Summer Holiday Programme 2025

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Monday 28th July

MUSIC

Prepare to Play! Brass

Monday 28/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-9yrs

Tutor: Ana Perez, £78

Prepare to Play! in this all-day Brass music class. Designed specially for both those who have completed our year-long Roundabout course, and also complete beginners who are coming to the instrument for the very first time, this class is the perfect way to get to know an instrument and prepare for our year-long Play! course, starting in September. Led by your expert tutor, this is a fun day filled with musical exercises, some music theory, and of course lots of playing! You'll learn the basics of the pBuzz and pTrumpet, setting you up perfectly for a year of further learning. Instruments will be provided.

Prepare to Play! Piano

Monday 28/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-9yrs

Tutor: Eleanor Thompson, £78

Prepare to Play! in this all-day Piano music class. Designed specially for both those who have completed our year-long Roundabout course, and also complete beginners who are coming to the instrument for the very first time, this class is the perfect way to get to know an instrument and prepare for our year-long Play! course, starting in September. Led by your expert tutor, this is a fun day filled with musical exercises, some music theory, and of course lots of playing! You'll learn the basics of the piano, setting you up perfectly for a year of further learning. Instruments will be provided.



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Uke & You!

Monday 28/07/2025, 10.30 - 12.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Russell Harris, £27

Have you ever picked up a ukulele? Come to the Conservatoire to get started on the right note! Join us on this fun-filled introduction to the instrument, perfect for young musicians who are just starting their musical journey. In this two-hour course you will learn to play your first song and have fun making music with others. Young participants will learn the basics of this beginner-friendly instrument, under the guidance of our fantastic tutors. All levels are welcome! You can bring your own instrument or borrow one of ours for the session. Come along to find out what's in store for uke and you!

ART

Let's Visit the Bahamas!

Monday 28/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Lilly Walker, £78

It's time to explore the bright blue ocean of the Bahamas! Let's visit our underwater friends who are native to the Bahamas, like the nurse shark, the green sea turtle, guppies and groupers and tiny dwarf seahorses. We will be 'painting' our ocean scenes with felt, using thread, needles and other mediums to create our tactile images. Come along to explore this textile medium and all of the inspiration that the ocean gives us.

Groovy Californian Tie Dye

Monday 28/07/2025,09.30 - 16.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Tash Mok. £78

Learn how to tie dye using natural and synthetic dyes, creating groovy patterns and colours. First, we will develop new skills using different tying techniques to create a range of patterns. Then transferring what we've learnt onto t-shirts, tote bags and bandanas. Design your own range of Californian inspired tie dye outfits that you can wear and show off this summer!

Tuesday 29th July



Prepare to Play! Strings

Tuesday 29/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-9yrs

Tutor: Ivan Illingworth, £78

Prepare to Play! in this all-day Strings music class. Designed specially for both those who have completed our year-long Roundabout course, and also complete beginners who are coming to the instrument for the very first time, this class is the perfect way to get to know an instrument and prepare for our year-long Play! course, starting in September. Led by your expert tutor, this is a fun day filled with musical exercises, some music theory, and of course lots of playing! You'll learn the basics of the violin, and experiment with trying out a cello, setting you up perfectly for a year of further learning. Instruments will be provided.

Prepare to Play! Flute

Tuesday 29/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-9yrs

Tutor: Victoria Heath, £78

Prepare to Play! in this all-day Flute music class. Designed specially for both those who have completed our year-long Roundabout course, and also complete beginners who are coming to the instrument for the very first time, this class is the perfect way to get to know an instrument and prepare for our year-long Play! course, starting in September. Led by your expert tutor, this is a fun day filled with musical exercises, some music theory, and of course lots of playing! You'll learn the basics of the flute, setting you up perfectly for a year of further learning. Instruments will be provided.

Uke & You!

Tuesday 29/07/2025, 10.30 - 12.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Russell Harris, £27

See previous listing for details.

Let's Travel: Collaging, Monoprinting & Scrapbooking

Tuesday 29/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Catherine Walker, £78

Collaging, scrapbooking and monoprinting with archive family photos and holiday pictures, creating a piece documenting your favourite place (or time!). Students will look at old family holiday photos, archive material and magazines to consider how we've spent our free time in the past!

Students will use family photos with magazine collage techniques to understand composition, creating a scrapbooked image of their favourite places, times and destinations. From this, students will learn how to create a layered monoprint from their collages. Students will use textured materials to conjure their dream destination/environment and will come away with several outcomes documenting their travel wishes!

Travel Journals with David Hockney

Tuesday 29/07/2025, 09.30 - 13.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Nicola Corrigan, £54

Come along to this half-day art class at the Conservatoire to make your very own travel journal for your summer holidays! You'll use beautiful pen and ink drawings and watercolours to decorate your journal. You'll also use collaged materials, old maps and travel souvenirs to create a travel memory box, inspired by the photographic collages of artist David Hockney. Finally, you'll design a map in Hockney's style, inspired by some travel-themed prompts. Come along to our afternoon session as well to continue your crafty day inspired by Hockney.

Designing & Drawing with Hockney

Tuesday 29/07/2025, 14.30 - 18.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Nicola Corrigan, £54

Come along to this half-day art class at the Conservatoire to continue your crafty day inspired by David Hockney, a British painter and photographer known for his realistic and colourful depictions of light and nature. In this art class you'll cover many disciplines, including designing and creating your own backpack, taking inspiration from adventures in world travel and works by Hockney. You'll work on your drawing, collaging and painting skills, using mixed media to create a multi-layered artwork inspired by your favourite destinations. Join us in the morning too for a full day of arts and crafts.

Wednesday 30th July

MUSIC

Pop Choir Day

Wednesday 30/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 7-12yrs

Tutors: Carla Jourdan & Ryan Morgan, £78

Come along to the Conservatoire for our popular all day Pop Choir! Inspired by our popular summer weekly Pop Choir, this full day is a chance for young singers to increase their skills and their confidence, getting to know their instrument - their voice!

Run by Conservatoire voice tutor Carla and our choir leader Ryan, this is a fun day filled with voice exercises, some music theory, and of course lots of singing! You'll learn fun songs which you will get to perform at the end of the day. This class is perfect for beginner singers as well as anyone currently learning with us in Tuition or one of our popular choirs.

