

**WHAT'S ON / COMING SOON**

**THE AMERICAN PILOT**  
 BY DAVID GREIG  
 Wed 28 - Sat 31 2.30pm  
 AT 8.00pm, SAT MATINEE AT 2.30pm  
 Box Office: 01865 319450 | www.thenorthwall.com  
**OXFORD THEATRE GUILD**

**WNO Welsh National Opera**  
 in Oxford  
 La traviata 3 & 6 Nov, 7.15pm  
 Madam Butterfly 4 & 7 Nov, 7.15pm  
 Wozzeck 5 Nov, 8pm  
 New Theatre Oxford  
 0844 847 1585 | newtheatreoxford.org.uk  
 Tickets from £15  
 wno.org.uk

**The Oxford Lieder Festival**  
 Thursdays 29th October (until 31st October)  
 The Holywell Music Room  
 1.10pm: Lunch with Schumann  
 50 minute recital by outstanding students of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. £5 on the door.  
 8.00pm: Werner Güra (tenor)  
 & Roger Vignoles (piano)  
 Schumann: Dichterliebe. Songs by Wolf. £20 / £17.  
 Free pre-concert artist conversation (Roger Vignoles) at 7.10pm  
**Friday 30th October**  
 The Holywell Music Room  
 8.00pm: Christopher Maltman (baritone)  
 & Graham Johnson (piano)  
 Schubert: Die Schöne Müllerin. £20 / £17.  
 Free pre-concert talk (Richard Stokes) at 7.10pm.  
 New College Ante-Chapel  
 10.00pm: Martin Sturfälz (piano)  
 "Songs without words" by Mendelssohn and Liszt. All tickets £10.  
 www.ticketsoxford.com / 01865 305305  
 www.oxfordlieder.co.uk

**Oxford Philomusica**  
 Saturday 31 October Sheldonian Theatre 8pm  
 BEETHOVEN Violin Concerto in D  
 BRAHMS Symphony No. 3  
 Jack Liebeck violin  
 Marios Papadopoulos conductor  
 Tickets: 020 8450 1060 www.oxfordphil.com

**CINEMA to Fri 30th**  
**Odeon George Street (0871 2244 007)**  
 CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS 2D [U] 3.30pm  
 Inventor produces food beyond imagination. Fri: 12.30pm; Fri: 11.30am  
 MICHAEL JACKSON'S THIS IS IT [PG] 7.30pm  
 Michael Jackson's last performance. Thu: 11.30am, 2.00, 4.45, 7.30pm  
 MY BLOODY VALENTINE 3D [18] 8.30pm  
 Remake of 1981 horror. Fri: 11.30pm  
 SAW 6 [18] 8.30pm  
 Much like serial killer Jigsaw, the franchise just won't die.  
 UP 3D [U] 8.30pm  
 Elderly adventurer pilots his house to South America.  
 FANTASTIC MR FOX [PG] 8.30pm  
 Road Dahl story animated for the big screen. Thu: 11.55am, 2.15, 4.30, 6.45, 9.00pm  
 UP 2D [U] 8.30pm  
 Elderly adventurer pilots his house to South America.  
 HALLOWEEN 2 [18] 8.30pm  
 Remake of 1981 horror, by Rob Zombie.  
 INGLORIOUS BASTERDS [18] 8.30pm  
 Tarantino does World War II.  
**AN EDUCATION [12A]** 8.15pm  
 Girl in Saties London sidelines studies for suitors.  
**THE IMAGINARIUM OF DR PARNASSUS [12A]** 8.15pm  
 Travelling show goes beyond imagination. Fri: 1.45, 5.00, 8.00, 11.00pm  
**CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT [2A]** 8.15pm  
 Boy becomes vampire's assistant after attending freestyle circus. Thu: 12.00am, 2.30pm  
**Ultimate Picture Palace (01865 245288)**  
**AWAY WE GO [15]** 8.30pm  
 Sam Mendes looks at impending parenthood.  
**DORIAN GRAY [15]** 8.30pm  
 Oscar Wilde's decadent immortal strolls onto the big screen.  
**THRIST [18]** 8.30pm  
 Failed medical trials turn into vampire.  
**LE DONK & SCOR-Z VIZ [15]** 9.15pm  
 Routine and surprise a road trip to support the Arctic Monkeys.

