

The background of the top half of the poster is a photograph of The Hive building in Worcester at dusk. The building has a distinctive, angular, modern design with a facade of light-colored, textured panels. Large windows are visible, some of which are illuminated from within. The sky is a deep blue with some light clouds. In the foreground, there are some trees and a street lamp. The overall mood is modern and artistic.

The **Hive**

September to December 2019

What's On?

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Coming Up:

Space Day | Beeline Storytelling Festival
Worcestershire Archaeology Day | Poetry and Literature
Picture This! Illustration Exhibition
Christmas Lantern Parade | 'The Lost Present' theatre

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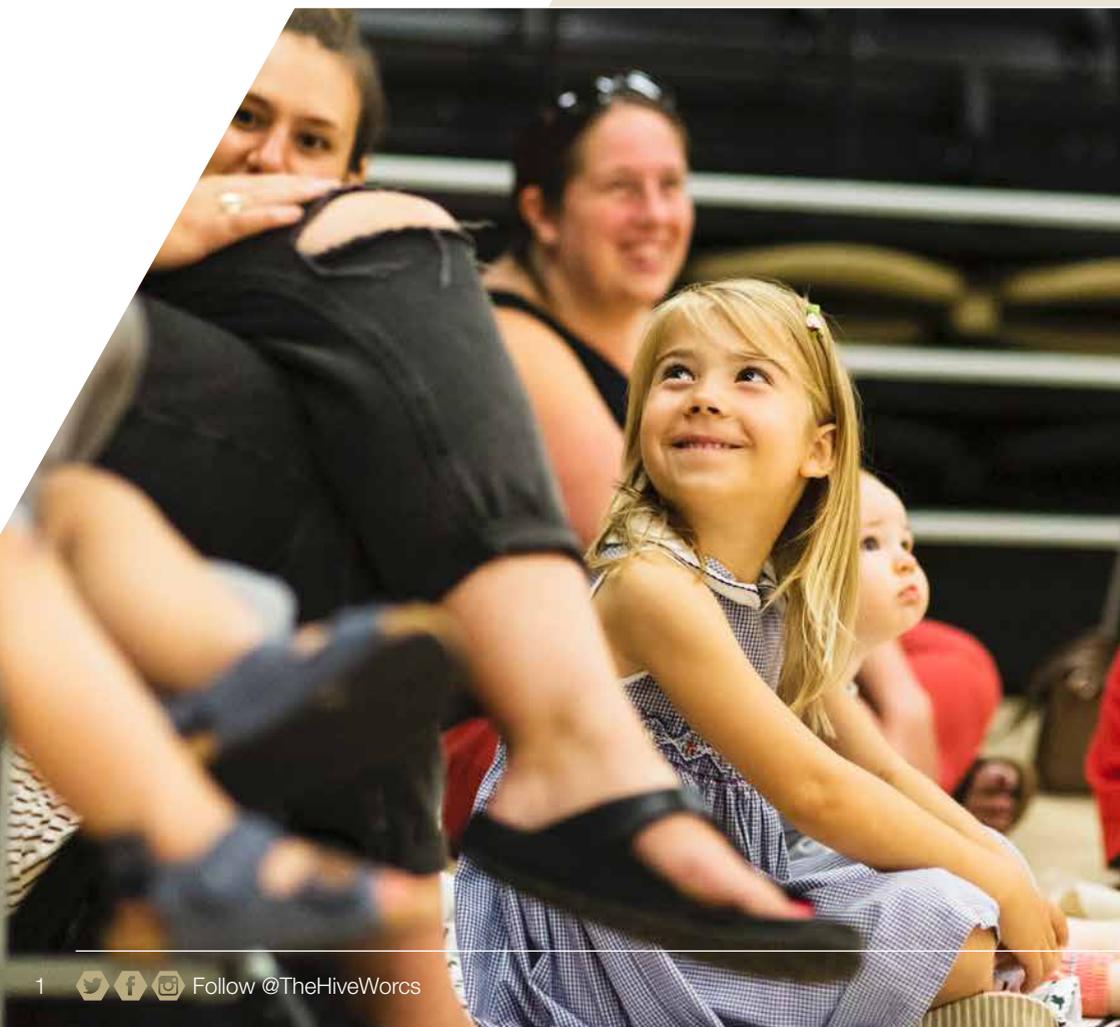
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Credits for the Children's University scheme can be gained from most of our 5 - 14 year old activities with this symbol.



Look out for our Study Happy symbol - lots of activities to take part in to help you study healthier, happier and smarter.



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Study Happy



A year-round programme designed to help students in Worcester study healthier, happier and smarter.

