



Toads Revisited

A celebration of Larkin with Toads

Toads old and new, on the streets,
in the sky and on
the water!

For one weekend only,
visit the Larkin Toads in Hull
and beyond and look out for
stories, music and poems
inspired by Philip Larkin
and the Larkin Toads

**Wednesday 5 August to
Sunday 9 August 2015**



Toads Revisited

Toads Revisited celebrates 5 years since the Larkin25 commemoration of the life and work of the poet, novelist, librarian and jazz critic, Philip Larkin, and marks the 30th Anniversary of his death.

Larkin with Toads was a notable popular success, a large scale, mass participation public art event which surprised and delighted the people of Hull and the East Riding – and won the Silver Award for the VisitEngland Tourism Event of the Year (ahead of the Grand National!).. His poem ‘Toads’ was the inspiration for the colourful amphibian sculptures that enlivened the streets, and now its sister poem, ‘Toads Revisited’, provides the title for this lighthearted reprise.

Larkin25 has worked with other Hull artists and organisations to create a varied few days of Larkin and Toad related activity. The University of Hull has commissioned a new Toad design by Rebecca Dennison which will grace the foyer of the recently extended and refurbished Brynmor Jones Library and can be visited from Saturday 8th August. Wrecking Ball Press and Artlink have worked with Larkin25 on the selection and design of Toad Tales, an illustrated book of stories and poems. Ensemble 52 has created an audio-visual installation inspired by the poem Toads Revisited and Artlink Exchange and Park Bench Theatre will be bringing Larkin’s poetry to life with mobile performances and readings from The Bike Library. Musician and composer, Dave Gawthorpe will present a series of site specific music works linking places on The Larkin Trail. And finally, Larkin25 and Roots & Wings have commissioned a giant flying Toad which, subject to good weather, will take to the skies in locations all around the city!

Full details of all these events can be found in this brochure and on the website at www.toadsrevisited.co.uk.

If Toads Could Fly!

Well, they can – or rather one very big toad can, just so long as the weather conditions are okay! Working with Roots & Wings we have commissioned Imagination Inflatables to build us an 8ms long Larkin Toad with an entirely new decorative design created by Janette Dimitrova. Our Flying Toad will float around the city from Wednesday 5th August ending up in Queens Gardens for the weekend.



You can catch the Flying Toad from 10am (Launch time) until 6pm each day at:

Wednesday 5 August

Holwell Road, opposite North Point
Shopping Centre, Bransholme HU7 4EE

Friday 7 August

Massey Playing Field
St George's Road, Hull HU3 3PX

Thursday 6 August

Stonebridge Park, Greatfield, HU9 5BD

Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 August

Queens Gardens, Hull HU1 1HJ

There will be young people's activities and an outdoor gallery at the Launch Sites on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Please note that Flying Toad may be unable to fly if there is strong or gusty wind

Toads Revisited The Exhibition

See pictures of all the Larkin Toads, the runners up and winning entries for the Flying Toad design competition, designs for the new Library Toad, and a selection of Alice Beasley's delightful book illustrations for 'Toad Tales'. The new Library Toad will also be on display.

In the Exhibition Hall, Brynmor Jones Library,
University of Hull, Cottingham Road, Hull HU6 7RX

Free admission: 10am – 5pm from Saturday 8 to Sunday 30 August

You've seen the Larkin Toads – now enjoy their stories!

Toad Tales

Over 300 writers submitted short stories and poems about the Larkin Toads. We have selected the very best for a new children's story book - Toad Tales - beautifully illustrated by Hull artist, Alice Beasley. Toad Tales is published on Wednesday 5 August and will then be available priced £8.95 from Hull Central Library, Albion Street, Hull, Waterstones Bookshop, Jameson Street, Hull and on-line from www.wreckingballpress.co.uk



SOUNDING THE LARKIN TRAIL

An evening of performances of newly written site-specific musical compositions by David Gawthorpe that are inspired by, and situated at, key locations along the Larkin Trail (www.thelarkintrail.co.uk)

A journey of musical events will begin with an instrumental chamber group concert at the General Cemetery, Spring Bank West.

An hour later at the Paragon Interchange a concert will take place consisting of songs that are musical settings, reinterpretations and responses to the poetry of Larkin.

The event will conclude at Ye Olde Black Boy with an audio-visual installation that revisits the site of Larkin's favourite jazz club.

Part of the experience is to walk to each one of the performances - instilling a sense of 'walking in Larkin's footsteps'.



Sunday 9 August

7:30pm

General Cemetery Spring Bank West
(opposite Hymers Avenue) HU5 3TG

8:30pm

Paragon Interchange Train Station,
Ferensway, HU1 3UF

9:30pm

Ye Olde Black Boy, High Street, HU1 1PS

All concerts are free to attend.

