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# Kite Day returns to Streatham Common in September for its 22<sup>nd</sup> event

The 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Streatham Common Kite Day will take place on **Sunday 14th May 2023 from 11am to 5pm** in Streatham, South London.

Come along to enjoy London's only free family-friendly kite festival which combines world-class kite displays with the opportunity to fly your own.

Thousands of people flocked to the last Streatham Common Kite Day to see the kite displays, fly a kite and sample the delicious food and drink on offer at the stalls. The organisers expect similar numbers again this year.

The event features kite flying by experts including [Brighton Kite Flyers](#) - enthusiasts from all around the world flying kites of all shapes and sizes from a postage stamp through to a life size blue whale over 30 meters long, [Team SPECTRUM](#) – dancing their kites to music in routines that astound and astonish, the [Flying Fish](#) – a husband and wife double act who have been former UK National Champions, and [NASaman](#) – whose kite helps lift him up into the sky. But not quite into space.

Streatham Common Kite Day is not just for the experts. Bring a kite or buy one at the pop-up kite shops and fly it there over the Common.

**Caroline Hewitt, from of the Friends of Streatham Common, which organises the event, said:**

“Streatham Common Kite Day is back after a few years and we think it’s going to be better than ever – we’ve got more incredible kite displays, more food stalls, a super bar and even more kite shops.

“We’ve been drawing crowds to gaze in wonder at incredible feats of air acrobatics for over 20 years. And don’t forget that you can bring or buy a kite and fly one for yourself!

“There’s always a great atmosphere at Streatham Kite Day – we’ll have live music, people can explore the many stalls with family and friends and there’s plenty of local food and drink to sample. And don’t forget, entry is free and the event is run by volunteers. Any profits will help make the Common and its gardens even more beautiful so there’s even more reason to attend.”

**Cllr Danny Adilypour, Deputy Leader of Lambeth Council and Streatham Common & Vale ward councillor, said:**

“London needs free events like Kite Day to bring the community together and give everyone a great day out. We’re proud Lambeth has community groups like the Friends of Streatham Common, who along with dozens of volunteers can run large events like Kite Day yet again. We’re delighted that Lambeth Council supports Streatham Kite Day and hope to see you there!”

Kite Day is the ideal family day-out with a range of food stands – highlights this year include **Lucknow 2 London** bringing real Indian flavour from the streets of Lucknow to the streets of London, award-winning Streatham fish specialist and deli **Fish Tale**, a bar run by Streatham Common’s own **The Inkspot Brewery**, and live music from local band **Rapture Riders**. There is also plenty of room for picnics.

Once the food has digested there are bouncy castles and face painting for children. Community groups are well represented with stalls for the curious visitor keen to find out more about the area or join one of the area’s local groups or societies.

Streatham Common Kite Day is run entirely by the volunteer members of the Friends of Streatham Common charity.

Any profits made at Kite Day are invested in the conservation and maintenance of Streatham Common and the beautiful Rookery Gardens.

The organisers are encouraging people to share their Kite Day pictures and experiences on social media using **#StreathamKiteDay**.

**Find out more about Streatham Common Kite Day, including directions and instructions on how to make your own kite at [streathamkiteday.org.uk](http://streathamkiteday.org.uk)**

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**For more information regarding Streatham Common Kite Day and to request interviews ahead of the event or on the day, please email [streathamkiteday@gmail.com](mailto:streathamkiteday@gmail.com)**