

Festival Programme & Map

Fri 25 July – Sat 26 July



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Try Something New

Xics del Xurrac by Tombs Creatius

¹⁴ Norfolk Gardens, drop in
Fri: 14:00–18:00
Sat: 11:00–13:00, 14:00–18:00
Interactive wooden games inspired
the Catalan tradition of 'Castells'.

Serving Sounds by Working Boys Club

⁹ Centenary Sq, drop in (40 mins)
Fri: 14:15, 16:00, 18:00
Sat: 12:45, 15:45, 18:45
Multi-sensory music installation – a bar
serving bass rather than beer.

Roar Race by Firma Kodde

²⁰ Market Street, drop in (90 mins)
Fri: 14:30–16:00, 17:00–18:30
Sat: 14:30–16:00, 17:00–18:30
Tricycles which react to sound: the
louder you scream, the faster they'll go!

Blockbuster Factory by Cat and Mouse Theatre

²² Inside The Broadway,
Sat: 13:30 (45 mins)
²¹ Darley St Market,
Sat: 16:00 (45 mins)
Become part of the film crew to realise
Martin Bielspurg's movie making
extravaganza!

Take Part!

Our programme of drop-in making and crafting workshops,
and have-a-go sessions is packed with something for everyone...

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Little Foodies by Bradford South Asian Festival

² Mirror Pool, drop in,
Fri: 13:00–18:00 | Sat: 11:00–18:00
Sat only: Tour (tickets required,
enquire at stall on the day):
11:00, 13:00 & 16:00

Discover more about Bradford's Heritage
Action Zone through your taste buds!

One Sky Kite Making by Pagrav Dance Company

² Mirror Pool, drop in
Fri: 12:30–14:30, 15:00–17:00
Sat 13:00–15:00, 16:30–18:30
Make your own kite inspired by India's
kite festivals.

Cardboard Car Garage by Puppets with Guts

¹⁹ Ivegate, drop in
Fri: 13:30–19:30 | Sat: 12:00–18:30
Create your very own custom cardboard
car – we'll provide the materials, you
provide the imagination.

Flowers by Same Difference

² Mirror Pool, drop in
Fri: 13:00–18:00 | Sat: 11:00–18:00
Celebratory crafts using sustainable
materials.

Celebration Seeds by Kynd

² Mirror Pool, drop in
Fri: 13:00–18:00 | Sat: 11:00–18:00
Arts, crafts and a biodegradable
garden kit to take home.

Bradford's Stone Faces by Artful Frizinghall

² Mirror Pool, drop in
Fri: 13:00–18:00 | Sat: 11:00–18:00
Unleash your inner architect and craft
unique masks.

Human Arcade by Losing the Thread

¹⁶ Hall Ings, drop in
Fri: 15:00–18:00 | Sat 13:00–16:00
A love letter to the golden age of 8-bit
arcade machines.

Noisy Toys

² Mirror Pool, drop in
Fri: 13:00–15:00, 16:00–18:00
Sat: 11:00–13:00, 14:30–16:30
Make some noise! Learn about motors,
circuits, speakers, Oobleck and NOISE!

Sat 26 July Only

Parkour Park by Justice in Motion

¹⁸ Jacob's Well, drop in, 11:30–12:45,
14:45–15:45, 17:45–18:45
Interactive parkour sessions for all.

Caribbean Carnival Dance Workshop by Swirl Education

²¹ Darley St Market, 14:15 (30 mins)
Swirl Education get your hips swaying
and feet tapping!

Literacy Bus by National Literacy Trust

² Mirror Pool, drop in, 11:00–17:00
Stories for families.

Letterpress Printing by The People Powered Press

² Mirror Pool, drop in, 11:00–18:00
Design and print your own letter on a
mini version of the People Powered Press.

Culture Cam by Photo Hub North

¹¹ Bridge St, drop in, 14:00–17:00
Discover more about Culture Cam's
mobile eco darkroom.

Gong Bath by Displace Yourself Theatre

¹⁷ Hall Ings, 16:30 (90 mins)
Relax with DYT's gong bath.

