Calling all creatures of the night... join us for a free festival celebrating the vibrant arts scene in this eclectic neighborhood. Experience installations and moving image works, dip into performances, explore the wealth of galleries and other participating venues all free of charge, for one night only.

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Whitechapel Gallery

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Nocturnal Creatures Saturday 20 July, 6–11pm

Whitechapel Gallery Programme

Elaine Mitchener

Teares

Performances, 6pm, 7.30pm, 9pm Performance Duration: 10 minutes Film Duration: 76 minutes Whitechapel Gallery, Whitechapel High Street, E1 7QX

In dialogue with Helen Cammock's film Che si può fare (What can be done), artist and composer Elaine Mitchener presents a new performance work, drawing inspiration from In Darkness Let Me Dwell (1610) by lutenist and composer John Dowland as a starting point. Cammock's film looks at the histories of lament, particularly through the lens of female composers. Mitchener's performance traces this across genres, combining live solo and pre-recorded multiple voices.

1 Michael Rakowitz

Culinary experience, 6–11pm Whitechapel Gallery Refectory, Whitechapel High Street, E17QX

Internationally renowned Iraqi-American artist **Michael Rakowitz**, whose debut UK survey is on display at Whitechapel Gallery until 25 August, stages a food intervention in the Gallery's Refectory, sharing culinary delights from his recently published cookbook, *A House With A Date Palm Will Never Starve* (2019).

1 Emma Smith Calling Time

Participatory performance, 6–7pm Meeting point: Whitechapel Gallery, Whitechapel High Street, E1 7QX continues to Brick Lane

8 Sound installation, 7–10 pm Whitechapel Bell Foundry, Plumbers Row, E1 1EW

Participants of all ages are invited to join Emma Smith in counting down to the opening of Calling Time, a sound installation at Whitechapel Bell Foundry, by transforming Brick Lane into a human water clock and enacting the passage of time between people down the street. The installation brings together the sounds of bells from around the world in a unique change ringing score that allows bells made at the foundry over its 447 year history to ring together.

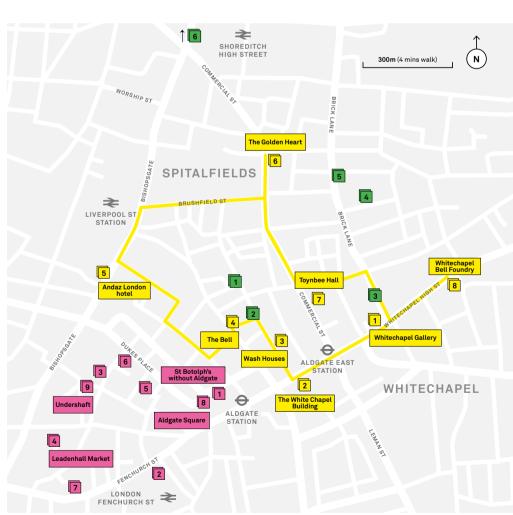
2 Appau Jnr Boakye-Yiadom Before Flight

Multimedia performance, 6–11pm
 The White Chapel Building,
 Whitechapel High Street, E1 8QS

Appau Jnr Boakye-Yiadom transforms the grand atrium of The White Chapel Building with a sonic and sculptural installation featuring images of African-American Jazz dancer Clarence 'Scoby' Stroman performing the dance move 'taking flight'. Integrated with the display is an improvised live musical composition created by performers using electronic devices and instruments.



Whitechapel Gallery presents



Instagram Street Photography Competition with @the_nick_turpin

Acclaimed street photographer **Nick Turpin** will document the evening and judge an instagram-based street photography competition.
Tag your Instagram posts with #NocturnalCreaturesPhoto to participate.

1 Michael Rakowitz Ticket Offer

For this night only, experience internationally renowned Iraqi-American artist **Michael Rakowitz**'s critically acclaimed debut UK survey, at Whitechapel Gallery, for the special price of £7.50.

