

Major Festivals and Events



No matter what time of year you visit Bath, you'll be sure to find a packed programme of festivals and events in Bath and the surrounding area.

Throughout the year there is a wonderful mix of music, literature, entertainment and art events to suit all tastes.

See the listings below for key events in Bath throughout 2010.

Ongoing

Lions of Bath, is a colourful public art event involving a giant pride of 100 life-size lion sculptures.

To Oct, throughout the city and surrounding area.

July

The Roman Baths by Torchlight, offers a unique experience - as darkness falls, the ruins of this vast Roman building are an awesome sight.

1 July - 31 August, Roman Baths, tel: 01225 477785

WOMAD Festival, an outdoor festival celebrating the world's many forms of music, arts and dance.

23-25 July, Charlton Park, Wiltshire

August

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Festival of British Eventing, an equestrian event at the spectacular home of the Princess Royal and her family, incorporating the British Open, Intermediate and Novice Championships.

6-8 August, Gatcombe Park, Gloucestershire, tel: 0871 789 1423

September

Children's Literature Festival, gives you the chance to join some of the biggest names in children's books for 10 days of festival fun with authors, illustrators, storytellers and poets.

24 Sept - 3 Oct, at various venues, tel: 01225 463362

The Jane Austen Festival, a varied selection of events to celebrate the life and work of Jane Austen.

17-25 September, The Jane Austen Centre, tel: 01225 443000

The National Amateur Gardening Show, provides spectacular garden displays, a feast of flowers, fruit and vegetables, TV celebrities and top gardening experts, making this show a must visit for everyone.

3-5 September, Royal Bath & West Showground, Shepton Mallet, tel:01749 822200

October

Bath Bach Festival, an event which has been taking place at intervals in Bath for 50 years, celebrating the work of this great composer.

16-23 October, at various venues

November

Bath Film Festival, a celebration of great cinema, with screenings and events taking place at a range of venues across Bath.

12-20th November, at various venues

Bath Mozart Festival, nine days of concerts in some of the city's most historic and atmospheric buildings.

12-20th November, at various venues

November - December

The Theatre Royal Family Pantomime, a traditional family production - a couple of hours of fun and festivities for everyone.

16 December - 23 January 2011, Bath Theatre Royal, tel: 01225 448844

Jane Austen's Regency Christmas, a special Christmas exhibition of how Jane, her family and friends amused and entertained themselves during the festive season.

The Jane Austen Centre, tel: 01225 443000

Christmas at Claverton, a wonderful festive experience for all the family.

26 November - 19 December, American Museum in Britain, tel: 01225 460503

Bath Christmas Market, a unique festive gift market, not to be missed, with over 120 stalls in stunning surroundings.

25 November - 12 December, next to Bath Abbey, tel: 0906 711 2000 (50p/min)

Carols by Candlelight, sees the Bath Bach Choir returning to Bath's famous Pump Rooms every year for its annual carol concerts - a sure sign that Christmas has really begun.

15-17 December, the Pump Room