



Your Weekend Agenda: 27-29 October

SAVE TO COLLECTIONS (+)

It's that fateful weekend of All Hallow's Eve, and if you think this holiday is just for costume-wetting kids and their weary parents - well, you have another think coming. London is crawling with creepy happenings to wet your appetite for the weird and wonderful - blood balls, classic movie madness, scintillating shakedowns, and more ghoulish greatness. But if you're not into all that (lame), then we've got non-scary stuff for you, too. You should really check your attitude, doh.



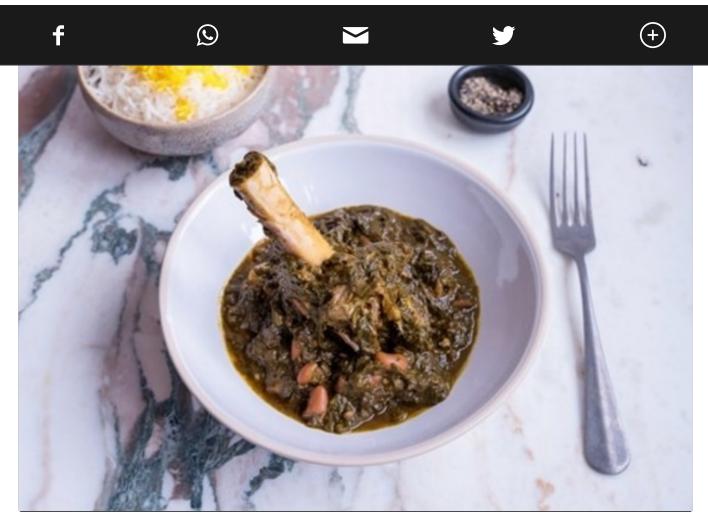




Hassan Hajjaj: La Caravane

Warhol of Marrakesh

The badassery in Moroccan artist Hassan Hajjaj's work is out of control. She's been called the 'Andy Warhol of Marrakech', and her vibrant works feature gangs of North African women wearing Adidas hijabs, perched on scooters, and just being generally sick. It's her first solo show in the UK in seven years; catch her before she goes again.



Villa Mama's

Bahraini

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While we're probably not dashing off to Bahrain any time soon, we can happily dip into their national cuisine, especially when the flavours are this dope: tandoor-cooked flatbreads, lamb and feta kofta with cherry molasses, slow-cooked chicken with rice and cracked wheat, and many a mezzeh platter. Their brunch is worth a look in too, with all the eggy-spicy-Middle-Eastern trimmings that'll make a happy food baby.

#3 Slip into the underworld



The Theatre of Blood

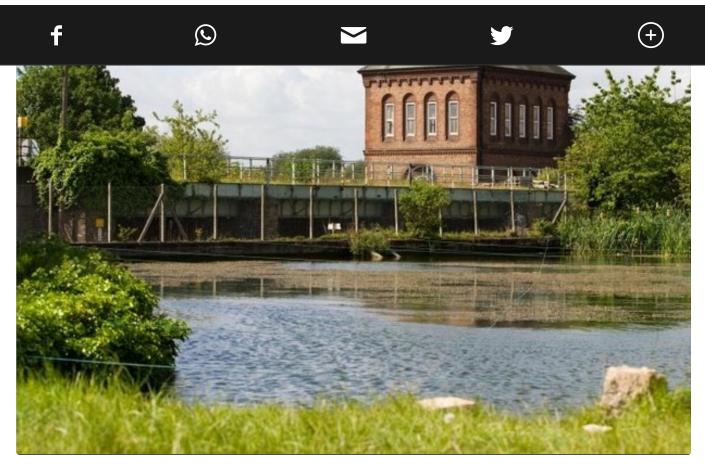
Monster Ball

 $\pounds 20 \cdot \bigcirc$ Elephant and Castle

It's a monster mash at the Coronet Theatre this Friday, featuring wall-to-wall horror debauchery for people who just aren't satisfied with watching The Happening with Mark Wahlberg and eating stale candy this Halloweekend. Expect 5 stages and 4 'realms' (immersive rooms) to quench your thirst for blood, featuring burlesque and cabaret performances alongside live music from 'death blues funeral trash orchestra' The Dead Brothers, Balkan balls-and-brass band Gypsy Hill, and more.

SATURDAY 28TH

#4 Take a stroll



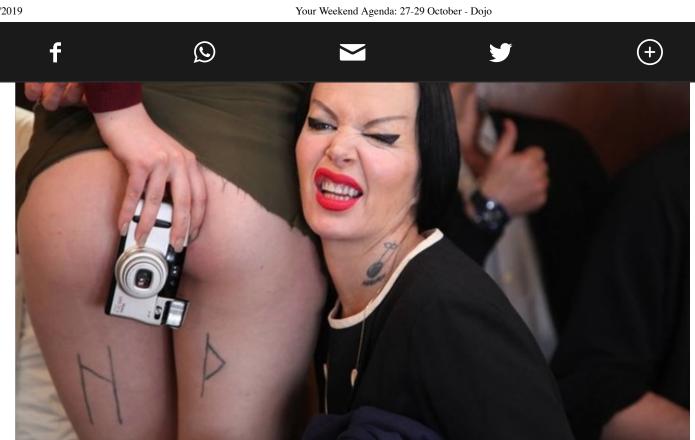
Walthamstow Wetlands

Soggy Wetlands

TOTTENHAM HALE

You probably need a wholesome activity to offset all that Halloween madness so you won't spontaneously combust and evaporate into devil dust. We suggest a salubrious stroll through the just-opened Walthamstow Wetlands - after 150 years on the DL, the wetlands are finally opening to the public, and they're apparently 'europe's largest urban wetland nature reserve'. Well, if you say so. It's a lush affair, full of curious wildlife and striking scenes - go pay your respects to big Momma Nature.

