

SSW is 40!
Saturday 2 & Sunday 3 November 2019



Scottish Sculpture Workshop, Lumsden. Photo: Erika Stevenson.

Visitor Information

Thank you for confirming your attendance to our 40th anniversary celebrations, we look forward to welcoming you to SSW. This pack contains useful information on visiting SSW and the surrounding area.

How to get here

Train

Huntly is the nearest town and train station, and a twenty-minute drive from Lumsden. Trains run from Aberdeen and take 50 minutes. Trains from Inverness take just over an hour. Aberdeen is the closest large connecting station to SSW.

Below are some trains from central belt and the north, arriving in Huntly in time for the 40th celebrations.

Saturday 2 November

Inverness → Huntly
15:27-16:48

Aberdeen → Huntly
15:27-16:17

Edinburgh Waverley → Huntly
12.30-16:17

Glasgow Queen Street → Huntly
12:39-16.17

If you are coming from further afield, there is a sleeper train from London Euston, arriving into Aberdeen bright and early on Saturday morning.

Bus

Huntly: Bus Service No. 231 Huntly-Alford (cost around £2.70). ***Please check times as this is a limited bus service.*** A timetable can be found online - search "Huntly Service 231"

UK-wide Bus Travel: Bus services from other major cities to Aberdeen, including Glasgow (approx. 3.5hrs) and Edinburgh (approx. 4hrs).

Car

If driving from the south - follow the A90 and continue on the new Aberdeen bypass road. Take the exit for the A944 towards Westhill and Alford. Follow the signs to Alford, continue through the town and Bridge of Alford and then follow the signs to Lumsden.

From the north - take A96 to Huntly, at the Huntly roundabout take the third exit towards Rhynie and continue to Lumsden.

Taxi

JJ Watt 01466 792489

Deveron 01466 794949

L&B taxi Inch (get off at Inch train station) 01464 820968

Taxis must be booked in advance

Parking in Lumsden

There will be no parking available on the premises of SSW, but there should be plenty of spaces along the Main Street and around the square. Please be conscious of local resident's driveways.

Places to stay

Our accommodation at SSW is fully booked for the weekend, but here are some other places to stay nearby:

Forbes Cottage Bed & Breakfast, Bridge of Alford

Accommodates up to 5 guests

£50 per room

8 miles from SSW
www.alfordbedandbreakfast.com
forbescottage@gmail.com
+44 (0) 7753328176

Coynachie Guest House
Accommodates up to 9 guests
Rooms from £45
12 miles from SSW
<http://www.coynachieguesthouse.com>
info@coynachieguesthouse.com
+44 (0) 1466 720383

Kildrummy Inn
Accommodates up to 8 guests
Rooms from £79
3.5 miles from SSW
<http://www.kildrummyinn.co.uk/accommodation>
enquiries@kildrummyinn.co.uk
+44 (0) 19755 71227

Haughton Arms Hotel, Alford
Seven rooms available
Rooms from £60
9 miles from SSW
www.haughtonarmshotel.co.uk
+44 (0) 1975 564 219

Food

There isn't a supermarket in Lumsden, so come prepared! Local supermarkets are in Huntly and Alford. There is a garage in Lumsden which sells basic items like milk.

Supermarkets

Huntly – ASDA and Tesco

Alford – Co-op

Rhynie – small corner shop (excellent pies and butteries!)

Please bring a dish for pot-luck breakfast on Sunday at SSW.

Evening meals

Kildrummy Inn

<http://www.kildrummyinn.co.uk>

Inn serving upmarket evening meals nearby to Lumsden. Booking required.

Alford Tandoori Takeaway

<https://alfordtandoori.com/>

Good selection of veggie (and meaty) Indian dishes.

Alford Bistro

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/British-Restaurant/The-Alford-Bistro-469788696381007/>

Casual with tasty and large portions.

The Steading Bar

<https://www.facebook.com/SteadingBar/>

A new pub serving drinks and food in nearby Strathdon.

Other local events

There are a number of other events taking place close to Lumsden over the weekend.

Huntly Farmer's Market

Saturday 2 November, 9am-1pm.

The monthly farmer's market returns to Huntly, selling an array of fresh produce and other bits.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/400214170638921/>

Deveron Projects

Deveron Projects, an arts organisation based in Huntly, are running events on Thursday 31 and Friday 1 to mark Brexit:

Marking the Day (Brexit)

Thursday 31 Oct from 6pm.

Parade, weeping willow tree planting, bonfire and music.

The Last Brexfast: What is Democracy? (Brexfast discussion)

Friday 1 November 10am.

For more details: <https://www.deveron-projects.com/events/day-history/>

Aberdeen Art Gallery

Having been closed for refurbishment since 2015, is due to reopen on Saturday 2 November.

For more details: <http://www.aagm.co.uk/Visit/AberdeenArtGallery/aag-overview.aspx>

What to bring

Waterproofs

Dancing shoes!

Sturdy boots if you are taking part in any open making sessions – these may get dirty

Towel

CASH- there is no ATM in Lumsden

Warm clothes and layers

Other important info

Limited mobile reception on site

Wifi available in the studio building only

Disabled access

For information on disabled access at SSW visit our website:

<http://www.ssw.org.uk/about/>

For any questions, suggestions or requirements related to disabled access at SSW please contact Jenny Salmean, Programme & Communications Manager – jenny@ssw.org.uk | 01464 861372

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