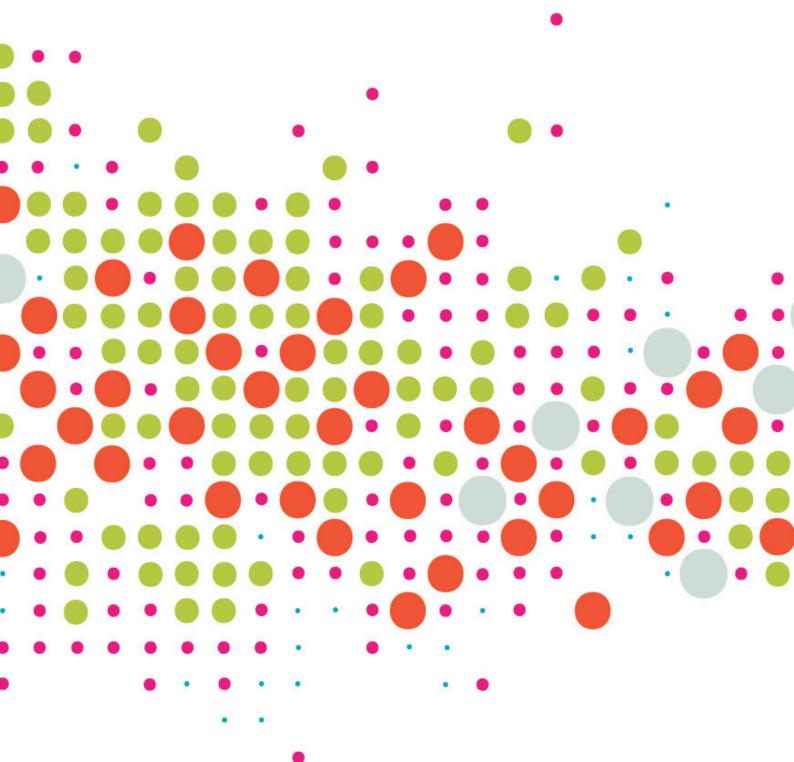
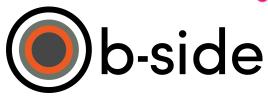
b-side Festival Easy Read Festival Guide





Portland, Dorset 05-08 September 2024

What is b-side festival like?



The festival takes place at various sites across the whole of the Isle of Portland



In some venues there may be crowds.



b-side festival has lots of different events to see – including exhibitions, films, sculptures, and more.



A lot of families go to b-side festival.



There may be some bright or flashing lights in some events.



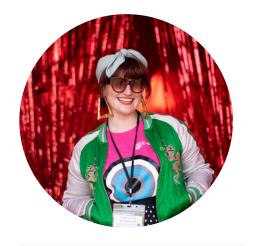
There may be some loud noises.



Some of the festival is outside, so prepare for bad weather. Portland can be windy.



There may be hot weather, so prepare with sunscreen, a sun hat, and a water bottle.



If you need help, you can ask one of our festival stewards. They'll be wearing bright coloured b-side t-shirts.



Toilets and disabled toilets are marked on the b-side map.



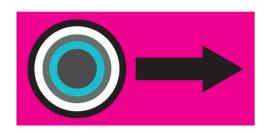
There might be some uneven ground in places.



Portland is bigger than you may think. It can be tiring to get around to all of the artworks.



The artworks have been installed in places across the island, you can access these places by walking, cycling, going on a public bus, driving or booking a b-side bus tour



We have put up signs to help you find events and artworks.



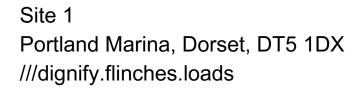
Some of the exhibitions have QR codes. If you scan this with your phone you can hear the artist talking about their artwork.



In the next pages, you can see the artworks listed by site number, artwork name and artist name.

b-side Festival Launch: This Is Us







This event is taking place on Thursday 5th September. Doors open 7.30pm



Booking is essential.

Tickets £7.50 and £5

available via the b-side website.



There will be a short film made especially for b-side, then there will be a poem spoken out loud by the artist Belinda Zhawi, afterwards there will be music.



This is an outdoor event. Over 200 people from Portland helped to make the film. This event takes place outdoors, you can bring a chair to sit on. Wear warm clothes too.

New Union Flag Rules the Waves made by Gil Mualem-Doron



Portland Marina, DT5 1DX ///dignify.flinches.loads



You can see this artwork anytime.



