





Leicester's award-winning ART-Al Festival returns for two weeks in May, exploring the emerging roles of artificial intelligence and its use in art.

Whether you are an artist, creative technologist or just curious, the Festival is intended to give you an insight into creative Al, applications and processes.

We present an exciting programme of installations, talks, improvcomedy performance and workshops. Along with guest blog posts on our Festival website, we aim to answer some important questions, such as: what is Al and how is it used in art?

The Festival is directed by Tracy Harwood (Institute of Creative Technologies, De Montfort University), working in partnership with Luba Elliott (Creative Al London), Chris Tyrer (Phoenix) and Jo Tallack (Highcross). This year, the Festival is funded by Arts Council England, De Montfort University, the award-winning Leicester community focussed initiative, #DMULocal and supported by Phoenix and Highcross. Venue collaborators are Haymarket Theatre, Haymarket Shopping Centre and Leicester Central Library.

## LAUNCH EVENTS | PHOENIX | FRIDAY MAY 17 HUMAN+MACHINE

A FREE programme of events to celebrate the launch of ART-Al Festival 2019. Booking required.

#### LECTURE: GERHARD FISCHER | 4-5pm

Special guest lecture by human-machine research pioneer, Gerhard Fischer. His talk will discuss aspects of his lifelong contribution to the field of human-machine science.

#### VIP LAUNCH: GALLERY | 5.30-630 pm

Celebrating the launch of the ART-Al Festival at Phoenix with an opportunity to see Klingemann's and Heaney's work. Installations are open throughout the festival (May 16-31).

#### PERFORMANCE: IMPROBOTICS | 6.30-7.45pm

An Al-chatbot performs in the show, sending lines to human improvisers via an earpiece. The cast's hilarious task is to deliver lines that may make no sense at all. The audience tries to guess whose line is Al and whose line is human.









#### CONFERENCE | PHOENIX | THURS MAY 27 STATE OF THE AI-ART

As part of the ART-Al Festival 2019, this one day FREE conference celebrates the State-of-the-Al-Art. The conference features keynotes, talks and a chance to see installations by Mario Klingemann and Libby Heaney on display in Phoenix.



We are delighted to welcome pioneering techno-artists Ernest Edmonds, Mario Klingemann, Fabrizio Poltronieri and Libby Heaney. Other talks include an overview of the 'state of the art' by renowned curator, Luba Elliott, and critique by Georgia Ward Dyer (Futures and Exploration Team at Nesta). Places are limited, to book visit bit.ly/stateoftheaiart.



TIME	ACTIVITY	INFO	VENUE
10.00-10.30	Registration	Sign-up options & refreshments	Foyer
10.30-10.45	Welcome	Tracy Harwood, Festival Director	Screen 2
10.45-11.15	Keynote 1	Prof Ernest Edmonds Art & Influence: learning in augmented worlds	Screen 2
11.15-12.00	Keynote 2	Mario Klingemann Interstitial Space 2019	Screen 2
12.00-1.00	Lunch	Networking & Gallery	Cafe
1.00 - 1.30	Talk	Libby Heaney Making a chatbot	Screen 2
1.30-2.00	Talk	Fabrizio Poltronieri #LoveApparatus	Screen 2
2.00-2.30	Talk	Luba Elliott State of the Art-Al	Screen 2
2.30-2.45	Refreshments	Phoenix Café	
2.45-3.30	Keynote 3	Georgia Ward Dyer Al & Public Engagement	Screen 2
3.30-4.15	Panel discussion	Ernest Edmonds (chair) Luba Elliott Mario Klingemann Libby Heaney Fabrizio Poltronieri Georgia Ward Dyer	Screen 2
4.15-4.30	Close	Tracy Harwood, Festival Director	Screen 2
4.45-6.00	High tea	Networking & Gallery	Cafe
OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES (sign-up required at registration)			











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5.30-6.30 Walking tour of 6.30-7.30 Walking tour of 6.30-7.30 Film: Phoenix VR - Free, booking via Phoenix Box Office or at registration

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**VENUES & OPENING HOURS** 





### **HIGHCROSS**

**Bath House Lane Entrance** (adj. Next) Leicester LE1 4SJ Mon-Fri 9.30am-8pm Sat 9-7 pm Sun 11am-5pm



(Gnd floor opp. Entertainer & 1st floor adj. TK Maxx) 1 Kildare Street Leicester LE1 3YH Mon-Sat 7.30am-7pm Sun 10.30 am-5.30 pm



Leicester Haymarket Theatre

1 Garrick Walk (1st floor) Leicester LE13AF

Mon-Sat 10am-6pm Sun closed



Leicester Central Library

Bishop Street (1st floor) Leicester LE1 6AA Mon-Fri 9.30am-7pm Sat 9am-4pm Sun closed



4 Midland Street Leicester LE11TH

Mon-Fri 9am-9pm Sat-Sun 10am-9pm



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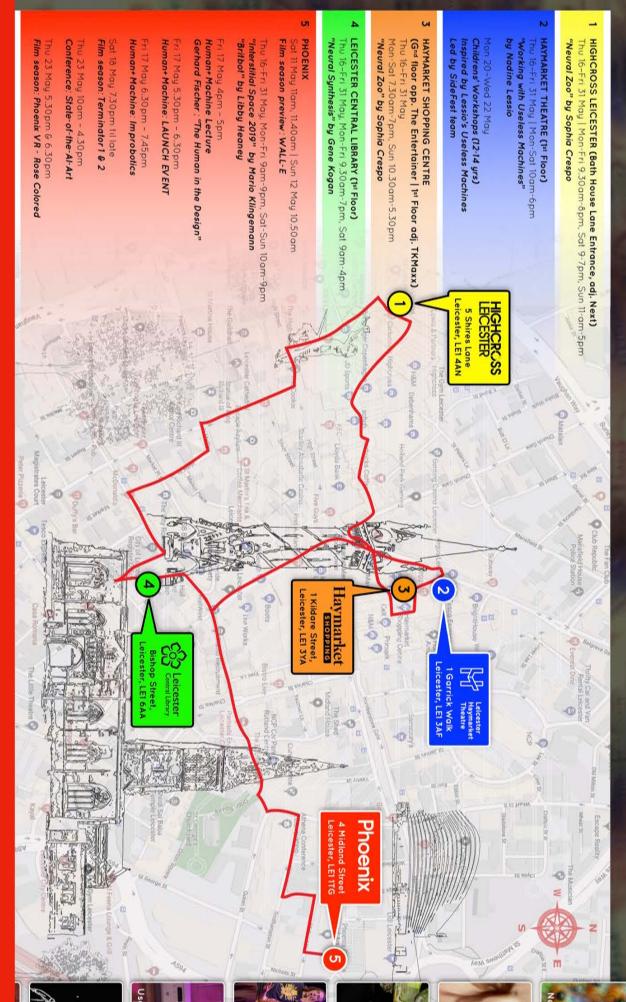
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# PROGRAMME & MAP



















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