

WELCOME PACK

XTRAX/SIRF 2022 Outdoor Arts Showcase



Hello and welcome to XTRAX/SIRF 2022 Outdoor Arts Showcase!

This document contains all you need to know during your time with us for the festival. However, if there is anything you are unsure of, please feel free to ask as that's what we are here for.

You can contact us on Swapcard.

Sites

Stockton International Riverside Festival will take place between Thursday 4 August and Sunday 7 August, all around Stockton-on-Tees.

All festival sites are within walking distance of each other in Stockton Town Centre.

The sites in the centre of Stockton are:

- [The ARC](#), Stockton Arts Centre, where the professional showcase programme will take place
- the [High Street](#) and the [Riverside](#) which are within 5-minute walking distance to each other and The ARC
- [Trinity Green](#), which is a 10-minute walk from The ARC towards [Thornaby Station](#)
- [Tees Barrage](#) which is a 25-minute walk from The ARC down the riverside past the Infinity Bridge. There will be limited onsite parking at Tees Barrage so festival goers are encouraged to walk. The route is accessible and suitable for cycles, pushchairs and wheelchairs.

Feel free to follow the Google Maps links above and save these locations.

Please note: the best station to arrive into for all showcase and festival activity is [Thornaby Station](#) (rather than Stockton). If you have booked a hotel via XTRAX this will be at [Premier Inn Middlesbrough Town Centre](#), a couple of minute walk from [Middlesbrough Station](#). For details of hotels see below.

Access

If you have any access requirements regarding the SIRF festival sites, please call or visit SIRF Central for more information.

- SIRF Central, Enjoy Stockton-on-Tees, 134b High Street, Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1LP
- SIRF Central: 01642 528130

For access requirements for the professional showcase programme at The ARC, contact Daniel on daniel@xtrax.org.uk.

Site locations:

Riverside

Address: Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1SX

What3words: ///syndicate.today.tricks



Tees Barrage

Tees Barrage, Tees Barrage Way, Stockton-on-Tees TS18 2QW

What3words: ///sliders.hesitate.hiker



Stockton Town Hall/ High Street

Address: High St, Stockton-on-Tees TS20 1DR

What3words: ///headrest.teacher.glares



Trinity Green

Address: Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1EP

What3words: ///restores.risk.decimals





You can find the full artistic programme [through this link](#).

Professional programme site:

The ARC is located on **Dovecot St, Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1LL**, 20 minutes walk from Thornaby Station.

