

DERBY: all the latest news, upcoming events and blogs

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LATEST NEWS

Derby flies the flag for Britain at the EMYAs

The Museum of Making at Derby Silk Mill threw open its doors once again at the end of January, after winter flooding forced its closure for three months. To add to the celebrations, the Derby Museums team was also able to announce that the multi award-winning museum had just been nominated for the prestigious [European Museum of the Year Award 2024](#) (EMYA). The shortlist comprises of fifty museums across Europe and includes two other museums located in the UK, The Burrell Collection (Glasgow), and the Museum of the Home (London). The winners of the EMYA will be revealed in May.

New restaurant shines a light on Derby's Nightingale Quarter

One of Derby's most iconic buildings has been given a new lease of life and is now offering a new dining experience to locals and visitors alike. Located in the newly developed Nightingale Quarter of the city centre, which has been the subject of a £175m redevelopment scheme, [The Pepperpot](#) will be housed within the former Derbyshire Royal Infirmary. Located within an air-conditioned glass box extension the restaurant will serve breakfast, lunch & dinner under the watchful eye of head chef Matthew Guy. It will focus on serving gastro-style food with locally-sourced ingredients. The Nightingale quarter takes its name from the city's historic links with Florence Nightingale.

A Taste of Korea comes to Derby

Korean cocktails, beer and food is on the menu at another new restaurant that has recently opened in Derby. Omomo Korean Street Food & Bubble Tea is located on on The Strand, in the heart of the city centre - and is now serving a wide range of street food dishes such as Korean Fried Chicken in four fabulous sauces including honey and soy, garlic butter, and sweet and spicy; Bibimbaps; and Army Stew, cooked in a hotpot in front of diners. Owner Lesley So named the restaurant [Omomo](#) because it is the Korean slang for 'Oh My God'...which is what she hopes people will say once they taste her authentic Korean street food.

A new home for Pyclet Parlour

Derbyshire pyclets have been made in Derby for over 160 years from different locations throughout Derby City from the historic Derby Market Place, through the arches and into the Market Hall and in Derby's Eagle Market. Now, an organisation dedicated to sharing and publicising the history and heritage of the city centre has added a [Pyclet Parlour](#) to 11 Sadler Gate. In addition to serving the tasty snack, and selling Derby produce groceries and provisions, the new Derby Heritage Centre, will also sell art and crafts while offering visitors information about the city.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Turin Shroud Exhibition in Derby this Easter

9 March– 7 April

A full-size copy of the world-famous Shroud of Turin will be at Derby Cathedral this Easter. [The Shroud of Turin exhibition](#) includes a beautiful 15-foot replica image which is a photograph printed onto cotton by an American photographer, Barrie Schwartz, who was the official photographer at the STuRP (Shroud of Turin Research Project) examination of the Shroud in 1978. The genuine Shroud of Turin which shows the image of a man who has been crucified is preserved with great reverence in the Cathedral of Turin and the full-length replica is very rare. The exhibition has travelled widely and has

been on display at Westminster Cathedral, Dublin Pro-Cathedral and Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral.

20th anniversary helps to put focus on FORMAT

16 March to 30 July

2024 will mark the 20th Anniversary of [FORMAT](#) - the UK's leading international biennial festival of contemporary photography which attracts thousands of visitors from around the world. It is organised and delivered in Derby as a collaboration between QUAD and the University of Derby's Digital and Material Artistic Research Centre. For this particular edition, FORMAT24 will present a programme featuring six exhibitions across Derby and the East Midlands.

Decorative and designed ceramics will be the toast of the town in March

22 and 23 March

Free to visit, [TOASTED](#) is a ceramics fair showing 37 potters based in the Midlands. Visitors will be able to see a wide range of domestic, decorative, thrown, sculpted and designed ceramics at Derby Museum & Art Gallery during the weekend of 23 and 24 March. As well as artist talks, workshops and demonstrations, it will also offer visitors plenty of opportunities to invest in ceramics.

Bustler Beer Festival

12-13 April

Renowned as a Beer capital of Britain, Derby loves nothing better than a good Beer Festival - and this promises to be one of the best. Bringing together a selection of the UK's most loved craft breweries, the [Bustler Beer Festival](#) will feature local favourites and delicious street food over two separate sessions. Both days will also include a giant pub quiz, pop-up pool and darts room, and live DJs.

Weaving with Waste Workshop

13 April

The Museum of Making will host a one-day [Weaving with Waste](#) course in which participants can learn how to warp-up a simple frame loom, plain weave, and then incorporate all sorts of colourful materials which often get thrown away (plastic packaging, old cables, old clothes and jewellery). By the end of the day everyone will have learned how to make a wall hanging, a table mat, a small bag, or a cover for a notebook...out of rubbish. Led by Sarah Cooke, the course runs from 10am to 4pm, and costs £65 per person.

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BLOGS

Posted 8 February

[Top 4 Places for Bottomless Brunch in Derby](#)

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[Relishing the Flavoursome Street Food of Derby](#)

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