

BACON THEATRE

Spring
2017





Well hello there.

We warmly welcome you to the Bacon Theatre this winter and spring for a full and varied programme of events for the whole family.

This season brings immersive storytelling with a cello soundscape in Watchers of the Skies; for families the acrobatic tale The Party and Vienna Festival Ballet's beautiful classical dance Cinderella; National Theatre Live and RSC Live present screenings of Amadeus, Saint Joan, Hedda Gabler and Julius Caesar; we have the colourful film Queen of Katwe; plus a bumper line-up of live music from The Bohemians, Darkside Pink Floyd, Ruby Turner, The Beach Boys Story and An Evening of Dirty Dancing: The Tribute Show.

We look forward to seeing you,
Team Bacon x



Blunderbus
Lily and the Little Snow Bear



Wednesday 14 December 10.30 am
£10.00 (£8.00) Family £32.00

Lily loves SNOW! When she discovers a trail of soft little footprints she's in for a very big surprise. For at the bottom of the garden she finds a lost little snow bear. Brought to life by acclaimed Blunderbus Theatre this funny, heart-warming tale of friendship is the perfect treat for Christmas. With exquisite puppets, enchanting music and a magical snowy setting, this modern day fairytale is especially for little snow bears aged 3+ and their grown-ups.

Age recommendation 3 years +

blunderbus.co.uk

WWW.BACONTHEATRE.CO.UK

National Theatre Live
No Man's Land [12A]



Thursday 15 December 7.00 pm
£16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50

One summer's evening, two ageing writers, Hirst and Spooner, meet in a Hampstead pub and continue their drinking into the night at Hirst's stately house nearby. As the pair become increasingly inebriated and their stories increasingly unbelievable, the lively conversation soon turns into a revealing power game, further complicated by the return home of two sinister younger men.

Live | Running time: 150mins

ntlive.nationaltheatre.org.uk

Living Spit
A Christmas Carol



Sunday 18 December 7.30 pm
£14.00 (£12.00)

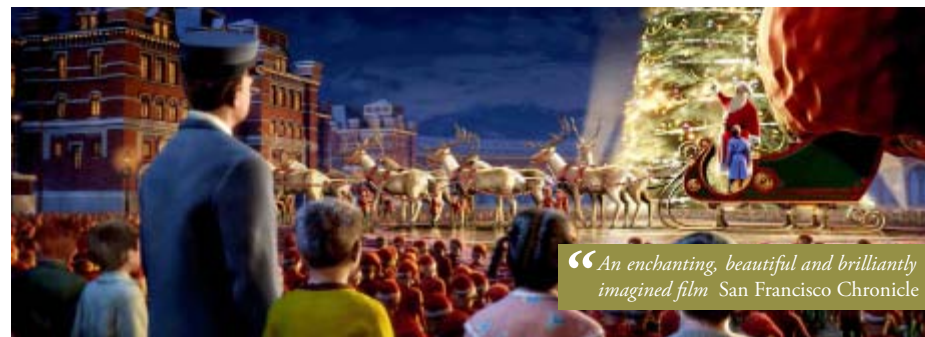
Hard-hearted Ebenezer Scrooge hates the season of goodwill. Until a visit from three Phantoms one memorable Christmas Eve makes him rethink his miserly ways and turn his wicked life upside down. With silly songs, pitiful puppetry and more Dickensian daftness than you can shake a selection box at, Living Spit burst onto stage with a feast of festive foolery!

Age recommendation 14 years +

livingspit.co.uk

RELAXED FILM

The Polar Express [U]



Tues 20 December Santa from 4.00 pm
Film at 5.00 pm

£7.00 (to include a treat from Santa)

With a twinkling grotto and a visit from Father Christmas before the film, this cinema experience will also be adapted to create a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere for audiences with additional needs. Please see website for details.

Tom Hanks stars in the holiday classic The Polar Express filmed in dazzling performance capture animation for an unforgettable cinema experience. It's Christmas Eve and you're about to roller-coaster up and down mountains, teeter across mile-high bridges and be served hot chocolate by singing waiters more astonishing than any you can imagine.

