

**Finding Our Voice Again** - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 7.30pm, St Paul's Harlow.  
Readings from the Harlow Writers' Workshop.  
<http://www.essexinfo.net/harlow-writers/> &  
<http://www.stpaulsharlow.org.uk/>.

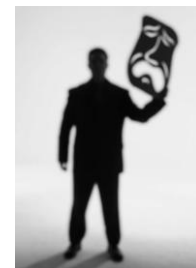
**The Barking Episcopal Area Arts Festival** is an initiative which began in 2011 and involves quality events from a variety of Arts genre as a way of embracing and celebrating performing and visual arts and engaging with the local communities, their people and arts culture. The Festival is organised annually but in a different part of the Episcopal Area each year and in parallel with an already established community arts festival within the Area. This third Festival runs parallel to the **Heart 4 Harlow Festival** - <http://www.heart4harlow.org.uk/diary.html>.

**Harlow & the Arts:** Sited throughout Harlow is a *collection of sculptures* of national significance (<http://www.harlowarttrust.org.uk/index.php/harlow-sculpture-town>). In the main squares and precincts, in numerous public buildings and at several schools, sculptures by artists, both famous and lesser known, are to be found. The *Gibberd Gallery* (<http://www.gibberdgallery.co.uk/>) houses the impressive Frederick Gibberd Collection of 20th Century British Watercolours and Drawings as well as staging temporary exhibitions and community displays. The *Gibberd Garden* (<http://www.thegibberdgarden.co.uk/>) was created by Sir Frederick Gibberd, the planner of Harlow New Town, who designed the garden and filled the grounds with sculptures, ceramic pots and architectural salvage. The *Gallery at Parndon Mill* (<http://www.parndonmill.co.uk/gallery.html>) has become a focus for the artists who have studios at Parndon Mill, and for those who work further afield. *Gatehouse Arts* (<http://www.gatehousearts.com/>) has two galleries with a changing programme of exhibitions and events, promoting the work of resident artists and local community groups. *Harlow Playhouse* (<http://www.playhouseharlow.com/>) is a leading theatre venue providing a wide range of entertainment.

# Arts Festival for the Barking Episcopal Area

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> -  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May  
2013 location -  
Harlow Deanery

<http://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/areas-and-bishops/barking-area-team/events/art-trail>



## Arts Festival Programme

**Photographic Exhibition** - Wednesday 22nd May - Wednesday 5th June (except Sundays), Weekdays 10am - 12noon, Saturdays, 10am – 5pm, St Paul's Harlow, College Sq, Harlow CM20 1LP. Exhibition by Harlow Seniors Photographic Group. <http://hspg.smugmug.com/> & <http://www.stpaulsharlow.org.uk/>.

**Heart 4 Harlow Festival Launch** – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 6pm, Water Gardens Harlow CM20 1WG. Launch by the Chair of Council Maggie Hulcoop & a Beatles tribute band. <http://www.heart4harlow.org.uk>.

**Schools Art** - Weekdays 9am - 4.45pm, Gibberd Gallery, The Water Gardens, College Square, Harlow CM20 1WG. Artwork by local schoolchildren. <http://www.gibberdgallery.co.uk/>.

**commission4mission exhibition** – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May, 10am – 4pm, 20 Broadwalk, Harlow CM20 1HT. Lunchtime reception – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 1pm -3pm. Art exhibition by artists from commission4mission, which aims to encourage churches to commission contemporary art. <http://commissionformission.blogspot.co.uk/>.

**Korban** – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm, Harlow Playhouse, Playhouse Square, Harlow CM20 1LS. From the producer of the critically acclaimed 2011 *Private Peaceful* comes an original telling of the life of Jesus, with drama, dance and music. A large cast of actors and musicians deliver a newly envisioned portrayal of the revolutionary's remarkable story. <http://tickets.playhouseharlow.com>.

**Village Fair of visual arts** – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May, Water Gardens Harlow. Organised by the Harlow Arts Council as the beginning of their month long Art Festival. <http://www.heart4harlow.org.uk>.

**Live stage entertainment** – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May, Water Gardens Harlow. Featuring local bands, choirs, soloists & dancers. Plus Charity Stalls in Broad Walk, Children's Fun Fair in the Market Square & Open Week – end at the LeisureZone. <http://www.heart4harlow.org.uk>.

**Art Talks & Run with the Fire digital exhibition** – Saturday 25th May, 10am – 5pm, St Paul's Harlow. Lectures on the painter Stanley Spencer by Bishop Stephen Cottrell (10.30am) and on John Piper by Mark Lewis (11.45am). Refreshments from 10.00am. Digital art exhibition on Olympic/Pentecost themes showing from 10am – 5pm. <http://www.stpaulsharlow.org.uk/>

**Flower Festival** – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 10am onwards, St Mary's Church, Hatfield Broad Oak CM22 7HG . Includes: Celebrity grand opening (10am); Car boot sale (am); Farmers' market (am); Hog roast; School choir singing (11am); Parachuting teddies (11.30am); Dog show (1pm pedigree classes, 3pm novelty classes); Variety of stalls; Wood turners; Activities with artist in residence Pauline Brakspear; and Children's activities. [www.hatfield-broad-oak.net/festival.htm](http://www.hatfield-broad-oak.net/festival.htm) & [www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchFlowerFestival](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchFlowerFestival).

**Big Lunch & Community Praise** – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May, Various Harlow Town Centre venues. Bouncy castle and Games from 12.15. Lunch from 1 pm. <http://www.stpaulsharlow.org.uk/>.

**Flower Festival** – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May, afternoon only, St Mary's Church, Hatfield Broad Oak. Includes: Festival lunch in the marquee (tickets can be purchased in advance, tel 01279 718281); Afternoon tea and cakes; Organ music (church is open from 2pm); Art exhibition and sale. [www.hatfield-broad-oak.net/festival.htm](http://www.hatfield-broad-oak.net/festival.htm) & [www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchFlowerFestival](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchFlowerFestival).

**Flower Festival** – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May, 10am onwards, St Mary's Church, Hatfield Broad Oak. Includes: 10km road race (11am) (to register, visit [www.hbo-10k.org.uk](http://www.hbo-10k.org.uk)); Children's 1 mile fun run (12.30pm); Barbecue (with pre-race bacon butties); Crafts market; Wood turners; Variety of stalls; Activities with artist in residence Pauline Brakspear; Harlow Falconry display; Kung fu demonstration; Children's activities; Grand raffle draw (pm). [www.hatfield-broad-oak.net/festival.htm](http://www.hatfield-broad-oak.net/festival.htm) & [www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchFlowerFestival](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchFlowerFestival).

**Evening of Music & Poetry** - Monday 27th May, 7.30pm, Holy Trinity Hatfield Heath, Bishops Stortford CM22 7EA. Featuring musical items from the six churches plus singer-songwriter Colin Burns & poets Jonathan Evens, Jane Grell, Mal Grosch & Jenny Houghton. <http://www.achurchnearyou.com/hatfield-heath-holy-trinity/>.