Friends and family are welcome to a performance at 4pm where the choir will showcase their new skills! This short concert will take place in the Conservatoire garden (British summer weather permitting).

ART

Let's Visit India!

Wednesday 30/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Fiona Berry, £78

Let's travel to India... without leaving South East London! Inspired by India's vivid colours and vibrant spiritualism, we will sculpt our own amulets and votives, make paper garlands, and paint icons to create our offerings. You'll feel like you have explored this incredible country through it's many different art forms and cultures, and take some beautiful art to take home as a travel souvenir!

Mexican Sugar Skulls

Wednesday 30/07/2025, 10.00 - 13.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

The Mexican feast of Día de los Muertos is a beautiful, colourful celebration which spills out into the streets. To transport ourselves to Mexico we will make some salt dough, and use it to sculpt a skull based on Mexican sugar skulls. Then, we will decorate them with beads and paints. What colours will you use?

Miró Masterpiece

Wednesday 30/07/2025, 14.00 - 17.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

Joan Miró was a Catalan artist, painter and sculptor. He used bright primary colours with abstract black lines and a distinctive style. We will create our own abstract paintings in his signature style and make a sculpture in the style of Miro's work. Which colours will you explore?

Thursday 31st July

MUSIC

Prepare to Play! Guitar

Thursday 31/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-9yrs

Tutor: Ben Kempner, £78

Prepare to Play! in this all-day Guitar music class. Designed specially for both those who have completed our year-long Roundabout course, and also complete beginners who are coming to the instrument for the very first time, this class is the perfect way to get to know an instrument and prepare for our year-long Play! course, starting in September. Led by your expert tutor, this is a fun day filled with musical exercises, some music theory, and of course lots of playing! You'll learn the basics of the guitar, setting you up perfectly for a year of further learning. Instruments will be provided.

ART

Let's Visit Turkey!

Thursday 31/07/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Lilly Walker, £78

The Cappadocia Hot Air Balloon Festival in Turkey is an annual event held in the Cappadocia region, renowned for its unique "fairy chimney" landscapes. It typically takes place in August, attracting visitors from around the world to experience the spectacle of hot air balloons against the backdrop of Cappadocia's stunning scenery. We'll join in the festival from afar by designing and building our own papier maché hot air balloons! We'll use balloons, paper, card, tissue paper, rope and other materials to create our beautiful mini balloons. You'll be able to take your balloon home to hang in a corner of your home – you can imagine that you are floating in Cappadocia!



Marvellous Maps & Terrific Travel

Thursday 31/07/2025, 09.30 - 11.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

How do you travel to your holiday destination? By scooter, by bike, by plane or in a camper van? Perhaps you have travelled by boat! Together in our workshop we will look at all of these different vehicles and construct a group map all together, using construction materials to represent far-away lands from our imagination. We will use collage, drawing, glue and junk modelling materials to create our exciting landscape, and together we will decide how we get there!

Print Your Own Postcards

Thursday 31/07/2025, 12.30 - 14.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

When we go on holiday we like to send postcards back to friends and family. They often have pictures of the places we go on them – beaches, mountains, or cities. We will use different printing methods to create our own personalised postcard. We can also create our own stamp. Who will you send your postcard to?

Painting the Taj Mahal

Thursday 31/07/2025, 15.30 - 17.30, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

It is one of the modern wonders of the world - the awe inspiring Taj Mahal in India! Using hot and cold colours of bleeding tissue paper, we will create our own image of the famous Taj Mahal, one of the most recognisable buildings in the world.

Friday 1st August

MUSIC

Prepare to Play! Percussion

Friday 01/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-9yrs

Tutor: Lyle Sauer, £78

Prepare to Play! in this all-day Percussion music class. Designed specially for both those who have completed our year-long Roundabout course, and also complete beginners who are coming to the instrument for the very first time, this class is the perfect way to get to know an instrument and prepare for our year-long Play! course, starting in September. Led by your expert tutor, this is a fun day filled with musical exercises, some music theory, and of course lots of playing! You'll learn the basics of the djembe, glockenspiel, and even give a full drum kit a go,

setting you up perfectly for a year of further learning. Instruments will be provided.

ART

Decorating with Elephants

Friday 01/08/2025, 10.00 - 13.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

There is an exhibition on at the British Museum throughout the summer, all about Ancient India. Inspired by this fantastic exhibition, we will look together at the incredible Indian Elephant! Elephants have always been highly revered and treasured in Indian culture. We will paint one on a fabric bag and decorate it with patterns inspired by Indian printing. You can take your bag home and fill it with your own treasures!

Ancient Indian Portraits

Friday 01/08/2025, 14.00 - 17.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

Looking at the British Museum exhibition on Ancient India, we will study the stylised portraits of that time and place. We will draw ourselves in profile and paint in beautiful colours, accentuating our features and decorating our hair and clothes, as well as creating a stylised background. How will you transform yourself?

Origami Cranes & Crafty Decorations

Friday 01/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Yukako Shibata, £78

Dive into the colourful world of Japanese paper craft in this fun and hands-on origami workshop! You'll learn how to fold the iconic origami crane — a symbol of peace, love, health, and good luck in Japanese culture. Then, we'll explore creative ways to turn your creations into special greeting cards, garlands, and even your own fairy light decorations.

You'll be guided step by step and practise your folding skills throughout the day, discovering how simple paper can be transformed into beautiful, meaningful creations. There's plenty of room to express your creativity while learning origami basics and techniques. Origami helps build focus and calm — and it's fun too! By the end of the day, you'll take home handmade crafts to treasure or gift to someone special.

The Conservatoire are delighted to be working for the first time with local artist Yukako Shibata. Yukako was born in Hokkaido, Japan, and has lived and worked in London since 1993. Read more in the Adult Course section.



"STORIES, SONGS & SCREEN"



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Monday 4th August

WEEK-LONG MUSIC COURSE

Make a Musical!

Monday to Friday, 04/08/2025 to 08/08/2025, 10.00 - 17.00, 8-14vrs

Tutors: Jenna Innes & Corrine Priest, £390

Come and join two West End performers for a 5-day musical theatre workshop learning songs and scenes from top West End & Broadway shows. You will work together with Jenna and Corrine who have performed in hits like Les Misérables, Heathers The Musical, and Sister Act. You will improve your vocal and singing technique, learn new improvisation and acting techniques, and best of all you will put on your own short compilation musical at the end of the five days! Better start warming up now. This course mixes a huge dollop of fun in with all the hard work – but please come prepared to act/sing/dance your socks off and give it your all!

