Artworks in over 60 venues in town
Children's art trail
Workshops
Exhibition on Sunday 24th August

Throughout August

in the Community Centre

COMMUNITY THROUGH FESTIVALS

















Clockwise from top left: Joyce Trow John Lawson Nicholas Elliott Moonbrush Wood Studios Alison Henry Rozzie Freeman

Clockwise from top left: David Roberts AJ Roberts Mary Thatcher Jarome Debbie Osborn Sue Lane





Celebrating Creativity and Community

elcome to the Fakenham Arts Festival 2025. This year's festival, set against the charming backdrop of Fakenham's historic streets and contemporary venues, invites you on an extraordinary journey through our town. Over sixty venues and more than forty artists will come together to create a unique and special event, showcasing a diverse array of artistic expressions.

Running from August 1st to 24th, 2025, the festival offers:

- Art from various media displayed across the town
- A children's art trail with a free activity pack
- Engaging workshops
- A grand exhibition at the Fakenham Community Centre on Sunday August 24th.

On Sunday 24th August the Community Centre will also host Active Fakenham's popular Festival of Cycling, Ride North Norfolk, so there will be live music, hot food and barbecue, coffee, cake and stalls.

Our 2025 programme is a testament to the creative spirit that thrives in Fakenham and beyond.

We are thrilled to share this incredible journey with you and look forward to seeing you at the Fakenham Arts Festival 2025.

Together, let's celebrate the power of art to transform, inspire, and connect.

Painting left: Kit Price Moss



Participating Artists

Participating Shops and Venues



AJ Roberts Alan Smith Alison Henry Amanda Able Ann Saver Anto Morra Barbara Frarv Barbara Lawson Brian Lewis Chris Chalk Christine Dent David Roberts Debbie Osborn Fakenham Academy Garry Wallace Giles Aston Gill Baguley Hollie Underwood Issi Bird James Rymer O' Malley John Lawson Joyce Trow Ken Tidd

Kit Price-Moss Libby Sheldon Marita Obeney Martin George Mary Thatcher Megan Rose Michelle Locke Mike Hannah Moonbrush Wood Studios Naomi Ruth Lowe Nicholas Elliott North Norfolk Photographers **Richard Brunton** Robin Townend Rose Ward Rozzi Freeman Ruth Paterson Sam Bax Shadley Rawat Su Rayner Sue Lane Sue Welfare The DNA factory Tom Underwood

BRIDGE STREET

Bailey Bird and Warren Belton Duffy Costa Coffee Fine & Country Flix Hair Gatsby's Barbers Get Smart Paper Klip Specsavers The Limes Total E-Cig

CATTLE MARKET STREET Top Tracks Music

HEMPTON ROAD

Fakenham Museum of Gas and Local History

MARKET PLACE

Beth's Benbows Boots Central Cinema Digital Phone Company Nationwide Building Society Sew Sweet Thain Wildbur

MILLER'S WALK

Card Factory Grape Tree Helping Hands Premier Travel The Chocolate Factory Shop

NORWICH ROAD

Fakenham Foot Care Gloria's Beauty Corner

NORWICH STREET

4 Skin Tattoo Amies Hair Big C Charity Shop Fakenham Eyewear The Gold shop Hughes James and Sons Auctioneers Lulu Boutique Secrets Shane the Framer The Extraordinary Hat Shop The Larder Tudor Tea Rooms Venetia's Yarn Shop

OAK STREET

Abbotts Blush Butcher Andrews Solicitors EP Youth Fakenham Community Centre Fakenham Library Istanbul Barbers Norfolk Roots Fakenham The Salvation Army Stephenson Smart Accountants Taylors Cafe Undefined Hairspace

Aldiss

QUAKER LANE Q's Coffee Shop and Bistro

UPPER MARKET PLACE

Cancer Research UK Claire Howard Jewellery Fakenham Parish Church Hayes and Storr Solicitors Scent with Love Tapping House Hospice

