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# 10 cheap, alternative things to do in London this Easter

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#### 2. Bardeblah

On the 12<sup>th</sup> April and 10<sup>th</sup> May, Balham Bowls Clubs are hosting Bardeblah, you basically drink in a local boozer and have a debate over various political and social topics.

Both events start at 2000 and are free to attend.

#### 3. Sunday organ recitals at St. Paul's Cathedral

From time to time, St. Paul's Cathedral hold music events, there's a <u>free recital of St. John's</u> <u>Passion</u> every year, which is beautiful, but with Easter coming early this year, it is not during City's Easter holiday period.

However, every Sunday, from 1645 to 1715, some of the world's finest organists play the Grand Organ of the Cathedral. These events are free and unticketed. A full schedule can be found <u>here</u>.

The Cathedral also offers a wide range of classical concerts, though these can vary in price.





## 4. Angel Comedy Club

With two venues just down the road from the university, Angel Comedy Club offers free comedy nights, seven nights a week with a variety of different shows and acts.

Demand can be high, so it's best to get there half an hour – an hour early to avoid disappointment.

A list of events and venues is available <u>here</u>.

#### 5. Piano Works, Farringdon

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A bar in Farringdon that provides non-stop live music requested by patrons and has relatively cheap drinks to boot. Drinks are just £3.50 on Monday night and you can get a two-cours meal for a modest, by London club standards, £20 on Tuesday.



#### 6. Hampstead Perolga

An extravagant garden of a pre-war mansion estate, Hampstead Perolga is a wonderful location for anyone who wants a wander, with the weather good, enjoy a stroll through the green grass and the façade of old architecture.

There's spectacular views of the surrounding Hampstead Heath too, itself possessing some fine shops and cafes.

#### 7. Junkyard Golf

For around a tenner, depending on the course and time, you can go to Junkyard Golf in Shoreditch and play a fun, nine-course mini-golf challenge with your friends.

Aim to arrive 20 mins before your slot and it's a maximum of around six to a hole.

The establishment also has a fancy little cocktail bar, for you to sip the evening away. You could also play golf drunk, of course.

#### 8. Ferrari: Under the Skin at Design Museum

At just £13.50 for concessions, you can see an exhibit going behind the scenes at Ferrari, one of the most iconic brands in history, let alone car brands.

Celebrate Enzo Ferrari and some of his classic models as well as the celebrity clientele, better be quick as the exhibit only runs till  $15^{\rm th}$  April.





## 9. Nevertheless, She Persisted: Suffrage, cinema and beyond

The Barbican's Art of Change festival screenings have a special theme from 18<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> April, showing the courageous attempts of women to gain equality over the years.

Films tell the story of Shirley Chisholm's US Presidential campaign, women in Iran campaigning for change in the 2001 elections, how women in a Swiss town campaigned to get the vote, the first trans women to get elected into office, Georgina Beyer, the plight of Arab women in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, the Suffragettes, Malabi Joya's attempts to risk her life for democracy in Afghanistan and a French actress interviewing women about their role in the film industry from 1976.

Concession prices vary depending on film, but are all around the £10 mark.

The Barbican has a plethora of splendid bars and restaurant for before and after the screening.

For more details, click <u>here</u>.

## 10. Leather Lane Indoor Food Market

In and around Central London and want some cheap food? Head over to Leather Lane, home to plenty of colourful stalls and tasty food, just a quick from Farringdon and Chancery Lane and in close proximity to the jewellers of Hatton Cross.





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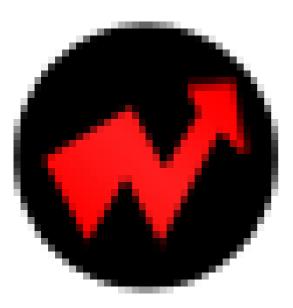
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