Find Your Space

Students from Year 10 and above can now book a study room, table or Nook up to 48 hours in advance. For more information visit www.thehiveworcester.org/book-a-space

Study support

The askalibrarian and IT desk on level 3 of The Hive is open to all for resource-based queries, referencing advice and IT support. No need to book, just drop in. For more information see www.library.worc.ac.uk/help/askalibrarian

Are you interested in Nursing or Teaching as a career?

Wednesday 25 September, 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Come along to the **FREE** drop-in event at The Hive and speak to specialist staff and current students from University of Worcester's Nursing and Teaching courses. Find out what it takes, how to apply and gain more information.

Great Hive Book Rescue

Wednesday 2 October, 12pm - 2pm

Academic books, fiction, poetry, cookbooks and kids' books: we have hundreds of previously owned books looking for a new owner. Our annual Great Hive Book Rescue offers a wide range of titles at bargain prices.

What's On Your Mind - Mental Health

Wednesday 23 October, 6pm - 8pm

Worcestershire young people are gathering together to talk about Mental Health. Join Worcestershire Youth Cabinet and various other groups to campaign on Mental Health in Worcestershire. Free snacks and refreshments will be provided.

Please contact the Youth Voice Team on T: **01905 846498** or email youthvoiceteam@worcestershire.gov.uk

Sixth Form Study Jam

Friday 1 November, 1pm - 4:30pm

Come over to The Hive and get up to date with your extended project, or independent study. Snacks, study resources, books, computers and help with referencing will be provided.

Roald Dahl Day



Saturday 14 September, 10am - 3pm

FREE drop-in.

Roald Dahl, world famous children's author was born on 13 September 1916. His richly imaginative stories including *The Enormous Crocodile*, *The BFG* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* have become firm favourites on family bookshelves all over the world.

We are planning a splendid day of glorumptious fun with lots of wondercrump activities to inspire children to enter the wonderfully imaginative world of Roald Dahl.

Roald Dahl Rat-a-Tat Tales at 11am and 2:45pm

Wonka Craft Activity, 10:30am, 11:30am, 12:30pm and 2pm

Create a Willy Wonka inspired top hat.

Cost £2.50

Booking is essential.

Jacqueline Wilson: Rebel Girls

A live webinar screening from the British Library in London Monday 11 November, 7pm - 8pm

Come along to watch Jacqueline Wilson as she celebrates her latest Tracy Beaker book *We Are The Beaker Girls*, and talks about writing rebel girls who stand up for friendship, justice and what they believe in.

Suitable for ages 8+

FREE but booking is essential.

Family Coding Workshop



**Thursday 19 September,
4:30pm - 5:15pm**

It's National Coding Week. Bring your family in and show them how to create a computer game or learn to code together!

Suitable for ages 7+

FREE drop-in but booking is essential.

Young at Art

Thursdays, now at 2pm - 3:30pm

Exploring. Listening. Making.

On Thursdays during term-time The Hive and Worcester City Art Gallery and Museum alternate hosting themed sensory craft sessions for children under five. Find those taking place at The Hive below:

5 September - Magical Rain-makers
19 September - Fly Away Kites
3 October - Printing with leaves, fruit and vegetables
7 November - Egg Box Trains
21 November - Bobbing Boats
5 December - Christmas Boxes
19 December - Party Hats

Children £3. Payable on the day.

No pre-booking required.

Daisy Baby Birthing

Antenatal Class

Wednesdays, 7pm from 4 September

Weekly antenatal classes for expectant mums to help you enjoy pregnancy, stay mobile, learn about your changing baby and body and prepare for a confident birth. Our unique Active Antenatal method draws on elements of active birth, pregnancy yoga, hypnobirthing and antenatal education to create one very powerful combination. From easing pregnancy ailments, adapting to your changing body, preparing for birth and informing your own individual choices. For mums from 14 weeks pregnant.

£75 for a 6 week term starting 4 September.

Book a class at: www.thedaisyfoundation.com/teacher/puja-conway/

Please note these classes are brought to you by the Daisy Foundation.

For more information email puja-conway@thedaisyfoundation.com or call **07545 527407**



Space Day



**Saturday 5 October,
10:30am - 4pm**



Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the moon landings at Space Day!

There's something for everyone. Unleash your inner astronaut with interactive activities, exhibitions and talks.

Take a 3D VR planet walk
Dock a Soyuz spacecraft
Hold real space meteorites
Find out what astronauts eat
Watch rocket firings
Science busking
Create a space bio-dome

Talks include:

Artist in Space by David Hardy
At Home in Space by Dave Shayler

Check the website for details of more talks and events and to book your place.

Space Queens

Watch this free 25-minute film and take an in depth look at the women behind Apollo 11 and the next generation inspired to pursue careers in aerospace. This unique film tells a story of equality at the heart of the space race.

