

Forest on the Edge

Where we feel at home

“Instinctively, without understanding what’s happening, people know that in certain wild environments, they have come home,”

EO Wilson, ecologist.

EVENT OPENING TIMES:

Thursday 29 June: 5:30pm – 9pm (opening night)
Friday 30 June: 10am - 6pm
Saturday 1 July: 10am - 6pm
Sunday 2 July: 10am - 6pm

FOREST OF IMAGINATION IS FREE AND OPEN TO ALL

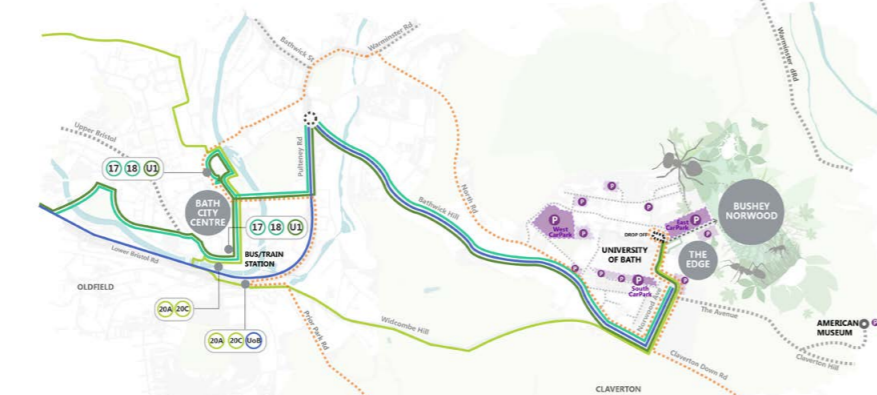
The fourth Forest of Imagination takes the idea of our ‘natural home’ into the unique landscape of Bushey Norwood, a National Trust meadow right on the edge of the city of Bath. This prehistoric meadow landscape, with mature open grown trees surrounded by pockets of woodland and elevated views has been inhabited for thousands of years. It provides the perfect setting to explore the idea of where we feel most at home – in the city or in nature.

The idea of ‘home’ is explored by mixing up representations of our human, urban homes with the natural habitat/homes of the flora and fauna that live on Bushey Norwood. Planet Earth is our wider home and Aerocene Explorer, by the Aerocene Foundation, explores the importance of our planet’s atmosphere.

Through collaboration with creative partners in Bath and beyond we have developed an engaging and thought provoking series of experiences for all ages but with an emphasis on children and their connection with the natural environment. The project reinforces a renewed interest in the countryside around the city through the Bathscape project and highlights the importance of engaging people, especially children, with the experience of nature and outdoor play. The National Trust is a key partner in this year’s event and this project will be a real focus for their own promotion for active engagement of children in the countryside.

– Andrew Grant (Grant Associates) & Penny Hay (5x5x5=creativity)

LOCATION / HOW TO GET HERE:

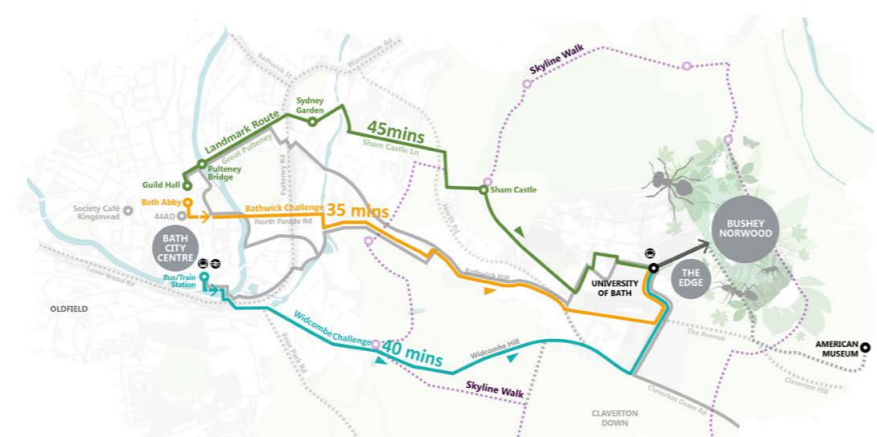


BY BUS

- 8 mins: U1 First Bath Uni Bus/Lower Oldfield Park - City Centre - Bath University
- 10 mins: U18 University of Bath to Lower Oldfield Park via City Centre
- 12 mins: U12 University of Bath - City Centre - Tawerton - Southdown via Lower Oldfield Park
- 15 mins: U20C Bath Circular via University of Bristol, Odd Down, Royal United Hospital & Bath City Centre
- 15 mins: U80 Express Service between University of Bath and Lower Oldfield Park

