



## THE 10<sup>TH</sup> GREENWICH+DOCKLANDS INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

**Thurs 22 – Sun 25 June 2006**

The 10<sup>TH</sup> Greenwich+Docklands International Festival will be an extended Midsummer weekend of free outdoor processions, pyrotechnics and performance from major international companies, and pioneering new work from UK Artists.

Some of the most dramatic, skilful and awe-inspiring street entertainment in the world will come to over 40,000 people in London's most spectacular outdoor theatre event.

The Festival takes place at sites all over Greenwich and East London. There will be giant illuminated spheres rising over the Old Royal Naval College, sky-high aerial percussionists in Woolwich, 9m wheels of colour rolling through the heart of Bow, contemporary dance all over Canary Wharf, a fantastical Bengali tiger and World Famous pyrotechnics at Three Mills, and the most incredible 10<sup>TH</sup> birthday party Greenwich has ever seen.

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**Fete**, Thurs 22 June, 7.00pm, Beresford Square, Woolwich, SE18  
A double bill from two idiosyncratic French companies. From 6.30pm enjoy French eccentricity with a theatrical street music warm up from Zic Zizou and their incredible self-propelled "Kiosque", a roving traditional circular bandstand complete with exhilarating party band, pyrotechnics and special effects. At 7pm there will be a tour de force dare-devil performance from French aerialists Transe Express as a human mobile is suspended from a crane in a show inspired by Alexander Calder.

**Il Cielo che Danza** (The Dancing Sky), Fri 23 June, 9.45pm, Old Royal Naval College, Greenwich, SE10  
UK premiere from Italy's renowned Compagnia di Valerio Festi. Vast painted helium spheres suspending aerialists, water screen projections and a flying ship, take inspiration from Greenwich's maritime and cultural heritage to create entrancing visual and aural magic above Wren's magnificent buildings.

**Dancing City**, Sat 24 June, 1pm - 5pm, Canary Wharf, E14  
Contemporary outdoor dance amid the architecture, squares and stairways of Canary Wharf featuring bungee choreography, contemporary dance, urban moves and elegant aerial performance on 4m high swaying poles. This year's programme includes the World Premiere of GDIF commission 'Miniatora' from CandoCo Dance Company, incorporating a huge piece of inflatable architecture by Christophe Egret.

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**Les Roues de Couleurs**, Sat 24 June, 9.45pm, Roman Road, E3  
French Compagnie Off ("Giraffes" 2003) are back with the sole UK performance of a processional bacchanal of 30 performers in body paint, special effects, techno music, and 9m high wheels converging from every direction on Bow's traditional street market in Roman Road.

**Birthday Party**, Sun 25 June, 1pm – 5pm, Cutty Sark Gardens, SE10  
Imagine you could plan your own 10<sup>th</sup> birthday party. GDIF celebrate 10 years with their perfect party – joyous street entertainment, games, balloons, cakes and prizes, and a special appearance from Australian stilt performers Strange Fruit.

**Burning Bright**, Sun 25 June, 9.45pm, Three Mills Green, E3  
A fantastic finale to the Festival. Inspired by the fearsome endangered Bengal Tiger, the vitality of Bengali culture and creativity in the UK is celebrated with dance, percussion and new music from Nasha. With pyrotechnics from the UK's most theatrical pyro company The World Famous.

## Booking Information

All events are FREE.

Please note that some performances have limited audience capacity.

For details visit Visit [www.festival.org](http://www.festival.org)

To receive a free Festival anniversary magazine with maps, transport and access details email [admin@festival.org](mailto:admin@festival.org) or telephone 020 8305 1818 (Magazine due out early June).

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