

# Eyes of the Forest

Seeing things differently

Forest of Imagination® 2016 features a number of installations and activities highlighting the relationship of Bath to the local and global environment. Our theme, 'Eyes of the Forest', promotes new ways of feeling and thinking about our urban spaces and showcases the creative spirit of the city.

'Creativity can enhance wellbeing and transform lives, communities, cities and economies.'

## EVENT OPENING TIMES:

**Friday 3 June:** 6pm - 9pm (opening night)  
**Saturday 4 June:** 10am - 6pm (Bath Abbey late opening 7pm - 9pm)  
**Sunday 5 June:** 10am - 6pm  
**Monday 6 June:** 10am - 6pm

## PARTNERS/COLLABORATORS



## WHY MADAGASCAR?

Madagascar and the baobab forests, lemurs, chameleons and other endangered species are referenced in many of the installations and activities. We chose these forests since they have a very special and inspirational character, are highly unusual, under serious threat, have extraordinary biodiversity and lend themselves to some dramatic interpretation. We are fortunate to have the support of Bristol Zoo which operates an essential conservation project in Madagascar based around the conservation of lemur species. Through their work we can explore the future opportunities for cities like Bath and Bristol to help conserve these internationally important forests and at the same time these places can inspire us to think differently about our own cities and woodlands.

"Bristol Zoological Society saves wildlife through conservation action and engaging people with the natural world, aiming to raise awareness of the threats facing lemurs at the regional, national, and international level. Director of Conservation, Dr. Christoph Schwitzer, is the editor of Lemur News, an online and publicly available newsletter that connects the lemur research and conservation community. The Society has led the publication of several highly-visible articles, which effectively called attention to the plight of lemurs in Madagascar.

In Madagascar, the Bristol Zoological Society focuses its efforts on the Sahamalaza Peninsula in the north-west of the island and is one of the core partners in the AEECL (Association Européenne pour l'Étude et la Conservation des Lémuériens) a conservation organisation that works in Madagascar. The project has a multi-strand approach including the teaching of conservation in local schools, mass tree planting and the running of a research camp in Sahamalaza, home to various critically endangered lemur species including the blue-eyed black lemur (Eulemur flavifrons) and the Sahamalaza sportive lemur (Lepilemur sahamalazensis)." Dr. Christoph Schwitzer, Director of Conservation, Bristol Zoo

## 'FOREST EYES' APP

Available to download free from the App Store and Google Play Store for both Apple and Android smartphones and tablets.

Designed and built by Paul Lewis of Media Grand.



### Abbey Vines

Concept - Andrew Grant (Grant Associates)  
3-D animation - Martin Coohil (Grant Associates)

Imagine Bath Abbey overgrown with giant twisting Madagascara Vanilla Orchid vines, sprouting giant Vanilla flowers, and encircled by fluttering moths and butterflies. You'll be able to see it all of this with your own eyes in the Forest of Imagination app using the amazing technology taking the world by storm - Augmented Reality.

### Urban Forest

Concept - Paul Lewis (Media Grand)  
Design - Wayne Lindsay (Imaginnovation®)

Have you walked around a city and imagined how you would make things more beautiful? Well, now's your chance! Using Augmented Reality, you can redesign the urban landscape using beautifully illustrated plants and wildlife. Once you've created your design, you can geocode it for others to find, view and like.

### Forest Portals

Concept Design, Photography - Neil Glen (Bath Spa University)  
Wildlife Video sequences - BBC Motion Gallery  
Illustrations and prize draw books - Jessica Palmer  
Animation editor - Jon Warmington (Bath Spa University)

An immersive quest, designed by Neil Glen. Specially selected doors around Bath Abbey become portals to discover forests around the world! Each Portal offers a glimpse into a beautiful, enchanting place including Madagascar's Spiny Forests and underwater Kelp forests in the Pacific Ocean, and find out why we need to look after these special places. Intrepid forest explorers will want to find all the Portals, including a peek into a secret mystical world, for a chance to unlock exclusive content and enter a free prize draw. We have five copies of artist Jessica Palmer's Tangle Wood (Search Press, 2015) book to give away.

