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Get ready for Hull's 2022 Freedom Festival

Hull's flagship cultural event, the Freedom Festival, returns to the city with a programme of events from epic performances unfolding on the streets, to intimate moments where audiences and artists meet. Back for its 15th year, it will again take place in galleries, museums, theatres, and public spaces across the city – with this year seeing the return of large-scale street spectacles (26 August – 4 September 2022). <https://bit.ly/2NbKoXw>

50s & 60s Weekend hits the tracks in Hampshire

Another highlight of The Watercress Line's annual schedule of events is set to take place over the Holiday Weekend of 27 and 29 August. It will see The Watercress Line celebrate the 1950s and 1960s with entertainment around Alesford and Ropley stations. Visitors are being invited to get involved and dress in period costume, or simply come along and soak up the atmosphere of the "50s & 60s Weekend". <https://bit.ly/3IPi5fl>

It's SO cool on the Lincolnshire coast

Returning after a three-year break, SO Festival is back this summer in Mablethorpe and Skegness for three days of innovative, inspiring, international street theatre and high-quality entertainment. Featuring everything from whimsical wizardry and dancing defenders to AI art and roaming robotics, SO Festival 2022's programme will take visitors on a journey of discovery, 19 – 21 August 2022. <http://bit.ly/2ZmWLu1>

A glass act at Lichfield Cathedral

A touring exhibition of stained-glass panels, celebrating the Centenary of the British Society of Master Glass Painters (BSMGP), founded in 1921, is on show at Lichfield Cathedral in Staffordshire until 25 August. Over 80 artists from across the UK and overseas have contributed to the exhibition. This collection of artworks, created especially for their centenary year, celebrates the unique art of glass. <https://bit.ly/3RQkc6H>

Sewerby Hall makes it into the list of Top 10% Attractions in the world

Sewerby Hall and Gardens in East Yorkshire has won a 2022 Travellers Choice Award from TripAdvisor, putting them in the top 10% of attractions worldwide. Situated on a dramatic cliff-top position with spectacular views over Bridlington, and set in 50 acres of early 18th century parkland, the house has been transformed using furniture from the Victoria and Albert Museum and other nationally important collections. <https://bit.ly/3z8ctrY>

Eye of Newt 2.0

The latest exhibition at QUAD Derby is Bruce Asbestos: Eye of Newt 2.0, which now runs through to 30 October. Asbestos' work draws from a rich history of painting, sculpture, popular culture, folklore and fairy tales. His work frequently mixes everyday objects with high art, fashion, and responds to global pop culture. This free-to-enter exhibition will feature a new video game, as well as giant inflatables, new sculptures and more. <https://bit.ly/3ohdcCc>

Hampshire's "Farm Shop of the Year"

A new Hampshire business started in lockdown, has been awarded the title 'Farm Shop of the Year - Hampshire' in the UK Business Excellence Awards 2022. Hampshire Deli is a farm shop, deli, and coffee shop, and grew out of a good deed carried out for the local community in response to the pandemic. In late March 2020 Justine and Barry Walker were at a farmers' market, selling their own Hampshire Salami charcuterie, when neighbours asked if they could provide food boxes of good quality local produce. And the rest, as they say, is history. <https://bit.ly/3v9qCnt>