



BRADFORD 2025

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BRADFORD 2025 JULY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Continuing throughout July

- [We Will Sing](#), Salts Mills, free
- [Journeys with Mai](#), Cartwright Hall Art Gallery, free
- [Jameel Prize Moving Images](#), Cartwright Hall Art Gallery, free
- [Wild Uplands](#), Penistone Hill Country Park, free
- [Earth & Sky](#), Penistone Hill Country Park, free
- [Bradford on Foot](#), District wide, free
- [Hope/Act: People Powered Press](#), installation at Bradford City Library, Keighley Library, National Science and Media Museum, MAPA, free
- [Tower of Now](#), Hall Ings
- [BD Walls: Roots](#), MAPA Youth Club
- [BD Walls: The Portal](#), Church Bank House, near Bradford Cathedral
- [BD Walls: Come on in my friend](#), Buttershaw Youth Centre
- [BD Walls](#): RAVO Ravenscliffe Youth Centre
- [BD Walls: Growing Together](#), Girlington Community Garden
- [You:Matter](#), Science and Media Museum
- [DRAW!](#) A nationwide drawing project
- [Frontline 1984/1985](#), Science and Media Museum, Free
- [ReelBFD: Digital Arts, Bradford Stories | Bradford 2025](#) Science and Media Museum
- [Ice Age Art Now](#), Cliffe Castle, free
- [Wondering Heights](#) (digital), Artists Awards

Tue 1 July

- [BCB Radio live broadcast](#) from the BCB x Bradford 2025 Studio from Centenary Park

Wed 2 July

- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Private View, Loading Bay
- [BCB Radio live broadcast](#) from the BCB x Bradford 2025 Studio from Centenary Park

Thu 3 July

- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

- [BCB Radio live broadcast](#) from the BCB x Bradford 2025 Studio from Centenary Park

Fri 4 July

- [Bradford Literature Festival, The Big Tasty Read, Bradford Food & Writing – A Taste from Home](#)
- [Bradford Literature Festival, The Big Tasty Read, Breaking Bread with Kitty and AL Tait](#)
- [Bradford Literature Festival, The Big Tasty Read, The Food Our Grandmothers Knew](#)
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay
- [New Music Biennial](#), South Bank Centre
- [BCB Radio live broadcast](#) from the BCB x Bradford 2025 Studio from Centenary Park

Sat 5 July

- [Bradford Literature Festival, The Big Tasty Read, Recipe for Fiction – The Language of Food](#)
- [Bradford Literature Festival, The Big Tasty Read, Preserving Culture and Memory with Food](#)
- [Bradford Literature Festival, The Big Tasty Read, A Culinary Journey through al-Andalus](#)
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay
- [Memories of the Future](#), Alhambra Theatre
- [New Music Biennial](#) South Bank Centre
- [BCB Radio live broadcast](#) from the BCB x Bradford 2025 Studio from Centenary Park

Sun 6 July

- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay
- [New Music Biennial](#), South Bank Centre
- [BCB Radio live broadcast](#) from the BCB x Bradford 2025 Studio from Centenary Park

Mon 7 July

- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Tue 8 July

- [My Thousand Year Old Land \(A Song for BiH\)](#), Loading Bay
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Wed 9 July

- [Youth Pass: DRAW! Zine and Comic Workshop](#), Millside Centre

- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay
- [Galway Producer Exchange](#)

Thu 10 July

- [Imaginary Friends](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay
- [Galway Producer Exchange](#)

Fri 11 July

- [Drag-Ford](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay
- [Galway Producer Exchange](#)

Sat 12 July

- [The Big Beacon Family Welcome](#), Cliffe Castle Park
- Bradford on Foot Guided Walk, [Five Rise Locks](#)
- Bradford on Foot Guided Walk, [Baildon Moor Circular](#)
- [A Good Yarn: BD10 Roll](#), Ravenscliffe Avenue
- [Hollywood Meets Bollywood](#), Community Award
- [BD: Walls Session 9: Public mural creation](#)
- [Chasing The Wind](#), Loading Bay
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Sun 13 July