Immersive Dome Experience

Experience and learn about the wonders of the night sky in the 360° immersive planetarium.

40 minutes sessions at 10:30am, 11:30am, 12:30pm, 1:30pm and 2:30pm.

Suitable for children 6+ and adults.

Child £4 | Adults £5

Booking is essential.

October Half Term

Half term Tales

Every day during half term,
11am and 2:45pm

Hear the best bits of books read aloud by our lovely librarians.

FREE drop-in activity.

Ghostbusters Coding Activity



Monday 28 October,
10:45am and 11:45am

Learn to code in this spooky coding experience.

FREE bookable activity for children aged 8 - 12.

Bring headphones or purchase for £1.60.

Wildlife Trust Spider Craft Activity



Tuesday 29 October, 11am - 1pm

Join Worcester Wildlife Trust in making your very own (not so spooky) spiders, followed by a spider themed story time.

FREE drop-in activity.

Saxon Murder Mystery

Wednesday 30 October, 10:30am,
11:15am and 12pm

Can you solve the mystery of an ancient Saxon burial? Put your archaeological skills to the test to work out who was buried over 1000 years ago and why. Then follow in the Anglo-Saxons footsteps by making a clay amulet to take home.

45 minute sessions - suitable for ages 7+.

Children **£3**

Booking is essential.

Spooky Minecraft



Thursday 31 October, 11am,
12.15pm and 1:30pm

Duration: 1 hour
Suitable for children aged 8+

Children **£2.50**

Booking is essential.



Check out our fantastic deals on festival day passes!



Beeline

UNIVERSITY OF WORCESTER

Storytelling Festival

FAMILY PROGRAMME

Sophie Dahl - Author

Sarah McIntyre - Illustrator and Author

Philip Reeve - Author

Lydia Monks - Author and Illustrator

Cat Weatherill - Storyteller

Nigel Auchterlounie - Illustrator of The Beano
and Dennis the Menace - Workshop

Mumblecrust Theatre - Present 'The Time Machine' by HG Wells

The Tale of the Baba Yaga - Story Theatre and Puppetry

Plus much more...

Single show ticket: £4.50 child, £7.00 adult
Individual Festival day pass: £7.00 child, £12.00 adult
Family Festival day pass: £30.00 (2 adults and 2 children)



Check out worcester.ac.uk/beeline
for further details and how to book

The Hive

University of Worcester

Christmas

Christmas Rat-a-Tat Tales

Every Saturday & Sunday from 23 November to 22 December, 11am & 2:45pm

All young children are welcome to our interactive Rat-a-Tat Tales. Just stop by the Children's Library to join our wonderful librarians reading your favourite festive stories.

Lantern Making Workshops

Saturday 23 & Sunday 24 November, 11am - 12pm & 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Saturday 30 November & Sunday 1 December, 11am - 12pm & 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Get ready for the famous Lantern Parade by crafting your very own festive lantern. These fun sessions will get you in the mood for both the parade and Christmas.

£5 - willow lantern (ages 7 years+)
£2.50 - mini lanterns (all ages)

Lantern Parade

Thursday 5 December, 5:30pm

Signaling the start of Christmas at The Hive, watch Worcester light up with our annual winter lantern parade. Hear a festive concert

at Cathedral Square at 5.30pm, then from 6pm meander through the City with live festive music as we go. Bring your own lanterns, or make one at our Lantern Making Workshops, and start Christmas as you mean to go on. Worcester Rock Choir will be performing Christmas classics on our return to The Hive. Squash and biscuits available for every child.

Traditional Christmas Decorations Craft Activity

Saturday 7 December, 11am - 3pm

Children can create the Pomander, an authentic Elizabethan Christmas decoration to take home.

Suitable for ages 6 - 12.

Cost £1

Booking is essential.

Christmas Open Mic Night

Thursday 12 December, 7pm

Join the University of Worcester Creative Writing department for a Christmas open mic event. Hosted by Dr Jack McGowan...sign up for a reading slot on the night!

Suitable for ages 16+

Topsy Turvy Theatre

The Lost Present

Topsy Turvy Theatre Proudly Presents The Lost Present... A Christmas Adventure!

Saturday 7 December, 11:30am & 2pm

Topsy Turvy Theatre are back and would like to invite their young audiences on a Christmas adventure like no other.

It's Christmas Eve, and having tumbled to earth through the night sky, Elva sets out on a journey to find her best friend - a little girl she hasn't even met yet. Has the lost present got what it takes to find her way through the cold winter night? Will she arrive in time for Christmas morning? Will Elva be everything the little girl wished for?

Written especially for children and brought to life using handmade puppets, original music and delightful storytelling, The Lost Present is an enchanting tale about true friendship. It really is the perfect gift for Christmas. You can meet and greet Elva after the show.

