

WOW

WOMEN OF THE WORLD
FESTIVAL

ROTHERHAM

TIMETABLE

Saturday 11th May, 2024
Rotherham Town Centre



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All About WOW

WOW Rotherham is a vibrant, bold, fun and fearless festival celebrating women, girls, trans and non-binary communities. It connects Rotherham to other women and girls across the globe as part of the WOW family. WOW – Women of the World believes a gender equal world is desirable, possible and urgently required. Through festivals, events and more, WOW's global movement celebrates women, girls and non-binary people, taking a frank look at the obstacles they face and discussing solutions for change. Run by UK charity The WOW Foundation, to date WOW Festivals and events have reached more than five million people on six continents in over 45 locations. WOW Rotherham is presented in partnership with The WOW Foundation.

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Visit the Festival Hub at All Saints' Square for a vibrant mix of stallholders, performances and workshops. Hop onto the **WOW Girls Festival Bus** and take part in a creative exploration of gender equity, through play, reading and digital experiences.

Don't miss the **Let's Talk Neurodiversity and Mental Health** panel, discussing interconnected experiences of womanhood, neurodiversity and mental and physical health. Listen to **Heidi Mavir**, a trained Mental Health First Aider and **Vicky Morris**, an award-winning writer. Delve into a discussion with women from diverse backgrounds on the migrant experience in the UK at the **Let's Talk Activism and Migration** panel featuring speakers **Lora Krasteva, Tchiyiwe Chihana, Debjani Chatterjee** and **Melinda Mo Martinez**.

WOW Big Ideas is all about pressing conversations and ideas for change. Get inspired by **Darcey Everton, Georgina Kamsika, Hazel Oakes**, and **Angry Girls** from **Chol Theatre**. Facilitated by **Rumbi Tauro**, an advocate for enhancing young people's access to arts and culture. Join **Tracey McDermott**, Group Head of Conduct, Financial Crime and Compliance at Standard Chartered, in conversation with WOW's Founder and **CEO, Jude Kelly**, as she discusses her commitment to ensure social mobility for future generations.

Don't miss the **Rotherham Recovery Panel**, led by **Karen Shimwell**, Recovery Programme Manager, alongside **Joanne Finnie, Rachel Moss** and **Lauren Williams**. Wonder at **Mimbre Acrobatic Theatre** as they premiere their new performance **'Weight(less)'** in the Minster Yard, a show mixing dance, theatre and acrobatics.

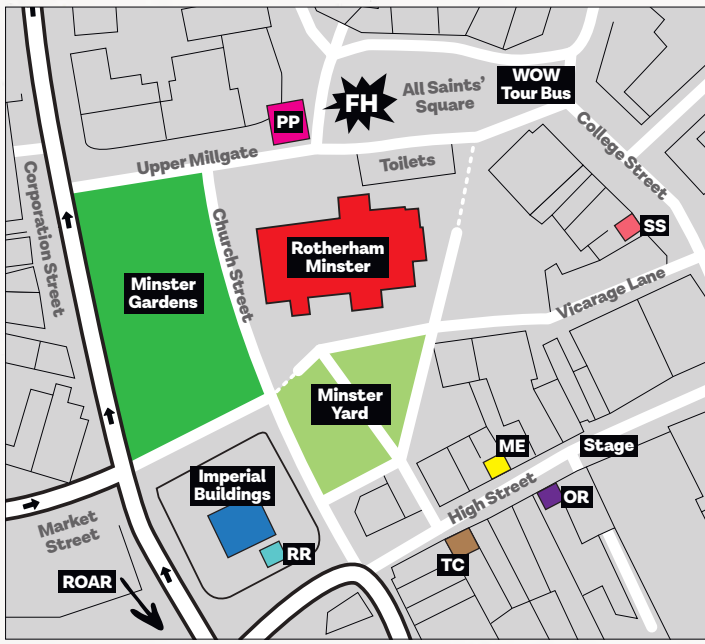
Join **Pif-Paf Theatre** to build adventure playgrounds, using bamboo poles, big stack play mats and giant ropes. In the Minster Gardens, don't miss **'We Are Women, We Are Strong'** – a soup kitchen and living installation created by **Chol Theatre**, serving up local stories of those involved and affected by the mining strike of 1984/85. Throughout the day, you can catch stunning performances from musicians, dancers and poets on the High Street, in the Marketplace, inside Rotherham Minster and outside in the Minster Yard, including **Dami Okhiria, Cherry Seraph, Grace Bower, Kate Hook, Ashay Dance Collective, Louis, Sheffield Cancer Choir, Rhiannon Scutt, Runa, The Thompson Dance Studios, DJ Kavita** and more.

