

CAMBRIDGE  
JUNCTION

SPRING 2020

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Fri 03 Jan, Fri 07 Feb, Fri 06 Mar,  
Fri 03 Apr, Fri 01 May, Fri 04 Jun



## HAMMER & TONGUE CAMBRIDGE

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J3
Price	Pay What You Feel

Spoken word artistry and competitive fervour combine. Become part of the monthly national poetry slam phenomenon running in Cambridge since 2009. Sign up online to compete with your poetry, become a judge, or just soak up the atmosphere.

Sat 25 Jan



## TONY LAW IDENTIFIES AS A HOMINID

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J3
Price	£13.50

Absurdist comedian Tony Law is back with a new show, and it's turning out to be his best yet. For connoisseurs of comedy who have seen it all and are funny in their own bones. Top drawer Tony. Comedians comedian comedian for the comedy nerd seeking Dadaist nirvosis nirvana blap. 10+

Wed 29 Jan



## ZEBRA

WES PEDEN

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	£10 adult / £6 child
<b>Group of 4: Save 15% (max 2. adults)</b>	

*Zebra* is a show of masterful juggling where hundreds of new throws and catches are used to show never-before-seen shapes. There's ball juggling where elbows are used as little trampolines, rings that turn into butterflies, constellations and waves. 8+

Thu 30 Jan



## SALON: QUEER

Time	6-7pm
Venue	J3
Price	Pay What You Feel

Join artist-writer La JohnJoseph and Cambridge University research fellow Tam Blaxter for an evening of discussion, exploration and celebration of all things queer, from art and culture, identity politics and the etymology of the word itself.

*Ticket includes a free drink.*

Thu 30 Jan



## THE FROG PRINCESS PUNKED

### SALLY POMME CLAYTON AND THE SWAMP GIRLS

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

Pioneering storyteller Sally-Pomme Clayton and girl-punk band The Swamp Girls, perform a crazed fairytale. A hybrid hullabaloo of spoken word, distorted guitars, scorching drums, riotous songs, surreal projections v-jayed live! *The Frog Princess Punked* is funny, feminist, and loud! 16+

Wed 05 Feb



## LISA O'NEILL

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£15 adv

Award-winning Irish singer-songwriter Lisa O'Neill has amassed a reputation for earnest live performances steeped in myth, folklore and tradition. She returns to Cambridge following a hugely popular set at Cambridge Folk Festival.

Thu 06 Feb



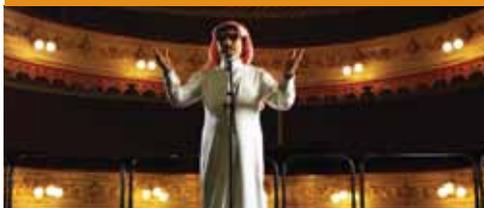
## THE YEAR MY VAGINA TRIED TO KILL ME

### AMY VREEKE

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

Stand-up comedian and theatre maker Amy Vreeke creates multi-genre, autobiographical work that explores social taboos with candour and comedy. This brand new show takes a frank and funny look at a life-altering disease that affects one in ten women in the UK. 16+

Fri 07 Feb



## OMAR SOULEYMAN

Time	Doors 7pm
Venue	J1
Price	£25 adv

The Syrian musical legend returns following his 2017 appearance at Ahab Festival. The Björk and Four Tet collaborator has an established status as a world and electronic music icon and enjoys an extensive international following. Plus food from Bedouin.

*Part of the Ahab Festival.*

Fri 07 – Sun 16 Feb



## AHBAB FESTIVAL

The *Ahbab Festival* returns for its 5th year to bring you the very best in music from the MENA region (Middle Eastern North African). The line-up of the festival will include classical and modern music, from folk traditions, to the latest urban artists, concerts, club nights, food, film, activities for children and the whole family. There will be events across the city for a whole week all starting with Omar Souleyman in J1. *See website for full details.*