Dir: Robert Zemeckis | USA | 2004 | 100mins

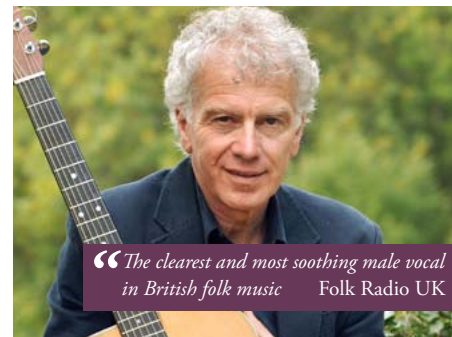
FILM

The Polar Express [U]



Johnny Coppin

All on a Winter's Night



Thursday 22 December 7.30 pm

£16.00 Child £9.00 HIRE

Together with Paul Burgess, Dik Cadbury, and images by Martin Fry, Johnny presents material from his brand new album All On A Winter's Night in a very popular concert of carols, songs and stories.

johnnycoppin.co.uk

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RSC Live

The Tempest [12A]



Wednesday 11 January 7.00 pm

£16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50

The Tempest will be brought to life on the RSC stage in collaboration with Intel and in association with The Imaginarium Studios, featuring some of today's most advanced technology in a bold reimaging of this magical play, starring Simon Russell Beale. On a distant island a man waits. Robbed of his position, power and wealth, his enemies have left him in isolation. But this is no ordinary man and this no ordinary island.

Live | Running time: 210mins

rsclive.co.uk

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Talking Shadows Theatre Company

Talking Heads



Thursday 12 January 7.15 pm

£12.00 (£9.00)

Alan Bennett's acclaimed 1988 black comedies explore loneliness, isolation and dashed hopes. In Her Big Chance, naive young actress Lesley swaps extra roles in Crossroads for a dubious lead in an adult film; in A Lady of Letters, embittered spinster Irene Ruddock goes too far with her interfering ways; and A Bed Among the Lentils sees anxious, alcoholic vicar's wife Susan enter a relationship with her local grocer. This is a rare chance to see these famous playlets on stage.

Promenade Productions

Sleeping Beauty



Wed 18 – Sun 22 Jan 7.00 pm
w/end 2.30 pm

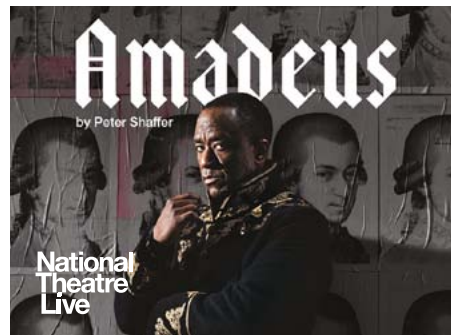
£10.00 - £14.00 HIRE

Chase away those winter blues! Book tickets for Promenade Productions' traditional family pantomime Sleeping Beauty and be transported to a fairytale world with a beautiful princess, a handsome prince, good fairies and one very nasty fairy plus all the crazy characters you expect to find in pantomime. Lots of boos, lots of laughter, lots of audience involvement.

Tickets available via Showcase 01242 224144, at promenadeproductions.co.uk or via the Bacon Theatre. Please note: matinees are Saturday & Sunday only

promenadeproductions.co.uk

National Theatre Live
Amadeus [12A]



Thursday 2 February 7.00 pm
£16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50

Music. Power. Jealousy. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, a rowdy young prodigy, arrives in Vienna, the music capital of the world. Awestruck by his genius, court composer Antonio Salieri has the power to promote his talent or destroy his name. Seized by obsessive jealousy he begins a war with Mozart, with music, and ultimately, with God. With live orchestral accompaniment by Southbank Sinfonia.

Live | Running time: 210 mins

ntlive.nationaltheatre.org.uk

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Brainiac Live!



Wednesday 15 February 2.00 pm
£14.00 (£12.00) Family £48.00

Strap on your safety goggles boys and girls, Science's greatest and most volatile live show is returning with a vengeance. Based on the multi award-winning TV show, Brainiac Live! will take you on a breathless ride through the wild world of the weird and wonderful from the safety of your seat. Expect exploding dustbins, combusting microwaves and loads of live daredevil stunts.