For further information or general enquires please contact: David Gawthorpe 07531 108603

Toads Redux *by e52*

Following last year's acclaimed 'Whitsun Weddings' performed on a Hull to London train, Hull-based company Ensemble 52 has created an audio-visual installation inspired by the poem Toads Revisited. This film triptych explores the characters we meet in the poem and the themes of time passing and time wasted. The film lasts 18 minutes and will be on a loop throughout the day.

Artlink Centre for Community Arts

87 Princes Avenue, Hull, East Yorkshire, HU5 3QP

Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 August

Continuous viewing - 10am to 4pm

Free admission

For more information go to e52.co.uk



The Bike Library

Larkin was an ardent cyclist – as well as a poet! So Artlink are working in partnership with Park Bench Theatre and East Coast Bicycles to create a bike library. Park Bench Theatre Company will take to the streets of Hull and the East Riding on a beautiful vintage bike with a library trailer full of poetry books! You are invited to experience interactive performances and workshops based around the poetry of Philip Larkin and other writers. These family-friendly events are ideal for all ages!

The locations have been carefully chosen to reflect places with special connections to Philip Larkin and are all included in The Larkin Trail (www.thelarkintrail.co.uk)

Saturday 18 July

5pm – 6.30pm

Paragon Interchange

Hull City Centre, HU1 3UF

Friday 24 July

5pm – 6.30pm

by Andrew Marvell Statue, Trinity Square,

Hull HU1 1RR

Saturday 25 July

4pm – 5.30pm

Pearson Park

(by the Victorian Conservatory)

Princes Ave, Hull HU5 2TQ

Saturday 22 August

1pm – 2.30 pm

Humber Bridge Country Park

Hessle HU13 0HB

Saturday 22 August

4pm – 5.30pm

The Pavilion, King George V Playing Fields,

Northgate, Cottingham, HU16 5QW

Saturday 5 September

1pm – 2.30pm

by Andrew Marvell Statue, Trinity Square,

Hull HU1 1RR

For enquiries or further information please contact Rachel Elm,
Phone 01482 345104 or email artsdevelopment@artlink.uk.net



Where are they now?

City Centre Toads



1. Reflective Colours

Artist: Sue Kershaw and Victoria Merrett

Location: Streetlife Museum Gardens, High Street, Hull HU1 1PS

Viewing: Permanently on display, Monday to Saturday 10am - 5pm,
Sunday 1.30pm - 4.30pm



2. Toad in the Hull

Artists: Janis Goodman and Sarah Fisher

Location: Hull History Centre, Worship Street, Hull HU2 8BG

Viewing: on permanent public display outside the Centre



3. Fish & Chips Toad

Artist: Emily Fisher

Location: Queens Gardens, Hull HU1 1HJ

Viewing: floating on a pond throughout the Toads Revisited weekend



4. Maritime Toad

Artist: Pinkyvision

Location: The Maritime Museum, Queen Victoria Square, Hull HU1 3DX

Viewing: Saturday 8 August 10am - 5pm,
Sunday 9 August 1.30pm - 4.30pm only
Maritime Toad kindly loaned by Allenby Commercial Ltd.



5. Eastwest

Artists: Sarah Daniels and Sarah Fallowfield

Location: Princes Quay Shopping Centre, Hull HU1 2PQ

Viewing: Saturday 8 August, 9am - 6pm,
Sunday 9 August, 10.30am - 4.30pm only



6. Hull Folk

Artists: Jean Hartley, Ragna Blades and Domanic Li

Location: Street Life Museum, High Street, Hull HU1 1PS

Viewing: Saturday 8 August 10am - 5pm
Sunday 9 August 1.30pm - 4.30pm only



7. Punkphibian

Artist: Liz Dees

Location: Waterstones Bookshop, Jameson Street, Hull HU1 3JQ

Viewing: 9am - 5.30pm, Weds 5 - Sunday 9 August only



8. The Chiltern Toad

Artists: Chiltern Primary School Parent and Children's Craft Group

Location: Prospect Shopping Centre, Prospect Street, Hull HU2 8PP

Viewing: Saturday 8 August, 8am - 6pm,
Sunday 9 August, 10.30am - 4.30pm only



9. Archi-toad

Artist: Hannah Cooper

Location: St Stephen's Shopping Centre, Ferensway, Hull HU2 8LN

Viewing: in main shopping mall, open 24/7
Archi-toad kindly loaned by Allenby Commercial Ltd.

