

Events during AUGUST (Summer Vacation) 2026

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Sat 3 June – Sat 22 August 2026

[Fakhria Nezami: Shamsa Exhibition](#)

Daily during opening hours, FREE

Reading Museum, Blagrove Street, RG1 1QH

Thu 16 July – Sat 29 August 2026

[New Directions College: Solar Mural Painting](#)

Daily 09:00 – 16:00, FREE

New Directions College, 330 Northumberland Avenue, Whitley, Reading, RG2 8DH

Sat 25 July – Sun 23 August 2026

[Reading Dino Trail](#)

Daily, FREE, Reading Town Centre

Saturday 1 August 2026

[Walking Tour: Intro to Reading's Heritage](#)

10:00 – 11:00, £9.00

Meet: Banksy Mural, Reading Gaol, RG1 3HJ

Saturday 1 August 2026

[Artist in Residence: Miniature World Making](#)

10:30 – 11:30, £3.00

Jelly Studios, 115-116 Broad St Mall, RG1 7QE

Saturdays 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 August 2026

[Reading Artisan & Farmers' Market](#)

10:00 – 15:00, FREE Entry

Station Hill, Friar's Walk, RG1 1HR

Saturdays 1, 8, 15, 22 August 2026

[Reading Abbey Quarter Tours](#)

11:00 – 12:30, £10.00

Reading Museum, Blagrove Street, RG1 1QH

Saturday 1 August 2026

[Monthly Art Market](#)

11:00 – 16:00, FREE Entry

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Saturday 1 & Sunday 2 August 2026

[Reading MELA 2026](#)

12:00 – 19:00, FREE

Palmer Park, Reading, RG2 1LP

Saturdays 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 August 2026

[Bayeux Tapestry Tours](#)

14:00 – 15:00, £10.00

Reading Museum, Blagrove Street, RG1 1QH

Saturday 1 August 2026

[Freedom Festival for Falasteen 2](#)

From 14:00, From £15.00

Reading Biscuit Factory, Queens Walk, RG1 7QE

Saturday 1 August 2026

[Outdoor Cinema: Wicked \(Sing-A-Long\)](#)

19:00 – 23:50, £17.00 – £27.00

Dinton Pastures Country Park, Davis Street, Hurst, Wokingham, RG10 0TH

Sunday 2, 23 August 2026

[Walking Tour: Reading Abbey Tour](#)

10:00 – 11:00, £9.00

Meet: Queen Vic. Statue., Town Hall, RG1 1QH

Sundays 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 August 2026

[Caversham Artisan & Farmers' Market](#)

10:00 – 15:00, FREE Entry

Waitrose Carpark, Caversham, RG4 8AY

Sunday 2 August 2026

[GirlyPOP Live](#)

12:00 – 16:30, From £27.00

3SIXTY, Reading Students' Union, Whiteknights

Sundays 2, 9, 16 August 2026

[RBGS: Sunday Gaming](#)

13:00 – 18:00, FREE

Penta Hotel, Oxford Road, RG1 7RH

Sundays 2, 16, 30 August 2026

[Dee Caf: Collective Cooking](#)

14:30 – 15:30, FREE

Dee Caf Community Café, 1 Montague House, 12 Spey Road, Reading, RG30 4DG

Sunday 2 August 2026

[Dreading Poetry Slam](#)

19:30 – 22:00, FREE

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Sundays 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 August 2026

[Readifolk Singer-Theme-Guest Nights](#)

20:00 – 22:30, FREE – £10.00

Community Hall, 44 Watlington St., RG1 4RJ

Mondays 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 August 2026

[Group Walk with Christine: 'Sport in Mind'](#)

11:00 – 12:00, FREE

Meet in middle of Christchurch Foot Bridge, Caversham, Reading, RG4 8BY

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Mondays 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 August 2026

[Refugee Sewing Project](#)

11:00 - 13:00, FREE

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Mondays 3, 10, 17 August 2026

[Papier Mache Workshop](#)

18:00 - 20:00, £10.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Monday 3 August 2026

[Reading Sci-Fi & Fantasy Fanatics Cinema Trip:
Spider-Man Brand New Day](#)

18:30 - 20:30, £10.00

Showcase Cinema de Lux Reading, RG41 5HG

Mondays 3, 10, 17, 24 August 2026

[Slow Balboa Dance Class](#)