Age recommendation 6 years +
Running time: 60 mins

brainiaclive.com

National Theatre Live
Saint Joan [12A]



Thursday 16 February 7.00 pm
£16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50

Bernard Shaw's classic play follows the life and trial of a young country girl who declares a bloody mission to drive the English from France. As one of the first Protestants and nationalists, she threatens the very fabric of the feudal society and the Catholic Church across Europe. Josie Rourke directs Gemma Arterton (Made in Dagenham) as Joan of Arc in this electrifying production.

Live | Running time: 240 mins

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An Evening of Dirty Dancing
The Tribute Show



Friday 17 February 7.30 pm
£21.00 (£19.00)

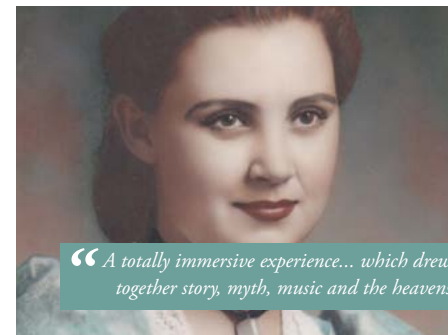
Now in its seventh record-breaking year, this is a five star homage to the greatest movie soundtrack of all time. The original concert celebration of the iconic music from the multi-award winning soundtrack to Dirty Dancing. A high energy, emotional roller-coaster of an evening with breath-taking choreography and buckets of nostalgia. Put your dancing shoes on and get ready to have the time of your life!

Please note: this production is not affiliated with Dirty Dancing
The Classic Story On Stage on tour in the UK and worldwide

stageactsentertainment.com

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Story Space
Watchers of the Skies



Saturday 4 March 7.30 pm
£12.00

Edna Leigh was born in Kansas in 1916. Her story takes us on a dramatic journey across the Atlantic, to post-war England where this ordinary woman stumbled upon a mystery in Homer's Odyssey, decoding the hidden meaning. She kept her findings a secret throughout her life. Now Edna's granddaughter shares this fascinating journey, combining her story with poetry, astronomy and a live cello soundscape.

Afterwards join performer Carol Graham for an informal workshop: Exploring and Sharing Your Family History.

watchersoftheskies.co.uk

Open Morning

Saturday 4th March 2017

Pre-Preparatory and Preparatory School
9.00am - 11.00am

Senior School
10.00am Arrival and Registration

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AGE 3 - 18**

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National Theatre Live
Hedda Gabler [12A]



Thursday 9 March 7.00 pm

£16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50

Just married. Bored already. Hedda longs to be free... Hedda and Tesman have just returned from their honeymoon and the relationship is already in trouble. Trapped but determined, Hedda tries to control those around her, only to see her own world unravel. Tony Award-winning director Ivo van Hove returns to National Theatre Live screens with a modern production of Ibsen's masterpiece.

Live | Running time: 210 mins

ntlive.nationaltheatre.org.uk

The Bohemians Live Queen



Saturday 18 March 7.30 pm

£18.00 (£16.00)

The Bohemians are the most dynamic and exciting Queen tribute band currently touring the world. Standing ovations greet their performances which include full staging, stunning lighting, backdrops, pyrotechnics and a baby grand piano. The Bohemians promise a night to remember as they recreate the glory days of Queen, including the craziness of the 1970s and the magic of the 1980s, live in concert.

thebohemians.com

Lifting The Blues
Ruby Turner



Friday 24 March 7.30 pm

£25.00

HIRE

Ruby Turner can breathe life and meaning into any song. Over a long and fruitful career, Ruby's vocal prowess has been employed by Brian Ferry, Mick Jagger, Steve Winwood and Jools Holland. Described as the genuine article and blessed with a voice that has been likened to Aretha Franklin and Janis Joplin, Ruby continues to win the hearts and minds of an ever-growing and diverse fan base.

