



PRESS RELEASE

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Bell Square's Best Season Yet of Thrilling Outdoor Performances Drawing to a Close with 2023

Bell Square is the exciting outdoor arts space in the heart of Hounslow town centre that brings together Hounslow's communities and attracts visitors to enjoy free outdoor cultural performances in Hounslow.

2023 has seen the most successful season yet as Hounslow audiences turn out every other Saturday to experience world class outdoor shows. The ANHAD festival in August was seen by over 10,000 people throughout the afternoon and evening. Individual performances have regularly attracted over 3,000 people.

Bell Square's spectacular outdoor programme brings the best international and national artists to Hounslow to perform and work alongside local artists and communities.

Performances have brought Bell Square and Hounslow town centre alive with amazing world-class events for everyone to enjoy.

This year's programme of high energy performances – included acrobatics, circus, theatre and dance and now continues with highly acclaimed Polish theatre company **Teatr KTO** and their performance, ***Arcadia*** and culminates with the hugely popular ***Winter Lights*** procession and festive lights switch-on which takes place on Saturday 18 November, from 6.30pm.

The events at Bell Square create a unique atmosphere, with an extraordinarily diverse audience, many of whom don't normally engage with the arts, enjoying a high-quality programme that is surprising and often challenging. Many come back week after week, and this year audiences will see explosive acrobatics, powerful hip hop, beguiling theatre, highly skilled circus and mesmerising dance.

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Bell Square Listings August - September 2023

***ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND HELD AT BELL SQUARE,
HOUNSLOW HIGH STREET, TW3 3HH (NEXT TO THE BELL
INN)***

Bell Square, 21 October, 2pm (60 mins)

Teatr KTO – Arcadia

One of Poland’s legendary outdoor theatre companies returns to Bell Square with *Arcadia*, looking at life - its big moments, its memories - as a simple, innocent, poignant reflection of everything that is most cruel and beautiful.

Bell Square, 18 November, 6.30pm (90 mins)

Winter Lights

We invite you, your friends and family to carry a lantern and take part in the Winter Lights lantern parade. Meet at Thakers 162 A/B, High Street, Hounslow TW3 1BQ at 6pm. The parade will begin at 6.30pm, and we will walk down the high street towards Bell Square, arriving at around 7.15pm.

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[About Watermans:](#)

Waterman's is West London's arts centre. Our mission is to bring communities together through cultural practice and we exist to enrich lives through the arts and creativity. As an

independent charity, we believe the arts is for everyone and that is at the heart of everything we do.

We present a thriving year-round programme of cinema, fringe theatre, exhibitions and workshops in our stunning riverside location in Brentford, opposite Kew Gardens. We are an independent charity with a wide outreach programme across Hounslow and beyond too, reaching tens of thousands of people who would otherwise enjoy little or no arts provision, and working with them to build community through the arts.

Our Brentford venue houses an independent cinema, 250-seat theatre, contemporary art gallery and creative spaces for the community. In our cinema, find the latest movies, as well as festivals and talks. In our theatre, discover children's theatre, cabaret, dance, fringe theatre and digital performance. And in our gallery, a year-round programme of free exhibitions focusing on digital arts. We aim to showcase the very best of arts and culture in West London.

Our large riverside cafe and restaurant – including a gorgeous outdoor riverside terrace – is the perfect place to while away a day by the river, or chill out before or after a show. The food is freshly-prepared Indian, with a range of Indian bar snacks at the bar and a fabulous-value Express Lunch if you're in a rush, and children's menu available.

Beyond the venue, audiences can discover Bell Square, Watermans' outdoor arts venue in Hounslow Town Centre, where it presents fortnightly free performances May-December. Watermans also runs the major Arts Council-funded *Creative People and Places* programme that puts the decisions and views of local people at the heart of everything it does and aims to create a colourful, confident and creative Hounslow.

Watermans is a social enterprise and holder of the Social Enterprise Mark. This means that any money we make is ploughed back into providing events and opportunities to take part for the whole community.