Running time - 50 minutes.

Suitable for children aged 2 to 7 and families.

Adults £7 | Children £4.50 | Babes in arms free

Booking is essential.



Active Ageing Week

1 - 7 October

Active at Any Age

University of Worcester Active Ageing Week is here again with workshops, public talks and physical activity taster sessions providing information and opportunities to help you increase your physical activity levels however old you are - but especially if you are in your second half of life (50 yrs+). Sponsored by Sports Partnership Herefordshire and Worcestershire.

Workshops at The Hive include: Being Active with Osteoarthritis, Challenging Nutritional Myths around Chronic Conditions, Being Active with and Beyond Cancer, Changing the Image of Ageing, Exploring Identity, Physical Activity and Dementia and many more.

To find out the full programme and book your FREE place, visit:
www.worcester.ac.uk/activeageing

Get Online Week

Computer Cafe

**Tuesday 15 October,
10am - 2pm**

Find out how to use the internet securely with the support of OneDigital experts and our Digital Champions.

FREE drop-in event.

Introduction to e-books and e-audio

**Thursday 17 October,
10am - 10:45am**

Introduction to Digital Libraries. Learn how to use our Hive e-book and e-audio book service BorrowBox. Bring your own device.

FREE but booking is essential.



Introduction to e-magazines

**Thursday 17 October,
11am - 11:45am**

Find out how to subscribe to our great range of free e-magazines on RBDigital. Bring your own device.

FREE but booking is essential.

Discover History

Ghosts & Ghostbusters in 17th Century England

Thursday 31 October, 7pm - 8:30pm

Halloween is a good time to think about the history of ghosts. They were abolished by the English church in the sixteenth century, but did not go away. Professor Darren Oldridge reflects on spooky tales from the 1600s and shifting attitudes towards the restless dead.

FREE but booking is essential.

Voices of 1919 - Poetry Play for Voices

Friday 15 November, 7pm

The Great War is over. In the Spring of 1919 the village of Oakby awaits the return of survivors. Each household has its own story. Through the words of 20 contemporary poets, we hear the voices of villagers struggling to recall their past, to understand the present and to imagine the future.

FREE but booking is essential.

Remembrance Poppy Display

1 - 17 November

The beautifully handcrafted poppies from local residents and as far afield as New Zealand will be returning to The Hive and displayed in the atrium as a mark of remembrance to all the Worcestershire service men, women and animals who lost their lives during the First World War.

Books that have shaped the world

A live panel screening from the British Library in London

Friday 8 November, 1pm - 2pm

To mark the 300th anniversary of Daniel Defoe's Robinson Crusoe, a special panel have selected 100 novels that have shaped their world. Chaired by BBC Radio 2's Jo Whaley, writers Alexander McCall Smith, Kit de Waal, Juno Dawson, Mariella Frostrup and Syima Aslam reveal their choices.

(BBC event hosted at the British Library in London - screened live at The Hive)

FREE but booking is essential.

'Welcome to Britain' - Britain on Film

Wednesday 18 December, 6:30pm

In a time of constant debates around immigration both nationally and internationally, Britain on Film: 'Welcome to Britain' looks back to chart a century of arrivals to the UK. Featuring the voices of different generations of British immigrants themselves. Introduced and discussed by senior lecturers from the University of Worcester and volunteers from the Beacons Development Education Centre. Including readings from the recent anthology Out of Bounds: British Black & Asian Poets.

BBFC film certification: (PG)

Adult £2 | Students £1

Booking is essential.

Spoken Word

Autumn Creative Writing
Series hosted by the
School of Humanities

All of these spoken word events are FREE but booking is essential.
Doors open at 7pm, events start at 7:30pm.

Chapter and Verse - Poetry readings

Thursday 3 October

Enjoy an evening of live literature from three established and award-winning poets, David Clarke, Ross Cogan and Amanda Bonnicks, as they take you on a thought provoking spoken word journey at The Hive. Discover more about the writers' work and awards on The Hive website.

How to become a writer

Thursday 10 October

Join us for an evening with two writers, and local publishers Black Pear Press, as they launch new books and take part in an author Q&A to answer questions about writing, the publishing process and running an Indie press in 2019.

The Stations Of The Day - a poetry collection by Michael W Thomas and Smashing The Mask - a short story collection by Jan Baynham.

What's love got to do with it?

Monday 21 October

Is there still an eternal appeal of happy ever after, love and romance in commercial fiction? Will romantic souls survive the cutthroat world of publishing? Join multi-published authors of romantic and emotion-led fiction, Alison May and Janet Gover, to discuss the shifts in trends and challenges in the romance publishing industry.

