



HYLANDS  
ESTATE

# Events 2025

April to September 2025



[hylandsestate.co.uk](http://hylandsestate.co.uk)

## WELCOME

Welcome to the Hylands Estate Events brochure for April to September 2025!

If you've strolled through the park over the recent weeks, you'll have started to see our gardens start to come alive again for the warmer months. This means our spring and summer season of events are on their way, and we can't wait!

Along with many favourites, we're excited to see some new companies use our Estate and grounds as their home to hold their events. We're always welcoming new performances to our seasons, and we recommend following us on social media or subscribing to our newsletters to hear what's coming up first. We look forward to welcoming you to Hylands Estate!

The location key will help you with where these events take place, and we also highlight where these events are free to attend:

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| <b>HH</b> Hylands House  | <b>BL</b> Back Lawn    |
| <b>ST</b> The Stables    | <b>FREE</b> Free Event |
| <b>HP</b> Hylands Park   | <b>FP</b> Free Parking |
| <b>GP</b> Grand Pavilion |                        |



## THE FRIENDS OF HYLANDS HOUSE

Celebrating 30 years this year, The Friends of Hylands House was formed in 1995 when a group of local people decided to get together with an aim to assist and encourage the development of Hylands House and Hylands Park.

As a voluntary organisation with a committed and thriving membership, we are grateful for their fundraising efforts and projects that support the growth and upkeep of our House and Estate!

To get involved, donate, or become a member yourself, visit their website [friendsofhylandshouse.co.uk](http://friendsofhylandshouse.co.uk)



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## HYLANDS OPEN ESTATE DAYS

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10am - 3pm

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Join us for our regular Open Estate Days! Our popular free event takes place on the second Sunday of the month, meaning they can take place every month of the year.

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This year we welcome **Essex Foodies Market**, who are delivering a packed selection of local food and craft traders outside the front of Hylands House.

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SEP

This event features the very best the Estate has to offer, including:



Hylands House free open house, activities, storytelling, and guided tours



A programme of exhibitions about the history of the Estate, presented by our volunteers



Open artists' studios and live music, all free at The Stables. Visit our resident creative community and buy some of their unique pieces from the shop.

Visit our website for the latest dates and information.  
[hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/openestate/](http://hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/openestate/)

Our free family activities and storytelling are programmed thanks to generous funding from The Friends of Hylands House.

# THREE EVENTS AT HYLANDS IN 2025 TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE

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PARKING

BRING  
YOUR  
DOG

The perfect day out for your dog

4 & 5 MAY

Hylands Park

BIGGEST  
show ever!

BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND

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FREE  
PARKING



## NATIONAL FLOWER SHOW

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Hylands House, Chelmsford CM2 8WQ

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your garden and home

AT HYLANDS HOUSE & ESTATE  
FOR A THREE DAY EVENT

MORE  
PLANTS  
THAN EVER  
BEFORE!

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LIVE

THE ULTIMATE  
FAMILY DAY OUT

20th & 21st SEPTEMBER - HYLANDS PARK

[www.nationalcountryshow.co.uk](http://www.nationalcountryshow.co.uk)



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## LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S MEN PRESENT: TWELFTH NIGHT

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7pm

Join The Lord Chamberlain's Men this summer, in their 21st year, for Shakespeare's greatest romantic comedy, Twelfth Night. With a history stretching back to William Shakespeare's original company, they present this joyous play as he first saw it – in the open air, with an all-male cast and Elizabethan costumes, music and dance.

Tickets on sale now at  
[hylandsestate.co.uk/events](http://hylandsestate.co.uk/events)

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AUG

## IMMERSION THEATRE PRESENTS: THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS

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1pm & 4pm

Pack your picnics and join Ratty, Mole, Badger, and the fantastically irrepressible Toad as they embark on the adventure of a lifetime culminating in a colourful battle to save Toad Hall from the mischievous weasels!

A TOAD-ally terrific treat whether you're 4 or 104!

Tickets on sale now at  
[hylandsestate.co.uk/events](http://hylandsestate.co.uk/events)

Image taken from their 2017 production of The Wind in the Willows



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JUN

## FOODIES FESTIVAL

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5pm – 9pm

Foodies Festival returns to Hylands Park with a star-studded line up of celebrity chefs and music headliners, including, Pixie Lott, The Wanted 2.0 with founding members Max George and Siva Kaneswaren and Symphonic Ibiza Orchestra.

Watch MasterChef champions cooking in the Chefs Theatre. Learn how to make showstoppers in the Cake and Desserts Theatre with Bake Off winners. Try exciting flavours in The Tasting Theatre. Sample new cocktails, wines and beers in the Drinks Theatre. Learn from top chefs in the International Cook School. Eat delicious Street Food. Meet Artisan Producers in the Shopping Village. Youngsters have fun in the Kids Cookery School.

Tickets now on sale at  
[foodiesfestival.com](http://foodiesfestival.com)



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JUL

## ADVENTURE CINEMA

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TO

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The UK's biggest outdoor cinema tour brings you an experience like no other at Hylands Park! This year, they are kicking off the summer holidays in style with a brilliant packed programme at the end of July..

