













# British **Culture** Week

16 - 22 September

Celebrate the deepening ties between the United Kingdom and Albania through a week-long festival of culture, innovation, and collaboration. This dynamic programme showcases how our two countries are working together as Partners for Progress, fostering mutual understanding, shared learning and creative exchange.

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#### 16 September 19:00

### BED: A PROVOCATIVE PERFORMANCE ART INSTALLATION

Experience a thought-provoking performance by UK artist Jez Dolan at NAAN Gallery, Tirana. This powerful homage to Derek Jarman's 1989 installation explores LGBTQIA+ representation and societal progress, showcasing how artistic collaboration can drive social change in both our countries.

NAAN Gallery, Tirana
Open to public



# 17 September 18:00 CINEMATIC MASTERCLASS: THE CREATIVE AND LOW-COST FILM PRODUCTION BY MIKE FIGGIS

Join acclaimed filmmaker Mike Figgis for a workshop about how to make movies on a tight budget with minimal equipment. The event nurtures the next generation of filmmakers and is valuable knowledge transfer between UK the Albanian film industries.

Agimi Art Centre & Cinema, Tirana
 By invitation only



## 18 September 10:00 – 12:50 TOWARDS INNOVATIVE CULTURE POLICY: UK, SWEDEN, AND ALBANIA IN DIALOGUE

A groundbreaking conference bringing together international experts to share best practices in arts legislation. This event exemplifies our commitment to regional cooperation and the development of a thriving creative sector across the Balkans.

Main Hall of Piramida, Tirana By invitation only



#### 19 September 10:00 – 15:00 VISUAL ARTS: A PUBLIC MEETING WITH GILLY CAMPBELL

An open discussion on enhancing collaboration between the UK and Albania's visual arts sectors. Special guest Gilly Campbell from the Arts Council of Northern Ireland will share insights on grant distribution and fostering artistic growth.

Piramida, Tirana
By invitation only



## 19 September 11:00 – 14:00 CODING THE FUTURE: MICRO:BITS AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

Witness the transformative power of UK-Albanian cooperation in education and technology, Students from northern Albania demonstrate their new skills gained through the Alternative Pathways project, showcosing how our partnership is preparing the next generation for a digital future.

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# 20 September 22:00 - 03.00 SPECIES X REBEL COMMUNITY: CROSS-CULTURAL BEATS DANCING FOR UK-ALBANIA FRIENDSHIP

Dancing for UK-Albania Friendship: Immerse yourself in a mesmerizing fusion of electronic beats featuring top acts from the UK and Albania. This event showcases the vibrant talent from both countries, celebrating the power of music to create new, exciting artistic collaborations and strengthen international friendships

Minus 1 car parking, Skanderbeg Square, Tirana

Purchase your tickets <u>here</u>.



#### 21 - 22 September 11:00 STARBURSTER: A UK INSPIRED ADVANCED TEXTILE EXPO

Explore the creativity born from our cultural partnership as talented Albanian fashion students showcase designs inspired by UK artists. This exhibition demonstrates how international inspiration fuels local innovation.

Children's Cultural Centre, Durrës Open to the public



## 21 – 22 September FREEDOM AND TRANSFORMATION FESTIVAL

The Freedom and Transformation Festival, a two-day celebration of intellectual exchange and cultural heritage, takes place on 21-22 September 2024 in Durrës and Tirana. Featuring renowned speakers such as Lea Ypi, Sir Noel Malcolm, Baroness Shami Chakrabarti, Peter Frankopan, and Sally Hayden, the event explores topics from shared history to human rights.

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  National Theatre of Opera and Ballet,
  Tirana
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