



SUMMER AT THE BERNIE GRANT ARTS CENTRE!

I'm incredibly excited to introduce our summer programme. In June, we will be hosting not one but two performances as part of LIFT 2018: SESSION, a collaboration between our resident companies Empire Sounds and Steppaz with Still House, as well as Small Wonders, a breathtaking immersive experience for children from Punchdrunk, the world-famous creators of Sleep No More and The Drowned Man.

Thanyia Moore, one of London's most exciting rising talents, will continue to host riotous nights of stand-up comedy, and you can look forward to a regular programme of live music on the mezzanine, including Dele Sosimi, The Songwords, and Sound of Zo. Across the courtyard in the Cinema Lounge, we are excited for the Black Europe on Film Festival starting in May and four exciting events with the British Urban Film Festival in June. And don't miss the Black Sound installation in our mezzanine, which traces a century of black British music and DIY creativity.

No matter what your taste – whether for comedy or cinema, live music or theatre – there's no mistaking the buzz around the Bernie Grant Arts Centre and Tottenham. Whether you're a regular visitor or first-timer, I hope you'll come down and see what we have to offer.

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Pete Courtie Chief Executive Bernie Grant Arts Centre

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The Songwords – 2 May

Time and Judgement – 3 May

Paris Noir – 10 May

Inspiring Change Festival – 15 May

Dele Sosimi – 16 May

Seven Sisters of Comedy/ Mayday – **17 May**

Sound of Zo – 23 May

Black Russians - 24 May

Gurumbé: Afro-Andalusian Memories – **25 May**

Blaxploitalian - 31 May

Black and German + German Town – 1 June

Small Wonders by Punchdrunk – 2 June to 13 July

BUFF 2018: Live Script Reading – **4 June**

BUFF 2018: Life and Death Shorts – **6 June**

BUFF 2018: Black Film Matters (Shorts) – 7 June

Too Black to be French – 7 June

BUFF 2018: Beyond the River – **8 June**

SESSION – 22-30 June

The Life of You – 21 July

Springboard Festival – 28 July







DON'T MISS OUT!

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SEVEN SISTERS OF COMEDY / MAYDAY

Join us for a night of the best U.K. comedy talent with enough award-winning circuit regulars and TV names to satisfy any comedy appetite. You'll see Sindhu Vee (Sindhustan, BBC Radio 4), Michael Odewale (BBC New Talent Hot List 2017), Bisha K Ali, Twix, and Twayna Mayne delivering giggles and belly-laughs galore, all hosted by the incredible Thanyia Moore – herself the winner of the 2017 Funny Women Awards!



17 May @ 7:30 pm Tickets £10 in advance / £12 on the door Suitable for ages 18+



Beat the mid-week blues with our eclectic music series featuring everything from samba to reggae, folk, and West African kora. Wednesday nights on the mezzanine above the Café & Bar.

Doors open @ 7:30 pm - £3 cover

THE SONGWORDS

2 May

This duo led by Helena King create harmonies around popular tunes and melodies, wooing audiences across London with their fresh, acoustic sound.

DELE SOSIMI

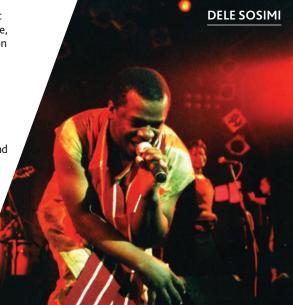
16 May

Perhaps the leading ambassador of London's Afrobeats scene, Dele Sosimi appears with a trio including brass and percussion.

SOUND OF ZO

23 May

Zoe, the singer-songwriter behind Sound of Zo, is inspired by the likes of Ed Sheeran, Stevie Nicks and India Arie, blending her soulful voice with acoustic guitar.



COMEDY WORKSHOPS

Join professional funny-woman Thanyia Moore for a series of workshops! You'll learn the basics of comedy, build your confidence, and have the chance to perform in our Comedy Showcase on July 4th.

Six sessions from 21 May to 25 June
£10 per session drop in or £50 for all six

THEATRE & DANCE

Small Wonders and SESSION are part of LIFT 2018, a London-wide festival of international performance.



