

Enjoy Sussex . . . performing arts

Enjoy a variety of events

Every year Wealden District hosts a variety of events. Local market towns and villages hold cultural festivals, which provide great family entertainment. Touring theatre companies perform on village greens to picnicking audiences. There's an international flavour with Anglo-French markets and opportunities to experience the very best performing arts at a fantastic array of venues, such as the world famous Glyndebourne.

Bateman's – Last Night at the Proms

Bateman's, the home of Rudyard Kipling from 1902 to 1936, becomes the backdrop to this traditional event held in early August. The grounds open early for spectators to enjoy a picnic first and end with a spectacular fireworks display.

Location: Burwash. Tel: 01435 882302

Chiddingly Festival

This annual mixed arts event, held in September, presents an international flavour combining community and professional talents from all over Britain and overseas.

Location: Chiddingly. Tel: 01825 873334
www.chiddinglyfestival.co.uk

Glyndebourne Festival Opera

Every year from May to August the Glyndebourne state of the art opera house welcomes world class opera.

Location: Glynde, near Lewes
Tel: 01273 812321
www.glyndebourne.com

Hailsham Pavilion

Originally built in 1921, it is amongst the earliest remaining cinemas in the UK. Following a successful bid to the Heritage Lottery fund and with support from local councils and voluntary organisations, restoration and refurbishment was completed in 1999. Today the cinema shows all the latest

films and has excellent facilities for live shows and other events.

Location: Hailsham
Tel: 01323 841 414
www.hailshampavilion.co.uk

Le Marché

Anglo-French Market in Heathfield each August Bank Holiday with music and street entertainment.

Location: Heathfield
Tel: 01435 813 533

Mayfield Festival

This two week long festival takes place every two years in the Spring. There is a variety of music, art and entertainment including: choral, orchestral, jazz and special exhibitions.

Location: Mayfield. Tel: 01435 872391
www.mayfieldfestival.co.uk

The Rude Mechanical Theatre Company

This theatrical company performs during the summer months in various outdoor locations.

Location: Wealden District
Tel: 01323 501260
www.therudemechanicaltheatre.co.uk

Uckfield Festival

Mixed arts festival in July each year. Range of events for families and all round entertainment.

Location: Uckfield. Tel: 01825 762294
www.uckfieldfestival.co.uk



Lights up at the Hailsham Pavilion



The mixed arts festival parade in Uckfield



Touring 'Five get Famous' – The Rude Mechanical Theatre Company



Morris dancers in Hailsham

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