

Regular Classes for Adults

Book classes before the season starts and take advantage of our early bird offer and save £10!

Our weekly classes run for 10 weeks at a time. Spring Term begins week of Monday 20 January with half term week from 17 February.

Printmaking
Mondays, 6.30pm-9pm. £22.3.
Explore a variety of print processes to create your own print. 20 Jan-31 Mar.

Life Drawing
Jan 21-Apr 1. Tuesdays, 7pm-9pm. £22.0.
Two classes. Tuesdays, 1.30-3.30pm. £22.0.
Learn technical aspects of drawing such as proportion and scale, treatment of light. This course is for anyone who wants to express themselves through paint but lacks the confidence to give it a go or develop their technique.

Learn to Paint (Beginners)
Jan 21-Apr 1. Tuesdays, 1.30-3.30pm. £22.0.
Two classes. Tuesdays, 10.30am-12.30pm. £11.0.
In a calm and friendly environment, further your skills and learn more drawing techniques, with this class comprised of five weeks of still life and five weeks of portraiture.

Drawing with Pencil (Intermediate)
Jan 21-Apr 1. Tuesdays, 10.30am-12.30pm. £11.0.
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Chinese Brush Painting
Sat 1 Feb-4pm, 15 Feb-14pm, 22 Feb-2.5pm.
Learn to paint in the traditional Chinese style using brushes, paper, ink, and watercolours.

Acting (Beginners)
Jan 21-Apr 1. Tuesdays, 7pm-8.30pm. £10.8.
Share your passion for drama with like-minded people. You will explore a variety of performance skills, gain confidence, and learn about the fundamentals of acting.

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Yoga
Mondays, 6.30pm-7.30pm. £10.2.
A fusion of yoga and Pilates, and an opportunity to nourish the mind and condition the body.

Tap (Beginners)
Jan 22-Apr 2. Wednesdays, 6pm-6.45pm. £10.2.
These classes will focus on building confidence and technique. Options will be given to suit your experience level so everyone can learn at their own pace.

Tap (Intermediate)
Jan 22-Apr 2. Wednesdays, 7pm-7.45pm. £10.2.
Practice footwork and rhythm and move on to travelling phrases and a routine which will build up throughout the term.

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This class goes on for two terms. An amateur performance group for actors, costume makers, stage managers, and props-makers, join us for friendly fun and creativity as we work towards a production.

Ballet
Jan 22-Apr 2. Wednesdays, 8pm-9pm. £10.2.
A relaxed and fun class for those who want to try ballet for the first time and those who are familiar with ballet and looking to improve their skills.

Pilates
Jan 23-Apr 3. Thursdays, 1pm-2pm. £10.2. Jan 23-Apr 3. Thursdays, 7pm-8.30pm. £10.8.
This blend of strength and flexibility-controlled exercises improves posture, reduces stress and creates lean muscles to help the body move efficiently.

Workshops for Children

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Art Buffet
Monthly on Saturdays, 10.30am-12.30pm. £10 for 1 session or £36 for all 4.
25 Jan, 22 Feb, 22 Mar, 26 Apr.

Workshops for Children & Young People
19 Feb, 11am-12pm. £8.
Choose from our rainbow of art materials to create a special piece of wall art to add your favourite photos to.

Decorate Your Own Photo Frame
Sat 8 Mar, 11am-2pm. FREE.
Celebrate the women in your life! Drop in to our crafting table and create some post to send to someone special to you.

Drop in International Women's Day Workshop (Send Some Love!)
Sat 8 Mar, 11am-2pm. FREE.
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Make Your Own Cardboard Creature
Wed 9 Apr, 11am-12pm. £8.
Dive into our mountain of cardboard and create your own creature! Will they be magical? Will they be mythical? The choice is yours!

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Mess Makers
School years 1-6. Wednesdays, 4.30pm-5.30pm. £7.0.
This class gives your pint-sized Picasso a chance to explore their creativity, without you having to worry about clearing up the mess afterwards!

