


WHAT'S ON in and around WEST DORSET


December 2020

Dorchester and Bridport TICs will reopen to the public on 2nd December, Purbeck and Sherborne on 3rd. Before then your TIC staff are available for your enquiries via answer phone and email.

	Dorchester	Mon-Sat 9.30am-1pm	01305 267992	dtic@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
	Bridport	Mon-Sat 10am-3pm	01308 424901	bridport.tic@bridport-tc.gov.uk
	Sherborne	Tues, Thu, Fri Sat 10am-2pm	01935 815341	stic@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
	Lyme Regis	Closes 18 th December	01297 442138	ltic@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk

You can keep up with West Dorset news and events via Twitter: @BridportTIC @DorchesterTIC @LymeRegisTIC @SherborneTIC

Please check whether the venue or event you may wish to attend is running either via your local TIC or with the event organiser.

CFGC	<p>Because Sherborne, Dorchester & Purbeck TICs were unsure when we would reopen, we were unable to commit to supporting CFGC this year. However, you can shop at the following local outlets:</p> <p>Blandford Methodist Church, 19 The Close, DT11 7HA. Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 10am-2pm, Wed & Sat 10am-1pm. Open 22/10-16/12</p> <p>Bridport TIC, Buckydoo Square, South Street DT6 3LF. Mon-Sat 10am-3pm. Open: 28/10-24/12</p> <p>Dorchester 11 Antelope Walk, DT1 1TT. Mon-Sat 10am-4pm. Open: 26/10-23/12</p> <p>Wareham Past & Presents, The Old School House, East Lulworth, BH20 5QS. 10am-4pm daily. Open until 24/12</p> <p>Weymouth 29 St Thomas Street, DT4 8EJ. Mon-Sat 11am-3pm. Open: 23/10-18/12</p>	
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ATTRACTIONS NOW OPEN	<p>Abbotsbury Subtropical Gardens, Abbotsbury, Weymouth DT3 4LA. Gardens open daily 10am-4pm for pre-booked ticket entry only. Admission £10, Child £5, u5 free. Plant Centre open 11am-4pm. www.abbotsbury-tourism.co.uk</p> <p>Athelhampton House, Athelhampton, Dorchester DT2 7LG. House open Sun-Fri 11am-4pm, Garden open Sun-Fri 10am-5pm. Admission House & Gardens: A£14, u12 £4.50, Gardens only: A£9.50, u12 £2.50 www.athelhampton.com</p> <p>Mapperton Gardens, Mapperton, Beaminster DT8 3NR. Gardens open Sun-Thurs until 17th December 2020, 11am-5pm for pre-booked ticket entry only. Admission £10, Child 5-16 £3, u5 free. <i>Live stream House tours Tues 4pm</i> – see website. www.mapperton.com</p> <p>Shire Hall High Street West Dorchester, DT1 1XB. Mon-Sat 10am-4pm A£9.50, C£5 concession £7.50 http://shirehalldorset.org/</p> <p>Symonds Estate Bridport DT6 6HG Thursday to Monday 10am-3pm 01308 424116 https://symondsburyestate.co.uk/news/lockdown-update/</p> <p>The Military Keep Museum Barrack Road, Dorchester, DT1 1RN Tues, Wed, Thurs 10am-4pm pre-booked ticket entry only on 01305 264066 www.keepmilitarymuseum.org</p> <p>Bridport Museum, 25 South Street, DT6 3NR. Tues, Wed, Fri 11am-2pm. 01308 458703 www.bridportmuseum.co.uk</p> <p>Chideock Manor Gardens, North Chideock, Bridport, DT6 6LF 10am-6pm Admission by Appointment Only. A £10, U10 Free, www.chideockmanorgarden.co.uk</p>
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WALKS	<p>Pre booking often required. Please check in advance</p> <p>Fossil Walks Times vary according to the tides, telephone for full details & booking information. Regular guided fossil hunting walks in Lyme Regis & Charmouth are run year round by: Lyme Regis Museum 01297 443370 www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk, Brandon Lennon 07944 664757 www.lymeregisfossilwalks.com, Jurassic Gems 01297 444405, the Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre 01297 560772 www.charmouth.org, Jurassic Coast Guides Martin Curtis 07900 257944 guide@jurassiccoastguides.co.uk, Chris Pamplin 0845 0943757 www.fossilwalks.com</p> <p>Durotriges Roman Tours Dorchester. Booking essential. A£12, C(6-12) £6, u6 free. 07557472092. dorchesterromantours@outlook.com</p> <p>Literary Lyme walking tours available throughout the year. 07763 974569 for details & to book.</p> <p>Mary Anning Walks Lyme Regis. Old Lyme as Mary knew it with Natalie Manifold. 01297 443370. www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk</p>
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Local events diary