This event is a visual experience



This artwork is the Union Jack flag made from lots of patterns from around the world.



This site is accessible by wheelchair and has an accessible toilet nearby.

Under One Sky a kite workshop



Portland Marina, DT5 1DX ///dignify.flinches.loads



This activity will take place Saturday September 7th at 11am. 1pm and 4pm. It lasts an hout.



This event is a hands on activity. You will make a kite



You will get everything you need to make and decorate a kite based on the New Union Flag (an artwork nearby).



This site is accessible by wheelchair and has an accessible toilet nearby.

b-side Accessible Bus Tour from SALT



Portland Marina, Hamm Beach Road, Portland DT5 1DX, UK



Sunday September 8th 11.30am. The tour will last around two and a half hours.



This is event is ticketed.

Booking is essential.

Tickets are FREE and are available via the b-side website.



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This bus can take one electric wheelchair and one foldable wheelchair. There will be sites with toilets along the route.

Trishaw Tours - Cycling Without Age



SALT
Portland Marina & Boatyard,
Portland, DT5 1DX



Tours are everyday at: 11.30am - 12.30pm 1pm - 1.30pm 2.30 pm - 3.30pm 4 pm - 5pm



This is event is ticketed. You should book in advance.

Tickets are FREE and are available via the b-side website.



Get cycled around to b-side festival sites via trishaw rides by Cycling Without Age. The trishaws can take two people so invite a friend along too.



Priority is given to older people and people with disabilities.

Seaweed Explorations an activity with artist Maddison Collymore



Black Barge beach
Portland Castle, Liberty Road,
Castletown, Portland DT5 1AZ
///sport.mouths.tasks



This activity will take place Saturday September 7th at 11am, 12.30pm, 3.30pm and 5pm.



This event is a hands on activity. You will use seaweed to make prints and artworks.



Maddison has been using seaweed to make artworks, she will show you how to make some prints using sea water and seaweed.



This site is outdoors on a beach, it is accessible by wheelchair.

Dream of the Sea made by Mohammad Barrangi



Site 3
Chiswell Community Garden
DT5 1AW
What3Words link:
lecturing.applied.racetrack



Drop in any time Sept 5th- 8th between 11am - 6pm.



This is event does not require any booking.



This is a visual experience



The sculpture and prints were made to tell a story about a dream the artist had about a lighthouse.



This site is accessible by wheelchair

Bat Walk with Batman and the Na Nas



Meet outside Quiddles Cafe Esplanade, Chiswell, DT5 1LN



This walk and talk will take place on Friday 6th September and Saturday 7th at 6.30pm. It will last about an hour.



You must book a ticket for this event..Tickets are £3.50 and available on the b-side website.



This event is a group walk with a bat expert, we hope to see some bats on the walk.



This event is not accessible for wheelchair users, prams etc

Batman and the Na Nas Campfire











Site 5

Grassy area above Chiswell Earthworks situated at the end of the promenade sea wall near Quiddles

///resists.estimated.printouts

This event is taking place on Friday 6th September and Saturday 7th Sept 7.30pm to 9pm

This is event does not require any booking. and it is FREE

There will be live music and you can dance if you want to

There will be an campfire, you should bring a torch and something to sit on.

Festival Lounge



Site 6
The Royal Manor Theatre
DT5 1LT
What3Words
supplier.backhand.dynamics



Open everyday Thursday 5th to Sunday 8th September. 11am to 6pm.



This is the b-side shop. You can find out information, buy tickets, posters, tea towels and other souvenirs here.



You can buy drinks and snacks here



This site has level access and an accessible toilet.

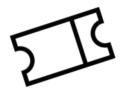
Pots N Pints (of tea!)



Site 6
Royal Manor Theatre
138A Fortuneswell, DT5 1LT
///marching.dusted.canal



Sunday 8th September at 2pm. the event will last 2 hours.



Tickets are £14 and you can book online.



This is an interactive experience for any age.



This is a clay workshop with artist Anna Stoodley. You will be given some clay to make a pot or an artwork, Anna will be there to help you.



The workshop takes place on the ground floor and there is an accessible toilet

Eau De Portland A performance by Miss High Leg Kick



Site 7
54-56 Fortuneswell, DT5 1LZ
///thumps.crackled.intrigues
FREE



Open Thursday to Saturday 12 - 2pm and 4-6pm Open Sunday 12-2pm and 3-4.30pm



This event does not require any booking.



