

SAFFRON WALDEN MAZE FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

Events Before the Maze Festival

Date/Time	Activity	Location
15 - 27 August	Saffron Walden Amazes Quilted labyrinths by German artist Marianne Leidenroth, and a new quilt for Saffron Walden.	Craft Days 27 High Street
15 - 28 August	Labyrinths in the Library Textile mazes by artist Jill Leech, art from various maze-related workshops, maze-inspired books and ephemera from the Town Library collection.	Saffron Walden Library
Monday 15 August 1.30pm - 4pm	Maze Art Workshop for Children (ages 7-11) Small friendly class using a variety of materials and techniques. £10 per person including materials. Booking: julieannbrassington@gmail.com or 01799 529159	In Saffron Walden
Tuesday 16 August 10am - 12.30pm	Maze Art Workshop for Teens (12+) Small friendly class using a variety of materials and techniques. £10 per person including materials. Booking: julieannbrassington@gmail.com or 01799 529159	In Saffron Walden
Tuesday 16 August 10am - 12.30pm	Craft Workshop for Children (9+) Boost your sewing machine skills whilst making a 'finger maze' toy! £15 per person including materials. Booking: www.craft-days.co.uk or 01799 218429	Craft Days 27 High Street
Tuesday 16 August 2pm - 4.30pm	Maze Art Workshop for Adults Paint or draw to create a work based on one of Saffron Walden's mazes. Small friendly class. £10 per person including materials. Booking: julieannbrassington@gmail.com or 01799 529159	In Saffron Walden
Friday 19 August 11am - 12noon	Magical Mazes Craft Workshop (all ages) Make your own small tapestry maze with textile artist Jill Leech. Children must bring an adult. Free entry.	Saffron Walden Library
19 August - 3 Sept	The Maze Show @ Urban Picnic An eclectic blend of photographs, prints, images and crafts.	Urban Picnic 51 High Street

Friday 19 August 7.30pm (Doors 7pm)	I Got Lost (14+) Chaotic comedic true storytelling, with the message that it's OK to take a wrong turn sometimes. Tickets £6 (in aid of Rowan) from Tourist Information Centre, emmylou.horton@gmail.com, 01799 513696 or www.wegotickets.com/event/368428 . Food available. MC Steve Cross and performers Sarah Bell, Janina Vigurs, Patrick Spicer, Anne Welsh, Stuart McLaren, Sarah Snell-Pym and Olivia Potts.	Saffron Walden Football Club, Catons Lane
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PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Unless stated otherwise, festival events are FREE, do not require advance booking and are open to all.

Saturday 20 August

Time	Activity	Location
All weekend	Permanent Mazes Explore Saffron Walden's unique collection of four permanent mazes and labyrinths and test your skills on 14 finger mazes within the Swan Meadow maze and around the Town.	See Programme Map
All weekend	Community Mazes A crazy cornucopia of mazes made by charities, businesses, groups, families and individuals including: WAOC's orienteering maze, Walden Junior Tri's cycling skills challenge, textiles, croquet, snakes and ladders, as well as an incredible inflatable maze (from 10am-4pm).	The Common
All day	Chartres Labyrinth Experience the calm of labyrinth walking in this beautiful setting within the parish church.	St Mary's Church by south door
10am - 4pm	Maze Games and Puzzles Have a go at our maze-themed games, puzzles, jigsaws and tilting maze challenge. Admire maze and labyrinth projects by local schools. Children must come with an adult.	Court Room Town Hall
10am - 4pm	Night Vision Goggle Maze Try your skills with special night vision goggles in a dark maze from Carver Barracks. Numbers	Scrivener Room Town Hall

	will be limited by sets of equipment available.	
10am - 12noon	Maze Printing Workshop Drop in for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.	Fairycroft House 39 Audley Road
10am - 1pm	Amazing Patchwork Learn to make a wonderful maze-inspired patchwork quilt block. Suitable for beginners. £29 per person including materials. Booking: 01799 218429 or www.craft-days.co.uk	Craft Days 27 High Street
10.30am	Grand Opening Saffron Walden's New Permanent Maze International maze guru Jeff Saward will cut the ribbon - be one of the first to explore this child-friendly maze designed by John Ready, containing eight finger labyrinths and mazes.	Jacobs Green at Swan Meadow
10.45 - 11.15am	Music at the Hedge Maze With Tony White and Dave Perret, jazz guitar duo.	Bridge End Garden Hedge Maze
11am - 5pm	Minotaur A special exhibition of work by Michael Ayrton on themes of the Maze and the Minotaur.	Fry Art Gallery
11.30am - 12.15pm	The Lover's Maze A drama specially written for the hedge maze from Sheer Drop Theatre. Written by Kate Webster, directed by Tom Latter and performed by Lindsey Crow, Michael Lyle, Philip Nightingale and Katharine Davenport.	Bridge End Garden Hedge Maze
12.15pm - 2pm	Music and Spiral Dancing With music by saxophonist Alan Green (12.15-1) followed by an opportunity to watch and join in ancient spiral dancing (1-2).	Jubilee Gardens
2.15pm - 3pm	A Grinning Match Four old friends meet on the Turf Maze. New drama from Sheer Drop Theatre. Written by Kate Webster, directed by Tom Latter and performed by Katharine Davenport, Michael Lyle, Lindsey Crow and Philip Nightingale.	Turf Maze on the Common
2pm - 4pm	Make a Minotaur Mask Drop-in workshop for all ages. Children must come with an adult.	Fairycroft House 39 Audley Road
2pm - 4.30pm	Laying Out Your Labyrinth (16+) Creative writing workshop: begin your own story, with help from novelist Ruth Hatfield. £15 or SWAT members £10. Booking: www.saffronwaldenartstrust.co.uk or 01799 500542	Saffron Walden Library
3pm - 4pm	Music in Jubilee Gardens With local musicians Darren Stammers and Barney French	Jubilee Gardens
3pm - 3.30pm	Music at the Hedge Maze	Bridge End Garden Hedge

