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Tue 12th & Wed 13th May 2009 (3rd week)

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Sir Max Hastings FRSL
The Limits of Force in the Middle East
Second of two lectures:
Thu 14 May: *Iraq and Afghanistan*
5pm, Saskatchewan Room, Exeter College, Turl St

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CINEMA to Thu 14th

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IS ANYBODY THERE? [12A] Mon - Thu: 2.00, 4.15, 6.30pm
A retired magician and death-obsessed 10 yr old. Michael Caine stars.

CHERI [15] Mon - Wed: 1.45, 4.15, 6.45, 9.00pm; Thu: 1.45, 4.15, 6.45pm
Love bought, found and lost in pre-war France.

Coen Brothers film festival.

FARGO [18] Mon: 9.00pm
THE BIG LEBOWSKI [18] ✍ Tue: 9.00pm
THE HUDSUCKER PROXY [PG] Wed: 9.00pm
O BROTHER, WHERE ART THOU? [12] ✍ Thu: 9.00pm

THE BIG SCREAM: CHERI [15] Wed: 11.30am
Love bought, found and lost in pre-war France. Exclusive screening for parents with children under one.

ANGELS AND DEMONS [15] Thu: 12.30, 3.30, 6.30, 8.30pm
Sequel to the Da Vinci Code.

Ultimate Picture Palace (245288)

VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA [12A] ✍ Mon: 6.00pm 8.30pm, Tue - Thu: 7.00pm 9.30pm
A return to form for Woody Allen?

Vue Cinema (08712 240 240)

17 AGAIN [12A] ✍ Mon - Wed: 11.00am, 1.40pm
Middle-aged Matthew Perry gets to live it all over again.

STAR TREK [12A] Mon, Wed: 10.30, 11.20am, 1.20, 2.20, 4.20, 5.20, 7.30, 8.30, 10.20pm; Tue: 10.30, 11.20am, 1.20, 2.20, 4.20, 5.20, 7.30 (18+ only), 8.30, 10.20pm; Thu: 10.30, 11.20am, 1.20, 2.20, 4.20, 5.20, 7.30, 8.30, 10.20, 11.30pm
The youthful origins of Kirk, Spock and Co.

CORALINE 3D [PG] ✍ daily: 12.00, 2.30, 4.50, 7.10pm
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STATE OF PLAY [15] ✍ Mon - Wed: 11.10am, 2.00, 5.00, 7.40, 10.30pm; Thu: 7.40, 10.30pm
The suspicious death of a Congressman's mistress.

FAST & FURIOUS 4 [12A] ✍ Mon - Wed: 8.40pm
The same car-racing drug-smuggling explosive underworld.

HANNAH MONTANA [U] Mon, Wed & Thu: 10.00am, 12.50, 3.25, 6.00pm; Tue: 10.00am, 3.25, 6.00pm
Hannah goes home to Tennessee to get some perspective.

GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST [12A] Mon - Wed: 4.10, 6.40pm; Thu: 9.10pm
Insensitive man is visited by his exes on the eve of his brother's wedding.

X-MEN ORIGINS - WOLVERINE [12A] ✍ Mon & Tue: 10.10, 10.50am, 12.40, 1.30, 3.10, 4.00, 5.40, 6.30, 8.10, 9.00, 9.40pm; Wed: 10.10, 10.50am, 12.40, 1.30, 3.10, 4.00, 5.40, 6.30, 8.10, 9.00, 9.40, 10.40pm; Thu: 10.10, 10.50am, 12.40, 1.30, 3.10, 4.00, 5.40, 6.30, 8.10, 9.00, 9.40, 10.40, 11.30pm, 12.10am
His violent and romantic past.

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SENIORS' CLUB: FLASH OF GENIUS [12A] Tue: 12.30pm
True story of inventor vs industry.

ANGELS AND DEMONS [15] Thu: 10.45, 11.45am, 1.45, 2.45, 4.45, 5.45, 7.45, 8.45, 10.50, 11.50pm
Sequel to the Da Vinci Code.

Odeon Magdalen St (0871 2244 007)

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FROST/NIXON [15] ✍ Tue: 8.00pm
Two very different men go head to head.