In aid of the mental health charity Lifting The Blues

liftingtheblues.co.uk.com

Vienna Festival Ballet
Cinderella



Sunday 26 March 5.00 pm

£19.00 (£18.00) Child £14.00

A mistreated young girl, a glass slipper, two comical ugly step-sisters and a handsome prince add up to one of the best known rags-to-riches stories of all time. Enjoy a perfect mix of classical dancing, delicate storytelling and a touch of pantomime, plus a ballet score of Rossini's most famous operatic achievements. With exquisite choreography by Sheila Styles, Vienna Festival Ballet's rendition of Cinderella will surely touch hearts and minds.

viennafestivalballet.com

Nearly There Yet
The Party



Wednesday 29 March 10.30 am

£11.00 (£9.00) Family £36.00

The cake is made, the presents have arrived, and the music is playing. Enter some uninvited visitors: a French cyclist and a man dressed as a giant chicken. What ensues is a fast-paced, acrobatic and endlessly entertaining circus show that humorously explores topics such as sharing, social exclusion, and not always getting what you want. A fantastically engaging show for all the family.

Age recommendation 3 years +

nearlythereyet.com



70th Anniversary Season
Festival of the Baroque

St. Matthew Passion - JS Bach
Cheltenham Bach Choir with the Musical and Amicable Society Baroque Orchestra, at Cheltenham Town Hall
Saturday 1st April 2017 at 6:00 pm

Singing Competition for young professional singers
Prince Michael Hall, Dean Close
from 11:00 am
Friday 31st March 2017
with finalists' concert at 7:30 pm

Benjamin Baker plays Bach Partitas for solo violin
Prince Michael Hall, Dean Close
Sunday 2nd April 2017 at 7:30 pm

For details and to purchase tickets visit
www.cheltbachchoir.com

Benjamin Baker

Bach Partitas for solo violin



“An impressive talent
Classic FM

Sunday 2 April **7.30 pm**

£15.00 Child / Student **£8.00**

Join us for this recital of Bach's solo violin music, a repertoire of the most exquisite beauty. Benjamin Baker is one of the country's best up-and-coming young violinists, a member of the Young Classical Artists Trust and a winner of numerous prizes and awards. Don't miss this opportunity to hear him perform Bach's masterpiece for unaccompanied violin!

Rising singing stars also perform
Baroque music in a Singing
Competition on Friday 31 March



cheltbachchoir.com

National Theatre Live

Twelfth Night [12A]



Thursday 6 April **7.00 pm**

£16.50 (£14.50) Student **£12.50**

Tamsin Greig is Malvolia in a new twist on Shakespeare's classic comedy of mistaken identity. A ship is wrecked on the rocks. Viola is washed ashore but her twin brother Sebastian is lost. Determined to survive on her own, she steps out to explore a new land. So begins a whirlwind of mistaken identity and unrequited love. Simon Godwin directs this joyous new production.

Live | Running time: 210 mins

ntlive.nationaltheatre.org.uk

The Beach Boys Story



“I've seen the real Beach Boys - these
guys are better! Julie, Nottingham

Friday 7 April **7.30 pm**

£17.00 (£15.00)

The fabulous five-piece Beach Boys Band reproduce the trademark orchestral arrangements and intricate vocals of America's greatest pop group live on stage. Ride the wave of adrenaline and nostalgia from surf to sun and from hit to hit, including: God Only Knows, Good Vibrations, I Get Around, Wouldn't It Be Nice, Surfin' USA, Fun Fun Fun and more.

beachboysband.co.uk

RSC Live

Julius Caesar [12A]



Wednesday 26 April **7.00 pm**

£16.50 (£14.50) Student **£12.50**

The Rome season in the Royal Shakespeare Theatre opens with the politics of spin and betrayal turning to violence.