Heritage Action Zone Research by History in Action

² Mirror Pool, drop in, 11:00–18:00
Discover more about Bradford's Heritage
Action Zone and share your story.

**Open for Full Festival
Performance Programme**



Fri 25 July 2025

All Day

All day Music Stage

Centenary Square: 13:00–19:30

13:30 SAY’s ‘the album: skool edition’ & Gandini Juggling’s’ You Too Can Tutu’

13:30 Centenary Sq (40 mins)
Family-friendly double bill; *You Too Can Tutu* blends the grace of ballet with the playful precision of juggling, *the album: skool edition* is a joyous show about two friends. Also 15:00

14:00 Cloudscapes by Gobbledegook Theatre

14:00–18:00 Norfolk Gardens, drop in Beanbags, stories, cloudgazing. Bliss. Also Sat: 13:00–17:00

Rollerskate! by Symoné

14:00 Inside The Broadway (15 mins)
Guinness world-record holder for multi hula-hooping and rollerskate artist. Also 16:00

15:00 the album: skool edition /You Too Can Tutu Double Bill

15:00 Centenary Sq (40 mins) See 13:30

★ One Sky by Pagrav Dance Company

15:00 One City Park (45 mins)
A vibrant dance inspired by India’s kite festivals. Also 18:30, Sat: 14:30; 17:00

16:00 Rollerskate!

16:00 Inside The Broadway (15 mins)
See 14:00

Truth by Ramshacklicious & Hijinx

16:00 Hall Ings (30 mins)
The rebellion arrive bringing a joyful riot of love. Also Fri 18:00, Sat: 11:45, 15:00

Weightless by Mimbre

16:00 Darley St Market (30 mins)
A heart-warming performance with acrobatics, laughter and hope. Also Sat 14:30, 17:30

★ Full House by Electrico 28

16:30 Broadway/Bridge St (50 mins)
What happens when your neighbours get a bit too close for comfort? A family-friendly fable using physical theatre. Also Sat: 13:30, 16:00

17:00 ★ CODE by Justice in Motion

17:00 Jacob’s Well (45 mins)
A gripping new performance about the damaging effect of county-lines. Also Sat: 13:00, 16:00

★ Damocles by Inxtremist Circus

17:00 Centenary Sq (50 mins)
Circus with a twist – a show in which you are potentially the hero! Also Sat: 13:30, 17:45.

18:00 Truth

18:00 Hall Ings (30 mins) See 16:00

★ One Sky

18:30 One City Park (45 mins) See 15:00

19:30 ★ Soka Tira Osoa by Cie Basinga

19:30 Mirror Pool (50 mins)
Soka Tira Osoa brings together riggers, musicians, sound engineers and a tightrope walker for a dramatic performance with your support.

Sat 26 July 2025

All Day

All day Music Stage

Centenary Square: 11:30–19:45

11:00 Do What Ya Mama Told Yah! by Just More Productions

11:00 Centenary Sq (30 mins)
A feast of food fusion, storytelling & comedy. Also 15:15

So Far So Good by Yorkshire Dance

11:00 Darley St Market (20 mins)
Bradfordians aged 55+ are the stars of this dance about the challenges and joys of growing older. Also 13:00

Now and Then by Pitch’d Productions

11:30 Channing Way (30 mins)
A generational clash, filled with slapstick comedy and aerial acrobatics. Also 15:15

Truth

11:45 Hall Ings (30 mins) See Fri 16:00

12:00 Total Melter by Robbie Thompson

12:00–18:00 Norfolk Gardens: drop in
Look out for synthetic organisms inhabiting a shadow world.