**Vue Cinema (08712 240 240)**  
 9 [12A] Thu: 9.40, 11.40pm; Fri: 9.45, 11.50am, 1.45, 4.15, 6.30, 9.00pm  
 Post-apocalyptic puppets fight robots.  
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 Survivors of zombie plague seek safety in an amusement park.  
**HALLOWEEN 2 [18]** 8.30pm  
 Remake of 1981 horror, by Rob Zombie.  
**KIDS AM: CORALINE 2D [PG]** 8.30pm  
 Animation. Beware the bottom!  
**AN AMERICAN WEREWOLF IN LONDON [18]** 8.30pm  
 Barking and bloodletting in classic horror.  
**MY BLOODY VALENTINE 3D [18]** 8.30pm  
 Remake of 1981 horror.  
**THE INVENTION OF LYING [12A]** 8.30pm  
 Ricky Gervais tells the world's first lie.  
**COUPLES RETREAT [15]** 8.30pm  
 Couples work through their troubles in paradise. Fri: 6.45, 9.30pm, 12.00am  
**SAW 6 [18]** 8.30pm  
 The franchise just won't die. Thu: 12.30, 3.15, 5.30, 7.45, 10.10pm  
**FANTASTIC MR FOX [PG]** 8.30pm  
 Road Dahl story animated for the big screen. Fri: 9.40, 11.45am, 1.50, 4.15, 6.30, 8.40, 11.10pm  
**FAME [PG]** 8.30pm  
 Updated version of the 1980 musical.  
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**KIDS AM: ICE AGE 3 2D [U]** 8.30pm  
 Ice Age animals discover lost in third instalment of anarchic franchise. Thu: 11.00am

**Phoenix Picturehouse (0871 704 2662)**  
**AN EDUCATION [12A]** Fri: 1.30, 4.00, 6.30, 9.00pm  
 Girl in Saties London sidelines studies for suitors. O&A with author/journalist Lynn Barber, on whose autobiography this film is based. Fri: 6.30pm  
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**SLACKERS CLUB FIRESCREENING: TAKING WOODSTOCK [15]** 8.30pm  
 Comedy about bringing Woodstock to Tassarg's Farm. Free. For students only.  
**THE COVE [12A]** 8.30pm  
 Documentary about Japanese whaling and dolphin-hunting.  
**Odeon Magdalen Street (0871 2244 007)**  
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**COUPLES RETREAT [15]** 8.30pm  
 Couples work through their troubles in paradise. Comedy starring Vicky Young.

**West Oxford Community Centre**  
**THE AGE OF STUPID [12A]** Thu: 9pm, free, no tickets  
 2005: Pete Postlethwaite complies archive footage of 2008 and asks why we didn't stop climate change when we had the chance. Discussion by film campaigner Tim Nicholson.  
**Paulling Centre (01865 274711)**  
**COMPAS SEMINAR SERIES** Thu: 2pm, Free  
 Frozen River (2008) film screening.

**THE SPIN JAZZ CLUB**  
 129 High St, OX1 4DF  
**THU 29 OCT: ART THEMEN WITH THE SPIN TRIO**  
 One of the great tenor saxophonists in British Jazz  
 8.15pm - 12am. £9 / £7 concs / £6 students

TO BOOK SEATS & INFO:  
 WWW.SPINJAZZ.COM • 07711 671647

**SAT OCT 31 HALLOWE'EN!**  
**THE ISIS**  
**IFFLEY LOCK CLUBS**  
**A SPOOKTACULAR VII TAGE SAMHAIN WITH THE ORIGINAL RABBIT FOOT SPASMBAND**  
**THE COCCENHEIM HENRY BROTHERS**  
**MARGUERITE OSBORNE MISS GRACE**  
**OXFORD BROOKES CIRCUS SKILLS SOCIETY**  
**DJS MYSTIC; CHANGO MUTLEY; ORF5B**  
**TICKETS: £3 FROM WEGOTTICKETS & MYSPACE.COM / QUEEN OF CLUBS CABARET!**  
**PRIZE FOR THE BEST VINTAGE HALLOWE'EN OUTFIT!**

