

What's On

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Let's Dream Big

Hackney Empire



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Myra Dubois: Be Well

Sat 14 Sep, 7.30pm
£18.50

The “bust a gut funny” (Graham Norton) **Myra DuBois** calls out to the disadvantaged, downtrodden and tyrannised of the world with her manifesto for mental health: AdMyrism! But are you ready to receive the call?

Age guidance: 18+

Michael Blaustein

Fri 20 Sep, 8pm
£27.50 - £36.50

Michael Blaustein is an internationally touring headlining comedian, accomplished actor, and award-winning writer, plus the co-host of hugely popular podcast ‘Stiff Socks’, which is ranked in the top 50 of all comedy podcasts on iTunes and Spotify.

Age guidance: 16+.

Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

RedHanded

Sat 21 Sep, 7.30pm
£28.50 - £99

Hit true-crime podcast 'RedHanded' has been serving up weekly doses of the strangest cases from around the world for eight years. Join hosts **Suruthi Bala** and **Hannah Maguire** for a jaw-dropping night packed with bizarre twists, hysterical audience participation and of course turbo-wine galore.

Content warning: Contains adult themes and visual aspects.

Sep/Oct

English Touring Opera

Save 20% If you book for both shows.

The Snowmaiden

Sat 28 Sep and Fri 4 Oct, 7.30pm
£10 - £45

Rimsky-Korsakov's 'The Snowmaiden' is a classic coming of age tale packed with colour and folk melodies. English Touring Opera's new production is directed by the award-winning **Olivia Fuchs** and conducted by **Hannah Quinn**, with designs by the Linbury Prize-winning **Eleanor Bull**.

Blond Eckbert Double Bill

**Sat 5 Oct, 7.30pm,
£10 - £45**

Judith Weir's 'Blond Eckbert' is a haunting tale of isolation and guilt, based on a supernatural short story by the Romantic author **Ludwig Tieck** and presented in a new co-production with **Britten Pears Arts**. It is performed alongside 'Do not take my story for a fairytale', a staging of song cycles and cantatas exploring love, isolation and the terrible wonder of the natural world.

This double bill is helmed by ETO General Director **Robin Norton Hale** and Music Director **Gerry Cornelius**, with designs by the Linbury Prize-winning **Eleanor Bull**.

Oct

Jon Ronson's Psychopath Night 2024

**Wed 16 Oct, 7.30pm
£25 - £40**

15 years have passed since he embarked on the adventure that became his ground-breaking and best-selling work, 'The Psychopath Test'. Now renowned journalist, filmmaker, and author **Jon Ronson** reopens the case with exclusive anecdotes and fresh reflections.

Age guidance: 16+

Sold Out

Oliver Samuels In Lucky Money

Sat 19 Oct, 7.30pm

£38

Back by popular demand, **Oliver Samuels**, the king of comedy, brings us another knee-slapping, foot-stamping comedy this Black History Month. Co-starring **Pablo Hoilett** and **Karen Harriot**.

Age guidance: 14+.

Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

Last Podcast On The Left

Sun 20 Oct, 8pm

£30 - £40

Come and barrel headlong into all things horror - as hosts **Marcus Parks**, **Henry Zebrowski** and **Ed Larson** cover dark subjects spanning Jeffrey Dahmer, werewolves, Jonestown, iconic hauntings, the history of war crimes, and more.

Age guidance: 14+

Ali Woods: At The Moment

Wed 23 Oct, 7pm
£21

Award-winning stand-up comedian and multi-viral online sketch sensation **Ali Woods** comes to Hackney on his debut stand-up tour! Come on an embarrassing and cathartic journey of teenage angst, relationship fails and learning how to live in the moment. The moment? God how horrible.

Age guidance: 14+

Nonclassical At 20: Nonclaxxical

Sat 26 Oct, 7.30pm
£16 - £48

A bold expression of what classical music can be, 'Nonclaxxical' sees pioneering promoters of the best new music, **nonclassical**, combine forces with the legendary **London Symphony Orchestra** and award-winning DJ **Matthew Herbert** to celebrate their 20th birthday.