- 16/10-24/12 Christmas Display at Castle Gardens** New Road, Sherborne DT9 5NR Mon-Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 10am-4.30pm Award-winning Christmas display. Festive food & drink available
- 07/11-23/12 Artisans' Bazaar** Sculpture by the Lakes, Tincleton, DT2 8QU 10am-5pm Tuesday to Saturday. £12.50 pre-booked ticket only. <https://www.sculpturebythelakes.co.uk/events>
- 12/11-16/12 Evening Art Course in Charmouth** Charmouth 7pm-9pm 6 Week art course for all abilities in water based painting and drawing 07812 856823 www.trudiochiltree.co.uk
- 23/11-07/12 Iuventus String Quartet** on-line concert. 7pm daily (for 14 days only) Shostakovich String Quartet No. 8 & Dvorak's "American Quartet". £8.11 (Free to Sherborne Abbey Festival Patrons) Book via <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sherborneabbeyfestival>
- 28/11 Christmas Lights at the Square**, on-line 5.15pm <https://m.facebook.com/BrewerySquare>
- 01-31 Lyme Regis Christmas Lights** Broad Street Lyme Regis Every evening
- 02 Arts Society Dorset County** Zoom lecture. 6.45pm. (Magic) Now you See it. Now you Don't. <https://theartssocietydorsetcounty.org.uk/Lectures/FutureLectures.aspx>
- 02 Arts Society lecture** Online Zoom 2.45 for 3pm Talk by Bertie Pearce: 'Charles Dickens - the man & his life through his characters'. Non-members £5 - see website for details: <https://theartssocietysherborne.org/lectures/dickens-man-life-characters-bertie-pearce/>
- 03-24 Late Night Shopping at the Square Brewery Square, Dorchester** Thursdays until Christmas 5pm-7pm
- 03-31 Christmas Afternoon Tea** Shire Hall Dorchester DT11UY 11am-3pm Fizz and high tea £12.50 . prebook by e mailing Kirsty.campbell@shirehalldorset.org <http://shirehalldorset.org/events/christmas-afternoon-tea/>
- 03-01/01 Christmas Lights and Reindeer Experience** Nutley Farm, Dorchester DT2 8DT 4pm-8pm. £10 for car and adults, £5/child 3-15 years. Prebooking essential: <https://nutleyfarm.yapsody.com/event/index/598551/christmas-lights-reindeer-experience>
- 04 Sherborne School Lunchtime Recital** Online via YouTube - see link. Available on Sherborne School website at 1.45pm. Organ Recital. <https://www.sherborne.org/news-and-events/music-diary>
- 04-31 Pop Up Vintage Shop** The Gallery Town Mill Lyme Regis DT7 10am-4pm Restored, recycled, up-cycled items for sale
- 05-19 Exhibition: Christmas Show** Jerram Gallery, Half Moon Street, Sherborne DT9 3LN Tues-Sat 9.30am-5pm Exhibition of work by various artists. 01935 815261 <https://www.jerramgallery.com/exhibitions/>
- 07/11-23 Artisans' Bazaar** Sculpture by the Lakes, Tincleton, DT2 8QU 10am-5pm Tuesday to Saturday. £12.50 pre-booked ticket only. <https://www.sculpturebythelakes.co.uk/events>
- 08 Talk: 'The Digby Girls: Independent travellers in the 19th and 20th Centuries'** Via Zoom, Online Portal 1.30pm for 2pm start. Bridport History Society Talk by Jane Ferentzi-Sheppard. To attend the zoom meeting email jferentzi@aol.com 01308 425710
- 11 Sherborne School Lunchtime Recital** Online via YouTube - see link. Available on Sherborne School website at 1.45pm. Mince Pies Recital - Strings. <https://www.sherborne.org/news-and-events/music-diary>
- 12 SDFHS Show & Tell** Zoom 1.30pm West Dorset group meeting. Childhood, Schooldays, memories of your own or a family member. To join Zoom session email: jferentzi@aol.com <https://sdfhs.org/groups/west-dorset/>
- 12-13 Shire Hall Christmas Market** Shire Hall, Dorchester, DT11UY 10am-5pm 01305 261849 <http://shirehalldorset.org/events/shire-hall-christmas-market/>
- 12-13 Lyme Regis Virtual Lantern Parade** -6pm -4pm next day Create a Christmas Lantern and send a photo in to join in the virtual parade. Prizes for the best lanterns - https://lymechristmaslights.co.uk/events/lyme_regis_virtual_lantern_parade
- 17 Artsreach: The Greatest Gift** The Old School Gallery, Yetminster DT9 6LF 5.30pm Farmhouse Maltings Theatre present a re-telling of 'It's a Wonderful Life' with live music. Limited places. Book online. <https://artsreach.co.uk/event/the-greatest-gift>
- 17-18 New Hardy Players: Christmas in the Court Room** Shire Hall, Dorchester, DT11UY 6pm and 8pm. Directed by TimLaycock in supprt of Dorchester Poverty Action £10. Prebook via 01305 261849 <https://shirehalldorset.merlintickets.co.uk/product/000052>
- 17/12-18/01 Midwinter** The Gallery, Symondsburry Estate, BRIDPORT, Dorset, DT6 6HG 10.30am-4.30pm. Thursdays to Mondays. Latest work by artists associated with Lyme Bay Arts 01308 301326 <https://lymebayarts.co.uk/wordpress/>
- 19 Virtual meet Santa** Brewery Square, Dorchester time TBC booking in advance essential <https://brewerysquare.com/brewery-square/events-at-brewery-square/>
- 20 Communifit Christmas Sweater Virtual 5km run** Complete at a time of your choosing. Raising funds for local charities. Virtual entry: Adult £12, child £2. 07791 308773 or 07884 115987 <https://communifit.fullonsport.com/event/communifit-christmas-sweater-5-km-run-2020/profile>
- 22-23 Breakfast with Father Christmas** Shire Hall, Dorchester, DT11UY 10am-12pm. Book your table of up to six. Breakfast from C£3, A£6. prebook by e mailing Kirsty.campbell@shirehalldorset.org <http://shirehalldorset.org/events/breakfast-with-father-christmas/>