Tue 11 & Wed 12 Feb



## FEST EN FEST

**Time** Various  
**Venue** J1, J2 & J3

*Fest en Fest* is a new artist led festival for expanded choreography initiated and curated by H2DANCE. Presenting a programme of both UK and Nordic choreographers, *Fest en Fest* is a space for artists and audiences to come together to perform, discuss, provoke, influence and be a force for change. *See website for full details.*

Wed 19 Feb



## WINNING AT MODERN LIFE

**HELEN MORRIS BROWN**

**Time** 7.30pm  
**Venue** J2  
**Price** £17

Helen Morris Brown is a TEDx speaker, business psychologist and jargon disentangler whose talks are as memorable as they are illuminating. Join Helen as she explains why we need to rethink how we engage with social media in order to live our best digital lives. 14+

Thu 20 Feb



## QUEER TRASH!

**TIMBERLINA, OWEN G PARRY, ROY CLAIRE POTTER, DIARMUID HESTER**

**Time** 7.30pm  
**Venue** J3  
**Price** Pay What You Feel

Queer trash in a profusion of permutations, inhering in trash or adhering to queerness, in any case soiled and impure, gorgeously stained, promiscuous, perhaps. Join us for an evening of queer trash-themed performances and readings. 12+

Fri 14 Feb

## CAMBRIDGE JUNCTION 30TH BIRTHDAY PARTY: LOST NIGHTS & LOVE SONGS

John Peel opened Cambridge Junction's doors to the public on Valentine's Day 1990.

On 14 February 2020 join us for our birthday and a night of revelry to celebrate the more than 3m uniquely entertaining moments experienced here by audiences here over the last 30 years.

With special guests and surprises representing all that makes us Cambridge Junction this will be a night you won't want to lose out on.

*See website for full details.*



### We want your memories!

Our reminiscence project 'Lost Nights & Love Songs' is pulling together oral and written histories and ephemera to celebrate the rich history of Cambridge Junction from the campaign for its creation, to the present day.

*Visit [junction.co.uk/lost-nights](http://junction.co.uk/lost-nights) to share your memories.*

Sun 23 Feb



## CRAZY BUT TRUE

### ANT HAMPTON

Time	3–6pm (drop in)
Venue	J2
Price	Free

*Crazy But True* is an interactive installation performed by children who, cast as 'experts', are given their lines via headphones. Without any rehearsal, they repeat what they hear: a rolling list of extraordinary facts - some serious, others very funny. 8+

Mon 24 Feb



## PORTICO QUARTET

Time	Doors 7pm
Venue	J2 (standing)
Price	£20.50 adv

Mercury Prize-nominated Portico Quartet have always been an impossible band to pin down. Sending out echoes of jazz, electronica, ambient music and minimalism, the group have created their own singular, cinematic sound.

Thu 27 Feb



## MIKADO REMIX

**LOUIS VANHAVERBEKE**

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

In his latest production, multitalented Belgian artist Louis Vanhaverbeke explores the boundaries of normality. They are just as figurative as they are literal. We build isolation cells, prisons and schools to set the limits of normality and to be able to distinguish ourselves from others. But what is normality? 14+

Sat 29 Feb



## THE TIME SHOW

**ROB AUTON**

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	£13.50

The latest comedy/theatre/spoken word show by writer and performer of some of what he writes Rob Auton. Following on from his critically acclaimed shows about talking, hair, sleep, water, faces, the sky and the colour yellow, Rob now turns his attention to time. 16+

Tue 03 Mar



## WHY I'M NEVER GOING INTO POLITICS

**GRACE CAMPBELL**

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£15.50 (£13.50 con)

From a very young age, Grace has been taking on powerful men, starting with her father Alastair Campbell and his ex-boss Tony Blair. Since then Grace has challenged the patriarchy with her feminist collective The Pink Protest. And now, she wants to have a friendly fight with the world she grew up in; politics. 16+

Thu 05 Mar



## SUPER DUPER CLOSE UP

**MADE IN CHINA**

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£13.50

Razor sharp innovators Made In China make an eagerly anticipated return with a new piece which is both rage-fuelled and hilarious. *Super Duper Close Up* is a surreal ride through the anxieties of the ordinary that asks how everything is so perfect yet coming apart at the seams. 15+

