

**PRESS RELEASE**  
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## Jupiter Artland Opens 7 April With Easter Learning Festival



Easter at Jupiter Artland, with Easter Trails, free nature-inspired learning activities, enchanted storytelling, and a visit by the Easter Bunny.  
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#### **Jupiter Artland opening: 7 April 2023**

**Edinburgh, Thursday 23 March 2023** – Jupiter Artland opens to the public on 7 April for Easter Weekend with 3 days of free, nature-inspired learning activities, Easter trail, Enchanted Storytelling and even a visit from the Easter Bunny.

Jupiter Artland reveals today (24 March) its activities for the Easter Holidays to coincide with the sculpture park reopening to the public from 7 April 2023. With a mission for Every Child in Scotland to experience the wellbeing benefits of art, creativity and nature, Jupiter's 2023 season begins with a three-day celebration of learning. Highlights of Easter at Jupiter include Easter trails around the Artland, free nature-inspired creative workshops for children of all ages, Enchanted Storytelling in Jupiter's Forest, as well as a Spring-inspired pop-up shop, and new seasonal menu at Café Party.

In addition to the Easter Weekend activities, Jupiter Artland is offering a full programme of holiday courses for children to be creative in the outdoors. The Learning Foundation at Jupiter offers a huge range of creative activities throughout the year that seek to develop adventurous play, curiosity and imagination amongst the amazing art and wild woods of Jupiter Artland. In the past year, over 4,059 children and young people have benefited from Jupiter's outdoor learning in nature programmes. Nicky Wilson, Director of Jupiter Artland, says:

*"Spring is such a hopeful time in the Artland as everything jumps back to life. This year we are delighted to open our 2023 season with an Easter Themed Learning Weekend to inspire creative minds. Learning is at the heart of everything we do at Jupiter – so it feels like the perfect way to begin the season."* Nicky Wilson, Director

## **EASTER AT JUPITER ARTLAND**

### **- EASTER HUNT**

Join the Easter Bunny for hunt around the Artland! A choice of trails is available to suit all ages. After solving the clues, find the Easter Bunny to claim your chocolatey prize. £5 per child, including map and Easter Treat. Available all day Friday to Sunday. Advance booking highly recommend.

### **- GIVE A BUG A HOME**

Insects need a home too. In this free, drop-in workshop, children learn about bees and bugs by making their own mini-beastie hotel. Our environment depends on these wonderful little creatures and we can help them out by making them a home. Free. All day Friday to Sunday. No booking required.

### **- SOW A SEED**

Plants are shaking off the winter chills and starting to grow! In this free, drop-in workshop children plant seeds and decorate their own biodegradable pot with their favourite Easter pictures. Free. All day Friday to Sunday. No booking required.

### **- ENCHANTED PICNIC AND STORYTELLING**

Looking for something magical to do with your kids this Easter? Why not book our Enchanted Picnic and Story Time? Children collect their Easter Picnic Basket with packed lunch before being led through the woodland to our Story Time Den with costumed performers.

£7 per child, includes a choice between a ham or cheese roll, pom bears, carton of juice, fruit and a special Easter Surprise. Sessions last 45 minutes. Times are 11am, 12pm and 2pm.

## **2023 EXHIBITION:**

### **- Lindsey Mendick: 15 July 2023 – 1 October 2023**

Jupiter Artland is delighted to announce Lindsey Mendick as the artist for their 2023 season. Having previously collaborated with Jupiter at their acclaimed Jupiter Rising festival, Jupiter is thrilled to host Mendick's first solo show in Scotland, which will be presented across all of Jupiter Artland's galleries.

## **2023 LEARNING COURSES:**

### **- Learning Foundation Taster Day: 12 April 2023**

We are also offering MINI SESSIONS, an hour-long adventure for your child in the woodland where they can experience the joy of outdoor learning in nature, whilst you enjoy a hot drink in our café.

### **- Easter Woodland Explorers: 3, 4, 13 & 14 April 2023**

Are your kids looking for something creative to do over the holidays? Woodland Explorers is a day-long session of outdoor creativity and play, inspired by the artworks and nature at Jupiter Artland.

### **- Summer ArtSparks Term: 25 April – 30 June 2023**

Woodland ArtSparks is Jupiter Artland's weekly, term-time outdoor creative programme that puts the learner at the core of our activities. Each session includes a creative adventure around the Artland, engaging with sculptures and beautiful landscapes on the way.

## **2023 MASTERCLASS SERIES:**

### **- Easter Eggs with A.R.D Bakery: 5 April 2023**

Join Alison in this one-off date at Jupiter Artland, where you will learn the technical processes of working with chocolate and the artistry that produces these striking A.R.D designs.

### **- Taxidermy with Fiona Dean: 13 April 2023**

Join Fiona as she demonstrates the delicate stages of the art of taxidermy in a live demonstration and presentation on the subject.

### **- Natural Skincare with Dook: 15 June 2023**

Join Dook founder Helen for this masterclass in the Ballroom at Jupiter Artland and have fun experimenting with natural clays, salts and scents.

## ENDS

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## NOTES TO EDITORS

Jupiter Artland is an award-winning, contemporary sculpture park, located just outside Edinburgh. Set over 100 acres of meadow, woodland and five indoor gallery spaces, Jupiter Artland has to date commissioned over 35 permanent site-specific sculptures from the world's leading artists including Alec Finlay, Andy Goldsworthy, Anish Kapoor, Antony Gormley, Anya Gallaccio, Charles Jencks, Christian Boltanski, Cornelia Parker, Helen Chadwick, Henry Castle, Ian Hamilton Finlay, Joana Vasconcelos, Laura Ford, Marc Quinn, Nathan Coley, Nicolas Party, Pablo Bronstein, Peter Liversidge, Phyllida Barlow, Rachel Maclean, Sara Barker, Shane Waltener, Tania Kovats, and Tracey Emin.

A curated annual programme of exhibitions and events from leading visionary artists and emerging talents, as well as public talks, assemblies, and an active live art programme, make Jupiter Artland a thriving location for new ideas.

Central to Jupiter Artland's vision is to engage Every Child in Scotland with art through its learning and outreach programme. Jupiter Artland offers free school visits, digital projects, and hands-on activities for learners of all ages. Jupiter has recently launched its inaugural JUPITER+ project, new off-site commissioning programme, which will see world-class artworks brought to locations and communities across Scotland. The programme is powered by the belief that everyone should have access to the best of international art at their doorstep and our mission to inspire the next generation of artists in Scotland. Jupiter Artland's child-led ethos to learning sparks curiosity and builds resilience, creativity, and critical thinking skills in the minds of young learners. Jupiter Artland's mission is for every school child in Scotland to visit or experience Jupiter Artland.

Jupiter Artland was founded in 2009 by Robert and Nicky Wilson and since then has grown into one of the UK's most significant places to see outdoor sculpture. In 2016, Jupiter Artland was nominated for ArtFund's Museum of the Year.