

Artweeks « Fresh picks



Once again, Oxfordshire bursts into life this spring with as many as a thousand artists of all ages at more than 400 venues.

Summertown prepares to be a flagship for the city's artists and Artweeks with nearly 60 venues and well over a hundred artists (including many new faces) in churches, shops and every nook and cranny, including delicious recipe art prints to make you dribble!

Artweeks lands in Summertown and Botley from May 9th until May 17th. Visit Wolvercote Baptist Church for a new group with art to inspire including stunning wooden sculpture or Elizabeth Moriarty whose sepia etchings capture the animals roaming on neighbouring Port Meadow. Follow 40 years of the changing banks of local Seacourt stream on a farm in Wytham, where pots fired in a traditional Japanese willow kiln will be on display.

From May 16th-25th, visit Abingdon's historic town hall where five jewellers showcase their new pieces inspired by the Roman remains discovered nearby Marcham,

and now housed in the Abingdon Museum. Enjoy striking sculpture in Garford or enjoy *Views From A Taxi* – photography from India and Sri Lanka by Bernard Auton alongside ceramic birds and driftwood sculpture by Shira Gal, both new to Artweeks this year.

For large group exhibitions with a wide variety of professional artists head to Dry Sandford, Appleton or Peachcroft Farm Barn to discover a new group of artists in a medieval barn, just metres away from the Jewellers and Silver Society of Oxford who will also demonstrate their craft. With two schools and new responses to *Old Masters* by Oxfordshire Mind in the Wellbeing centre, there are artists of all ages and abilities opening their doors to welcome you in!

Artweeks is held across Oxfordshire from May 2nd to May 25th. For full details, visit www.artweeks.org



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