20:30 - 21:30, £5.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Tuesday 4 August 2026

[Forbury Art Adventures](#)

10:00 – 15:00, FREE

Forbury Gardens, The Forbury, RG1 2BB

Tuesday 4 August 2026

[Craft at the Minster](#)

11:00 - 12:30, FREE

Reading Minster, St Mary's Butts, RG1 2HX

Tuesdays 4, 11, 18, 25 August 2026

[Football with Ashley from 'Sport in Mind'](#)

14:00 – 15:30, FREE

Football Courts, Prospect Park, RG30 2ND

Tuesdays 4, 11, 18, 25 August 2026

[Bayeux Tapestry Tours](#)

14:30 - 15:30, £10.00

Reading Museum, Blagrove Street, RG1 1QH

Tuesdays 4, 11, 18 August 2026

[Summer Bhangra Dance Classes](#)

18:45 - 19:45, £5.00

St. Paul's CE Junior School, Oxford Rd., RG6 1DN

Tuesday 4 August 2026

[Reading International Spanish, Portuguese &
English Social](#)

From 19:00, FREE

Market House, 1-2 Market Place, RG1 2EQ

Tuesdays 4, 11, 18, 25 August 2026

[Life in the Sun: Life Drawing](#)

19:00 - 21:30, £9.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Tuesdays 4, 11, 18, 25 August 2026

[The Reinettes Collective](#)

From 19:30, £5.00

Reading Biscuit Factory, Queens Walk, RG1 7QE

Tuesday 4 August 2026

[Dee Caf: Board Game Night](#)

From 19:30, FREE

Dee Caf Community Café, 1 Montague House, 12
Spey Road, Reading, RG30 4DG

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[Dee Caf: Craft & Natter Group](#)

From 10:00, FREE

Dee Caf Community Café, 1 Montague House, 12
Spey Road, Reading, RG30 4DG

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[Badminton & Table Tennis with 'Sport in Mind'](#)

12:00 – 13:00, FREE

Sports Hall, Rivermead Leisure Centre, RG1 8EQ

Wednesdays 5, 12 August 2026

[English Conversation Café](#)

13:00 – 14:00, FREE

Global Study Lounge, 230, Edith Morely Building
AND online (Dual-mode)

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[Tai Chi with Steve from 'Sport in Mind'](#)

15:30 – 16:30, FREE

MERL, 6 Redlands Road, RG1 5EX

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[City Life Drawing](#)

18:00 – 20:00, £9.74

Reading Bike Hub, King Street, RG1 2HE

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[People of Reading Hangout](#)

18:30 - 21:30, FREE

Penta Hotel, Oxford Road, RG1 7RH

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Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[Artist Link Up](#)

19:00 - 22:00, FREE

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[Spill Bar: Board Game Evenings](#)

19:00 – 22:30, FREE

Spill Bar, 29 St. Martins Precinct, Caversham,
Reading, RG4 8BA

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[What's the Game Improv](#)

20:00 - 22:00, £12.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 August 2026

[Bohemian Night – Weekly Open Mic Night](#)

20:30 - Late, FREE

The Fisherman's Cottage, Kennet Side, RG1 3DW

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 August 2026

[Reading Museum Surgery](#)

12:00 – 16:00, FREE

Reading Museum, Blagrove Street, RG1 1QH

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 August 2026

[Tennis with Nick and Alison: 'Sport in Mind'](#)

13:00 – 14:00, FREE

Outdoor Tennis Courts, UoR, RG2 7BW

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 August 2026

[Bayeux Tapestry Tours](#)

14:30 - 15:30, £10.00

Reading Museum, Blagrove Street, RG1 1QH

Thursday 6 August 2026

[New Wave Creatives: Simple Letterpress](#)

17:30 – 19:30, FREE

Jelly Studios, 115-116 Broad St Mall, RG1 7QE

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 August 2026

[Djembe & Hand Drum Circle](#)

18:00 - 18:45, £11.00 / £16.00

Caversham Hall, St John's Road, RG4 5AN

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 August 2026

[She+Choir](#)

18:00 - 20:00, FREE

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 August 2026

[Jog and Walk with Sally: 'Sport in Mind'](#)