FIGHTING [15] Wed & Thu: 9.30pm
The world of underground street fighting.

ANGELS AND DEMONS [15] Thu: 12.00, 3.00, 6.00, 9.00pm
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IN THE LOOP [15] ✍ Mon - Wed: 8.45pm; Thu: 5.45pm
Political satire from Armando Iannucci.

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CHILDISH THINGS 5 Thu 14th: 7.30pm
Comedy raising money for Helen & Douglas House. Line-up tbc. £20 - £27.50.

ROSS NOBLE: THINGS Fri 15th: 8.00pm
Surreal Geordie comedian on UK tour. £20.

JOHN BARROWMAN Sat 16th: 7pm
Captain Jack Harkness' alter ego, including songs from his new album. £27.50 - £35.

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OTHELLO ✍ Mon 11th - Thu 14th: 7.30pm; Fri 15th: 7.30pm ; Sat 16th: 2.30, 7.30pm
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Unicorn Theatre, Abingdon (01235 525339)

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THE TIGER WHO CAME TO TEA Thu 14th: 2pm, Fri 15th: 10am, 2pm; Sat 16th: 10am, 2pm, 4pm
Based on the picture book. £10.50 /£8.50 (3+)

AN EVENING WITH CLIVE JAMES Thu 14th: 7.30pm
TV critic, & commentator discusses almost everything except his new book. £12-£17

JAN RAVENS: A FUNNY LOOK AT IMPRESSIONS Fri 15th: 8pm
A glimpse into the fascinating world of satirical impersonation. £15

Wantage Civic Hall

THE BOYFRIEND Wed 13th & Thu 14th: 7.30pm Fri 15th: 7.30pm; Sat 16th: 2.30 & 7.30pm
Pastiche of 1920s musicals, set at Madame Dubonnet's School for young ladies. £12/£10

O'Reilly Theatre, Keble College

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING Tue 12th - Fri 15th: 7.30pm; Sat 16th: 2.30pm, 7.30pm
A radical new interpretation of Much Ado, with audience bringing a prop each...

Eynsham Village Hall (881150)

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Tue 12th

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Wed 13th

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ARTWEEKS 2009 / As above.

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Tue 12th

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Wed 13th

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FESTIVAL PREVIEW

Wood Festival

Brazier's Park, 15 - 17 May 2009

An intimate, 1000-ticket event run entirely on renewable energy.

With composting toilets, showers and a sauna heated by wood-burning stove and a solar-powered stage. You can even dance into the night in a pedal-powered disco!

The line up includes SPIERS & BODEN, MEIC STEVENS, PO' GIRL, JIM MORAY, KARINE POLWART, THE WEEK THAT WAS, DANNY THE CHAMP, STORNOWAY, JONQUIL, CO-PILGRIM, BRAKES, SAM ISAAC and DODGY.

Workshops include singing, woodcraft, making music from junk, yoga, making wallets from orange juice cartons, tai chi, African drumming, circus skills and more...

Kids go free, adult tickets £55, day tickets (£18-£23 adv) also available. **www.ThisIs Truck.com/WOOD** or Scribbler (New Inn Hall St) Videosyncratic (Cowley Rd & Summertown), Inner Bookshop (Magdalen Road)

What people said last year...

"Wood not only matched the atmosphere + appeal of its big brother festival, Truck, but improved on it. For hippies like us anyway.
Similarities: Home-made stages, ad-hoc yet highly-efficient organization, lovely surroundings, eclectic mix of bands, irreverent attitude, indifferent weather, recycling, no glass or dogs.
Differences: Better but more expensive food, better booze (by a mile), campfire, lots more young children, everything in one field, quieter p.a. systems, less raucous or aggressive music, composting toilets."
mrogbeast

"Amazing, amazing, amazing! A weekend of uplifting energy, the most family-friendly festival imaginable. We don't remember the last full day we didn't have to work to keep our electric toddler entertained. She was in heaven! The music was amazing - go KTB! And the food. Delicious! A perfect spring weekend. "
Theresa & Marcos

"Composting toilets! Composting toilets are the best! Every festival should have them! Secure, spacious, private, practically skank-free and smelling only slightly of stables. Admittedly, we were the first people to use them - they were built specially for Wood by local carpenters - and it wasn't hot weather, but for once in my festival-going life the toilets held no terrors. They were great.

