

Quay to youthful success

The Quay's highlights this year involve young people. On June 21st, Daniel Grosvenor, a 16-year-old pianist is performing before his European concerts

Arts Celebration on 23rd June is an opportunity for local Sudbury Primary Schools to show off their performing talent. In July the Essex Youth Jazz Orchestra is visiting and The Quay's Summer School of the Performing Arts is being held from 26th July until the 30th.

Rehearsals will also be starting for September performances of Shakespeare's *The Comedy of Errors*. The company is made up of actors aged between 13 and 17 year olds.

Robert Benton, Director at The Quay, said: "Knowing we are all feeling the pinch as a result of the economy, The Quay has just completed a theatre tickets summer sale and will be trying to take the pressure off our customers as the autumn approaches with another reduced-price ticket scheme." For more information on any of the above performances, ring The Quay's Box Office on 01787 374745 or take a look at the whole programme by visiting www.quaytheatre.org.uk

HOLLYWOOD COMES TO BABERGH!



What do Winona Ryder, Joseph Fiennes and Gerard Depardieu all have in common? All graced the big screen in a cinema project bringing world films to rural Suffolk.

Following the success of last year's, Babergh's International Film Festival, The Wider Picture Project, it was decided to make it an annual event. This year's Wider Picture Project was expanded to include venues in both Babergh and Mid Suffolk districts and during April and May the best of international film was screened in those communities without their own cinema.

Jill Barton, Babergh's Community Development Officer, said: "The project was a fantastic success and gave film lovers an opportunity to see some different films highlighting world cinema while promoting our joint digital cinema venues." The project, which aims to increase the range of films available locally, was with film Cinema Paradiso.

All of the venues are members of the Suffolk Digital Cinema Network, a countywide organisation which assists groups to organise film screenings in towns and villages across Suffolk.



All tuned up to have a go!

Music teachers and community musicians from Babergh were able to Tune Up their skills with a special workshop held earlier this year.

Expert advice was on hand from composer Fraser Trainer and City of London Sinfonia players at the event, which was held at the Hadleigh Community Primary School in May. The project, funded by Babergh District Council, Orchestra's Live and Suffolk County Council, aimed to inspire those who make music in their work with others.

More than 20 teachers and musicians who attended were interested in refreshing or developing their own techniques in delivering and developing music projects with their class or group.

Some of the participants from Tune Up will have the opportunity to shad-

ow one of the professional musicians in a community project setting later on in the year at a Family Music Day. The music day will offer a fantastic assortment of hands-on music experiences for children, young people and their families.

Susie Tyrrell, Babergh's Arts and Community Development Officer, said: "This is going to be a real have-a-go day which may inspire some new local talent and introduce them to orchestral music and instruments in a new way.

"Play me a doodle, DJ and rap music as well as junk instrument making are just some of the things on offer."

■ The Family Music Day will take place on September 27, at Hadleigh Town Hall, from 12.30pm and 3.30pm - followed by a concert from part of the orchestra in St Mary's Church at 4pm.

Surfed and Turfed!

A project which took inspiration from Suffolk's changing landscapes, traditions and memories has been celebrated through words and music. Shotley played host to the Surf and Turf project and the London Sinfonietta at the beginning of this month with a culmination of two per-

formances enjoyed by more than 100 residents.

Year 6 pupils from Shotley Community Primary School worked with composer Fraser Trainer and Suffolk poet Dean Parkin to create a new music and spoken word composition based on stories and memories about HMS Ganges. To find out more about the Suffolk-wide Surf and Turf project, please visit: www.londonsinfonietta/surfandturf