**MECO THE 5TH OXFORD MUSLIM MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
 a charity concert celebrating Islam's sacred music  
 Alghabban • Algeria • Iran • Iraq • Morocco • Somalia • Sudan • Turkey • UK  
 Sun 1st Nov, 3pm - 11pm, Holywell Music Room, Holywell St  
 Tickets £10/£5 - 01865 766032, 01865 439805 (also on door)  
 info@meco.org.uk www.meco.org.uk

Wednesday 4th November, 7pm, £2 including wine!  
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 Blackwell Bookshop is very pleased to showcase some of the UK's most talented rising literary stars. Experience them here first, and then boast about it in years to come!  
 Featuring: Ali Shaw (*The Girl With Glass Feet*), Samantha Harvey (*The Wilderness*), Poppy Adams (*The Behaviour of Moths*) and James Miller (*Lost Boys*). Chaired by Roma Tearne.  
 Tickets from the Customer Service Dept, Second Floor, Blackwell Bookshop, Oxford or tel: 01865 336623.

**D'OVERBROECK'S COLLEGE**  
 Independent Sixth Form  
**Sixth Form Open Morning**  
**7 November 2009**  
 For more information please telephone 01865 310000  
 www.doverbroeks.com

**ISRAEL IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS:**  
 -BUSINESS AND PEACE  
 -INNOVATION AND ENTERPRISE  
 -ECONOMY AND SOCIETY  
**SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2009**  
 9:30 am to 5:30 pm  
 Location: Oxford University's Saïd Business School  
 Register at www.ihps-oxford.co.uk/conference  
 Israeli and UK perspectives on Israel today:  
 Israel & the global financial crisis, society & the economy, the role of economy in peacemaking, entrepreneurship and the Israeli 'Silicon Valley'.

**THEATRE to Sat 31st**  
**North Wall Arts Centre (319450)**  
**THE AMERICAN PILOT** Wed 28th - Fri 30th: 8.00pm  
 Something terrible and wonderful has fallen from the sky - what will the pragmatist, the romantic, and the revolutionary do? £12/£8  
**O'Reilly Theatre, Keble College**  
**NIGHTS AT THE CIRCUS** Tue 27th - Fri 30th: 7.30pm  
 Sat 31st: 2.30 & 7.30pm  
 It's December 31st 1899 and you're invited to the party of the century. £7.50/£5-£13  
**New Theatre (0844 8471585)**  
**LORD OF THE DANCE** Tue 27th - Fri 30th: 8pm  
 Michael Flatley's return. £27.50  
**Oxford Playhouse (305305)**  
**DAYS OF SIGNIFICANCE** Thu 29th: 2.30pm, 7.30pm  
 Fri 30th: 8pm; Sat 31st: 2.30pm, 7.30pm  
 Before departing for active service, two young soldiers have a drunken night out. £11 - £24  
**Amy Hall, Abingdon School**  
**SWEENEY TODD** Tue 27th - Sat 31st: 7.30pm  
 Stephen Sondheim's multi Tony Award winning musical. £8.50  
**Burton Taylor Studio (305305)**  
**SOME VOICES** Tue 27th - Sat 31st: 7.30pm  
 Troubled but oddly charismatic Ray is taken in by his brother Pete. £5/£4  
**OFS Studio (0844 847 2360)**  
**GO BACK FOR MURDER** Tue 27th - Fri 30th: 7.30pm  
 Oxford's student talent a new edition of Agatha Christie. £9/£7 Sat 31st: 2.30pm, 7.30pm  
**Cornerstone, Didcot (01235 515144)**  
**SHERLOCK HOLMES - DEATH & LIFE** Fri 30th: 7.30pm  
 Conan Doyle events Monday to kill Holmes, but it's not so elementary. Ages 12+ £10-50-£13  
**Bladon Methodist Church (01869 337881)**  
**THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE** Tue 27th - Sat 31st: 7.30pm  
 A fearsome band of musical Pirates has landed in Badon! £8/£6  
 = review on dailyinfo.co.uk

