Events

Fall

2005
Arcadia University Events

Arcadia University has planned an exciting schedule of social events aimed at those of you studying in England and Wales. We aim to provide as eclectic and unique a schedule as possible, and subsidise each event so you can sample a taste of Britain and British life at a reasonable rate.

Many of the events listed below take place in London, as this is both the location of the Arcadia UK Office and the destination of a large number of our students. We provide London accommodation vouchers and student railcards to all our students on programmes out of London to encourage participation in these events. We also offer an action-packed weekend in Wales which is easily accessible to out of London students.

Please fill in and return your sign up form (found in your orientation pack) with payment in cash only (unfortunately we cannot accept cheques or credit cards) during the London Orientation sign-up session.

Please think carefully about which events you wish to participate in – money is accepted on a non-refundable basis, although you can ‘sell-on’ your place to other students should there be demand.

Should you have any questions or queries, please contact James Morrison, Student Services Officer or Sophie Mimouni-Collura, Assistant Student Services Officer by email or by telephone on 0800 838 226.

You will be notified of specific meeting times and locations closer to the event dates by email.

We look forward to seeing you over the semester, and we hope you have a wonderful time with us!

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### Changing of the Guard and Visit to Buckingham Palace

**Date:** Thursday 22\(^{nd}\) September  
**Price:** £5  
**Package Includes:**  
- Entry to the State Rooms  
- Changing of the Guard

Buckingham Palace is perhaps one of the most recognisable emblems of Royalty in London and one of the most visited tourist attractions in the country. The Queen’s London residence is only open to the public in the summer months and this will be the last opportunity to visit in 2005. The visit is timed to coincide with the majestic pomp and ceremony of the Changing of the Guard at 11.30am.

### Day Trip to Hampton Court Palace and Windsor

**Date:** Saturday 8\(^{th}\) October  
**Price:** £5  
**Package Includes:**  
- Round-trip coach travel  
- Entry to Hampton Court Palace and Windsor Castle

This excursion takes in two of the most spectacular Palaces in the world – Henry VIII’s magnificent Hampton Court and the Royal Seat of Windsor Castle – both world heritage sites. The afternoon is spent amidst the quintessentially English splendour of Windsor town itself.

### Weekend in Paris

**Date:** Friday 14\(^{th}\) - Sunday 16\(^{th}\) October  
**Price:** £120  
**Package Includes:**  
- Round-trip travel from London to Paris on Eurostar  
- Two nights 3* accommodation in the heart of Paris (all rooms have TV and en-suite bathroom)  
- 3-day Metro travelcard and 1 day Museum pass  
- Three-hour guided tour of Paris with a professional guide upon arrival

Paris is one of the most dramatic and vibrant cities in the world and no visit to Europe is complete without a trip to the French capital. Home to an incredible array of world-class museums, galleries, historic attractions and exciting nightlife, the city of lights has something to offer every taste and interest. Round trip transport by train, coach transfers in London and Paris, city-centre accommodation and a guided tour are all included in the price, leaving you free to concentrate on enjoying yourself once you arrive. On Saturday and Sunday morning, you are free to do as much or as little as you like - tours and group activities are available but are entirely optional, leaving you to explore this magical place at your own pace.
Weekend in Wales

Date: Friday 28th – Sunday 30th October
Price: £100

Package Includes:
• Round-trip transport to Wales
• 2 nights accommodation
• Entry to a range of historical and cultural sites including: Caerphilly Castle (pictured) and the Welsh National Folk Museum

This three day tour includes 12th century fairytale castles, rugged coastline, thatched-cottage villages, astounding mountain scenery, a bustling capital city and some of the most interesting museums in the world. You’ll go down a coal mine, hear and speak one of the most ancient and long-lived European languages, taste regional foods and learn something of the Celtic myths and magic in the land of Merlin. This trip is a must for anyone interested in Celtic and Welsh heritage and history.

Night at the Comedy Store

Date: Thursday 3rd November (evening)
Price: £10

The Comedy Store has launched the careers of many of Britain’s top comedians, and remains the top venue for outstanding live comedy in London. Come and experience a night at this exclusive venue and expect to laugh.

Live Premiership Football: Fulham FC vs Manchester City FC

Date: Saturday 5th November
Price: £15

Package Includes:
Entry to Craven Cottage (home of Fulham FC)
Reserved seat

Football is England’s national sport and the most watched and played game in the country. English fans are known for their passion, humour and knowledge, and an electric atmosphere is guaranteed at live games every Saturday up and down the country. After a disappointing finish in the league last season, Fulham will be looking to their US internationals including dynamic striker Brian McBride (left) to steer them clear of trouble this time around.
Greyhound Racing at Walthamstow Stadium

Date: Thursday 10th November (evening)
Price: £10

Package Includes:
• Entry to Walthamstow Stadium
• Reserved table seat in the grandstand

Greyhound racing is second only to football as the most popular spectator sport in England, and Walthamstow stadium, in the heart of the East End of London, is the perfect venue to discover this popular English pastime. As well as the excitement of the races themselves, you can watch colourful cockney characters in full flourish and get a flavour of the ‘real’ London. Included in the price is a three-course meal at a table with a grandstand view of the track.

