

Events 2023-2024

November 2023 - March 2024



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WELCOME

Welcome to the Hylands Estate Events brochure for November 2023 to March 2024!

Its beginning to look a lot like Christmas around Hylands Estate, and we have plenty to enjoy over the festive season! From shopping in our popular Christmas Open Estate Day to performances to enjoy with the whole family. The park is open all year round, so we're the perfect place to come for New Year walks and where you can catch some of the early signs of spring. We look forward to welcoming you soon!

The location key will help you with where these events take place, and we also highlight where these events are free to attend:

HH Hylands House

BL Back Lawn

ST The Stables

FREE Free Event

HP Hylands Park

FP Free Parking

GP Grand Pavilion





CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA





Enjoy our Christmas Vintage Afternoon Tea on Sunday 17 December in the Terrace Room at Hylands House. Our tables are very popular, so pre-booking is essential via our website.

Thinking of purchasing an Afternoon Tea as gift? Why not choose our Afternoon Tea gift vouchers!

Find everything you need, including our new 2024 dates, at **hylandsestate.co.uk**



HYLANDS OPEN ESTATE DAY

10am - 3pm





17 DEC

Join us for our regular Open Estate Days, taking place frequently across the year! This popular event features the very best the Estate has to offer, including:

18 **FEB**

Hylands House free open house,

family-friendly activities, storytelling, and guided tours

17 mar A program of exhibitions about the history of the Estate, presented by our volunteers

Urban Food Festival street food, crafts, and gifts outside of Hylands House, including

local sellers and handmade treasures.

Open artists' studios and live music, all free

* at The Stables. Visit our resident creative community and buy some of their unique pieces from the shop.

Hawthorn Heavy Horses provide estate carriage tours throughout the day. You can find out more and book your tour via their website: hawthornheavyhorses.co.uk

hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/openestate



Our Christmas Open Estate Day takes place on Sunday 17 December! Completed your Christmas shopping by then? Then come and treat yourself to some last-minute luxuries and enjoy our free activities!





THE CAMEO PLAYERS PRESENT: (HH) **JUST WILLIAM'S CHRISTMAS CAPERS**

NOV

7.45pm – 10pm (including an interval)

William Brown, the cheeky schoolboy from Richmal Crompton's books has grown up and is returning home for a Christmas party.

Join him, his "Outlaw" friends, and family as they reminisce about some of the antics they got up to as youngsters.

Get your Christmas off to a flying start with The Cameo Players as they present another of their popular Hylands House Christmas shows with the usual features of music, drama and lots of fun!

Mulled wine and light refreshments available to purchase.

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ENLIGHTENED

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01 **JAN** Following last year's sell out success, the magical outdoor light trail is returning to Hylands Estate in Chelmsford this winter with even more illuminated installations for all the family to enjoy.

For the fourth consecutive year, Enlightened will transform the landscape of the estate into a unique, mile-long journey of enchantment and illumination throughout November and December.

Marvel at the majestic woodland that sparkles whilst being immersed in the magical soundscape. Try your hand at one of the many interactive elements where you can control the installation whilst competing with your fellow visitors and have your camera phone at the ready for the photo opportunity around every corner.

Enlightened 2023 will be the biggest, brightest, and boldest year yet with a trail bursting with even more interactive and immersive elements than ever before along with visitor favourites.

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ENLIGHTENED WINTER CATERING VILLAGE

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01 JAN As well as enjoying Enlightened's enchanting outdoor light trail, all ticket holders will be able to visit for the very first year a delicious new addition to the route – A Winter Catering Village provided by The Deli Hylands.

Enjoy woodfired pizzas from the A&Co pizza van, including their festive favourite Christmas Pizza – including the pigs in blankets and sprouts!

Visit their barbeque at the Deli Doghouse for locally sourced sausages from Ingatestone, served in brioche buns with a variety of toppings.

Get your cheese fix from the Gondola with classic Raclette dishes, and croque monsieurs

Ice cream isn't just for summer! Artisan scoops from Saffron Ice Cream will be served, as well as a hot brownie ice cream sundae to keep off the chill.

Stay refreshed at the bar with wine supplied from New Hall Wines, as well as beer, mulled wine and mulled cider.

All this, plus the Doghouse will be open for hot and cold drinks as well as snacks.

The Artist Shop will also be open every night and the Artists Studios will be open on selected evenings.

The Deli



27 DEC

28 DEC **CHRISTMAS SHOW**

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THE PANTALOONS PRESENTS: ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND

11.30am & 4pm

Follow the critically acclaimed Pantaloons down the rabbit hole for their own hilarious take on Lewis Carroll's nonsensical novel.

All the unusual suspects are here: the mirthful Mad Hatter, the perpetually late White Rabbit, the quarrelsome Queen of Hearts and, of course, the adventurous Alice herself.

