



Are you ready for SAF 2014?

South-east London's biggest arts and culture spectacular is in its sixth year. Running from the 5th-20th July, there's something for everyone. Get ready for 16 days of fun and entertainment!

ARTS FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

Open-air launch. Kick off SAF 2014 in style on Saturday 5th July with five fantastic free hours of live music, dance, street performance and global food stalls at three performance areas – Venner Square stage, Queensthorpe Square and the *On the Hoof Stage* at Station Approach. Plus children's biscuit decorating in Kirkdale Bookshop's garden!



Musical Theatre – Till the Boys Come Home
An immersive four-part musical theatre performance that will take you back in time to the outbreak of the First World War.



Don't miss ARTS IN THE PARK FUN
EXTRA with evening concert
headed by Glenn Tilbrook

Artists Trail

Held over two weekends, with some exhibitions open every day of the festival. This year more than 150 artists will be exhibiting their incredible skills at 40 open houses plus shops, galleries, restaurants, cafes and community venues including the TNG.

www.sydenhamartists.co.uk



John Hegley & Jackie Kay

Back by popular demand, poet, comic, singer, songwriter and glasses-wearer John Hegley launches his latest book *New and Selected Potatoes* on the innocent of Sydenham. Joined by Forward prize-winning Scottish poet Jackie Kay, reading from her latest Costa-nominated *Fiere* and her short-story collection *Reality Reality*.



Screen Sydenham

Sydenham Film Club presents six films in six locations. There's something for all tastes – from Disney's *The Lady and the Tramp* to *All Quiet on the Western Front*.



Family

16 incredible events including award-winning author Jeremy Strong whose books include *The Hundred Mile an Hour Dog* and *My Brother's Famous Bottom*.



Music

Ian Siegal – Winner of Album of the Year and Male Vocalist of the Year at the 2013 British Blues Awards performs at the Tudor Livesey Hall.

To help ensure July's festival is the best yet, please make a donation & become a Friend of SAF. Visit SAF website below for details

Workshops

Six great events including film, poetry, play-writing and urban arts plus the International Superhero Academy for 6 to 9-year-olds.



Buy tickets now at Kirkdale Bookshop or visit www.sydenhamartsfestival.co.uk

Your local assembly, your say

*Play an active role in improving Sydenham today
and help shape the Sydenham of tomorrow*

Welcome to the Sydenham Assembly Summer 2014 newsletter. The Assembly is an open community meeting that takes place four times a year, in different locations in and around the Sydenham area. The meetings are your chance to help shape the future of this part of the borough of Lewisham – and anyone who lives, works or learns in Sydenham is welcome to attend and participate. We look forward to welcoming you to the Sydenham Centre on Wednesday 18 June. Come along and catch up with what's happening locally.

Next meeting

Wednesday 18 June

7pm-9pm

Sydenham Centre

44a Sydenham Road

(next to Post Office) SE26 5QX

Buses 75, 194, 202 and 450 stop outside

At the next meeting

- Latest on vacant sites & the Greyhound
- Presentation from Healthwatch
- Completion of high street improvement works
- SEE3/Portas Pilot, market and the Town Team Action Groups
- Priorities for the coming year



Newly elected Sydenham ward councillors (standing, left to right) Chris Best, Liam Curran and Rachel Onikosi. Marion Nisbet (seated, front) has stepped down after 12 years as a Sydenham councillor. Marion will continue to serve as a Trustee of Sydenham Garden, Trustee of Age UK Lewisham/Southwark and she hopes to continue on the borough's fostering panel

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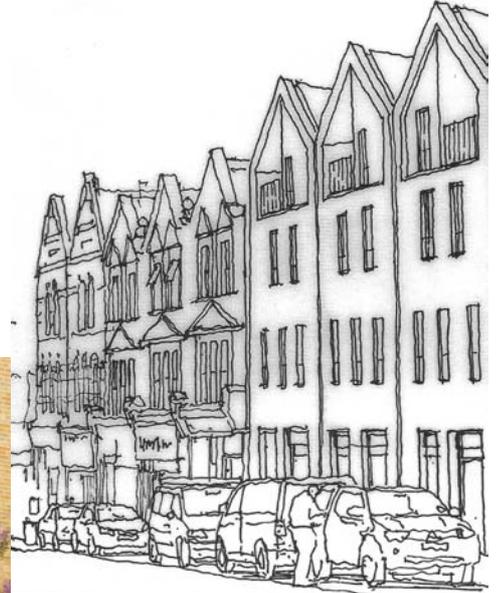
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Sydenham Road regeneration

The rebuilding of the Greyhound still drags on but two new buildings will help enhance the high street and provide attractive retail premises at ground level

22a-24 Sydenham Road: residential units and retail space

The site formerly occupied by Nickells Blinds, on the south side of Sydenham Road, and now lying empty behind hoardings, has long been a blight on the high street. But a brand new development boasting 19 residential units built around an internal courtyard plus attractive retail space at ground level could soon transform this location. The plans are due to go before a Lewisham planning committee in July and, if approved, work could begin before the end of the year.



Above: architect Jim Richards line drawing of the proposed scheme at 22a-24 Sydenham Road.
Left: a view of the internal courtyard



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278-280 Kirkdale – new wine bar and seven one-bedroom flats

Work is already underway on the basement and ground floor of this new five-storey landmark building which will be situated between Sydenham DIY and the railway bridge. The owners, Tranquil Homes, intend to have a restaurant/wine bar at ground floor level with seven balconied flats above. The main structure of the building – which is designed in the *Moderne* style popular in the 1930s – is currently being pre-fabricated off-site in Wales. When completed, the various parts of the building will then be lifted into place and slotted together during the summer.



Eyes wide open at On The Hoof Bistro



Photograph by Alison Romanczuk

Ela and Jeremy Mundy, proprietors of a new coffee house and restaurant in Sydenham Road, are making people reach for their glasses – and they're not the type you drink out of! The *On the Hoof Bistro* opens in the next few weeks in the former premises of Jay Opticians at 23 Sydenham Road – and much of the equipment used by the previous business was left in the shop when the couple took it over. Just before final renovations

took place, Ela and Jeremy invited prospective customers to the shop to try out their glasses – and enjoy a sociable drink. Open from 9am to 9pm the bistro will offer freshly cooked home-made food with quality wine and beers.



On The Hoof shopfront designedbygoodpeople.com

Autumn completion for library piazza

This September a new piazza will be built next to Sydenham Community Library in Home Park. Some fencing has already been removed outside the library to open up views into the park. The piazza will provide a venue for events for both Sydenham Community Library and Home Park and will create a welcoming new entrance to the park.



By removing the wall in front of the piazza, access and views into Home Park will be greatly improved
Image courtesy of WYNNE-WILLIAMS Associates

Don't miss the next market on
Sat 14 June from 11am-5pm

SEE SYDENHAM MONTHLY ARTISAN MARKET

SECOND SATURDAY
OF THE MONTH
11AM-5 PM

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