Please note that this course takes place offsite at the Quaker Meeting House in Blackheath, more information on booking. We are delighted that the final performance will be taking place next door at the prestigious Blackheath Halls, in their Hearn Recital Room.

MUSIC

Uke & You!

Monday 04/08/2025, 10.30 - 12.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Russell Harris, £27

See previous listing for details.

ART

Story Explorers: Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone

Monday 04/08/2025, 09.30 - 13.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Clare Kendall, £54

Create your own spell book inspired by the first book in the Harry Potter series by J.K Rowling! We will explore marbling and paper aging techniques, collage and found materials to make our books look as old as Dumbledore himself. To stay inspired we'll listen to music by John Williams from the original film series.

Story Explorers: Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets

Monday 04/08/2025, 14.00 - 18.00, 6-12vrs

Tutor: Clare Kendall, £54

Inspired by the second book in the Harry Potter series, we'll be making our own wands from found materials such as wood, glass beads, string and glue and brushing up on our potion brewing skills. Make and take home a vial of polyjuice potion or Wolfsbane tonic to keep those werewolves at bay!

Colours Of The Ocean With The Octonauts

Monday 04/08/2025, 09.30 - 11.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

Inspired by the Octonauts, we will travel underwater in search of adventure and fun! We will make our own underwater craft, and our favourite octonaut in puppets. Look at all the exotic fish and bright colours of the coral reef! We'll use inks and bright colours to convey our watery scene.

Mark Making with the Lion King

Monday 04/08/2025, 12.30 - 14.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

Let's explore mark making and colours! Inspired by the very popular hit stage show 'The Lion King', we will create our own lion headresses, and thinking of the image of the lion standing on a rock surveying his kingdom, we'll paint that iconic image. Hakuna matata everybody!

Please Look After This Bear, Thank You

Monday 04/08/2025, 15.30 - 17.30, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

Inspired by the wonderful 'Paddington' series by Michael Bond, in this returning sell-out art class we will explore the exciting world of that famous bear! We'll need a suitcase with a travel tag on it, a red hat, some marmalade sandwiches... what else does Paddington take on his travels?

Tuesday 5th August

ART

Let's Visit Oz!

Tuesday 05/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Lilly Walker, £78

It's time to head somewhere over the rainbow for this all-day class based on the classic 1939 film 'The Wizard of Oz', starring Judy Garland! Under the guidance of your tutor Lilly you will create a beautiful 3D model using card, paint, and plaster of paris, making your very own version of the sparkling Emerald City! You will add each of the famous characters who have travelled on the yellow brick road to get there... will they get to meet the wizard?

MUSIC

Uke & You!

Tuesday 05/08/2025, 10.30 - 12.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Russell Harris, £27

See previous listing for details.

ART

The Collage of Oz

Tuesday 05/08/2025, 10.00 - 13.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

Inspired by the hit stage show 'Wicked', come along to the Conservatoire for some collage! Create yourself in collage as one of the main

characters from this famous story – will you be Elphaba or Glinda or The Wizard of Oz? We can use chalk pastels to create a backdrop and a collage of you in a variety of textiles. You can be dressed in a suit and tie or a flouncy dress! We can make a green face mask or a pointy hat to finish off your 'Ozian' look!

There's No Such Thing as a Gruffalo!

Tuesday 05/08/2025, 14.00 - 17.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

Inspired by the modern classic by local author Julia Donaldson, and the famous animations by Axel Scheffler, come to explore the world of The Gruffalo in this art class! These days we can find the Gruffalo on both stage and screen, as well as on the page. Who would you like to be in the story of The Gruffalo? We will illustrate the story ourselves. How will we make the texture of the Gruffalo's hairy fur, the slithering snake and the clever mouse?

Wed 6th August

ART

Story Explorers: Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban

Wednesday 06/08/2025, 09.30 - 13.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Clare Kendall, £54

In this class we'll be making our own copy of the Wizarding World's newspaper, the 'Daily Prophet'. Covering the twists and turns of events in this third book of Harry Potter, we'll produce illustrated articles on the escape of Sirius Black, the new appointment of teacher (and werewolf) Remus Lupin and the daring rescue of Buckbeak. We'll use techniques such as pen and ink drawing, image transfer, mono printing and photo collage.

Story Explorers: Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire

Wednesday 06/08/2025, 14.00 - 18.00, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Clare Kendall, £54

In this class we'll create our own Goblets of Fire using plaster, alongside a mini programme of events for the famous Triwizard Tournament. You will learn to illustrate how Harry and his contemporaries competed to steal dragon's eggs, rescue loved ones from the Black Lake and navigate the Triwizard maze.

Exploring Blue Hues with Bluey!

Wednesday 06/08/2025, 09.30 - 11.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

How do you think Bluey got his name? Come along to this class inspired by the popular Australian show 'Bluey', created by Joe Brumm and Ludo Studio. Let's do some colour mixing with paint and see how many blues we can mix. We can use them to create a simple Bluey painting on a canvas to take home and hang on the wall in your bedroom. We can also make a Bluey puppet so we can play out some of his adventures and stories ourselves!

You and Planet Smoo

Wednesday 06/08/2025, 12.30 - 14.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

The Smeds and The Smoos is on now at London's Lyric Theatre! Perhaps you have been to see it already? In this art class we will be inspired by the book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, and we will explore the ideas of aliens and space. We will design our own blue and pink aliens and a planet on which they can live!

Get 3D with Totoro

Wednesday 06/08/2025, 15.30 - 17.30, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

The style of Studio Ghibli films are immediately recognisable and famous the world over. 'My Neighbour Totoro' is currently on at the Gillian Lynne theatre in London. In this workshop we will learn how to draw our own simple version of the larger-than-life main characters, and make our own 3D Totoro as well as a succulent to take home.

