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By Matt Tyas

Evuna NQ: Review

Move over China Town and the Curry Mile, these days Manchester's got enough restaurants for its own Tapas Quarter as well. The last couple of years has seen a surge of new eateries from that particular part of the world, but it's not just quantity in this invasion from Spain, there is real quality too [...] quality too. [...]

Vapiano: Review

The glorious new Corn Exchange is a real hotbed of new restaurant talent. We stopped off at Vapiano to have a peek inside, shelter from some unwelcome drizzle, and maybe taste a little sample of the menu too. Vapiano is spread over two floors; with a balcony at the top, and a sort of patio [...]

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Cracking Good Food: Pasta Perfetto Cooking Class

This week I thought I'd give the chefs of Manchester a night off and cook my own tea for a change. I didn't just want to end up with something boring though, so I needed a helping hand and maybe a few pointers. Don't get me wrong I'm not too shabby in the kitchen, but it's [...]

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Create Film Festival

Multi-award winning arts and social organisation in Place of War has announced CREATE Film Festival, a unique project that explores creativity in sites of conflict through the eyes of some of the world's most daring and innovative filmmakers.



The festival features four events across Manchester, DR Congo, Kurdistan, Hip Hop and Women, and the programme includes twelve screenings of feature length and short films Each event also includes an opportunity for discussion and sharing stories as well as Director Q&As, live music and food.

Co-curated with local Manchester communities In Place of War has worked in partnership with Film Hub NWC, part of the BFI Film Audience Network, to put together a festival programme that features a mixof emerging and established filmmakers.

The first event in the festival programme is Kurdistan, an exploration of Kurdish communities. The event, at Z-Arts, includes a screening of Forgotten Chords (2007) by Kurdish filmmaker Soran Mardookhi, which takes audiences on a journey to discover the power and magic of music. Supporting films include Dyab and Finding My Legs (2016) by Alan Amin, who will be joining the event for a Q&A. Audiences will also experience authentic Kurdish delicacies and live music.

CREATE Film Festival will also present a night dedicated to Hip Hop communities around the world, with a screening of Rampage (2006) by world-renowned artist and film-maker George Gittoes, who will be joining the event at Ruby Lounge for an exclusive Q&A. The Australian Peace Prize winner will discuss the film, based on Miami's notorious Brown Sub ghettos, and working with communities in places of conflict, including Afghanistan. Also screened on the night will be Hip Hop, Mi Desahogo (Hip Hop, My Release) (2014).

Co-curated with the Congolese communities of Manchester, DR Congo will feature a screening of Virunga (2014) at St James' Church. A powerful combination of investigative journalism and nature documentary, Virunga is the incredible true story of a group of courageous people risking their lives to build a better future in a part of Africa the world's forgotten. Also screened at the event will be La Belle At The Movies (2015) and Away From Home (2014).

Rounding-off the festival will be a women-only screening that explores some of the most rounding-on the testival will be a women-only screening that expires some or the most inspiring female-led artistic movements happening in sites of conflict and post-conflict today. Working closely with the Syrian women of Manchester, the event will feature the screening of The Trials of Spring (2015) by Gini Reticker, which follows the journeys of three Egyptian women from the early days of the 2011 Arab Spring as they set out on a search for freedom and justice in a country gripped by a dangerous power struggle. Also screened at the event will be I Too Have A Name (2012) and Colours Of Resilience (2014).

In Place of War, part of the University of Manchester, works across the world in zones of violence and disruption, such as the Middle East, North Africa and Latin America, It supports artists and creative communities living in sites of war, revolution and conflict to build powerful networks, create social change through creativity and demonstrate the value of the arts to public space, public life and public debate

CREATE film festival will be In Place of War's first exploration of film as a way to engage and audience with diverse culture and communities across Manchester.

Ruth Daniel, In Place of War, comments: "We are delighted to add a film festival in unconventional community settings across Manchester created in collaboration with our diverse refugee and youth communities to our programme of production across the year, which includes our annual music programme at UK festivals and curation of events across the world. It's been a pleasure working with communities across Manchester and the world to curate a stunning line-up of films celebrating creativity in places of conflict across the

Nicky Beaumont, Film Hub NWC, comments: "Film Hub North West Central are pleased to support the CREATE Festival. Film is a great medium for bringing communities together. The films and events organised by In Place Of War provide a wonderful opportunity for people across Greater Manchester to discover some inspired film making coming from places more usually associated with conflict than creativity.

