

What to Expect Guide

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AVIVA STUDIOS



VENTURE ARTS: MICHAEL BEARD



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WHAT TO EXPECT GUIDE

This guide has important information about **Venture Arts: Michael Beard** including **when and where** the event will happen and information about **access provisions**.

The guide has some information about **what will happen** at the event. The event is still being made, so some things **may change**.

What is 'Venture Arts: Michael Beard'?

Venture Arts: Michael Beard is an **exhibition and performance**.

Manchester International Festival

The event is part of Manchester International Festival (MIF).

MIF is a festival that happens every 2 years in Manchester bringing the most exciting artists on the planet to Manchester to create new work.

WHERE WILL IT HAPPEN?



This event is in The Lab.

The address is **The Lab,
Aviva Studios, Water Street,
Manchester, M3 4JQ.**

The what3words is: **chop.feeds.chase.**

Getting to the venue



For **transport information** please **visit:**

[https://factoryinternational.org/aviva-studios/#getting-here.](https://factoryinternational.org/aviva-studios/#getting-here)

Aviva Studios Entrance

You can approach Aviva Studios from **Liverpool Road** or **Quay Street**. Once you're inside, you will enter 2 large double doors and head to the first floor by stairs or lift.

The building will be **busy and noisy** during the festival

If you need **help** you can ask a member of our team. **FOH wear orange t-shirts**, and **volunteers wear red t-shirts**.

VENUE ACCESSIBILITY



There are **accessible toilets** on the **ground floor** and the **first floor**.

You do not need a radar key to access the toilets. There are gendered and gender-neutral facilities.



There is a **Changing Places toilet** on the **ground floor**.



Assistance dogs are welcome in our building.

*If you are bringing an assistance dog to a ticketed event, **please let us know in advance** via email or phone (see back page).*

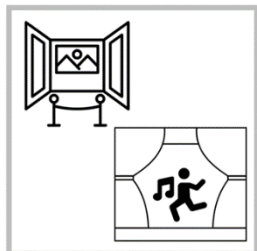


There is a **chill out space** at Aviva Studios. It is on the **ground floor**, in the Lab.



Portable sensory kits are available.

ABOUT THE EVENT



This event is an **exhibition** and **performance**.

Performance



The performance is **1 hour long**. You can take breaks and come back in if you need to.



There will be an **artist**, some **musicians** and a **dancer** in the space.



The lighting will be **low** but **not dark**.

There are **three performances** on the following dates:

- Sunday 6 July, 4pm
- Tuesday 8 July, 7pm
- Tuesday 15 July, 7pm

Exhibition/Open Studio



When there are not performances, the gallery/lab will be an open studio, and you can come and visit.



You **do not need a ticket** to come and see the exhibition.



There will be 2 **films**, which will be captioned at all times.



The exhibition and the performances are **relaxed**. You are welcome to respond to the art in a way that feels right to you. You are welcome to take breaks if you need

For more information about the event and venue, please visit:
factoryinternational.org/whats-on/venture-arts-michael-beard/

To speak to our team, you can email us at
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