Thursday 7th August

ART

Flip Portraits

Thursday 07/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Jonathan Huxley, £78

Ever wanted to create a self portrait but thought "I can't do that"? Well, we're here to tell you yes you can, with guaranteed success! Introducing the unique method of the Flip Portrait, taught by our fantastic visiting tutor Jonathan Huxley. We are delighted to have him at the Conservatoire again this summer! Using clever methods he will teach you how to conjure up magical self-portraits using acetate, photographs, Sharpies, and tissue paper... you'll create your

portraits with beautiful red carpet backgrounds, imagining yourself as a star of the silver screen! Everyone will go home with a unique finished work with their own lovely face at the centre.

Build Your Own Theatre Set

Thursday 07/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Lilly Walker, £78

Come along to this all-day art class at the Conservatoire to design your very own mini theatre set. Please bring along a shoe box to house your creation in! Perhaps you would like to be a writer and create your own story first, or perhaps you will dream up the perfect setting for your favourite story. Together we will use our imaginations and think carefully about all the details that our set needs, before carefully piecing it together in our boxes.

Friday 8th August

ART

Glass Painting

Friday 08/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Catherine Mills, £78

Let your imagination take flight in our colourful glass painting workshop! In this all-day creative session, young artists will learn how to paint London landscapes and skylines — like Greenwich Park, the City, and famous landmarks—on clear glass using safe, non-toxic acrylic paints. Participants will explore basic painting techniques, colour blending, and how to bring a scene to life through shapes and texture on glass—all while having tons of fun! The Conservatoire is delighted to be working for the first time with visiting tutor Catherine, who will guide you through your day of glass painting. You'll have a beautiful piece of art to take home!

Hollywood Collage & Drawing

Friday 08/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Paula Sanders, £78

Let's step back in time to the Golden Age of Hollywood! We will take inspiration from Maria Rivans' dynamic collage work featuring film stars of the past,combined with a wealth of fantastical imagery. We will develop our creative ideas to design and make a headdress or mask to explore a chosen character or theme, inspired by the stars of yesteryear. Alongside this, paintings with theatrical subject matter will enable us to observe gesture, pose, and costume which will support observational figure drawing towards the end of the session. Which starlet will you bring to life?

Monday 11th August

ART

Escape To the Clay Jungle

Monday 11/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Ellie Osborne, £78

We're escaping to the jungle! Spend the day in a tropical rainforest, where we will be making amazing clay animals. Learn how to shape clay to create your own favourite creature whether it be a jaguar, lemur, orangutan or toucan – let your imagination go wild. We will be decorating our creatures in bright colours to bring them to life. Discover the joy of shaping, molding, and detailing your clay creations under the guidance of an experienced instructor. Unleash your inner artist and let your imagination run wild in this immersive and unforgettable artistic journey!

Flutterby Butterfly

Monday 11/08/2025, 09.30 - 11.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

Have you seen lots of butterflies this summer? The Painted Lady, the Common Blue, and the Meadow Brown are all native to the UK. We can use drawing inks and watercolour paints on wet paper, and watch the colours swirl and mix to create some beautiful butterflies. We'll need to make some caterpillars too! What will you call your brand new type of butterfly?



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Hello Red Fox

Monday 11/08/2025, 12.30 - 14.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

'Hello Red Fox' is a book by Eric Carle, and it teaches children all about contrasting colours through the use of simple techniques. We will explore colour 'opposites' and show how red can turn green if you stare for long enough... just like magic! As well as Red Fox, we will also be introduced to Purple Butterfly, Orange Cat and White Dog with Black Spots – there are so many colourful characters to get to know! Come and join us for this fun morning workshop.

Wild Weaving

Monday 11/08/2025, 15.30 - 17.30, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

Did you know that the branches from the trees all around you can be used to make things? People weave all sorts of things; baskets, fences... even houses! Together in this class we will weave some beautiful art. Using a branch shaped like a divining rod (like people use to find water!) we will make a stick loom. We'll use wool, grasses, and other natural objects to weave our art on our loom. Let's have a look at the famous hungry caterpillar – they wove their way in and out of different fruits, cherry pies and even a lollipop!

CALENDAR

JULY

Sat 26	10.00 - 16.00	Summer Atelier Conservatoire	18+yrs
Sun 27	10.00 - 16.00	Summer Atelier Conservatoire	18+yrs
Mon 28	09.30 - 16.30	Prepare to Play! Brass	6-9yrs
Mon 28	09.30 - 16.30	Prepare to Play! Piano	6-9yrs
Mon 28	09.30 - 16.30	Let's Visit the Bahamas!	5-11yrs
Mon 28	09.30 - 16.30	Groovy Californian Tie Dye	6-12yrs
Mon 28	10.30 - 12.30	Uke & You!	3-5yrs
Mon 28	18.00 - 21.00	Painting a Portrait in Oils Using a Photograph	18+yrs
Tue 29	09.30 - 16.30	Prepare to Play! Strings	6-9yrs
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Wed 30	18.00 - 21.00	Make Your Own Resin Jewellery	18+yrs
Thu 31	09.30 - 16.30	Prepare to Play! Guitar	6-9yrs
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Thu 31	15.30 - 17.30	Painting the Taj Mahal	4-7yrs

AUGUST

Fri 1	09.30 - 16.30	Prepare to Play! Percussion	6-9yrs
Fri 1	09.30 - 16.30	Origami Cranes & Crafty Decorations	6-12yrs
Fri 1	10.00 - 13.00	Decorating with Elephants	4-7yrs
Fri 1	14.00 - 17.00	Ancient Indian Portraits	4-7yrs
Fri 1	18.00 - 21.00	Drink & Draw: Summer Series	18+yrs
Sat 2	10.00 - 16.00	Summer Atelier Conservatoire	18+yrs
Sun 3	10.00 - 16.00	Summer Atelier Conservatoire	18+yrs
Mon 4	09.30 - 13.30	Story Explorers: Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone	6-12yrs
Mon 4	09.30 - 11.30	Colours Of The Ocean With The Octonauts	3-5yrs
Mon 4	10.00 - 17.00	Make a Musical! (Mon-Fri)	8-14yrs
Mon 4	10.30 - 12.30	Uke & You!	3-5yrs
Mon 4	12.30 - 14.30	Mark Making with the Lion King	3-5yrs
Mon 4	14.00 - 18.00	Story Explorers: Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets	6-12yrs
Mon 4	15.30 - 17.30	Please Look After This Bear, Thank You	4-7yrs
Tue 5	09.30 - 16.30	Let's Visit Oz!	5-11yrs
Tue 5	10.00 - 13.00	The Collage of Oz	4-7yrs
Tue 5	10.30 - 12.30	Uke & You!	3-5yrs
Tue 5	14.00 - 17.00	There's No Such Thing as a Gruffalo!	4-7yrs
Tue 5	18.00 - 21.00	Beginning With Watercolour	18+yrs
Wed 6	09.30 - 13.30	Story Explorers: Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban	6-12yrs

