

Compass Festival

1-30
November
2024



Interactive art
across Leeds

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Compass Festival is all about bringing art to the everyday.

Discover unexpected experiences in familiar places across Leeds, from communal feasts to meditative moments; celebratory projections to gentle workshops.

Compass Festival is on the street, on the menu, in the market. Unfolding over the whole month of November, our 2024 festival creates moments for reflection and connection.

All events are free or Pay What You Can.

We can't wait to see you and join you in tasting, talking, moving and making at Compass Festival.

For the full programme, access information and booking head to:
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LEEDS SAUCE WEEK



Opening party:
Fearn's, Leeds Dock
Fri 1 Nov, 6–8pm

We're starting Leeds Sauce Week and Compass Festival 2024 with a party at Fearn's – including a special drink and a snacks menu inspired by Popeye Collective's Leeds Sauce. From 1–8 November, this punchy condiment will appear on menus across the city that inspired and produced it.



Photo: JMA Photography

QUARANTINE BUILDING OF SPINES



Leeds Central Library
Sat 2 – Sat 9 Nov (excluding Sun), times vary

Over seven days in Leeds Central Library, a book is made containing a work of collective fiction based on conversations with people in the library. The finished book enters the library's collection. A beautiful object, the book is an alternative portrait of the library and the knowledge it holds.



Photo: Kate Daley

ALISA OLEVA

SOUNDS LIKE HOME



Across Leeds – full details online

Sat 16 & Sun 17 Nov, 11am & 3pm

Responding to requests from Leeds residents who've migrated here, *Sounds Like Home* creates sonic connections to distant hometowns through a series of sound stations. Join one of the collective listening walks to discover these sounds from far away places, reflecting on ideas of home and belonging.



Photo: Alisa Oleva

MELANIE WHITEHEAD SMITH

HERE MARKS THE SPOT



Across Leeds – full details online

Mon 25 – Wed 27 Nov, 6–7pm, Thu 28 Nov, 6–8pm

Made in collaboration with LGBTQ+ people in Leeds, *HERE MARKS THE SPOT* maps sites of queer joy across the city.

Projections of dancing figures pop up across Leeds, translating personal moments into public celebrations.

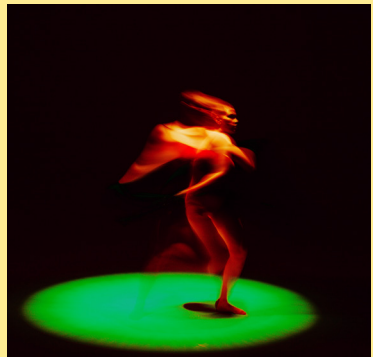


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LING TAN

LEEDS' LOW CARBON CHINATOWN

1904 Hall, Kirkgate Market

Installation:

Mon – Sat, 2–15 Nov, 10am–5pm

FREE

Supper Club:

Fri 15 Nov, 6.30–8.30pm



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Leeds' Low Carbon Chinatown is an installation and Supper Club that addresses the climate crisis through intervening in our food systems.

Combining data science and Chinese diasporic food culture, a two-week installation at Kirkgate Market will showcase and grow the ingredients for a one-off Supper Club.

This delicious communal feast features low carbon Chinese dishes developed with UK-based East & Southeast Asians.



Photo: Lizzie Coombes

SLAP COLLECTIVE ALT+R



East Dock, Leeds Dock

Thu 21 – Sat 23 Nov & Thu 28 – Sat 30 Nov, 11am–5pm
Free, drop-in and bookable treatments available

ALT+R (pronounced *altar*) is a digital wellness spa, harnessing the power of the tech you carry with you daily.

SLAP Collective use interactive performance to stage a tech-wellness startup in Leeds Dock.

Choose from a menu of spa treatments influenced by internet cultures, including mobile meditation and cat video therapy.

With a sense of humour and keen eye for trending aesthetics, SLAP Collective provoke contemplation on the influence online health discourses have on our lives.



Photo: Matt Rogers

ELLIE HARRISON / POLITE REBELLION

LOOSE ENDS

FREE

Trinity Leeds Shopping Centre

Fri 22 – Sun 24 & Thu 28 – Sat 30 Nov, times vary
Free, drop-in

Artist Ellie Harrison invites you to make space for your 'chosen' family tree in this gentle and participatory installation.

Formal family histories and genealogies might not show who really looks after us or who we care for most. *Loose Ends* helps us see what our chosen families really look like.

Drop into Trinity shopping centre to work with Ellie to create your own chosen family tree. You can take it home with you, share it with others, or just have a look around and chat about your chosen family.



AMY LAWRENCE

SHARING PLATTER



FREE

Kirkgate Market

Sat 30 Nov

Free, register your interest online

Collaborative food and eating club *SHARING PLATTER* is a collection of gentle and experimental creative gatherings, curated for women and non-binary people of colour, centring relationships to food, identity and pleasure.

Throughout the day we bring you multifaceted alternative cooking classes, intimate presentations by artists, activists and food experts, gut workshops and slow conversations on the wider landscape that bring together food, creativity and knowledge.

We'll create a nourishing space to learn, share and connect with new people.