

WELCOME TO LONDON

Get ready to amp-up your stay and bounce all the way through spring this month! Whether you're visiting for work or play, I've got you covered with the best locals-only tips to maximize your stay.



NTV SPRING BREAK IN NEVERLAND

Park Village Studios NW1 7PX
shuttlecock-inc.com/ntvspringbreak

Do not adjust your sets. Shuttlecock Inc. is back with a bang and you're all invited! They are distilling everything you loved about MTV Spring Break in the late 90s and cutting loose on an immersive Peter Pan-themed adult playground version of Neverland. To house the whole thing, they've ambitiously taken over the Park Village Studios, an iconic 10,000 sq. ft. film & photographic studio turned event space overlooking Regent's Park. Inside, they've reimagined the Lost Boys' home through the lens of MTV's glory days. These Lost Boys have now grown up, and are now a group of bearded hipsters in ironic t-shirts, who run a street food collective. You will also discover geezer pirates, Trustafarian Raver Indians, a Hip Hop Croc and a Badass Tinkerbell running the neon soaked bar. Eat, drink and party to your heart's content and just make sure you get yourself to the main stage in time for the dance battle to end all dance battles. You are sure to get hooked on this.

19 - 21 April



MERRY MEN

32 Southwark Street, Southwark SE1 1TU
eventbrite.co.uk

Celebrated chef Tom Sellers, who holds one Michelin star at his critically acclaimed Restaurant Story in Bermondsey, is hosting a one-off pop-up, designed to give an immersive dining experience in the heart of SE1. Named to pay tribute to Tom's upbringing in Nottingham, 'Merry Men' references the band of outlaws that followed Robin Hood and this pop-up draws on Tom's passion for history and provenance by bringing elements of storytelling into the menu. Expect banquet-style creations reflecting Tom's dedication to seasonal, refined and artfully conceived dishes with the focal point of each meal being traditionally prepared meats, alongside drinks selected by Story's Head Sommelier. It will be held in a three-story former Victorian tannery that will be transformed into an overgrown Sherwood forest-style hall complete with vine-covered ceilings and candle-lit feasting tables, plus a 40-person enchanted-woodland-style bar with a forest-themed cocktail menu created by legendary mixologist Matt Whiley. With all of that, things are sure to get merry.

Various dates from 5 - 22 April



SONICA

Kings Place, York Way N1 9AG
kingsplace.co.uk

Glasgow's biennial sonic art festival Sonica is hitting London for a two-day taster of skull-shattering experimental art. Come along during the day to experience an eclectic array of installations around the world. 2018's line-up includes 'Slow Pixel', a delicate installation involving 176 snails. There's also 'Infinite Lives', a surreal sonic science laboratory inhabited by robots and sea monkeys and astonishing light installation 'Nearer Future'. Otherwise check out longer performances in the evenings, including 'Lakker AV', which fuses icy techno-style sounds with stunning visuals of glaciers.

20 - 21 April



LONDON COFFEE FESTIVAL

The Old Truman Brewery, 150 Brick Lane E1 6QL
londoncoffeefestival.com

How do you like your coffee? Stimulating, satisfying and in a very large container? Well you're in luck, as the LCF is all of those things. You'll find it at The Old Truman Brewery, and they've packed it with sensory bars, Espresso Martini parties, latte art competitions, coffee labs, tasting rooms and coffee art projects.

12 - 15 April



FASHIONED FROM NATURE: V&A

Victoria and Albert Museum, Cromwell Road SW7 2RL
vam.ac.uk/exhibitions/fashioned-from-nature

This exhibition will examine the complex relationship between fashion and the natural world, looking at how designers from Christian Dior to Dries van Noten have drawn inspiration from the beauty of animals and flowers, as well as the ways that the heavy production demands of the industry have damaged the environment. 300 objects will go on display, including sustainably-produced outfits by Stella McCartney and Vivienne Westwood, and a Calvin Klein red carpet dress made from recycled plastic bottles, which was worn by actress Emma Watson at the 2016 Met Gala.

From 21 April

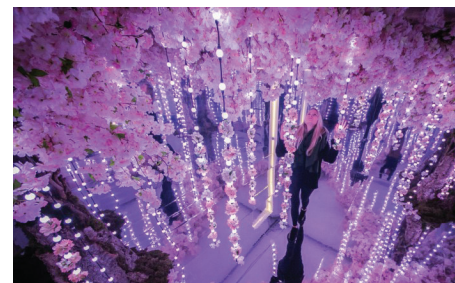


T SHIRT: CULT - CULTURE - SUBVERSION

Fashion and Textile Museum, 83 Bermondsey Street SE1 3XF
ftmlondon.org

Explore the T-shirt in the 20th Century through this inspirational exhibition; charting the history, culture and subversion of the most affordable and popular item of clothing on the planet. This highlights the multi-faceted role of this humble garment from men's underclothes to symbol of rock and roll rebellion, through punk and politics to luxury fashion item, T-shirts broadcast who we are and who we want to be. The exhibition will feature a private collection of Vivienne Westwood t-shirts from the early days of Let it Rock, Sex, and Seditious, through to the designers most recent collections, Active Resistance to Propaganda and Climate Revolution. This group of rare objects will form a central installation of the exhibition, accompanied by an introduction to the historical biography of the T-shirt and an insight into its technological advances, mapped through sections focusing on contemporary design.

Until 6 May



SENSE OF SPACE

Exchange Square, Broadgate, EC2A 2EH
broadgate.co.uk/senseofspace

Offering a unique escape from the hustle and bustle, the exhibition will be made up of four different rooms that will take you through four different sensory experiences, each designed to keep you nice and chilled.

5 April until 18 May

AT W LONDON

W IN BLOOM

A bold floral take-over of W Lounge and The Perception welcomes the arrival of Spring and the launch of our new cocktail menu. Pick and mix your own cocktail garnish from our living wall or sip away under a canopy of green.

From 9 April in W Lounge