Wed 6	09.30 - 11.30	Exploring Blue Hues with Bluey!	3-5yrs
Wed 6	12.30 - 14.30	You and Planet Smoo	3-5yrs
Wed 6	14.00 - 18.00	Story Explorers: Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire	6-12yrs
Wed 6	15.30 - 17.30	Get 3D with Totoro	4-7yrs
Thu 7	09.30 - 16.30	Flip Portraits	6-12yrs
Thu 7	09.30 - 16.30	Build Your Own Theatre Set	5-11yrs
Fri 8	09.30 - 16.30	Glass Painting	6-12yrs
Fri 8	09.30 - 16.30	Hollywood Collage & Drawing	5-11yrs
Fri 8	18.00 - 21.00	Drink & Draw: Summer Series	18+yrs
Mon 11	09.30 - 11.30	Flutterby Butterfly	3-5yrs
Mon 11	09.30 - 16.30	Escape To the Clay Jungle	6-12yrs
Mon 11	12.30 - 14.30	Hello Red Fox	3-5yrs
Mon 11	15.30 - 17.30	Wild Weaving	4-7yrs
Mon 11	18.00 - 21.00	Coil Pots: Historical Vases & Vessels	18+yrs
Tue 12	09.30 - 16.30	Draw, Paint, Sow & Grow	5-11yrs
Tue 12	10.30 - 12.30	Uke & You!	3-5yrs
Tue 12	10.00 - 13.00	Watercolour Vegetables	4-7yrs
Tue 12	14.00 - 17.00	Rock Pool Life	4-7yrs
Wed 13	09.30 - 16.30	Mixed Media & Printing: Summer Landscapes	5-11yrs
Wed 13	10.30 - 12.30	Uke & You!	3-5yrs
Wed 13	10.00 - 13.00	Our Planet from Space	4-7yrs
Wed 13	14.00 - 17.00	Crabby Creations	4-7yrs
Wed 13	18.00 - 21.00	Working with Ink	18+yrs
Thu 14	09.30 - 13.30	Make Your Own Resin Flower Jewellery I	6-12yrs
Thu 14	09.30 - 16.30	Sculpt Our Environment	5-11yrs
Thu 14	14.00 - 18.00	Make Your Own Resin Flower Jewellery II	6-12yrs
Fri 15	09.30 - 16.30	Pop Choir Day	7-12yrs
Fri 15	09.30 - 16.30	Plants & Puppets	5-11yrs
Fri 15	09.30 - 16.30	Recycled Still Life with Matisse	5-11yrs
Fri 15	18.00 - 21.00	Drink & Draw: Summer Series	18+yrs
Mon 18	09.30 - 11.30	My Mini National Gallery	3-5yrs
Mon 18	09.30 - 16.30	Designing Posters with William Blake	5-11yrs
Mon 18	10.30 - 12.30	Uke & You!	3-5yrs
Mon 18	12.30 - 14.30	Lunch in London	3-5yrs
Mon 18	15.30 - 17.30	The Secret Garden	4-7yrs
Tue 19	09.30 - 16.30	Screenprinting in the City	5-11yrs
Tue 19	10.00 - 13.00	Fold-Up London!	4-7yrs
Tue 19	14.00 - 17.00	Making My House	4-7yrs
Tue 19	18.00 - 21.00	The Art of Calm: Create an Origami Bouquet	18+yrs
Wed 20	09.30 - 11.30	London Zoo Masks	3-5yrs
Wed 20	09.30 - 16.30	Sketching London's Landmarks	5-11yrs
Wed 20	12.30 - 14.30	Pop-Up London!	3-5yrs
Wed 20	15.30 - 17.30	Chalk & Trees	4-7yrs
Thu 21	09.30 - 13.30	Illustrated Maps & Turner Inspiration	5-11yrs
Thu 21	09.30 - 16.30	Clay Mudlarking on the Thames	5-11yrs
Thu 21	14.00 - 18.00	Turner's T-Shirts & Postcards	5–11yrs
Fri 22	09.30 - 16.30	Making a Mini Theatre	5-11yrs
Fri 22	09.30 - 16.30	Wonderful Weaving	6-12yrs
Fri 22	18.00 - 21.00	Drink & Draw: Summer Series	18+yrs

Tuesday 12th August

MUSIC

Uke & You!

Tuesday 12/08/2025, 10.30 - 12.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Jay Hammond, £27

See previous listing for details.

ART

Draw, Paint, Sow & Grow

Tuesday 12/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Salina Gani, £78

This promises to be a fun-packed workshop, where we explore gardens with our pens and paintbrush, before getting our hands in soil to sow some seeds and propagate a plant. We start in the Conservatoire Garden, learning how to draw plants from observation before painting mini gardens onto pots. We will fill our pots with soil and sow some seeds and plants. Finally have some fun creating plant characters with their own story for a joyful finale. Skills explored include drawing from observation and imagination, gaining gardening knowledge and delighting in storytelling. You'll leave with a new plant to look after and instructions of how to keep it alive. Weather dependent, plans may change slightly if it rains!

Watercolour Vegetables

Tuesday 12/08/2025, 10.00 - 13.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

You can grow so many vegetables on our green planet! We will be looking at the work of Miroco Machiko, a young Japanese artist, in this fun afternoon workshop. We will use inks and watercolours to reproduce one of her works of vegetables growing beautifully underground. We will also look at Yayoi Kusama's pumpkins, and creating our own!

Rock Pool Life

Tuesday 12/08/2025, 14.00 - 17.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

When you visit the beach, do you head to the rock pools when the tide is out to see what sealife you can find? We think it is the best bit of heading to the seaside! In this 3 hour painting and drawing workshop you will create a colourful rock pool, using inks, watercolours and acrylic pens and pencils. What will you find in there?

Wed 13th August

MUSIC

Uke & You!