**Tangle Wood (Search Press, 2015)**  
Illustrator and paper cutter, Jessica Palmer, has created 80 pages of enchanting hand-drawn pictures with an enchanted woodland theme for you to colour in. Each one includes a hidden jewel, intricately worked into the design.



## ARTWORKS/INSTALLATIONS

### THE CREATIVE FOREST (KINGSTON PARADE)

**Creative Forest**  
Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios / Grant Associates / Herman Miller  
An outdoor making space where we will create an abstract, multicoloured 'forest' by installing 'a thousand trees' - mixing real living species with extraordinary imagined trees and forest installations made from reclaimed material. All designed and made by a wide cross section of the creative minds of Bath.

### Bower Bird Nest

Carpenter Oak & Woodland

### The Enchanted Forestscape (Sounds of Madagascar)

Martyn Ware (Illustrious)  
Immerse yourself in an imaginary 3D soundscape (in the Bower Bird Nest) based on the authentic sounds of the Madagascan forests. Listen to the birds in the canopy, the unique wildlife of the jungle and the animals and insects scurrying around the invisible forest floor.

### Tree Artworks

The Story Tree - Clare Day  
Will-o'-the-Wisp Tree - Joshua Roughley (IMO, Bath Spa Uni)  
Fruit Tree - Matthew Leece  
Tyntesfield Honesty Tree - Jessica Palmer  
Merlin's Tree - Bunny  
The Nurse Tree - Karen Myskiw  
Rose Tree - Alison Harper  
Coleme Old School Playgroup  
St Michael's Junior School  
St Saviours Infant School  
Bathaston Primary School  
Marksbury Primary School  
The Greenhouse School  
Swainswick School  
Twerton Infant School and Nursery  
Beacon Rise Primary School  
Youth Forum  
Mentoring Plus  
Hawker Joinery  
The Royal High School Bath

### THE GLOBAL FOREST (ABBAY CHURCHYARD)

The Global Forest invites imagination about important international forests we may never have the chance to visit.

### The Three Baobabs - Guardians of the Madagascar Forests

Grant Associates / Designs in Air  
Adansonia grandidieri, Adansonia rubrostipa, Adansonia madagascariensis  
Baobabs are extraordinary trees that are in great danger of dying out. Forest of Imagination would like everyone to be inspired by these magnificent species and all the creatures that coexist in their environment and help to conserve their unique home in Madagascar.

## Forests of the World

Illustration by Ruth Thorp  
Stand on the acorn (which marks the start of the Cotswold Way) and discover where local and global forests are in relation to this point.

## THE LIVING FOREST (ABBAY GREEN)

Housed in the branches of the spectacular Oriental Plane tree is a sound and sculpture installation inspired by nature in the city and the curious species of Madagascar.

## The Paper Menagerie

Cabinet of Curiosity Studio  
A bird's eye view of forests - drawing on the idea that birds can see many more colours than humans, Cabinet of Curiosity have created a paper menagerie of lemurs, Malagasan giant chameleons, and the humble pigeon - wonder at these animals and birds through a bird's eye.

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## THE EDEN FOREST (BATH ABBEY)

Beneath the tall pillars and canopy of the fan-vaulted ceiling sense the heavenly paradise offered to us in the Forest of Eden and the call to see creation as a gift to all, to be cared for.

## Special late night opening from 7 - 9pm on Saturday 5 June.

Please note, at certain times due to Abbey services and events, Bath Abbey will not be open to the public. Saturday - Bath Abbey is open for visitors from 1pm - 4.45pm & 7pm - 9pm. Sunday - Bath Abbey is open for visitors from 1pm - 2.30pm & 4.30pm - 5.30pm.

## iMigration

Digital mono-printed paper hanging sculpture by Anthony Head

iMigration is a large-scale sculpture, a swarm of colourful paper butterflies, spanning 10 metres and suspended eight metres up in the air inside Bath Abbey. The first impression for the audience is of a single group, a swarm of creatures that appear to be the same. Closer inspection reveals that each butterfly is unique, with its own digital genetic code and individual wing pattern influenced by random mutations. iMigration explores themes of migration, diversity and individuality. In the swarm each butterfly features colour and patterns designed with computational methods: procedural textures, the fractal mathematics of nature. The butterflies will move gently in the air currents that fill the Abbey as if travelling on a migration. In today's world of human migration and its reporting, it's easy to forget how unique each person is, to reduce people to anonymous groups, stereotypes, or just numbers. iMigration asks you to seek the individual

stories, the human beings in a world saturated by 'mass' media reporting, statistics and the digital consumption of news.

