

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL EVENTS PROGRAMME 2023/24

Date	Event	Location(s)	Delivered by
8 Apr	Medieval Fayre	Brenchley Gardens	Pelican in her Piety; Happening History; Heathcliff Heroics, etc
5 May	Coronation Street Party	Lockmeadow	MBC (Comms team)
27 May	Proms in the Park	Whatman Park	MBC; Parkwood Theatres
17 Jun (TBC)	Street Festival*	Town Centre	Cohesion Plus
15 Jul	Arts Carnival & parade: 'Wild About Maidstone'	Lockmeadow, Town Centre, Brenchley Gardens	Emergency Exit Arts; Steering Group made up of local creatives
8, 16, 30 Jul; 5, 13, 20, 27 Aug; 2, 10 Sep	9 x Bandstand concerts	Brenchley Gardens	Make Some Noise; MAAP
28 Jul; 4, 11, 18, 25 Aug; 1 Sep	Art in the Park	Brenchley Gardens	This Art of Mine; Art Moves; Maidstone Art Centre
Aug	Youth drama workshops with finale performance	Amphitheatre	Parkwood Theatres
Aug/Sep	Outdoor theatre	Amphitheatre; Cobtree Manor Park; Little Fant Farm; Bearsted Green; Marden & Staplehurst	Parkwood Theatres
8 – 10 Sep	Hidden Histories fieldwork project	Mote Park	KCC Archaeology Team; Maidstone Area Archaeological Group
9 Sep	Heritage Open Days event (TBC)	Amphitheatre	MBC
10 Sep	Maidstone Community Mela	Mote Park	Cohesion Plus; Maidstone Cultural Group
2 - 8 Oct	Literary Festival	Locations throughout town centre	Jodi Eeles, Inky Frog, local authors

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21 - 28 Oct	Scarecrow Festival	Town Centre	MBC, One Maidstone, local businesses
23 Oct - 3 Nov	Mote Park Art Competition Exhibition	Mote Park Visitor Centre	MBC
Jan-24	Lunar New Year	Town Centre, Jubilee Square	Cohesion Plus, Maidstone Cultural Group
2 Feb (TBC)	Light Up Maidstone**	Town Centre	One Maidstone; Cohesion Plus
22 - 30 Mar	Heart of Kent Walking Festival	Various	MBC led; MVCP, Explore Kent, Kent Downs AONB, Sustrans, Community Rail Partnership, plus more..

*We are not organising a Fusion Festival this year as the Arts Carnival will be our headline event for summer. However Cohesion Plus have indicated they may look to organise another Fusion event themselves if we can provide a contribution towards costs. This event is still to be confirmed.

**Subject to successful re-ballot by One Maidstone and successful bid to Arts Council England