Wednesday 13/08/2025, 10.30 - 12.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Jay Hammond, £27

See previous listing for details.

ART

Mixed Media & Printing: Summer Landscapes

Wednesday 13/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Florence Tambini Cooper, £78

Join us at the Conservatoire for a packed day of art! In this workshop, we will explore two different processes with tutor Florence. Students will spend the morning making mixed media collages to create a Summer Landscape inspired by a number of artists. In the afternoon we will learn a print technique called mono painting, and will use photocopies of the work created in the morning to create mono paintings. Each participant will end the day having practiced two new creative skills and with two developed pieces of art to show for your hard work!

Our Planet from Space

Wednesday 13/08/2025, 10.00 - 13.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

Let's view our Green and Blue Planet from above! Imagine you are flying a spaceship. What would your view be out of the front window? Do you need windscreen wipers? Using a variety of media, we will make a reproduction of what you might see ahead. The Earth, stars, galaxies, rockets and planets. 5-4-3-2-1... blast off into creative hyperdrive!

Crabby Creations

Wednesday 13/08/2025, 14.00 - 17.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

Let's create a crab puppet using tissue paper and card. Our friendly crustacean will have moving legs and pincers! It will be covered in brightly coloured patterned and printed papers which we can create. Take your crabby creation home and impress your family with all the ways it can move!

Thursday 14th August Friday 15th August



Make Your Own Resin Flower Jewellery

Thursday 14/08/2025, 09.30 - 13.30, 6-12yrs Thursday 14/08/2025, 14.00 - 18.00, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Clare Kendall, £54

Which summer flowers would you like to preserve forever? Come along to this resin jewellery workshop at the Conservatoire to make beautiful resin pieces to wear into the autumn months, to keep summer with you! Using Eco resin and dried flowers, we will create pieces of jewellery perfect to wear in all seasons. Perfect for a summer souvenir or a present for someone vou love! Feel free to join one course or come along to both to create an extensive bespoke jewellery collection.

Sculpt Our Environment

Thursday 14/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Salina Gani, £78

Do you like to make things with your hands? This is the class for you. Plants come in all crazy shapes and sizes, we will be inspired by some of the most architectural plant structures on the planet. Know your Monkey Puzzle Tree from your Bird of Paradise. We will start by exploring these shapes with our pencils before creating sculptures based on these wild and wonderful shapes.

We'll make botanical mobiles exploring a multitude of shapes and colours, press found materials from nature into clay, use our architectural plant drawings and assemble a hanging decoration.

Finish by making a clay pot with plants and nature in mind, putting the learnings of the day into practice and coming away with a cute botanical inspired pot to finish painting at home.

You'll come away with a botanical mobile and/or small hand built botanical clay pot.

Before the class, go on a walk in the garden, green space or beach and collect some interesting shapes and textures, such as leaves, shells, sticks, seeds. Bring them along!

MUSIC

Pop Choir Day

Friday 15/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 7-12yrs

Tutors: Carla Jourdan & Ryan Morgan, £78

Come along to the Conservatoire for our popular all day Pop Choir! Inspired by our popular summer weekly Pop Choir, this full day is a chance for young singers to increase their skills and their confidence, getting to know their instrument their voice! Run by Conservatoire voice tutor Carla and our choir leader Ryan, this is a fun day filled with voice exercises, some music theory, and of course lots of singing! You'll learn fun songs which you will get to perform at the end of the day. This class is perfect for beginner singers as well as anyone currently learning with us in Tuition or one of our popular choirs. Friends and family are welcome to a performance at 4pm where the choir will showcase their new skills! This short concert will take place in the Conservatoire garden (British summer weather permitting).

ART

Recycled Still Life with Matisse

Friday 15/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Nicola Corrigan, £78

In this fun all-day art class at the Conservatoire you will create your very own 'green planet' themed artwork using scrap and recycled card. all inspired by the work of Henri Matisse. You will practise your observational drawing skills, using pencils and watercolours to draw from themed still lifes. You will create your own collaged zine, as well as designing and creating a recycled garland using scrap card, collage, fabrics and natural elements. Join us and join the fun!

Plants & Puppets

Friday 15/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Paula Sanders, £78

Let's explore the forest floor! We will start our art-filled day with with observational drawing of flowers. We will develop 3D tropical plant forms combining printing, painting and construction methods. But how do we make these attractive to important pollinators? We will explore ways to make bees to feed on our colourful flowers. As well as our insect friends, we will look at other animals that hide in the undergrowth such as lizards, hedgehogs and mice... using recycled socks, fabric, glue and thread, we will create our own animal puppets!



"LOVELY LONDON"



Monday 18th August

MUSIC

Uke & You!

Monday 18/08/2025, 10.30 - 12.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Jay Hammond, £27

See previous listing for details.

ART

Designing Posters with William Blake

Monday 18/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Nicola Corrigan, £78

Using the famous illustrations by William Blake of the River Thames, we'll create posters to promote London, recreating iconic streets and buildings to our own design. We'll create our favourite London landmark using scrap boxes and collage – how would you redesign Tower Bridge!? We'll also paint t-shirts with our poster designs and create notebooks to write up all of our London adventures in.



My Mini National Gallery

Monday 18/08/2025, 09.30 - 11.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

The National Gallery in Trafalgar Square has been rehung and renovated to celebrate its 200th year this year. With great reviews, it has been hailed as 'A momentous retelling Of The Story Of Art'. How would you tell the story of art? Which pieces from the NG would you give lots of space to stand and stare? We will make our own gallery in a shoe box and curate our own hanging. Maybe we can sneak in one or two of our own paintings to hang up among the classics?

All courses are drop off



Lunch in London

Monday 18/08/2025, 12.30 - 14.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

What food do you think of when you think of London? What about the classic fish and chips? Cucumber sandwiches with the Queen? Scones with jam and cream, at afternoon tea? We will make some 3D 'food' and decorate a plate and tablecloth fit for a King and Queen... let's get inspired by our favourite classic London meals!



The Secret Garden

Monday 18/08/2025, 15.30 - 17.30, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

London has been named the greenest city in Europe! The number of gardens, parks and green spaces is huge, and inspired by these we will use chalk pastels we can draw a secret garden. We'll paint using bright colours, botanical shapes and blending inks. We will look at the work of Henri Rousseau for inspiration, as well as thinking of our own favourite London gardens.