Talk to **Penny Lee** at Riverside Records (1pm - 3pm) and leave your message to Rotherham, as part of the new podcast **'State of the Arts'** created by Rotherham Creative Network.

Join the **Happy Human Project**, a brilliant opportunity for children up to age 11 and their families to experience emotional wellbeing workshops through games, discussions and positive mindset activities. WOW Rotherham is also full of fantastic workshops! Have a go at creating your own **textile badge**, explore the world of **zine-making** and **notebook lino-print**, take part in **mending workshops**, **jewellery making** and **feminist embroidery**. Join **The Big OM** yoga, spin in **aerial hoops** and dance the day away at **zumba**. Don't forget to get yourself a **temporary festival tattoo** from **Holy Ghost** or to pop along to Rotherham Central Community Hub for the **clothes swap** with **Thread Republic** and get a mini colour consult with **TLC Style and Colour** to jazz up your wardrobe.

Explore the WOW Rotherham Visual Arts Exhibition '**Unbound: A Celebration of Identity and Expression**' at **ROAR ArtSpace** (11 - 31 May), as well as the **Art Trail** which runs across multiple venues in the Town Centre. See the **WOWsers'** empowering art installation created by young women from the **Bill Chafer Youth Centre** in Bramley. Connect with mentors who will provide valuable insights and guidance at **WOW Speed Mentoring** in Rotherham Minster with **Girl Gang Manchester**. WOW Rotherham Festival 2024 is brought to you by Rotherham Council in partnership with Flux Rotherham, Rotherham Music, Children's Capital of Culture, The WOW Foundation and is co-produced with community groups and individuals across Rotherham.

WOW Festival Map Key



-  **Festival Hub**

-  **Rotherham Minster**
Panels, Performances, Speed Mentoring and Yoga

-  **Minster Gardens**
Market Stalls, Chol Theatre, WOWsers, Girls with Drills, Small is Beautiful and Creative Ceramics Workshop

-  **Minster Yard**
Mimbre, Aerial Hoops and Sensory with Nelson's Cub Club

-  **Imperial Buildings**
Poetry Workshops, Big Ideas, Crochet Workshops and Happy Humans Project