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## Portals - Gateways to the Forest of Imagination

Forest Eyes illustrations by Perry Harris  
Find the portals dotted around the Forest of Imagination site. For every portal printed, a tree was planted for Tree's 4 Africa in Lesotho, Africa.

## House of Imagination

Location: Upstairs in the Friends Meeting House  
A programme of free creative workshops led by professional artists.

## Forest of Imagination 2014 - 2016

Location: Upstairs in the Friends Meeting House  
An exhibition of drawings and images from Forest of Imagination 2014 - 2016.

## Bristol Zoo Information Point

Location: Friends Meeting House  
Learn more about Bristol Zoo's conservation projects in Madagascar and around the globe.

## OPENING NIGHT

Please join us for the evening to celebrate with a performance by spoken word poet Toby Thompson and a talk and Q&A session with key Forest of Imagination collaborators. Open until 9pm - we hope to see you there!

## Toby Thompson - Eyes of the Forest

6.30pm  
Location: Kingston Parade

## Talks and Q&A - Eyes of the Forest: seeing things differently

7.15pm - 8.15pm  
Location: Friends Meeting House

Chaired by: Penny Hay (5x5x5=creativity, Bath Spa University) Wayne Lindsay (Imaginnovation)

With:  
Andrew Grant (Grant Associates)  
Peter Clegg (Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios)  
Alan Toyne (Bristol Zoo)  
Martyn Ware (Illustrious)  
Chloe Richardson (Herman Miller)  
Anthony Head (Bath Spa University)



## WORKSHOPS & TALKS

All workshops and talks are FREE, DROP-IN, and OPEN TO ALL AGES, unless stated otherwise. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to the workshops.

## FRIDAY 3 JUNE

### Origami Workshop with The Museum of East Asian Art

10am - 1pm | 2pm - 4pm  
Location: Bath Abbey (North Aisle)  
Make origami creatures to add to the Eden Forest.

## SATURDAY 4 JUNE

### The Aye Aye Spy Agency: an adventure by The House of Fairy Tales

10am - 6pm  
Location: Kingston Parade (signposted)  
With rumours flying of the dreaded forces of Mnee lurking in the corners of the forest, The House of Fairy Tales has sent the legendary forest protection force, the Aye Aye Spies, to investigate, and they need your help. Join us for fun filled investigations and explorations, and top secret missions to the furthest reaches of the forest, and with the help of Bristol Zoo even a little beyond. Suitable for all children with a watchful eye aged 6+

### We are the Creatures of the Forest with theatre director Lucy Cassidy and musician Sarah Moody

10am - 4.30pm  
Location: Kingston Parade (signposted)  
Play theatre games, help make some music for the performance, create your own creature costume using sustainable materials - then if you'd like process and perform with the whole group. Performances will take place at 12pm and 3:30pm. Age 5+ (parents welcome to take part alongside their children)

### Make a Little Book with Laura Little & BSU Publishing

10am - 6pm  
Location: Kingston Parade - Book-making station (7 on map)  
Pick up your Forest book pack from the book-making station - and go wherever your imagination takes you on your Forest journey. Don't forget to return to the Station to have your creations turned into a beautiful book!

### The Tactile Tree with artist Laura Blake

10am - 1pm  
Location: Kingston Parade  
Come and help build a sensory walkway through trees adorned with pom-poms and hand crafted leaves.

## Urban Jungle with artist Holly Dabbs

10am - 1pm  
Location: Friends Meeting House  
Look closely and you will see the city streets are filled with eyes! Join Holly and some new animal friends on an truly immersive storytelling experience exploring nature in the city. Build the set, devise characters and plot before performing your tale.