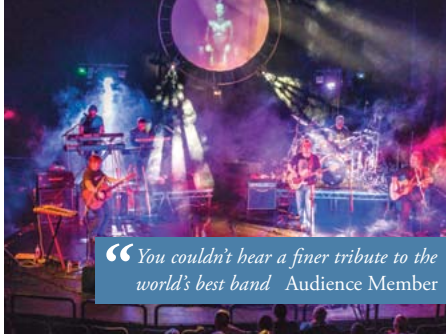
Season Director Angus Jackson steers the thrilling action in Shakespeare's epic political tragedy, as the race to claim the empire spirals out of control. Caesar returns from war, all-conquering, but mutiny is rumbling through the corridors of power.

Live | Running time: 240 mins

rslive.co.uk

Darkside

The Pink Floyd Show



“You couldn't hear a finer tribute to the
world's best band Audience Member

Saturday 29 April **7.30 pm**

£18.00 (£16.00) HIRE

Darkside the tribute to Pink Floyd returns in its twelfth year of touring to take you on a journey through the huge back catalogue of iconic psychedelic and progressive rock music under the show title of Any Colour You Like. With tracks from Dark Side of the Moon, Wish You Were Here and Animals, the show will be performed with passion and empathy, complete with a spectacular laser light show and projected images to capture the essence of Floyd at their best.

darksidefloydshow.com

FILM

Queen of Katwe [PG]



“A thoroughly heart-warming story
Independent

Tuesday 2 May **7.45 pm**

£8.00 (£7.00)

David Oyelowo (Selma, The Help) stars in the colourful true story of a Phiona Mutesi, born and raised in Katwe (a slum) in rural Uganda, who is instilled with the confidence and determination to pursue her dream of becoming an international chess champion with the support of her community. With beautiful cinematography and a stark look at slum life in Uganda, director Mira Nair weaves a heart-felt and intelligent tale.

Dir: Mira Nair | USA | 2016 | 124mins

queenofkatwe.com

Simon & Garfunkel Through the Years
Live in Concert



“Warming and beautiful
Broadway Baby

Friday 19 May 7.30 pm

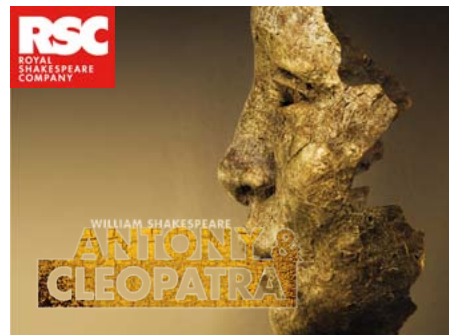
£15.00 (£14.00)

Dan Haynes and Pete Richards offer the most authentic sounding tribute to Simon and Garfunkel with beautiful renditions of The Sound of Silence, Mrs Robinson and Bridge Over Troubled Water, plus early folk gems Sparrow and Bleecker Street. Performing the songs against a backdrop of images and video footage, Dan and Pete delicately recreate the close harmony sound of the folk-rock duo for a truly breath-taking concert.

simonandgarfunkelbybookends.com

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RSC Live
Antony and Cleopatra [12A]



Wednesday 7 June 7.00 pm

£16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50

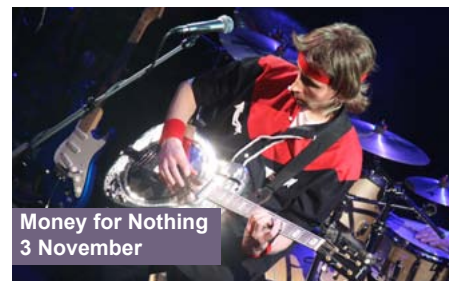
The RSC Rome season continues with Antony & Cleopatra, directed by Iqbal Khan. Shakespeare's tragedy picks up the story where Julius Caesar ends.

Mark Antony has reached the heights of power and neglects his empire for a life of decadent seduction with his mistress, Cleopatra, Queen of Egypt. Torn between love and duty, Antony's military brilliance deserts him, and his passion leads the lovers to their tragic end.

