













# The cornerHOUSE Newsletter



Welcome to the November edition of the cornerHOUSE newsletter. Here are details of the shows and events that are happening at the cornerHOUSE during March. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **After Dark**

### Thursday, March 3 to Saturday, March 5 at 7.45pm

The cornerHOUSE will be transformed into a jazz club for three nights in March. The arts venue in Douglas Road, Surbiton, will be filled with the sounds of contemporary, cool and traditional vocal jazz favourites.

Musical director Keesha Mclean, who has produced a number of cabaret evenings and musical shows at the cornerHOUSE in the past, including last year's incredibly successful Tisket, A Tasket, and Spice of Life, said: "As well as some of your favourite vocalists from Tisket, A Tasket, we have new male vocalists this year to give the cabaret more variety. "All artists are local and will be singing favourite arrangements sung by Michael Buble, Diana Krall, Stacey Kent, Jamie Callum, Nat King Cole, Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday, Peggy Lee, Norah Jones and others.

"We have also extended our band to a quartet with a saxophone player, which is very exciting."

Songs include Why Don't You Do Right?, Comes Love, Frim Fram Sauce, Fly Me To The Moon, Peel Me A Grape, What The World Needs Now, I Loves You Porgy, Girl from Ipanema, Unforgettable, Moondance, Route 66, What A Difference A Day Makes, I Won't Dance and many others.

Tapas (included in the ticket price), virgin cocktails and wine and beer will be available, and just to add to the atmosphere, you will be waited on at your table - which all makes for a very laid back evening of entertainment.

Tickets for the show, which starts at the Douglas Road venue at 7.45pm, are £10 (£8 concessions).

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## Free books at the cH Book Cafe

### 2pm till 5pm Sat 5th March 2011

The cornerHOUSE is pleased to be associated with World Book Night, and has copies of three books to give away to whoever would like them. The books are :

\* Life of Pi - Yann Martel

- \* Stuart Alexander Masters
- \* The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie Muriel Spark (limited stock)

You can reserve copies by e-mailing info@thecornerhouse.org

Reserved copies, and any remaining unreserved, can be collected from the cornerHOUSE between 2.00 and 5.00 pm on Saturday 5 March 2011.

There will be a book cafe during that time with tea and cakes, hand made cards, and hand crafted original jewellery for sale. We will also be hosting a book, DVD and CD exchange; bring your unwanted items and swap them.

We are planning follow-up events for the books distributed - discussions, readings and other related activities - in April; details to follow.

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### Gala: new exhibition of work by Michael Southgate

### 7pm to 9pm Tuesday 8 March 2011

Come to the gala opening of Michael's fresh exhibition of paintings and prints from the natural world. A panorama of colourful and diverse work, bound to please the eye. Enjoy a drink and discuss the works with the artist. Work for sale. Exhibition runs from 2nd to 29th March.

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# cornerHOUSE AGM and bar night

# Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2011

Here the cornerHOUSE trustees give their report on 2010 and their plans for 2011. Give your views on priorities and actions for this community arts centre.

Stay on and meet friends old and new at the cornerHOUSE, and have a drink with the trustees. Sit and chat. Bar and bar snacks available.

A chance to see the current cornerHOUSE art exhibition. DVD, book and CD exchange available too; exchange the ones you have seen, read or heard for something donated. Door opens at 7pm.

Free admission for all.

### Hi ho, hi ho... working morning

# 10am to 1pm Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2011

Come and help give the cornerHOUSE a spring clean.

The building gets lots of wear and tear and there are plenty of jobs like painting, gardening, sorting and tidying, and general improvement and maintenance which need doing.

It's all good fun, and you will be giving your time to a good cause.

Wear old clothes and just come with energy and enthusiasm.

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### **Detention Room by Kingston Junior Drama Company**

#### Wednesday March 23rd at 7.30pm

Ever get detention at school? Well, a show coming to the cornerHOUSE in March will bring back all those memories of sitting in a classroom doing lines.

But the production, born out of improvisation workshops by members of the Kingston Junior Drama Company, is more than just about writing 'I must not talk in class' a 100 times.

The piece is set in the 'detention' room of an unnamed school. The characters share with the audience their lives and aspirations.

Director of the company, David Lawson Lean, said: "We produce a production at the end of each 10-week term, and so plenty of commitment and energy is required.

"The company has worked extensively from a range of scripted material over the last couple of years, but for this production, we thought it would be interesting to develop a piece entirely through improvisation.

"The young people have risen to the challenge, and hopefully the results will be good." KJDC's previous productions have included Paradise, Rough Play, Rediscovering Alice, Departures, The Fairyland Trials, The Family From One End Street, The Runaways, Wishes, My Universe and The Forest.

The show at the cornerHOUSE in Douglas Road, Surbiton, is on Wednesday, March 23 at 7.30pm. It lasts around 40 minutes.

Reserve your tickets, which cost £3 (£2 concessions), by emailing kingstonjdc@aol.com

### **Dates for your Diary**

**Monday, April 4 to Saturday, April 9 –** The One Acts Festival. Nine new scripts by local playwrights.

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April -** An award-winning documentary about MP Ed Davey's work in his Kingston and Surbiton constituency.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Bar night and the launch of Nigel Prabhavalkar's brand new exhibition.

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