Powerful Poetry

Thursday 7 November

An evening of moving poetry around love, loss, discovery and homecomings from critically acclaimed writer on war poems, Antony Owen, former Birmingham Poet Laureate Roy McFarlane, and author of two pamphlets, Claire Walker.

Thursday 5 December

Original and fresh poetry from the winner of CoachesSLAM 2018, Hannah Swinger, and activist poet Kamil Mahmood who uses words as tools for change. Both poets are from the new and dynamic Birmingham based publisher, Verve Poetry Press. Join us for the last lively poetry event of 2019!

To find out more information about the event and to book your place visit The Hive website.

Meet the Authors

'Defying Vichy' - Robert Pike

Friday 20 September, 7pm - 8.30pm

Defying Vichy is about the evolution and impact of the French Resistance in Vichy France, and the British-trained operatives sent to help organise these networks. It is the culmination of several years of intensive research and interviewing.

The talk will also include historical audio excerpts, documents and images. Robert is a graduate in History and French from the University of Exeter and has taught French for a decade in Worcestershire High Schools and taught at the University of Worcester.

FREE but booking is essential.

A Night of Crime and Thriller

Thursday 17 October, 7pm - 8:30pm

Enjoy listening to readings of the latest crime offerings by bestselling authors, Sheryl Browne, Sue Watson and Carla Kovach, followed by a Q&A and a book signing.

Sheryl writes psychological thrillers and her titles include, *The Babysitter* and *The Affair*.

Sue is a writer of psychological thrillers, *The Woman Next Door* and *Our Little Lies*.

A crime thriller writer, Carla's titles include, *The Next Girl* and *Her Final Hour*.

Come along and enjoy this spine-tingling night.

FREE but booking is essential.

Screen Writing Festival

University of Worcester Screenwriting Festival

Friday 22 and Saturday 23 November

2019 sees the third annual Screenwriting Festival hosted by the University of Worcester's Screenwriting Department. If you've ever wondered what it's really like to write for film and television, come along and meet screenwriters, producers and script editors from the industry.

Listen to industry panel discussions, watch live performances and attend workshops to get real life experience of storyline creation and the Writers' Room. You can even pitch your own TV series to our industry judges!

Check the website for more details.

Explore the Past

First Steps in Family History

Thursdays 19 September, 3 October, 7 November & 5 December, 11:30am - 12:30pm

These one hour introductions will guide you round the most useful family history resources we hold on the Explore the Past floor and give you some tips on getting started.

The sessions take up to 5 people and are £6 per person

First Steps in House History

Thursdays 19 September, 3 October, 7 November & 5 December, 10am - 11am

These one hour introductions will guide you round the most useful local or house history resources we hold on the Explore the Past floor and give you some tips on getting started.

The sessions take up to 5 people and are £6 per person

Starting Family History (three part workshop)

Thursdays 10, 17 & 24 October, 2pm - 4pm

Want to know how to begin tracing your ancestors and building your family tree? This three-part workshop will explain how to get

started, key tips, the main sources you will need, and a chance to put it into practice and have a go online during the sessions.

Cost £20 per person

Explore House History

Wednesday 23 October, 10am - 1pm

Are you interested in discovering more about the house you live in, or another historic building? Book onto this three hour workshop to find out about the resources we hold that can help you discover more about a building's past.

Cost £16 per person

Worcestershire Archaeology Day 2019

Saturday 26 October, 10am - 5pm

Our annual day of talks all about archaeological digs, projects and research in the county.

Cost £20 per person

Explore the Past

Explore Maps

Monday 4 November, 10am - 3pm

It is said that all good adventures begin with a map! Join us for a workshop on maps, find out about the different types we hold, the information they reveal and how to search for and use them here in The Hive.

Cost £20 per person

Hive Archaeology Tour

Wednesday 6 November, 2pm - 3:45pm

Come on this tour in and around The Hive to discover how the site has changed over time, from a Roman street to Civil War defences and Victorian cattle market. See finds from the excavation and explore the history features hidden within the building's design.

Cost £6 per person

Behind the Scenes tour - Civil War Worcestershire

Friday 22 November, 10:30am - 12pm

Come with us behind the scenes to see parts of The Hive you don't normally get to see, as well as seeing documents and archaeological finds from our collection all about the Civil War.

Cost £6 per person



Being Human: Festival of Humanities

Secrets and Discoveries: Histories from Worcestershire and Beyond

14 - 23 November, Atrium

An exhibition of fifty secret histories, including the Lost Village of Croome, an Amputation Chair, Tudor demons, a secret porcelain recipe, a nuclear bunker and where royalty was to be evacuated in a Nazi invasion.