SMALL WONDERS

World premiere

Inside Nanny Lacey's flat are her collection of miniatures. These homemade creations capture the adventures shared with her daughter Bella over the years. Like tiny 3D photographs, each one tells a different story.

But Nanny Lacey is getting older, and soon she'll move into assisted living. Before she goes, there is one final miniature to share, and story to be told.

In this magical, interactive experience for children aged 5-11 years and their families, Bella invites you to join Nanny Lacey in her Tottenham flat and explore the tiny worlds she has created.

A UK premiere for LIFT 2018 from Punchdrunk, pioneers of a unique form of theatre where audiences explore epic sensory worlds, Small Wonders is written by Nessah Muthy and inspired by the stories and dreams of the Tottenham UpLIFTers.

2 June to 13 July, various times Tickets £8-12 Suitable for ages 5-11 years with a running time of 60 minutes

This production is for children and their families. Adults attending without children will be denied entry.

Schools Performances

Would you like to bring a school group to Small Wonders? Visit our website for a full info pack for teachers, or ring the Box Office on **020 8365 5450** to book. Discounted rates for Haringey schools available!

Punchdrunk gratefully acknowledges the support of the Small Wonders Giving Circle and the Ellis Campbell Charitable Foundation.

Tottenham Tickets

Do you live in N15, N17 or N18? We are holding back a <u>limited</u> number of tickets for local people. Ring our Box Office on **020 8365 5450** or drop by during opening hours. Please don't forget to bring proof of address.

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SESSION

In this explosive outdoor gatle

World premiere

Tonight we come together, to look each other in the eye and dance. We have time on our side and we're making a space to call our own.

Made in collaboration with an extraordinary group of young performers, **SESSION** is a battle cry and a love song, celebrating community, youth and belonging.

In this explosive outdoor gathering, **Still House** join forces with **Steppaz Performing Arts Academy** and **Empire Sounds**, both based at the Bernie Grant Arts Centre, to create an exhilarating night of dance and live music where everyone is welcome.

Soaring up above the streets of Tottenham, this exuberant performance will be part gig, part social, and part dance party as it blends hip-hop, contemporary folk and Afrobeats.

22-30 June @ 9pm Tickets £15 adult/ £10 concessions

Supported using public funding by Arts Council England.



Small Wonders and SESSION are LIFT Tottenham Originals, made in collaboration

with artists and communities from Tottenham. LIFT Tottenham is supported by



by Jenny Lockyer

An original one-woman show inspired by the life of the record-breaking pilot, Amy Johnson. Amy lived for aviation and adventure and became the first woman to fly solo to Australia in 1930. We meet Amy in a world of memories, desires, wishes and ambitions...

BASTARDS IN THE BLACK HOLE

by Prospero Theatre

The debut play of talented young writer Rebecca Riley about when ambition collides with acute

stage fright. So you've shut yourself in a costum cupboard with four mannequins and you can't breathe. Where do you go from here?

MANIFEST

by Urban Interface

A short, expressive work reveals the performers' darkest moments, blending improvisation, movement, and spoken word.

15 May @ 6:30pm Tickets: £17.50 adult/ £12.50 concessions Steppaz celebrates its 5th year anniversary with The Life of You, the story of how CEO Stacey McKnight (right) started the company. Featuring every member of Steppaz, this amazing production tells the story of how Stacey reached her dream of running a community dance and theatre company where all young people can 'follow their dreams one step at a time.'

21 July @ 4pm and 6pm Tickets: £10 adult / £5 child

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The unique **Springboard Festival '18** brings you six new pieces created by some of the most promising young artists and theatre makers. From a trippy comedy caper to a story of self-destructive love, from stories of stock market greed to the history of grime, you will encounter exciting new work curated by one of London's premiere acting academies.

The Springboard Festival is supported by the East 15 Acting School, which for over fifty years has been training some of this country's most renowned theatre makers. Also supported by the Bernie Grant Arts Centre and The Kitchen Network.

28 July. See listings opposite for times. Tickets: £5 per show or £25 for all six

DREAMLAND

Following the collapse of the U.S. sub-prime mortgage market, Johnny, an unemployed 25-year-old, thinks he has the answer. But once you've made millions, what is left?

