

# London Cultural Calendar: Ten Unmissable Summer Events in 2013

London is home to a thriving arts and culture scene which blossoms in the summer months, with a packed calendar featuring unique and bewildering art exhibitions, raucous street festivals, celebrations of global cuisine and the finest theatre in the world. These captivating events bring the best of international culture to London and in doing so highlight the multicultural nature of the city itself.

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## Art



*Alfred Jensen, Twelve Events in a Dual Universe (1978), Hayward Gallery 2013. © ARS, NY and DACS, London 2013. Photo: Linda Nylind.*

### The Hayward Gallery: The Alternative Guide to the Universe

June 11 - August 26

The Hayward's major summer exhibition, The Alternative Guide to the Universe brings together the best 'Outsider Art' from throughout the globe, summoning mavericks, visionaries and recluses to reveal their own personal perspective on the world. The diverse collection of artists on display includes self-taught artists and architects, fringe physicists, dreamers and visionary engineers, all of whom interpret the world around them through their own unique prisms, and who transcend the conventionality of the institutionalised art world. The works traverse the boundaries between art, science, fiction, reason and mysticism but share a utopian desire to reinvent the world through the power of the imagination. Highlights of the exhibition include Marcel Storr's chimerical towers, the incredible cosmological diagrams of Alfred Jensen and the physics experiments of Karl Hans Janke. The Alternative Guide to the Universe is not only an unmissable opportunity to see what is happening on the fringes of the art world, but it is also a fascinating interrogation of what defines 'art' itself.

*For more info visit [The Alternative Guide to the Universe](#).*