

DIGBETH FIRST FRIDAY

Friday 1 March, 2019

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- 5 **Recent Activity**
82 Floodgate Street, Birmingham, B5 5SR
- 6 **Impact Hub**
Walker Building, 58 Oxford Street, B5 5NR
- 7 **Eastside Projects**
86 Heath Mill Lane, B9 4AR
- 8 **Bene Culture**
UG13 Gibb Street, B9 4AT
- 9 **The Warehouse Cafe**
54-57 Allison Street, B5 5TH
- 10 **Quantum Event Centre**
77A Upper Trinity Street, B9 4EG
- 11 **Seven Sins**
No. 7 Gibb Street, Zellig Building, B9 4AA
- 12 **The Edge**
79-81 Cheapside, B12 0QH

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There's plenty on offer to explore this month.

Plan your evening here:

1 **Grand Union at Dig Brew Taproom: Infinite Opera Performance for drye eyes, performances at 6.30 and 7.30pm**

Join Grand Union at Dig Brew Taproom for a newly-commissioned performance by Birmingham-based opera troupe Infinite Opera in response to Lauren Gault's exhibition, drye eyes, exploring sound and performance as a formal object.

2 **Vivid Projects: Black Hole Club 2019 launch, 6-8pm**

This month Vivid Projects will launch Black Hole Club 2019, featuring a new cohort of 19 artists working across technology, film, sound and performance based practices.

3 **Stryx: BLENDER: soup ptV Artists Residency Opening – curated open studio event, 6-9pm**

Stryx invites Digbeth First Friday goers to a curated open studio event, showcasing the most recent artistic developments of works by BLENDER: souptV artists in residence: Lucy Andrews, Matt Gale, Kurt Hickson, Gemma Jones.

4 **Centrala: Digital Diaspora, 6-11pm, performances at 7 and 9pm**

Digital Diaspora is a group exhibition organised in collaboration with Centrala, Short Circuit Project and Studio 44. Zoe Aiano / Anna Jochymek / Tamara Kametani / Jens Masimov

Through performative action, immersive and interactive measures, artists' work directly responds to the current socio-political climate of the continent addressing key issues of migration, borders, territory, cultural identity, belonging and isolation. Most artists in the exhibition reveal a deeply personal connection to their work through direct associations with their cultural backgrounds, personal histories or relationships cultivated over many years of ethnographic research.

5 **Recent Activity: Nomadic Vitrine presents Aimee Parrott, 6-8.30pm**

Recent Activity present a new iteration of Nomadic Vitrine, featuring work by Aimee Parrott

6 **Impact Hub: PMT Postcard Show, 6.30-9.30pm**

Join Impact Hub for an open call exhibition showcasing creative submissions by women – cis or trans, femmes, non-binary people (enby) – in the form of postcards.

A first for Impact Hub Birmingham, we will be joining Digbeth First Friday and as a venue on Birmingham's Art Map this month, experimenting with how multi-purpose collaborative spaces can be a home for visual arts programming.

7 **Eastside Projects: Ain Bailey Performance: Five Car Train to Freemont, 6-8pm, performance at 7pm**

Join Eastside Projects for Digbeth First Friday with a performance by Ain Bailey. This new performance Five Car Train to Freemont responds to composer Jockel Liess' work "irregular atmospheric motion", sampling composition alongside field recordings from San Francisco and Oakland.

8 **Bene Culture: Babs Collective, Error 404, 6-9pm**

Bene Culture's next Art event of 2019 is the showcase of Birmingham based collective Babs Collective. Babs Collective are a 10 piece illustration collective who study illustration at BCU Arts.

9 **The Warehouse Cafe: Launch party for The Warehouse Cafe// Under No Management, 7pm - late**

After many weeks of hard work to get everything ready for you this Friday and Saturday The Warehouse Cafe are finally opening their doors! They have two smashing events lined up to whet your appetite for many, many more to come!

Join them on Digbeth First Friday for their very first, friendly and fun launch event featuring poets including Beth Slinn, Spencer and more TBC as well as local acoustic musicians including Aquila Hope and Craigus. Be the first to experience the newly re-decorated space, the bar with a selection of beers and gins and vegan snacks.

10 **Fierce Festival at Quantum Events Centre: Artists Behind Bars, 9pm-2am, £5 on the door**

Artists Behind Bars is an event concocted by Kitty Finer that brings together artists to build, install, host, and run their own bars. For one night shift only, the bar is the work of art, the artist is the bartender, and the spectator is the punter.

Join Fierce for this legendary event to try drinks specially developed by some of the region's most exciting artists, from behind their bespoke bars, then join us on the dance floor till the small hours. WARNING: it will get messy.

11 **Seven Sins: Assimetry, 4-9pm**

Seven Sins will be showcasing the work of Colaartist in a contemporary art exhibition. They will also be featuring live music from the artist himself, as well as providing drinks including coffee inspired cocktails.

12 **The Edge: The TrickleDown Society: A Posh Event, 7.30pm - late, £5 suggested donation on the door**

Join The TrickleDown Society for its first ever Annual Gala Jubilee at the Edge, an inclusively exclusive night of sumptuous high-end entertainment, provided at the expense of local plebs and artists!

Featuring dazzling performances from: Foolsie Theatre, The Diva, Lynnebec, as well as a private view of international artist Klaus Winklegrover's new blockbuster exhibition 'Play With Me'. Drinks and canapes will be available.