tasha Marks, founder of AVM Curiosities.

6:30–9:00pm

FREE, DROP IN

All activities are on a first come, first served basis.



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