

Join in

at the Bluecoat.



Sat 9 June 10.30am - 12.30pm

Screen Writing Taster
Professional screen writer and author of the screen play for the film *Al's Lads*, Marc Gee, gives a unique insight into the world of the screen writer.
Tickets £4 / 3.

dot-art Weekend & Daytime Classes

Sundays 22 July 10.30am - 2.30pm

Liverpool Photowalks with Steward Ellett
Steward, an experienced photographer and teacher, leads you on a guided walk around the architectural highlights of the city centre, looking at ways of capturing photos using various camera techniques. Dress for all weather and bring your camera!
Tickets £25 per Photowalk.

dot-art Services presents: Evening Classes

Tuesdays from 12 June 6.45 - 9.30pm

Life Drawing with Roy Munday
Develop your life drawing skills using various media.
Tickets £160 for 10 classes.

A variety of additional classes coming in September.
Call **0845 017 6660** to book or visit www.dot-art.co.uk/art-classes

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Contact details:

Open daily:
Mon - Sat 8am - 6pm,
Sun 10am - 6pm.
Espresso café:
open 8am - 6pm, daily (offers free Wi-Fi).
Upstairs bistro:
open Mon - Sun. 11.30am - 4pm.

Tickets & Information 0151 702 5324

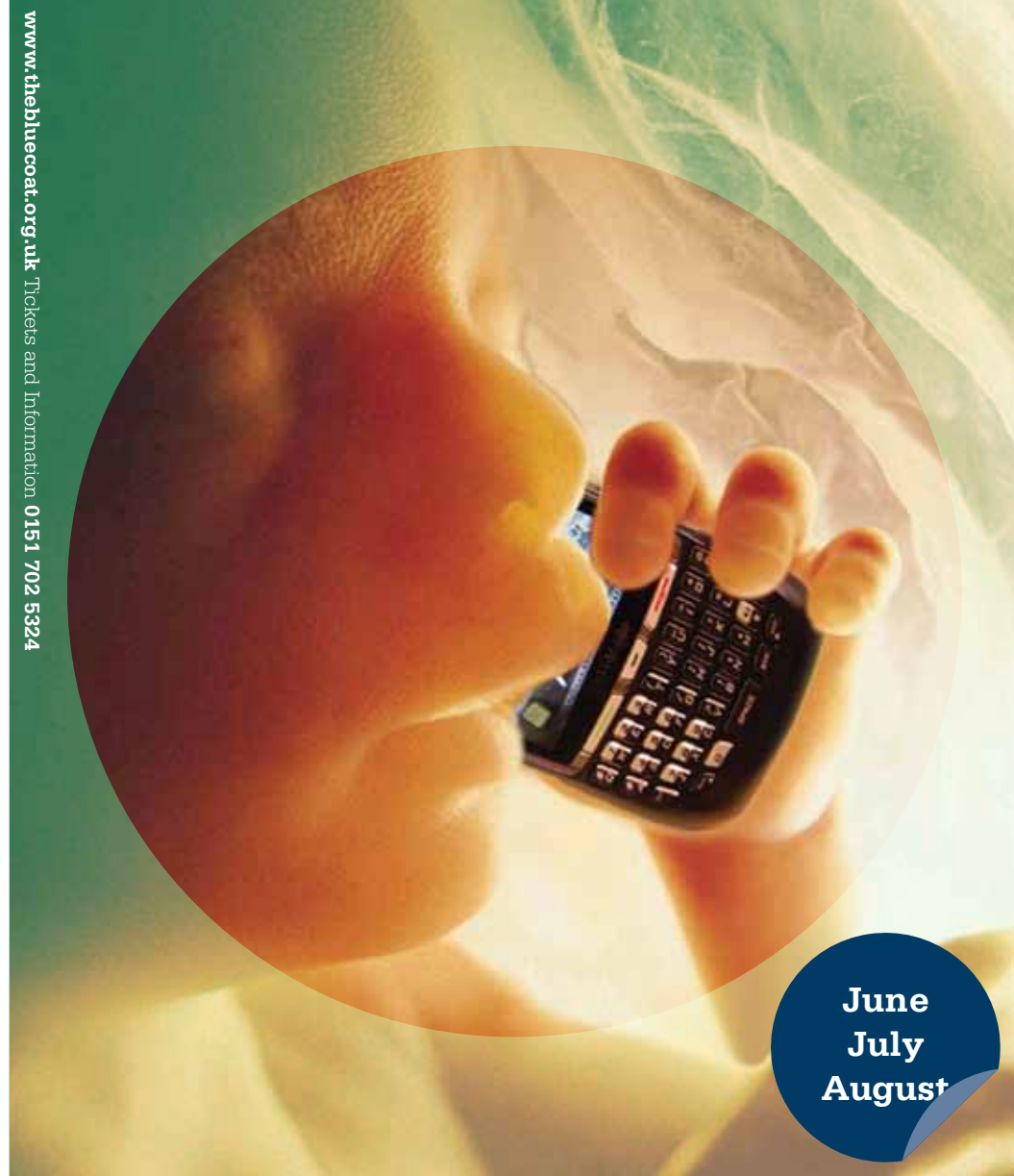
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Koert van Mensvoort, *Next Nature Baby*, 2008 in collaboration with Floris Kaayk, from: *The Biggest Visual Power Show*

