

Arts Programme for 2015 Unveiled

With support of Arts Council England, the cathedral is commissioning arts activities for 2015 based around the theme of light and darkness.

Light and darkness play a vital role in Christian theology, and are also present in the foundations of many of the religions that make up contemporary Birmingham. ‘We are hoping that the arts will enable people of all backgrounds to gather and join a conversation,’ said the Dean, ‘to share moments of wonder and reflection, as we did at the eclipse.’

‘We are inspired by the challenge of Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury, on his recent visit to Birmingham, that the city has a unique opportunity to demonstrate to the world, how people from different backgrounds can live together in peace,’ said the dean.

Mohammed Ali and Mandy Ross will be working in neighbourhoods and faith venues across the city and diocese during the summer. Mohammed is a visual artist and he will be outdoors, live painting sculptures that will be brought into Cathedral Square. Mandy Ross is a writer and poet and she will invite people across the city to contribute their creative writing inspired by light and dark.

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Spring Fair & Children’s Trail Friday 10th April

10.30am – 4pm

Come & See ... Food - Cake - Pig Roast - Crafts - Books

Artwork – Toys – Flowers – Morris Dancers

**Plus, a children’s treasure trail
 and cathedral tours!**



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Jake Lever is a visual artist who specialises in gold leaf as a tribute to Birmingham’s jewellery heritage. ‘Soul Boats’ invites people to create a golden boat that represents their journey through life. The boats will be suspended in the cathedral to form a growing (and glowing) flotilla above our heads.



All of this will come together across a weekend celebration in October with an outdoor sound performance created by composer and sound artist, Dan Jones, together with our mobile phones!

Everyone in the cathedral community is invited to get involved in these elements and activities, as we offer hospitality and conversation, and the spirit of Christian imagination, to our city and diocese.