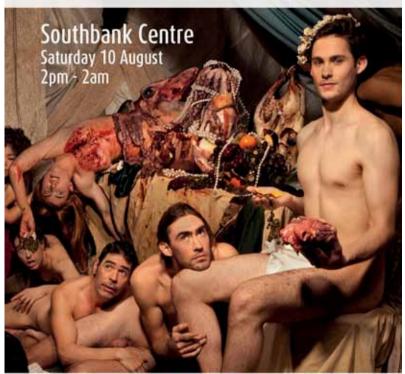
VAUXHALL BACCHANAL



The joy and pain in **DUCKIE**'S Pleasure Gardens





From the Vauxhall Pleasure Gardens to the Royal Vauxhall Tavern this turf along the Thames has long been the place to sample nocturnal revelries and illicit pleasures.

Boozing and cruising, sex and shows, drag and drugs and dancing until dawn - a lot of fun has been had in this no-mans-neighbourhood.

But its war wounds are showing – empty cans of Skol super strength litter the streets, the hostels are packed with the homeless and the hopeless, and ponces ply their trade.

Blinking into the daylight, Vauxhall club runners Duckie take a look at how getting on it has been a way of life in their manor.

A twelve-hour day of talks, shows, workshops and clubs.



More Nightingales and Fewer Strumpets

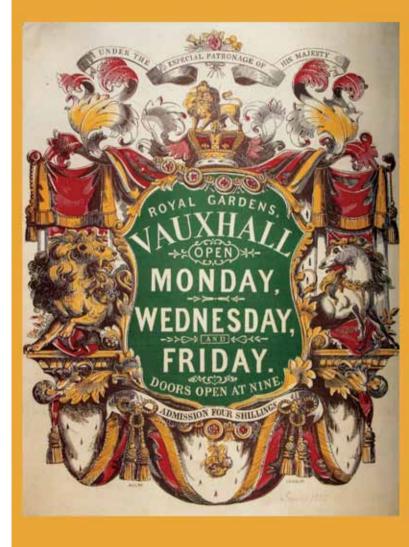
Spanning two centuries, the Vauxhall Pleasure Gardens was a site of lavish entertainments and a fashionable meeting place.

In this time travel of the imagination, Amy Lamé interviews David Coke, historian and author of Vauxhall Gardens: A History (Yale University Press, £55).

The gardens featured open-air music and dancing, hot-air balloon ascents, fireworks shows and ornate walkways. Linking the rich past to current artistic endeavours, we go in search of Duckie roots.

Level 5 Function Room at Royal Festival Hall 2pm-3pm Free, booking required









Built in 1863, this legendary London pub is 150 years young. Even before the legalization of homosexuality, the Royal Vauxhall Tavern was infamous as a gay bar and drag performance venue.

Happy Birthday Royal Vauxhall Tavern

How far back does its queer identity and its reputation for drag shows go? An historical investigation hosted by Rupert Smith with local people, old queens and alehouse experts recalling and reminiscing, plus a free toast to the old gaff.

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Level 5 Function Room at
Royal Festival Hall
3.30pm -5pm
Free, booking required

The Triumph of Pain

Duckie have been running arts workshops in Graham House, a hostel for long term entrenched alcoholics and addicts in Vauxhall.



Many hostel residents live chaotic lives with a number of overlapping problems: alcohol dependency, drug addiction, poor mental health, family breakdown, run ins with the police over petty crime.

Over the past year, supported by the Gulbenkian Foundation, five Duckie enablers have been running a creative drop in at Graham House. Treating the residents as artists, they have developed performance, video and visual art work that reflects on their lives, their feelings and their desire to change.

Visit our Drop In, and meet the hostel residents and facilitators Mark Whitelaw, Robin Whitmore, Jonny Hey and Tim Brunsden.

Level 2 Green Side at Royal Festival Hall **2pm – 6pm** Free, drop in





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Royal Vauxhall Pleasure Promenade



Join artist Tim Spooner, MC Timberlina and their team and make hats, gloves and canes, then take to the Duckie promontory and werk it like they did in 1729.

Come and take part kids, middle-class people with nothing to do and Duckie punters strut, swagger and walk the runway.

The Clore Ballroom at Royal Festival Hall 2pm – 5pm Free, drop in



Readers Wifes on The Lash From dexedrine to ketamine, a live Radio Duckie special where the infamous Duckie DJs play records, show videos and make notes on key epochs in pop where the music and culture is fuelled by different substances.

The Readers Wifes will be interviewed by Baylen Leonard.

Purcell Room at Queen Elizabeth Hall 5.30pm – 7pm Tickets £5







Helpless

A dirty little solo performance by Neil Bartlett, about losing yourself, and staying safe.

15 minutes long. Admission is on a first come, first served basis.

The Darkroom 3pm, 5pm, 7pm, 9pm Free, drop in



Vauxhall & I

It is the centre of gay clubland in London; every weekend in Vauxhall thousands sample the delights of G, K, C, V, E and M-Cat, as the beat goes on.

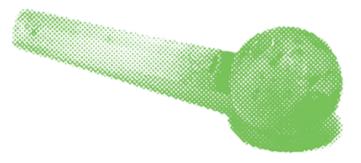


What impact does hardcore clubbing have on the lives and health of gay men?

Why are queers three times more likely to regularly take chems than their straight counterparts? And why are so many bright young things addicted to tina?

A round table debate with Matthew Todd, editor Attitude, Jason Dickie, landlord of the Royal Vauxhall Tavern, David Stuart from the drugs agency Antidote and infamous wag Stewart Who.

Level 5 Function Room at Royal Festival Hall 7.30pm – 9pm Free, booking required



David Hoyle on Alcohol



No stranger to the sauce, this legendary saloon bar entertainer stages a forensic examination into the pleasures and perils of being on the piss.

As The Divine David his intoxicated improvisations were fuelled by copious amounts of booze, but since his re-invention as David Hoyle, he maintains, 'I don't drink these days ... only white wine'.

Creativity and the grog? A masterclass for dipsos, old soaks, lushes and guzzlers.

Purcell Room at Queen Elizabeth Hall 9.30pm – 11pm Tickets £8







Duckie Summer Party

Fight for your right to party?
Or fight for your right to be arty? Well it is summertime so sup, swig, swill, slurp ... and schlep to the supersonic sounds of DJ's Readers Wifes.

Rock'n'roll band The Caezars join hostess Amy Lamé as some Duckie all-stars present tipsy hoopla and performance hurdy-gurdy.

Plus *lay down* for The Bloomfield Set, a 1729 style chamber music ensemble peddling the new Pleasure Gardens Groove after midnight on Level 5.

The Clore Ballroom at Royal Festival Hall 9pm – 2am Tickets £10