@ 12noon

THE VANDENS KARTA ENSEMBLE PRESENTS

FIVE:EIGHT

A disparate group of characters, falling, sweltering with desolation, sexuality and a burning silence which evolves into a wall of sound.

@ 1:30pm

THE DIP

Nic likes his greens. Sometimes, he likes to smoke them. With his best mate, Al, he embarks on a psychedelic voyage of self-discovery. But what if they discover something, like, really unexpected?

@ 3pm

ADRIANNA PAVLOVSKA PRESENTS

17 DAYS IN AMERICA

An explosive pan-European play about lovers set to self-destruct.

@ 4:40pm

DIRTY PARADISE

A coming of age story of liberation and survival in an industrial warehouse in Tottenham.

@ 6pm

HIGHRISE THEATRE PRESENTS

LIL.MISS.LADY

Explore the history of grime with Lil.Miss.Lady. This is HighRise's fresh concept-rave exploring the most exciting music in recent memory through the eyes of a vigorous female MC.

@7:30pm

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Now in its 14th year, the British Urban Film Festival (BUFF) celebrates the work of black filmmakers, writers, and directors, partnering with the Bernie Grant Arts Centre for a programme of four events in June.

BLACK FILM MATTERS (SHORTS)

Celebrate the work of emerging filmmakers with these nine exquisite short films, all written, produced or directed by black filmmakers.

7 June @ 12noon. £12 advance or £15 on the door.

BEYOND THE RIVER

Inspired by the true story of canoe racers Siseko Ntondini and Piers Cruickshanks

8 June @ 12noon. £8 advance or £10 on the door.



Curated by Black History Studies, this screening series celebrates the contributions of African people in European history.

TIME AND JUDGEMENT

3 May

PARIS NOIR

10 May

BLACK RUSSIANS

24 May

GURUMBÉ: AFRO-ANDALUSIAN MEMORIES

25 May

BLAXPLOITALIAN

31 May

BLACK AND GERMAN +

GERMAN TOWN

1 June

TOO BLACK TO BE FRENCH

7 June





EXHIBITIONS

BLACK SOUND

CO-CURATED BY LLOYD BRADLEY AND SCOTT LEONARD

BLACK SOUND

This landmark, critically acclaimed visual installation examines 100 years of black British music with a timeline marking the most important events – musical, political, and social – that influenced the innovators who revolutionised British music. A tribute to the incredible power of London's dynamism and the dogged persistence of DIY creativity.



The Hero In Us All was created by Selma Nicholls, a talent agent. Inspired by Marvel's Black Panther film, this exhibition highlights the cultural legacy of people of African descent.

11-25 June



CURATED BY ZITA HOLBOURNE

ROOTS CULTURE IDENTITY

The **Roots Culture Identity** exhibition, initiated by the Trades Union Congress Race Relations Committee and curated by Zita Holbourne, showcases art by young BAME artists.

10 May - 10 June

Are you a visual artist or sculptor looking for a place to show your art? Get in touch with us at programme@berniegrantcentre.co.uk.





MONDAY

LONDON HOUSE CATS CHOIR

A contemporary choir for intermediate and advanced singers. 7:30-8:30 pm, £7 per rehearsal or £20 per month.

COMEDY WORKSHOPS

With Thanyia Moore – cheaper than therapy and lots more fun! **See page 4**.

BREAKDANCE WORKSHOP

Based on one of the original New York hip hop street dance styles, Kamil Lipka's breakdance workshop is suitable for beginners age 8-18. 5-6 pm, £5 per class.

TUESDAY

ANIKO'S DANCE ACADEMY

Classical ballet for children and adults. £12 per adult class drop-in with free trial classes for children.

NEW TOTTENHAM SINGERS

Rehearse and perform a wide range of vocal music, from Mozart to musical theatre and jazz. Evenings, £60 per term.

WEDNESDAY

DAISY ROOTS DANCERS

Exciting dance class for beginners covering hip hop, Latin, Afrobeats, and more. 8:15-9:15pm, £20 per month or £6 drop in.

STEPPAZ

For young people and adults who love dance and movement. £5 per class.

