



WORTHING WOW

The **Jane Austen's Worthing** Exhibition is presented by Worthing WOW. We are a non-profit organization dedicated to celebrating culture and creativity in Worthing.

Following the success of the first Worthing WOW festival – with 40 cultural events, 5 competitions and 20 educational workshops – the team of WOW volunteers have gathered together to celebrate Jane Austen's connection with the town. We think that this link has not yet been properly celebrated – until now.

In addition to this exhibition, there are 14 different cultural events taking place here during the two-week festival.

The Writer in Residence, Linda McVeigh, and the Artist in Residence, Thomas Nicolson, will be creating new pieces of work inspired by what happens over this fortnight. We hope that visitors to the exhibition will find it exciting, and perhaps you will be inspired to go on a creative journey yourself.

WOW would like to express its warm appreciation of our sponsors – Heritage Lottery Fund, Community First, Adur and Worthing Council, Robert Luff & Co., The Fat Greek Taverna, Vice Puddings, and Coast Café.

I owe a huge debt of gratitude to Antony Edmonds and Carly Vaughan for their hard work in bringing together the fine exhibition that you see before you today. My warm thanks to the many volunteers who have given their time to create costumes, deliver fliers, write press releases, keep social media updated, and stand here stewarding today. Without our brilliant community pulling together and offering their support, all this would be impossible.

Worthing - you're an amazing town, with so much to capacity to inspire!

Melody Bridges
Artistic Director, Worthing WOW

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If you have enjoyed the **Jane Austen's Worthing** Exhibition, there are ways in which you can support Worthing WOW as it continues to play its part in the cultural regeneration of Worthing:

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