A delightfully festive show that gets curiouser and curiouser with live music and audience interaction.

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THE STABLES SUNDAY SESSIONS





We were delighted to receive funding in 2022 for our new program of free music as part of our Open Estate Days, presented to you as The Stables Sunday Sessions.

Thanks to a two-year grant from Arts Council England, Hylands Estate and Hot Box Live have presented regular free music once a month in the Stables showcasing the best in local grassroots live music the region has to offer.

Artists so far have included Tom Peplow, Will Coleridge, Admissions, the Zak Barrett Trio, and Longy.



THE STABLES & ARTIST STUDIOS

Visit The Stables on your next trip to Hylands Estate! Here's some useful information to guide you when you visit:

ARTISTS STUDIOS & WORKSHOPS

Our public facing studios are open Wednesday to Friday, 10am – 3pm. All studios, including upstairs, are open on our Open Estate Sundays.

Our resident artists, designers and makers offer a selection of workshops that are bookable in advance. From jewellery making to warm glass workshops, get hands on with new skills and make something to take home.



THE DELI

The Deli's newest location in The Stables offers a varied menu that, as well as their usual offering, boasts plenty of vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options.

Savour fresh, made-to-order sandwiches and seasonal salads, plus their famous homemade sausage rolls, cakes, pastries, and tarts crafted by staff at The Deli's farm kitchens in West Hanningfield.

Opening times

8am to 5pm, every day

ARTIST SHOP AND INFORMATION POINT

The Information Point is where you pick up our multimedia tour headsets plus our Walks and Events leaflets. Make sure you explore the Artist Shop whilst you're there to purchase unique gifts.

Opening times

Mon to Fri 10am - 4pm, Weekends 9am - 5pm

BOOK SHOP

The second-hand bookshop is managed entirely by volunteers of the Friends of Hylands House and carries a good stock of second-hand books covering many subjects and a large selection of collector's books. Contact the Book shop directly to arrange to make a donation.

Opening times

October to March Mon to Fri 10.30am - 3pm, Weekends 10.30am - 3.30pm



HYLANDS HISTORY & GARDENS MULTIMEDIA TOUR

Introducing our brand-new multimedia tour which shares the rich history of Hylands House and our extensive gardens.

Hylands House was first built almost 300 years ago, and the gardens have been a major attraction for most of our history. Over time, each new owner made their own mark on the house and grounds, extending and remodelling the landscape according to the tastes and fashions of the day.

We're proud that we are known as the jewel in Chelmsford's crown. Now, our new multimedia tour, designed by ATS Heritage, will take you through the history of the Estate, telling the story of how we came to be as we are today.

The tour is free to explore seven days a week. Enjoy it via our official handheld devices, which can be borrowed from The Stables Information Point. Alternatively, use your smartphone to listen to the tour by scanning the QR code at the first post stop in The Stables area, or any others on the tour. Don't forget to bring your earphones if doing the tour from a smartphone.

Find out more at hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/historyandgardenstour



HYLANDS PARK

WALKS

Explore Hylands Estate on foot following our five mapped walks, ranging from a 30-minute stroll to a four-mile leisurely hike. Choose either the Repton, Lower Estate, Pleasure Garden, Estate Boundary or Jubilee Walk. Walk leaflets are available in the Information Point at The Stables or can be downloaded from our website.

THE PLEASURE GARDENS

The ornate Victorian Pleasure Gardens can be found near The Stables. With several period garden styles to explore and the on-going planting restoration, there's always something new to see. Central to the Pleasure Gardens is the beautiful duck pond home to a variation of fish, ducks, and geese. Duck food can be purchased from the Information Park in The Stables.

ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

Hylands Estate is home to an award-winning accessible castle-themed adventure playground. The playground boasts four-meter-high castle battlements with portcullis and a cool drawbridge entrance with dedicated play areas for children above and below the age of six.

FIND OUT MORE

Hylands Estate is proud to have approximately 574 acres of restored historic parkland open to the public. We're working hard to sustain our beautiful green space for years to come, through education, biodiversity work and conservation.

You can find out more about this work on our website at hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/gardens-and-parklands



Hylands Estate has two entrances. The Hylands Park entrance, CM2 8FS, is closest to the Adventure Playground and to visit the park. The Hylands House entrance, CM2 8WQ, is closest to Hylands House and The Stables.

By car

Exit the M25 at Junction 28 on to the A12 towards Chelmsford and Colchester, Exit the A12 at Junction 15 on the A414 dual carriageway towards Chelmsford. Parking charges apply from 9am to 6pm.

By public transport

Public transport is available from the city centre to Hylands. First Buses have services running which stop nearby the park. Check our Explore page on the website for the latest information.

By bike

Designated cycle routes from the city centre can be found on our website.

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