15 September - 25 November

Liverpool Biennial 2012

www.biennial.com



Join today
If you would like to be a member, visit bea.member.org.uk and sign up online. It's £30 for a year and your contribution helps us to support emerging artists, maintain the building and continue our participation work. Members receive personalised invitations to a select number of members only events.

Design by NONCONFORM

This exhibition, featuring the work of over 20 international artists including **Christiaan Bastiaans, Mensvoort, Bruce Nauman, Ricarda Roggan, Karin Sander, Bob and Roberta Smith and Javier Tellez**. The exhibition features work in a variety of media by artists including **Christiaan Bastiaans, Christine Borland, Ben Cove, Birgit Dieker, Douglas Gordon, William Kentridge, Koert van Mensvoort, Bruce Nauman, Ricarda Roggan, Karin Sander, Bob and Roberta Smith and Javier Tellez**. This pertinent and provocative exhibition is accompanied by workshops, seminars and events examining definitions of difference and normality. Visit www.dadafest.co.uk for information on the full programme. **Dadafest is an Associate of the Bluecoat.**

Adapted from a landmark Dutch exhibition, *Niet Normaal* (a popular phrase literally translated as 'not normal', but also meaning 'cool') comes to the Bluecoat as part of **Dadafest 2012**, the UK's Disability and Deaf Arts Festival. What is the norm, and who really satisfies it? Where do we draw the line at what's not normal? At a facial wrinkle, a depression, taking pills to improve intelligence, at a visible prosthetic device or at major cosmetic surgery? Every day we make judgements about other people based on a host of superficial factors such as appearance, age, health and behaviours. Perfection is often assumed to be the norm or at least the goal, but what is perfection and who wants it?

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Dadafest 2012 in partnership with the Bluecoat presents
Niet Normaal: Difference on Display
Fri 13 July - Sun 2 September daily 10am - 6pm. Free.

Tourism and Galápagos
Thu 14 June 6 - 7.30pm
Galápagos and its status as a major tourist destination. Galápagos and its status specific challenges facing Conservation Trust, leads a lively conversation focusing on the Ambassador of the Galápagos importance? **Henry Nicholls**, **Paulo Catrica, Filippa César, Marcus Coates, Jeremy Deller, Tania Kovats, Kaffee Matthews, Semiconductor, and Alison Turnbull**. New commissions and previously unseen works by: **Jyll Bradley, actor Fiona Shaw, Alexis Deacon, Jeremy Deller, Tania Kovats, Paulo Catrica, Filippa César, Marcus Coates, Dorothy Cross** (with additional support from the Charles Darwin Foundation and the Natural History Museum, London. www.artistsvisitingalpagos.com)
Exhibition partners and tour dates:
The Fruitmarket Gallery, Edinburgh, 2 Nov 2012 - 13 Jan 2013
Centro de Arte Moderna, Lisbon, 18 April - 7 July 2013
2. Alexis Deacon, *Tree Beast* 2011, CAD cut vinyl, 2918 x 2624 mm. Courtesy the artist.

Family Day
Sat 2 June 12 - 4pm
Featuring a tortoise trail, art activities and author and illustrator of children's books, **Alexis Deacon**. See events spread for details. Free. Some events are drop-in, others are at set times.
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Galápagos
visual art at the Bluecoat.
Curated by **Berigt Arends & Greg Hilly**
Fri 4 May - Sun 1 July daily 10am - 6pm. Free.

Summer at the Bluecoat.

