

# **SOUTHBANK CENTRE**



## Accessible events at Imagine Children's Festival

Wed 7 – Sat 17 Feb 2024

Imagine Children's Festival is back for 2024! Our half-term festivities include a wide range of inclusive and accessible events for a variety of needs, allowing everyone to experience the very best children's theatre, comedy, music, literature, dance and full-on fun.

The festival features British Sign Language (BSL) interpreted, Audio Described, non-verbal and Sensory Adapted performances.

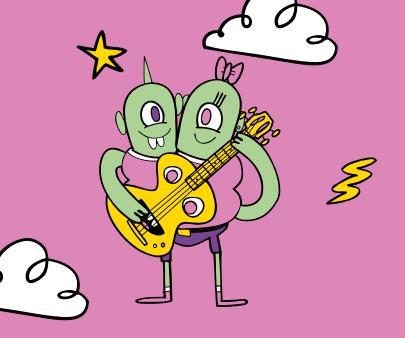
Roaming BSL interpreters are available to book at the Welcome Desk, Level 2, Royal Festival Hall on a first-come, first-served basis on Sunday 11 and Thursday 15 February.

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#### The Sticky Dance: Sensory Adapted THU 8 FEB

Three dancers shimmy through the audience weaving a tapestry of sticky tape in this tactile, sensory adapted dance performance for young children.

This version of the show is for neurodivergent and disabled audiences, with or without

diagnosis. It has a smaller audience capacity, with a maximum of eight children and their parents or carers in the space, making it more suitable for those who might benefit from a calmer environment.

For ages 3 - 7



#### There's a Monster in Your Show

WED 7 – FRI 9 FEB Expect playful fun in this k

musical adaptation of Tom Fletcher's Who's in Your Book? Series.

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For ages 2+



Thu 8 Feb, 1.30pm



### FRI 9 & SAT 10 FEB

Akram Khan Company's family-friendly dance-theatre production creates a compelling tale of a boy's dreams and memories, from Britain to Bangladesh.

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The performance on Sat 10 Feb at 6.30pm is Audio Described. A free Touch Tour prior to the performance is also available to book for ticket holders for this performance.

For ages 7+ but also suitable for older children and adults.



Sat 10 Feb, 6.30pm

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#### **Boxed** In

#### SAT 10 & SUN 11 FEB

*Boxed In* is a playful, fun performance about someone who can't make head nor tail of the unspoken rules surrounding us.

*Boxed In* is largely non-verbal. This makes it accessible to a range of people, including d/Deaf, hard of hearing and non-English speakers or those with developing language and communication skills.

The performance on Sat 10 Feb at 2.30pm is Sensory Adapted with a lower audience capacity and adjustments to sound and lighting to make it more suitable for audiences with sensory sensitivities.

For ages 3 – 6

Sensory Adapted: Sat 10 Feb, 2.30pm



#### SAT 10 & SUN 11 FEB

Comedy, brilliant puppetry and bold music feature in *The Instrumentals*, a family show telling the story of Belle and some dusty musical instruments.

The performance on Sun 11 Feb at 2pm is BSL interpreted with adjustments to sound and lighting to make it more suitable for audiences with sensory sensitivities. Capacity for this performance is not reduced.

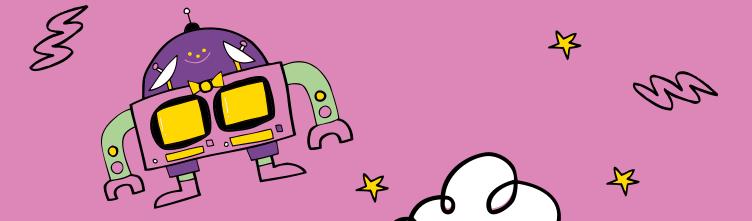
The performance on Sun 11 Feb at 11.30am is Sensory Adapted.

For ages 4+



Sun 11 Feb, 2pm

Sensory Adapted: Sun 11 Feb, 11.30am









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#### Wellbeing Wind Down

SAT 10 – FRI 16 FEB, EXCEPT FOR MON 12 FEB

Free mindfulness sessions designed to help the whole family relax.

The sessions on Sun 11 Feb and Thu 15 Feb are British Sign Language Interpreted (BSL).

#### For ages 5+



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#### A Morning with Rob Biddulph SUN 11 FEB

Join award-winning author and illustrator Rob Biddulph for a fun-packed session for all the family.

This event is British Sign Language interpreted (BSL).

For ages 5+







#### ZooNation's Hip-Hop-Half-Term SUN 11 FEB

Join ZooNation: The Kate Prince Company for a fun-filled day for all the family, with workshops, a DJ jam and a performance from ZooNation Youth Company.

Workshop announcements and instructions are British Sign Language interpreted (BSL).

