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Spring 2015

Imagining the Future 50TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL

We're celebrating our 50th anniversary this year. 50 years that we've been forward-thinking. 50 years we've been constantly imagining, realising and creating the future.

Throughout our 50th anniversary we'll be hosting a diverse mix of events, including two major campus-based festivals: the **Warwick Music Festival** and the **Festival of the Imagination**. Join us to celebrate some of our University's remarkable achievements to date, and to see what we have planned for a remarkable future too.



WARWICK MUSIC FESTIVAL • 21-23 MAY

The **Warwick Music Festival** will see some of the world's best musicians playing on your doorstep at Warwick Arts Centre. A three-day festival of music and entertainment in and around Warwick Arts Centre with three ticketed evening concerts in the Butterworth Hall and free music and events in other venues and outdoor spaces.

The **Royal Philharmonic Orchestra**, conducted by David Charles Abell, opens the Festival on 21st May for an evening of life, liberty and big American tunes, from Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue to Bernstein's American in Paris. Join Abell and his orchestra as they lift the roof off the Butterworth Hall with a concert that simply shouts 'celebration!'

Django Django, the Mercury-nominated Scottish four-piece behind electro pop hit *Default*, will perform songs from their acclaimed debut album as well as their brand new second album on 22nd May.

And after four decades performing across the globe, **Joan Armatrading** brings her first solo world tour to Warwick Arts Centre on 23rd May. Her performances will include songs such as *Love and Affection*, *Willow*, *Drop The Pilot* and *Me, Myself I*.

Tickets on sale now! Book online at:
www.warwickartscentre.co.uk

FESTIVAL OF THE IMAGINATION - THE FUTURE IS AROUND THE CORNER...

16-17 OCTOBER

The Festival of the Imagination will take place from 16-17 October 2015. Our diverse programme of events all focus around the central theme of 'Imagining the Future', inspiring everyone to think about what the future holds.

Warwick Arts Centre and the University piazza will, for one weekend only, be transformed for a colourful two-day spectacular. Join us for a family-friendly world of food, drink and entertainment, and a wealth of future-focused talks and debates. Expect to see a string of insightful speakers join the University's own academic leading lights on stage.



INTERACTIVE DISCOVERY ZONE

Engage with our research in this interactive zone to discover how the five senses shape our lives.

TALKS AND DEBATES

Drawing on our successful 50th anniversary partnership with Cheltenham Festivals, we'll be hosting a series of talks, debates and interviews with the theme of 'Imagining the Future' to tackle some of the world's biggest 'What if?' questions.

THE FUTURE OF SCIENCE

Our superb team of keen scientists will share their fascination with how the world works during a range of exhilarating lectures. You'll leave wanting to know more.

COOKERY DEMONSTRATIONS

A unique combination of chefs paired with leading academics, providing not just a tasty dish or menu, but an opportunity to learn about the science or history behind the food.

TASTER CLASSES

Our Centre for Life Long Learning and Language Centre will hold a series of taster classes in a variety of subjects to whet your learning appetite. It will be an opportunity to try speaking Mandarin or give creative writing a go with the guidance of our expert teachers.

THE PIAZZA

Our piazza will be filled with the buzz of market stalls, cuisine from a wide range of local and national vendors and a student-led entertainment stage.

There's lots more excitement still to be announced, so keep an eye on our website to find out more www.warwick.ac.uk/warwick50

VOICES OF THE UNIVERSITY

Our Institute of Advanced Study (IAS) at Warwick continues to coordinate 'Voices of the University', an oral history of the University. We have now interviewed over 200 people who have studied, worked or lived close to our University since it opened in 1965, uncovering many interesting facts and stories. If you are interested in hearing more about the history of the University and the local area, or want to contribute your memories, see www.warwick.ac.uk/voicesoftheuniversity



Did you know?

- Before the University was built, one of the farms in the area was nationally famous for its shire horses.
- Pink Floyd, Cream and The Killers have all played at the Students' Union.
- In December 2000, Bill Clinton made his final UK speech as US President in the Butterworth Hall. For the duration of Clinton's visit, the Warwick Arts Centre was temporarily deemed to be United States territory.

IMAGINING A UNIVERSITY

FIFTY YEARS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK ART COLLECTION

Wed 29 Apr–Sat 20 Jun 2015
Mead Gallery, Warwick Arts Centre

The 50th anniversary of the University of Warwick also marks the 50th anniversary of its Art Collection. This exhibition examines how the forces that shaped the University also influenced the development of the collection.

The exhibition will include the work of over 60 artists including Hurvin Anderson, Claire Barclay, Jack Bush, Terry Frost, Tess Jaray, Patrick Heron, Richard Long, Melanie Manchot, Francis Morland, Yoko Ono, Eduardo Paolozzi, Fiona Rae, Ann Redpath, Lucie Rie and Andy Warhol.

Find out more:

www.warwickartscentre.co.uk

HELP US CREATE A PICTORIAL HISTORY

Over the course of our anniversary, we'll be creating an online photographic archive of 'campus life' as an interesting and useful legacy of the history of life at Warwick through the decades. We'd love our local community, as well as Warwick staff and students past and present, to get involved.

If you have any photographs or images that you'd be happy to share with the wider Warwick community and beyond, please send them to us:

By email:

50th.anniversary@warwick.ac.uk

By post:

Emily Little, External Affairs, 2nd Floor University House, University of Warwick, Kirby Corner Road, Coventry CV4 8UW

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

BRIAN COX & MICHAEL SCOTT

50TH ANNIVERSARY IMAGINING THE FUTURE

Tue 19 May 6.30pm

In celebration of the University of Warwick's 50th anniversary, Warwick Arts Centre is hosting a number of Imagining the Future talks as part of the Vice-Chancellor's Distinguished Lecture Series.

On Tue 19 May 2015, Professor Brian Cox and Dr Michael Scott will discuss the future of interdisciplinarity. What does the future hold for Arts-Science collaboration? How is public engagement and impact influencing interdisciplinary activity? If traditional boundaries of academic study are becoming obsolete, where might it be important to keep those boundaries?



Butterworth Hall FREE
(Book in advance at Box Office)

Find out more:
www.warwickartscentre.co.uk

THE FESTIVAL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

6-15 May 2015

The upcoming Festival of Social Sciences will celebrate our timeless approach towards improving and understanding social matters with exciting events on and off campus, including a day of activities at Coventry's FarGo Village.

Delve into discussions, listen to expert speakers and see social sciences come alive.

Find out more: www.warwick.ac.uk/fss

KEEP UP TO DATE

To keep up to date with all our plans for the 50th go to:

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