Wed 11 & Thu 12 Mar



## I WILL BE EVERYTHING...

### NEW INTERNATIONAL ENCOUNTER

<b>Time</b>	<b>1pm &amp; 7pm (Wed) &amp; 10am &amp; 1pm (Thu)</b>
<b>Venue</b>	<b>J2</b>
<b>Price</b>	<b>£10 adult / £6 child</b> <b>Group of 4: Save 15% (max 2. adults)</b>

*I Will Be Everything...* asks children from 7 different countries across Europe to imagine the future. Their future lives, dreams and the future world... A brand-new show with live music, projection, shadow puppetry and animation, performed by 6 actors from across Europe. 7+

from Mon 16 Mar



## THE THING

### ANT HAMPTON

*The THING* is a workshop about self and social DISRUPTION; it's also automatic; a kind of performance where the only people present are a group of 8-12 participants who open a suitcase and follow a mix of pre-recorded and scripted triggers. It comprises 4 episodes, each about 4 hours long; 16 hours in total. 16+

*See website for full details and how to get involved.*

Thu 19 Mar



## CONTRA

### LAURA MURPHY

<b>Time</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>
<b>Venue</b>	<b>J2</b>
<b>Price</b>	<b>Pay What You Feel</b>

Drawing from circus, stand-up and live art, *Contra* is a solo-cabaret of contradictions. Fierce, witty and uncompromising, this highly physical show interrogates personal, social and historical occupations of the female body. 16+

Sat 21 Mar



## WHITE NOISE

### SCOTT GIBSON

<b>Time</b>	<b>8pm</b>
<b>Venue</b>	<b>J3</b>
<b>Price</b>	<b>£14 (£12 con)</b>

Glasgow's critically acclaimed and award winning son is back with a brand-new hour of darkly comedic storytelling. Delivered in his trademark, breathlessly inimitable style, Gibson covers everything from depression to love; the murkier hues of mental health, dogs, and the pursuit of happiness in the digital age. 15+

Sun 22 Mar



## DOUBLE TAKE AND FADE AWAY

**JOHN KEARNS**

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£13.50

Described by *The Telegraph* as “a distant, absurdist cousin of Tony Hancock” and “one of the oddest and most original comic performers on the Fringe”, two Time Edinburgh Comedy Award Winner John Kearns is back with a new show directed by Olivier winner, Jon Brittain.

Wed 25 Mar



## I'M HERE, WHERE ARE YOU? WORKSHOP DAY

*I'm Here, Where Are You?* is back after last year's inaugural festival. We're cooking up plans for a bigger and better festival in 2021 but in the meantime join us for a day of workshops to celebrate UK Disability Arts. Expect introductions to the world of performance and dance by led by some of the UK's most exciting D/deaf artists. *See website for full details.*

Wed 25 Mar



## AUGMENTED

**SOPHIE WOOLLEY**

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

From going deaf in her 20s to being activated/switched on as a real-life ‘cyborg’, Sophie Woolley’s brand-new play is a personal story of the joy and conflict of becoming ‘hearing’ again after years of total deafness. *“A totally unique writer... an absolutely amazing performer”* (Irvine Welsh on Sophie Woolley’s *Augmented*) 14+

Thu 26 Mar



## SALON: DISTRACT

Time	6–7pm
Venue	J3
Price	Pay What You Feel

Let me ask you a question; what are you being distracted from right now? Join us to consider the interplay between conspiracy and democracy. We will discuss how stories originally designed to absorb and entertain us may now be being used to distract us and divert our attention. *Ticket includes a free drink.*

Thu 26 Mar



## THE DEPARTMENT OF DISTRACTIONS

### THIRD ANGEL

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

*The Department of Distractions*, an organisation so clandestine you won't have heard of them. Until now. Third Angel brings you a conspiracy-theory documentary-exposé detective story for the 21st century that asks: What aren't you looking at? 14+

Sun 29 Mar



## HINAYNI!

### RACHEL CREEGER

Time	8pm
Venue	J3
Price	£13.50 (£11.50 con)