- Bradford on Foot Guided Walk, [St Ives Circular Walk](#)
- [Loaded Laughs](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Chasing the Wind](#), Loading Bay
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Mon 14 July

- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Tue 15 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Wed 16 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Bradford on Foot Guided Walk](#), Judy Woods
- [Health and Wellbeing Day](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Thu 17 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [What are you watching?](#) The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Say It As It Is](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Come Rest in Chaos](#), Loading Bay, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Fri 18 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Sat 19 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Party in the Park](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Loud & Proud Dhol Drumming](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Wild Uplands Walk & Write](#)
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Sun 20 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Peace Picnic](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Mon 21 July

- [The Great Crafty Get-Together](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Tue 22 July

- [Youth Pass: Breakin – Dance Workshop](#)
- [Last Rites](#), Loading Bay
- [Your Best Guess](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Wed 23 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Your Best Guess](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Thu 24 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Play Bradford's Mobile Adventure Playground](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Fri 25 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Evening Conversations](#), Loading Bay
- [World of Women Walkabout Show](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay
- [BD:Festival 2025](#), City Centre

Sat 26 July

- [A Good Yarn: City Centre Roll](#) (part of BD: Festival), Centenary Square
- [Zee and the City](#), (part of BD: Festival), City Park
- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Colorsphere](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Babysphere](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay
- [BD:Festival 2025](#), City Centre

Sun 27 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Colorsphere](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Babysphere](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Elevate Workshop](#): Producing Ambitious Projects
- [Share Your Story: Bradford Stories Bus](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [BD: Walls Session 10: Public mural creation](#)
- [Tu i Tam/Tyt i Tam](#), Loading Bay

Mon 28 July

- [Let's Make](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park

Tue 29 July

- [Evening Conversations](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park

Wed 30 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Little Explorers, Festival of Archaeology](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park
- [Archaeology Talks](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park

Thu 31 July

- [The Railway Children](#), Keighley & Worth Valley Railway
- [Celebrating Culture at Cliffe Castle](#), The Beacon, Cliffe Castle Park

CREATIVE ENGAGEMENT

Public facing events and activities

- [ReelBFD: Digital Arts, Bradford Stories, National Science and Media Museum](#)
- Good Yarn: [BD10 Roll](#)
- [The Railway Children](#) opens with a community ensemble of 30 8–15-year-olds from across the district from 15 July

Community sessions and activities

- **DRAW Tour!** FREE artist-led workshops across the district
[CLICK HERE](#) for full info.
 - **Sat 12 July** 11am - 2pm
Glory Community Centre, 50 Nelson Street, Bradford, BD5 0DD
 - **Sat 12 July** 12pm - 3pm
Part of the Haworth Festival [Art Archives » Haworth Festival](#)
Cobbles and Clay Classroom, Main Street, Haworth
 - **Sat 12 July** 1pm – 5pm
Look for the Our Patch stall at Baildon Carnival, Jenny Lane Fields, BD17 6RS
[Baildon Carnival](#)
 - **Sat 26 July** 10am – 2pm
The Rockwell Community Centre, 8 Summerfield Road, Thorpe Edge, BD10 8DP
- **Our Patch** public facing activity
Summer reading challenge - FREE nature based crafty activities in local libraries.
Led by local artists using natural and found materials:
 - **Mon 21 July** 10am - 11am & 12pm – 2pm
Holmewood Library, the TFD Centre, Broadstone Way, BD4 9BT
Artist Emily Parkin
 - **Tue 22 July** 10am - 11.40am & 12pm – 2pm
Wyke Library, Appleton Academy, Woodside Road, BD12 8AL
Artist Emily Parkin
 - **Tue 22 July** 10am - 11.40am & 12pm – 2pm
Manningham Library, Carlisle Road, BD8 8BB
Artist Zareena Bano
 - **Thu 24 July** 10am - 11.40am & 12pm – 2pm
Clayton Library, Old School House, Clayton Lane, BD14 6AY
Artist Pamela Crawford
 - **Thu 24 July** 10am - 11.40am & 12pm – 2pm
City Library, Centenary Square, BD1 1SD
Artist Zareena Bano
 - Further sessions in Laisterdyke, Keighley, Idle, Bingley, Heaton and Eccleshill in August.
- [The Blank Page Club](#)
Tue 1 July 10am – 12.30pm