BY CAR

- 12 mins: P The University of Bath Campus Car Park
- 12 mins: P West Car Park, East Car Park, West Car Park
- 12 mins: P Bath Park and Ride (Leads to the U of Bath Local Leaseway North of Bath City Centre South of Bath)



WALKING

- 35 ~ 45mins: City Centre (Guild Hall - Putney Bridge - Sydney Garden - Sham Castle - University of Bath)
- 35 ~ 45mins: City Centre (Bath Abbey) - North Parade Rd - Bathwick Hill - University of Bath
- 35 ~ 45mins: Bus/Trian Station - Wildcombe Hill - The Avenue - University of Bath
- 35 ~ 45mins: The National Trust, Bath Skyline Walk

CYCLING

- 25 mins: Bath City Centre - Bathwick Hill - The Avenue - University of Bath

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2017 Forest of Imagination

LEGEND

- A The Edge: Creative Workshops, Aerocene Explorer Exhibition, Re-Imagining Childhood Programme
- B Dreamer
- C Ant Trail 1 (Along the Path)
- D Portal Pavilion
- E Circus in the Meadow - Ring of Acorns
- F Seeking Sounds Nest + Seeking Sounds Workshop
- G Ant trail 2 (Through the copse)
- H Making Tent 1
- I House of Imagination (House 1) + Cocoonery
- J Standing Stone
- K House of Imagination (House 2) + Book-making Workshop
- L 'Indoors Outdoors' National Trust Bath Skyline
- M Skying Space (Aerocene Explorer)
- N Ant Trail 3 (Stone +Tree)
- O House of Imagination (House 3)
- P Memory of Iron Age House
- Q Bug Disguise Workshop Tent
- R The Dell Soundscape 'I Am An Insect'
- S Spider Mama
- T House of Imagination (House 4)
- U Making Tent 2
- V The House of Fairy Tales Stand (Starting Point for The Giant Tiny Ant Quest)
- + First Aid + Lost Children
- ⚓ Toilets
- ☕ Café
- 🚌 Buses
- 🚕 Taxis
- 🅇 Parking
- i Info.



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Forest on the Edge...

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FREE
All ages welcome

Bushey Norwood and The Edge, University of Bath, BA2 7AY
Friday 30 June - Sunday 2 July

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ARTWORKS & INSTALLATIONS

Experience a unique trail of temporary installations and artworks as you travel through Bushey Norwood Meadow and into the Edge Theatres and Galleries (or spaces at the Edge?).

BUSHEY NORWOOD

Portal Pavilion **D**

Matthew Leece and Paul Bynoth housing objects by 1st year Three Dimensional Design: Idea Material Object students, Bath School of Art and Design, Bath Spa University

A home is something many of us take for granted. What happens when you are travelling or become displaced from your home for a long time? What would you need and what do you take with you? If you could only have one object what would it be; something personal or a more functional item? The first year three-dimensional design students at Bath Spa have been exploring these questions in their latest project. This collection of objects engages with the issues of portability and design within the mass-movement and displacement of people. Each student has taken a different approach to the brief set, and created a finished item for a need they identified.

Circus in the Meadow, Ring of Giant Acorns **E**

Grant Associates, Herman Miller
The architect of the Circus, John Wood, used over 108 stone acorns around the Circus buildings to reflect the story of King Bladud and his pigs discovering the waters of Bath whilst foraging for acorns. Bath, as a city, grew from this moment and established the enduring relationship between the city and the countryside.

Our ring of giant acorns reminds visitors of the story of King Bladud and is a playful intervention in the landscape, creating a place to gather, to take photos, to play hide and seek...

Seeking Sounds Nest **F**

Neil Glen and Carpenter Oak & Woodland

The forest is home to all kinds of creatures, moving invisibly but not silently around the trees and plants, underneath the soil or from above. Seeking Sounds invites you to explore the a physical forest using one of our Sound Seekers, or creating your own. This amazing device will allow you to hear hidden creatures scurrying through the undergrowth or moving through the earth, gnawing on wood or eating leaves, or simply calling out, can you identify the sounds?

Seeking Sounds: Neil Glen, Bath Spa University: Bath School of Art and Design & Carpenter Oak & Woodland (concept and realisation) Programming and Sound Design: Samuel Sturtivant, College of Liberal Arts, Bath Spa University

Making tents 1 + 2 **H U**

Creative workshops throughout the weekend will be led by 5x5x5=creativity artists in the Making Tents. Please see workshop programme for further details.

