



OXFORD LINDY EXCHANGE 2019 SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

Friday Night: Welcome to Oxford Dance	
Where:	Oxford Town Hall - St Aldate's, Oxford OX1 1BX
When:	Doors open 19:30 Event starts 20:00
Band:	Benoit Viellefon's Hot Club
Good to know:	The floor is on the slippery side so bring your grippy shoes. The venue is close to lots of shops and dining options. Please do not bring alcohol onto the premises.

SATURDAY DAYTIME

Saturday Morning: Natural History Museum Tour	
Where:	Oxford Museum of Natural History, Parks Rd, Oxford, OX1 3PW
When:	11am to Noon
Who	Published poet, author and former Natural History Museum poet in residence (and Lindy Hopper) Kelley Swain will take you on a journey through the science, history and poetry of this beautiful museum.
Good to know:	If you are planning to do the Historic Oxford Tour, a volunteer will guide you the meeting place. There are limited spaces, so please sign up on Friday night to guarantee your place on the tour

Saturday Afternoon: Historic Oxford Tour	
Where:	Outside the Ashmolean Museum Beaumont St, Oxford OX1 2PH
When:	Meet at Noon for 12:15pm start.
Who	Britain's most dapper professional tour guide and Chap Olympian Russell Nash will talk you through some of the best historical sights of England's first university town. Don't forget to look up at the spires and gargoyles that make Oxford a world-famous attraction!
Good to know:	The tour will happen whatever the weather brings. A volunteer will direct you to a supermarket for picnic supplies and help you with directions to the picnic.



SATURDAY

Saturday Afternoon: Lindy Hoppers' Picnic	
Where:	University Parks, South Parks Road, Oxford, OX1 3RF
When:	13:00 to 17:00
Details:	<p>Bring your own food and drink, we'll supply the tunes.</p> <p>Quidditch: Everyone is welcome to join and we'll provide the gear and explain the rules. If you want to take part, wear something you can run around in!</p> <p>Enter via by the Keable Gates near the Natural History Museum and Keable College. Follow the path straight ahead and you will find us behind the Cricket Pavilion in the middle of the park just beyond the Circus.</p>
Good to know:	If the weather is not kind. Please keep an eye on our social media for details of Operation Gene Kelly.

Operation Gene Kelly - The wet weather plan	
Where:	The Oxford Union, St Michaels Street Oxford
When:	13:00 to 16:00
Details:	If the weather is not in our favour, our Saturday Afternoon activities will be in the Oxford Union instead. Expect dancing in the chamber, an indoor picnic and maybe a taster class or two.

SATURDAY NIGHT

OLX 2019 Lindy Film Noir Spectacular	
Where:	The Oxford Union, St Michaels Street Oxford
When:	Doors Open: 20:00, End 01:50. Last guaranteed admission 22:00
Dress:	Black and White or Film Noir
Band:	Down for the Count Swing Orchestra
Good to know:	<p>The Union has a licensed bar, so please don't bring your own booze! There will be a walking bus to the blues venue at around 12:30am.</p> <p>Please leave the venue quietly at the end of the evening.</p>

Late night Blues Hideaway	
Where:	Deaf Direct Centre, St Ebbe's, Oxford OX1 1RL
When:	Doors Open: 12:30, End 04:30. Last guaranteed admission 02:30
Band:	The Rhythm and Booze Project
Good to know:	<p>The late night Lindy and Blues parties will overlap until 2am, so feel free to start the Blues early, or drop by once the Lindy is finished.</p> <p>There are residences adjacent to the venue; please arrive and leave the venue quietly.</p>



SUNDAY

World Famous OLX Garden Party and Tea Dance	
Where:	The Oxford Union, St Michaels Street Oxford
When:	Doors Open: Noon, End 19:00
Dress:	None (but feel free to go all out fancy to match the delightful garden party setting)
Band:	Oxford Classic Jazz Band (12:30), The Big R Big Band (15:00)
Good to know:	Cake and as much tea and coffee as you can drink are all included in your ticket price! In addition, we'll be dishing out scrumptious locally made ice cream and sorbet for a bargain £1 a scoop. If it rains, everything will move indoors!

GETTING AROUND

Oxford city centre is squeezed into a few streets, with a labyrinth of beautiful buildings, shops, museums, pubs and other attractions. Unfortunately, this means Oxford is not car friendly, so we'd advise not driving into town if you can possibly avoid it. Fortunately, the town centre is compact and all our venues are in easy walking distance of one another. Buses across town run frequently, there are also taxi ranks located at Gloucester Green, the Railway Station, and Queen Street. There are also some private hire taxis available. Please don't get into a car if you are not sure it is a licensed taxi. The City is also littered with dockless bikes.

OUR VENUES

All of our venues are historic buildings built before the invention of Air Conditioning, and things can get hot! We will try and cool things as much as possible but suggest bringing a fan if you can. Some of our venues have specific alcohol policies, and we ask that you respect these. Please leave our late evening venues as quietly as possible.

WATER

Free drinking water will be available at all of our venues. For the sake of the environment we will not be providing disposable cups for water, so please remember to bring your own reusable cups or bottle.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Sometimes even the best plans don't work out, especially with the British climate to contend with! We will do our best to announce any changes on Facebook, our website or Twitter.

Website: www.oxfordlindyexchange.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/oxfordlindyexchange

Twitter: @2019OLX



SAFER SPACES POLICY

Oxford Lindy Hoppers are committed to making sure that everyone can enjoy our events in a safe, comfortable and welcoming environment.

We believe that we all share a responsibility to create an environment that reflects the joy of the dance, and to support our fellow dancers. We therefore request that you read and abide by our safer space policy. Anyone who does not follow this policy may be asked to leave.

You can talk to any of the committee or email: oxfordlindyhoppers@gmail.com

Oxford Lindy Hoppers will:

- Not hire teachers with a history of unacceptable behaviour.
- Treat everyone attending our classes and events with respect.
- Eject anyone acting in an unacceptable manner.
- Listen to everybody's concerns and to act appropriately.
- Treat all messages seriously and in the strictest confidence.
- Respond to your suggestions.
- Make arrangements for safer spaces at our events.

When attending our events please:

- Be aware of your fellow dancers' comfort and the impact your behaviour can have on others whether deliberate or not.
- Speak up if something or someone makes you uncomfortable, for whatever reason. By saying something you can help prevent others from suffering.
- Listen seriously if someone tells you something, and act appropriately. If you don't know what to do, ask someone.
- If you see or hear something that doesn't seem quite right, talk to someone about it.
- Don't let someone's aura of 'status' or 'seniority' affect your decision making: if a teacher or anyone else does something bad, speak up
- Consider your fellow dancers and drink alcohol in moderation
- Consider other's boundaries when dancing on the dance floor.
- In general, refusing a dance without good reason can be hurtful; be generous with your dances, especially with beginners.
- However, if someone makes you uncomfortable, you don't have to dance with them, and you don't have to give a reason. A simple 'No thank you' should suffice.
- If you're in class and you don't want to dance with someone in rotation, this is a sign that the issue should be addressed. Step out of rotation, and let us know your feelings in the break, or at the end of class.
- If someone says 'no' to you, respect that decision and consider what you can do to make them feel more at ease.
- Some people prefer not to dance up close and personal - this is an acceptable choice, so find a distance which is comfortable for both of you, or stop dancing.

Bullying or abuse of any sort whether sexual, physical, or emotional will not be tolerated.