

# BACK AND FILL MARGATE



A COASTAL CALL TO ARMS  
24 OCT-1 NOV 2020

Water Levels referred to Datum of Soundings

Place	Lat	Long	Heights in metres above datum			Datum and Remarks	
			MSL	MLWS	MLWS		
Margate	51° 20'	1° 25'	0.2	4.0	1.4	0.6	0.6m above Ordnance Datum (Mean)
Beacons	51° 21'	1° 27'	4.8	3.7	1.3	0.4	0.4m above Ordnance Datum (Mean)
Margate	51° 23'	1° 23'	4.8	3.8	1.4	0.5	0.5m above Ordnance Datum (Mean)
Home Bay	51° 23'	1° 07'	0.4	4.2	1.8	0.8	0.8m above Ordnance Datum (Mean)

ISLE OF THANET  
NORTH FORELAND

## Back and Fill Margate

A creative response to lockdown and the challenges of 2020 - and a coastal call-to-arms. There are a dozen Back and Fill festivals, in seaside towns across England, Wales and Northern Ireland, all inspired by a conversation at Marine Studios in Margate.

*[www.backandfill.uk](http://www.backandfill.uk)*

Additional Margate events may be added, and events may be cancelled as Covid regulations change – see our website or follow us on social media for more information:

*[www.marinestudios.co.uk](http://www.marinestudios.co.uk)*

*Twitter: @marinestudios*

*Instagram: @marinestudios\_margate*

*Facebook: @marinestudiosmargate*

Produced by Marine Studios and Dan Thompson Studio.

Supported by a grant from RSA Catalyst.

With streaming support from Creative Distance Festival.

## Covid Safe

All our live events operate to the rule of no more than six people, and in most cases booking is required.

Other events can be enjoyed online from your home, or are self-guided.

If restrictions are changed, we will provide up-to-date information at [www.marinestudios.co.uk](http://www.marinestudios.co.uk)

## FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER

### Cooking with Our Kitchen

Fri 23 Oct

Our Kitchen is founded on the belief that good food gets us through the ups and downs. Join founder and food waste expert Sharon Goodyer for her first ever cook-a-long, live on Facebook..

[www.facebook.com/ourkitchenthanet](http://www.facebook.com/ourkitchenthanet)

## 24 OCTOBER – 1 NOVEMBER

### Made In Lockdown

Sat 24 Oct - Sun 1 Nov

An exhibition of large prints, letterpressed work, and small sculpture inspired by lockdown, with artists including Robert Montgomery, Press Here Letterpress, and Georgia Preece.

In the window at Clayspace, Northdown Road.

### Pie Day and Holidays – Sophie Herxheimer

Sat 24 Oct - Sun 1 Nov

For ten years, the Pie Days and Holidays murals at Arlington House have delighted passers-by, with their stories of people and the food that's important to them. For Back and Fill, we bring the original drawings out of the archive, and connect them with the work of Our Kitchen on the Isle of Thanet.

Exhibition at food store Our Kitchen, High Street, Margate.

### Margate History Walk

Sat 24 Oct - Sun 1 Nov

In a normal summer History Walkers lead walks around Margate's heritage, uncovering forgotten stories and weaving them together with local folklore. For Back and Fill, they have created an online walk with Earth Museum. Follow from your own home, or take a Covid-safe walk around town.

[www.theaerthymuseum.co.uk](http://www.theaerthymuseum.co.uk)

[www.facebook.com/historywalkers](http://www.facebook.com/historywalkers)

## **CITiZAN Coastal Archaeology Walk**

24 - 27 October, 11.00am, 11.15am, 2pm, 2.15pm each day

Hunt Archaeology with CITiZAN! A guided walk from the Harbour Arm to Hodges Gap

CITiZAN is an award-winning community-led MOLA project that traces the passage of people and time over the changing coastline of Britain. As archaeologists we're interested in the marks that people leave behind, as a way to understand past lives and landscapes. Come on a walk with us along the Lower Promenade, learn about the sort of things we look out for, what these might mean and how you can help us record them. If you want to you can download the CITiZAN Intertidal Archaeology app from Play Store or App Store beforehand but we'll also have paper based maps for you to follow too.