	With Saffron Recorder Consort	Maze
3.30pm - 4.15pm	Guided tour of Bridge End Garden and Maze by Liz Lake, Landscape consultant to the restoration of the gardens.	Bridge End Garden Meet at Maze Gateway
3.30pm	Labyrinths in the Library (ages 7-11) Amazing tales from John Harris the Storyteller ('A tour de force', Michael Morpurgo). Children must bring an adult.	Saffron Walden Library
4pm - 6pm	Music by the Turf Maze Classic Rock with Cambridge Band 4th Labyrinth	The Common
6pm - 7pm	Walk the Chartres Labyrinth An introduction to labyrinth walking with Dr Jan Sellers, using a beautiful medieval-style labyrinth, hand-painted on canvas.	Assembly Room Town Hall
7pm - 8pm	Labyrinths Today Illustrated talk on modern labyrinths and their role in education and health, by labyrinth facilitator, lecturer and writer Dr Jan Sellers.	Assembly Room Town Hall
8pm - 9pm	Informal Reception Meet our keynote speaker, buy her book and see work by local schools. With Joseph Barnes Wines.	Court Room Town Hall
9.15pm - 10.30pm (doors 8.45pm)	Saffron Hall presents Music for the Maze Festival Singer Ranjana Ghatak and bassist Liran Donin perform new material reflecting influences from classical Indian vocal music and contemporary British jazz, to sacred geometry and a visit to a Californian labyrinth. Entry £10, children free. Pay at the door or book in advance at www.saffronhall.com	St Mary's Church

Sunday 21 August

Time	Activity	Location
All day	Community Mazes As Saturday with inflatable maze (from 11am-6pm)	The Common
10am - 4pm	Maze Games and Puzzles	Court Room

	As Saturday	Town Hall
10am - 12noon	Mixed Media Collage Workshop Drop in for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.	Scrivener Room Town Hall
From 10.30am Last entrance 12.30pm	Walking the Chartres Labyrinth Another opportunity to enjoy walking Jan Sellers' beautiful labyrinth, with labyrinth facilitator Kay Barrett.	Assembly Room Town Hall
10.30am departure	Maze to Maze Walk 5 mile walk to the maze on Michael Ayrton's grave at Hadstock, starting at the new Swan Meadow maze. Walk free but taxi fare needed for those not walking back to Saffron Walden.	Jacobs Green at Swan Meadow
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From 12noon	Food and Drink King's Arms bar plus yummy food stalls from around the world. Come and enjoy a Sunday without cooking.	The Common
12noon - 2pm	Music by the Turf Maze With Junkyard Dolls (12-1) and local singer Elliot Porter (1-2)	The Common
2pm - 2.45pm	A Grinning Match Four old friends meet on the Turf Maze. New drama from Sheer Drop Theatre. Written by Kate Webster, directed by Tom Latter and performed by Katharine Davenport, Michael Lyle, Lindsey Crow and Philip Nightingale.	Turf Maze
2pm - 4pm	Make a Minotaur Mask Drop in for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.	Scrivener Room Town Hall
2.30pm - 4.30pm	Make a Mandala Maze Help sculptor Tessa Hawkes create a unique snail shell mandala maze. Drop in for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.	The Priory Rose and Crown Walk/ Common Hill
3pm - 5pm	Walking Races on the Maze Re-creating an early 19 th century competition event on the maze. Open to all ages.	Turf Maze
3pm - 8pm	Fantastic Face Painting	The Common

	By Rosemary Wild (for a small donation)	
4pm onwards	Amazing Sideshows, Music and Juggling With A Few Too Many (4-5), Ben Smith (5-6), Jugglers (6-6.30) Two Cool Kids (6.30-7.30) and Late Shift (7.30-8.30)	The Common
8.30pm - 9pm	Spectacular Firestick Juggling Display	Turf Maze
Approx 9pm	Festival Finale Glow stick and torch processions on the turf maze with a final crescendo of fireworks	Turf Maze