Reaffirmation events



unday 27 April 17:30-19:15 Mayor's European Friendship Concert

The Richmond in Europe Association is hosting a concert with musicians of the Royal Academy of Music in aid of the Mayor's charities. An international ensemble will perform songs sung in French, German and English on a theme of friendship.

£20 per ticket - Go to: richmond.gov.uk/council/ councillors/mayor/mayors_charities

2 Saturday 3 May 9:45-11:00 Unveiling of fifth information board

The Mayor of Richmond Cllr Richard Pune will unveil a fifth

new information board about our twinned towns in Ham Parade as a prejude to the Reaffirmation which will be hosted by Richmond from 6th-8th June. There will be music, flags & bunting to celebrate the occasion. Free – come along on the day

Saturday 10 May 10:00-17:00 3 Saturday 10 May Fair 2025 Richmond Green, Richmond, TW9 1LX
This year joining us in celebrating the reaffirmation – a village

fair with 200 stalls and a programme of free entertainment. Free - come along on the day

Monday 20 h..., The Rotary Fair Monday 26 May 10:00-16:00

A lovely fair for charities and voluntary organisations to engage with the public. Entertainment, food and drink and a celebration of our town twinning with Fontainebleau and

Free - come along on the day

Tuesday 3 June 11:00-12:00
Ruils Community Choir –

Join this great charity choir for thirty minutes of jolly French, German and English songs, Everyone welcome - the premises are wheelchair accessible. Free - come along on the day

Reaffirmation concert
AGE UK Richmond, Wellbeing Centre, Arragon Road Twickenham, TW1 3NH

French market on Church Street

the reaffirmation weekend

Free - come along on the day

Wednesday 4 June - 26 October 12:00-16:00

TW9 1TI

6 Wednesday 4 June - 20 Color - Turner in France & Germany -Outdoor exhibition Furner's House, 40 Sandycoombe Road Twickenham, TW1 2LR

Celebrate J.M.W. Turner's 250th birthday with our special outdoor exhibition at Turner's House, Twickenham, Discover how Turner's travels to Fontainebleau and Konstanz inspired his breathtaking artwork, as we mark both his legacy and the reaffirmation of the Richmond-Fontainebleau-Konstanz twinning.

Free - come along on the day. In the outdoor display area. Does not include entry to the house.

Thursday 5 June 19:00-20:15 Thursday 5 June 19:00-20:13
Welcome... to an Evening with Axel

Books on the Rise, 80 Hill Rise, Richmond, TW10 6UB In celebration of the reaffirmation weekend, join Angloerman Axel Scheffler (much loved children's illustrator of the Gruffalo, Stick and Zog) to hear about his illustrative career and his new picture book WELCOME created in support of a refugee charity

E12.99 per ticket. Go to: www.booksontherise.com

Welcoming Gathering at Stein's Outdoor Restaurant on Richmond Riverside

tein's Outdoor Restaurant on Richmond Riverside will be he first rendezvous for our guests from Fontainebleau & Konstanz. Please join us in giving them a warm welcome to Richmond. With live music. Food & drink on sale. Free entry-come along on the day

9 Friday 6 June and Saturday 7 June 09:00-21:00 Sunday 8 June 09:00-17:00

A fabulous French market on Church Street in celebration of

tickets from 6-8 June 2025, Discount is only applicable to advance bookings. Same day sales can be made at full price subject to availability. Prices vary. Use code TWINNING40 at checkout to receive 40% off worldrugbymuseum.com/booking

riday 6/Saturday 7/Sunday 8 June 09:00-18:00 Paddleboarding and kayaking – special

Have you ever tried paddleboarding or kayaking? If not, this

is your opportunity to try it with a fantastic 33% off from

Paddle Richmond for the reaffirmation weekend. Develop

and on very safe and stunningly beautiful parts of the

To book special offer dates call 020 3488 1785 or visit

Friday 6 June 19:30-21:30
OSO Outdoor Stage – Maybe Oasis

paddlerichmond.co.uk using code TWIN2025 for 33% off.