The only practising Orthodox Jewish woman currently on the UK comedy circuit, Rachel Creeger brings her new show to Cambridge. *Hinayni!* is charming, moving and truly original, a dark stand-up comedy hour about shining a light on who you really are. 15+

Mon 30 Mar



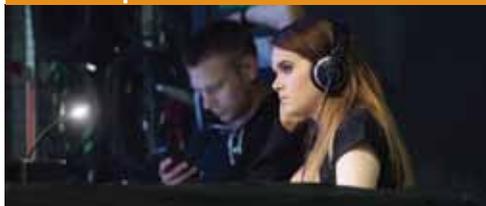
## 50 THINGS ABOUT US

### MARK THOMAS

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£19.50 (low income/student £14)

Mark Thomas uses his trademark style of storytelling, stand-up, subversion and really, really, well-researched material to try and find out how the hell we ended up in the middle of this shit show. 16+

Thu 02 Apr



## CREATIVE CAREERS EVENING

Time	4pm
Venue	J1, J2 & J3
Price	£6

Are you interested in a creative career but not sure where to start? Our creative careers evening will give you an insight into the creative and cultural industry. Talk to arts professionals, explore the venue and take part in workshops such as sound engineering and theatre making with leading industry professionals.

Thu 02 Apr



## THE FORECAST

**AMY BELL**

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

As the only dyke in the dance class, Amy finds new moves for a more radical notion of femininity. On a witty journey of transformation and becoming, she rides the blustery winds sweeping across the gendered body. 14+

Tue 07 Apr



## BELINDA O'HOOLEY: SOLO PIANO

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£17 adv

Belinda O'Hooley is an exceptionally gifted pianist, singer, songwriter and composer and has become renowned for her highly individual, emotional, yet sensitive musicality. She is half acclaimed duo O'Hooley & Tidow alongside her wife Heidi Tidow. Their song 'Gentleman Jack' features as the closing theme song for Sally Wainwright's latest BBC/HBO drama.

Wed 08 Apr



## WEIRD SÉANCE

**DANIEL OLIVER**

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

Join Daniel for a wild and raucous participatory performance in a fake real wood in an ACTUALLY IMAGINED post-apocalyptic future of a participatory performance about you and your real fake deaths that actually happened in THE PAST which is NOW. 16+

Sun 12 Apr



## IT'S THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT...

**MATT WINNING**

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J3
Price	£13.50

The world as we know it is coming to an end regardless of whether we want it to or not. Join environmental researcher and comedian Dr Matt Winning for this comedy lecture about how we cope with climate change and what we can do about it. 15+

Wed 15 & Thu 16 Apr



## ORIGINAL DEVISED PERFORMANCE

### JUNCTION YOUNG COMPANY

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

Junction Young Company is an advanced training programme for performers aged 14 to 21 that provides an opportunity to work with innovative directors, theatre companies and visiting artists. This spring they are working with director and playwright Drew Taylor and poet and theatre maker Hannah Jane Walker on a brand new production. 14+

Mon 20 Apr



## OUT OF ORDER

### BEC HILL

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£15

A rare chance to catch this cult comedy favourite and online viral sensation. Bec provides the jokes. YOU provide the order. A unique and silly show full of stand-up, pop-ups and post-its from the award-winning Australian comedian. 16+

Sat 18 Apr



## ALAN PARKER URBAN WARRIOR FAREWELL TOUR

### SIMON MUNNERY

Time	8pm
Venue	J3
Price	£14.50 adv

Multi award-winning comedian Simon Munnery reprises his notorious alter ego, the besit anarchist Alan Parker Urban Warrior. Once the most radical, now the only radical, Alan returns with the old gold, the old truths, and some new truths (based on the old truths). 16+

Wed 22 Apr



## HUMBLE PI: MATT PARKER'S COMEDY OF MATHS ERRORS

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£17

Matt Parker is a stand-up comedian and mathematician. *Humble Pi* explores the greatest mathematical near-misses and mishaps involving planes, bridges, the internet, big data and more. Matt Parker shows us the bizarre ways maths trips us all up. Being wrong has never felt so right. 12+