-  **RR Riverside Records**
Rotherham Creative Network

-  **TC Three Cranes**
Jewellery Workshops

-  **ME Makers Emporium**

-  **OR Over The Rainbow**
Zine and Notebook Lino Printing

-  **SS Swap & Sew**
Clothes Swap and Workshops

-  **PP Pif-Paf Theatre**



WOW Timetable

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	Upper Millgate/ Bridgegate	Festival Hub - All Saints' Square	Rotherham Central Community Hub - College Street	High Street Stage	Over the Rainbow Café - High Street	ROAR ArtSpace	Imperial Shop Unit - Market Street	Imperial Pavillion	Minster Gardens	Rotherham Minster	Minster Yard
11:00 - 12:00		11:10 - 11:30 Grace Bower	11:00 - 11:30 WOW Festival Bus: Under 10s Feminist Corner	11:00 - 11:30 Zumba				11:00 - 12:00 Poetry Unmasked with Eleanor May Blackburn			11:00 - 12:00 Pop-Up and Play: Busking Un-Plugged
12:00 - 13:00		11:40 - 12:00 Kate Hook		11:30 - 12:15 Panel: Rotherham Recovery			11:00 - 13:30 Drop-In The Happy Human Project	12:00 - 13:00 Poetry Unmasked with Eleanor May Blackburn		11:00 - 12:30 Speed Mentoring Girl Gang Manchester	11:30 - 12:30 Aerial Hoops with Rogue Aerial
13:00 - 14:00	11:00 - 16:00 Drop-In Right to Play with Pif-Paf	12:00 - 13:00 Drop-In YALLA! by Ashay Dance Collective	12:15 - 12:35 In Conversation: Tracey McDermott and CEO Jude Kelly	12:25 - 12:55 Anneka Shelley	11:00 - 16:00 Drop-In Zine Making with Georgia Osborn	11:00 - 16:00 Voices Unbound: A Celebration of Identity and Expression		13:00 - 14:00 WOW Big Ideas	11:00 - 16:00 Drop-In Girls with Drills with Brightbox	12:00 - 12:40 Weight(less) by Mimbire	
14:00 - 15:00		12:55 - 13:25 Cherry Seraph	11:00 - 16:00 WOW Info Hub - Market Place - Drop-In WOW Textile Badges Making with Karen Hall	12:00 - 15:00 Colour Analysis Taster Sessions with TLC Colour & Style	13:15 - 13:55 Lois		14:00 - 15:00 The Happy Human Project		11:00 - 16:00 Drop-In WOWers - The Big Picture	12:50 - 14:15 Pop-Up and Play: Busking Un-Plugged	
15:00 - 16:00		13:45 - 14:15 Runa	11:45 - 16:00 Drop-In WOW Girls Festival Bus	11:00 - 16:00 Drop-In Mend Workshop with Debbie Williams	14:20 - 14:50 Rhiannon Scutt		15:00 - 16:00 The Happy Human Project	14:15 - 16:00 Drop-In Get Started with Crochet - Worry Worms	11:00 - 16:00 We are Women, We are Strong with Chol Theatre	13:30 - 13:45 Panel: Let's talk Activism & Migration	13:15 - 14:15 Drop-In Aerial Hoops with Rogue Aerial
		14:30 - 15:30 Drop-In YALLA! by Ashay Dance Collective		11:00 - 16:00 Drop-In Feminist Embroidery Workshop with Sam Cleasby	15:10 - 15:30 Ken Lambert				11:00 - 16:00 Small is Beautiful by Cabasa Carnival Arts	14:00 - 14:30 Drop-In The Thompson Dance Studios	14:30 - 15:10 Weight(less) by Mimbire
		15:30 - 16:00 Oakley Starr			15:30 - 16:00 DJ Kavita					15:00 - 15:45 Panel: Let's Talk Neurodiversity and Mental Health	14:45 - 15:45 Aerial Hoops with Rogue Aerial
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Festival Timetable Key

- BSL Interpreter
- Ticketed Event
- Talk/Panel/In Conversation
- Performance
- Music and Dance
- Workshops
- For Children and Young Adults
- Festival Hub and WOW Bus

Ticketed Events

Some events and workshops have limited capacity.

Look out for this symbol and sign up for free tickets via the QR code!

Sign up to the WOW global movement at wowfoundation.com

Please leave us your WOW Festival feedback via the QR code!

Yoga: The Big OM
10:00 - 10:45
Rotherham Minster

Jewellery Making with Melissa Holdsworth
13:30 - 14:30
15:00 - 16:00
Three Cranes

Rotherham Creative Network Podcast 'State of the Arts'
13:00 - 15:00
Riverside Records

Meet the Makers and Demos
11:00 - 13:00, Drop-In
Makers Emporium

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WOW Rotherham Festival Information

Tickets

All events are free - make sure you explore the drop-in workshops, talks and performances, which include free live gigs and have-a-go sessions. Some events or workshops have limited capacity. Look out for this symbol  and sign up for free tickets via the QR code underneath the timetable. Check for spare places on the day - just add your name to the sign-up sheet available at each venue.

WOW Marketplace at All Saints' Square


The WOW Marketplace is in the heart of every WOW Festival across the world. Completely free to visit for the public, you can explore diverse women and non-binary-led businesses. It's open 11:00am - 4:00pm, so just pop along and say hi!

Access

WOW Festival takes place across Rotherham Town Centre, both indoors and outdoors. There is level or ramped access across the outdoor parts of the site, but some indoor venues have stepped access. Some of the indoor buildings are also old and have some limitations. If you have questions about accessibility on the day, please go to the Festival Hub in All Saints' Square where a member of the WOW Festival team will be able to assist you.



They'll be wearing black t-shirts with the WOW logo on. Please stop one of us if you need to ask anything. There is a prayer space available at Riverside House.

Assisted Performances

Many events are BSL interpreted, look for the  symbol in the timetable.

Please note that all information is correct at the time of going to print and may be subject to change.

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-  Ticketed Event

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