Rollerskate Troupe by Urban Gliders

12:00 Darley Street Market (15 mins)
Hula-hooping rollerskating troupe! Also 13:00, 17:00

Falconry Dismay by Dizzy O’Dare

12:15 Centenary Sq (30 mins)
A falconry display turned on its head! Also 16:30

13:00 Cloudscapes

13:00–17:00 Norfolk Gardens, See Fri 14:00

The Other Side by Ascension Dance

13:00 Courts (30 mins)
A highly physical performance that has dancers sliding, crashing and leaping. Also 16:00

Drop Me If You Dare by Joli Vyann

13:00 St George’s (25 mins)
What is it to not let go? An exciting mix of dance and partner acrobatics. Also 16:00

So Far So Good

13:00 Darley St Market (20 mins) See 11:00

Rollerskate Troupe

13:00 Inside The Broadway (15 mins) See 12:00

★ CODE

13:00 Jacob’s Well (45 mins) See Fri 17:00

Charlotte Brontë: Senseless Trash by Fran Bunday

13:30 Hall Ings (30 mins), Ticketed event
A phonic field trip over the Yorkshire Moors. Also 15:30. For Free tickets: bradford2025.co.uk

★ Full House

13:30 Broadway/Bridge St (50 mins) See Fri 16:30

★ Damocles

13:30 Centenary Sq (50 mins) See Fri 17:00

14:00 ★ RPM by Gorilla Circus

14:00 Jacob’s Well (45 mins)
A mesmeric show with exhilarating acrobatics, adrenaline-pumping street dance and breath-taking roller skating, set on a giant treadmill! Also 17:00

Exposed: Clubs to Open Air by Dorine Mugisha

14:30 Centenary Sq (20 mins)
An energetic performance exploring power of self expression though movement and storytelling. Also 17:00

Weightless

14:30 St George’s (30 mins) See Fri 16:00

★ One Sky

14:30 One City Park (45 mins) See Fri 15:00

15:00 Truth

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17:00 One City Park (45 mins) See Fri 15:00

Weightless

17:30 St George’s (30 mins) See Fri 16:00

★ Damocles

17:45 Centenary Sq (50 mins) See Fri 17:00

19:00 ★ Zee & the City by Puppets with Guts

19:00 Starts at Ivegate (60 mins)

Bradford2025’s showstopper! Awe-inspiring puppetry in a thrilling street adventure.



All events are free with no need to book in advance, except: Charlotte Brontë: Senseless Trash, For free tickets, Visit: bradford2025.co.uk

★ = Festival Highlights

Need to take time out? Visit:

The Broadway Sensory Room, 9:00–19:00

The City Library, 10:00–16:00

Accessibility

All shows are wheelchair accessible. For further assistance on the day please ask one of the volunteers.

Roaming Performances

Urban Safari by Actic

Fri 14:30 In The Broadway/Bridge St
Fri 19:00 Centenary Sq
Sat 13:00 Mirror Pool
Sat 15:30 In The Broadway

A humorous safari into the depths of the urban jungle. (30 mins)

Away to Me by Cecil Green Arts

Fri 14:15, 16:15: Centenary Sq
Fri 18:00: Broadway/Bridge St/ In The Broadway

Roaming puppet show with Rex the over-controlling bicycle sheep dog. (40 mins)

★ Saurus by Close Act

Fri: 15:00, 18:30
Sat: 15:00, 17:30
Kirkgate/Bank St/ Darley St Market

Majestic dinosaurs take over in their hunt for food. (45 mins)

Baby Gareth by The Norbert Nannies

Sat: 14:00, 18:00
Mirror Pool

Aspiring Nobert Nannies Berta and Pauline have a nightmare on their hands in the shape of Giant Baby Gareth! (20 mins)

★ A Good Yarn by Luke Jerram

Sat 12:15: Various Locations: Channing Way, St. George’s, Norfolk Gardens, Hall Ings, Market St

A giant yarn ball created by the people of Bradford will be rolled through the city. (45 mins)



Key

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| 1–9 City Park & Mirror Pool | 13 St George's | 20 Market St |
| 10 All Day Music Stage | 14–17 Norfolk Gardens | 21 Darley St Market |
| 11 Bridge St | 18 Jacob's Well | 22 The Broadway Shopping Centre |
| 12 Broadway | 19 Ivegate | |



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