Relaxed, creative storytelling through writing, doodling, chatting, or simply listening. With writer Kerry Wright and artist Emily Parkin
Holme in the Wood Cafe, 9-10 The Parade, Broadstone Way, BD4 9HN

- [**Keighley Chorus**](#)

Last Saturday of the month, 3pm – 4pm

Hust turn-up and sing around the piano. Everyone welcome. Led by Hannah Butterfield and Shance Durrant
Airedale Shopping Centre, Keighley

- [**Bradford West Family Fun Day**](#)

Sun 20 July 12pm – 4pm

A cultural celebration for the whole community! - organised by the Bradford 2025 Networkers and the Our Patch team
The Mustafa Centre, BD8 9RE

Local events supported by Our Patch

Our Patch Producers and Creative Practitioners will be running activities at:

- Sat 5 July, 12pm – 4pm
Great Horton Community Festival – Party in the Park, Brackenhill Park, Brackenhill Drive, BD7 4RS
- Sat 5 July 12.45pm - 4pm
Wyke Community Gala, Wyke Rugby Club, Mayfield Avenue, BD12 9PX.
- Sat 5 July, 11am
Wrose Carnival Parade from Kings Drive, Wrose, BD2 1PX
Supporting communities from Windhill and Bolton Woods to take part
- Sun 20 July 11am – 2pm
Littlemoor Park Nature Reserve Celebration
Scarlet Heights, BD13
- Wild Uplands Public Programme and Engagement
 - Sat 19 July: [Wild Uplands Walk & Write](#)
 - Wed30 July: [Make and Move](#)
- [BD Walls Talent Development Programme](#) continues with:
 - the cohort painting their own artwork on a Morrisons wall.
 - The two Darley Street Market walls will be unveiled at the opening weekend of the Market, Sun 13 and Mon 14 July
 - Work starts on the engagement sessions with Checkpoint, Bradford West Indian Community centre across generations to discover local community legends
- [Journeys with Mai](#)
Sat 19 July, Cartwright Hall Art Gallery
Young people from the local area will host a youth summit for young people from Plymouth, Cambridge and London to interpret the Sir Joshua Reynolds portrait on tour to Bradford from the National Portrait Gallery.

Schools and cultural learning

- [Turner Prize School & Education Offer:](#)
 - Workshops for Key Stage 2

- Educator led visits for Key Stage 4
- Colleges, and Higher Education
- Plus, free travel from Northern Rail
- Educator CPD event:
[Design your own heritage walk](#), Tue 1 July, 4 - 6pm
- Learning resources:
Bradford City Stadium Fire 40th Anniversary [Activity Pack](#)
- [Drama Adventures with Alive & Kicking](#)
Free immersive drama sessions for primary schools
- [Science Explorers](#):
FREE creative science sessions for nursery settings

Call outs and opportunities

- DRAW! [How to... draw a dragon | Bradford 2025](#)
- Participants for Zee and the City's [community cast](#)
- We Will Sing: [Letters to the Future](#)
- Daytimers party people – [we want your stories](#)
- Beyond the Spectrum: [Online Creative Writing Workshops for Adults \(18+\)](#)
- Beyond the Spectrum: [Online Creative Writing Workshops \(10-17 years\)](#)
- BD: Walls [Street Art Talent Development Programme](#)

BRADFORD 2025 NETWORKERS ACTIVITY OVERVIEW

Below are a few of the places the Networkers will be promoting Bradford 2025 in May.

