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Here's what's coming up this week and up to July!

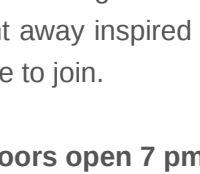
The next **Writers' Group Meeting** is this Thursday, **May 28th**  
Clown around with us at a follow-up to our very popular **Clowning Masterclass**, led by Sandra Villani, on **June 9th**,  
Don't miss our **Stand-up Comedy Masterclass** led by Jo Ostrowska on **July 14th**

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We'd love more people to find out about Streatham Theatre and our ever changing programme of shows and monthly events. Please help us - follow us and share our publicity on your socials.



## STC Writers' Group Meeting on May 28th



The first meeting of the Writers' Group was a definite success, bringing together like-minded and creative individuals at all stages in their writing journey, each with their own style of writing. Everyone went away inspired to develop their work further. Come along this Thursday if you would like to join.

Thursday May 28th at 7.30 pm (doors open 7 pm).

FREE FOR ALL

Vinters Studio 2, 1b Sunnyhill Road, SW16 2UG

For more information see our [website](#).

## Upcoming Events

**Back by Popular Demand!**  
**Sandra Villani's Clowning Workshop on June 9th!**



Sandra says: "This is an introductory clowning masterclass; with the use of games, movement, sound, silence, stillness and so much more. In this workshop we will explore your clown within!

The aim is to conjure a magical mini-show from simply being.

For this masterclass, no clowning or comedy experience is necessary, just a willingness to be open to the moment.

It's probably a good idea to wear comfy clothes and shoes, so you can move around freely.

I came to clowning through the tutelage of a wonderful clown, Didier Dantois at his Sacred Art of Clowning school. Since then I have clowned around from time to time.

Come and play!"

Tuesday June 9th at 7.30 pm (doors open 7 pm).

Members Free, others £5 at the door.

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**You're Having a Laugh,**  
**A Comedy Workshop Led by Jo Ostrowska, July 14th**



Are you a bit of a show-off? This informal workshop will give you chance to have a go at stand-up in front of a friendly audience.

Alternatively you may want to hone your skills and develop your style. Jo will share her insights and feedback on what makes a great stand-up routine and how to prepare for your first gig.

Will we discover Streatham's next new stand-up talent?

**Jo Ostrowska** is returning to STC's Second Tuesday events by popular demand. She lives in Streatham and is an aspiring comic, director and writer. Jo has performed alongside the likes of Sara Pascoe, Arthur Smith and Jack Whitehall.

Although she is currently concentrating more on writing, her stand-up repertoire includes appearances at Edinburgh and several local stand-up comedy nights, including gigs at Clapham Comedy Club, The Railway and Streatham Festival.

Tuesday July 14th at 7.30 pm (doors open 7 pm).

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## Look Back at Last Month

**Much Fun Was Had, Discovering the Waste Land**

The only thing I've ever really known about T.S. Eliot's *The Waste Land* is its first line: *April is the cruellest month*. That never inspired me to investigate further, so it's fair to say that our voyage of exploration was a revelation to me. I never knew there was so much in it! Not just one poem, The Waste Land is an London pub refusing to be rushed, even though the landlord has called Time, to Queen Elizabeth I and the Earl of Essex being rowed down the Thames to music inspired by Wagner's Rhine maidens! A big thank you to Yasmin Smith and Mike Jennet for opening our eyes and ears.

If our exploration has inspired you to investigate further, in mid-June Wilton's Music Hall is presenting *The Waste Land*, an evening exploring this poem and also T.S. Eliot's other well-known poem *The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock*.

## Lambeth Literary Festival 2026

Prospective members of our Writers' Group and indeed anyone who enjoys a good book, may appreciate Lambeth Literary festival, with events running throughout May and into June. Explore the full programme and book your free places for the events by visiting the Lambeth Libraries Eventbrite [page](#).

## Events Programme for 2026

Helen's eye-catching graphic has evolved again, to reflect the news that our events are now finalised until the end of the year.

**EVENTS SCHEDULE**  
**MAY-JULY 2026**

- MAY 12TH: EXPLORING T.S. ELIOT'S POEM 'THE WASTE LAND' LED BY YASMIN SMITH & MIKE JENNETT
- June 9th: CLOWNING MASTERCLASS LED BY SANDRA VILLANI
- JULY 14TH: STAND-UP COMEDY MASTERCLASS LED BY JO OSTROWSKA

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ALL EVENTS 7PM FOR START £5 NON-MEMBERS

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**EVENTS SCHEDULE**  
**AUG-DEC 2026**

- AUG 11TH: STC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOLLOWED BY SOCIAL
- Sept 8th: STREATHAM SHORTS 'FROM PAGE TO STAGE' NEW WRITING EVENT
- OCT 13TH: PROSPECTIVE PANTOMIME SCRIPT READING
- Nov 10th: PLAYREADING OF 'DRACULA' BY BRAM STOKER ADAPTED BY JANE THORNTON & JOHN GODBER
- DEC 8TH: STREATHAM'S GOT TALENT CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

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## Events Added

Our **August** event is now confirmed as our Annual General Meeting, followed by a social. More information is available on our [website](#).

In **November**, we plan to read *Dracula* by Bram Stoker, adapted for the stage by Jane Thornton and John Godber.

More information will follow on each event as we get nearer the time.

## Looking for Proposals for Shows in 2026

We have three slots for possible shows this year. We are looking at roughly Spring/Summer, early Autumn and Christmas.

Anyone interested in either directing or producing (project managing) a show is invited to contact [info@streathamtheatre.org.uk](mailto:info@streathamtheatre.org.uk) to arrange an initial chat when we can discuss times and venues.

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