OSO Arts Centre are celebrating the reaffirmation weekend

by hosting an outdoor stage over Friday and Saturday. Did

you miss out on tickets for Oasis this summer? Fear not - get

down to Barnes OSO for their very own version. Featuring

and enjoy the hits of one of the most defining and globally

successful groups of the Britpop genre, BBO and bar on site

shows/1173661932 This is a fund raiser for OSO Arts Centre

Tours of Allianz Stadium and World

Experience the Home of England Rugby like you've never

Twickenham and entry to the World Rugby Museum. Visitors

Allianz Stadium, Twickenham Tours & World Rugby Museum

seen it before, with a backstage tour of Allianz Stadium.

for the Twinning Reaffirmation can get 40% discount off

iday 6/Saturday 7/Sunday 8 June 10:00-17:00

Maybe Oasis - transport yourself back to this golden era

£25 normal admission/£22 members/

and Barnes Community Association

Whitton Road, Twickenham, TW2 7BA

Rugby Museum

Go to: osparts ticketsplue.com/tickethooth/

your core strength and balance as well as having lots of fun-

offer for the reaffirmation weekend

Wednesday 1 Jan – Saturday 7 June Tuesday- Friday 11:00-17:00 Saturday 10:00-16:00 Wish You Were Here: FROM HORACE WAI POLE

TO TED LASSO Avenue, Richmond, TW9 1TP

xtended for the reaffirmation weekend, explore the story of tourism in Richmond, From Horace Walnole to Ted Lasso. visitors have flocked to Richmond to experience its picture nostcard beauty and the resnite from the busy nearby metropolis of London. Explore this FREE exhibition and discover how Richmond first attracted visitors and still keep: them coming after 300 years.

14 Saturday 7 June and Sunday 8 June 11:00-16:00 £10 special offer admission to Strawberry Hill House

awberry Hill House and Garden, 268 Waldegrave ad, Twickenham, TW1 4ST

£10 special offer admission to to Strawberry Hill House on aturday and Sunday plus a special Curator led private tour with Dr. Silvia Davoli at 10am on Saturday 7 June, £25. Tickets for both available here

www.strawberryhillhouse.org.uk/specialoffers

Saturday 7 June 12:00-14:00
Eel Pie Island Museum visit and riverside walking tour Eel Pie Island Museum, 1-3 Richmond Road,

enham, TW1 3AB Fel Pie Island & Twickenham's fascinating story, told through a isit to the museum and then via a stroll through the historic

Church Street and Riverside. £13.50 Go to www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eel-pie-island museum-visit-and-riverside-walking-tour-tickets-1286265628119?aff=oddtdtcreator

Saturday 7 June – throughout the day Reaffirmation river cruise

iverside. See website for details. Why not celebrate the reaffirmation with a relaxing river cruise! Thames River Boats are offering 10% of all their services on Saturday 7 June. Go to www.thamesriverboats coluk for details of cruises Bring a copy of this programme on the day to get 10% off

Saturday 7 June – 11:00-17:00
Cambrian Community Centre – Twinning

celebration and open day Cambrian Community Centre, 1 Caplan Court, Grove Road, Richmond, TW10 6SN

A themed event for the twinning which will include refreshments from France, Germany and England and also an opportunity to experience taster sessions of the centre's activities and see their new open space to the rear of

Free - come along on the day

Saturday 7 June 09:00 – 10:30 Richmond parkrun

Richmond Park, (near Richmond gate), TW10 5HX Celebrate the reaffirmation with a free, fun, and friendly 5k ommunity event. Walk, iog. run. volunteer or spectate - it's

Free - come along on the day

19 Saturday 7 June 10:00-13:00 A guided cycle ride around the borough Starts and finishes at Richmond Green. Meet at Richmond Green at 10am

To celebrate the reaffirmation, a guided cycle ride around ou beautiful borough taking in Richmond, Bushy Park, Hampton Sourt Palace and Richmond Park, Limited number of bikes available for those without them.