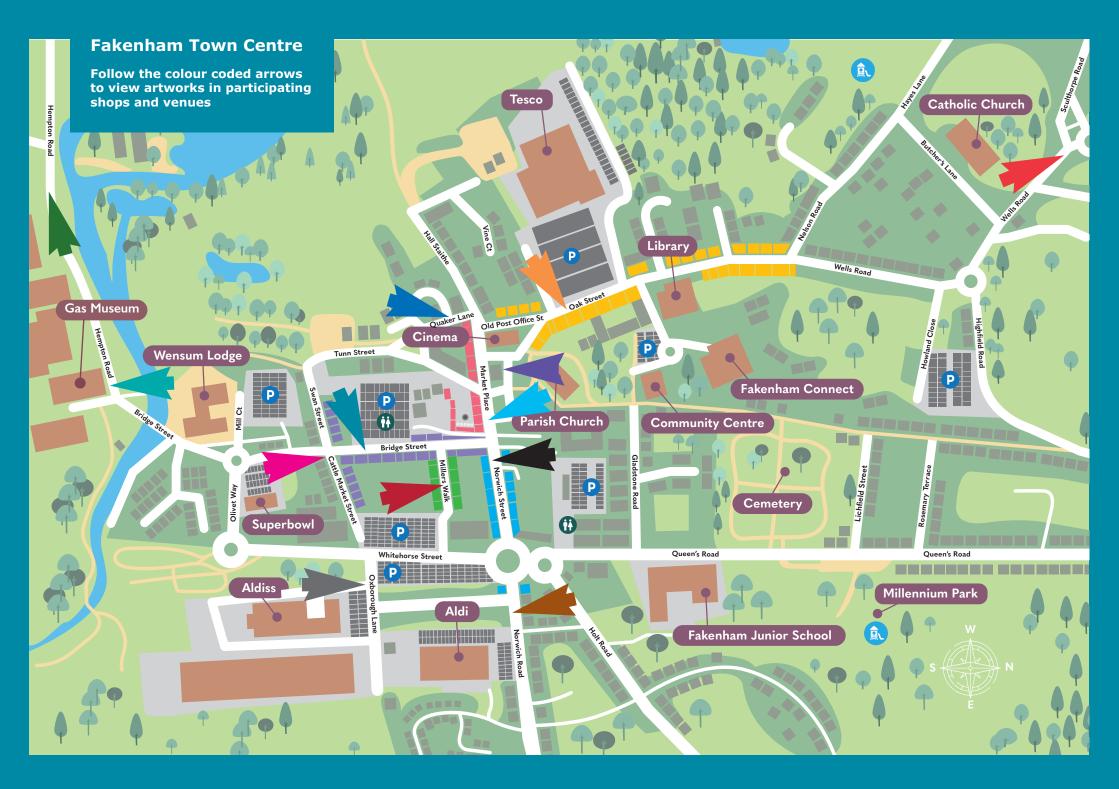
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THE GREEN, HEMPTON

Fakenham Garden Centre The Bell

TRAP LANE

Fakenham Sports and Fitness Centre



Fakenham Arts Festival Workshops



Active Fakenham is funding two free spaces to each workshop with priority being given to 16 to 25-year-olds, apply directly to the workshop.

All workshops take place at Fakenham Community Centre, Oak Street Fakenham NR21 9SR.

Ignite your creativity – Creative Writing Workshops

Heather De Lyon 5th and 12th August, 10am – 12 noon **£10 each, concessions available** Please book – 07810 288712 or email f-a-b@dircon.co.uk

These writing workshops aim to encourage your creativity and refine your writing skills. They are designed to help you find inspiration, establish your writing purpose, and explore essential techniques for successful writing. They are for anyone who enjoys writing. You can come to one or both workshops.