Secret and Forbidden Thoughts in the Tudor and Stuart Age

Thursday 14 November, 6:30pm

This talk explores the secret world of Tudor and Stuart demonic temptation. People often have strange and dark thoughts they cannot explain, and frequently keep hidden away. Once such experiences were attributed to evil spirits.

FREE event but booking is essential.



Blue Potatoes and Invasion Fears

Wednesday 20 November
Drop-in activities: 11am - 5pm
Talk: 6:30pm

Throughout the day there will be activities in The Hive Studio giving you a chance to listen to oral histories, view archive film, answer quizzes, examine extracts from Worcestershire wartime newspapers, take a look at weekly ration allowance and taste wartime foods such as carrot jam.

In the evening, enjoy a talk about some of the secret invasion fears that haunted Worcestershire during the Second World War, and discover some of the weird and wonderful food people ate to eke out their rations.

'Protest' | Britain on Film

Monday 18 November, 6:30pm

At a time of intense public activism, both at home and across the globe, explore the varied and fascinating history of public protest in the UK with this new archive film programme. Featuring footage all the way from a 1910 suffragette demonstration to striking coal miners in the Rhondda Valley. Introduced and discussed by a Principal Lecturer and PhD student from the University of Worcester. BBC film certificate: (12A)

Adults £2 | Students £1
Booking is essential.

Exhibitions

Alice Malone

3 - 29 September - Atrium

Alice Malone returns to The Hive with an exhibition of her stunning oil paintings. Alice is an oil painting tutor and teacher of Fine Art at the Worcester Sixth Form College.

Worcester Sixth Form College Student Show

3 - 29 September - Atrium

A selection of AS Art and Design student work in the areas of fine art, graphics, photography and textiles.

Worcestershire Architecture Awards

1 - 28 September - Café

A showcase of the entries from the Worcestershire Architecture Awards. The exhibition will display a diverse mix of architecture across the country by practices based in Worcestershire. Projects range from private residential buildings to larger mixed-use public projects.

Picture This!

8 - 31 October - Atrium

A stunning illustration exhibition from the winners of the 2019 Picture This! international illustration competition.

Rivers of the World

4 - 12 November - Atrium

A beautiful exhibition of river-inspired artwork created by young people from Worcestershire and Kenya in collaboration with professional artists to explore and express what rivers mean to communities today.



Business Events

Enterprising Worcestershire Business Support Clinics

Every Friday from 6 September
9am - 4pm

FREE drop-in clinics.

Enterprising Worcestershire offers a variety of support to enable start-up and early stage enterprises to develop and prosper. From start-up workshops to help you get your business off the ground to grants and early stage support that will help your business grow. Come and find out more about what is on offer.

Inspiring Entrepreneurs - Cultural Change-makers

Thursday 12 September,
7pm to 8:30pm

Live webinar streamed from the British Library in London. The UK boasts one of the world's most dynamic, thriving and diverse creative landscapes. The cultural sector contributed £29.5 billion to the UK economy in 2017 and continues to surge upwards. Hear from a panel of game-changing creative thinkers who are at the forefront of cultural change.

FREE event but booking is essential.

Haines Watts Business Breakfasts

Tuesday 24 September
& Tuesday 3 December,
7:30am - 9:30am

Follow us on social media or check The Hive

website for an update on the topics of these free business breakfasts brought to you by Haines Watts Accountants. Great for upskilling and making new contacts.

FREE event but booking is essential.

Inspiring Entrepreneurs - Leaders in Luxe

Tuesday 3 December,
7pm - 8:30pm

Live webinar streamed from the British Library in London. Hear from the business leaders re-defining the UK's luxury market as they share their success stories revealing insight and expertise and give you the inside track on how your business can take advantage of the burgeoning market for luxury and its enduring customer appeal.

FREE event but booking is essential.

Business Courses

Introduction to Business Accounts for Sole Traders

Thursday 10 October, 10am - 3pm

This course supports your use of Microsoft Excel one of the most commonly used spreadsheet programmes, for businesses, information and accounting.

Charges may apply.
Check www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses for more details.

Business Start-up Day

Friday 11 October, 9am - 1pm

Business Start-up Day is run across the national BIPC (Business & Intellectual Property Centres) network and is co-ordinated by the Business & IP Centre, London, based at the British Library. The Hive is hosting workshops throughout the morning providing key advice for start-up businesses. Don't miss out on your chance to hear some top tips from the experts!

All workshops are FREE but booking is essential.

Digital Marketing & Social Media: What you need (and don't need) to know!

Rich Brown, Head of Digital
Marketing at Quick by Design Ltd
9am - 9:45am

Starting your own business is a very exciting but nerve-racking time and you'll have probably already been told about the 'promised land' that is digital marketing and social media. These platforms offer a great opportunity to promote your business, but there is a lot of misinformation out there. Rich will give you an overview of digital marketing, how you can maximise it, and why you should create your own social media strategy.