27 Divine Union Soundbath Osborne Village Hall, nr. Sherborne DT9 4LA 2-4pm Crystal & Tibetan bowl soundbath. Numbers restricted, COVID secure venue. £15. Book in advance: ahiahel@live.com 01935 389655 www.centreforpuresound.org

MARKETS NOW OPEN	Bridport	Weekly Market in the Town every Wednesday & Saturday, Farmers' Market 12th December 9am-1pm Barrack Street, Craft & Vegan Market 19th December 9am-2pm Barrack Street
	Dorchester	Weekly Market in Fairfield Car Park, Weymouth Ave 8am-3pm every Wednesday, Farmers' Market Poundbury, postponed
	Sherborne	Pannier Market on the Parade every Thursday and Saturday; Farmers' Market 18th December Cheap Street, 9am-1pm
	Lyme Regis	Recycled & upcycled items Courtyard Gallery, Town Mill, Lyme Regis 04/12-02/01 10am-4pm (not 25-26/12).

BRIDPORT ARTS CENTRE	02 EXHIBITION PREVIEW EXILE- A Mind in Winter	
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	04 MUSIC Martin Joseph	
	05 EXHIBITION Exiles exhibition- Modern Slavery a talk	
	08 EXHIBITION Gallery late concert	
	10 MUSIC World Music Concert	
	11 MUSIC Jazz in the Theatre	
	12 EXHIBITION Exiles Exhibition- Robert Golden Talk	
	12 THEATRE Snow Angel	
	15 EXHIBITION Exiles exhibition- Artists as citizen	
	15 FILM EOS Concerto: A Beethoven Journey	
	16 MUSIC Green Matthews Midwinter revels	
	18 EXHIBITION Exiles Exhibition- Bridport Welcomes Refugees- a conversation	
	18 FILM A Christmas Carol (PG)	
www.bridport-arts.com		
Box Office : 01308 424 204		

MARINE THEATRE	05 NTL War Horse THEATRE	
	10 NTL All My Sons THEATRE	
	15'17 A Christmas Carol LIVE THEATRE	
	31 NTL Fleabag THEATRE	
	www.marinetheatre.com	
Marine Theatre Box Office: 01297 442138 (Lyme Regis TIC)		

ELECTRIC PALACE	03 SCREENING NTL:Fleabag	
	04 MUSIC Blues: Kyla Brox Band	
	05 MUSIC The Tina Turner Experience	
	06 COMEDY Jon Culshaw	
	10 SCREENING NT Live: All my Sons	
	18 MUSIC DJ Aphrodite + Support	
www.electricpalace.org.uk		
Electric Palace Box Office: 01308 424901 (Bridport TIC)		

ARTSLINK	Sherborne Artslink are gradually reopening some face-to-face classes. Please see website for details. Meanwhile, current activities are:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art at Home • Art for Memory • Art for Parents • Parkinson' Dance • Weekly art courses (Oct- Dec) 	
		
	https://sherborneartslink.org.uk/	
	office@sherborneartslink.org.uk	

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