## The Trees are Alive! with writer Alice Maddicott

10am - 2pm  
Location: Friends Meeting House  
Create your own tree character - explore its personality and life, before making and decorating your tree with its own story to add to an evolving village of living trees. You can write to tree pen pals via the pop-up tree village post office.

## The Most Mysterious Eyes of the Forest - make a mask or headpiece with artist Ellie Shipman

10am - 2pm  
Location: Kingston Parade  
Become a creature of the forest using recycled materials to make your own magical forest eyes!

## What Do Our Children Need? with Agnes Javor

10.30am - 12.30pm  
Location: Friends Meeting House  
For parents and teachers  
In the 21st century what you can do with what you know is becoming more important than what you know. Together we shall explore why curiosity, creativity and keeping questioning alive contribute to discovering and recognising problems as well as finding novel ways to solve them.

## Rose Garlands with artist Alison Harper

11am - 1pm  
Location: Rose Tree, Kingston Parade (signposted)  
Join artist Alison Harper to make fabric garlands using twisting and plying techniques, then complete them with roses made from found materials.

## Get Fruity with the Fruit Tree with designer Matthew Leece

12pm - 4pm  
Location: Fruit Tree, Kingston Parade (signposted)  
Join Matthew to design fruits from scrap material to finish his Fruit Tree and think about ways of reusing scrap materials.

## Origami Workshop with The Museum of East Asian Art

2pm - 4pm  
Location: Bath Abbey (North Aisle)  
Make origami creatures to add to the Eden Forest.

## What's Hiding in the Forest? with artist Clare Day

2pm - 5pm  
Location: The Story Tree, Kingston Parade (signposted)  
Come and draw what's hiding in your imagination (butterflies, tigers, giants, friends?) and we will add it to our story tree to tell the story of who or what is hiding in the forest, and what happens next.

## EmBark: on a sensory adventure... with environmental-art educators Jess Tanner & Clare Bissell

10am - 6pm  
Location: Kingston Parade  
Join environmental-art educators Jess and Clare Bissell for a full programme of multi-sensory activities taking children and adults alike on a playful, spirited adventure of the heart and soul. Take home a tiny garden in your pocket, grow a recycled tree, or join the masked and musical forest parade. EmBark: Reawaken your senses!

## Shadow Puppet Theatre with Filskit Theatre

2pm - 6pm  
Location: Friends Meeting House  
What creatures live in the forest? Join Filskit Theatre and make your very own forest creature shadow puppet using found and natural materials. Tell your puppet's story in one of Filskit's shadow theatres using light, projection and animation.

## Tree-hive Making with artist Miranda Wells

3pm - 6pm  
Location: Kingston Parade  
Make a beehive from recycled materials for your garden - help save our wild bees!

## The Tree in Me with Sparklab art & philosophy

(run as short workshops - 3 - 3.35 / 3.35 - 4.10 / 4.10 - 4.45 / 4.45 - 5.20 / 5.20 - 5.55)  
3pm - 6pm  
Location: Friends Meeting House  
Playful art & philosophy workshop - children and adults are dared to portray themselves as trees using mixed media (from scraps of paper to iPads for stop motion animation).

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## Science Busking with Rick Hall of Ignite Futures

10am - 6pm  
Location: Kingston Parade  
Explore science as you never have before!

## Butterfly Habitat: Seed Eggs in Nests - Wishes take flight... with artist Karen Myskiw

10am - 11.30am  
Location: Kingston Parade  
Make seed bombs made from meadow seeds - create a seed bomb nest to take home and plant directly in your garden, or into container pots for a portable pollinator habitat. The selected seeds will provide butterfly larvae host food required for growth and metamorphosis and be pollinators for adult butterflies.

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## Bird-nests - Habitats with Shani & Paul from Room 13

11am - 3pm  
Location: Kingston Parade  
Discover and learn about the different ways birds make their nests, and have a go yourself at making nests with scrap material.

