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# 2017 MANCHESTER EVENTS CALENDAR & KEY RETAIL DATES

Manchester's Business Improvement District, the Heart of Manchester BID, brings together 380 retailers and businesses. We host and support a calendar of public events to attract visitors into the city centre.

	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
<b>KEY DATES</b>	Valentine's Day 14 February	St Patrick's Day 17 March Mother's Day 26 March	St George's Day 23 April	Mayoral Elections 4 May	Father's Day 18 June Eid al-Fitr 25 June			Eid al-Adha 1 September	Diwali 19 October Halloween 31 October	Black Friday 24 November	Christmas
<b>BANK HOLIDAYS</b>			Good Friday 14 April Easter Monday 17 April	May Day Bank Holiday 1 May Spring Bank Holiday 29 May			Summer Bank Holiday 28 August				
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>	February Half-Term 20 - 24 February		Easter Hols 3 - 17 April	Summer Half-Term 29 May - 2 June		Summer Hols 24 July - 1 Sept			Autumn Half-Term 23 - 27 October		Christmas Hols 21 December - 1 January
<b>BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT EVENTS</b> <small>(Run by the BID on your behalf in Manchester's retail district. Talk to us about how to get involved)</small>			MCR Student Night Out 27 April Mystery Shop	Mystery Shop	The King Street Festival 3 - 4 June Mystery Shopping Awards Breakfast 20 June Mystery Shopping Awards Dinner 29 June	One Big Weekend 28 - 30 July		MCR Student Night Out 26 September	Halloween in the City 28 - 29 October		
<b>MAJOR MANCHESTER CITY CENTRE EVENTS &amp; FESTIVALS</b>		Irish Festival 10 - 17 March Future Everything St Patrick's Day Parade 12 March	St George's Day Parade 23 April Sounds from the Other City - Salford 30 April Spring Markets	Castlefield Food Festival 11 - 14 May Manchester After Hours 18 May Dot to Dot Festival 26 May Great City Games Great Manchester Run & Half Marathon 28 May Whitwalks 29 May	Parklife 10 - 11 June Manchester International Festival 29 June - 16 July Manchester Day Parade 18 June Armed Forces Day 24 June Sounds of the City - Castlefield Bowl 30 June - 8 July Summer Markets Manchester Histories Festival	Manchester Jazz Festival 28 July - 6 August	Manchester Pride Weekend 25 - 28 August Manchester Pride Parade 26 August	Festejar Spanish Festival Manchester Food & Drink Festival 28 September - 9 October	Conservative Party Conference 1 - 4 October Manchester Literature Festival 6-22 October Neighbourhood Festival 7 October Diwali Mela 14 October OctoberFest 18 - 22 October Manchester Science Festival 19 - 29 October Buy Art Fair 27-29 October	Remembrance Sunday 12 November Christmas Lights Switch On Christmas Markets Manchester Ice Rink	New Years Eve Fireworks 31 December
<b>CORPORATE BID MEMBER EVENTS</b> <small>(Run by CityCo for BID members)</small>	CitySession: Salford New Frontiers 21 February	CitySession: TechNorth Showcase 1 March		CitySession: Eat the City 9 May	Counter-Terrorism Awareness Training 16 June Manchester F&B Network: City Centre Issues 26 June First Aid at Work Training 30 June	CitySession: Place, People, Progress 5 July CitySession: The Resilient City 27 July	First Aid at Work Training 11 August	CitySession: The International Economy Manchester F&B Network: Recruitment & Talent	Big City BID Conference 2 October	Annual Members Lunch 23 November	
<b>THE PA NETWORK</b> <small>(Social events for city PAs &amp; Exec Assistants run by CityCo. BID members are welcome to attend and host)</small>		Vapiano 15 March	Abode 18 April		Manchester City Football Club 27 June	Lancashire County Cricket Club 26 July		The Pen & Pencil 7 September	Jurys Inn 11 October	Malmaison 8 November	
<b>BID STREET MEETINGS &amp; SOCIALS</b>	New Cathedral Street 1 February King Street 15 February St Ann's Square & Deansgate 16 February	Market Street 15 March	Manchester Arndale 5 April	New Cathedral Street 10 May St Ann's Square & Deansgate 11 May Market Street 24 May		St Ann's Square, Deansgate & Cross Street 11 July Manchester Arndale 12 July Market Street 12 July					

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