Art Club for Teens
Monthly on Saturdays, 10-11.30am. £8 a session or £30 for all 4. 18 Jan, 8 Feb, 8 Mar, 5 Apr.
We will be looking at the subject of food and how artists document this in their work. We will use drawing, painting and collage techniques.

Youth Theatre
Tuesdays, 4.15pm-5.15pm. £7.0. School years 1-6. Jan 21-Apr 1. Thursdays, 4.30pm-6pm. £8.5. School years 7+. Jan 23-Apr 3.
This fun and engaging class explores various theatre techniques to help children and young people of all abilities to develop their artistic, personal and social skills.

Levels 1 and 2
Tuesdays, 5.30pm-6.30pm. £11.0. Jan 21-Apr 1. Levels 3 and 4. Tuesdays, 6.15pm-7.15pm. £11.0. Jan 23-Apr 3.
Training in acting, verse and prose, or public speaking. Students work towards annual LAMDA examinations in a playful, supportive group.

Street Dance
Sat 10 Feb, 10.30-11.15am. £6.5. School years 4-6. Sat 11 Feb, 11.30am-12.30pm. £7.0. School years 7-9. Jan 25-Apr 5.
From experienced dancers to those wanting to try something new, this energetic and physical dance class welcomes everyone!

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NOURISH café bar




Opening Times
Times vary on show days
Mon-Thu: 10am-4.30pm
Fri-Sat: 10am-6pm
Sun: Closed (or 11am-4pm on show days)

Whether you're visiting Cornerstone to see a show, take part in a class or catching up with friends and family you can enjoy a great range of drinks and tasty treats in the Nourish Café.
All locally sourced ingredients and service from our friendly team.




SEE OUR FULL MENU HERE

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Whether you're into comedy, classes or culture, Cornerstone Arts Centre will put a spring in your step!



WHAT'S ON

SPRING 2025

January - April



CORNERSTONE
DIDCOT ARTS ENTERTAINMENT CULTURE
Box Office 01235 515144 cornerstone@southoxon.gov.uk cornerstone-arts.org

Your Visit

Our box office is open 10am-4.30pm (6pm Fri/Sat).
Customers can leave us a message if their call isn't answered. Or email us on cornerstone@southoxon.gov.uk



How to book

For all the latest information on shows, workshops and classes, or to book tickets, visit our website cornerstone-arts.org drop by in person or call the Box Office on 01235 515144.

Our building is fully accessible

for visitors with wheelchairs; we have a lift to all floors, spaces for wheelchairs in the auditorium, accessible toilets on all floors and a Changing Places toilet onsite.



STAGE



Finding us

Cornerstone is located in Didcot's town square.

- 8-minute walk from Didcot Parkway train station.
- 1-minute walk from Orchard Centre car park.
- There are also four bus stops within walking distance.

Disabled parking is available in the Orchard Centre car park next to Sainsbury's, in front of PureGym on Broadway and in Edinburgh Drive car park.



LIVE SHOWS

JANUARY

The Elton John Show

Fri 24 7.30pm £26 | Members £20.80
Concessions £23.40

Music
The Rocket Man is back! Experience the UK's ultimate Elton John tribute live on stage. From Tiny Dancer to Your Song, watch "Young Elton" at his energetic best.



FEBRUARY

Didcot Concert Orchestra

Sun 9 4pm £16 | Concessions £13
Under 16 £9

Music
Tuneful and depictive music, with Tchaikovsky's immortal Nutcracker ballet and Henry Hadley's masterful symphonic poem Ocean. Dvorak describes the evil Noon Witch and Suk describes atmospherically his home city Prague.



Anti-Valentine's Cabaret

Thu 13 7.30pm £18 | Members £14.40
Concessions £16.20

Comedy
A glittering evening of cabaret, full of lip-syncing, striptease, and comedy! Wherever you're hopelessly in love or living your best single life, we've got the show for you this season.



James Phelan: The Dreamer

Sat 15 7.30pm £29 | Members £23.20
Concessions £26.10
VIP ticket £39

Family
A dazzling five-star-rated magic show from the magician most infamous for jamming the BBC switchboard after correctly predicting the lottery. This breath-taking show will leave you dizzy with disbelief.

