

KNIFE ANGEL FACTS

KNIFE ANGEL IN HAVERHILL

- ▶ The Knife Angel stands at 27ft tall and 6.5ft wide.
- ▶ The sculpture is made from 100,000 knives and blades taken off the streets
- ▶ The Knife Angel has visited 44 towns and cities across the UK
- ▶ The Knife Angel is the UK's most travelled monument
- ▶ The Knife Angel is the only monument created in recognition of knife crime



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OUR STORY

In 2023, Harley Barfield tragically lost his life in a knife crime incident.

Thanks to efforts from Harley's father Darryl Barfield and other members of the Barfield family, Haverhill Town Council and donors, the Knife Angel is in Haverhill from 31 August till 30 September.



The Knife Angel intends to acknowledge the sad loss of Harley and act as a symbol of the community's compassion and commitment that Haverhill remains a safe place to live, work and visit.

A WORD FROM THE MAYOR OF HAVERHILL

Councillor David Smith

"Hosting the Knife Angel in Haverhill is an excellent opportunity to raise awareness of knife crime across the county, and to acknowledge the sad loss of Harley Barfield in 2023."



"There are several costs involved with being able to host The Knife Angel in Haverhill and the GoFundMe page is the best way to raise the much-needed funds. Any donations, great or small, are greatly appreciated."

"Haverhill Town Council aspires that the powerful and striking sculpture in Haverhill will provoke discussions and serve as a reminder to educate people on the impact knife crime and all sorts of violence, such as county lines and domestic and sexual abuse, can have on a families and the wider community."

HAVERHILL'S FIRST BLEED KIT

Haverhill was presented with its first bleed control kit in July.

The Defib Warehouse kit was donated by Darryl Barfield, the father of Harley Barfield along with Brian and Diane Freakley.

The kit, located inside a corrosion resistant and UV resistance polycarbonate box, includes wound dressings, an assortment of bandages, scissors, gloves and face masks. It is located in Strasbourg Square, close to the location where Harley was stabbed.



KNIFE AMNESTY BIN

There will be a knife amnesty bin installed next to the Knife Angel where anyone can anonymously surrender knives or other weapons.

COMMUNITY ANGELS

Contribute to the 'Community Angels' artwork located at St Mary's Church. You can also make a Community Angel at Doffy's Tea Room (Queen Street) The Link and Haverhill Arts Centre (Haverhill Arts Centre)



COLOURING COMPETITION

Colour in and decorate The Knife Angel logo to win a free family ticket for Jack and The Beanstalk at Haverhill Arts Centre. Pick up your sheet from St Mary's Church, Doffy's Tea Room, The Link and Haverhill Arts Centre.

You can download the sheet by scanning the code.



ATTEND THE CIVIC WELCOME

 Market Square

Join us on Wednesday 4 September at 6:00pm to formally welcome The Knife Angel.

The event will be attended by The Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk Lady Clare, Countess of Euston, The High Sheriff of Suffolk, The Police and Crime Commissioner amongst other dignitaries. It will include speeches by Clive Knowles, chairman and founder of British Ironworks, the parents of Harley Barfield, and Dr Saleyha Ahsan – presenter of BBC's 'Trust Me I'm a Doctor' and BBC R4's 'The Science of Knife Crime'.

Prior to the ceremony, between 4pm to 6.00pm Mr DJ Dan will stream oldskool and dance music from the community radio station Essex Underground.

ATTEND THE CIVIC DEPARTURE

 Market Square

Join us Friday 27 September at 7:00pm for a candlelit departure of The Knife Angel.

Details are to be confirmed. Please check Haverhill Town Council's website and social media for updates.



READ MORE

NATIONAL KNIFE ANGEL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

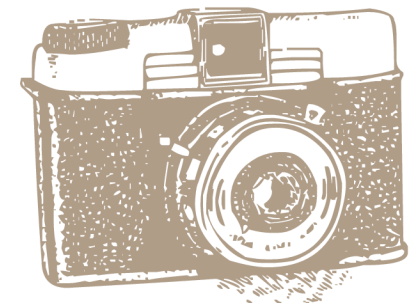
Are you a classically trained photographer, photography novice, or just someone who loves taking pictures in your spare time? Whatever your photography background, the 'National Knife Angel Photography Competition' offers everyone the chance to get creative behind the lens and take a great picture of the nationally famous Knife Angel.

There is no limit to the number of pictures that you submit into the competition, just don't forget to add the official hashtag to your post otherwise we won't be able to see your entries.

