

Love Oswestry

Love Oswestry Programme 12th February 2022

10.00 am – Final Lantern Workshop at the Memorial Hall

Join us for our final workshop to make and decorate lanterns for our parade. Sessions are suitable for children aged 8+ For more information and to book <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/love-oswestry-lantern-making-workshops-tickets-244439062817>

10.00am Love Heart Town Trail

To celebrate the Love Oswestry festival, we're showing some love to our historic town centre with a Love Heart Town Trail around the town. Using the free LoyalFree app visit 8 local venues to find the Love Hearts in their window and scan the QR code to show you've found it. Complete to be in with a chance to win a wonderful meal for two at one of Oswestry's restaurants. Trail opens on Sat 12 Feb, with winners picked on Monday, 7 March.

10am Oswestry Town Museum

Exhibition showcasing the love affair of Gilbert and Gordon. Free.

10.30am Official Opening

Join us at the Bailey Head to officially open our Love Oswestry Event.

10.30am and 11.30pm Drumming workshop at Hermon Arts.

These workshops will be an introduction to this West African musical culture and the combination of instruments: Djembe's, Dun Dun's, Shaker's and Bell's. Using these instruments Bongo Damo will guide you using contemporary and traditional rhythms to create music together. No prior drumming experience is required, just an enthusiasm to have some fun! Suitable for all ages. For more information and to book <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/love-oswestry-african-drumming-workshop-with-bongo-damo-session-1-tickets-247157313177> for 10.30 and <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/love-oswestry-african-drumming-workshop-with-bongo-damo-session-2-tickets-247161616047> for 11.30 session

10.45am The Cantiones

Join the Cantiones Choir who will be singing a selection of songs at the Bailey Head

11.00am "Love Oswestry" guided town tour

Over this Love Oswestry weekend Visit Oswestry will be offering free guided town tours. Join our knowledgeable guides as they take you back in time through Oswestry's rich history, see the old coaching inns, look out from Castle Mound and visit one of the oldest schoolhouses in the country. Tours start from

Castle View, SY11 1JR and last for about 2 hours. Please book in advance by calling 01691 662753, email obt@visitoswestry.co.uk

11am-1pm: Love Oswestry Zine Launch Event

Find out more about making a zine, an online magazine, meet the artists who will work with you to create content and also have a chance to have a go at some simple printing!

Suitable for ages 12-18. Places are limited so please secure your place by booking with the library on Oswestry.library@shropshire.gov.uk or 01743 250351

12.00pm The Cantiones

Join the Cantiones Choir on Festival Square where they will be singing a selection of songs

1.30pm - 3.30pm DJ and Live Audio Mix workshop with Neil Perch from Zion Train at Hermon Arts.

The workshop will include an introduction to the DJ mixer, basic techniques of DJ-ing with two record decks including pre-monitoring and mixing from multiple audio sources. Suitable for teens and beyond. Book via <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/love-oswestry-dj-and-live-audio-mix-workshop-with-neil-perch-of-zion-train-tickets-247173792467>

2.00pm “Love Oswestry” guided town tour

Second of the day’s free guided town tours from Castle Mound lasting for about 2 hours. Please book in advance by calling 01691 662753, email obt@visitoswestry.co.uk

2pm - 4pm Jamming and Folk session at The Fox, Oswestry hosted by James Hickman and Dan Strong.

James Hickman is a singer-songwriter who has supported the likes of Jools Holland, Katie Melua and Seth Lakeman. He is an encapsulating performer with a beautiful voice and incredible guitar skills. He also performs as a duo with “James Hickman and Dan Cassidy” and “Hickman and Quinn”. For musicians of all ages and abilities – come and join in, or just come along, grab a drink and listen to the tunes.

5.00 – 6.15pm Lantern Parade

Be part of the first lantern parade in Oswestry. Bring some light to the dark nights of Winter and look forward to Spring. From Festival Square we will parade the lanterns through the park before making our way up to Bailey Head for our Love Oswestry finale!

Those who have made lanterns can collect them from 4pm from the Memorial Hall. If you haven’t made a lantern please feel free to bring your own torch to join in. But please, no naked flames.

7.00 – 11.00pm Live concert from Doghouse Derelicts, The Bartells and Gemima Gallier at Hermon Arts

To book tickets for this free concert go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/love-oswestry-concert-featuring-doghouse-derelicts-the-bartells-gemima-tickets-247136591197>

Please note programme is correct at time of going out but maybe subject to change. Any programme updates can be found on our facebook page @LoveOswestryCC



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