

# SANDYGATE SQUARED

- engaging art -



# SANDYGATE SQUARED EVENT DATES

## June

**17th** 9:30am - 12pm  
Sandygate Stories Workshop  
Free session based on photographs  
Vanguard Community Centre

**23rd & 24th** 1pm - 4pm  
ArtYarn  
Mechanics Theatre

**26th** 11am - 3:30pm  
Sandygate Stories Workshop  
Charge applies. Aimed at writers groups based on written source material, newspapers, census returns etc & photos  
Red Triangle, St James Street

## July

**8th** 1pm - 4pm  
ArtYarn  
Mechanics Theatre

**16th** 2pm - 4pm  
Sandygate Stories Walk  
Sandygate Sq/canalside

**17th** 2pm - 4pm  
Sandygate Stories Walk  
Sandygate Sq/canalside

**18th** 2pm - 4pm  
Sandygate Stories Walk  
Sandygate Sq/canalside

**22nd** 4pm - 7pm  
Mid Pennine Arts  
Celebration event  
"Dark Satanics"  
Sandygate Sq/canalside

**23rd** 2pm - 4pm  
Sandygate Stories Walk  
Sandygate Sq/canalside

**24th** 2pm - 4pm  
Sandygate Stories Walk  
Sandygate Sq/canalside

**26th** 2pm - 4pm  
Sandygate Stories Walk  
Sandygate Sq/canalside

## August

**25th** 1pm - 7pm  
Three Points  
Sandygate Square

**20th** 2pm - 4pm  
Project Pride - Burnley  
Sandygate Square  
-Victoria Mill

## October

**21st** 2pm - 4pm  
Burnley Youth Theatre  
Sandygate Square



The Sandygate square site is intended to remain a public space. The area has for a long time been unoccupied and been a place that is walked through rather than visited.

This project aims to encourage people to see the new public space as a destination, to come and learn about the history of the site and its importance in Burnley and Britain's past, and to celebrate what makes Burnley great and unique now.

The creative events are supported with funding from the Arts Council of England, Heritage Lottery Fund and Lancashire County Council.

“ A programme of creative activity that will help to secure a sustainable future for the Sandygate Square by establishing it in the hearts and minds of the people of Burnley as a space that they want to use. ”

# SANDYGATE STORIES

## Learn how to write a good story using old maps, photographs and stories from alongside the canal in Burnley.

A Good Read, a local reading and story telling company, will be delivering an imaginative project throughout this summer. This free project will be based at the Vanguard Community Centre. There will also be sessions with local authors at The Red Triangle Cafe. These will have a small charge (to include lunch).

Local authors with many years experience of working with groups will be leading the sessions. They include Richard MacSween, a published writer and teacher, poet Sarah Lee who is passionate about how we can use history, the environment and local characters to inspire our writing, and Mervyn Hadfield, who was born and brought up in the Weavers' Triangle area. His dialect poems and stories have a humorous but honest take on local characters and events.

For further information contact:  
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**A Good Read – a not-for-profit company working with the local community to advance reading and story-telling for well-being.**



**The best stories will be published or performed aloud in Sandygate Square.**

# OLIVIA KEITH

**“The process of making such drawings provides onlookers with a spectacle to enjoy and a focus on what is happening and the environment in which it occurs.”**

Visual artist Olivia Keith will be documenting the Sandygate Stories workshops and walks through live large scale drawings. These works will feature in the final publication that will be created as a record of the project.

Olivia has completed many reportage works at various events and festivals and whilst working as an artist in residence.

More of Olivia's work can be seen on her website: [www.oliviakeith.co.uk](http://www.oliviakeith.co.uk) and her blog: [www.oliviakeith.blogspot.com](http://www.oliviakeith.blogspot.com)



# ARTYARN

**Throughout June and July local fibre artist group ArtYarn, together with the local community, will be making a brand new installation.**

Created entirely from knitted, crocheted and woven objects. This will be inspired by the local heritage and landscape features of Sandygate Square.

The installation work promises to add a bold splash of colour to the site, and invites beginners though to the most enthusiastic of crafters to help in the creation of the work through a series of creative craft workshops.

The project work will be a feature at a celebratory event on the 22nd July where the public will be invited along to add to the installation and take part in an outdoor crafting circle at Sandygate Square.

For more information please visit:  
[www.art yarn.org](http://www.art yarn.org)