Delayed Live | Running time: tbc

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OPENING TIMES
 Monday - Friday 9.00 am - 12.00 pm

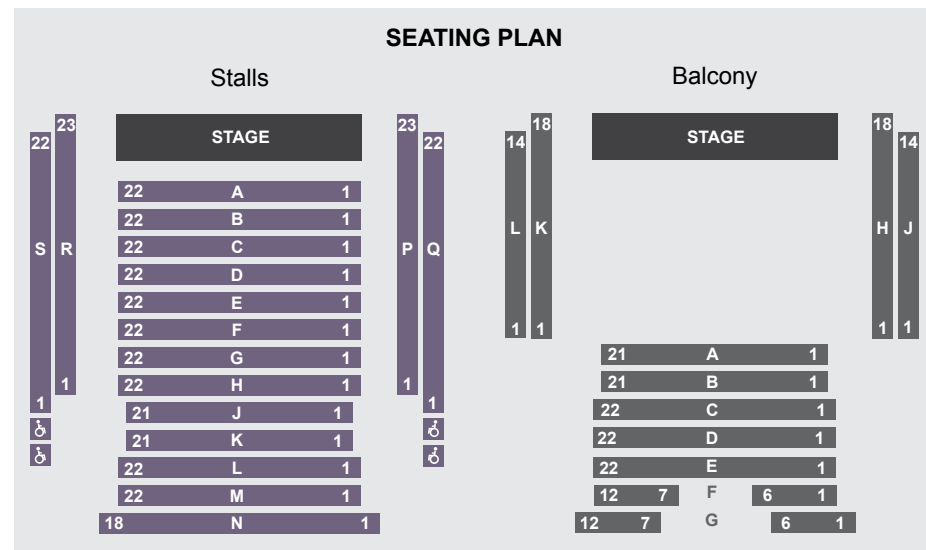
CONCESSIONS
 These apply to over 60s, students, under 18s, registered unemployed and registered disabled patrons. ID may be required.

GROUP DISCOUNTS
 10% discount applies to bookings of 10 tickets together. Please call the box office for full details of discounts available.

BOOKING FEE
 All advanced bookings are subject to a booking fee: £1 for a single ticket, £2 for two or more tickets. There is no booking fee for films or on-the-door purchases. There are no additional charges for postage or credit card payments.

PAYMENTS
 We accept cash, credit/debit cards and cheque payments (payable to Dean Close Services Ltd).

REFUNDS / EXCHANGES
 We are not able to refund tickets unless a show is cancelled. We can try to re-sell them for you if an event is sold out.



REFRESHMENTS

Our fully licensed bar is open for pre- and post- performance drinks and interval drinks which may be ordered in advance.

Coffee, tea and a wide selection of ice-creams and confectionery are on sale pre-show and during the interval.

HOW TO FIND US

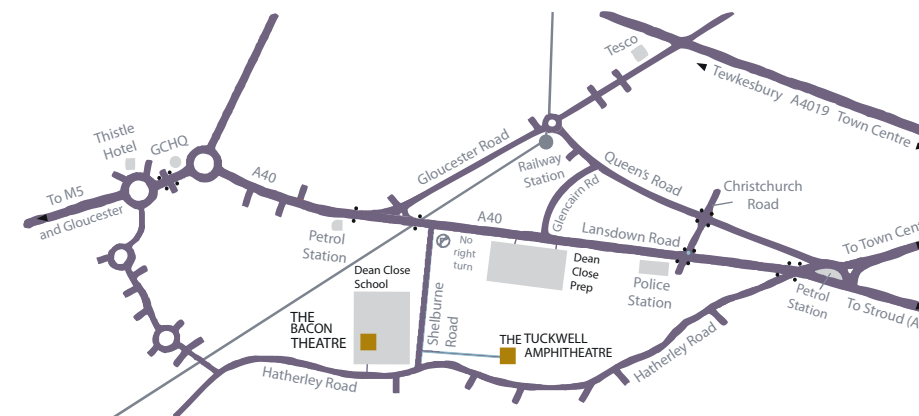
CAR
 The Bacon Theatre is accessed via the Hatherley Road entrance to Dean Close School. Follow the brown tourism signs from either end of the Hatherley Rd. For sat nav purposes enter **GL51 6EP**. For the Tuckwell Amphitheatre use **GL51 6HE**. Parking is available but please be aware that on site parking spaces cannot be guaranteed during busy periods.

