



# BLACK SHUCK FESTIVAL

**BUNGAY**

*4th-6th August 2023*

*Beware the hedgerows & dark places*

See more at [blackshuckfestival.com](http://blackshuckfestival.com)

& [bungay-suffolk.co.uk/events](http://bungay-suffolk.co.uk/events)

## *Throughout the Festival*

Art Exhibitions

**The Bell Gallery, Earsham Street**

Adult Art Exhibition - Black Shuck & Friends

**The Three Tuns (upstairs)**

Children's Art Exhibition – Black Shuck & Friends - Free entry.

The Black Shuck Shop

**Market Place, Bungay**

A Pop-Up shop featuring works by local artists and crafters with a folklore theme. Open 22nd July-18th August, Tuesdays-Saturdays, 11am-3pm. Open during the Festival 10am-6pm.

## *Friday 4th August*

St. Mary's Church

**Drop-in Workshops, 11am-4pm**

Drop-in workshops to celebrate the history of Bungay/the church and its wall hangings and the Black Dog legend through creating pennants for bunting. Delivered by Churches Conservation Trust. Free entry.

Blythburgh – Bungay

**Black Dog Running Club's Fun Run, 5pm-7pm**

A fun run retracing the Black Dog of Bungay's journey in reverse. See the Black Shuck effigy carried back into Bungay, arriving at the Fisher Theatre where the runners will receive specially created medals.

Fisher Theatre

**Shuck Folk Cabaret, 8pm-10:30pm**

A multi-disciplinary review comprising music, circus artistry, storytelling, short (scary!) films and an interview with Black Shuck himself!

Tickets: [thefishertheatre.org](http://thefishertheatre.org) (best to leave your under-14's at home!)

## *Saturday 5th August*

St. Mary's Church

**William Fergusson, solo piano concert, Noon-12:40pm**

Will Fergusson kicks off events with a suitably brooding and dramatic solo piano concert. Programme to include Pinto's rarely heard haunting Second Piano Sonata in Eb. Donations.

Cross St Trinity St, Wharton St, St. Mary's St, Castle Bailey

**Festival Parade, 2pm-2:30pm**

A spectacular Parade of costumed characters depicting all of our local legends, Tudors, Fire Sprites and of course Black Shuck himself. Spectators are asked to keep to the pavements please.

The Castle Bailey

**Carnival on the Bailey, 1pm-5pm**

A family-friendly afternoon celebrating Bungay's folklore through storytelling, music and drama. The Carnival is one of the main festival events and a chance to come and enjoy our unique heritage and local folklore. If you want to dress up as your favourite character from Bungay's history please do! Bring your demon cards with you so that you can banish all your fears and worries for another year, with the ritualistic and symbolic 'burning' of the Black Shuck effigy. There will be a bar, bbq, crepes and ice-cream - or bring a picnic! Free (but donations welcome!).

St Mary's Church

**A Straunge & Terrible Wunder, 7:30pm-9:30pm**

The festival is delighted to welcome celebrated song writer, poet and author Martin Newell to perform his epic poems Black Shuck and The Green Children of Woolpit accompanied by the Hosepipe Band, a group of some of East Anglia's finest folk musicians. The second half features performances from artists including exquisite trio Willpower, a dramatic retelling of A Straunge and Terrible Wunder and a spectacular light projection installation. Drinks available.

Tickets £7.50 from [bungay-suffolk.com/events](http://bungay-suffolk.com/events) or on the door.

The Three Tuns Cellar

**Black Dog Disco, 9:30pm-Midnight**

A 'let your hair down' disco but with a Shuck-style twist.

Tickets £10 from [bungay-suffolk.com/events](http://bungay-suffolk.com/events) (Booking essential).

## Sunday 6th August

Fisher Theatre (double bill for children age 3+)

Norwich Puppet Theatre presents *The Pied Piper of Hamelin*, 2:30pm-3:10pm

Norwich Puppet Theatre's humorous and irresistible one person show combines a skilful mix of puppetry, foot-tapping music and storytelling and will have audiences young and old entranced.

"Fantastic" Lyn Gardner, *The Guardian*.

Artistic Fields present a dramatised children's performance of *Little Shuck & His Friends*, 3.30pm-4:10pm

Performed by children for children, *Black Shuck & His Friends* has been especially written for the Festival by Victoria Panton-Bacon.

Book at [www.fishertheatre.org](http://www.fishertheatre.org) (Free, but donations welcome).

The Three Tuns - one of Britain's most haunted pubs! (double bill)

*Black Dog myths and legends*, 7pm-7:40pm

Somerset based Author, Folklorist and Story-teller Helen Bruce presents a talk on the folklore of Black dogs.

*Bungay's Ghosts Talk*, 8pm-8:40pm

Local historian Christopher Reeve tells tales of Bungay's notorious characters from the past and those who haunt the town.

Tickets £7.50 from [bungay-suffolk.co.uk/events](http://bungay-suffolk.co.uk/events) or on the door.

Black Shuck Festival would like to thank all those who have kindly sponsored this year's Festival and all those who have worked hard behind the scenes to help make this festival happen.





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