**JOBS OFFERED**

**GERMAN ASSISTANT**  
 (Part-time post January 2010 to May 2010)  
 We require from January 2010 a native German speaker to help boys with their spoken German skills with a view to preparing them for their GCSE, AS and A2 German oral examinations. The total commitment required would be in the region of six hours per week until May 2010.  
 Application form, full cv and covering letter of application should be emailed to Mr A. Baker-Munton, the Head of Modern Languages, by the closing date of Friday 6th November 2009. [abmunton@mcsoxford.org](mailto:abmunton@mcsoxford.org)  
**MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL • OXFORD • OX4 1DZ**  
 Telephone: 01865 242191 • email: [master@mcsoxford.org](mailto:master@mcsoxford.org)  
 Further details available on the website: [www.mcsoxford.org](http://www.mcsoxford.org)

**OXFORD COLLEGE OF MARKETING - Accounts Support Executive.** Salary £21000 to £23000. We are seeking an accounts support executive with all aspects of sales and purchase ledger. Timely financial and business reporting is an essential part of the role. The successful applicant will also undertake some administration duties supporting the college staff and students. This is a demanding role in a small, busy office and requires a team player with a flexible approach. Please email your CV to [gill.evans@oxfordcollegeofmarketing.co.uk](mailto:gill.evans@oxfordcollegeofmarketing.co.uk)  
**FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER - Home-Start, Oxford.** £16,941 pro rata for 14 hours per week. We are looking for someone to provide support to vulnerable families with young children. Families referred to Home-Start can experience many difficulties and stresses which may include: social isolation; bereavement; disability; mental health issues; post-natal illness and others. Do you have the skills, experience, and ability to help them? If you feel you do then we're really likely to hear from you. For more information call Chris, on 01865 779991, or e-mail [megan@homestart-oxford.org](mailto:megan@homestart-oxford.org). Closing date: 13th November 2009. Home-Start Oxford is committed to equal opportunities. Registered charity No.1108612.

**Bellerbys College**  
 PREPARATION FOR UNIVERSITY EDUCATION  
**Experienced GCSE Science teacher needed from January**  
 Physics specialist preferred - must be able to teach Chemistry and Biology parts of Double Science.  
 Approx 18 hours per week.  
 The successful applicant will be enthusiastic and able to work well in a team environment.  
 Bellerbys offers a competitive salary, small class sizes and support for your professional development.  
 Please forward CV and covering letter by 6th November 09 to the Academic Director, Bellerbys College, Boswell House, 1 - 5 Broad Street, Oxford OX1 3AJ or email [jhoddinott@bellerbysgroup.com](mailto:jhoddinott@bellerbysgroup.com). More information about Bellerbys can be obtained from [www.studygroup.com](http://www.studygroup.com).  
 Successful candidate will be subject to enhanced CRB check.

**StudyGroup**  
 EDUCATION SPECIALISTS WORLDWIDE  
 ecoVeritas, an Oxford based environmental consultancy, is currently recruiting for 3 roles:  
 • DATA ANALYST (Nov - March)  
 • TELEMARKETING (Nov - Jan)  
 • OFFICE MANAGER (ongoing, part time)  
 Please go to [www.ecoveritas.com](http://www.ecoveritas.com) for further details, and to apply.

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER** required for a fast growing collaboration service for sustainable business. 2 years B2B sales experience and environmental knowledge essential. Salary + commission. CV and covering letter [simon.barnard@2degreesnetwork.com](mailto:simon.barnard@2degreesnetwork.com)  
**HAIRDRESSERS REQUIRED** in Cowley. Rent a chair in shopping centre location. Also small room suitable for nails, massage etc. 07803 186817 any time.

**FIREWORKS!**  
 Below are the full details of all the displays we know about up to Nov 5th. If you know any more, please email [fireworks@dailyinfo.co.uk](mailto:fireworks@dailyinfo.co.uk) to let us know!