BICYCLE
 Cycle parking spaces are available at the top of the theatre drive on the right.

TRAIN
 Cheltenham Spa railway station is a 15-minute walk away.

BUS
 Bus D from Cheltenham stops on Shelburne Road. Buses 97 and 98 from Gloucester stop on Hatherley Road. Bus 94 from Gloucester stops on the Lansdown Road.

Local bus information line 08706 082608.



DISABLED FACILITIES

We welcome patrons with disabilities and we will do what we can to ensure that your visit is as straightforward as possible. If you need assistance, please let us know when booking your tickets. Facilities include: designated parking, level access, adapted toilet, wheelchair spaces in the auditorium and a hearing loop facility. Guide dogs are welcome.

Registered disabled patrons are entitled to concession tickets with a complimentary ticket for a companion.

Audio or large print versions of this brochure are available on request.

The Bacon Theatre is proud to support performers from the local community and we are always pleased to hear from any groups or individuals seeking affordable performance space or local businesses and organisations requiring facilities for conferences, functions and away days.

Please note that although changes to the advertised programme are rare, some events may be subject to change at short notice.

JANUARY

Wed 11	RSC Live: The Tempest [12A] Tickets: £16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50	7.00 pm
Thur 12	Talking Shadows Theatre: Talking Heads Tickets: £12.00 (£9.00)	7.15 pm
Wed 18 - Sun 22	Promenade Productions: Sleeping Beauty Tickets: £10.00 - £14.00	7.00 pm HIRE or 2.30pm

FEBRUARY

Thur 2	NT Live: Amadeus [12A] Tickets: £16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50	7.00 pm
Sun 12	Danceworks 2017 Tickets & info: 01242 233338	3.00 pm HIRE
Wed 15	Brainiac Live! Tickets: £14.00 (£12.00) Family £48.00	2.00 pm
Wed 15	Prince Michael Hall Andrey Lebedev (guitar) Tickets: £10.00 (on the door only)	7.30 pm HIRE
Thur 16	NT Live: Saint Joan [12A] Tickets: £16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50	7.00 pm
Fri 17	An Evening of Dirty Dancing: Tribute Show Tickets: £21.00 (£19.00)	7.30 pm

MARCH

Sat 4	Story Space: Watchers of the Skies Tickets: £12.00	7.30 pm
Thur 9	NT Live: Hedda Gabler [12A] Tickets: £16.50 (£14.50) Student £12.50	7.00 pm
Sat 11	Hatherley Dance Centre: Fairy Gifts Tickets & information: 01242 530098 / 07521 134169	2.00 pm HIRE
Sat 18	The Bohemians Live Queen Tickets: £18.00 (£16.00)	7.30 pm

Fri 24	Lifting the Blues: Ruby Turner Tickets: £25.00	HIRE 7.30 pm
Sat 25	My Stage School Show 2017 Tickets & information: info@mystageschool.co.uk	HIRE 12.00 pm & 5.00 pm
Sun 26	Vienna Festival Ballet: Cinderella Tickets: £19.00 (£18.00) Child £14.00	5.00 pm
Wed 29	Nearly There Yet: The Party Tickets: £11.00 (£9.00) Family £36.00	10.30 am
Fri 31	Prince Michael Hall Chelt Bach Choir: Competition Concert Tickets: £10.00 (Students £8.00)	7.30 pm HIRE

APRIL

Sun 2	Corrairie Collins Dance Studio Tickets & information: 01242 582904	4.00 pm HIRE
Sun 2	Prince Michael Hall Benjamin Baker: Bach Partitas Solo Violin Tickets: £15.00 Child / Student £8.00	7.30 pm HIRE
Fri 7	The Beach Boys Story Tickets: £17.00 (£15.00)	7.30 pm
Sat 8	CoadyCrew: Born2Perform 2017 (Act 1) Tickets & information: coadydancestudios.com	7.00 pm HIRE
Tue 18 - Sat 22	Gloucester Gang Show 2017 Tickets & information: 01452 304024	HIRE 7.15 pm Sat 2.15 pm

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