



LIGHTPOOL FESTIVAL

18 - 26 OCTOBER 2024

A celebration of art, light, music and performance



LIGHTPOOL

Blackpool Illuminations Lightpool programme was successful in becoming a National Portfolio Organisation of Arts Council England for the investment period 2023-2026.

Arts Council England National Portfolio Organisations are leaders in their areas, with a collective responsibility to protect and develop our national arts and cultural ecology.

We are the only light sector organisation in the Arts Council portfolio.

We deliver:

- Artist Development
- Commission new light art
- Artist Conference
- Community Engagement
- Founder member Light Up The North Network
- International Light Organisation Member
- Local schools engagement
- Lightpool Festival



LIGHT SPHERE
ARTIST: STUDIO VERTIGO
The sculpture is a geodesic sphere measuring approximately 4m in diameter constructed from 240 blown stainless steel triangular forms.

Location: Bickerstaffe Square, Talbot Road



TIFFANY LAMP
ARTIST: LIGHTWORKS
Re-imagined for Lightpool, an original feature from the Tiffany Delights roadway section, one of the most expensive and magnificent roadway features designed by Graham Ogden; comprising 24 Tiffany inspired features first installed in 1999.

Location: Holiday Inn, Talbot Road



TURNING OF TIDES
ARTIST: THE BUTTERFLY EFFECTD
A stunning unique mural from The Butterfly Effectd; a fantastic opportunity to showcase the creativity and spirit of Blackpool, collaborating with local young people to design and create an artwork piece that reflects the vibrant energy of our wonderful community.

Location: High Street



WARREN STREET
ARTIST: CHLOE RODHAM
Warren Street is an animation which brings the magic of the nature into unexpected places. Hundreds of light painting exposures are used to create this playful and lively piece where colourful rabbits move across the space and interact with one another.

Location: Outside Grundy Art Gallery, Queen Street



THE WORLD IN YOUR HANDS
ARTIST: CHRISTOPHER HARRISON
The World In Your Hands is a surreal, playful exploration of nature. Inspired by Cabinets of Curiosity, manipulated footage morphs a pair of hands into bizarre creatures - squids, sharks, birds and insects. A grotesque yet disconcertingly familiar view of the natural world and our connection to it.

Location: Crazy Golf, Princess Parade



BIG YELLOW BLOBS AND THE BOX THAT BUZZES
ARTIST: MATTHEW TULLY
Big Yellow Blobs and the Box That Buzzes is an interactive immersive artwork designed to transport viewers into an alternate, whimsical reality.

Location: Princess Parade



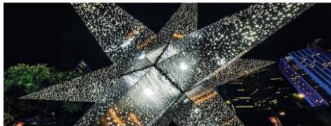
SOMNIUS
ARTIST: ILLUMAPHONIUM
A mesmerising sky of light and sound dances above us in response to our every movement. Reminding us of our ongoing relationship with the cosmos, nature and each other. We are free to explore another version of what life could look like.

Location: Princess Parade



PULSE
ARTIST: GUILDHALL PRODUCTION STUDIO (PART OF GUILDHALL SCHOOL OF MUSIC & DRAMA).
"Pulse" aims to leverage the historical and architectural significance of the chapel to create an immersive, multi-sensory experience through the use of light, sound, lasers, and projections.

Location: The Wedding Chapel, North Promenade



SUPERNOVA
ARTIST: LAURENCE LLEWELLYN-BOWEN
Some stars burn out instead of fading. The super giants destroy themselves in a huge explosion called supernova. For a brief moment, supernovas can be so powerful and luminous that they have been known to outline entire galaxies. Like the aftermath of an enormous cosmic explosion, the Supernova and surrounding Nova sculptures will come to life at night in St Johns Square.

Location: St Johns Square, Church Street



BLACKPOOL WINGS
ARTIST: LAURENCE LLEWELLYN-BOWEN FOR LIGHTWORKS
We all know the world loves a selfie! Laurence Llewellyn-Bowen has conceived BLACKPOOL WINGS to create for Lightpool visitors the ultimate selfie self-portrait. Glamorous ethereal Art Nouveau-inspired fairy wings take inspiration from the historical links Blackpool has over the years forged with the stained glass industry.