How to crowdfund for your business

Anthony Cheshier, Manager and Co-
owner of 'Be The Change' Cafe
10am - 10:45am

Join the discussion with Anthony from 'Be The Change' vegan lounge in Worcester where he shares his experiences of setting up his own business and how he successfully crowdfunded £5,000 in 28 days. Learn what crowdfunding is and how it can help you with starting up a new business.

'I love it when a Plan comes together!'

Peter Daniel, Area Manager
at Blue Orchid

11am - 11:45am

How important is a business plan? What do you need to include? During this session you will talk through the basics of business planning and what should be included.

'The Big Bang Theory' - How to assess your big idea

Peter Daniel, Area Manager
at Blue Orchid

12pm - 12:45pm

So you have a great idea but how do you know it will work? In this workshop you will discuss ways to establish if your idea has true potential, including the use of social media to mine information.

Adult Learning



We host a variety of courses from learning languages to business advice. For a full list including times and costs please visit our website: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses

Learning a new language

Have you thought of learning Spanish, Italian or improving on what you already know?

- Spanish/Italian for Beginners
- Spanish/Italian for Pre-Improvers

Understanding & Support

- **Understanding and Supporting People with ADHD**
- Fridays 13 September and 15 November, 9:30am - 3:30pm,
- **Understanding and Supporting People with Autism**
- Fridays 4 October and 29 November, 9:30am - 3:30pm
- **Understanding and Supporting People with Dyslexia**
- Fridays 18 October and 6 December, 9:30am - 3:30pm
- **Dementia Awareness Course**
- Friday 8 November, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Family Learning

- **Understanding Allergies and Intolerances**
- Monday 30 September, 6pm - 8pm
- **Teenagers Under Pressure**
- Monday 7 October, 6pm - 8pm
- **Confident Children**
- Monday 11 November, 6pm - 8pm
- **Family Sign**
- Saturday 21 September, 10:30am - 12pm

Leisure

- **Creative Writing (5 week course)**
- Saturdays 5 October to 2 November, 10am - 12pm
- **Gentle Yoga and Relaxation (6 week course)**
- Thursdays 26 September to 31 October, 6pm - 6:45pm

ESOL

Friday and Saturday mornings, 10am - 12pm

These courses are **FREE** and designed for people for whom English is not their primary language.

- Family Health and Wellbeing
- Money Shopping and Skills

Regular Activities



New Chapter - Reading Group

Fortnightly (every other Monday) from 9 September.

10:30am - 11:30am

For adults with mild-moderate learning disabilities. Term time only.

Crafty Corner

Every Tuesday, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Knit and natter, **FREE** drop-in.

Computer Basics

Every Monday, 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Every Thursday, 10am - 11am

FREE 6 week course covering first steps of working online.
Course places bookable in advance.

Home Choice Plus Surgeries

Every Tuesday, 9:30am - 12pm, The Hub

A member of staff will be available during this time to help with bidding and provide general support to access Home Choice Plus.

Licensing Surgeries

The Hub also run Licensing Surgeries on Tuesdays 11:30am - 1pm and Thursdays 1:30pm - 3pm.

Job Club

Every Wednesday, 2:30pm - 4pm

Drop in session offering support with CV, cover letter writing and interview preparation.

One to One IT support

Every Wednesday and Thursday

Free one hour slots available with our digital champions. Just ask a member of staff to book you an appointment. Basic keyboard and mouse skills required.

Music Together For Dementia

Fridays - 4 October, 1, 15, 29 November, 13 December.
11am - 12pm

Aimed at people with dementia and their carers, these sessions use music and song to stimulate communication and interaction, prompting memory and brightening mood.

The groups are run by an HCPC-registered Music Therapist, experienced in dementia care.

£2.00 per session. Carers are welcome to attend for free. Booking essential



Regular Activities



Language Cafés

Join our informal gatherings that give language learners and native speakers the opportunity to practice their language skills in a relaxed atmosphere.

Russian - every second Thursday of the month, 7pm - 9pm

Spanish and French - every first and third Monday of the month, 10am - 12pm

For Spanish: www.meetup.com/Worcester-Spanish-Language-Meetup/

For French: www.meetup.com/Worcester-French-Language-Meetup/

Health Walks

Every Wednesday, 10:15am

Approximately one-hour walk, slow to medium pace, suitable for all ages. Meet inside The Hive at 10:15am. Walk starts at 10:30am.

