Events
Spring 2006
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.

For the first time, we are offering a PRE-REGISTRATION SERVICE – you can reserve your place on any of the following events in advance and prior to your departure from the US.

PAYMENT IS BY CASH ONLY (GB£) DURING YOUR LONDON ORIENTATION IN JANUARY 2006.

For reasons of fairness and equity, you will be expected to pay for ALL places you reserve in advance. Should you decide to cancel any event for which you have pre-registered, all your reserved places will be cancelled although you may still sign up on a first-come, first-served basis.

You should therefore think very carefully about which spots you choose to reserve and bear in mind the time and financial commitment involved.

Please also note that some events (live football and rugby) may be subject to date changes.

THE DEADLINE FOR PRE-REGISTRATION IS MIDNIGHT ON SUNDAY 11TH DECEMBER – any requests received after this time will be ignored.

To submit your events choices, please contact James Morrison, Student Services Officer or Alison Dudley, Assistant Student Services Officer by email.

We look forward to seeing you next semester!

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Day Trip to Stonehenge and Salisbury

Date: **Saturday 28th January**  
Price: **£5**

Package Includes:  
- Round-trip coach travel  
- Entry to Stonehenge

No ancient structure in Great Britain arouses more controversy than Stonehenge, a mysterious ring of monoliths that remains an enigmatic emblem of Britain’s pagan past. Bath lies west of Stonehenge, and boasts the most magnificent regency architecture and Roman remains in England with stunning, winding streets and precincts.

Night at the Comedy Store

Date: **Thursday 2nd February**  
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 – Chelsea vs Liverpool/Chelsea vs Tottenham Hotspur

Date: **Saturday 4th February (Liverpool)**  
**Saturday 11th March (Spurs)**  
Price: **£40**

Package Includes:  
- Top tier seats at Stamford Bridge

Chelsea are the new powerhouse force in English football. Bankrolled by mega-rich Russian oligarch Roman Abramovich and managed by Jose Mourinho, the best coach in Europe, the club have assembled one of the most exciting and costly squads anywhere in the world and are current English championships. We can offer some of the best seats in the house to watch Chelsea take on European Champions Liverpool (depending on availability) or fierce local rivals Tottenham Hotspur. These are two of the fixtures of the season, and a trip to Chelsea’s magnificent Stamford Bridge stadium (the biggest in London) is guaranteed to be an event you won’t forget.

Edward Scissorhands at Sadlers Wells

Date: **Sunday 5th February**  
Price: **£20**

Package Includes:  
- Circle Seats

Matthew Bourne and New Adventures are back with their latest creation: a magical new adaptation of the classic Tim Burton motion picture **Edward Scissorhands**. After global success with his inspired interpretations of Swan Lake, Nutcracker! Highland Fling and the multi-award winning Play Without Words, **Matthew Bourne** has recently choreographed the hit musical, Mary Poppins. A five time Olivier award winner, he is also the creator of the world’s longest running ballet production and is the only British director to have won the Tony Award for Best Director and Best Choreographer of a Musical (1999 for Swan Lake).
**Weekend in Paris**

**Date:** Friday 10\(^{th}\) - Sunday 12\(^{th}\) February

**Price:** £140

**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 the City with a professional guide

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, city-centre accommodation, 3-day travel card, museum pass and a guided coach tour are all included in the price, leaving you free to concentrate on enjoying yourself once you arrive.

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**The Marriage of Figaro at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden**

**Date:** Monday 13\(^{th}\) February (Evening)

**Price:** £25

**Package Includes:**
- Amphitheatre Seats at the Royal Opera House

To mark the 250th anniversary of the birth of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, The Royal Opera mounts a new production of his setting of the second of Beaumarchais' domestic but politically charged 'Figaro' comedies, as adapted by librettist Lorenzo da Ponte.

David McVicar, known for the clarity and intelligence of his operatic interpretations, is the director for what is sure to become a classic production, while a musically striking start is promised with Antonio Pappano conducting a stunning cast.
Backstage Tour of the Royal Opera House

Date: Thursday 16th February  
Price: £5

**Package Includes:**
- Guided tour of the Royal Opera House

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.

Day Trip to Canterbury and Leeds Castle

Date: Saturday 18th February  
Price: £5

**Package Includes:**
- Return travel by coach
- Entry to Leeds Castle and Canterbury Cathedral

Standing in two islands in a lake formed by the River Len, Leeds Castle has everything a story-book castle should have – gardens, maze with underground grotto, swans and a moat. This trip also includes a visit to Canterbury, a stunning medieval city famous for its beautiful Cathedral and connections with Geoffrey Chaucer’s tales.

Weekend in Wales

Date: Friday 24th – Sunday 26th February  
Price: £110

**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.

*The trip will include some hill walking in the Brecon Beacon mountain range, so a good pair of sneakers and/or boots and a raincoat is essential.*
Weekend in Brussels
Date:  Friday 3rd -
       Sunday 5th March
Price:  £120

Package Includes:
• Round-trip travel from London to Brussels on Eurostar
• Two nights 4* accommodation in the heart of the city (all rooms have TV and en-suite bathroom)
• 3-day Metro travelcard and day Museum pass
• Guided tour of the City with a professional guide upon arrival

Brussels, capital of Belgium and home to the European Parliament, is a place of artistic beauty, gorgeous green parks, gourmet restaurants, fantastic shopping, superb museums, stunning architecture, scrumptious chocolates, fabulous seafood, and a lively night club and music scene. Home to hundreds of world-renowned Belgian beers. It's stunning mix of neo-classical, medieval, art-nouveau and modern architecture is unique and its Grande Place is one of the wonders of northern Europe. Offering incredible museums and a lively, relaxed atmosphere, Brussels is an attractive stop on any European tour itinerary.

Day Trip to Warwick Castle and Stratford-upon-Avon
Date:  Saturday 18th March
Price:  £5

Package Includes:
• Round-trip luxury coach travel
• Entry to Warwick Castle

Warwick castle is one of England’s largest and best preserved medieval castles, and has served as the backdrop for numerous Hollywood movies. Nearby Stratford-upon-Avon is most famous as the birthplace of William Shakespeare and home of the Royal Shakespeare Company, and this beautiful town has many museums that pay tribute to its most famous son.

Horse Riding in Hyde Park
Date:  Saturday 25th March
Price:  £30

Package Includes
• One hour ride in Hyde Park

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.
Live Rugby: London Wasps vs Leeds Rhinos

Date:  Sunday 26th March  
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.

Mayday in Brighton

Date:  Saturday 29th April  
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 during the May 1st holiday, 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).
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.