★★★★ Time Out, Guardian, The Times

Abigail Reynolds Lost Libraries, 2018

Film 6-11pm. Duration: 18:45 mins Wash Houses, Old Castle Street, E1 7NU

> Situated in the historic Wash Houses, the former site of the Women's Library, is Abigail Reynolds' poetic moving image work that draws on the artist's extraordinary five-month journey along the ancient trade routes of the Silk Road. Traveling solo from China through Uzbekistan, Iran, Turkey, Italy and Egypt, Reynolds visited the sites of libraries lost over the past two thousand years to political conflicts, natural catastrophes, revolutions and wars. To accompany this, Reynolds has produced a new folded paper work that contains the transcript of Lost Libraries, available to take away.

Ruth Ewan Communis Rixatrix

Installation, 6–11pm The Bell, Middlesex Street, E1 7EX

Six hundred songs with a feminist agenda are collated in A Feminist Jukebox of People Trying to Change the World (2018) by artist Ruth Ewan, and are available to play in the Victorian pub The Bell. Ewan also presents two newly commissioned ornate pub mirrors created by Artisan Artworks, a traditional sign writer based near Glasgow, which feature texts chosen by Ewan that channel the words of Sylvia Pankhurst and Mary Wollstonecraft. The mirrors are displayed at The Bell and The Golden Heart, where you can also find Ewan's specially designed beer mats.

Tabita Rezaire Peaceful Warrior, 2015

Video installation, 6–11pm Duration: 5:31 minutes Andaz Hotel, Bishopsgate, EC2M 7QN Entry via Rake's Cafe Bar

> Tabita Rezaire's video installation Peaceful Warrior, is a dynamic healing tutorial that investigates technology, feminism and colonialism through a 'radical self-love kit', which includes Kemetic yoga, meditation and womb spells. Placed in the ornate environment of the once hidden masonic temple, the work becomes a counter-point to the medieval freemasonry rituals that continue in the space today.

Laure Prouvost it's a tragedy, 2018

Performance, 6-11pm The Golden Heart, Commercial Street, E1 6LZ

> Fragments of overheard personal conversations are sung live by opera singer Marie Vasconi, in a performance by Laure Prouvost that plays with our perception of privacy. First performed at Frieze Art Fair 2018 and now relocated to a local pub famous for its East End artist patrons, the piece humorously trespasses in the social contexts of art.

Navine G Khan-Dossos There Is No Alternative (offsite)

Installation, 6–11pm Toynbee Hall, Commercial Street,

> Navine G Khan-Dossos' installation in Toynbee Hall's newly renovated historic Ashbee Hall comprises a series of vivid 'aniconic' paintings that she has created during the run of her current exhibition at The Showroom. They take as their starting point a number of the logos produced for The Prevent Strategy, the Government's counter-terrorism policy. The work embodies research from the exhibition, which has become a site to reconsider this contested policy. Also on display is a logo produced in collaboration with Whitechapel Gallery's Youth Forum, Duchamp & Sons.

Sculpture in the City (SitC) Programme

In addition to the events below, visitors can also explore the 18 artworks of the ninth edition of Sculpture in the City and 11 Musicity tracks which include a newly commissioned piece by Mixmaster Morris at 70 St Mary Axe. Visit sculpture in the city.org.uk for more details and online bookings.

Graeme Miller On Air

Broadcast, 6-11pm St Botolph's without Aldgate, EC3N 1AB

A broadcast work staged between an aerial vantage point and an audience at ground level. The landscape is translated into words by a team of commentators and relayed to the remote audience at St Botolph's without Aldgate, where an act of faith between listeners and speakers ensues.

Leo Fitzmaurice in conversation with Rebecca Morrill Detourist

(J) Talk, 6-7pm Departing from the plaza outside Fenchurch St Station, EC3M 4AJ

> A walk'n'talk, with Rebecca Morrill of Phaidon Arts, invites visitors to wander the City streets along the sites of Leo Fitzmaurice's Arcadia sculptures.

Midori Komachi

Solo violin performance, 6.30-6.50pm Undershaft, EC3A 6HX

Solo violin programme including her Musicity x SitC site-specific composition 'Full as Deep'.

Tour of Sculpture in the City

(J) 6.30-8pm Leadenhall Market, EC3V 1LT

> A tour of the ninth edition of Sculpture in the City.