Open until Sat 23 June
 Mon - Sat 10am - 5.30pm
 Sun 12 - 5pm

Bluecoat Display Centre Exhibition: **Transplantation** - an exhibition of narrative contemporary jewellery

Curated by Professor Norman Cherry in conjunction with the Hub: National Centre for Craft & Design and the University of Lincoln. This touring exhibition of contemporary, narrative jewellery created by a group of artists based in Britain and Australia explores the sense of place and cultural identity through the theme of Transplantation. www.bluecoatdisplaycentre.com Phone: 0151 709 4014 Email: crafts@bluecoatdisplaycentre.com

Every Sat from 2 June 1- 4pm

Explore

Join us in the Hub for free art activities for all the family linked to our gallery programme. Highlights this season include the *Galápagos* exhibition and activities linked to *Niet Normaal*. Free, donations accepted.

Sat 2 June 12 - 4pm

Galápagos Family Day

Join us for the launch of our special Tortoise Trail around the Bluecoat and Liverpool 1; take part in art activities and enjoy a workshop from **Alexis Deacon**, children's author and illustrator, whose latest book is inspired by the wildlife of the incredible Galápagos Islands. The Tortoise Trail will continue throughout the half term holiday. Just pick up an activity sheet from the Tickets and Information desk. Free, donations accepted.

Until Sat 2 June

Physical Fest - International Physical Theatre Festival

This annual festival hosted by **Tmesis Theatre**, now in its eighth year, is an exciting eight days of workshops, taster classes, events and performances by some of the world's best physical theatre artists. Full line up and bookings: www.physicalfest.com

Tue 5 June 1 - 2.30pm

Philosophy in Pubs

Our resident philosophers debate the important questions. All welcome to join in for some deep thinking. Free, drop in event.

Thu 7 June 7.30pm



John Cage

Fraktur presents: Acoute IV: A Call Out in the Silence

A concert focused on two great 20th Century artistic figures: **John Cage** and **Yves Klein**. Both were fascinated with the idea of absence, nothingness, the void. Cage's 1952 work '4'33"' instructs performers not to play their instruments during the performance, a radical statement that remains a powerful exploration of what music is. Similarly fascinated with silence, Klein's *Monotone Symphony*, written three years before '4'33"', is composed of two sections: the first containing just one continuous note, mimicking his monochrome paintings in sound, the second only silence. These two works will be accompanied by premieres of pieces by local composers **Lucia Dunbar, Richard Harding, Simon Jones, Alex Raimi-Scott and Eric Wilson**. Tickets: £5 / £3.

Fraktur acknowledges the voluntary work of its staff and musicians, and the financial support of Arts Council England.

Fri 8 June 6 - 8pm

Central Library Reading Group

Come along for friendly discussion with fellow book lovers. New members welcome. Further information: helen.gustafson@yahoo.co.uk Free.

Sat 9 June 11 - 5pm

2Dartmarkets at the Bluecoat

Don't miss your opportunity to purchase or exhibit affordable, quality art work as 2Dartmarket returns to our historic courtyard with a bumper crop of North West talent. Further details: bluecoat2d-artmarket@live.co.uk or visit www.thebluecoat.org.uk

Sat 9 June 7.30 - 8.30pm

FAILURE (& other opportunities for non linear success)

Mary Pearson is wrestling with the notion of failure. Turn over the pedestal to spend time with the squiggling worms lurking underneath. A new dance solo bringing together comedy and social commentary, this work in progress continues in Liverpool this Autumn. Tickets £3 / £2.

Wed 13 June 7.30 - 9.30pm

The Gathering

A monthly space for musicians to meet and improvise together. Free.

Fri 15 & Sat 16 June
 10.30am - 5pm

Book Fair

Collectors' and bargain second-hand books. Free.

Tue 19 June 1 - 2.30pm

Philosophy in Pubs

See 5 June. Free, drop in event.

Thu 21 June - Wed 11 July
 Daily 10am - 6pm

Anne Desmet: Olympic Metamorphoses

The first wood engraver ever to be elected to the Royal Academy, Desmet exhibits internationally and has won over 30 awards for her work, in which architectural metamorphosis is a recurrent theme. Here, her latest body of exquisitely detailed wood engravings concern the developing London Olympics site near her Hackney home. Free.

Shown on our 1st floor space by the Upstairs bistro, the exhibition will relocate to Editions Ltd. on Cook Street, 14 July - 18 August. www.editionsLtd.net

Sat 23 June 10am - 5.30pm
 Sat 4 August 10am - 5.30pm

Blank Note Presents: Super Summer Fair: Designer Handmade Market

The events team of our Courtyard retailer Nook & Cranny brings together a host of designers, their home wares and prints to the Bluecoat. You'll find perfect gifts for all occasions and inspiration in abundance. Admission £3 / £2 concessions.