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

All you have to do is take a picture (or two) of the Knife Angel and post it on social media using this hashtag: #KnifeAngelPhotoCompetition.

Don't forget to follow and tag **@theknifeangelhaverhill** and **@britishironworkcentre** on Instagram and Facebook



SATURDAY 7 SEPTEMBER - 10.00AM TO 2.00PM

SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER - 10.00AM TO 2.00PM

SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER - 10.00AM TO 2.00PM

SATURDAY 28 SEPTEMBER - 10.00AM TO 2.00PM

Open Mind - Local mental health charity, supporting people with mental health and trauma.

WEDNESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER - 6:00PM - 8:00PM

WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER - 6:00PM - 8:00PM

WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER - 6:00PM - 8:00PM

On the Spot Van - Video games, free books and activities all for free with the town council's Youth Skills team.

SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER - 11:00AM - 2:00PM

Sports Activity Day - Abbeycroft, Suffolk Positive Futures, Youth Workers and Haverhill Safer Neighbourhood Police Team join forces for this free, fun event.

 Leisure Centre Astro Pitch

SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 10.00 - 2.00PM

Rock painting - Paint a rock inspired by The Knife Angel.

SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER - 10:00AM & 2:00PM

Basic Life Support & Emergency Wound Care - Haverhill Family Practice offers you an opportunity to learn about emergency care you can provide if you find yourself, or others, in medical need.

MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER - 4:00PM

Rap music with Kiran Lotay - Kiran will perform his work and talk about his music, culture and violence.

 St Mary's Church

SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER - 2:00PM

Messy Church: Forgiveness - Crafts, games, stories and songs for children and families.

 St Mary's Church


WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER - 8:00PM

Vigil - music from St Mary's Church Choir

 St Mary's Church

SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER - 11:00AM

Bible Study - Responding to Violence

 St Mary's Church

GROUP VISITS

Schools, clubs and other groups visiting The Knife Angel are invited to use St Mary's Church as a base and view art work inspired by The Knife Angel from prisoners at Highpoint Prison. Workshops around knife crime, overcoming trauma, and building resilience can be provided if required. The church opening hours for September are:

Wednesdays	10.00am to noon
Friday	10.00am to noon
Saturday	10.00am to 2.00pm
Sunday	10.00am to 2.00pm

Other times may be possible, please contact Rev Max Drinkwater to make arrangements: vicar.haverhill@cantab.net 01440 784068

INDIVIDUAL VISITS

Individuals and small groups are invited to use St Mary's Church as a place for prayer, art and reflection. See opening hours above.

WRITE A MESSAGE OF REMEMBRANCE

Remember Harley Barfield or others who have been lost to violence.

WRITE A MESSAGE OF REFLECTION

Write your thoughts about knife crime and violence and your emotional and honest reactions to the Knife Angel monument.

PICK UP A PRAYER CARD

GET INVOLVED

WRITE AN ANTI-VIOLENCE PLEDGE

Write an anti-violence pledge to put on the railings around the statue.

The pledges can be in memory of a loved one who lost their life to a violent action or a few words that spread the message of peace and anti-violence.

Messages can be written on wooden hearts available in St Mary's Church, Doffy's Tea Room, The Link and Haverhill Arts Centre.



DARKNESS TO LIGHT ART EXHIBITION

Tuesday 10 September - Sunday 16 September - from 10:30am
Haverhill Methodist Church

Tuesday 17 September to Monday 30 September - from
10:00am, St Mary's Church

Artist Michael Paul works for St Nicholas Hospice Care and as part of the charity's celebration of 40 years of caring has created a collection of paintings depicting a Hospice journey.

EVENTS IN HAVERHILL

Throughout September various events and activities will be taking place on Market Square or other locations in Haverhill. Events are on the Market Square unless stated otherwise.

Events are subject to change, please check here for the most up to date information.



MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER - 11:00AM

FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER - 11:00AM

THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER - 11:00AM

Brave Futures - Participate and win prizes in quizzes centred around healthy relationships.

WEDNESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER - 2:00PM

SATURDAY 7 SEPTEMBER - 12:00PM

SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER - 12:00PM

TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER - 12:00PM

Criminal Exploitation Hubs, Suffolk County Council

Support and education on exploitation with further advice on drug abuse & knife crime.

THURSDAY 5 SEPTEMBER - 10:00AM - 4:00PM

The Healing Bus - a mobile prayer ministry that uses a minibus to travel throughout Essex and beyond.