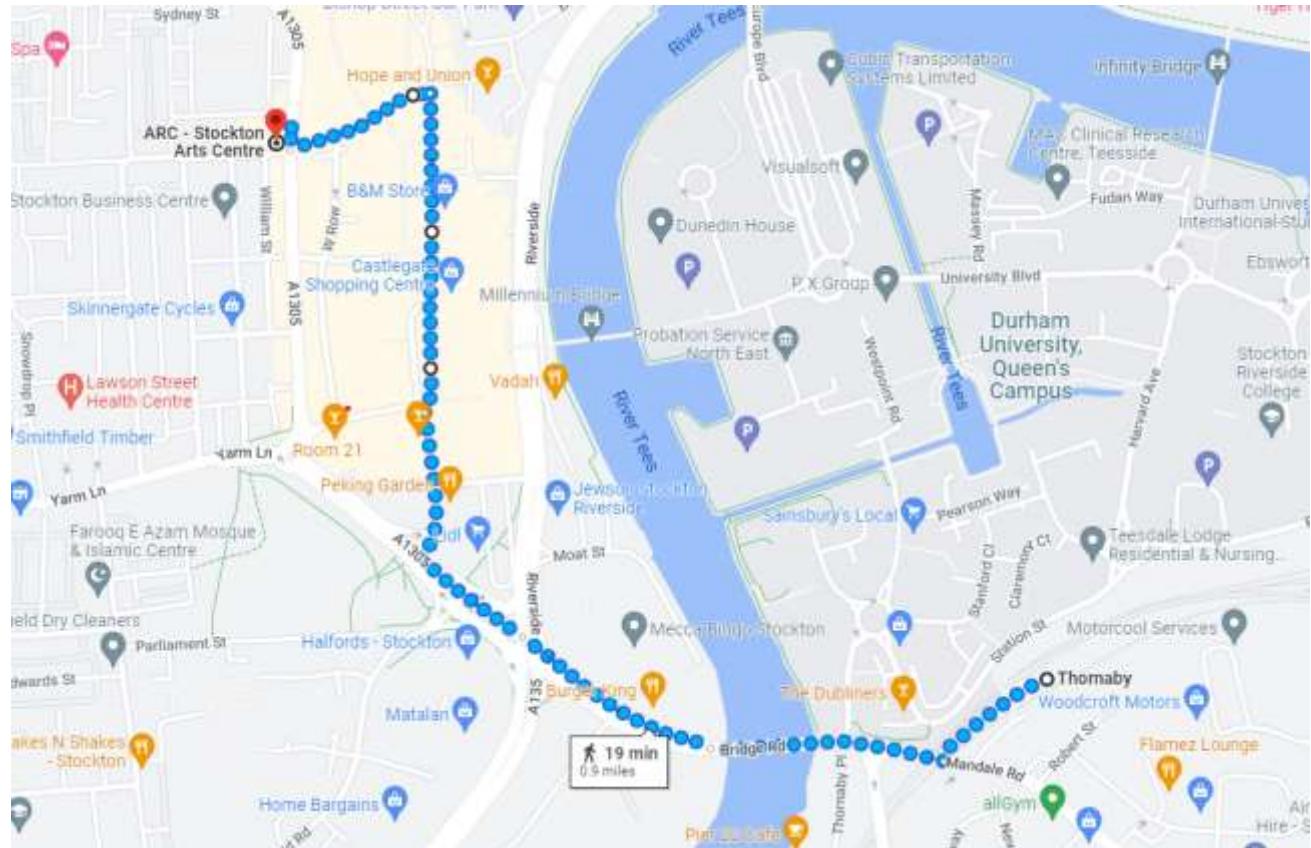
Thornaby

Stockton-on-Tees TS17 6AW

- ↑ Walk south-west towards Mandale Rd/A1130
489 ft
- ↪ Turn right onto Mandale Rd/A1130
Continue to follow A1130
0.2 mi
- ↪ Slight right onto Bridge Rd/A1130
0.2 mi
- ↑ Continue onto A1305
459 ft
- ↪ Turn right onto Bridge Rd
0.1 mi
- ↪ Slight right onto High St
0.2 mi
- ↩ Turn left onto Dovecot St
0.1 mi
- ↪ Turn right onto Nelson Terrace/A1305
Destination will be on the left
82 ft

ARC - Stockton Arts Centre

Dovecot St, Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1LL



The ARC does not have any obvious signage, but below you can see a photo of the building. It is the curved glass building on the corner of Dovecot St and Prince Regent St.



For more information on how to get to The ARC, [please visit their website](#), where you will find information about parking, public transport and local taxi companies.

Once you arrive at The ARC, you will find XTRAX signage guiding you to The Point on the first floor. On arrival on Friday or Saturday morning, we will ask you to sign in at our XTRAX Registration Desk and you will be able to collect your name badge.



The ARC is a wheelchair accessible venue, with lift and accessible toilets. Throughout the festival you can also use the bar, open 9 am to 10 pm, where you can hold meetings, wind down and catch up with work (if needed). There is free WIFI available.



Traveling

By air

The nearest airport is [Teesside International Airport](#) in Durham, with flights connecting to Ireland, Spain, Portugal, and the Netherlands. The airport is only a 10-minute taxi ride away from Thornaby Station, in Stockton.

[Manchester airport](#) is also well connected to Stockton-on-Tees, with frequent direct trains running from the airport to Thornaby Station in just under 3h. The airport is linked to all main European and international destinations.

[Newcastle Airport](#) is 1.5 hours from Thornaby Station by train.

Car

Please note that there will be a small number of road closures in operation for the event. To view the list of roads closures, visit the [Stockton-on-Tees Borough website](#).