Sat 23 June 10am - 5.30pm
 Sat 4 August 10am - 5.30pm

The UK's Big Vintage and Fashion Fair

Don't miss out on a great opportunity to buy lady's and men's collectables, handmade and retro clothing, jewellery and gifts by many of the region's finest designers, independents and emerging labels at this incredible event, organised by UK Fashion Events at the Bluecoat. £2 admission.

Thu 28 June 6pm

Launch: Corridor8 - Issue 3, Part 3

Corridor8, the international journal of contemporary visual arts and writing, based in the North of England, launches the third part of its 2011/12 annual. Writer and artist **Derek Horton** talks about his online art and writing magazine *soanyway*, co-produced with the artist Lisa Stansbie, which makes its first excursion into print in a special insert for this edition of *Corridor8*. Free, ticket required.

Thu 28 June 7.30 - 9.30pm

Liverpool Poetry Cafe presents: An Evening with Levi Tafari

Urban griot, rhythmic wordsmith, dub poet and storyteller, Liverpool's Levi Tafari has an international profile. Don't miss this chance to see him perform recent work and past favourites, including poems from his collection *From the Page to the Stage* (Headland), followed by a question and answer session and book signing. www.liverpoolpoetrycafe.com Tickets £4 / £3.

Sat 30 June 10am - 5pm

Vintage Fair/ UK Fashion Events

Variety of Vintage stalls. £2 admission.

Sat 30 June - Sat 25 August
 Mon - Sat 10am - 5.30pm
 Sun 12 - 5pm



Bluecoat Display Centre
 Exhibition: **My Place**
 This exhibition reflects the importance of an artist's physical working space and environment, and features selected artists from the Crafts Council of Ireland's Craft Portfolio. Exhibitors include: **Roger Bennett, Denis Brown, Eimear Conyard, Liam Flynn, Sara Flynn, Berina Kelly, Frances Lambe, Cara Murphy, Nuala O'Donovan and Inga Reed**. www.bluecoatdisplaycentre.com Phone: 0151 709 4014 Email: crafts@bluecoatdisplaycentre.com Free.



Fri 6 - Sun 15 July

Liverpool Arabic Arts Festival

Behind the News; a celebration of Arabic literature, music, dance, performance, film, food and more. Events include:

Sat 7 July 1pm - 9pm

The Arab Street

Street dance, music, food, performance and film. Includes discounted & free events.

Mon 9 July 6.30pm

Nadim Sawalha: An Arab Actor For Better, For Worse

The celebrated actor reflects on 50 years in British show business, stories and anecdotes. Tickets £3 / 2 conc.

Tue 10 July 5pm

Fleeing Words

An anthology of **Tunisian** fiction, poetry and articles; freedom of speech after the revolution. Free.

Book at www.thebluecoat.org.uk or 0151 702 5324 School Lane, Liverpool, L1 3BX
 dance eat & drink join in literature live art & comedy music visual art who's who



Liverpool Arabic Arts Festival Cont.

Fri 13 July

Maysoon Zayid Workshop (Arab American Comedy Festival)

Sat 14 July

The BIG Saturday

A day of music, debate, film, poetry and food including **Lion of the Desert**; a film about Libyan independence, Libyan poet **Khaled Mattawa** and live music in the garden.

7, 8, and 14 July 2 - 3pm
 9, 10, 11 and 12 July 5.30 - 6.30pm

Freedom Hour

Daily debates on current affairs, freedom and change in the Arab world. Free.

Full festival programme www.arabicartsfestival.co.uk

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Sat 7 July 10am - 6pm

Record Fair

Vinyl, tapes, CDs, DVDs, mags, annuals, prints and far more. Free.

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Fri 13 July - Sun 2 September

DaDaFest 2012

DaDaFest is the UK's Disability and Deaf Arts Festival, with events including international artists, cutting-edge comedy, theatre, deaf culture and leading musicians in a programme that entertains and presents artforms from different cultural perspectives. This Summer, once again, the Bluecoat will be a hub for the festival. In addition to the exhibition *Niet Normaal: Difference on Display*, there will be a series of events happening in the last two weeks of August. Full DaDaFest 2012 programme: www.dadafest.co.uk or call 0151 707 1733. DaDaFest is an Associate of the Bluecoat.

