Saturday 10th May 7.15pm Festival Prelude:

Scarborough Symphony Orchestra. Methodist Central Hall, Queen Street, Scarborough, YO11 1HQ. Full programme, details, and tickets at www.scarborough-orchestra.org/may-concert.

Friday 16th May 6pm 'Flight'.

An hour-long script-in-hand performance, both silly and strange, darkly funny - and deadly serious. Written, directed and performed by Felix Hodcroft and Sue Wilsea. Gallery 6, 6 Victoria Road, Scarborough, YO11 1SD. A Free Event, booking recommended.

Friday 16th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) Harp and a Monkey & Fylingdales Folk Choir.

What do you get when you cross an award-winning song and storytelling trio from Lancashire with a folk choir from North Yorkshire? Come and find out! St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough. A Pay What You Feel Event, booking recommended.

Saturday 17th May 12pm to 3pm Sustainable Coast.

What is going on with the sea? What do we want the sea to be? With talks by Paul Rose, Hugo Tagholm (OCEANA), and Mike Cohen (National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations). St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough. A Pay What You Feel Event, booking recommended.

Saturday 17th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) Professor Joann Fletcher.

Join us for another set of brilliant insights into Ancient Egypt from TV's star Egyptologist and Patron of Big Ideas By The Sea, Prof. Joann Fletcher. St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough. A Pay What You Feel Event, booking recommended.

Sunday 18th May 2pm Verses Voices.

An hour-long performance, designed to reclaim attention for the range of brilliant British poetry produced in the 1950's, 60's and 70's. Felix Hodcroft directs Ann Gibbon, Sue Grogan, Richard Kipping, Eddie Lawlor and Suzie Millar in performance. Peasholm Community Hub Building, Peasholm Park, YO12 7TR. A Free Event, booking recommended.

Sunday 18th May 5pm Wordsmith Open Mike.

It's a bar, the poetry will be edgy! Not suitable for children. Craft Bar Northway Scarborough. A Free, Drop-in Event.

Tuesday 20th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) An Evening of Poetry and Music.

With Charlotte Oliver, Rowena Somerville and Rowan Oliver. St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough. A Pay What You Feel Event, booking recommended.

Wednesday 21st May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) 5 Star Brass in Concert.

The amazing brass ensemble take their arrangements of beautiful music to the delights of St. Martin's Church. St. Martins-On-The-Hill Church, Albion Rd, Scarborough YO11 2BT.

A Pay What You Feel Event, booking recommended.

Thursday 22nd May 5.15pm Verses Voices.

An hour-long performance, designed to reclaim attention for the range of brilliant British poetry produced in the 1950's, & 60's and 70s. FelixHodcroft directs Ann Gibbon, Sue Grogan, Richard Kipping, Eddie Lawlor and Suzie Millar in performance. Small Upper Room, Scarborough Library, Vernon Road, YO11 2NN.

Thursday 22nd of May 7.30pm A Fab 60's Mod Fashion Show.

A Free Event, booking recommended.

An Evening for Mods and all admirers of 60's fashion. The Royal Hotel, St. Nicholas St, Scarborough YO11 2HE. A Free Event.

Thursday 22nd May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) Dennis Greaves & Mark Feltham of NINE BELOW ZERO.

An amazing opportunity to hear the founding duo of one of the UK's finest live R&B/Blues bands perform their acoustic set in historic St. Mary's Church,
Castle Road, Scarborough.
Tickets £15, booking essential.

Saturday 24th May 12.30pm (doors 12 noon) Professor Sir Christopher Frayling.

Former Rector of The Royal College of Art and one of the world's leading cultural historians.
Following on from his wonderful festival appearance in 2024, Sir Christopher Frayling returns with another masterclass in erudition and analysis. St. Mary's Church,
Castle Road, Scarborough.
A Pay What You Feel Event,
booking recommended.

Saturday 24th May 2pm (doors 1.30pm) Professor Sir Richard Evans.

We are delighted to welcome Richard J. Evans,
Regius Professor of History at Cambridge
University and one of the world's
leading historians of modern Germany.
St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough.
A Pay What You Feel Event,
booking recommended.

Saturday 24th May 3.30pm (doors 3pm) Richard Seymour.

Scarborough-born Richard Seymour is one of the world's pre-eminent industrial design consultants. His many credits include the world's first cordless kettle, and pocketable mobile phone, Intercity 125 locomotives and the interiors of Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Galactic spaceship. St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough.

