



# Celebrating 140 years of excellence in the Arts



NORTHAMPTON  
HIGH SCHOOL

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GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL TRUST

Arts Festival 2018  
Wednesday 27 June to Saturday 30 June

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Programme of Events

# Literary Day

**Wednesday 27 June; in school time for pupils, from 5.45pm for visitors**

Three inspirational authors join us in school for a celebration of storytelling, creative writing, food and history.



Local author Monica Withrington talks to Junior School pupils about her books, including *The Reluctant Shepherd*.

In the afternoon, Senior School pupils meet American-born author Robin Stevens, author of the *Murder Most Unladylike* series.



In the evening, we invite you to an audience with Dr Annie Gray, food historian and regular on BBC Radio 4's *Kitchen Cabinet*. Her book *The Greedy Queen* looks at Queen Victoria's passion for food.

Includes book signing, (books on sale at £8, cash only please).

**All welcome and free entry; arrival from 5.45pm to view the art exhibits; refreshments served; talk starts at 6.15pm.**

# Arts Festival Invitational Day

**Thursday 28 June; 5.30pm–7.00pm**

An evening of artistic awe and wonder, with events, shows, music and activities spilling out of every corner of the school.

Art exhibits across the Senior School, including an open viewing of our Sixth Form Gallery and the Northampton Architecture Exhibition by Upper Fourth (Year 9). Fashion Gallery in the White Space and ballet performance in the Studio. Films showing in our Film Studies cinema. Food tasting and demonstrations in the Food Technology room. Junior School exhibition of art, textiles and sculpture.

**All welcome and free entry; arrival from 5.30pm to view the Arts across the School; refreshments served. Visitors are welcome to stay for the Music Recital at 7.00pm.**



# Music Recital



**Thursday 28 June; 7.00pm–8.00pm**

A celebratory musical recital. In the Theatre.

A recital featuring the wide-ranging musical talents at Northampton High, including performances, both instrumental and vocal, from pupils in the Junior School through to Sixth Form.

**All welcome and free entry; Refreshments served before the Recital.**

# The Sound of Music



**Thursday 28 June**

Community performance for Junior School pupils and local schools.

**Friday 29 June; 7.00pm–9.30pm**

Our musical production. In the Theatre.

Join us for the first night of our sensational musical, the ever-youthful *Sound of Music*. A thrilling blend of drama, harmony and song, as the free-spirited Maria tries to outwit the Nazis.

**All welcome and free entry; arrival from 6.30pm for 7.00pm curtain call. Refreshments served in the interval.**

Please book your free tickets at [www.northamptonhigh.gdst.net](http://www.northamptonhigh.gdst.net)

# FoNHS Family Fun Day and Dog Show

**Saturday 30 June; from 1.00pm - 4.00pm**

The Friends of Northampton High School put on a day for everyone to enjoy. On the School fields and in the Sports Hall.



Everyone is invited to join in with the fun and games as we celebrate the summer in style on the school fields. Countless activities for families of all ages to enjoy, including face painting and traditional games. If you have a dog, why not come along to enjoy the fun and perhaps win a prize!

**All welcome and free entry.**

**Refreshments available from stalls and in our tea room.**

## The Sound of Music— Behind the Scenes and Final Performance

**Saturday 30 June; Behind the Scenes interview/film with the show Director at 6.00pm; show starts at 7.00pm**

The last night of our musical.

We invite guests to get in the mood for the big show by joining our Director of Theatre, Mrs Care, for some sneak previews of the show and to hear about our production of the Sound of Music. Followed by the final performance of the show at 7.00pm.

**All welcome and free entry; 6.00pm for a Behind the Scenes interview/film and 7.00pm curtain call for the Final Performance. Refreshments served in the interval.**

**Please book your free tickets at [www.northamptonhigh.gdst.net](http://www.northamptonhigh.gdst.net)**

Pupils, parents, friends, family and members of the community are warmly invited to our anniversary events.

Please join in our celebrations.

Please book your free tickets for The Sound of Music at [www.northamptonhigh.gdst.net](http://www.northamptonhigh.gdst.net)

For further information, please contact [marketing@nhs.gdst.net](mailto:marketing@nhs.gdst.net).

We look forward to seeing you there!