Tuesday 19th August Wed 20th August

ART

Screenprinting in the City

Tuesday 19/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Tash Mok. £78

Learn the process of screen printing, from drawing up your own design to using a silk screen to transfer it onto paper and fabric. Create your own London inspired graphics, from iconic landmarks to green spaces and wildlife which you will turn into posters, as well as transfer onto a tote bag and t-shirt. There will be plenty of things to show off about our beautiful city!

Fold-Up London!

Tuesday 19/08/2025, 10.00 - 13.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

We will make a city out of folded paper. Looking at the artist Hunderswasser, and his brightly coloured and decorated buildings, we will brighten up London. We can make some buses, trains and maybe even a tram to move around the city.

Making My House

Tuesday 19/08/2025, 14.00 - 17.00, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £39

This summer. Do Ho Suh has an exhibition at Tate Modern in London, called 'Walk The House'. His work explores spaces - the Exhibition has reconstructions of houses in which he has lived, and explores memory and migration. He uses lots of different materials, as we will in this workshop. Coloured acetates will separate spaces, and we can create some wood effects using rubbings, wax resist and printing and use these to make our own mini houses. Will you create your own house, or will you create a brand new one?



Nest/s 2024 © Do Ho Suh. Photo: Jeon Taeg Su

ART

Sketching London's Landmarks

Wednesday 20/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Fiona Berry, £78

Spread out and scale up! London has one of the most famous skylines in the world. Draw our city and its landmarks on a vast mural as we fill up the studio with our big roll of paper. What landmark will you include? We'll use drawing, painting and collage to cover our large surfaces and depict the dense and vibrant city we live in. Where would you put this mural up so that the whole city could see it?



London Zoo Masks

Wednesday 20/08/2025, 09.30 - 11.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

Have you ever been to London Zoo? Have you seen the lions and tigers? We will create our own simple animal masks so we can pretend to be one of them and hide amongst them. A stripy tiger and a lion with a rainbow mane... we'll fit right in!

Pop-Up London!

Wednesday 20/08/2025, 12.30 - 14.30, 3-5yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

We'll have a look at iconic buildings in London, the shapes and styles, and make our own popup creation of the skyline. We will try to make it look as if there is depth, and make it so colourful! You'll come away with a brand new set of pop-up skills - what kind of creation will you make next?

Chalk & Trees

Wednesday 20/08/2025, 15.30 - 17.30, 4-7yrs

Tutor: Sue Harris, £27

Using chalk pastels, we will explore and discuss the shapes of trees, and learn how to use perspective to create a picture of a view of trees. maybe in your garden, or in Greenwich park. Working with chalk pastels we will find out how to smudge and soften them, or draw sharper lines with this versatile medium.

Thursday 21st August Friday 22nd August

ART

Clay Mudlarking on the Thames

Thursday 21/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11vrs

Tutor: Ellie Osborne, £78

During this all-day clay course we will take an imaginary journey exploring the foreshore of the ancient River Thames, 'mudlarking' as we go... this means looking for treasures in the river mud! Using air drying clay and other materials, we will make our own discovery box of found treasures encapsulating the rich history of London, from Roman pots, to mediaeval coins, to Victorian jewellery. We will end the day making a treasure map of London with our new 'discoveries' marked on it. What will you find?

Illustrated Maps & Turner Inspiration

Thursday 21/08/2025, 09.30 - 13.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Nicola Corrigan, £54

Come along to this half-day art class at the Conservatoire to make illustrated fold-out maps of your favourite places along the Thames! Using the classic paintings of Turner, we will use pencil and watercolour pencils to illustrate our fold-out map books, planning a London adventure. You'll also make a souvenir bag featuring the river and your favourite London sights! Come along to our afternoon session as well to continue your crafty day inspired by Turner.

Turner's T-Shirts & Postcards

Thursday 21/08/2025, 14.00 - 18.00, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Nicola Corrigan, £54

Come along to this half-day art class at the Conservatoire to continue your crafty day inspired by J. M. W. Turner, an English Romantic painter, printmaker and watercolourist. In this art class you'll cover many disciplines, including designing and creating your own t-shirt, inspired by London landmarks and the works of Turner. You'll create your very own collaged sketchbook or journal, perfect for detailing your adventures in the capital. Finally, you'll create your own London riverscape postcard, using pencils and watercolour - send your creation to a friend over the summer! Join us in the morning too for a full day of arts and crafts.

ART



Making a Mini Theatre

Friday 22/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 5-11yrs

Tutor: Fiona Berry, £78

London's theatre district and West End is world famous. In this all-day art class we will depict London's array of dazzling theatres as we create our own mini theatre sets and puppets out of cardboard, paper, paint and glue. From the dazzling gold leaf of Theatre Royal, Drury Lane (the oldest theatre in town) to the concrete blocks of the National Theatre, we'll explore our different settings and the different stories that get told on their stages. What story of London will you tell and what theatre will you be inspired by? Take your mini theatre home to give your friends and family a puppet show.



Wonderful Weaving

Friday 22/08/2025, 09.30 - 16.30, 6-12yrs

Tutor: Tash Mok. £78

Let's get weaving! Come along to the Conservatoire for a day full of fabric fun... we will construct colourful, intricate woven pieces using yarn and fabric inspired by the brand-new London Overground Weaver Line. The pieces you create can be decoratively displayed on your wall or used practically. Maybe you'll take home a beautiful wall-hanging, mini rug or woven bowl!

ADULT CLASSES

ADULT ART



Summer Atelier Conservatoire

Saturday & Sunday 26/07/2025 & 27/07/2025 & Saturday & Sunday 02/08/2025 & 03/08/2025, 10.00 - 16.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: David Webb, £220

Like the term time Atelier Conservatoire, this course is based on the traditional European system of artists coming together as a group to work in a serious studio environment on personal projects, with the support and guidance of a tutor. Participants need to be self-motivated and have an idea of what they would like to do. Many make painting projects based around photographs as source material as well as their own research and drawings. Others work from observation – the still life or interior – as well as imaginatively on abstract compositions.

The course runs in the spacious Studio 1 for two, full consecutive weekends. It is an opportunity to continue developing projects already begun in the Atelier Conservatoire, or to begin something new and see it as an intense self-contained period of work. Some experience of painting and drawing is essential.

