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KENSINGTON SUMMER GUIDE 2024



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WELCOME TO YOUR SUMMER IN KENSINGTON GUIDE!

Discover a vibrant array of events and activities that bring the royal neighbourhood to life during the summer months. From open-air concerts and art exhibitions to bustling markets and green gardens, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Dive into local culture and explore the rich history that makes Kensington a must-visit destination.



AUDIO TOURS

1 HOLLAND PARK

Holland Park offers serene landscapes, places to sit and eat while enjoying its various gardens, like the Japanese inspired Kyoto Gardens.

2 KENSINGTON GARDENS

Kensington Gardens features the stunning Kensington Palace, Serpentine Gallery, Diana Memorial Fountain and The Albert Memorial.



Listen to our curated audio tours for both gardens using the scannable QR code.

CULTURE AND DESIGN

3 THE DESIGN MUSEUM

The Design Museum in Kensington is a leading institution dedicated to contemporary design in every form.



Exhibitions

Barbie®: The Exhibition, 5 July 24 – 23 Feb 25

Enzo Mari, 29 March – 8 Sep 24

Design Researchers in Residence: Solar Display
Free Display, Until 22 Sep 24

For full schedule visit www.designmuseum.org

4 LEIGHTON AND SAMBOURNE HOUSE

Leighton House and Sambourne House are historic Victorian homes showcasing diverse collections of art, architectural elegance and period interiors.



Exhibitions

Out Shopping: The Dresses of Marion and Maud Sambourne (1880–1910),
23 March – 20 Oct 24

Artists Houses Free Walking Tours,
Thurs & Sun weekly

For full schedule visit www.rbkc.gov.uk/museums

5 OPERA HOLLAND PARK

Opera Holland Park Theatre is an open-air venue located within the natural beauty of Holland Park.



Concerts

Poetry on the Steps, 13 July 24

Opera in Song 2024, 20 June – 21 July 24

Peter and the Wolf, 21 July 24

The Yeomen of the Guard, 7 – 10 Aug 24

For full schedule visit www.operahollandpark.com

6 ART AT KENSINGTON GARDENS

Yayoi Kusama: Pumpkin Installation,
9 July – 3 Nov 24



Image: Yayoi Kusama Digital rendering of Pumpkin, 2024 © YAYOI KUSAMA
Courtesy Ota Fine Arts, Victoria Miro, and David Zwirner

7 JAPAN HOUSE LONDON

Japan House London is a cultural hub celebrating Japanese art, design and innovation.



Exhibitions

Japan Music Catalogue, 11 Jan – 31 July 24

Design Discoveries: Towards a Design Museum Japan,
15 May – 8 Sep 24

Art without Heroes: A Conversation on Mingei with Róisín Inglesby, 17 Jul 24

For full schedule visit www.japanhouselondon.uk

8 KENSINGTON PALACE

Kensington Palace was once a historic royal residence for over 300 years, now an enchanting museum situated in the heart of Kensington Gardens.



Exhibitions

Untold Lives: A Palace at Work, Until 27 Oct 24

For full schedule visit www.hrp.org.uk/kensington-palace

9 ROYAL ALBERT HALL

The Royal Albert Hall is a historic hall known for hosting iconic musical performances.



Performances

Greta Van Fleet, 14 Jul 24

First Night of the Proms 2024, 19 July 24

Prom 41: Mozart with Ensemble Resonanz, 20 Aug 24

Prom 42: Beethoven's Ninth by Heart, 21 Aug 24

For full schedule visit www.royalalberthall.com/

10 HIGH STREET KENSINGTON FARMERS MARKET

High Street Kensington Farmers Market offers a vibrant selection of fresh produce and artisanal goods every Sunday, **Phillimore Walk, 10am – 2pm.**



FAMILY FUN

Kensington offers family-friendly attractions and fun educational workshops.

Workshops

4 Leighton and Sambourne House:

Young People: Portrait Photography with Smartphones, 8 June & 27 July 24

Young People: Goldwork Embroidery with Annalisa Middleton, 13 July 24

9 Royal Albert Hall: Storytelling and Music Sessions for 0–4 year olds, Various dates

11 Science Museum: Making the Modern World,
Wed –Sun Weekly

12 Natural History Museum: Cocoon, Daily

Outdoor fun

13 Kensington Gardens: Princess Diana Memorial Playground

14 Holland Park: Adventure Playground



KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA ART TRAIL

The KCAW 24 Art Trail (15 June – 30 Aug) features world-class sculptures, installations and murals throughout the Royal Borough. Check map for the High Street Ken trail.