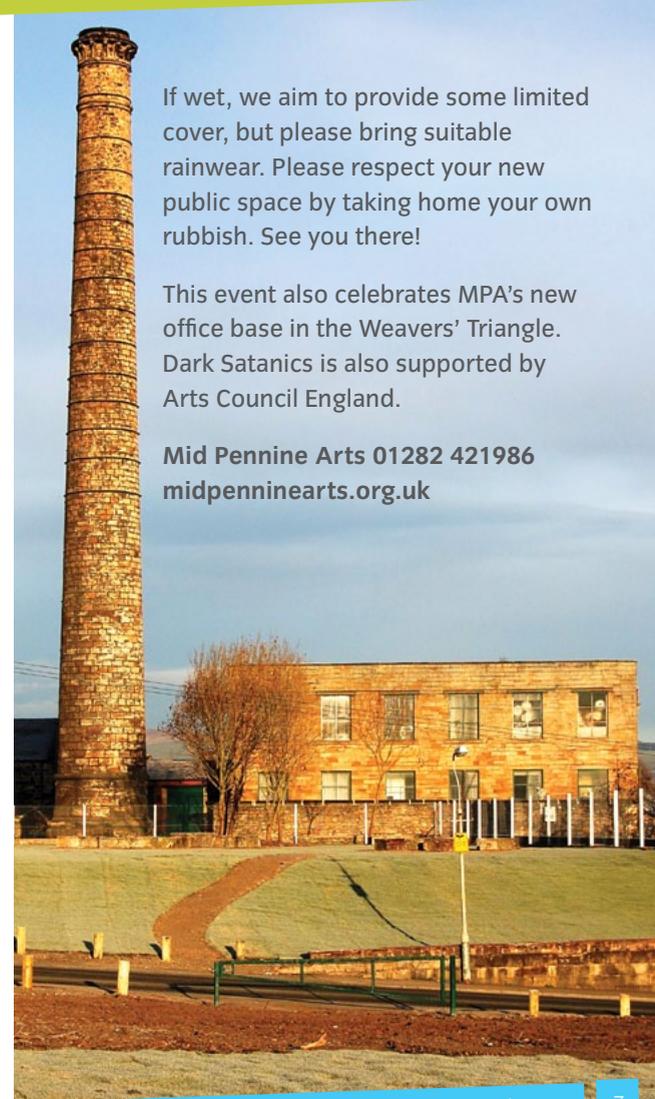


# MID PENNINE ARTS DARK SATANICS

**Join Mid Pennine Arts and friends for this first public event – an opportunity to explore and enjoy the new, greenscape of Sandygate Square and its unique, dramatic canalside setting of mills and majestic chimneys.**

This is a free, twilight event for all the family, and we invite you to take centre stage. There will be art installations, live music and family entertainment, and refreshments available to buy. The new public space is ideal picnic territory, so we encourage you to bring your own, settle in and enjoy! We'll do the rest.

We are also commissioning other artists to create new work around the site for your surprise and delight. Come along and add your own splash of colour.



If wet, we aim to provide some limited cover, but please bring suitable rainwear. Please respect your new public space by taking home your own rubbish. See you there!

This event also celebrates MPA's new office base in the Weavers' Triangle. Dark Satanics is also supported by Arts Council England.

Mid Pennine Arts 01282 421986  
[midpenninearts.org.uk](http://midpenninearts.org.uk)

# THREE POINTS & BLAZE



**Best Joined Up street art collective meets the Blaze Boom**

**Bike for an afternoon of live illustration, graffiti art, music, and performance.**



Best Joined Up, headed up by Burnley-based artist Mark Cameron, will be bringing some of the leading lights of UK street art to Sandygate Square for this interactive event. Giant triangular canvases will be painted with local artists also taking part. If you'd like to try your hand at graffiti art, come and have a go.

The Blaze Boom Bike will be showcasing its new band and street performance in Burnley town centre, before leading you up to Three Points where you can take part in MC-ing, beatboxing and other music activities. The Boom Bike is an eye-catching solar powered sound system built onto a bike.

For further information contact: 01282 664413



“ Best Joined Up makes live art, exhibitions and events happen and travel. We gather together graffiti artists, street artists, illustrators, doodlers, designers, animators, filmmakers, photographers, DJs and producers and give them time and space to create together in live environments. ”



Blaze is funded by Legacy Trust UK, an independent charity set up to build a lasting cultural and sporting legacy from the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and forms part of WE PLAY, the North West cultural legacy project led by new regional partnerships and managed by Arts Council England.

# PROJECT PRIDE - BURNLEY

**Young people are leading this project and are helping to redefine what makes their area unique. The theatre performance they produce will help encourage the community to celebrate their local area.**

Mid Pennine Arts has commissioned an innovative arts programme to enhance civic pride in local towns throughout East Lancashire. In Burnley theatre practitioner Paul Hine and filmmaker Gino Evans will be re-animating the heritage of the Weavers' Triangle with a piece of unique multi-media promenade theatre. They will be assisted by young people from the area who are going to help set the scene, as audiences are transported back in time with smoke, mirrors, and some ultra modern technology.

The major new project is being supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund Young Roots programme to help young people to interpret their town's heritage for the local community.

If you require further information contact Lucy Green from Mid Pennine Arts 01282 421986.

[www.midpenninearts.org.uk/project-pride-burnley](http://www.midpenninearts.org.uk/project-pride-burnley)



# BURNLEY YOUTH THEATRE

**The youth theatre will be working with people from a wide range of backgrounds and ages on this unique production to bring Sandygate Square alive.**

Working with local primary schools, young people, youth theatre members and Clarion Community and Burnley Municipal choirs, the youth theatre will create a dynamic performance of well known songs combined with a new narrative drama piece. The event will result in all groups coming together to perform a song composed especially for the event.

All groups will be working with professional musicians, songwriters and drama practitioners over the next few months and the performance will have its public debut at October half term.

For further information visit:  
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