For more details about the VIP ticket please see our website.



Spiers & Boden

Thu 20 7.30pm £23

Music
Described by The Guardian as 'the finest instrumental duo on the traditional scene', this award-winning folk duo are paying us a visit on their 2025 tour.



The Magic of the Bee Gees

Sat 22 7.30pm £30 | Members £24
Concessions £27

Music
With a brand-new show, complete with stunning light and video show, experience the distinct sound of one of the greatest bands to have graced the stage in this unforgettable concert.



Sherlock Holmes: The Last Act!

Thu 27 7.30pm £16 | Members £12.80
Concessions £14.40

Theatre
The year is 1916. Drawn from retirement for the funeral of his friend, Dr Watson, Holmes returns to Baker Street to resolve 'the last act' of his epic career.



Fleetwood Shack

Fri 28 7.30pm £23 | Members £18.40
Concessions £20.70

Music
This band is comprised of highly skilled and enthusiastic musicians who have joined forces to pay homage to one of the most iconic bands in music history, Fleetwood Mac.



LIVE SHOWS

MARCH

NT Live:

The Importance of Being Earnest

Thu 6 7.30pm £15 | Members £12
Concessions £13.50

Comedy Theatre
Olivier Award-winner Sharon D Clarke is joined by Ncuti Gatwa (Doctor Who; Sex Education) in this joyful reimaging of Oscar Wilde's most celebrated comedy, filmed live from the National Theatre.

Keep an eye on our website for more NTLive productions this spring.

Alyssa Kyria: The Funny Mummy

Sat 8 7.30pm £16 | Members £12.80
Concessions £14.40

Comedy
A hilarious one woman comedy show, all about the bonkers world of parenting. From pregnancy to playdates, WhatsApp groups to school runs - perfect for parents in need of a laugh!



Primary School Assembly Bangers Live!

Fri 14 7.30pm £20 | Members £16
Concessions £18

Music Comedy
Join James Partridge for an evening of nostalgia, with joyous singalong tunes to take you back to your Primary School days and hilarious reflections on growing up in the 90s.



SPLASH!

Sat 15 10.30am, 12pm, 1.30pm, 3pm £9

Family
An interactive performance installation which uses dance and painted and projected artworks to explore our relationship with water. Evocative, playful, and educational, the show is perfect for children aged 2-8.



The Picture of Dorian Gray

Thu 20 7.30pm £16 | Members £12.80
Concessions £14.40

Theatre
Oscar Wilde's haunting story of evil, debauchery and scandal is brought to life by Box Tale Soup, featuring puppetry and a powerful original soundtrack.



Aureus Creative and Expressive Showcase

Fri 21 7pm £10 | Concessions £7

Theatre
Aureus School is delighted to invite you to this showcase from their Arts Faculty, including fantastic dance performances, the brilliant voices of Aureus choir, and displays of artwork.



Thank You For The Music - The Ultimate Tribute to ABBA

Sat 29 7.30pm £30 | Members £24
Concessions £27

Music
Calling all Dancing Queens, this is your night! This international smash-hit tribute show brings all ABBA's number one hits to the stage in a production like no other.



LIVE SHOWS

APRIL

Stories of a Watersprite

Sun 13 11am & 2pm £10 | Family Ticket (4 people) £35

Family
Stories of a Watersprite is a relaxed performance for young audiences which uses dance, storytelling and puppetry to explore the world of this playful mythical figure.



Far From the Madding Crowd

Wed 16 7.30pm £21 | Members £16.80
Concessions £18.90

Theatre
Thomas Hardy's masterpiece about love, class and gender roles is set against the rural landscape of Victorian England and is thrillingly brought to life in a new adaptation.



BYOB - Bring Your Own Baby

Thu 24 12pm £15 | Members £12
Concessions £13.50

Family Comedy
Join us for an afternoon of hilarious comedy, where you can relax and have a good laugh at the best comedians in the UK, without needing childcare! Please note there is a 15-month age limit for your little laughers, as the comedians will be performing grown-up jokes!