#5 Do the dirty

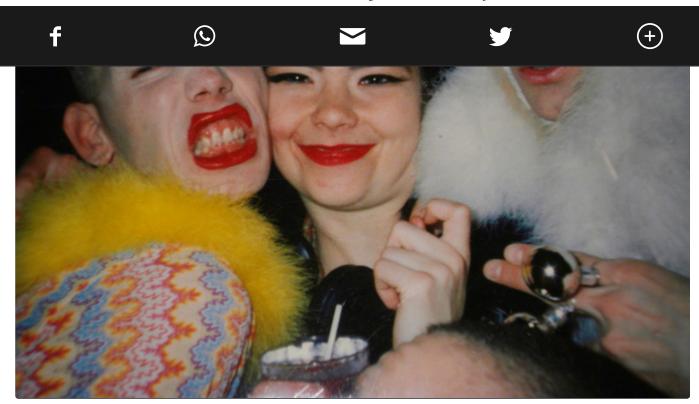


Exhibition

FREE • \ominus WHITECHAPEL

Canadian underground provocateur Bruce La Bruce is a seriously twisted man. He's been working in the mediums of film, photography, and fashion since the 80s, totally defiling whatever he could get his hands on with his own racy-gory-gross-out brand of depraved madness. This is his first solo exhibition in the UK, and promises to be a bit sexy, a bit queasy, and plenty 'what the fuck'.





Secretsundaze 'Club Kids' Halloween Party

Club Kiddin' • £27.10

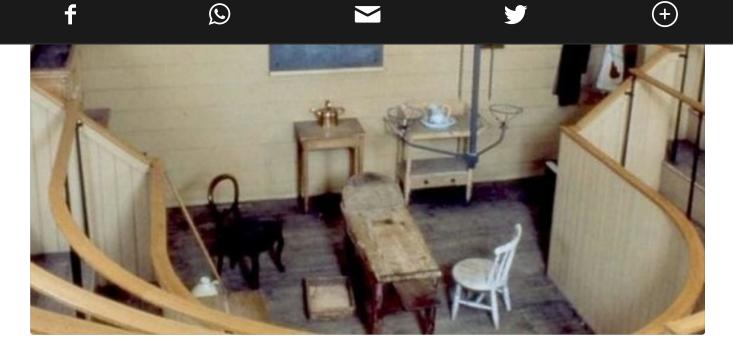
£27.10 • ⊖ CAMBRIDGE HEATH

We'd do unsavoury things to party with the club kids in late 80s and 90s NYC - you know, minus the widespread opioid addiction and low key murder. Lucky for us, our favourite party starters Secretsundaze are bringing the ravey vibes to Oval Space this Saturday for a night of Hallow's Eve excess. Palms Trax and DJ Slyngshot are at the helm and the feels are strong on this one.

SUNDAY 29TH

#7 Play doctor





Old Operating Theatre

Creepy Museum

LONDON BRIDGE

You ever wanted to watch someone being operated on without anaesthetics? Us neither, but apparently people once did - and when they had a hankering to watch human flesh get sliced and diced, they just bopped over to this operating theatre, essentially an amphitheatre where doctors performed surgeries. How cute. Now it's a museum housing much of the original furniture and equipment - perfect creepy fodder for your Halloween spank bank.

#8 Do some thonkin'





Battle of Ideas 2018

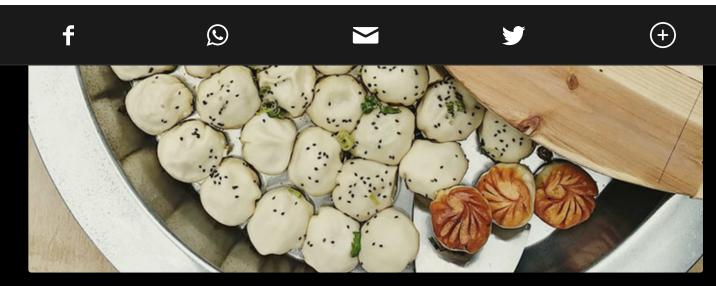
Festival of Thought

£20-100 • ⊖ MOORGATE

Ugh, the weekend debauchery has your brainwaves flatlining. Don't just drool into your laptop all Sunday, continuously gagging at the alcohol smell emanating from your pores - pick yourself up, dust off the remnants of glitter, and take your sorry ass to Battle of Ideas at the Barbican for an edumacational day of rousing debates. It's good for you.

#9 Indulge in the dough





Dumpling Shack at Old Spitalfields Market

Epic Dumplings

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Let's just talk about how great dumplings are. Little pillowy doughy balls of heaven. They are perfect in every way. Are we hungry right now? No, we're definitely still full from the salad we ate for lunch. Definitely. If someone offered us dumplings from Dumpling Shack's new stall in Spitafield's Market, we would just say no thanks mate, we're good.

