

Canning & Clyde Monthly Update – October 2024

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Hi. We're certainly now at that turning point between late summer and early autumn. As nights draw in earlier and earlier, there are plenty of things to do in Croydon in October.

Croydon Harvest and Walnut Fair

Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 October 2024

11 am – 4 pm

Queen's Gardens, Katherine Street, Croydon

Free performances, puppetry, live music, dance, storytelling, farm animals from Vauxhall City Farm, food stalls and more.

Click here for [more information](#) on a lively weekend – and also for a brief history of Walnut Fairs in Croydon dating back to the 14th Century. Sadly the Walnut Fair was shut down in 1868 owing to unruly fairgoers. So – nothing new!

Surrey Opera Autumn Bazaar

Saturday 26 October 2024

10 am – 3 pm

Clyde Hall

Cake and baked goods (they have some good bakers!), books, music, bric a brac, jewellery, ploughmans and soup (they make some good soup!). Expect a friendly welcome.

See attached flier

Black History Month - October

October is Black History Month. There is a wide variety of events organised during the month.

The Croydon BME Forum describe Black History Month, *'This October, Croydon proudly celebrates Black History Month with a diverse array of events honouring the rich culture, history, and achievements of the black community. From inspiring talks and vibrant performances to art exhibitions, workshops, and family-friendly activities, there's something for everyone. Join us in commemorating the past, celebrating the present, and building a more inclusive future.'*

Click here for [more details of events](#).

SMALL WONDERS: The London Group at Croydon Art Space

1 October - 19 December 2024

Normal Opening times: Tue 10 - 2pm Thu 4 - 8pm Sat 10 - 2pm

Please note that FREE entrance for the public to the gallery is via Eventbrite ticket.

Please click on this link to book a ticket: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-art-exhibition-at-croydon-art-space-tickets-166220316441>

This is an exciting exhibition of 50 London Group Members. Diverse media are embraced which include drawing, ceramics, collage, mixed media, painting, printmaking, sculpture and video. There is no theme to the exhibition, but a condition is that all works can be no bigger than 30x30cm²

See attached flier

Healthy Streets CR0 11

There is no new information on this project. We were under the impression there may be some community engagement this month but we haven't received any information on this.

For information on the Healthy Streets CR0 11 project, see the Streets pages on our website.

<https://www.canningandclyde.org/streets>

Outside this month of October

Things to see / hear in the month of October

Fungi at work

This is the time of year when we begin to notice more fungi in gardens and round about outside. Fungi is present all year round but more of the fruit tends to pop up overground in autumn.

The world of fungi is huge. Most of it is invisible, below ground. Fungi carry out a wide range of different functions in our eco system. These range from breaking down dead organic matter and returning essential nutrients to the soil to living among plant roots, helping plants absorb nutrients and water in exchange for carbohydrates.

Click here to find out [the most common ones in our country](#).