- CURBRIDGE SOCIAL CLUB**, Saturday 31st October: gates open 5.30pm, fireworks 7.30pm  
 Witney United Football Stadium, Downs Road, Witney, OX29 7WT  
 All proceeds go towards village events. Trick or treat fancy dress competition for kids 11 and under. Guy Competition judging 6.45pm, bonfire 7.00pm, fireworks 7.30pm.  
 Tickets £5 adult, £2.50 child (2-16), £12 family (2 adults + 2 children); advance £4/£2.50/£10 from [www.curbridge-fireworks.co.uk](http://www.curbridge-fireworks.co.uk), The Lord Kitchener Inn, Giles Sports & Toys or Witney United FC.
- ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL**, Thursday 5th November: gates open 5.30pm, fireworks 6.30pm  
 St Michael's School, Marston Road, Oxford, OX3 0EJ  
 Family friendly fireworks and bonfire night. Food and drinks available.  
 Tickets £3 adult, £2 child, £8 family (2 adults + 3 children); advance £2.50/£1.50/£7 (01865 241476)
- BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS DISPLAY**, Thursday 5th November: 5.30pm  
 Fringford Village Hall, Fringford Green, OX27 8DY  
 Traditional family bonfire & fireworks display. Entry by donations. <http://fringford.info>
- ABBA FIREWORKS!** Thursday 5th November: gates open 6pm, fireworks 7pm  
 Stratfield Brake Recreation Ground, Kidlington, OX5 1UP (opp. Sainsbury's). Limited disabled parking only.  
 Tickets £4 adult, £3 child; advance £3/£2 from Exeter Hall, Kidlington (9am - 4pm). No sparklers. 01865 372143; [www.kidlington-pc.gov.uk](http://www.kidlington-pc.gov.uk)
- FIREWORKS FOR LITTLE ONES**, Thursday 5th November: 5 - 6pm  
 Lake Street Playgroup, Hinksey Park, Grandport, Oxford  
 Toddler friendly fireworks display. £5 family pass. <http://www.lakestreetplaygroup.org.uk>
- FREE SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS AT KINGHAM!** Thursday 5th November: 6pm, fireworks 7pm  
 The Playing field, Kingham (near Chipping Norton)  
 Stalls, attractions - something for everyone. Lots of lovely things to eat and drink: pig roast, burgers, hot dogs, mulled wine, hot chocolate, bar
- BONFIRE NIGHT AT THE WHITE HART**, Thursday 5th November: from 7.30pm  
 The White Hart, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9DL  
 Live acoustic music, fire performances from the Oxford Brookes Circus Skills Society, BBQ, Spiced Cider and homemade tasty treats

See [www.dailyinfo.co.uk/whatson/fireworks-2009.htm](http://www.dailyinfo.co.uk/whatson/fireworks-2009.htm) for events beyond 5 Nov!