David Rosenberg When Art Meets Architecture

Tour, 6.30-8pm Leadenhall Market, EC3V 1LT

> David Rosenberg of Velorose leads a tour of SitC, with a focus on its architectural context.

Shaun C Badham The Will to Proceed

Tour, 7-8pm Leadenhall Market, EC3V 1LT

> Visitors will be asked to select SitC artworks to be included in their tour.

Clare Jarrett The Fabric

Performance, 7-8pm Heneage Lane, EC3A 5DQ

> Join this participative performance by Clare Jarrett evoking the mundanity of daily tasks and burden of toil experienced by many women around the world.

Reza Aramesh Scramble1967

Dance Performance, 8-8.30pm Bury Court, EC3A 8EX

Reza Aramesh and dancer Joshua Smith collaborate on a new production of Merce Cunningham's Scramble, inspired by two significant events in 1967.

Marisa Ferreira in conversation with Richard Wentworth

Talk, 7.30-8.30pm Meeting point Cullum Street, EC3M 7JJ

> A discussion reflecting on how we remember cities through their buildings, starting at the location of Ferreira's Series Industrial Windows I.

Guillaume Vandame Notice Me (LGBTQIA+ Walk)

Walk, 8-10pm Departing from Aldgate Square, EC3N 1AF

> Join a peaceful walk among LGBTQIA+ individuals of all ages and backgrounds as well as queer allies seeking to support the cause of equality and free love. Participants are encouraged to dress in one of seven colours - red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, pink - and, together, form a rainbow.

Nina Saunders A Really Cosy Little Home

Performance, 8-8.10pm and 9-9.10pm Undershaft, EC3P 3DQ

> A collaboration with Salv Scarpa where the performer becomes the furnishings in large flowered upholstery, recalling the feeling of collapsing on the sofa after a long exhausting day.

Mixmaster Morris

Silent Disco

8pm, 9pm, 10pm Leadenhall Market, EC3V 1LT

> One of dance music's most beloved figures, headlines Silent Disco at the historic Leadenhall Market.

WALTER AND MONTY

Bury Court, EC3A 7BA

Bar, 4.30pm-late

Cocktails, draught beer and spectacular views of London landmarks.

The Alchemist

6 Bevis Marks, EC3A 7BA Bar, Theatre served until 2am with food available until 11pm.

Masters in the dark arts of molecular mixology, every cocktail is presented with Theatre served.

Leadenhall Market

Gracechurch Street, London, EC3V 1LT Open 24 hours

Joining Nocturnal Creatures for the first time, with two world-class artworks set against the iconic backdrop of the Victorian market. Food and drink available all night.

Affiliate Programme

Tilla Crowne, Rosina Godwin, Lindsay Moran and others Creature (dis)comforts

Exhibition and artBar, 6-11pm Leyden Gallery, E17LE

Artists explore the idea of discomfiture with everyday objects.

Rosina Godwin

Workshop event, 7-9.30pm Leyden Gallery, E17LE

Create your own nocturnal creature badge, using soft sculpture or knitting with neon yarns.

Andrew Hart

LXXV Chants de Sirènes: Remix

Performance, 8.30pm, 9.30pm, 10.30pm Yamamoto Keiko Rochaix, E1 7TP

Sound-based live performances by artist Andrew Hart in response to the gallery's current show by Radouan Zeghidour.

20 Years Smiling With Friends

Exhibition, 6-11pm StolenSpace Gallery, E1 6TD

> Celebrating 20 years of Spanish street artist Pez's graffiti and pop art.

Chaney Manshu Diao Pleasure 41

Exhibition, 5-10pm 5th Base Gallery, E1 5LJ

> Chaney Manshu Diao explores how garments can discipline people.

SO - Light and MOONLIKE II

Exhibition, 6-11pm Gallery SO, E16RL

> Group exhibitions featuring: Peter Bauhuis, David Bielander, Rudolf Bott, David Clarke, Patrick Davison, Kathleen Reilly, Michael Rowe, Richard Slee, Tore Svensson, Simone Ten Hompel, Max Warren.

Olga Jevrić

Sculpture

Exhibition, 12-11pm PEER, N1 6QL

> Sculptural works produced by acclaimed Serbian artist Olga Jevrić (1922 - 2014).