Houses of Imagination **L K O T**

A series of site-specific installations designed and built by Architecture and Civil Engineering students from the University of Bath led by six volunteer architects from Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios together with Toby Lewis (Teaching Fellow and 5th Year Leader).

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Cocoonery **I**

Alison Harper
The Cocoonery is an area of the Forest where creatures rest, sleep, slumber and grow before emerging into the sunlight. The only sound is a gentle snoring and the only movement a turn of a body to settle more closely into the snug comfort of their cocoon. Cocoons are home to a multitude of creatures from silkworms to spiders.

This 'cocooning' process encourages us as humans, secure in our 'homes', to engage with and to care about and protect the safe places which other life forms and creatures need in order to grow and thrive. Alison will be running workshops over the weekend at the Cocoonery (please see workshop programme).

Indoors Outdoors **L**

National Trust Bath Skyline
As part of the event theme, 'where we feel at home', the Skyline team will be literally putting your coffee table and sofa in the middle of a field, to bring the indoors outdoors.

A traditional sitting room, with sofas made from hay bales, (made from hay produced in the meadows around the Bath Skyline) brought into the pasture of Bushey Norwood. The wild sitting room will provide some relaxing space and will also host a number of wildlife inspired crafts for children and adults alike.

Skying Space, Aerocene Explorer **M**

Aerocene Foundation, a project founded by artist Tomás Saraceno and his studio
Aerocene Explorer launches are planned for each day but times will be dependent on weather conditions. An exhibition of the Aerocene Explorer will be available to view in The Edge.

The Aerocene Explorer is a tethered-flight starter kit, which enables anyone to personally launch their own Aerocene solar sculpture and start exploring the skies. Initiated by artist Tomás Saraceno and developed in an ongoing open-source collaboration with multiple individuals, all parts of the Explorer are free for anyone to reproduce or build upon. A tactile and engaging way to experience the Aerocene, the Explorer allows participants to capture aerial images and collect atmospheric data using non-intrusive, emission-free scientific exploration tools. Additionally participants can 'hack' the technical devices to create their own lightweight sensors and lift them up.

SATELLITE EVENTS

Forest of Imagination Exhibition 2014-17
444d Gallery + Studio Space
4 Abbey St. Bath BA1 1NN
26 June - 1 July 2017
www.444d.net

Forest of Imagination is a four day, contemporary arts and design event created by Grant Associates 5x5x5=creativity and local creative industries that reimagines a familiar space to inspire everyone's creativity and heighten a sense of nature in an urban environment.

This year's Forest of Imagination is at Bushey Norwood National Trust Meadow and at the Edge University of Bath 29 June - 2 July 2017. This exhibition shows work from the last four years.

Artists include:
Andrew Grant, Landscape Architect, Founder of Grant Associates
Jo Yan, Landscape Architect, Grant Associates
Ruth Thorp, Illustrator
Perry Harris, Cartoonist
Anthony Head, Director of Bath Illuminate and Senior Lecturer in Interactive Art, Bath School of Art and Design, Bath Spa University
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Sound UK presents: Sounding the Wood
Prior Park Landscape Garden
July - December 2017
10am - 4.30pm
Free entry for FOI attendees with National Trust voucher, valid until 16 July.
Please collect your free entry voucher to Sounding the Wood from the National Trust stand at Forest of the Imagination.

Suitable for all ages. Please note there is no onsite parking. Disabled parking only.
Awaken your ears to a new sound discovery at Prior Park! Chirp! Twittering! A swish, a swoosh and a rustling of the trees. Begin your walk through Prior Park Landscape Garden and take a moment to listen to the sounds of your landscape before discovering a musical playground.

Inspired by the landscape of Prior Park, Sound UK have challenged design and build play company TouchWood to make a group of 'woodland instruments'. Nestled within Prior Park grounds the musical playground is for you to discover, explore and play! Tell your family and bring your friends and try out your music-making skills together!

Bugs and Butterflies
Victoria Art Gallery
Saturday 1 July 10:30am-12:30pm and 1:30-3:30pm

Explore and make art activities inspired by bugs, butterflies and flowers. Experiment with models, masks and headbands.

Events included in admission price, no need to book. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
victoriagal.org.uk

A New Portrait for Bath a celebration of work with local schools - Clore Learning Space Artist & School Leavers' Project
Brownsword Gallery, Holburne Museum
Thursday 29 June to Sunday 2 July 10am to 5pm (Sunday 11am to 5pm)

During the Forest of Imagination visit an exhibition of creative, cross-curricular work produced by local primary school children - all inspired by one painting by Sir Thomas Lawrence of a young man, Arthur Atherley, on the verge of leaving school. Also, see six artworks by artists responding to the aspirations and anxieties of local sixth formers who, like Atherley, are about to make a major transition.
www.holburne.org

WORKSHOPS

All workshops and talks are free, drop-in, and open to all ages, unless stated otherwise. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to the workshops.