Free - Register at https://www.tickettailor.com/events/ richmondcyclingcampaign/1628294

Ham Parade, Richmond Road, Ham, KT2 5PU you know your Schnitzel from your Sauerkraut? If you need help - get yourself down to the Ham Parade Market. for all things German. They will be celebrating with some delicious German food, crafts and wares as well as music from the local German School and the charity Basement Door.

turday 7 June 10:00-13:00 Coffee and cakes, a viewing of the new stained glass window and a visit to the

Water Garden lampton Hill United Reformed Church, 35 High Street, Hampton Hill, TW12 1NB

Coffee and cakes at the church followed by a viewing of their large new stained glass window and a visit to the Water

Garden in Bushy Park. A great event to combine with a visit to Hampton Court Palace as it is on the way. Free - come along on the day

22 Saturday 7 June 10:00-15:00

Reaffirmation Guided Walk

Come and join friendly Richmond Ramblers on a scenic cular walk via Richmond Green, past the historic Palace, along the river Thames and Petersham Meadows to beautiful nond Park with its famous view towards London

Shorter walk 4.5 mi/ 7.3km with picnic/ café lunch stop at

Longer walk 8mi/ 14km with a picnic lunch stop at the Isabella Plantation and return via Richmond Hill to admire the view painted by many artists.

Free - come and join us on the day

23 Saturday 7 June 10:30-11:30 Twinning Event - French café ETNA (Fast Twickenham Neighbourhood Association) Community Centre, 13 Rosslyn Road,

loin us at ETNA Community Centre as we celebrate our enduring partnership with Konstanz, Fontainebleau and Richmond! A unique opportunity to practise your French onversation alongside like-minded French students All ages and levels welcome!

Suggested donation £10. All proceeds go to the ETNA entre. Register at live-languages.com/events

turday 7 June 11:00-15:00

Free - come along on the day

Twickenham, TW1 2AR

St Mary's Twickenham Summer Fair St Mary's Church, Church Street, Twickenham, TW1 3N. Come and join the fun at St Mary's Church Summer Fair where you will find stalls, games, children's activities, cakes, BBQ, Pimm's all in celebration of our European twinning.

Saturday 7 June 11:00-16:00 Richmond vs Fontainebleau Reaffirmation Polo Match

Ham Polo Club, Petersham Road, Richmond, TW10 7AH Ham Polo Club is excited to open its doors to everyone for a fantastic day out! Join us for the Richmond vs Fontainebleau Reaffirmation Polo Match on our beautiful picnic side from 1 am to 4pm. We're offering discounted tickets at just £10 for adults, and the best part is, children under 14 get in for FREE! It's the perfect opportunity to support the reaffirmation with family and friends while watching the thrilling action of polo. Pack a picnic, soak up the atmosphere, and cheer on the teams. We can't wait to see you there! Parking available onsite at no extra charge.

Special offer for reaffirmation - £10 adult ticket/ Jnder 14s – free, Go to www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ ichmond-vs-fontainebleau-reaffirmation-polo-matchtickets-1297013986749

Saturday 7 June 12:00-16:00
Family day: Turner's Animals & Adventures wickenham, TW1 2LR

Join Turner's House for a fun-filled Family Day celebrating J.M.W. Turner's love of animals and travel! Recruit friends and family in discovering his stunning sketches of creatures great and small, and his landscapes inspired by his European

Hands-On Art Activities - Engage with different hands on activities with professional artists experimenting with different art techniques and explore nature through art. Interactive Storytelling - Join an amazing storyteller in wo exciting sessions bringing Turner's travels to life! Pay what you can - join us on the day Taking place in the garden. Does not include entry to Turner's House.