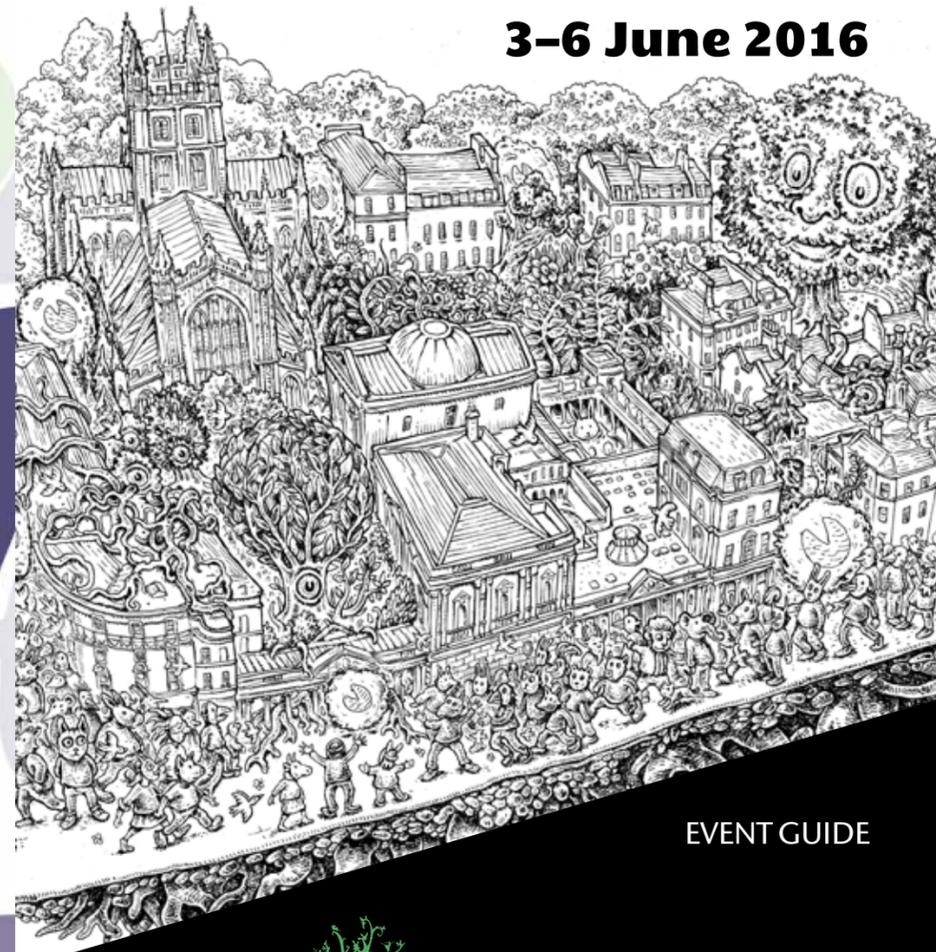
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## Cut Out Books with artist Sophie Erin Cooper

2pm - 4pm  
Location: Friends Meeting House  
Come along and explore with beautiful natural objects - as tools, surfaces and inspiration. You could draw on pressed petals or paint with a feather. Your details and drawings transforming into delicate tracing paper books. Suitable for ages 14+

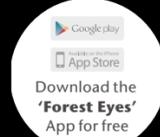




'Eyes of the Forest'