Creative Writers' Group

Second Monday of each month, 7pm - 9pm

BSL Book Club

First Tuesday of every month, 4pm - 6pm

Book group for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Hearing people to discuss books through British Sign Language. Please note you must be a confident BSL signer. **FREE** event, just turn up.

Out2gether Book Club

First Wednesday of every month, 7:30pm - 9:30pm

The Out2gether Book Club is open to all members of the LGBT+ community and straight allies. Join us to discuss LGBT+ literature with like-minded people. No need to book.



Regular Events for Young People

CoderDojo



Fortnightly from Tuesday 3 September, 5:30pm - 6:30pm

A **FREE** fun and relaxed computer-programming club for young teens aged 11 - 15.

Register interest at <https://zen.coderdojo.com/dojos/gb/worcester/worcester-the-hive> or email amolloy@worcestershire.gov.uk

Young Person's Reward Card

Are you aged between 11 and 24? Collect your Reward Card at The Hive and make sure you get a stamp every time you borrow a book. Once you have borrowed 6 books*, bring your card to the desk and select your reward. You can collect your reward in the library (a free book, free DVD hire, discounted drink in the café etc.) or at your school**.

* One stamp per visit

**Only schools participating in the programme
Age restrictions apply for DVD hire Rewards are subject to availability.

Code Club



Every Thursday and every Sunday - term time only

**Thursdays 6pm - 7pm
Sundays 10:30am - 11:30am**

Learn how to create computer games, animations and websites using Scratch. For 9 - 11 year olds.

For more details and to sign up, please email amolloy@worcestershire.gov.uk

Worcester Spark Young Writers' Group

One Saturday a month from 14 September, 10am - 12pm

Fun creative writing sessions for young people in school years 5 - 9. Group led by Rick Sanders. Dates and prices can be found on the website.

Pre-booking is essential.

www.writingwestmidlands.org/worcester-young-writers-groups/



Regular Events for Children

Treasure Trail

Take part in our popular weekly themed treasure trails across the children's library.

Sustainability Trail

Borrow a self-guided Sustainability Trail map from the pod in the children's library and discover the Eco secrets of The Hive.

Chatterbooks

**Second Monday of each month,
4:45pm - 6pm**

Book club for 8 - 12 year olds.
*Not during school holidays

Bounce & Rhyme

Every Tuesday, 10am - 10:30am

Fun and friendly music-making sessions for pre-school children (1 - 4 years).

Wacky Wednesdays

Every Wednesday, 1:30pm - 3pm

A fun interactive stay and play session for children aged between 0 - 5 years. Storytime at 2:45pm.

Baby Bounce & Rhyme

Every Friday, 11am - 11:30am

Fun and friendly Baby Bounce & Rhyme sessions aimed at 0 - 1 year olds.

Breast Buddies Worcester

Every Friday, 11:30am - 1pm

Breastfeeding support and information group from trained Breastfeeding Supporters. Somewhere to come and meet like-minded mums. Fathers welcome too.

Mini Baby Bounce & Rhyme

Every Friday, 1pm - 1:30pm

A gentle, social music making session aimed at new mothers, fathers, carers and babies aged 0 - 3 months.

Rat-a-tat Tales

Every Saturday & Sunday, 11am & 2:45pm. Every Wednesday 2:45pm.

Listen for the sound of the rat-a-tat... storytime is about to begin. Interactive stories for children aged 3 - 7 and those with the big kid inside.

Information

The Hive

Monday - Sunday - 8:30am - 10pm

For Bank Holiday and Christmas closures please visit The Hive website for details.

Historic Environment Record

**Every Tuesday & Wednesday
1pm - 4pm**

Café

Monday - Sunday - 8:30am - 9pm

Selection of hot and cold snacks and drinks. Vending machines are available on Level 3.

Original Archives

**Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 10:30am - 1pm
& 1:30pm - 4pm**

Wednesday - 1:30pm - 7pm

www.explorethepast.co.uk

Worcestershire Hub

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday - 9am - 5pm

Wednesday - 9:30am - 5pm

Telephone - 01905 822866

Askalibrarian

Monday - Friday - 10am - 7pm

Saturday - 10am - 5pm

**July - August, Monday - Friday
- 10am - 4pm only**

Anybody can visit the askalibrarian desk on Level 3 for help with resource finding and referencing queries. No need to book, just drop in and ask.

Tickets and seat reservations for events detailed in this brochure can be purchased online through The Hive website: www.thehiveworcester.org/whats-on unless stated otherwise.

Prices are stated where there is a charge. If no price is stated the event or activity is free.

For Explore the Past workshop enquiries - email: explorepast@worcestershire.gov.uk tel: 01905 766352 or visit the Explore the Past desk on Level 2.

For all other enquiries - email: hiveadminteam@worcestershire.gov.uk tel: **01905 822866**

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