Acclaimed sound artist and musician **Beatrice Dillon** presents her first piece for orchestra, following on from her 2020 album 'Workaround' ('Album of the Year' The Wire Magazine).

Featuring tracks from **Mica Levi, Sasha Scott, Gabriel Prokofiev** and more. Plus, the first ever 'Concerto for Drum Machine and Orchestra' places the Roland 808 drum machine – heard on tracks by Run-DMC, LL Cool J, Afrika Bambaataa and the Talking Heads – alongside the acoustic orchestra.

Stand-up for Samaritans

Wed 30 Oct, 7.30pm
£25

A superb line-up in aid of Samaritans including **Rosie Jones, Sam Campbell, Sophie Duker, Bridget Christie, Michelle De Swarte, Fatiha El Ghorri, Amy Gledhill, Celya AB** and **Ivo Graham** as your host for the night.

Age guidance: 14+

An evening of Incarcerat with Garth Marenghi

Thu 31 Oct, 7.30pm
£25 - £35

Following the massive success of his long-lost novel 'Terrortome', Sunday Times Bestseller and Archduke O' Darkdom, **Garth Marenghi** has returned with his latest masterpiece, 'Incarcerat', for one final performance this Halloween.

Age guidance: 14+

Fin Taylor: Ask Your Mother

Fri 1 Nov, 8pm
£18 - £25.80

Fresh from the viral success of his hit web series 'Fin vs The Internet', **Fin Taylor**, that comedian your mother doesn't like you seeing, shares his latest hour of brutally funny stand-up.

As seen on BBC's 'Live at the Apollo', 'Have I Got News for You' and 'The Mash Report', and Comedy Central's 'Roast Battle'.

Age guidance: 16+

Tez Ilyas: After Eight

Sat 2 Nov, 7.30pm
£25

One of the most celebrated stars in British comedy, **Tez Ilyas** ('Live At the Apollo', 'Mock The Week', 'Comedy Central', 'Comic Relief') and Sunday Times best-selling author of 'Secret Diary of a British Muslim Aged 13 3/4' is back with his hilarious new show.

Age guidance: 16+

Tatty Macleod: Fugue

Sun 3 Nov, 7.30pm
£22

Hot off the back of a sold-out Edinburgh Fringe run, **Tatty Macleod** is bringing her certain je ne sais quoi to the stage with her debut hour of comedy. Building on her hugely popular English vs French online sketches, Tatty Macleod asks the important questions like; Is he a f*ckboi or is he just French?

Age guidance: 16+

Sold out

Nov/Dec

Dick Whittington and his Cat

Sat 23 Nov 2024 – Sun 5 Jan 2025, Times Vary
£10 – £45

Come and celebrate the 25th legendary Hackney Empire pantomime with 'Dick Whittington and his Cat!' Join Dick on his search for fortune, fame and new beginnings! Along the way, he'll experience the adventure of a lifetime, battling rats, falling in love, and finding himself on the path to becoming the Mayor of London!

Directed by and starring **Clive Rowe** as the Dame, get ready for a joyful reimagining of this classic rags to riches tale, featuring all your favourite pantomime ingredients. From an unbelievable cast to extravagant costumes; from audience participation to sensational song and dance numbers, what more could you ask for?! Book now for the purrfect festive treat!

Coming Soon

Nick Mohammed Is Mr Swallow: Show Pony

Wed 30 Apr and Thu 1 May 2025, 7.30pm
£20 - £32

After a sell-out 2023 UK tour and extended run in London's West End, 'Taskmaster' loser and 'Ted Lasso' star **Nick Mohammed** returns as his critically acclaimed alter-ego **Mr. Swallow** with a brand-new show.

'Show Pony' has been described by Mr. Swallow as "payback for everyone who didn't come to the last tour." As per - expect magic, music and a whole load of new mistakes.

Creative Futures

Free events and projects for young people aged 14-25.

Young Producers: Create Your Own Events

Every Tuesday, 6pm - 8pm. See website for details

A free training opportunity to create and organise your own events such as **River Stage**, **Pure VibeZ** and **Alter Ego**. These free workshops will help you develop the creative and practical skills needed to put on the event that you want to see.