Painting a Portrait in Oils Using a Photograph

Monday 28/07/2025, 18.00 - 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: Lee Fether, £39

In this beginner-friendly portrait painting workshop, you'll use your own photographic reference to create a portrait in oil paint. You'll be guided through the process step by step, with a focus on interpreting colour and capturing form from the image. The session is designed to strengthen both your observational skills and creative approach.

Suitable for all levels, and with materials provided, this is a practical introduction to portraiture in oils. We are delighted to be working once again with visiting tutor Lee Fether. Lee has over fifteen years of experience as a practicing artist in Greenwich, specialising in portrait commissions and landscape paintings. Lee's portrait of broadcaster and author Michael Rosen can be seen at the National Portrait Gallery.



Make Your Own Resin Jewellery

Wednesday 30/07/2025, 18.00 - 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: Clare Kendall, £39

Which summer flowers would you like to preserve forever? Come along to this resin jewellery workshop at the Conservatoire to make beautiful resin pieces to wear into the autumn months, to keep summer with you! Using Eco resin and dried flowers, we will create pieces of jewellery perfect to wear in all seasons. Perfect for a summer souvenir or a present for someone you love!

Drink & Draw: Summer Series



Friday 01/08/2025 Friday 08/08/2025 Friday 15/08/2025 Friday 22/08/2025 18.00 - 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutors: Sue Harris & Lilly Walker, £39

Come along to the Conservatoire Drink & Draw workshop series to let your hair down, learn some new skills, and make friends. Led by two of our expert art tutors, you'll spend a fun Friday evening mixing prosecco with paint as you tackle your very own A3 canvas! You'll come away with a wonderful piece of painted work, no matter your prior experience – beginners are welcome. Each session will take inspiration from a different artist and you will explore different mediums each week. You are welcome to join one, many, or all sessions this summer.

Both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided, if you have any allergies please share them with us at the point of booking, thank you.



Lone couple look out to sea, Crackington Haven, Cornwall - Sophie Knight

Beginning With Watercolour

Tuesday 05/08/2025, 18.00 - 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: Sophie Knight, £39

Get started with watercolour! Starting a fresh blank piece of paper can be daunting, but in this masterclass your expert tutor Sophie Knight will show you some of her own methods which will help you to really have fun with the medium, and work more impulsively. Working from photos of landscapes and seascapes, Sophie will guide you with some ways to apply the paint quickly and to be bold in your approach. This short course will suit both beginners, and people with a small amount of experience in watercolour, who would like to experiment and develop a sense of freedom with the medium. Sophie Knight is a member of The Royal Watercolour Society and her work is in the British Museum, the House of Lords, and several high-profile collections. She runs our weekly term-time watercolour class.

Being Bolder in Watercolour

Saturday 09/08/2025, 10.00 - 16.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: Sophie Knight, £68

Watercolour is sometimes an unpredictable medium, but it doesn't have to be scary! Following on from her beginners class on the 5th August, Sophie Knight is back at the Conservatoire for this all-day workshop for those looking to get to the next level working with watercolour. Sophie will demonstrate her own painting techniques such as using large blocks of colour washes to get the painting on the move quickly and create depth. During the

day you will experiment with working 'wet on wet ' techniques, by keeping your paper damp; spraying the paper with a fine mist of water, and even squeezing paint directly onto the paper! You will be working from selection of print of landscape photos, developing your paintings using these as a starting point. This course would suit people with a little bit of experience in watercolour work, who would like to work in a freer manner. Sophie will help to develop your confidence and sense of freedom in the medium. Please bring along your own brushes if you have them. Other brushes will be provided.



Coil Pots: Historical Vases & Vessels

Monday 11/08/2025, 18.00 - 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: Catherine Walker, £39

Through the ancient technique of coiling, get in touch with history by exploring a clay handbuilding staple! Learn how coil pots have been used throughout history, dating back to 8000 BCE and create your very own vessel inspired by ancient designs. Whether a complete newbie or a beginner with some experience, this workshop will take you through the basic hand building technique before incorporating your designs onto your pot.

Working with Ink

Wednesday 13/08/2025, 18.00 - 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: Kirsten Lyle, £39

Come and join regular Conservatoire tutor Kirsten for a bespoke one-off workshop to explore the rich medium of ink. You will experiment with both drawing and painting, working with water-based coloured inks to create your own study or landscape. Find out if you are a 'line' or 'wash' person... or both! This class is perfect for both beginners and those with previous painting or drawing experience. Materials and equipment are all included but participants are also welcome to bring their own.

The Art of Calm: Create an **Origami Bouquet of** Lilies & Irises

Tuesday 19/08/2025, 18.00 - 21.00, 18+yrs

Tutor: Yukako Shibata, £39

In this relaxing three-hour workshop, you'll learn how to fold beautiful lilies and irises from origami paper and create a delicate bouquet to take home. Origami is not only creative but also wonderfully mindful and satisfying - offering a calming, meditative focus as you transform paper into elegant three-dimensional flower forms.

Suitable for all levels, you'll be guided step-bystep to create both flower types. They share a similar process, with small yet satisfying differences that result in two distinct blooms. We'll add wire stems so your flowers stand tall! Once you've mastered the folds, you'll be able to continue crafting more flowers at home to grow your bouquet. Come and enjoy a peaceful, creative evening - and make a lovely gift for yourself or someone special.

The Conservatoire is delighted to be working for the first time with local artist Yukako Shibata. Yukako was born in Hokkaido, Japan, and has lived and worked in London since 1993. Yukako holds an MA in Painting from the Royal College of Art. She has exhibited in numerous solo and group shows across the UK, Canada, Germany, and Japan. Her work is held in many public and

private collections worldwide, including those of Doris Lockhart Saatchi. The Tim Saver Collection (bequeathed to Hepworth, Wakefield), Crédit Agricole Corporate & Investment Bank, Braintree District Council, Poplar HARCA, and the Royal College of Art Collection.



Fuwa fuwa & Sara sara - Yukako Shibata Lacquer, acrylic on fiberglass, resin, metal, 2022 Photograph: Jennifer Moyes

So that we can ensure our holiday courses are viable, we are unfortunately not able to offer refunds. Holiday courses are also not transferable between people.

Please check our website for opening hours over the summer holidays.



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