



There's something for everyone at Chatfest 2016



ChatsFest, one of East London's favourite street festivals, is back

Make a note in your diary because ChatsFest will take place on September 10 on Chatsworth Road, E5.

In the 1980s, Chatsworth Road and the surrounding streets were the scene of many events, from outdoor community festivals to parades with banners and floats.

This year's festival will revive that community spirit and everyone is welcome to what is now established as the Lower Clapton "knees up".

With the road closed to traffic, activities for children will include a bouncy castle, face painting, boxing and activities from Playstreets Hackney, Young Hackney and Homerton Adventure Playground. Performing live will be Amaria

Braithwaite, the local girl with the big voice and winner of CBBC's *Got What it Takes*.

The newly added community stage will also feature local choirs, drum ensembles and a takeover hosted by the Concorde Youth Centre.

Adults can enjoy craft beers at the pop-up bar, attend a bike maintenance workshop or check out the activities in Chats Palace.

The festival will also feature a range of community stalls from local and national organisations such as Hackney Night Shelter and Haven House.

2016 sees the return of well-established festival favourites including The Chatsworth Road Dog Show and The

Dentist Stage. The Dentist has commissioned a very special collaborative performance from apocalyptic space funk pioneers The Comet Is Coming. The band will work with poet and spoken word artist Joshua Idehen and audio-visual artist Niall Trask to conjure up a spectacular climax to ChatsFest this year.

Throw in a climbing wall, a steel band, award-winning street food, a Comadsico DJ set and a series of after-parties and it's a day for everyone to enjoy.

Chatsworth Road Traders' & Residents' Association

ChatsFest is on 10 September, 12-9pm. Chatsworth Rd, E5.

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