Toads around Hull



10. Teletoad

Artist: Michelle Roper

Location: Mr & Mrs Dean, 63 Harbour Way, Victoria Dock, Hull HU9 1PL

Viewing: view into the front garden from the public pavement



11. 10-5 Toad

Artists: Steve Elliott and Steve Hubbard

Location: KC Lightstream Stadium, Preston Road, Hull HU9 5HE

Viewing: on permanent display in front of Colin Hunt Stand
from 9am - 9pm daily



12. Space Hopper

Artists: Liz Dees with Newington and St Andrew's Young People's Project
Location: Network Young People's Centre, 1 Massey Street, Hull HU3 3LA
Viewing: view through security fencing into courtyard at any time



13. Albert

Artist: Oban Hogarth
Location: Pearson's Bar, 6a Princes Avenue, Hull HU5 3QA
Viewing: permanently on display, view from public pavement



14. Typographical Toad

Artists: Saul Logan and Alec Tear
Location: CPD Ltd., iPark Industrial Estate, Innovation Drive, Hull HU5 1SG
Viewing: on permanent display and viewable from driveway



15. Global Pop Toad

Artist: Mark Wigan
Location: Hull University Business School, Cottingham Road, Hull HU6 7RX
Viewing: open access to front forecourt of the Business School from Cottingham Road during Toads Revisited weekend only



16. The Library Toad

Artist: Rebecca Dennison - a new design to be unveiled on Saturday 8 August at 11am
Location: Exhibition Hall, Brynmor Jones Library, University of Hull, Cottingham Road, Hull HU6 7RX
Viewing: 10am – 5pm from Saturday 8 to Sunday 30 August



17. The Larkin Toad

Artist: Frances Kelly
Location: 105 Newland Park, Hull HU5 2DT
Viewing: The Larkin Toad sits on the first floor balcony at the front of the house where Larkin lived for the last eleven years of his life. He can be seen from the road at any time



18. Tigger the Toad

Artist: Jayne Tunnicliffe
Location: 105 Newland Park, Hull HU5 2DT (in the back garden)
Viewing: 11am – 5pm, Saturday 8 August and 1pm – 5pm, Sunday 9 August only



19. Hull Poem Toad

Artist: Lonny Pop
Location: Bricknell Avenue School, Bricknell Avenue, Hull HU5 4ET
Viewing: Saturday 8 August from 8.30am – 12.30pm or during normal school opening hours.



20. Kasey Toad

Artists: Ian Nicholl and Emily Fisher
Location: North Point Shopping Centre, Goodhart Road, Bransholme, Hull HU7 4EE
Viewing: Saturday 8 August, 9am – 5.30pm, Sunday 9 August, 10am – 4pm only



21. Labyrinth on my Back

Artist: Gemma Chaikin
Location: St Ambrose Court, Minehead Road, Bransholme, Hull HU7 4JN
Viewing: on permanent display by the public footpath

East Riding and beyond!



22. Hull Fair Toad

Artist: Pinkyvision
Location: Southlands Hall, 75 Thwaite Street, Cottingham, East Yorks HU16 4RB
Viewing: permanently located in front garden and can be glimpsed through the boundary hedge!



23. Neat Toad

Artists: Nick and Mez of The Neat and Sarah Pennington
Location: Beverley Racecourse, York Road, Beverley, East Yorks HU17 8QZ
Viewing: just inside main gates, 10am – 5pm, Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 August and on all race days



24. Tannery Toad

Artists: St Nicholas' Primary School with Sarah Johnson
Location: St Nicholas' Primary School, Holme Church Lane, Beverley, East Yorks HU17 0QP
Viewing: permanently on view from public footpath at any time



25. Harlequin, Mischievous Man of Mystery

Artists: Jayne Tunncliffe with Peter Levy
Location: Mr P. Madden, Tudor Croft, Woodfield Lane, Hessle, Hull HU13 0ES
Viewing: in rear garden, 10am – 5pm Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 August only



26. Twinkle Toad

Artist: Rick Welton
Location: Bonus Electrical Superstore, Grange Park Lane, Willerby, East Yorks HU10 6EB
Viewing: permanently displayed, open daily 9am - 5.30pm, Sunday 10am - 4pm



27. Magenta Toad

Artist: Ragna Blades
Location: Melton West Business Park, Gibson Lane, Melton, East Yorks HU14 3BQ
Viewing: on permanent public display by the roadside



28. Topographical Toad

Artist: Ken Shaw
Location: Alex Alec-Smith, Milestone Farm, Low Road, Everthorpe, Brough HU15 2AD
Viewing: 10am – 5pm, Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 August only



29. Squatwit

Artist: Ruth Pickard
Location: Mr & Mrs Smith, 12 Woodland Rise, Sproatley, East Yorks HU11 4GA
Viewing: 10am – 5pm, Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 August only



30. The Newington Toad

Artists: Newington Primary School After School Club
Location: Billericay, Essex CM11 1AS
Viewing: by appointment only – contact Alan and Cathy Thorley on 07866 180908 or email cathyandalan@btinternet.com



31. Kiss Me Quick

Artist: Stephen MacKay
Location: Bannockburn, Stirling, Scotland FK7 8EW
Viewing: by appointment only – telephone 01964 671575 to arrange





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We would like to thank all the owners of Larkin Toads who have kindly allowed their toad to be included in Toads Revisited and all the new venues which are providing them with a weekend holiday location.

If you are interested in Philip Larkin, why not join the Larkin Society? You can find out all about the Society and membership at www.philiplarkin.com

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