Taxis/Uber

There are no Ubers available in Stockton or Middlesbrough. Instead, we recommend the following taxi companies:

- Teesside Cars 01642 875875 (cash only)
- Direct Taxis 01642 881114 (cash only)
- Stockton Cars 01642 805805 (you can book via the app Boro Taxis and pay by card via the app)
- Hadman Cabs 01642 685848 Wheelchair accessible taxis available (cash only)
- Able Cabs Middlesbrough 07931 442149 Wheelchair accessible taxis available (cash only)

Buses

Stockton Town Centre is well served by buses from across the Tees Valley. Visit the [Connect Tees Valley website](#) for more information.

Alternatively, you can use Google maps and type the following addresses for directions:

SIRF Central: High St, Stockton-on-Tees TS20 1DR

The ARC: Dovecot St, Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1LL

By train

The closest station to the main festival sites, and a 20 minute walk to The ARC, is [Thornaby Station](#).

From London, trains run regularly to Thornaby, from Kings Cross Station (which is adjacent to St Pancras for Eurostar trains).

If you have requested a hotel via XTRAX, the closest station to your hotel is Middlesbrough Station which is one stop, just a 5-minute train ride, from Thornaby Station. Middlesbrough and Thornaby are both on the same trainline with direct trains to Manchester and London. For details of hotels see below.

Key contacts

You can use the Swapcard platform to contact the XTRAX team.

You can download the app here for [iOS](#) or here for [Android](#). Once you're on Swapcard you will be able to find us on the Attendees list and send us a connection request.

Feel free to contact us individually, or for generic enquiries use the XTRAX Exhibitor Booth in the Exhibitor Hall.

Below are further details of the team:

Name	Role	Email	In Stockton on the days	Languages spoken
Maggie Clarke	Director	Maggie@xtrax.org.uk	4-7 August	En / Fr
Emily Oldroyd	Project Manager	Emily@xtrax.org.uk	4-8 August	En
Daniel Teixeira	Project Manager	Daniel@xtrax.org.uk	4-8 August	En / Pt / Es

Irene Segura	International Relations & Artist Development	Irene @xtrax.org.uk	4-7 August	Ca / En / Fr / Es
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For international delegates Irene Segura will be your main point of contact. If you are an artist, panellist or delegate, please contact Daniel or Emily with any questions.

Accommodation

If you requested a hotel, your accommodation has been booked under the name you provided on the digital form. The hotel you will be staying is [Premier Inn Middlesbrough Town Centre](#). The hotel is conveniently located less than five minutes' walk from Middlesbrough train station.

The festival site will be in Stockton-on-Tees and the closest station is Thornaby. From the hotel to the festival sites, your journey will take 30 minutes, less than 5-minute train journey and a 20 minutes' walk into Stockton Town Centre.

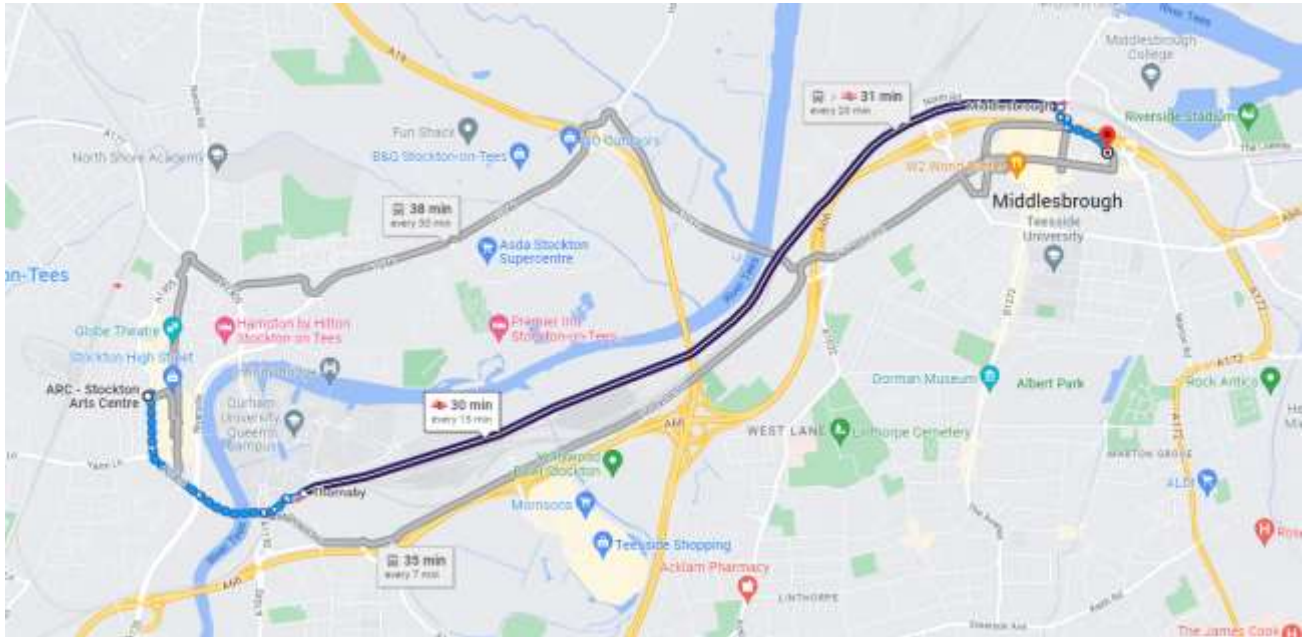
Alternatively, a taxi journey from Middlesbrough to The ARC is 10 minutes long. XTRAX will coordinate taxis for the mornings of Friday, Saturday and Sunday from the hotel to The ARC in time for the showcase activity.