27 Saturday 7 June 11:00-17:00 Future Sounds Fest

Whittaker Avenue, Richmond Town Centre Stage with young bands from Konstanz, Fontainebleau and Richmond. Come and support the considerable talent on how - one day you will be able to say, I saw them first! Free - come along on the day

aturday 7 June 12:00-16:00 Anglo-German cultural festival

t School, Ham Street, Ham, TW10 7HN Grey Court School and Deutsche Schule London (the German School) have come together to present an afternoon of neighbourly good humour and food, drink, music and sport – all in honour of the twinning of Richmond upon Thames with Konstanz in Germany. There will be live music rom students of both schools. Also a barbeque, beer tent and other refreshments and a five a side football, basketball and tug of war and other cultural highlights. Free - come along on the day

Saturday 7 June 12:00 – 17:00
Original Art from Richmond, Fontainebleau

k House, Twickenham, TW1 3D1 Organised by Richmond Art Society and Art Fontainebleau an exhibition of original art works from Richmond. Fontainebleau and Konstan: Free - come along on the day

Saturday 7 June 13:00-14:00
Welcome... to a Book Signing with Axel Scheffler

Books on the Rise, 80 Hill Rise, Richmond, TW10 6UB As part of the reaffirmation celebrations at Books on the Rise Axel Scheffler (much-loved Anglo-German illustrator of THF GRUFFALO, STICK MAN and ZOG) will be signing copies of his new picture book WELCOME Book purchase required. Come along on the day.

Saturday 7 June 14:00-20:00

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European Clay Court Tennis Open Day St Mary's Tennis Club, Musgrave Road, Isleworth, TW7 5EE Come and play tennis on real European clay courts. Many of the top players learnt to play tennis on clay courts which are ubiquitous in the rest of Europe but rare in the UK, Everyone is welcome, particularly guests from Fontainebleau and Konstanz, Entrance is free, Racquets and refreshments will

Free - come along on the day

Supper & Bridge Saturday 7 June 17:45-23:00

Cambridge Park Bowling & Sports Club, Cambridge Park, East Twickenham, TW1 2PG Richmond Bridge Club hosts regular Saturday supper and

bridge events. Join the club along with their friends from Konstanz and Fontainebleu on Saturday 7th June to celebrate he re-affirmation. They will serve food from 6pm and aim to start the bridge by 7,30pm There will be a duplicate ridge event and a casual non-competitive section to suit all abilities. The club has a licenced bar.

£25 per person. Go to www.bridgewebs.com/cgi-bin/ woq/bw.cgi?club=richmond&pid=display_page218

Saturday 7 June 18:00-20:00

Apero & Quiz ETNA (East Twickenham Neighbourhood Assocation) ommunity Centre, 13 Rosslyn Road, Wickenham, TW1 2AR

Raise a glass to the reaffirmation at this wine tasting with a local, professional sommelier followed by a fun, themed quiz on all three of the twinned towns.

£20 per ticket. Buy at trybooking.com/uk/events. anding/78994? All proceeds go to the ETNA centre

Saturday 7 June 17:00-22:50
Chess Grand Match vs Fontainebleau Cambridge Park Bowling & Sports Club, Cambridge Park East Twickenham, TW1 2PG

is is the "Inaugural Twinning Grand Match" event between Richmond and Twickenham Chess Club and Fontainebleau Chess Club. It will consist of a 6-person team event held this year jointly with the Richmond Bridge Club at their premises. Free - come along on the day

aturday 7 June 19:00-21:30 35 Saturday / June 19.00 21.30 Choral Concert "A celebration of Town

Twinning" All Hallows Church, Emcroft Way, Twickenham, TW1 1DA Celebrating the reaffirmation by presenting music from all three nations represented. Richmond Community Choir present choral music and solo sonos accompanied by a mall orchestra – with a little bit of audience participation thrown in!

£10 per ticket - buy on the door

Saturday 7 June 19:00-21:00

David Garrick's Huguenot Heritage

Hampton Court Road, Hampton, TW12 2E1 Bloomsbury Baroque continue their exploration of eighteenth-century London's musical multiculturalism with an exploration of the Shakespearian actor David Garrick's links to French composers and culture.