BRADFORD EAST

- Sun 20 July - Bradford Food and Lifestyle Mela
- Sat 26 July – Bradford 2025 Celebration Event at Rockwell Centre
Meetings with InCommunities, Anchor and Peacemakers International

BRADFORD SOUTH

- Sat 5 July - Wyke Gala
- Mon 28 July - Sutton Fun Day
- Thu 31 July - Hope Not Hate event at Bradford Bulls

BRADFORD WEST

- Sat 12 July - DRAW event at Glory Community Centre
- Sun 20 July - Bradford West Community Funday at The Mustafa Centre
- Thu 24 July - Summer Reading Challenge Event at Clayton Library

KEIGHLEY AND ILKLEY

- Thu 10 July - Summer Fun Day at Holycroft Primary School
- Sat 12 July - The Big Beacon Family Welcome at Cliffe Castle
- Wed 30 July - Play in Park events at Cougar Park

SHIPLEY

- Sat 5 July - Wrose Carnival

- Sun 13 July - Cullingworth Gala
- Sun 20 July - Wrose Bull Event

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteers present cross the District at all Bradford 2025 events plus:

- Wrose Carnival
- Brackenhill Festive
- Wyke Gala
- Communities of Care
- Baildon Carnival

HOW YOU AND YOUR COMMUNITIES CAN GET INVOLVED...

- Become a [Volunteer](#)
- [Sign up to our e-news](#)
- Follow us on [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#), [X](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#)
- Sign up to the [WhatsApp Channel](#) for the latest Bradford 2025 news
- Download our [Love Bradford logo](#) and display it proudly
- Use our [Bradford 2025 Glow App](#) to customise your logo or photo with our colours

Schools

- Access our **free learning and activity** resources [here](#)
- Sign up and encourage all educators to sign up to the newsletter from our Learning team [here](#)

Businesses

Ways businesses can get involved:

- View our [Business Toolkit](#)
- Use our [Bradford 2025 Glow App](#) to customise your logo or photo with our colours
- Download our [Love Bradford logo](#) and display it proudly

JUNE PRESS COVERAGE HIGHLIGHTS FOR BRADFORD 2025

- The State of the Arts: [Bradford 2025 summer highlights – preview](#)
- BBC iPlayer: [Countryfile](#)
- Telegraph & Argus: ['A Typical Sunday Morning': Harry Hill's DRAW! theme in June](#)
- The Art Newspaper: [June Book Bag: from the cool influence of Ice Age art to the story of Arshile Gorky's early years in the US](#)
- The Art Desk: [Bradford City of Culture 2025 review - new magic conjured from past glories](#)
- BBC Sounds: [Jacob Tomlinson finds out about the street art work 'RedBall'](#)
- The Yorkshire Post: [Bradford gallery hosts V&A's Jameel Prize exhibition showcasing Middle Eastern and South Asian artists](#)
- BBC: [Nature reserve's moths help composer make new music](#)

- The Times: [The Railway Children in The Times picks of 50 hottest tickets to book now for summer](#)
- BBC iPlayer: [The Travel Show heads to Bradford, the current UK City of Culture.](#)
- BBC: [Cinema inside lorry tours City of Culture](#)
- BBC Sounds Xtra: [Richie Brave chats to photographer Victor Wedderburn about his photographs in Frontline 1984/1985](#)
- BBC: [£50m Joshua Reynolds portrait goes on show](#)
- The Yorkshire Post: [Opera North's soundwalk Earth & Sky explores the wild uplands of Brontë country](#)
- The Guardian: [New Music Biennial review – sitars, thorax-quaking bass and vibrators](#)
- Great Yorkshire Radio: Line-up confirmed for this year's 'BD: Festival' in Bradford
- ITV: The performance of Sing, Dance, Leap in Bradford Live on yesterday's ITV Evening News, time stamp 19:20
- BBC Look North: Nearly 2,000 children take part in a performance of dance and ballet at Bradford Live, time stamp 19:10
- Telegraph & Argus: Sing, Dance, Leap project puts Bradford children on stage
- BBC: 'Exhilarating and exciting!' How Bradford's children feel about their City of Culture show
- Asian Standard: Bradford 2025: The Railway Children set off
- Yorkshire Times: All aboard for The Railway Children
- The Yorkshire Post: Opera North's soundwalk Earth & Sky explores the wild uplands of Brontë country
- BBC: [New Ice Age exhibit opens in City of Culture](#)
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