Check out our website to find out more about Young Producers, and all the other Creative Futures projects you can take part in.

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Information

Box Office

Book tickets at: hackneyempire.co.uk

Our phone lines are open: **Mon-Fri 10am-6pm (except Bank Holidays): 020 8985 2424**

Our Box Office window is open for in person bookings: **Mon-Fri 10am-6pm (except Bank Holidays)**

Booking fees: £1.20 per ticket online, £1.40 per ticket over the phone. No booking fees if booked in person.

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For all of our shows, we don't allow unaccompanied children under the age of 14 into Hackney Empire and all under 14's must be accompanied by an adult (18+). Our Gallery has unreserved bench seating and is not recommended for under 14s.

Getting to Hackney Empire

- **Underground and National Rail:** Hackney Central (just over 200m), Hackney Downs and London Fields (700m) all have frequent and direct links to the tube network.
- **Buses:** 30, 38, 55, 106, 253, 254, 276, 394, D6, W15.

There's a bar on every level

We have a bar on every floor of the theatre, serving a range of drinks and snacks, **Come and visit us!**

- Wheelchair access
- Sign Language interpreting available
- Access for people with Visual Impairment
- Guide Dogs are welcome
- Access for people with Hearing Impairment

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Empire Local Hackney Empire Community Choir

Every Thu 7pm - 9pm

Check website for current term dates

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Our Community Choir is a weekly space for anyone who loves to come together to sing and have fun. Led by Joseph Roberts in rehearsals.

What's On

- Wed 17 Jan, 7pm: **Entry For All: First Five**
(Podcasts/Talks)
- Sat 20 Jan, 8pm: **Babatunde Aléshé: Babahood**
(Comedy)
- Sun 28 Jan, 6pm: **BBC Sing East!**
(Opera/Live Music)
- Thu 1 Feb, 7.30pm: **Belter for the Shelter**
(Comedy)
- Fri 9 Feb, 7.30pm: **Shebada: Man Problem!**
(Theatre/Dance)
- Sun 11 Feb, 5pm: **Boroughs United 2024**
(Community)
- Fri 16 Feb, 7.30pm: **Alter Ego 2024**
(Community)
- Sat 17 Feb, 7.30pm: **Sam Campbell: Wobversations**
(Comedy)
- Sat 24 Feb, 7.30pm: **English Touring Opera: Manon Lescaut**
(Opera/Live Music)
- Sat 2 Mar, 7.30pm: **English Touring Opera: The Rake's Progress**
(Opera/Live Music)
- Fri 8 Mar, 7pm and 10pm: **Atsuko Okatsuka**
(Comedy)

- Sat 9 Mar, 8pm: **Welcome to Night Vale**
(Podcasts/Talks)
- Sun 10 Mar, 8pm: **Touch of Class: Mother's Day Special**
(Community)
- Thu 14 Mar, 7.30pm: **Rafi Bastos: Unfamiliar Territory**
(Comedy)
- Fri 15 Mar, 7.30pm: **Hollie Mcnish: The Lobster Tour**
(Podcasts/Talks)
- Sat 16 Mar, 7pm: **Anna Fiorentini's Theatre School Variety Show**
(Community)
- Fri 22 Mar, 7.30pm: **Ballet Black: Heroes**
(Theatre/Dance)
- Sat 23 Mar, 7.30pm: **The Sun Does Shine**
(Theatre/Dance)
- Thu 28 and Fri 29 Mar, 8.30pm: **How Did This Get Made?**
(Podcasts/Talks)
- Sat 13 Apr, 8pm: **Iain Stirling: Relevant**
(Comedy)
- Fri 19 Apr, 7.30pm: **Bigger! With Brennan and Izzy**
(Comedy)
- Sat 20 Apr, 7.30pm: **World Comedy Clash 2024**
(Comedy)
- Thu 25 Apr, 8pm: **All Killa No Filla: Live!**
(Podcasts/Talks)

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As a registered charity Hackney Empire depends on the support of the people who love it.

From **£5 per month** you'll receive a range of benefits that will take you right to the heart of our legendary venue.

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