Please note, workshops are subject to change.



FRIDAY 30 JUNE SCHOOLS' DAY

Local schools visiting Forest of Imagination, and working alongside artists in pre-booked workshops.

Forest of Imagination is open to all visitors from 10:00am - 6:00pm, with free workshops available:

10am - 6pm National Trust Bath Skyline Indoors Outdoors **L**

10am - 4pm Seeking Sounds **F**

4:00pm - 6:00pm The House of Fairy Tales **V**

SATURDAY 1 JULY BUSHEY NORWOOD

10am - 6pm Cocoonery Alison Harper COCOONERY **I**
Make your own 'cocoon' - a place where creatures feel safe, protected and are able to grow.

10.30am - 4pm Book Making Laura Little, BSU Publishing HOUSE OF IMAGINATION 2 **K**
Make your own little book filled with imagination to take home with you.

10am - 6pm Re-use Heroes! Eleanor Shipman HOUSE OF IMAGINATION 3 **O**
Be a re-use hero through making your own hero cape or skirt from recycled plastic!

10am - 6pm A Story Home Alice Maddicott HOUSE OF IMAGINATION 4 **T**
You are invited to go on a creative explore with Alice to inspire the creation of woodland inspired writing - and please sign the Tree Charter (workshop kindly sponsored by The Tree Charter, Woodland Trust).

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Let your imagination run wild and uncover the creatures that lurk within the forest! Using paints, pastels and fabrics and natural found objects from the woods. Create and transform simple objects using your wild imagination.

10am - 6pm Sensory Science Trail Rick Hall - Ignite! MAKING TENT 1 **H**
This year, drawing on the familiar fun science busking activities, Rick Hall from Ignite! will set up a trail of sensory experiences that includes Confuserphones, Soft Hands and Smells of Memory... Can we trust our senses? And can we draw what we hear and smell? Guaranteed to spark our imaginations, and challenge our assumptions about what we see and hear.

10am - 1pm The Lumpens Edwina Bridgeman MAKING TENT 2 **U**
Make Lumpen creatures with artist Edwina Bridgeman

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2pm - 4pm Spider Mama Jessica Palmer SPIDER MAMA ARTWORK **S**
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10am - 6pm The Giant Tiny Ant Quest The House of Fairy Tales, Anthony Head, Media Grand, Bristol Zoo THE HOUSE OF FAIRY TALES STAND **V**
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10am - 6pm Create an 'Insect Palace' Shani & Paul - Room13 MAKING TENT 2 **U**
Artists Shani Ali & Paul Bradley, from the innovative child-led Room 13 Hareclive, Bristol, invite you to join them in thinking about creating an 'Insect Summer Palace'.

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11am - 3pm When you have seen one insect... Gemma Romia FAS, LEVEL 2, THE EDGE **A**
When you have seen one ant, one bird, one tree, you have not seen them all. Edward O. Wilson

There are lots of different kinds of insects, and if we look at them carefully we can observe the difference of forms, colours and size. Insects are the smallest animals, they look invisible, but we need them.



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A collaborative mark-making workshop.

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10am - 1.30pm Adventures in the Moonlit Wood Clare Day MAKING TENT 2 **U**
Come and make a clay creature or character and tell your story in the little moonlit wood, see what shadows the moon will make and what might be hiding behind a tree. It is a magical wood where anything might happen. You can take home your creations afterwards, please wear messy clothes.

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10am - 2pm You are where? Cambridge Curiosity Imagination ENSEMBLE ROOM, LEVEL 2, THE EDGE **A**

Join artists from Cambridge Curiosity and Imagination to create a new fantastical map of the festival, bringing together real and imaginary journeys and stories. The workshop is structured as a series of games, inviting you to explore architecture, wild cities, night maps and sounds.

Come and add to our creative installations in the Ensemble Room or take your explorations out and about around the Forest of Imagination.

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10am - 5pm Creative Composition Evolve Music FAS, LEVEL 2, THE EDGE **A**
Join us to musically adventure through Bushey Norwood imagining that we have been shrunk to the size of ants! Using imagination and improvisation, participants will use traditional and electronic instruments to musically paint the picture of their secret miniature garden homes. The open access workshop means that anyone can compose and play regardless of prior musical experience.

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