PARENTS & TODDLERS DANCE

CLASSES

Children under 5 and their parents and carers explore rhythm, shapes, and different types of movement together. June 6, 13, 20. 1-1:40pm, £4 drop in per adult/ child pair.

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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SATURDAY

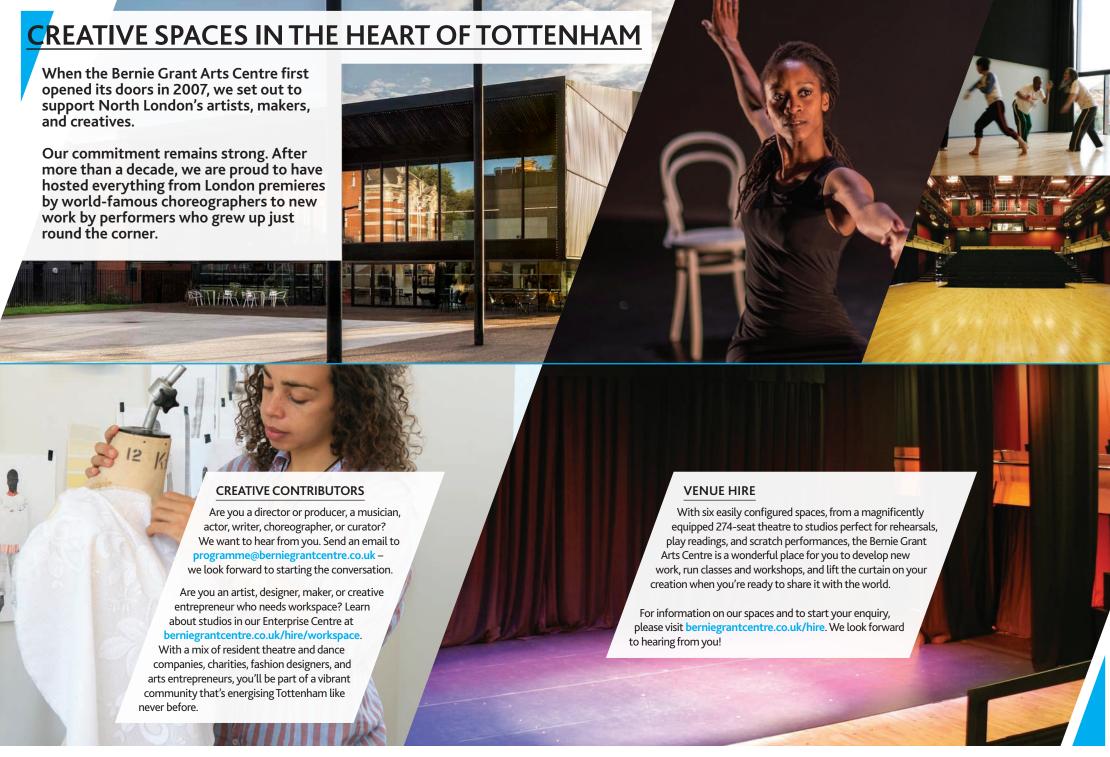
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BLACK ARTS PRODUCTIONS

Offers extensive and stimulating drama training for students interested in an acting career. 12-2pm, £80 per term.

You can find contact details for class organisers on our website. Please confirm dates and times before setting out to attend.

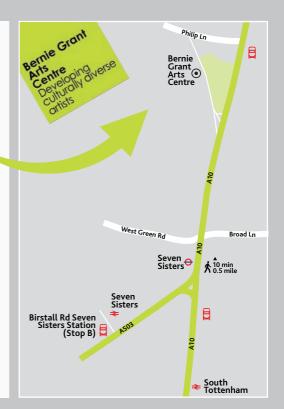


WHERE TO FIND US

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Located in the heart of south Tottenham next to Tottenham Green and the old Town Hall, the Bernie Grant Arts Centre is easy to find.

It's just a short walk from the Seven Sisters Tube and Overground station and is served by bus routes 76, 149, 230, 243, 259, 279, 318, 341, 349 and 476.



BOX OFFICE

Box Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9 am - 7 pm Saturday 9 am - 6 pm

Phone: 020 8365 5450

To see full listings of upcoming events and book tickets online, visit berniegrantcentre.co.uk