18:30 – 19:15, FREE

Meet near statue in Palmer Park, RG6 1LF

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 August 2026

[Sahaja Yoga: Guided Meditation Classes](#)

18:30 – 20:00, FREE

Oddfellows Hall, 118b Oxford Road, RG1 7NQ

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, 27 August 2026

[Salsa and Tango Classes](#)

18:30 - 22:00, £8.00 - £10.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Thursday 6 2026

[Charity Quiz Night](#)

From 19:30, £2.00

Double-Barrelled Brewery, Tilehurst, RG30 6BX

Friday 7 August 2026

[Friday Get-Togethers](#)

15:00 – 16:30, FREE

MERL Studio, 6 Redlands Road, RG1 5EX

Fridays 7, 14, 21, 28 August 2026

[City Life Drawing](#)

19:00 – 21:00, £9.74

Reading Biscuit Factory, Queen's Walk, RG1 7QE

Friday 7 August 2026

[Reading Queer Social](#)

19:00 - 22:00, FREE

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Friday 7 August 2026

[Reggae Collective: Sound System Veterans](#)

19:00 - 23:30, £5.00

Culture Mix Arts, 7 Queens Walk, RG1 7QF

Fridays 7, 14, 21, 28 August 2026

[The Butler's Open Mic Night](#)

From 20:00, FREE Entry

The Butler, 85/91 Chatham Street, RG1 7DS

Saturday 8 August 2026

[Artist in Residence: Miniature World Making](#)

10:30 – 12:00, £3.00

Jelly Studios, 115-116 Broad St Mall, RG1 7QE

Saturday 8 August 2026

[Goan Food & Cultural Festival 2026](#)

12:00 - 21:30, £15.00

King's Meadow, Napier Rd., Reading, RG1 8AB

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Saturday 8 August 2026

[The Bull Inn's FESTIBULL for Royal Berks Charity](#)

From 12:00, FREE Entry

The Bull Inn, Streatley, Reading, RG8 9JJ

Saturday 8 August 2026

[Reading Gin & Rum Festival](#)

12:30-17:00 & 18:00-22:00, From £17.88

The Great Hall, UoR London Road, RG1 5AG

Saturday 8 August 2026

[Here Comes the Sun Festival 2026](#)

14:00 - 23:00, From £11.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Sunday 9 August 2026

[Walking Tour: Reading at War](#)

10:00 – 11:00, £9.00

Meet: Reading Minster, St Mary's Butts, RG1 2HX

Sunday 9 August 2026

[The Sunday Alternative: Coffee & Chat](#)

11:00 - 13:00, FREE

Reading Biscuit Factory, Queens Walk, RG1 7QE

Sunday 9 August 2026

[Northanger Abbey \(Theatre @ Abbey Ruins\)](#)

From 17:00, From £19.50

Reading Abbey Ruins, Abbey Street, RG1 3BA

Tuesday 11 August 2026

[Reading STEAM Summer Social](#)

19:00 - 22:00, FREE

Zerodegrees, 9 Bridge Street, Reading, RG1 2LR

Wednesday 12 August 2026

['Ask the Author': Owen B. Lewis](#)

19:00 – 20:30, FREE

Fourbears Books, 20 Prospect Street, RG4 8JG

Thursday 13 August 2026

[Thames Valley Police BBQ in the Park](#)

11:00 – 15:00, FREE

Victoria Park, George St., Reading, RG1 7HA

Friday 14 August 2026

[SOULTASIA Reading](#)

From 17:00, From £23.00

Prospect Park, Liebenrood Rd., RG30 2ND

Friday 14 August 2026

[Reading Didgeridoo & World Music Community](#)

19:00 - 22:00, £5.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Friday 14 August 2026

[Intersellar: Tribute to Hans Zimmer by Mystery Ensemble](#)

From 19:30, From £20.00

The Great Hall, UoR London Road, RG1 5AG

Friday 14 August 2026

[Poets' Café LIVE](#)

From 20:00, From £4.00

South Street Theatre, 21 South St., RG1 4QU

Saturday 15 August 2026

[Pre-sessional English Trip to Bath](#)

09:00 - 18:00, Details TBC

Meeting point given on booking

Saturday 15 August 2026

[Carnival of the World \(10th Anniversary\)](#)