Enjoy the following films in the stunning park grounds:



Thursday 24 July  
The Goonies, 7.30pm



Friday 25 July  
Bridget Jones' Diary, 7.30pm



Saturday 26 July  
Shrek, 1.30pm  
Queen Spectacular, 6.30pm



Sunday 27 July  
The Gruffalo/Stick Man, 11am  
Moana 2, 3pm  
Wicked Sing-a-long, 7.30pm

Picnics and drinks are welcome, and hot food and snacks will be available to purchase. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information and to book your tickets, visit [adventurecinema.co.uk/venues/hylands-estate](http://adventurecinema.co.uk/venues/hylands-estate)



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## COUNTRY CALLING

HP

Get ready for a full weekend of country music magic, with 40 amazing artists performing across multiple stages, including international headliners Dillon Carmichael and Kaylee Bell, plus a host of incredible international and homegrown talent.

Here's what's waiting for you:

-  Two days of the best in country music, with unforgettable performances across multiple stages.
-  Line dancing bar – learn some moves and kick up your heels!
-  Funfair fun and activities for the whole family.
-  Exclusive meet and greets with select artists.
-  Merchandise stalls for all your country-loving needs.

This family-friendly festival promises a unique experience for country music lovers of all ages.

Tickets now on sale at [country-calling.com](https://country-calling.com)



## THE STABLES & ARTIST STUDIOS

Visit The Stables on your next trip to Hylands Estate! Here's some useful information to guide you when you visit:

### ARTISTS STUDIOS & WORKSHOPS

Our public facing studios are open Wednesday to Friday, 10am – 3pm. All studios, including upstairs, are open on our Open Estate Sundays.

Our resident artists, designers and makers offer a selection of workshops that are bookable in advance. From jewellery making to warm glass workshops, get hands on with new skills and make something to take home.

### THE DELI

The Deli in The Stables offers a varied menu that, as well as their usual offering, boasts plenty of vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options.

#### Opening times

8am to 5pm, every day

### ARTIST SHOP AND INFORMATION POINT

The Information Point is where you pick up our multimedia tour headsets plus our Walks and Events leaflets. Make sure you explore the Artist Shop whilst you're there to purchase any unique gifts.

#### Opening times

Mon to Fri: 10am to 4pm

Weekends: 9am to 5pm

### BOOK SHOP

The second-hand bookshop is managed entirely by volunteers of the Friends of Hylands House and carries a good stock of second-hand books covering many subjects and a large selection of collector's books. Contact the Information Point to arrange to make a book donation.

#### Opening times

March to September: Monday to Friday, 10.30am to 3.45pm

Weekends: 10.30am to 4.30pm



## **HYLANDS PARK**

### **THINGS TO SEE AND DO**

There is plenty to do at Hylands Estate, whatever the weather and whenever the time of year! We have many cost effective and free activities available:

#### **WALKS**

Explore Hylands Estate on foot following our five mapped walks. You can find our walks leaflet online or in the Stables Information Point.

#### **GEOCACHING**

This activity is a great bonding activity for families, friends, or even co-workers! Find the caches hidden all around Hylands Estate.

#### **ORIENTEERING**

Try a new orienteering course at Hylands Park. Thanks to the Essex Stragglers Orienteering Society with funding from Active Essex.

#### **THE PLEASURE GARDENS**

The ornate Victorian Pleasure Gardens can be found near The Stables with a duck pond which is home to a variety of fish, ducks, and geese.

#### **ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND**

Hylands Estate is home to an award-winning accessible castle-themed adventure playground. Find The Deli Express nearby for playtime refreshments.



## HYLANDS HISTORY & GARDENS MULTIMEDIA TOUR

Available all year round for free is our interactive multimedia tour which shares the rich history of Hylands House and our extensive gardens.

Hylands House was first built almost 300 years ago, and the gardens have been a major attraction for most of our history. Over time, each new owner made their own mark on the house and grounds, extending and remodelling the landscape according to the tastes and fashions of the day.

We're proud that we are known as the jewel in Chelmsford's crown. Now, our new multimedia tour, designed by ATS Heritage, will take you through the history of the Estate, telling the story of how we came to be as we are today.

How to enjoy the tour:

-  The tour is free to explore seven days a week.
-  Enjoy it via our official handheld devices, which can be borrowed from The Stables Information Point.
-  Alternatively, use your smartphone to listen to the tour by scanning the QR code at the first stop in The Stables area, or any others on the tour.
-  Don't forget to bring your earphones if doing the tour from a smartphone.

Start exploring at  
[hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/historyandgardenstour](https://hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/historyandgardenstour)

### FIND OUT MORE

Hylands Estate is proud to have approximately 574 acres of restored historic parkland open to the public. We're working hard to sustain our beautiful green space, through education, biodiversity work and conservation.

You can find out more about this work at  
[hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/gardens-and-parklands](https://hylandsestate.co.uk/explore/gardens-and-parklands)

## HOW TO FIND US



Hylands Estate has two entrances. The Hylands Park entrance, CM2 8FS, is closest to the Adventure Playground and to visit the park. The Hylands House entrance, CM2 8WQ, is closest to Hylands House and The Stables.

### By car

Exit the M25 at Junction 28 on to the A12 towards Chelmsford and Colchester. Exit the A12 at Junction 15 on the A414 dual carriageway towards Chelmsford. Parking charges apply from 9am to 6pm.

### By public transport

Public transport is available from the city centre to Hylands. First Buses have services running which stop nearby the park. Check our Explore page on the website for the latest information.

### Sustainable routes

Designated cycle and walking routes from the city can be found on our website.



## CONTACT US

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