Location: Cedar Square, Church Street



WE ARE BLACKPOOL
ARTIST: PHIL HOLMES FOR LIGHTPOOL
VERSE: NATHAN PARKER | COMPOSER: GEORGE CORNES | FILM MAKER: SPLASH REEL
Representing Blackpool's vibrant local community, with a bespoke soundtrack, We Are Blackpool is a once in a lifetime snapshot of soulful reflections and poignant, personal perspectives. Honest, raw, real.

Location: Screen 3, Backlot Cinema & Diner, Houndhill Shopping Centre, Corporation Street



THE LIGHTPOOL ECLIPSE
ARTIST: ZEROH
By using your smart phone, The Lightpool Eclipse will respond to our every movement. Reminding us of the maths created in local workshops will flutter throughout the festival triggered by QR codes.

Location: Houndhill Shopping Centre, 65 Victoria Street



THE GREEN MAN
ARTIST: AUNTY SOCIAL
He goes by many names, called upon each May to bring in the spring. But, when spring has sprung and winter is upon us, where is the Green Man while he waits to be called?

Location: Houndhill Shopping Centre, 25 Victoria Street



AQUALUX WALL
ARTIST: PHIL HOLMES FOR LIGHTPOOL
Aqualux is an eye-opening feature with an educational twist, so make sure you catch a glimpse of it. A 16m by 3m creative lighting installation composed of 48 unfilled water containers, which typically hold 1,000 litres of water each, specially adapted to create a stunning light feature.

Location: Victoria Street



UNITY
ARTIST: JAMES FOX
The artwork themed 'Unity' immerses viewers in a captivating exploration of human connection and digital expression. Through the interplay of dynamic LED lights and spatial exploration, this piece resolves as you move around or pass it, with the two dancers merging into one.

Location: Tower Festival Headland



NEURON
ARTIST: JUAN FUENTES STUDIOS
This Light Art installation, titled "Neuron," draws inspiration from the fascinating world of neurons and brain connectivity. The primary objective of this artwork is to explore the interaction between light, motion, and human perception through an artistic representation of neurons and their branches.

Location: Tower Festival Headland



TOWER AND GOLDEN MILE LIGHTSHOW
ARTIST: LIGHTWORKS
Blackpool Tower is emblazoned with a glowing heart, and 25,000 lights on the structure. Join us for this sensational light show, as we bring the Tower and promenade to life with a sound and light spectacular.

Location: Tower Festival Headland, Promenade



FLUX EXTENDED
ARTIST: COLLECTIF SCALE
MUSIC BY GREGORY SEMAH
Flux was commissioned by the Grand Est Region and created in 2021 as part of the Constellations Festival in Metz, France. Over the last three years, Flux has been in high demand, travelling the world and appearing on music stages and at artistic events. Its kinetic architecture composed of lines of dynamic light is motorised and controlled in real time.

Location: Tower Festival Headland, Promenade



MEDUSAE
ARTIST: SIMON CLEGG FOR LIGHTWORKS
Are you ready for a fun aquatic adventure? Our amazing interactive installation awaits you, featuring the most vibrant and mesmerising jellyfish you've ever seen! Immersed in a sea of colours and light shows, this experience is sure to uplift your spirits and dazzle your senses.

Location: Tower Festival Headland, Promenade



SPIRO
ARTIST: LIGHTWORKS
A family friendly immersive walk-through sculptural tunnel of light. This 26m long magical experience is made of individually mapped LEDs that allow complex patterns to dance around the audience. Get your camera ready and remember the moment.

Location: Tower Festival Headland, Promenade



A KIND OF MAGIC
ARTIST: SEVERI HAAPALA
A Kind of Magic plays with the optical illusion. It's a modern version of the 19th-century Pepper's Ghost illusion. It forces us to think can we believe our eyes as the magic trick is done and revealed at the same time.

Location: Showtown, Bank Hey St



How you can help

- ☐ Promote the festival
- ☐ Share and like social media posts
- ☐ Come and experience the art trail
- ☐ Staff volunteer opportunities

Thank you