12:00 - 18:00, FREE

Reading Town Centre, Broad Street, RG1

Saturday 15 August 2026

[The Latin Vibe](#)

19:00 - 12:00, £10.00

Penta Hotel, Oxford Road, RG1 7RH

Sunday 16 August 2026

[Walking Tour: Kennet & Avon Canal](#)

10:00 – 11:00, £9.00

Meet: County Lock, off Bridge St., RG1 6BT

Monday 17 -Monday 24 August 2026

[The 48-Hour Film Challenge: Reading Biscuit](#)

[Factory x Framespotting](#)

Daily, £10.00

Reading Biscuit Factory, Queens Walk, RG1 7QE

Tuesday 18 August 2026

[Tuesday Together at the Minster](#)

11:00 - 12:30, FREE

Reading Minster, St Mary's Butts, RG1 2HX

Wednesday 19 August 2026

[Study Advice & Academic English Summer](#)

[Writing Retreat](#)

09:30 – 12:30, FREE

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Wednesday 19 August 2026

'Pick Your Own' Farm Trip

13:00 - 17:30, Details TBC

Meeting point given on booking

Friday 21 August 2026

[Friday Get-Togethers](#)

15:00 – 17:00, FREE

Global Study Lounge, 230, Edith Morely Building

Friday 21 August 2026

[Reading Bingo Loco](#)

18:00 - 22:30, £19.50

Sub89, 110-117 Friar Street, RG1 1EP

Saturday 22 August 2026

[Walking Tour: Reading – Home of Photography](#)

10:00 – 11:00, £9.00

Meet: Abbey Medical Cent., Russel St., RG1 7XD

Saturday 22 August 2026

Broad Street Beats: Summer x READING Pride

11:00 – 15:00, FREE

Central Sq., Broad St. Mall, Broad St., RG1 7QE

Saturday 22 August 2026

[Readipop Yard Party 2026](#)

13:00 – 21:00, FREE

Readipop Studios, 15 Trafford Rd., RG1 8JP

Sunday 23 August 2026

[The Sunday Alternative: Picnic & Games](#)

10:30 - 12:30, FREE

Christchurch Meadows, George St., RG4 8BY

Tuesday 25 August 2026

New Forest Trip

09:00 - 17:00, Details TBC

Meeting point given on booking

Tuesday 25 August 2026

[Fan-ta-STICK Forbury Adventures](#)

10:00 – 15:00, FREE

Forbury Gardens, The Forbury, RG1 2BB

Wednesday 26 August 2026

[Jazz Singers' Night](#)

20:00 - 22:00, FREE

The Retreat, 8 St. John's St., RG1 4EH

Thursday 27 – Sunday 30 August 2026

[Reading \(Music\) Festival](#)

Daily, From £125

Richfield Avenue, Reading, RG1

Friday 28 August 2026

[The Music of James Bond \(1\)](#)

18:00 - 20:00, From £30.00

Reading Minster, St Mary's Butts, RG1 2HX

Friday 28 August 2026

[The Music of James Bond \(2\)](#)

20:30 - 22:30, From £30.00

Reading Minster, St Mary's Butts, RG1 2HX

Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 August 2026

[No Time for Goodbye Screening + Director Q&A](#)

Sat: 14:00 | Sun: 12:00, From £9.99

Reading Biscuit Factory, Queens Walk, RG1 7QE

Saturday 29 August 2026

[Connect Reading: Bank Holiday Drinks](#)

19:00 - 00:00, FREE

Location TBC (See link)

Saturday 29 August 2026

[Variety Night](#)

19:30 - 23:00, £5.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Sunday 30 August 2026

[The Star School of Tarot](#)

13:00 - 15:00, £12.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Sunday 30 August 2026

[Clown School](#)

14:00 - 18:00, £15.00

Rising Sun Arts Centre, Reading, RG1 2ST

Sunday 30 August 2026

[Jazz with Stuart Henderson and guests](#)

From 15:00, FREE

The Retreat, 8 St. John's St., RG1 4EH

Sunday 30 August 2026

[Don Letts with the Reggae Reggae Show](#)

15:00 - 20:00, FREE

Purple Turtle, 9 Gun St., Reading, RG1 2JR

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Check the [Student Union's](#) webpage and [social media](#) for other events during the vacation.

Check out the [Essentials webpages](#) for information about student services during August.

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