



Your guide to a summer of exhibitions, gigs, debate, and workshops, brought to you by ArtBomb, Doncaster's engine of creative disruption.

JUNE - SEPTEMBER 2026

What we've been up to

Since January 2026, ArtBomb has shapeshifted from anarchist bookshop, to walk-in camera obscura, to crochet den.

Over the last 6 months, we have initiated some fantastic collaborative relationships with local schools, charities & service providers, including Project 6- whose LGBTQIA+ group will be hosting an exhibition at ArtBomb in August. In February to April 2026, pupils from Doncaster Deaf Trust co-created birdboxes and a custom wallpaper with artist Matthew Humphreys for his ArtBomb takeover, *Tendresse*. [Read More.](#)

In April 2026, we welcomed 150 artists, community organisers & the curious public to *Beyond the Scroll*, a one-day symposium exploring the fate and future of socially-engaged art practice in an age of digital distraction.

Head over to our website to read what press and participants had to say about the event, and learn how you can support future events at ArtBomb through our **pilot donation scheme**. [Read More.](#)

Behind the scenes, we've been busy fundraising and developing a robust 5-year business plan which bridges ArtBomb's bold arts programming with Doncaster Unitarian's ambitions to activate its underused space, engage beyond its existing congregation, and connect spiritual values with lived practice.

In early June 2026, we were delighted to be granted funding from the **Unitarian Innovation Fund**, which will partially support 3 years of our creative programming

As we wait to hear back about our Arts Council England Project Grant, we'll be continuing with our fundraising efforts. This includes diversifying our income by piloting a **Pay As You Feel ticketing scheme** for many of our future events, and seeking out opportunities for collaborative fundraising & resource sharing with local partners.



Image: Doncaster Unitarian Church

What's coming

We've got a bumper pack summer programme lined up for June - September 2026.

SUMMER AT ARTBOMB: AT A GLANCE

- 3 major commissions: Arts & Homelessness, Rethinking Migration & Pin Back 'Tha Lugholes
- Courtyard development project, "Oasis: Stories Grow Here", funded by the National Lottery Community Fund.
- A growing music programme being led by local youth who want to host their own DIY gigs in the church. Check out [@motherfhungusevents](#) for more info!
- 2-day work experience programme for work experience candidates from Ridgewood School (July 2026).
- Piloting ArtBomb Yoof: a youth-focused programme of extracurricular creative activity



1 July - 15 August

ANTI-SOCIAL HOUSING AGENCY

Ciara O'Rourke & Jack Clarke | Installation

Arts & Homelessness commission

Anti-Social Housing Agency is a new socially engaged installation by **Ciara O'Rourke** and **Jack Clarke**, developed with ArtBomb in Doncaster as part of its Arts & Homelessness programme.

Taking shape as a satirical furniture showroom from ArtBomb's high street location, the project uses the visual language of housing offices, furnished tenancies, hostile architecture, waiting rooms, domestic interiors and showrooms to provoke discussion around the systems that shape who gets to feel safe, who gets pushed out, and who is quietly designed against.

[Read More.](#)

kalabash x artbomb

EcoSoundSystem



CONTROL THE ENVIRONMENT

10 July 5-11PM

KALABASH X EMOM

| Sonic Artwork & Electronic Music Gig (£5 suggested donation OTD)

Pin Back 'Tha Lugholes commission

Join us on Friday 10 July for the launch of EcoSoundSystem, an interactive sonic artwork developed by **Kalabash**, a music production collective from London, in collaboration with North East Yorkshire Ecological Data Centre as part of ArtBomb's 10-month *Pin Back 'Tha Lugholes* art-ecology research project.

Keep your eyes peeled on the EMOM [event page](#) for line-up updates.

EcoSoundSystem remains open until **Sunday 26 July**.

Head to ArtBomb's Instagram for more info. In the meantime, sample the sound of the Bash [here](#).

17 - 18 June

MY HOME IN DONCASTER

Darshan Gajjar | Film

Rethinking Migration commission

My Home in Doncaster is an urgent documentary film project by Darshan Gajjar exploring what it means to call Doncaster home. We're inviting people from all walks of life — whether you've lived here your whole life, moved here recently, come from a migrant background, are seeking asylum, or simply have a story to share. Participants will be invited to sit in a cosy living room setting, settle into a comfy armchair, enjoy a cup of tea, and take part in an informal filmed conversation about home, community, belonging, identity, and the experiences that shape our town.

[Read More.](#)

Want to be in the film?

Book your 30-min interview slot [here](#).



15 - 30 August
**STORIES OF LGBTQIA+
RECOVERY**
Project 6 | Exhibition



Please email any enquiries to
admin@artbombuk.com

Project 6's LGBTQIA+ group takeover ArtBomb's shopfront to present a group exhibition exploring recovery and identity.

12-14 September
**A LOAD OF OLD PONY:
250 YEARS OF THE ST
LEGERS STAKES**
Exhibition, Street Performances &
Workshops

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on & heading over to our website!

Details TBC.

Supported by the **Doncaster Heritage Fund**, ArtBomb presents a humour-fuelled, absurdist response to the 250-year anniversary of St Legers horse racing track.

Alongside **Charlotte Miles'** [A Load of Old Pony](#) (2025) - a 3D pantomime horse who gains sentience and ponders his own existence- expect a punk parade of alternative Ladies Day fascinators & drag bookies.

Details TBC.



4 September
**ARTS &
HOMELESSNESS X
RETHINKING
MIGRATION**
ArtBomb & Partners | Forum

On the back of the success of Beyond the Scroll, join us on 4 September 2026 for another one-day symposium, this time reflecting on our 2026 commissioning. Through artist talks, drum circles and art activations, we will explore where migration advocacy, housing rights and art meet, generating a larger debate about how art can address austerity.

We will also be officially launching the **Oasis: Stories Grow Here courtyard project**, including an exclusive showcase of original murals by street art collective, Squiggle Gang, an urban gardening scheme & a collaborative zine publication.



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