

CELEBRATION OF CULTURE

Saturday 9th May

Woking Town Centre

11am-5:30pm

Live music & dance

FREE OF CHARGE

Celebration of Culture coming to WOKING on 9 May 2009

Woking Town Centre will be buzzing with vibrant live music and dance performances on Saturday 9 May as the town plays host to the Celebration of Culture organised by Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership to kick off Adult Learners' Week.

The free shows run from 11am to 5.30pm featuring a wide range of internationally-themed acts. Events start with Drumheads drum circle in the bandstand, and then move over to the stage in Peacocks Walk where acts include kathak dancer Nikita, 4X4 Bhangra Dancers, Russian/eastern European band Balalaika, bollywood dancer Sita and African singer and Zulu/gumboot dancer Lucky Moyo. Woking Town Square will be alive with colourful displays by the Chinese Association of Woking and Thames Valley Morris Men.

There will also be informative stalls where people can find out more about opportunities to learn in Surrey.

The event has been funded by SEEDA (South East England Development Agency) to celebrate Cultural Diversity Weekend as part of NIACE's national Adult Learners' Week Campaign 2009. It is just one of a number of events in Surrey which support the new culture strategy 'Taking Part in Surrey' for an active, creative and inclusive county.

Artist Profiles & Performance Times



Drumheads

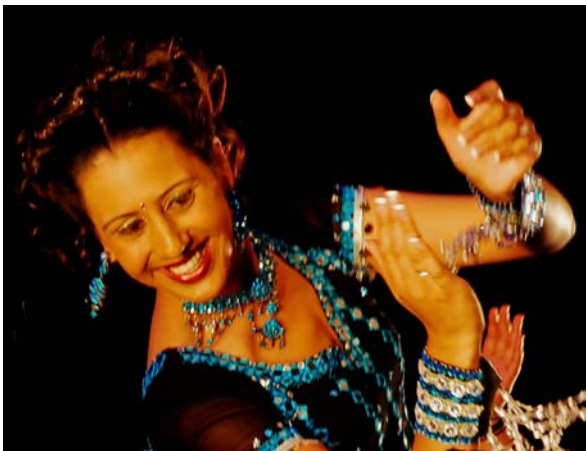
Come and hear the infectious rhythms of Drumheads and experience the fun of a drum circle.

Drumheads will be performing at Woking bandstand from **11-11:45am**



Balalaika

Balalaika will be performing their trademark Russian, Eastern European and Jewish music on stage in Peacocks Walk from **11:45-12:30pm**.



Nikita

Nikita is one of the most successful young Indian artists in the UK today.

Literally bringing the screen to the stage, Nikita will display an authentic, energetic and expressive dance performance projecting what you would see in an Indian film live in front of your eyes!

See Nikita on stage at Peacocks Walk at **1:50pm and 3:50pm**



4x4 Bhangra

4X4 will be performing energetic bhangra dances - the famous folk dance from the Punjab in North India. This dance is mainly performed at joyous occasions such as weddings and festivals and we hope you'll come and enjoy their joyous performances at **1:10pm and 2:15pm** on stage in Peacocks Walk



Chinese Association of Woking

The association was formed in 1987 as a non-profit-making voluntary organisation and it is the cultural, educational and social heart of the Chinese community. Today the association will perform lion dance, tai chi and kung fu demonstrations, traditional dance and show you Chinese instruments and calligraphy on their stall.

See the Chinese Association in Woking Town Square at **2:40pm**





Sita Thomas

Sita will be demonstrating bollywood dance on stage at Peacocks Walk at 12:40pm and 4:40pm



Lucky Moyo

Lucky is a multi-talented artist who will be performing a display of gumboot dancing on stage at Peacocks Walk at 4:15pm, then returning to the stage with friends at 5pm for some African singing and Zulu dancing.



Thames Valley Morris Men

Founded in 1952, Thames Valley Morris Men will treat us to performances of a selection of oh-so-traditional English morris dances in Woking Town Square from 1pm.

Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership helps promote learning for everyone in Surrey and works to develop more appropriate and effective learning opportunities for people and communities in the county. For more information see <http://www.surreyllp.org.uk>

With thanks to...

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