There was a pleasing variety of of hippie weirdness: gong showers (feel the vibe), a campfire each night, loads of workshops (making jewellery, wood-turning, music for kids etc), a bicycle powered stage, a wood-fired sauna ("no dress code, but naked people have the right to deny entry to clothed people") Many of these things were run by donation, which is itself the best expression of the feeling of cosiness and trust saturating the weekend. "
Miranda

"A lovely, peaceful yet stimulating festival, it was so uncommercial which was great too - the workshops were good and there were handwashing facillities outside of each composting toilet block!

There was a lovely small hippy festival feel and we all really enjoyed it and relaxed into the great vibe - my kids loved it."
Tree Elfin

ART FESTIVAL INFO & REVIEW

ARTWEEKS 2009

Local artists display their work in Oxford's annual art festival

Oxford and Oxfordshire, Sat May 2nd - Mon May 25th 2009

Now that May's here it's time for Oxford's annual open studio and visual arts festival. This year it is again divided into three parts - North of the city (2nd - 10th), Oxford city (9th - 17th) and South of the city (16th - 25th May).

There's now a handy calendar bit of the website that will tell you when each exhibition is open, but no automatic route-planning device yet! However the combination of googlemaps on the website and enticing yellow placards hanging up around the Oxfordshire countryside like a giant county-wide treasure hunt should help you find your way.

Chipping Norton has produced its own brochure, something that seems to be increasingly popular - Jericho, East Oxford, and I suspect number of others offer them too. This works well to highlight other exhibitions nearby, and help you maximise the time looking at artwork, if you don't fancy the happy-go-lucky see what you find approach.

Let us know what you find, and have fun!

For full listings see brochures which should be available all over the county, especially in tourist info offices, or see the ARTWEEKS website: www.artweeks.org.

DI Staff

We found that you really needed your own transport to do Artweeks properly, outside Oxford itself. I'm sure it's possible without, but you'd spend a lot longer in transit, which can be fine as the countryside looks like it's put on its own display at this time of year. And the promise of a particular artist or exhibition can serve as an excuse to visit villages you've never been to before.

Using the map on the Artweeks website I searched for Textiles and Printmakers, and worked out a sort of trail around Chipping Norton, Charlbury, Hook Norton and so on. I chose rather ambitiously, because it felt like quite an expedition, though the big display in Chipping Norton Town Hall helped as there are seven or so artists concentrated in one place.

Inevitably things don't go to plan. So what we actually saw, and liked, was not what we went to see. The textiles were good, but I'd gone there principally to see Anne Griffiths' display which was not very big and focussed on fewer designs and styles than I'd hoped for. In contrast there was some really striking photography by Ian Cave, including Himalayan sights and local stained glass, which was a nice surprise, and the whole exhibition was professional, varied and interesting. There's an art to being distracted from one's path by tempting diversions, and I think it's much the best way to approach Artweeks' plethora of media and artists.

Still showing: The Oxford Printmakers Cooperative are tucked away in a church hall off the Cowley Road. In the Christadelphian Hall on Tyndale Road is the unlikely sight of a room full of printing presses and equipment. There's a buzz of industry, and the exhibition is in the main room, which means the printers are on hand if you have any questions. It's a really good display of the variety of effects and styles you can get from printing and etching, and the subjects are as diverse as the styles. They're open Mon (except 25th May), Tue and Sat throughout the year.

I really enjoy the mix of professional and amateur artists. For this festival a lot of secret places in Oxfordshire are revealed, and in the same way the private urge to create is celebrated publicly. I go because I like creating things and don't do enough of it, and the people who've worried about whether or not to exhibit and gone ahead are an encouragement. There are people on all stages of the journey as artists, and to be able to meet them and ask lots of questions is rare and well worth doing.