Create Film Festival

Saturday 4th June - Sunday 10th July 2016

Saturday 4th June, 3pm-9pm

Tickets: http://www.z-arts.org/see-whats-on/

Thursday 16th June, 6pm-11pm





27th May

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Cicchetti summer menu

It pains me to say that I've not been to San Carlo Cicchetti for quite some time, so when the opportunity came to have a taste of things to come I cancelled my afternoons meetings and settled in for course after course.

Check it out here »



Manchester House: Review

At the risk of sounding like a bit of a fanboy I was proper excited about eating at Manchester House. It's somewhere I've wanted to go for ages. That fact was probably quite evident on my arrival as well, seeing as an early evening shower had me turning up looking a bit soggy and flustered [...]

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Posted by Claire Reid about 22 hours ago.





Virunga. Image courtesy of In Place of War.

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We preview a film festival with a difference, giving audiences a glimpse into lives that often remain hidden.

The multi-award winning arts and social organisation In Place of War present CREATE Film Festival (4 June – 10 July) in Manchester – the chance to explore the impact and power of art and activism within areas of conflict. Co-curated with local communities in the city, in Place of War has worked in partnership with Film Hub NWC, part of the BFI Film Audience Network, to put together a film festival unlike any other. Taking place across Manchester, the event combines a great mix of emerging new talent and established filmmakers.

The festival features four themes: Hip Hop, Dr Congo, Women and Kurdistan. It's a packed programme with 12 film screenings, of both short and feature length films. Some also offer the chance for discussion, story sharing, director Q&As, live music and food. Best of all, each and every one of the CREATE Film Festival events are free to attend.

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Event highlights include the women-only screening of *The Trials of Spring* by Gini Reticker, which offers the audience the chance to follow the journey of three Egyptian women setting out on a search for freedom and justice, as well as a night dedicated to Hip Hop communities around the world, with a screening of *Rampage* by George Gittoes – who will also be offering an exclusive Q&A. Finally, don't miss *Forgotten Chords* by Kurdish filmmaker Soran Mardookhi, which allows audiences to see the strength and magic of music.

See more about the CREATE Film Festival 2016

CREATE Film Festival 2016

City Centre, Manchester

4 June 2016–10 July 2016, All screenings are free

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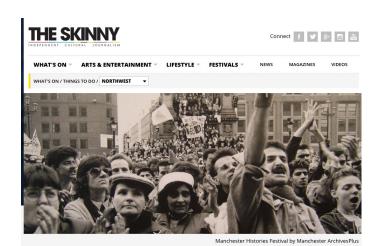




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What's On North 2-9 Jun: Manchester Histories Fest

Jess Hardiman | 02 Jun 2016



Manchester Histories Festival launches this week, while over in Liverpool Fiesta Bombarda celebrate a landmark with Norman Jay and Leeds Comedy Festival brings Milton Jones, Richard Herring and others to the city. Oh, and FREE DOUGHNUTS AND BEER KLAXON.

Each week The Skinny team hand pick a selection of the best events from the Northwest cultural calendar to provide you with this here top ten guide to the most exciting goings on for the week ahead. From gigs, plays, and exhibitions, to spoken word, pop-up foodie events, and one-off film screenings, we give you the insider's guide to things to do in Liverpool. Manchester and beyond every Thursday morning.



<u>Create Film Festival</u> Various venues, Manchester. Sat 4 Jun-Sun 10 Jul, times vary

This weekend, multi award-winning arts and social organisation In Place of War launches its programme of film screenings, exploring creativity in sites of conflict. Down the line there'll be three more film events across Manchester, titled DR Congo, Hip Hop and Women respectively, but the project launches this Saturday with <u>Kurdistan</u>, which delves into the lives of Kurdis communities through screenings of Forgotten Chords (pictured), Dyab and Finding My Legs.

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