For ages 5+





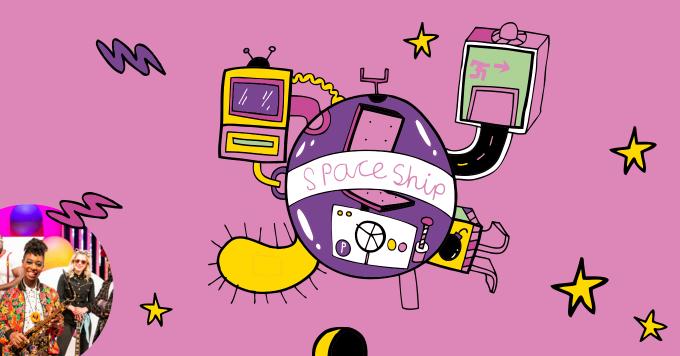
#### An Afternoon with Michael Rosen SUN 11 FEB

Join national treasure Michael Rosen for an afternoon of family entertainment, stories and poems, as he introduces his new book, *The Incredible Adventures of Gaston Le Dog.* This event is British Sign Language interpreted (BSL).

For ages 6+







### MON 12 FEB

### THU 15 FEB

#### For ages 5+



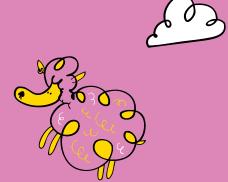


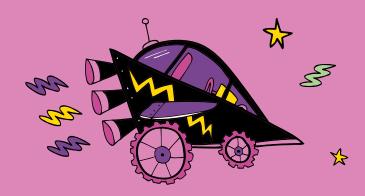


For ages 3+



### MON 12 FEB









### David Litchfield & His Merry Band of Bears

#### THU 15 FEB

Hear about the bear who found a piano in the woods and grew up to become a star at a fun-filled event with the authorillustrator and his Merry Band of Bears.

This event is British Sign Language interpreted (BSL).

For ages 3+









#### Starchitects: A Cosmic Adventure

#### THU 15 – SAT 17 FEB

*Starchitects* is a joyful, cosmic spectacle by Motionhouse, telling the story of five children who dream of reaching the moon from their bedroom.

The performance on Fri 16 Feb at 11am is Audio Described. A free Touch Tour prior to the performance is also available to book for ticket holders for this performance.

For ages 3+



#### Fri 16 Feb, 11am



#### Patrick Kane: Human 2.0

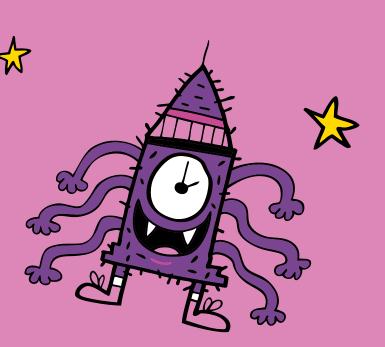
#### THU 15 FEB

Take a glimpse into the future as Patrick Kane introduces his inspiring illustrated non-fiction book about the remarkable achievements of medical engineering.

This event is British Sign Language interpreted (BSL).

For ages 8+









Rosie Jones: The Amazing Edie Eckhart

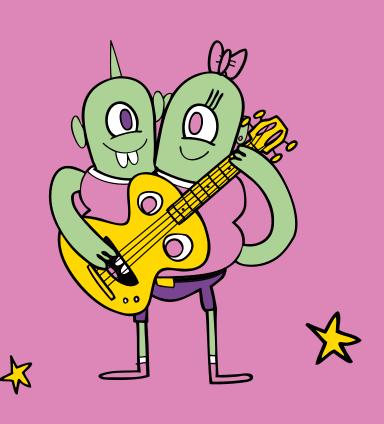
#### THU 15 FEB

Join TV comedian Rosie Jones as she introduces her sparky and hilarious new Edie Eckhart story, *The Friend Mission*, for World Book Day.

This event is British Sign Language interpreted (BSL).

For ages 8 - 11







## How to book

#### Online

#### southbankcentre.co.uk/imagine\*

\*Booking fees apply online (£3.50) and over the phone (£4). There are no booking fees for Southbank Centre

To book tickets for access services such as BSL services and Touch Tours, email accesslist@southbankcentre.co.uk

#### Access

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The Southbank Centre is accessible to all, and level access is available to all of our venues. Assistance, including guiding, is available for blind and visually impaired visitors.

accesslist@southbankcentre.co.uk

Please see southbankcentre.co.uk/access for further details and to join our free Access Scheme.



British Sign Language interpreted



**Touch Tour** 



Audio Described



#### **Getting here**

Southbank Centre **Belvedere Road** London SE1 8XX

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Waterloo and Embankment

and Stamford Street

#### Mainline rail stations

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