Fri 20 & Sat 21 July
 10.30am - 5pm

Book Fair

See Fri 15 & Sat 16 June. Free.

Tue 24 July 1 - 2.30pm

Philosophy in Pubs

See 5 June. Free, drop in event.

Every Tue, Wed and Thu from
 24 July - 30 August 1 - 3pm

Summer Holiday Explore

Back by popular demand - our summer holiday activities run by volunteer artists with learning disabilities from our **Blue Room** project. Enjoy free art activities linked to the *Niet Normaal* exhibition, and help us figure out 'what is 'normal' anyway'? Free, drop in.

Wed 25 July 7.30pm

Fraktur presents: Acoute V

An evening of experimental, risk-taking, new acoustic music. An array of local and regional musicians will come together in the spirit of collaboration to explore the possibilities acoustic instruments offer in the digital age. If you're interested in playing, please email us: concerts@fraktur.org Tickets £5 / £3.

Fraktur acknowledges the voluntary work of its staff and musicians and the financial support of Arts Council England.

Thu 26 July 7.30 - 9.30pm

Liverpool Poetry Cafe presents: Dead Good Poets Society Open Mic Evening

The Dead Good Poets Society is dedicated to giving a voice to emerging Liverpool and North West poets. www.liverpoolpoetrycafe.com Tickets £3 / £2.

Sat 28 July 10am - 5pm

Vintage Fair/ UK Fashion Events

Variety of Vintage stalls. £2 admission.

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 10.30am - 5pm

Book Fair

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24 & 25 August 10am - 6pm

Record Fair

See Sat 7 July. Free.

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Printmaking Workshops

Sat 16 June 10am - 4pm
 Sun 17 June 11am - 4pm

Screen Printing onto Ceramics with Dave Fortune

Design and make a screen-printed transfer to apply to a ceramic blank for kiln-firing. A printmaking pioneer, Dave teaches at the Centre for Fine Print Research, Bristol. Workshop not suitable for beginners. Tickets £130 / £120.

Sat 7 July 10am - 4pm

Wood Engraving with Anne Desmet RA RE

This workshop introduces the joys of wood engraving, a relatively straightforward process which can be printed without a press. Anne, born locally, is editor of *Printmaking Today*, a Royal Academician and member of the Royal Society of Painter-Printmakers. Suitable for beginners. (See Anne's exhibition in Thu 21 June listing) Tickets £65 / £55.

Courses

Wed 16 May - Wed 6 June
 6 - 9pm

Advanced Screen Printing with Dave Evans

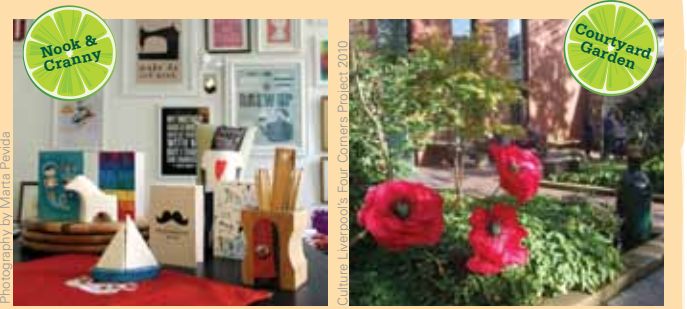
Tickets £95 / £85.

Thu 28 June - Thu 19 July
 6 - 9pm

Introduction to Screen Printing with Martin Kochany

Tickets £95 / £85.

Summer at the Bluecoat.



Enjoy a bright and breezy summer's day at the Bluecoat.

Check-out our free, **contemporary art exhibitions**. Take your time mooching round our independent, **creative retailer shops**, and find something beautifully designed, hand-made and **unique**.

Take a break, watch the world go by, and top up your good 'Karma' in the secluded, **courtyard garden**. To get in the Galápagos mood, we are also adding a **Latino flavour** to the garden with **themed food**, coupled with limes and Corona beer. Sip and surf using our **free Wi-fi** internet access in **Espresso cafe**, or sink into the comfy sofas **Upstairs at the Bluecoat bistro**, serving delicious seasonal food and drink.

Our **Growing Creativity** project continues in the Garden, with artist **Emily Pitts**. Throughout the school holidays we have free **Explore** family activities every afternoon from Tuesday to Saturday including new garden-based sessions on Fridays from 1 - 3pm

Keeping July bouncy, the Bluecoat is part of the citywide **Ping project**: look out for table tennis in the courtyard.

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