Singing Mamas Workshop

Friday 8th August, 10.30am – 12 noon **FREE** Please book – 07875 600289 or email info@lindsbestwicke.co.uk

Open to women only and their pre-school aged children. No auditions, no need to read music, just come and learn simple, beautiful songs together.

Harmonise Singers Workshop – Love to sing

Monday 11th August, 10.30am – 12 noon **FREE** Please book – 07875 600289 or email info@lindsbestwicke.co.uk

Celebrating 10 years of beautiful acapella harmonies. We're a welcoming, fully accessible group, always open to new members. We sing a variety of songs from different styles. No auditions, no sheet music – everything is taught by ear at a manageable pace. Come see if we're the right fit for you!

Needle felt keyring drop in workshop

Wednesday 20th August, 10am – 2pm **£5 each Drop in sessions, no need to book**

Moonbrush Wood Studios invite you to come and learn how to make your very own badger or fox keyring. Workshops will last roughly one hour, but we will run through with new attendees until 2pm. Spaces are limited to ten people per hour for this workshop. Ages 10+. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Photo Essays and Beyond

Telling stories through pictures, one frame at a time Keith Osborn Photography Sunday 24th August, 11.30am – 1pm **£10 each** Please book 07887 877650 or email keith@keithosbornphotography.co.uk

This hands-on workshop introduces beginners to the art of telling stories with photography. Whether you're using a smartphone or a camera, you'll learn how to create a simple but powerful photo essay. Discover how images can say more than words when thoughtfully arranged.

From Picture to Page – Every picture tells a story

David Redfield Sunday 24th August, 1.30 – 3.30pm **£10 each** Booking essential Email davidredfieldpoet@gmail.com

Join local writer David Redfield for this creative writing workshop, which explores visual art as a source for expression through the written word. We'll be using a mixture of classic art reproductions, as well as work produced for this year's Fakenham Arts Festival. No previous writing experience is assumed for participants, 16 years and above.

Children's Trail

Embark on an exciting adventure with the children's trail around the town centre and discover the hidden furry animals!

Pick up your free trail colouring set from the Fakenham Library, Aldiss, or Sent with Love Florists, and set off to find the eleven animals hidden in the windows. Once you've coloured in your original drawing, you can submit it to be displayed at the Fakenham Library or the Community Centre.



Fakenham Arts Festival Tote Bag - have you bought yours yet? Available at the Tudor Tea Rooms and shops around town.

RIDE NORTH NORFOLK @FAKENHAM

A social cycling event for all ages Finish in the Community Centre

garden with food, music, wind down

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For details of all events visit www.activefakenham.org.uk

Central Cinema Fakenham September October

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A celebration of creativity, storytelling, and local talent with:

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- Feature films made in Norfolk
- Films documenting local events
- Gems from Norfolk's archives
- Films from the Festival competition entries

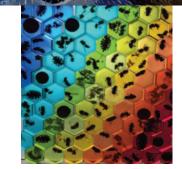




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Community through festivals 2025



Active Fakenham is a small community group dedicated to organising inclusive events for people of all abilities and ages. We focus on creating low-cost or free activities that bring the community together and promote engagement through various festivals and events. In 2025, Active Fakenham are organising and hosting five festivals, including festivals covering Arts, Film, Running, Cycling, and a Riverside Festival featuring duck and cardboard raft races. Our efforts aim to foster a sense of community and provide enjoyable experiences for everyone involved.

We rely on the support of many local people, businesses and organisations. We would like to extend our gratitude to the sponsors of the 2025 Fakenham Arts Festival:

Aldiss • Grocott and Murfit • Lightspeed Broadband Stephenson Smart • M.D. Williamson Carpets

We would also like to thank Fakenham Town Council and Awards For All.

We would particularly like to thank the volunteers who have put in many hours of work to make this event a success.

And not forgetting Keith Osborn, who has kindly volunteered to be our official photographer throughout the Festival.

If you would like to support or sponsor any of our 2026 events please email richard@activefakenham.org.uk





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