The Premier Inn Middlesbrough Town Centre comes recommended by the SIRF team and is



most convenient for access via train and public transport. The XTRAX team will be staying at The Premier Inn Middlesbrough Town Centre and will be able to support with any queries regarding your journey to the festival.

Directions from the Premier Inn Middlesbrough Town Centre to The ARC:



Premier Inn Middlesbrough Town Centre
 Wilson Street, Middlesbrough, North Yorkshire TS1 1AE
 Sat Nav Directions: TS1 1JH
 What 3 Words: ///highs.bells.bucks
 +44(0)1642 087420

The hotel is wheelchair accessible, and your hotel booking includes wi-fi and breakfast. You can check for more information on the [hotel's website](#). You will be able to check-in into your room after 3 pm, although you will be able to drop your bags at reception if you arrive earlier than that. Check out time is 12noon.

Trains are very frequent from the Middlesbrough Station (closest station to the hotel) to Thornaby station (closest station to the ARC). Below are the timetables for the trains:

<p>Trains from Middlesbrough to Thornaby: Trains depart every 14 minutes First train leaves Middlesbrough at 06:21 Last train leaves Middlesbrough at 23:32 <i>(Exact times are subject to change)</i></p>	<p>Trains from Thornaby to Middlesbrough: Trains depart every 15 minutes First train leaves Thornaby at 06:28 Last train leaves Thornaby at 23:01 <i>(Exact times are subject to change)</i></p>
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Practicalities

Accidents and First Aid

Please report any accidents to a member of staff and we can then, if necessary, locate a First Aid trained member of the team to assist. If you require plasters, ice packs and so on please ask a member of The ARC staff who will be able to help.

Covid Restrictions

All COVID-19 travel restrictions have ended in the UK, which means you will not need any COVID test or COVID paperwork to enter into the UK. However, please check if travel restrictions apply in the country of your return.

Emergency Services

CALL 999

NHS Direct

Call 111 for medical non-emergencies.

First Port of call – offers medical advice over the phone and will refer you to the nearest local doctor, dentist, hospital, or pharmacy for further assistance.

NHS Walk-in Centre and Emergency Healthcare

University Hospital Of North Tees - Health Centre phone number 01642 617617

Medical advice without the need for an appointment

Hardwick Road, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland, TS19 8PE

Social media

Don't forget to follow us on social media and to use the hashtag #XTRAXSIRF2022.

Twitter: [@xtraxarts](https://twitter.com/xtraxarts)

Facebook: [Xtraxarts](https://www.facebook.com/xtraxarts)

Instagram: [xtraxarts](https://www.instagram.com/xtraxarts)

LinkedIn: [XTRAX Arts](https://www.linkedin.com/company/xtrax-arts)

Youtube: [xtraxweb](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxtraxweb)