

Monday 7th October at 7.30pm in the Sawyer Hall, Christ Church, Newmarket Rd,
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THE FESTIVAL OF BRITAIN 1951



Only six years after the end of WW2, the summer of 1951 saw the showcasing of the best of British manufacturing and design. As there was still a shortage of traditional materials like wood, designers had to be creative with new materials and approaches. Many of the exhibitions took place on the South Bank where The Royal Festival Hall was built, along with some fun events. Other events were held nationwide. It was intended as ‘tonic for the nation’, a spectacular cultural event to raise the spirits of the people.

Antelope armchair by Ernest Race

Cover for guide by Abram Games

Calyx furnishing fabric by Lucienne Day



All welcome! Members £2. Visitors £5. Refreshments included.

