

While our Wellington Orbit is temporarily closed, you may want to look at arts events available online. Our weekly menu gives you listings of offers to satisfy your cultural appetite. Check us out on Wednesdays!

CULTURE MENU 5

Performing Arts

There's a series of short YouTube monologues with stars such as Sheila Hancock, Sanjeev Bhaskar, Jason Manford and Lennie James. They were recorded as part of the [# For the Love of Arts](#) initiative to support the thousands of entertainment industry professionals affected by COVID-19.

The Royal Opera House streams live performances for £4.99. Visit [Royal Opera House](#) for details.

[Here not Here](#) is a deaf hip hop music drama exploring sign language, dance, football and visual vernacular (28 mins).

For a bit of 'seasonal theatre' go to [National Theatre at Home](#) which streams 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' this week, with Gwendoline Christie and Hammed Animashaun.

[Irresistable](#): US satirist Jon Stewart directs Steve Carell as the Democrat political strategist who thinks he can upset the conservative certainties of a small town; Rose Byrne, the Republican rival, takes him on. On digital platforms from 26 June.

Museums and Galleries

A Canadian initiative with Inuit artists also featuring amazing arctic landscapes is at [embassyofimagination.com](#). It's a taster for the British Museum's Arctic exhibition which had to be postponed.

And Some More...

Arts Alive commissioned local poet [Jean Atkin](#) to gather your views and feelings about Lockdown, and she will use your responses to create a new piece of work. So do send in your feelings/views on: what your Lockdown has been like; what have you missed most? What have you missed less than you thought you would? What new things have you started that you will keep doing? To contribute to this unique poem email your thoughts to ian@artsalive.co.uk by 30 June.

[Take This Pen](#) is a stunning poem for young people, written and performed by Tony Walsh and illustrated by Chris Riddell for National Poetry Day.

Most of the links from previous weeks still work, so there is plenty to keep you entertained!