Art installations

15 'Salvia Corrupted' by Julian Wild

16 'XABANA' by Matthias Neumann

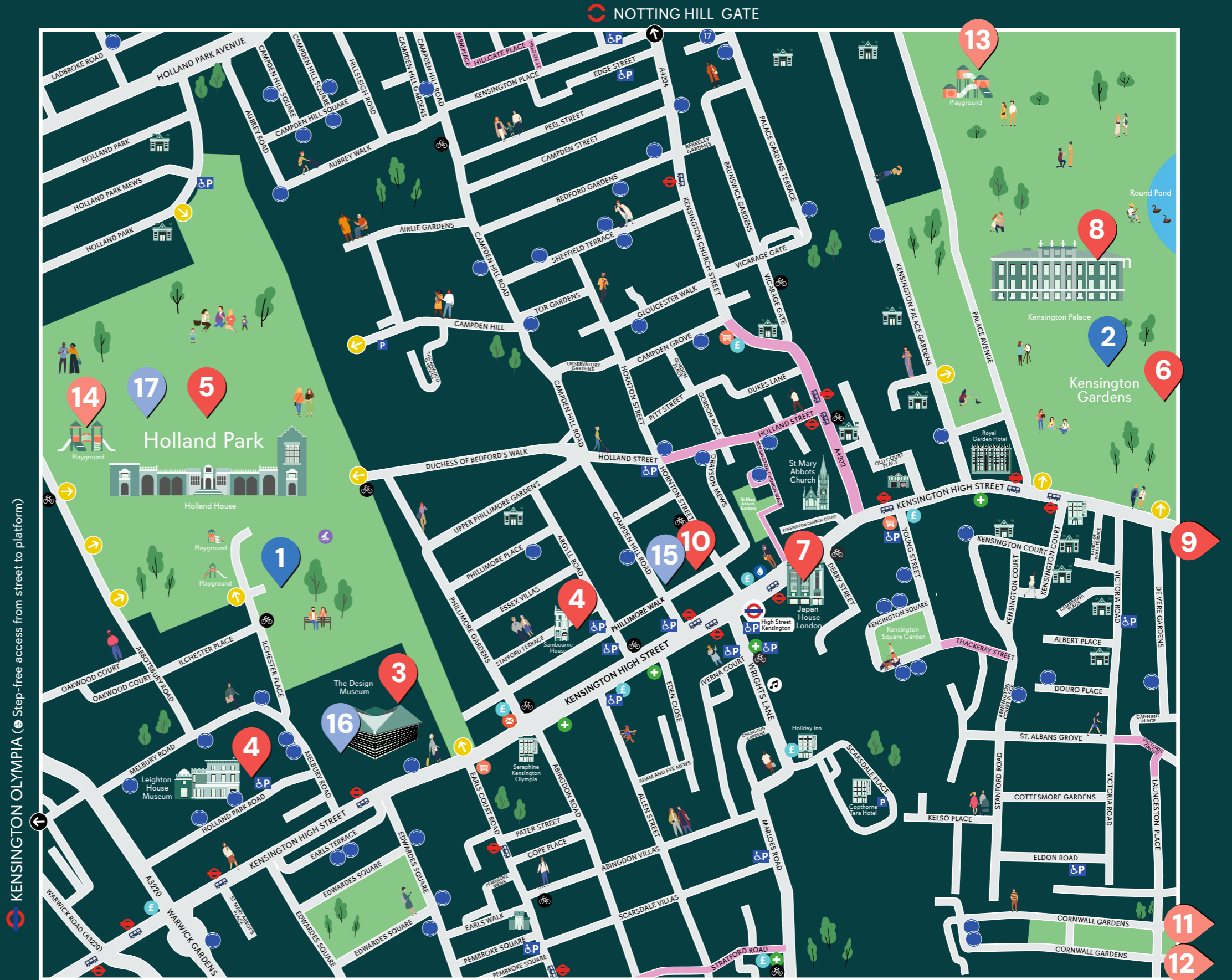
17 'ANANAS' by Annie Trevorah


Visit www.kcaw.co.uk for more information, or scan the QR code.




WHAT'S ON THIS SUMMER

-  Blue plaque site
-  Park entrance
-  Bike rack
-  Bus stop
-  Tube station
-  Embassy
-  Police station
-  Fire station
-  Hotel
-  Playgrounds
-  Supermarket
-  Water Fountain
-  ATM
-  Blue Badge Parking
-  Pharmacy
-  Warner Music
-  Post Office
-  Sports Facilities
Including an outdoor gym, tennis courts, football pitches, cricket nets
-  Village-feel neighbourhoods



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