Meet by the Tourist Information Centre at 11.00 and 11.15 and 2 and 2.15. No booking necessary, but first come first served: places are limited to 5 per walk.

## **Seaside Souvenirs - Margate Girl**

Sat 24 Oct - Sun 1 Nov

Through lockdown, Margate Girl aka designer Zoe Murphy created and mailed craft kits to homes across the world. This special Back and Fill kit will let you make seaside souvenirs - wherever you are and whatever the weather! With a livestreamed make from Margate.

A Dan Thompson Studio commission.

Order your kit £20 + p&p from [www.margategirl.com/](http://www.margategirl.com/)

## **Rules of Engagement - Dan Thompson**

Sat 24 Oct - Sun 1 Nov

During lockdown and looking over Margate beach, writer Dan Thompson started thinking about how we make the world a better place. His short Rules of Engagement will appear across the town during Back and Fill. Can you find them?

[www.danthompson.co.uk](http://www.danthompson.co.uk)

## **Little Acts - Kate Kneale**

Sat 24 Oct - Sun 1 Nov

Kate Kneale has created a pack of cards, each with a simple challenge to change your day. We'll pick a card each morning and each afternoon, and share it on the Marine Studios social channels.

Facebook [@marinestudiosmargate](https://www.facebook.com/marinestudiosmargate) Twitter [@marinestudios](https://twitter.com/marinestudios) Instagram [@marinestudios\\_margate](https://www.instagram.com/marinestudios_margate)

## Seaside Stories – Creative Distance Festival

Sat 24 Oct - Sun 1 Nov

Stories of the sea, collapse, and isolation that together give us hope for a different world. In this collaboration between Back and Fill and Creative Distance Festival, a series of monologues are being streamed via [www.creativedistance.org](http://www.creativedistance.org).

### SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER

#### Margate Ghosts - Hermetic Sign Co

Sat 24 Oct, 2pm

Andrew Hudson from Hermetic Sign Co. takes us on a walk around Margate's ghost signs and historic shopfronts. Because of Covid 19 restrictions, follow this walk online via Instagram @hermeticsignco and Twitter @artistsmakers

#### Rise Up Clean Up x Rich & Strange Beach Clean

Sat 24 Oct, 3pm

Rise Up Clean Up have organised a number of beach cleans this year. Rich & Strange, a joint Margate-Portsmouth project, looks at ways to tell the stories of the plastic in our seas. The two come together for this Back and Fill event. Meet on Margate Main Sands.

Rich & Strange supported by the National Lottery Community Fund

#### Turner & the elements: A Margate walking tour

Sat 24 Oct 11:00am, 1:30pm, 3:00pm  
(also Sat 31 Oct 11:00am, 1:30pm, 3:00pm)

Experience Margate through the eyes of celebrated artist JMW Turner and take inspiration from the place where he made hundreds of his landscape paintings.

A guided walk, lasts one hour. Booking only, places limited.

[turnercontemporary.org/whats-on/turner-the-elements-a-margate-walking-tour/](http://turnercontemporary.org/whats-on/turner-the-elements-a-margate-walking-tour/)

#### Tango Arlington - Round In Circles Productions

Sat 24 Oct

Two dancers tango among the concrete ramps and pillars of the Arlington House carpark, in this dance piece commissioned for Back and Fill Margate. Limited audience, with live streaming.

A Dan Thompson Studio commission.

## SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER

### The Art of Seaside Fashion with Amber Butchart

Sun 25 Oct, 12 noon

From the middle of the 18<sup>th</sup> century the seaside has been a fashionable space, with promenades and piers acting as a forerunner to the catwalk. In this illustrated talk, fashion historian Amber Butchart delves into seaside style and its ongoing appeal, from sailor suits to swimwear. Live streamed from Marine Studios.

## MONDAY 26 – FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER

### SAD Audio - Quiet Boy

Mon 26 - Fri 30 Oct, 6pm

Inspired by the artist's own experience of Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), the piece will coincide with the end of British Summer Time (BST) and stream live every evening.

There will be a private viewing at Sargasso restaurant and bar in Margate on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October and members of the public are invited to come together while apart to watch and listen at home on headphones and a phone/tablet or laptop.

Part of a trilogy of Looping the Loop commissions in response to Covid-19, made possible by Emergency Funding by Arts Council England.

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