

REFUGEE WEEK 2023 SUMMARY OF EVENTS

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Refugee week is 19-25 June 2023. These are the events that are being planned in-and-around Derby.
This summary will be reissued as further details become available.

The flagship event for this year's refugee week will be...

HELLO DERBY - A FESTIVAL OF WELCOME
at the Museum of Making on Saturday 24 June at 11am to 3pm

Derby City of Sanctuary invite you to look past the headlines and meet people seeking sanctuary and the local organisations who support them, for a day of creativity, conversation and compassion at the Museum of Making. Including interactive activities, music and exhibitions suitable for all the family. Free to attend, all welcome. Come and say hello at Hello Derby!
Contact is Dan Webber (dan@derbymuseums.org)

...and there are other tremendous activities planned, including...

Derbyshire Refugee Solidarity Open Day on Saturday 17 June at 11am

DRS's open day is on Saturday 17 June from 11am until 3pm. Join us for a jumble sale, games and refreshments with asylum seekers and refugee volunteers.
Contact is Julie James (julie@derbyshirerefugeesolidarity.org or 07790 900017)

Unite Community Belper on Saturday 17 June at 10am to 3pm

An exhibition of pictures, poetry and texts, piped and live music and variety of stalls which represent and celebrate the different volunteer groups from Belper who work with the lonely, disaffected and vulnerable including refugees and asylum seekers. We also seek to strengthen support networks for refugees within the community, build friendships across diverse communities, promote tolerance and build solidarity in the spirit of the common good.
Contact is Christine Jordan (chrisinaddis@yahoo.co.uk)

Dance Session to Celebrate Refugee Week at Derby Refugee Advice Centre on the 20 June at 10.30am

Join us to celebrate Refugee Week! A fun morning, learning some basic dance steps and keeping fit. Suitable for everyone!
Contact is Ruth Long (drac2@hotmail.co.uk)

Screening of "National Theatre Live: Life of Pi" on 19 June at QUAD at 1pm and 20 June at 7pm

A unique Olivier Award-winning stage adaptation of the best-selling novel by Yann Martel which won the Booker Prize in 2002, Life of Pi tells the magical story of a boy who finds himself shipwrecked and lost at sea in a large lifeboat and struggling through seemingly insurmountable odds. The lifeboat symbolizes a safe haven and hope for Pi as he tries to survive. A discount on full price tickets is available by quoting 'Refugee week'. www.derbyquad.co.uk/LifeOfPi.
Contact is Kathy Wilson (kathyw@derbyquad.co.uk)

Screening of "Name Me Lawand" plus Director Q&A at QUAD on 22 June at 6:30pm

Five-year-old Lawand, profoundly deaf since birth, undertakes a treacherous journey with his family from Iraq to Derby, home of the Royal School for the Deaf. But this new life soon comes under threat when the family face deportation. This documentary, partly filmed in Derby, is an inspirational and touching coming-of-age story. We are delighted to be joined for a Q&A with director Edward Lovelace. www.derbyquad.co.uk/book/44115
Contact is Kathy Wilson (kathyw@derbyquad.co.uk)

Derby Jobs Café: Supporting Refugee and Minority Ethnic Communities into Employment on 22 June at 10am to 12.30pm

We're bringing together a wide range of inclusive employers to proactively promote inclusion and diversity in the workforce. Employers will be offering live job and apprenticeship opportunities. There will also be the opportunity seek careers and skills advice and understand how to convert your qualifications from abroad to be best utilised in the UK. Funding support available. The event will be held at Derby Adult Learning Services, Better Together Café, which is run by our refugee learners on a Thursday. Contact is Chris Bradley (chris.bradley@derby.gov.uk) and the Eventbrite link is:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/derby-jobs-cafe-supporting-refugee-and-minority-ethnic-communities-tickets-611199031757>

Derby County Football Club Stadium Tour on Thursday 22 June at 3.30pm to 5pm

Stadium tour for refugees and asylum seekers organised by Derby County Community Trust.
Contact is Gavin Lewis (gavin.lewis@dcct.co.uk)

Joint Event by WEA and Care4Calais on Friday 23 June at 2.30pm

This will be a drop-in event of mixed art activities to create a WEA 'welcome' board in several languages as a collaborative piece. There will be refreshments and a 'social' and relaxed feel to the afternoon. Contact is Carole Rawson (crawson@wea.ac.uk)

Derbyshire Refugee Solidarity's Parkrun with Refugees on Saturday 24 June at 8.45am

Join Refugees and the Parkrun family for friendly 5km walk or run round the lovely scenery of Markeaton Park. Meet at 8.45am at the Orangery Cafe. A great way to start your weekend!
Contact is Steve Cooke (steve@derbyshirerefugeesolidarity.org or 07881615750)

Refugee Week Fairtrade Stall and Refreshments on Saturday 24 June at 10.30am to 1pm

at Derby Cathedral Centre, Irongate, DE1 3GP
Contact is Maureen Priddin (mpriddin@ntlworld.com)

Refugee Week Arts and Dance Workshops on Saturday 24 June at 2pm to 5pm

MProduction are holding workshops for refugees and asylum seekers, The arts and craft workshop is at 2pm to 3.30pm. And participants that we've been working with may show their work and tell a story through dance performance at 4pm to 5pm.
Contact is Maria Slack (mproductiontime2show@gmail.com)

Sufi Music Evening at Ikhlas Community Centre on Saturday 24 June at 5pm

Ikhlas Community Centre are holding an event in partnership with Radio Ikhlas and An-Nisa events on Saturday 24 June at 5pm until 7pm. There will be live Sufi music by local performers, with refreshments served for asylum seekers, refugee volunteers and local volunteers.
Contact is Ghulam Murtaza (murtaza.ac@gmail.com or 07867 991185)

Sanctuary Sunday at Derby Cathedral on 25 June at 10.45am

Sanctuary Sunday at Derby Cathedral will be marked at the Cathedral Eucharist with special prayers and an address by the Revd Chris Rose, Director of Amos Trust UK. The service will also be live streamed and details will be on the Cathedral website.
Contact is Maureen Priddin (mpriddin@ntlworld.com)

Derby County Community Trust Football Sessions

As part of refugee week DCCT will be providing football sessions at Arboretum Park football court.
Contact is Gavin Lewis (gavin.lewis@dcct.co.uk)

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