Jen Pawsey

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MEETINGS & LECTURES

Tue 12th

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES, GOVERNMENT & SOCIETY / Sir Michael Rawlins, Chris Brinsmead / 6pm / Nissan Lecture Theatre, St Antony's College , Woodstock Road

DRUG COMPANY BULLSHIT / A talk by Ben Goldacre / Skeptics in the Pub / kicks off at 6.30 pm (Free) / http://oxford.skepticsinthepub.org / The Chequers, High Street

'I REST NOT FROM MY GREAT TASK! TO OPEN ETERNAL WORLDS': THE VISIONS OF WILLIAM BLAKE / Prof. Christopher Rowland / 5pm / Regent's Park College, Pusey St / 288120

A PROSPECTIVE STUDY OF 515,000 PEOPLE IN CHINA: THE KADOORIE BIOBANK / Prof. Zhengming Chen / 1-2pm / Richard Doll Building, Old Road Campus, OX3 7LF

LADIES' PARADISE: FASHION, SHOPPING AND LA PARISIENNE / Haussmann's Paris & the Impressionists. / 10.30am-12pm. From £98 / www.conted.ox.ac.uk / Rewley House, 1 Wellington Square / 270380

IRISH LANGUAGE GROUP / Informal group to speak Irish. / 8pm to 10pm free / Half Moon Public House, St Clements

STATUES OF LIBERTY: ICONOCLASM AND IDOLATRY IN THE ENGLISH REVOLUTION / Professor James Simpson / 5pm / Lecture Theatre 2, St. Cross Building

DANGEROUS CHILDREN IN SALOME AND DEATH IN VENICE / J P E Harper-Scott, RHUL / 5.15pm. Free / Denis Arnold Hall, Faculty of Music, St Aldates / 276141

GROUP CONTROVERSIES IN THE SCROLLS / The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible. James VanderKam, Notre Dame / 5pm / Examination Schools, High St

NEW APPROACHES TO PROTRACTED DISPLACEMENT SITUATIONS: THE COLOMBIAN CASE / Thais Bessa, Visiting Study Fellow, RSC / 1pm / www.rsc.ox.ac.uk / Dept of Int Development, Queen Elizabeth House, 3 Mansfield Rd, OX1 3TB / 281800

DEUTSCHSPRACHIGER STAMMTISCH / Speak German, play games and do all kinds of activities / 8:30pm, free / The Anchor Pub, corner Polstead Rd/Kingston Rd

PROF. ISRAEL FINKELSTEIN / Archaeology, Identity & Politics in Israel: can the past determine the future? / 8pm / www.ihps-oxford.co.uk/index.php / Oriel College, Harris Lecture Theatre

UEHIRO LECTURE 2 / Allen Buchanan: Beyond Humanity? Ethics of Biomedical Enhancement / 4.30pm, free. / 286888 / Martin Wood Theatre, Parks Rd (opp. Keble College)

Wed 13th

THE SCROLLS AND THE NT GOSPELS / The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible. James VanderKam, Notre Dame / 5pm / Examination Schools, High St

THE CORNER / Community hub for 50+. Café, activities etc. / Age Concern Oxon / 10am, lunch 12pm / 07920 576385 / East Oxford Community Centre, 44b Princes St, OX4 1DD

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'IT CAME BY ITSELF, IT'LL GO BY ITSELF'/ Older Men's Attitude to Health & Illness; Gendered Suicide in the Context of Relationship Breakdown / Kate Davidson, & Dr Jonathan Scourfield / 5pm. Free / St Antony's College, Woodstock Rd / 284700

REPRESENTING HELEN OF TROY / Solutions offered by poets and filmmakers from Homer to Hollywood. / 1pm. Free / 277243 / Cecil Jackson Room, Sheldonian Theatre

HOW HORMONES SHAPE YOUR LIFE / The latest research on how sex hormones shape our development and our lives / 7.30pm. £3 (SO friends free) / www.scienceoxford.com / Science Oxford, 1 - 5 London Place, St Clements, OX4 1BD / 728953

DAVID PATTERSON SEMINAR / Prof I Finkelstein: Jerusalem in the Persian Period & the Wall of Nehemiah / 8pm, free / www.ochjs.ac.uk / 377946 ext 126 / Oxford Jewish Centre, Richmond Rd

BBC VIDEO NATION OFVM REEL ONE / Rosemary Richards: how to get your film on BBC website / Free, 7pm / http://ofvm.org / 792732 / OFVM, 54 Catherine St, OX4 3AH

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Wed 13th

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