Bath Abbey, Kingston Parade,  
Abbey Green, Abbey Churchyard

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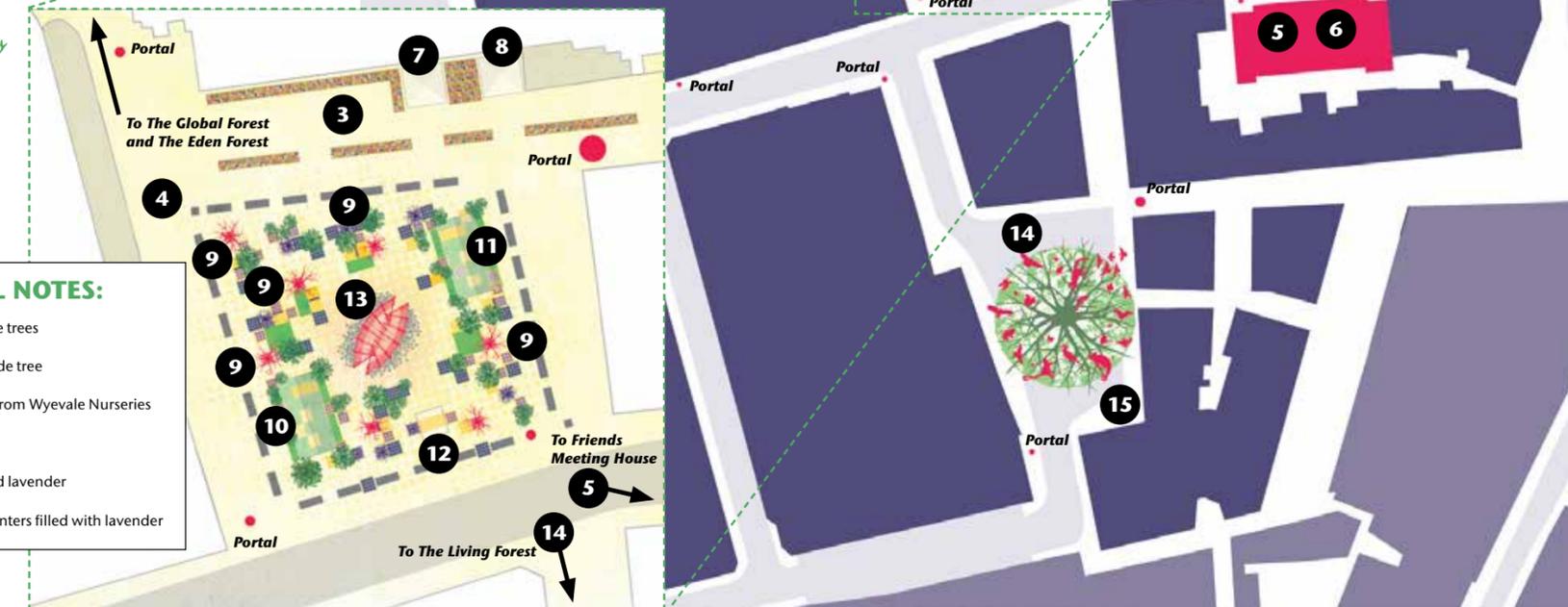


**KEY**

- 1 The Global Forest, Abbey Churchyard
- 2 The Eden Forest, Bath Abbey
- 3 Snapdragon Alley, Kingston Parade
- 4 The Creative Forest, Kingston Parade
- 5 House of Imagination, Friends Meeting House
- 6 Bristol Zoo Information Point
- 7 Book making station
- 8 Information / Lost Child / First Aid Point
- 9 Mini workshop spaces with artist trees
- 10 Kingston Parade workshop 1
- 11 Kingston Parade workshop 2
- 12 The House of Fairy Tales stall
- 13 Bower Bird Nest by Carpenter Oak and Woodland with Illustrious soundscape
- 14 The Living Forest, Abbey Green
- 15 onetwofive gallery, Abbey Green

**GENERAL NOTES:**

- Artist made trees
- School made tree
- Real trees from Wyevale Nurseries
- Tables
- Floor based lavender
- Timber planters filled with lavender



**SUNDAY 5 JUNE (cont'd)**

**Imagine This? with Steve Thorp, coach, soulmaker and creative activist**  
2pm - 4pm

**Location:** Friends Meeting House  
This one's for the grown-ups. If you are a parent, teacher, artist, entrepreneur or an otherwise creative spirit, and you'd like to learn what 'imagination' and 'soul-making' can hold for you, then join us for this workshop and conversation. You'll need a notebook, artpad and a pen, pencil or both. There'll be time for conversation, creativity and sharing – and plenty of information and stories about creativity, imagination and grown-up imagineering.

**4pm - 6pm**  
An opportunity for a one-to-one imagination session with Steve in his pop-up Imagination Clinic.

**Tree of Words with artist & writer Emily Wilkinson**  
2pm - 6pm

**Location:** Friends Meeting House  
Branch out into writing! Join Emily to write inspiring tree-shaped poems and stories. Using writing and collage we will work on our own pieces and co-create large-scale word trees. This workshop is suitable for all ages who like to write.