£14 per adult ticket through the website/£16 per adult on the door/£8 under 18s, students or temple volunteers. Go to: www.lokimusic.co.uk/calendar/item/55645280b or buy

37 Saturday 7 June – Sunday 8 June 09:00-16:00 Free glass of prosecco with every Afternoon Tea (The Garden Café)

rawberry Hill House and Garden, 268 Waldegrave Road, Twickenham, TW1 4ST

Free Glass of Prosecco with every Afternoon Tea to celebrate 5 years of Richmond's international partnerships with Fontainebleau and Konstanz Enjoy Afternoon Tea in the autiful surroundings of The Garden Café at Horace Walnole's Little Gothic Castle in Twickenham, Pre-order 3 days.

ahead for just £24 per person. £24 per person. Go to: rootsandberries.co.uk/afternoontea/#sbw 9e1k1i

Saturday 7 June 14:00-16:00 Saturday / June 14:00-10:00
OSO Outdoor Stage: Cat's Country Band OSO Arts Centre are celebrating the reaffirmation weekens by doing an outdoor music event Friday and Saturday. Get ready for Nashville comes to Barnes! Cat's Country Band is a southern-style party band, with a fresh & modern take on Country music that will have us all up and dancing in Barnes very own hoedown to classics including Dolly Parton's 9 to 5. Don Maclean's American Pie. Revonce's Texas Hold Em and Taylor Swift's Love Story. BBQ and bar on site.

£25 normal admission/£22 members/£250 Members VIP table of 8 Go to: osparts ticketsolve com/ticketbooth/ Centre and Rames Community Association

39 Saturday 7 June 19:00-21:00

reaffirmation in style!

Joint Concert by St Margarets Elastic Band and Union Musicale de Fontainebleau it Stephen's School Hall, St Margarets, TW11 1LF

together in both Richmond & Fontainebleau. Join this

nonular wind and nercussion ensemble to celebrate the

To book in advance online go to www.elasticband.org

Sheen Gate Choir and Richmond

All Saints Church, 63 East Sheen Avenue, SW14 8AT

Sheen Gate Choir and Richmond Orchestra join forces for a

programme of music celebrating Richmond's twinning. The

programme moves from Fauré's pentile hymn of mercy and

to Brahms' deeply humanistic, comforting affirmation of life

OSO Arts Centre are celebrating the reaffirmation weekens

Saturday, Join one of the leading ABBA tribute bands, the

FABBAGIRLS, to be transported back to the golden days of

optional but be ready to dance the night away! BBO and bar

shows/1173661936 This is a fund raiser for OSO Arts Centre

ABBA. Featuring all their iconic hits - sparkles and sequins

£25 normal admission/£22 members/£250 Members

Orleans Gardens near to Marble Hill Park (next to the playground and café), Off Orleans Road,

Proud to be part of the Reaffirmation weekend, The Turks

Head 10k draws together our community with this very popular, already sold out Fun Run. It is for all abilities and

only - come and support our runners or join in with the

Pentecost and Reaffirmation Church

Guided landscape tour of Strawberry Hill

Garden & Pope's Grotto (special extra date for

Join this very special landscape tour to hear about Strawberr Hill's garden's significance in the development of the more

naturalistic landscape in England. Then visit Pope's Grotto

Go to: ticketsource.co.uk/popesgrotto/guided-landscape

which is open on a limited number of days per year.

tour-of-strawberry-hill-garden-and-pope-s-grotto/e-

£25 per adult ticket. £10 per child ticket

Strawberry Hill House and Garden, 268 Waldegray

A special church service to celebrate Pentecost, the

Free - spectator event. Come along on the day.