This is an interactive experience for any age. There will be perfumes to smell there may be music playing too.



There will be performers in the venue who will serve you and help you smell the new fragrance they have made for Portand. This artwork is about how smells can remind us of special places or times.



This artwork is in a level access space, there is no accessible toilet here.

The Red Dress Made by Kirstie Macleod



Site 8 St George's Centre Reforne, DT5 2AN. What3Words speedily.fall.entire



You can visit Thur 5th to Sat 7th 11am to 6pm. On Sun 8th you can visit between 11a, and 4pm. It is FREE to visit.



This is a visual experience. You must not touch the exhibits.



The Red Dress has been all around the world. Hundred's of people helped to decorate the dress. People from Portland will start to decorate our own dress next year.



This site is wheelchair accessible and has accessible toilets.

Artist Talk with Kirstie Macleod



Site 8 St George's Centre Reforne, DT5 2AN. What3Words speedily.fall.entire



Sunday September 8th 1.30-2.30pm



This is a talk by the artist who made The Red Dress. There will be up to 30 people sitting down listening.



Kirstie will be speaking about her project The Red Dress and showing some photos on a large screen.



This site is wheelchair accessible and has accessible toilets.

Have a go at textile art a workshop with Antje Rook



Site 8
St George's Centre
Reforne, DT5 2AN.
What3Words
speedily.fall.entire



Saturday 7th Sept 11am - 1pm and 2-4pm Sunday 8th Sept 11am - 1pm



Antje will show you some different textile art techniques, you can try sewing and embroidery, all the materials are provided.



We are getting ready to start The Portland Dress which we will decorate over the next year. If you would like to take part let the b-side festival steward know and we will contact you later.



This site is wheelchair accessible and has accessible toilets.

Archaeology Walk with archaeologist Andrea Frankham Huges



Meet at St Georges Centre, Reforne, DT5 2AN ///speedily.fall.entire



This walk and talk will take place on Saturday September 7th and 8th at 2pm. It will last about 1hr and 30 minutes.



You must book a ticket for this event..Tickets are £3.50 and available on the b-side website.



This event is a gentle walk and talk exploring stories of the Iron Age and Romano British residents of Portland.



This event is accessible for wheelchair users, prams etc

Walk and Talk with Sally watkins from b-side



Meet at St Georges Centre, Reforne, DT5 2AN ///speedily.fall.entire



This walk and talk will take place on Sunday September 8th at 11.30am. It will last about 1hr and 30 minutes.



You must book a ticket for this event..Tickets are £3.50 and available on the b-side website.



This event is a walk and talk exploring some of the b-side artworks with Sally from b-side who is part of the b-side team.



This event is accessible for wheelchair users, prams etc

The Portland SIM Project an artwork by Liz Hingley



Site 7
54-56 Fortuneswell, DT5 1LZ
///thumps.crackled.intrigues
FREE



Open Thursday to Sunday 11am to 6pm



This event does not require any booking.



This is an exhibition of jewellery that has been made from people's SIM cards. A SIM card stores all your photos and information in a smartphone.



IThis site is accessible to wheelchair users

Artist Talk with Liz Hingley



St George's Church, Reforne,
Portland DT5 2JP, UK
///emails.soak.purifier



Saturday September 7th 4-5pm



This is a talk by the artist who made the SIM project. There will be up to 30 people sitting down listening.

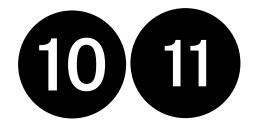


Liz will be talking about the SIM project and how it works.



This site is accessible but it is better to check directly with the festival team so we can make a space ready for your wheelchair.

Face Value have your portrait drawn by Harald Smyka



Sites 10 and 11
Whitestones Art Cafe, 13 Easton
Street, DT5 1BS
///dampen.holly.paler
Tesco, Park Rd, Easton, DT5 2AD
///straw.message.acoustics



11am to 4pm each day.
Saturday 7th September
Drop in at White Stones Cafe
Sunday 8th September
Drop in at Tesco



This is event does not require any booking.



This is a visual experience . the artist will draw your face onto a £5 note. It will take 30 minutes.