**Go Foraging Walk! with forager Martin Bailey**  
3.30pm - 5.30pm

**Location:** Meet outside 44AD Gallery at 3.15pm (Martin will be leaving promptly at 3.30pm!)  
*Places are limited - allocated on a first come, first served basis*  
On our walk around Bath you will discover numerous edible wild plants in season now. For some this will be an introduction to a green space you've not previously explored; others may come to view a familiar spot through new lenses, your green vision switched on! We'll discuss what to eat, what not to eat plus how to harvest and prepare wild ingredients.

**Make Birds from waste material with artist Ellis Kirby**  
4pm - 6pm

**Location:** Kingston Parade  
What kind of birds live in the Forest of your Imagination? Small birds, big birds, colourful and plain, birds on a string, birds on a stick - use your imagination and the materials to hand, and see what happens...

**The Wonder Pages with writer Alice Maddicott**  
4.30pm - 5.30pm

**Location:** Friends Meeting House  
What are your favourite words? What can you see around you? What do you wonder about? Come and fill a page with wonderful words to add to the Forest Wonder Wall.

**Sunday 5 June Services on Celebration and Care of Creation**  
9.30am, 11.15am and 6.30pm

**Location:** Bath Abbey  
Martyn Ware (Illustrious) and Andrew Grant (Grant Associates) will be speaking at the 6.30pm service.

**MONDAY 6 JUNE**

Schools' Day - local schools will be visiting Forest of Imagination to take part in pre-booked workshops, open workshops include:

**Origami Workshop with Akiko Wakefield, The Museum of East Asian Art**  
10am - 1pm | 2pm - 4pm

Open to all visitors  
**Location:** Bath Abbey (North Aisle)  
Make origami creatures to add to the Eden Forest.

**Plant sale**  
3pm onwards, Monday 6 June

Take home your own piece of the forest! Plants will be on sale in Kingston Parade.

**SATELLITE EVENTS**

**Transfer**  
Friday 3, Saturday 4, Sunday 5 June  
6pm - 8pm (Friday)  
10am - 6pm (Saturday & Sunday)

**Location:** onetwofive gallery, Abbey Green, Bath Free  
A collaborative installation of sound, film and light in the gallery basement.

**Kilter Theatre presents The Illuminating Times of The Darkling Society**  
Friday 3, Saturday 4, Friday 10, Saturday 11 June  
9pm (Bring a picnic to enjoy before the performance, from 7.30pm)

**Location:** Prior Park Landscape Gardens, Bath £10 / 8 (Box Office: 01225 448844)  
A play. Outside. After dark. Suitable for adults and children. Set Design by artist Edwina Bridgeman.

**Bath Spa University Lunchtime Recitals on Forest themes**  
Friday 3, Saturday 4, Monday 6 June, 1pm

**Location:** Bath Abbey Free

**Launch of Unpsychology Magazine 3 - the Childhood edition**  
Saturday 4 June, 6.30pm - 8pm

**Location:** Magalleria, 22A Broad Street, Bath Free  
Unpsychology Magazine's wonderful third edition on childhood, featuring work by Jay Griffiths, Penny Hay, Dave Hicks and many others is being launched at Magalleria. Unpsychology responds to themes of psychology, soul-making, ecology and 'wild mind' with poetry, essays, stories and illustration. In this special issue there is a focus on CHILDHOOD. Everyone invited for wine, readings, conversation.

**Forest of Imagination 2014 - 2016**

Gallery open Wednesday - Saturday  
10am - 5.30pm (Wednesday - Friday)  
10.30am - 6pm (Saturday)  
**Location:** Lane House Arts, 5 Nelson Place East, Bath Free  
An exhibition of drawings and images from Forest of Imagination 2014 - 2016.

**Walk to the view!**  
The National Trust Free  
A circular self-led walk providing a break from the bustle of the city and a fresh perspective of the city's rich heritage. From the city centre to Bathwick Fields, via other attractions including the Kennet and Avon Canal and the Georgian pleasure grounds of Sydney Gardens.

**The Wonder Pages**  
David Almond Free and online (www.thewonderpages.com)  
An invitation to children and young people to express their imagination through creative writing and images.



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