Sunday 8 June 9:30-10:30

St Mary's Church, Twickenham, TW1 3NJ

Everyone welcome - come along on the day

reaffirmation, friendship and partnership

Sunday 8 June 10:00-12:00

the twinning weekend)

Road, Twickenham, TW1 4ST

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disabilities and is a one day party that ends up back at the

Turks Head Pub for music and BBQ. Open now for spectators

and Barnes Community Association

Sunday 8 June 10:00-12:30 Turks Head 10K

Twickenham TW1 3DG

celebrations at the end,

Service

by doing an outdoor music event over the Friday and

£20 per ticket on the door or online in advance

Saturday 7 June 19:30-21:30
OSO Outdoor Stage: FABBAGIRLS

redemption, to the jazz-infused vibrancy of Rhapsody in Blue

Saturday 7 June 19:00-22:00

Orchestra Concert

www.sheengatechoir.co.uk

In the tradition of twinning celebrations, a parade of local St. Margaret's Elastic Band & Union Musicale de Fontainebleau and visiting clubs, societies, organisations and performers to have been twinned for many years & they perform regularly mark the occasion of the reaffirmation. Come and see the Fahnenschwinger (flag throwers from Konstanz) in top forr as well as a range of home grown dubs and societies. Free - come along to watch on the day £8 if booked in advance online/£10 per adult on the door

Sunday 8 June 11:00-11:45

Celebration Parade

46 Sunday, 8 June 11:30-17:00 Celebration Picnic and Reaffirmation

Sunken Garden, York House, Twickenham, TW1 3DT The Mayor of Richmond would like to invite residents of Richmond, Fontainebleau and Konstanz to a picnic in the sunken garden at York House accompanied by music and dance from local groups. There will also be the signing of the reaffirmation document. Please bring your own picnic and

Free - come along on the day

iunday 8 June 18:30-19:30 Sunday 8 June 10.50 15.50 Choral Evensong at St Mary Magdalene St Mary Magdalene Church, Paradise Road, TW9 1SN

Enjoy the beautiful and unlifting experience of a Cathedral style Choral Evensong, sung by the choir and Scholars of the 800 year old atmospheric church of St Mary Magdalene Richmond.

On Sunday 8 June, we celebrate the reaffirmation with music from English, French and German composers including Stanford, Durufle and Brahms. If you've never experienced Choral Evensong before, this is a perfect opportunity to do so Free - come along on the day

48 Sunday 8 June 19:00-21:00

European Youth Orchestra Landmark Arts Centre, Teddington, TW11 9NN A gala performance by the European Youth Orchestra.

comprising young musicians from Fontainebleau in France Konstanz in Germany, Sintra in Portugal, Lodi in Italy, Alba Iulia in Romania and Richmond Upon Thames. The orchestra will be performing pieces chosen and conducted by the 6 different orchestral leaders from the countries involved. The repertoire will include Jupiter from Holst's Planets Suite, Fantasia on Greensleeves by Vaughan Williams, Bizet's Suite from Carmen, Verdi's Nabucco Overture, A Night In Lisbon b Saint Saens and many more.

Free - Ticket required at www.landmarkartscentre.org or livestream on https://voutube.com/live/MLEXxelhc3q feature=share

Saturday 14 June 19:30-22:00 Swing into Summer

All Saints Church (Kingston Parish Church), 14-16 Market Place, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 1JP To celebrate the reaffirmation join Thames Philharmonic

Ehoir and Harry Baker Trio for a musical exploration of some of the finest choral lazz music. Ticket prices vary. Go to: thamesphilharmonicchoir.co.uk/

50 Sunday 27 July 12:00-22:00 High Tide Music Festival

If you have never attended this amazing not for profit music festival before make sure this is your year to go. High Tide is injuring in with the reaffirmation celebrations with some French and German themed music, some delicious French and German food and drink offerings and lots of flags and bunting in honour of the twinned areas. Join the High Tide party and continue the celebration!

Free - come and join us on the day

Everyone is invited - Tout le monde est invité - Alle sind eingeladen

Reaffirmation Weekend June 6th-8th

Event map

Celebrating 65 years of our European partnerships Richmond Upon Thames - Fontainebleau - Konstanz