Gallery Exhibitions

TIM COLLARD: SOCIALLY DISTANCED

Tue 14 Jan - Sat 1 Mar

Tim Collard's work primarily consists of abstract collages and sculpture, exploring his identity and place in the world. Since the pandemic hit in 2020, his fascination with the depiction of the human form began to re-emerge unexpectedly and tentatively within his work, particularly in the 'Socially Distanced' series.



USHA DAPUR KAR: FRAGMENTS FROM MY OTHER LIFE

Tue 4 Mar - Sat 26 Apr

Usha Dapur Kar was born and raised in north London. Her distant grandmother had asked her parents to send her to India, so she could raise Usha herself, but to no avail. Occasionally, she wondered how different her life would have been. Usha Dapur Kar returns to Cornerstone with this new work exploring the juxtaposition of a life lived and a life imagined, through the eyes of a child.

IN OUR MAIN BOX OFFICE AREA, WE HAVE BEAUTIFUL CRAFTS ON OFFER, DISPLAYED IN OUR CRAFT BOXES.

These are all made by local artists - some of whom have also exhibited in our gallery space - with new exhibitors showing and giving you the chance to purchase their work regularly. Jewellery, pottery, fashion and other unique designs are on offer in an ever-changing display.

Are you interested in exhibiting in our gallery or selling your crafts through our venue? Contact us at cornerstone@southoxon.gov.uk to find out more.

NOURISH Music Nights

Our FREE Café Music Sessions

are open to everyone. More details about the acts and the Open Mic Nights including the dates can be found on our website.

Friday Night Music 5-7pm

Start your weekend wind down with music and a drink at Nourish café. There's no need to book, just grab a table, some drinks and your friends and relax to one of our fabulous acts including:



Fleur Stevenson & Hugh Turner

No booking necessary to see this incomparable jazz duo and Cornerstone favourites Fleur Stevenson and Hugh Turner for a chilled Friday evening of Jazz.

Billy Watman

Billy is an award-winning Anglo-Brazilian instrumental guitarist inspired by Rodrigo y Gabriela, Tommy Emmanuel & Mike Oldfield - his style fuses across the genres of Flamenco, Classical and Fingerstyle Acoustic.



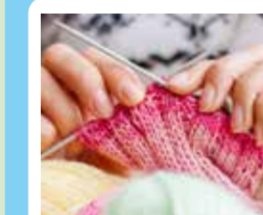
Open Mic Nights

Join us for your free monthly fix of musical talent at Cornerstone's Open Mic Night! We host a variety of local artists from all genres in this intimate setting. A delightful evening for performers and music lovers alike!

Monthly on Tuesday evenings from 7.30pm-9.30pm.

Community Groups

Study



Knitting Group

Every Monday excluding first Monday of the month
10.30am-12.30pm

A friendly knitting and crochet group, we work on our own projects, swap ideas and chat.

MyVision Coffee Morning

Monthly on Wednesdays
1pm-2pm

This is a great way to meet other visually impaired members from around the local areas.



Age UK Bereavement Support Service

Second and Fourth Thursday of the month
1.20pm-2.30pm

Places are limited and need to be booked. Second Thursday every month 1.30pm-2.30pm

Kate Hart
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Fourth Thursday every month 1.30pm-2.30pm
Rachel Dawson
racheldawson@ageukoxfordshire.org.uk 07827 235428

Fruitcakes

Second Saturday of the month
2pm-4pm

This is a safe space for anyone in the LGBTQ+ community to have coffee, eat cake, meet new people and make new friends.



LGBTQ+ Didcot Silver Pride

Forth Friday of the month
11am-12pm

A safe, welcoming group for older members of the LGBTQ+ community to meet and make friends over coffee and cake.

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Gaynor Williams gaynorwilliams@ageukoxfordshire.org.uk 07785 425601

Groups are subject to change and availability is not guaranteed