Thu 23 Apr



## THE STORY COLLIDER

### TRUE STORIES ABOUT SCIENCE

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J3
Price	£8 (£6 con)

*The Story Collider* returns with another powerful storytelling show that promises true, personal stories about science. Join them for drinks, laughs, and more. 14+

Thu 30 Apr



## NUTCRUSHER

### SUNG IM HER

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

Starkly repetitive and energetic, *NUTCRUSHER* looks at sexual objectification and power. Inspired by the #metoo movement, Sung Im Her draws our attention to the gaze, to how we look and what affect that may have. 16+

Thu 07 May



## IDOL

### JAMAL GERALD

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

Who would you rather pray to? Beyoncé or white Jesus? Artist Jamal Gerald grew up in a Catholic Caribbean household, but would rather worship celebrities than white saints. Using African diasporic ritual, music and storytelling, join Jamal on an unapologetic examination of religion, pop culture and Black representation. 16+

Sat 09 May



## THE BUMSWING

### SOFIE HAGEN

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£17

One of the comedy scene's most exciting talents, cult podcaster, and now the author of the hugely successful book 'Happy Fat', Sofie Hagen returns to Cambridge with a new show. A show about the things you forget, the things you remember, and the things you wish you could forget. But also, there's a bit about bums. 14+

Sat 09 May



## AN EVENING WITHOUT KATE BUSH

### SARAH-LOUISE YOUNG

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J3
Price	£15

The chaotic cabaret cult! Howl with the *Hounds of Love* and dance on the moors with *Wuthering Heights*. Kate's not there, but you are. Over a career spanning five decades, Bush has always attracted loyal and devoted followers and this brand-new show celebrates their stories. 14+

Thu 14 May



## SALON: DISRUPT

Time	6-7pm
Venue	J3
Price	Pay What You Feel

We invite you to disrupt the norm, unsettle your routine, break the fourth wall. Join us for drinks as we discuss how art, artists and technology are working to disrupt the status quo, to step outside your comfort zones, and make you question the everyday. *Ticket includes a free drink.*

Thu 14 May



## CLASS

### SCOTTEE & FRIENDS LTD

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

Scottee grew up around mould, mice and clothes off the market. *Class* is about what it is to be embarrassed and why we all get a thrill playing god with green tokens from Waitrose. A show for the middle classes. 18+

Mon 18 May



## GOGO PENGUIN

Time	Doors 7pm
Venue	J1
Price	£22.50 adv

Manchester-based leftfield piano trio GoGo Penguin are Chris Illingworth piano, Nick Blacka bass and Rob Turner drums. Their music has been described as acoustic-electronica but they draw equally on rock, jazz and minimalism, computer game soundtracks and glitchy-electronica to create their unique music.

Tue 19 May



## PEGGY SEEGER & CALUM MACCOLL

Time	8pm
Venue	J2
Price	£22.50 adv

Making a very welcome return to Cambridge on her 'First Farewell Tour', the charismatic Peggy Seeger - singer, songwriter, feminist, icon, Ewan MacColl's partner and muse - is the undisputed queen of folk and political song. Join Peggy and her son Calum MacColl, for a glorious evening of up-close performance.

Thu 21 May



## VIEWS FROM THE 'BRIDGE

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J2
Price	Pay What You Feel

*Views from the 'Bridge* is our seasonal platform of work in development by members of our artist network, Troop. Line-up includes Urban Foxes Collective - Winer of the Pulse Suitcase Prize 2019, and a Troop New Ideas Award 2019, Hannah Samuels, TomYumSim. See website for full details of line-up and information about Troop. 12+