**MEETINGS & LECTURES**

**Thu 29th**  
**THE AGE OF STUPID / Film screening (details under CINEMA, left) & discussion** led by Tim Nicholson, local campaigner / 8pm, free / [www.ageofstupid.net/](http://www.ageofstupid.net/)  
**PLAY GO - VISITORS WELCOME** / Ancient oriental board game: watch, play, learn / 7pm, free / [www.visitorswelcome.com/](http://www.visitorswelcome.com/) chm1 / 01865 248775 / 27/3928 / Caffino Cafe / Istanbul Restaurant, Manzil Way, Cowley Rd  
**TELESCOPE OPEN EVENING** / Examine the night sky with a professional telescope. Meet scientists, watch space films and even make a passport to the moon! To access the telescope you must be able to climb stairs / 7.30 & 8.30pm, free / Deekings Building, Mill age 8 / [enquiries@physics.ox.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@physics.ox.ac.uk) / 01865 282447, 400 Wilkinson Building, Keble Road, OX1 3HS  
**SOLITARY GNOSTICS - MATT 19** / discussion of Matthew 19 / 7.00pm - Free / [rajinder.nijhar@btworld.com](mailto:rajinder.nijhar@btworld.com) / 109-113 St Aldate's  
**LANDLORDS' FORUM** / Discussion Oxford City Council's proposed new Landlord Accreditation Scheme / 7.30-9pm, please email advance to book your place [ocf@oxford.gov.uk](mailto:ocf@oxford.gov.uk) / Town Hall, Oxford, St Aldates; Tel: 01865 249811  
**ATTITUDINAL HEALING** / An application of the Principles of ACM. Non-judgemental circle / 7.15 for 7.30pm - 9.15pm / [www.jerryjampolsky.com/](http://www.jerryjampolsky.com/)  
**QUINTAL HEALING** / Matt / 8.00pm - 9.15pm / [www.quintalhealing.com/](http://www.quintalhealing.com/)  
**QUIZ NIGHT** / New restaurant based quiz night / 8.30pm, Free Entry / [www.rj21.co.uk/](http://www.rj21.co.uk/) 01865 201120 / RJB@21, 21 Cowley Road, Tel: 01865 201120  
**MEDITATION** / Group sitting, instruction for beginners / 7pm, free / [michael@pockley.plus.com/](http://michael@pockley.plus.com/) <http://www.kidlington-zendo.org/> 01865 371109  
**RESTORATIVE JUSTICE TALK** / Talk by Marian Partington - "Transforming the Cycle of Violence" / Lunched/cluded / 2pm - 2pm / [pauline.micelle@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:pauline.micelle@oxfordshire.gov.uk) / 01865 268186 / Worcester College, Worcester St; Tel: 278300  
**THE ROMAN DE LA ROSE** / Helen Swift talks about The Roman de la Rose, a medieval bestseller / 12.30pm, Free. / [www.st-giles-church.org/](http://www.st-giles-church.org/) 01865 21190 / St Giles Church, St. Giles  
**STITCH AND BUTCH** / Come and chat with others while knitting or stitching your latest project / 1.00 - 2.30pm & 9pm, £2 / Cornerstone Arts Centre, 25 Station Road, Didcot, OX1 7NE; Tel: 01235 515144  
**PLANS FOR THE NEW BODLEIAN** / Richard Ovenden, Bodleian and Jim Eyre of Wilkinson Eyre talk about the new era / 7.30-9.30; £4 non members / [www.oxfordcivicsoc.org.uk/](http://www.oxfordcivicsoc.org.uk/) / Magdalen College Auditorium, Longwall St  
**POETRY READING: GREY GOVRIE** / Reading a selection of poems from his book 'Third Day' / 6pm / [www.wolfson.ox.ac.uk/](http://www.wolfson.ox.ac.uk/) 01865 274100 / Wolfson College Buttery, Linton Road, OX2 6UD  
**UBER-CATFISH INFORMAL MAKING** / Making sessions and swapping of ideas / 7.00pm - 11.30pm £2.5 / [ksentimental@gmail.com](mailto:ksentimental@gmail.com) / Fusion Arts, East Oxford Community Centre, Princes St; Tel: 01865 245735  
**CURING CANCER?** / Find out about the local people solving a global problem. / 7.30pm, £3 / 50 Friends Free / Science Oxford Live, 1 - 5 London Place, St Clements, OX4 1BD; Tel: 01865 810000, [events@scienceoxford.com](mailto:events@scienceoxford.com)  
**MISSION IN CONTEXT LECTURES** / Jonathan Burt from the Oxford Pastoral and the Graduate Student Community / [www.cms-uk.org/](http://www.cms-uk.org/) 01865 787400 / CMS, Watlington Road, Oxford  
**GET INTO READING 'NO THE MILL** / Weekly reading groups. Explore books, enhance self-esteem & wellbeing / Oxfordshire Mind / 3-4.30pm / [www.oxfordshire-mind.org.uk/](http://www.oxfordshire-mind.org.uk/) 01865 263737 / The Mill, 46 Cowley Road  
**CIRCUS SKILLS** / Workshop open to everyone! Every Thu in Brookes Term / 8pm - 10pm / [www.theseam.com/circus/](http://www.theseam.com/circus/) / Oxford Brookes University Student Union, Headington Hill Campus; Tel: S.U. Box Office: 01865 484750  
**COMPAS SEMINAR SERIES / Frozen River** (2008) film screening (see CINEMA, left) & discussion / 2pm, Free / Oxford Playhouse, 58a Banbury Rd  
**SEMINAR BY PROF TONY VENABLE** / "Bottom Billion or Bottom Zero? Policies for International Poverty Reduction" / 3.30-5pm, Free / [www.21stclub.org.uk/](http://www.21stclub.org.uk/) 01865 287430 / Old Indian Institute Building, 34 Broad St (corner of Holywell St and Cartie St)  
**THE RISE AND FALL OF COMMUNISM** / Archie Brown talks about his book / 7pm, tickets: £2 / 01865 333623 / Blackwells Bookshop, 48-51, Broad St  
**HIGH ART VERSUS MASS CULTURE: THE AESTHETICS OF LATE CAPITALISM** / Oxford Community Corresponding Society / 7.30-9pm, free / The Mitre, High St