A Pay What You Feel Event, booking recommended.

Saturday 24th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) RAVEN in Concert.

All-female six-piece band Raven celebrate the sea, life, love and the universe with their unique blend of original songs. St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough.

Tickets £10, booking essential.

Sunday 25th May 10am to 4pm The Big Day Out at Scarborough Castle.

Big Ideas returns to Scarborough
Castle for the third Big Day Out.
There will be storytelling for young people,
music, mini-digs and the Roman VIth Legion.
We just need you and the sun for the perfect
Big Day Out!
Scarborough Castle, Castle Rd, Scarborough

YO11 1HY. Drop-in,

Free entry for Scarborough residents...

Sunday 25th May 1pm to 4pm -Sculpture workshop with Animated Objects. [POSTPONED]

Sunday 25th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) The Blow-Ins with Ukrainian Choir.

Join us for A Night at the Folk Club
We are pleased to welcome the Ukrainian
Choir formed from residents
here in Scarborough. A great evening
guaranteed. St. Mary's Church, Castle Road,
Scarborough. A Pay What You Feel Event,
booking recommended.

Monday 26th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) The Northern Lights Astrodogs.

Astrodogs will share their knowledge enthusiasm and incredible photography!
Accompanied by an exhibition of their astronomical photography. St. Mary's Church,
Castle Road, Scarborough.
A Pay What You Feel Event,
booking recommended.

Monday 26th to Thursday 29th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) Mod Crop - The Musical

Share the story of three Mod youths growing up in England in the mid 60s, trying to 'live cleanly under difficult circumstances' daring to be different.

Scarborough Spa,

YO11 2HD. Full details and tickets https://www.scarboroughspa.co.uk/whats-on

Tuesday 27th May 10am to 1pm Creature Creations

Join artist Lou Bass and poet Charlotte Oliver in this engaging drop-in workshop during which you will create your own creatures through a range of collage techniques and be guided to discover the tiny poem hiding inside your picture. Open to all. Beeforth's Hive, South Cliff Gardens,

The Esplanade. A Free, Drop-in Event.

Tuesday 27th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) What D'You Mean, Yorkshire?

A one-hour thought-provoking exploration of the past, present and possible future of the county, with songs and some poems from Eddie Lawyer, 'The Bard of Saltaire', now a resident of Scarborough.

St. Martins On-The-Hill,
Albion Rd, Scarborough YO11 2BT.
A Pay What You Feel Event, booking recommended.

Thursday 29th May 7pm (doors 6.30pm) Cultural Connections.

Cultural Connections moves to St Mary's Church to bring the skills and talents of musicians and performers from the diverse communities that now make Scarborough their home. St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough.

A Free, Drop-in Event.

Friday 30th May 7.30pm (doors 7pm) Community Choir Festival Finale.

After the huge success of our community choir event in 2024 we are delighted to welcome SIX choirs to St. Mary's Church to bring the 2025 festival to a crescendo of song and laughter! Guaranteed to go home smiling. St. Mary's Church, Castle Road Scarborough. A Pay What You Feel Event, booking essential. Supported by

NYC Stronger Communities Programme.

FESTIVAL WALKS TOURS EXHIBITIONS

Saturday 24th May 2pm, Tuesday 27th May 6pm Heritage Walk.

A two-hour walk through
Scarborough's heritage led by John Lambe.
Start at St. Mary's Church West Door,
ends at the Old Parcels Office.
A Pay What You Feel Event,
booking essential.

Tuesday 20th May, Thursday 22nd, Tuesday 27th & Thursday 29th May 11am Guided Tour of St Martin-On-The Hill.

Get to know and understand this pre-Raphaelite gem. Donations on the day, booking not required.

Saturday 17th May to Friday 30th May 2pm to 4pm each day Remembering the Futurist.

Paul Wilson exhibits a series of photographs of the now demolished Futurist Theatre. Come and share your memories of this lost treasure. The Shakespeare Gallery, St. Helen's Square (opposite Scarborough Market). Free Event, Drop in.

Saturday 17th May to Friday 30th May Big Ideas by the Sea at 5!

A small retrospective of images and objects illustrating the first five years of Big Ideas By The Sea. St. Mary's Church, Castle Road,Scarborough. Free Event, Drop in when Church is open.

Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May Astrodogs Astronomical Photography.

St. Mary's Church, Castle Road, Scarborough. Free Event, drop in when Church is open.