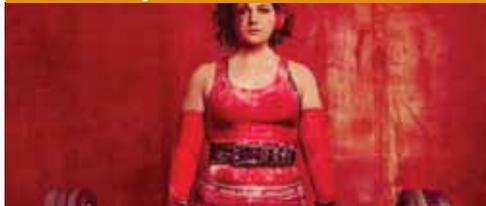
Fri 29 & Sat 30 May



## DISRUPT FESTIVAL

Springing from the ashes of the (in)famous Watch Out!, Cambridge Junction brings you DISRUPT, a two-day programme of disruptive performance. With fists full of live art, performance and dance from early til late, come join us for one of the UK's finest art parties. Featuring OUT by Rachael Young, *Sex Education* by Harry Clayton-Wright & *CUTE* by Luca Rutherford, and much more. *See website for full details.*

Sun 31 May



## JESS FOSTEKEW

Time	7.30pm
Venue	J3
Price	£14 (£12 con)

Absolute powershed and regular host of *The Guilty Feminist*, Jessica Fostekeew explores her big strong strength. Have you ever watched a feminist try and take 'hench' as a compliment? It's like watching a snake eat but funny. 14+

## BECOME A CAMBRIDGE JUNCTION MEMBER AND SAVE!



- **No booking fees - save on every ticket**
- **20% off when you book 3 or more shows**
- **Exclusive Members events**
- **Backstage tours + more**

*See website for full details.*

Thu 05 Mar / Wed 01 Apr / Wed 22 Apr



## FIRST MANOEUVRES

<b>Time</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>
<b>Venue</b>	<b>J3</b>
<b>Price</b>	<b>Free (ticketed)</b>

A friendly and informal scratch night of brand-new work by members of our artist development network, Troop.

**Thu 05 Mar** Simone French (TomYumSim) / Lesley Gibson / Razed Roof

**Wed 01 Apr** Rhys Votano / Jodie Scully & Jenna Unwin (Vice Versa) / Marcus Martin / Roxanne Carney

**Wed 22 Apr** Naz Yeni / Sarah Ellis / Anna Melander / Matilda Reith

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS FOR ARTISTS

### SELF-PRODUCING FOR THEATRE MAKERS

**Thu 12 Mar | Boardroom | 6.30-9.30pm**

This session will look at some of the skills and knowledge you will need to effectively produce and tour your own theatre productions. Led by Josie Dale-Jones of thisegg, a self-producing company from Cambridge who tour nationally.

### WORKING CREATIVELY WITH CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

**Wed 18 Mar | J3 | 6.30-9.30pm**

Come and meet Cambridge Junction's Creative Learning team, who will guide you through what you need to know if you've ever thought of extending your creative practice to working with children and young people.



### WRITING A STRONG ARTS COUNCIL FUNDING BID

**Wed 13 May | Boardroom | 6.30-9.30pm**

This session looks at the principles of writing convincing funding applications, and will include the practical application of these to writing an Arts Council Project Grant – come prepared to put pen to paper! Led by Cambridge Junctions' Artist Development Producer Cath Willmore.

# HOW TO BOOK

**INFO & TICKETS**  
**ONLINE [JUNCTION.CO.UK](http://JUNCTION.CO.UK)**  
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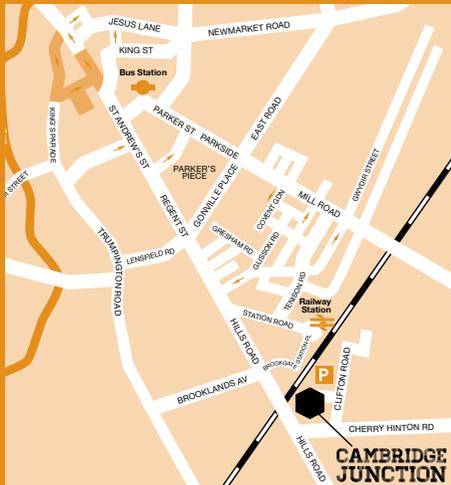
**BOX OFFICE OPENING HOURS**  
**MON-SAT 10AM-6PM AND FOR EVENTS**

All prices shown include a booking fee

## INFO

- Cafe/bar open 1 hr before show start times
- Baby change facilities
- Ice cream available at all performances
- Under 14s must be accompanied by an adult

Cambridge Junction is fully accessible - if you would like to discuss any access requirement prior to your visit please call 01223 511 511 or visit [junction.co.uk](http://junction.co.uk)



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