**GIGS**

**Thu 29th**  
**ART THEMEN WITH THE SPIN TRIO** / One of the great tenor saxophonists of British Jazz / Spin Jazz Club, The Wheatheat, Wheatheat Alley, 129 High St / 8.15pm - 12am, £9, £7 concs, £6 stu. / [www.spinjazz.org/](http://www.spinjazz.org/) 07711 671467  
**SPARKY'S LYVING CIRCUS** / Weekly open music, poetry and song session / 9pm / Free / The Half Moon, 17 St Clements, Oxford  
**DAN HOLLOWAY AND JESSIE GRACE** / A night of music and words. Book & album launch / Year Zero Writers / 6-8pm, free + wine / [www.songsfromtheotherworld.com/](http://www.songsfromtheotherworld.com/)  
**CATWAZZLE CLUB** / Weekly performance of music, poetry & story / 8-11pm / £5/£4 (performers FREE - sign up before 8pm) / [www.catwazze.club/](http://www.catwazze.club/)  
**THEO JACKSON / Jazz** / 8pm, free / 554484 / Joe's, 260 Banbury Road  
**LOS CAMPESINOS, COPY HANO, SPARKY DEATHCAP** / 7-piece indie pop band from Cardiff / YMD Presents / 7pm £8 / OZ Academy, 190 Cowley Road  
**LURK WRIGHT** / Reading by acclaimed comic performance poet Luke Wright / Oxford Poetry Society / 8pm, £5/£4 / <http://www.oxfordpoetry.blogspot.com/> 01865 359393 / The Bang, Walton St  
**PRDCTV & ENVELOPE** / At once delicately melodic & frantically infectious / Oxford Contemporary Music / 29.10, 5.30pm, £3 / £2 concs. / [www.ocmvents.org/](http://www.ocmvents.org/) 01865 488369 / Modern Art Oxford, 30 Pembroke St.  
**DAVE REED'S DIXIE KINGS** / 6 piece swing with Denny Ilett - trumpet & Micky Cooke - trombone / Eynsham Jazz Club / 8.30-11pm, free / [www.myspace.com/eynsamjazzclub/](http://www.myspace.com/eynsamjazzclub/) 01296 582350 / White Hart, Eynsham, Newlands St, Eynsham, OX29 4LB  
**HALLOWEEN PARTY / Quiz** 8pm, Horns of Plenty 9pm. Fancy dress welcome, ghoulish games and frightening food! / Free entry / Prince of Wales, Iffley  
**STAY UP UNDERDRESS** / Folk-rock / Backroom / The Bully, 162 Cowley Road; Tel: 245716  
**ELECTRIC JAM SESSION** / Bring your instrument and jam along with house band / 8pm, free / Bricklayers Arms, 39-43 Church Lane, Marston OX3 0PT; Tel: 01865 250177  
**BRAZILIAN HALLOWEEN** / Samba, Salsa and R'n'B together! / Costume Contest / 9pm - 2am, £5 / Que Pasa bar, 12 New Road  
**Fri 30th**  
**SOUL KITCHEN** / DJ's Playing Soul, Funk and Latin beats past and present / The Sound Gallery / 9.00pm - 1.00am, free / 01865 202506 / Baby Smile, 213 Cowley Road, OX4 1UE; Tel: 01865 202506  
**SMILEX, ADRENOCROME, DIAL F FOR FRANKENSTEIN, BLACK POWDER** / One of Oxford's most beloved music venues hosts its comeback gig / Stone Free Promotions / 7.30pm, £5 / Port Mahon St, Clements's  
**YOUNG & SHAPES** / YMD presents... / £5adv / [www.ymdpresents.co.uk/](http://www.ymdpresents.co.uk/) / Jericho Tavern, 56 Walton St; Tel: 311775  
**TINARIVEN** / Award-winning collective of Tuareg musicians promoting fourth album 'Imdinin: Companions' / Academy Events Presents / 6.30pm £18 / O2 Academy, 190 Cowley Road, OX4 1UE; Tel: Box Office: 0844 477 2000  
**SIMPHERE DAN & DJ ERIC SOUL** / Described as the best thing to happen to Afro-soul music since Miriam Makeba / OCM, Big Village & Pegasus Theatre / 7pm, £10 adv, £12 door / O2 Academy Oxford, 190 Cowley Road  
**ARGENTINE TANGO** / Great tango music and dancing with DJ Haya / Oxford Tango Argentina / 8.00pm, £5 / [www.oxfordtango.co.uk/](http://www.oxfordtango.co.uk/) 01865 721667 / Union, Headington Hill Campus; Tel: S.U. Box Office: 01865 484750  
**BELSHAZZAR'S FEAST** / Multitalented folk duo play acoustic, obvio & cumbia songs / Oxford Folk Club / 8.30pm, £5 / [www.oxfordfolkclub.com/](http://www.oxfordfolkclub.com/) / Folly Bridge Inn, Abingdon Road; Tel: 01865 790106  
**POETRY EVENING** / An evening of poetry with wine & canapes / 7.30pm, free / <http://artjericho.com/> / Art Jericho, 6 King St, OX2 6DF; Tel: 07709 239322  
**LIVE FUNKY BANDS** / 9.30pm, free / [freud.oxfordmanagersfreud.co.uk/](http://freud.oxfordmanagersfreud.co.uk/) 01865 31171 / Freud's, Walton St; Tel: 311711  
**STORNOWAY + OXFORD MILLENNIUM ORCHESTRA** / Melodic live pop from Oxford's biggest up-and-coming band / 7pm / £10/£5 / [www.wegotickets.com/event/60317/](http://www.wegotickets.com/event/60317/) Sheldonian Theatre, Broad Street; Tel: 305305  
**GRACE SOLERO** / "Bittersweet, Jeff Buckley-esque" - Time Out London / Onstage 9pm / Bullington Arms, 162 Cowley Road, Oxford; Tel: 244516