Day trip to Brighton

Date: Saturday 12th November
Price: £5

Package Includes:
• Return travel to Brighton
• Entry to the Royal Pavilion

According to Doctor Johnson, Brighton is “the perfect place to regain ones health and then to ruin it again”. This unique city by the sea offers fantastic shopping, sightseeing and the Brighton Pavilion - a sprawling, Arabesque palace that was a favourite of King George IV. Brighton has a carnival atmosphere, and there may even be a spot of sun and the chance to take a dip in the English Channel (note: English weather not guaranteed).

Live Rugby: London Wasps vs Bath RFC

Date: Sunday 20th November
Price: £5

Package Includes:
• Entry to Wasps RFC stadium
• Round-trip coach travel

Rugby - a game for big men in small shorts with an egg-shaped ball - is similar to American football but dispenses with the padding, armour, helmets, cheerleaders, marching sousaphone bands with grand pianos on trolleys and commercial breaks every ten seconds. The English national team are currently world champions, and many international players (including former England captain Lawrence Dallaglio) will be on show on both sides at this match. Expect a physical, flowing game played at frenetic pace with a great atmosphere.
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The University of Oxford is reputedly the oldest established university in the world and is very much at the heart of this beautiful city. You can visit many of the colleges and museums that have for centuries marked Oxford out as a granary of knowledge. Nearby, spectacular Blenheim Palace was the birthplace of Winston Churchill and home of the Dukes of Marlborough, and is regarded as among the most stunning and impressive country houses in Britain.

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Rufus Wainwright brings his unique musical stylings to London’s Hammersmith Apollo for one night only. This concert has been sold out for months, and we are very fortunate to be able to offer you balcony seats to this exclusive show.

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Hyde Park is the largest of the Royal Parks in London and has long been used for pleasure and recreation by Londoners. It is one of the few places where horses are still regularly seen in the city and home to the Queen’s cavalry regiments (Life Guards and Blues and Royals). Exploring the beautiful park on horseback is a unique experience, and highly trained staff will be on hand to offer assistance and guidance throughout the ride. Previous riding experience is not essential.

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The Royal Opera House is home to the National Ballet and Royal Opera, but most opera-goers never see beyond the splendour of the auditorium in this grand building. This is your chance to see the many costumiers, stage hands, scene shifters and lighting crews that work behind the scenes in addition to dressing rooms and spaces normally off-limits to the general public.
The Nutcracker at the Royal Opera House

Date: Tuesday 6th December (evening)
Price: £25

Package Includes
Centre Circle seats to The Nutcracker

A magician with secrets, an enchanted gift, a battle with the Mouse King, a guiding angel and a visit to the Kingdom of Sweets: it is of course the perennial Christmas favourite, The Nutcracker. The ballet draws on all the imagination and fantasy of E.T.A. Hoffmann's story of supernatural adventures on Christmas Eve, with Lev Ivanov's choreography reinterpreted by Peter Wright in what has become a favourite Royal Ballet production. Its period character is beautifully translated to the stage in Julia Terevelyan Oman's nostalgic designs, while the score is one of Tchaikovsky's most magical.

Ice Skating at Somerset House

Date: Friday 9th December
Price: £5

Package Includes:
• Entry to Somerset House
• Skate Hire

Somerset House is a grand mansion by the banks of the Thames and every December its large inner courtyard is turned into an ice rink decorated with a Christmas Tree, flame lamps and floodlights. With Christmas around the corner, get into the festive spirit with a skate around in the December air.
Conditions of Sale

**Events are sold on a non-refundable basis.** Refunds will only be offered should the event be cancelled.

Should you no longer wish to participate in an event, however, **you may sell on your place** in one of the following **two** ways:

1) Direct resale: You may sell your place on an event to **another Arcadia student** directly. In this instance, you should contact the London office stating the name of the person who will take your place on the event.

2) Contact the office and state that you wish to sell on your place on a given event. We can then advertise your place to other students who may be interested in attending. If your place is sold to another student, you will be notified by London staff and invited to the Arcadia London office to collect your refund in cash.

*It is your responsibility to ensure that you collect your refund.*

Due to high demand and capacity, **the London office will not deal on your behalf for events priced at £5.** See (1) above for details on how to resell your place on Arcadia day trips and other £5 events.

- **Please note that there is no guarantee that your place will be resold.**
- **Events resales MUST be at the published price – touting (i.e. selling places on events at higher than the published price) will result in immediate expulsion from all Arcadia events and the instigation of disciplinary procedures.**

**Notification**

You will be notified about precise meeting points for events by email. It is **your** responsibility to ensure that we have a valid email address for you and that this email account is regularly maintained and checked to ensure messages are received. If you do not receive email notifications from the Arcadia office about events you have signed up for, please contact the office by telephone to confirm details **in advance of the event.**

**Non-Arcadia Guests**

There will sometimes be sufficient capacity to allow non-Arcadia students to attend events. Due to the high level of subsidy the university provides, priority will be given to Arcadia students at the orientation sessions directly after your arrival. If events do not sell out during this period, however, you may sign up friends or family. Please be aware that **you** are responsible for the conduct of your guests during Arcadia events.

**Conduct**

Participation in events is reliant on good conduct and decorous behaviour. Poor or unruly conduct on events by you (or your guests) could lead to the initiation of disciplinary sanctions by Arcadia potentially including, but not limited to, fines, dismissal from other events and official warnings.

In extreme instances, Arcadia reserves the right to unilaterally terminate your participation in events should you fall under disciplinary or academic sanction during your time in the United Kingdom.