Harald is drawing people's faces onto money. He wondered why the faces of ordinary people were not on our money. You will need to bring your own £5 note.

b-side Accessible Bus Tour from Tescos, Easton



Tesco, Park Rd, Portland DT5 2AD



Sunday September 8th 2.30pm. The tour will last around two and a half hours.



This is event is ticketed.

Booking is essential.

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Tesco, Park Rd, Portland DT5 2AD



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Portland Parade Islands of Imagination



Site 12
Easton Gardens
Easton Square, Easton, Portland
DT5 1BY
///bright.obvious.sprinting



This event is taking place on Sunday September 8th from 6pm his event is free. You can register to take part but you can just turn up.



There will be live music and activities in Easton Gardens. Everyone will be dressed up in costumes. You can dress up too!



The parade will involve 100's of people and we will parade together from Easton Gardens to Portland Museum and back. It will be dark so you need to bring a torch or wear lights!

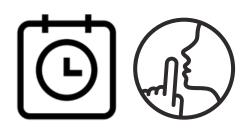


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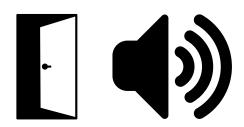
The House of Weaving Songs made by The Dhaqan Collective



Site 13
Old Engine Shed, Incline Rd,
DT5 1DB
///redeeming.picked.charted



Open 12 -6pm Daily
Between 11am and 12 noon on
Sept 5th, 6th and 8th you can book
to visit during relaxed hour. This
means there will only be a few
people allowed in the space at one
time.



The artwork will be shown in a darkened space. There will be lights and sound too.



Inside is a tent-like structure from Somalia, you can walk inside it and touch parts of the artwork which will light up and make a sound when touched



This venue is accessible and has an accessible portaloo.

Acts of love and solidarity: Practice sharing with Dhaqan Collective and Counterpoints Arts



Site 13
Old Engine Shed, Incline Rd,
DT5 1DB
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The event will take place on Saturday September 7th 2-3.30pm



This event is free but booking is recommended.



This is a conversation about how organisations can help artists make work and develop ideas.



This venue is accessible and has an accessible toilet.

How Can I Stay? Setting Up Freedoms



Sweet Hill Farm Wild Camping,
Portland
///season.waltz.sizes



The event will take place on Friday September 6th 12-10pm



This event is free but booking is essential.



This is a day-long event, The event begins with a picnic lunch, followed by talks and activities exploring the difficulties some artists may experience.



This venue is accessible and has an accessible toilet.

For further information



Visit the festival lounge between 11am - 6pm on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Our festival team are there to help you.

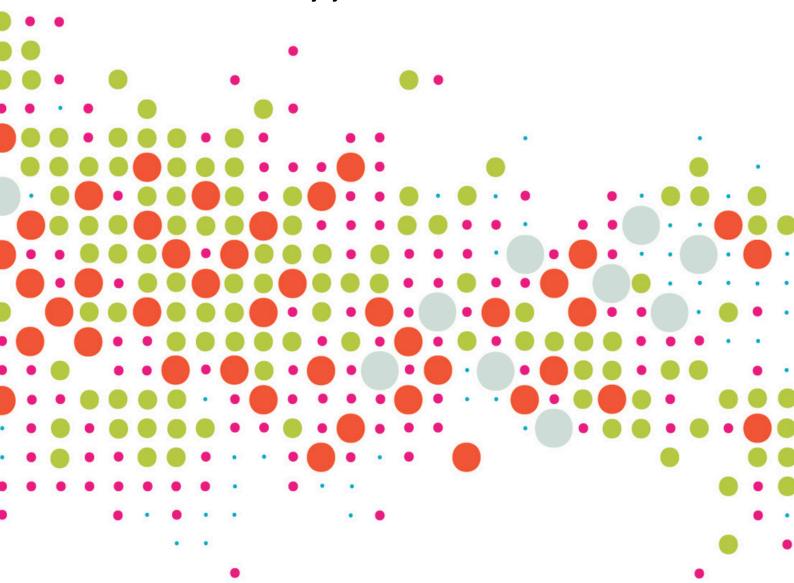


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Or call the festival front of house team: **01305 568 044**

We hope you have found this Guide useful, we are always trying to improve accessibility so more of our visitors feel welcomed and can enjoy b-side. •



If you have any ideas on how we could improve our offer please let us know, we want to know!

You can email sally@b-side.org.uk or give us a call on 01305 568044