**Fri 30th**  
**THE LIFE OF BATS** / Illustrated talk by David Endacott. Meet rescued bats! / 2pm, £3 / OUGC & SOL members free / [www.uuwg.org.uk/](http://www.uuwg.org.uk/) 01865 820522 / Science Oxford Live, 1 - 5 London Place, St Clements  
**BRIDGES OF LONDON AND BUDAPEST** / Sandoz/Vad on the culture, history & design of the two cities' bridges & rivers / Oxford Hungarian Society / 8pm / <http://hungsoc.org.uk/> 736973 / McGregor Room, Oriol College, Oriol Square

**THEATRE REVIEW**  
**O'Reilly Theatre, Keble until Sat 31st Oct**  
 wouldn't have wanted to miss any of the excellent musical sequences, many of the remaining scenes felt rushed, and, occasionally, difficult to understand. This wasn't helped by sometimes having the orchestra performing over the dialogue, or at the prompting of a rather over-theatrical conductor. All this meant that an already complicated story occasionally became almost impossible to follow.  
 Nights at the Circus is commendably ambitious, and, for the most part, achieves what it sets out to do. It has occasional problems of pacing, an uneven narrative, and confusing scenes. However, it is a production with tremendous style. Most plays' failures are because they think too small, have too few talented actors and too little imagination. Nights' failures are because it reaches