FREQUENCY

FESTIVAL OF LIGHT, PLAY & DISCOVERY

19-21 FEB 2026, LINCOLN, UK

FESTIVAL GUIDE

About Frequency 2026

Explore the city's streets during Frequency's three-night showcase of digital expression. Join our vibrant celebration of light, creativity and joy.

Attractions are open 5.30pm-9.30pm unless stated otherwise - see website for details.

Find us at:
frequency.org.uk
@frequencyfestival
#Frequency26

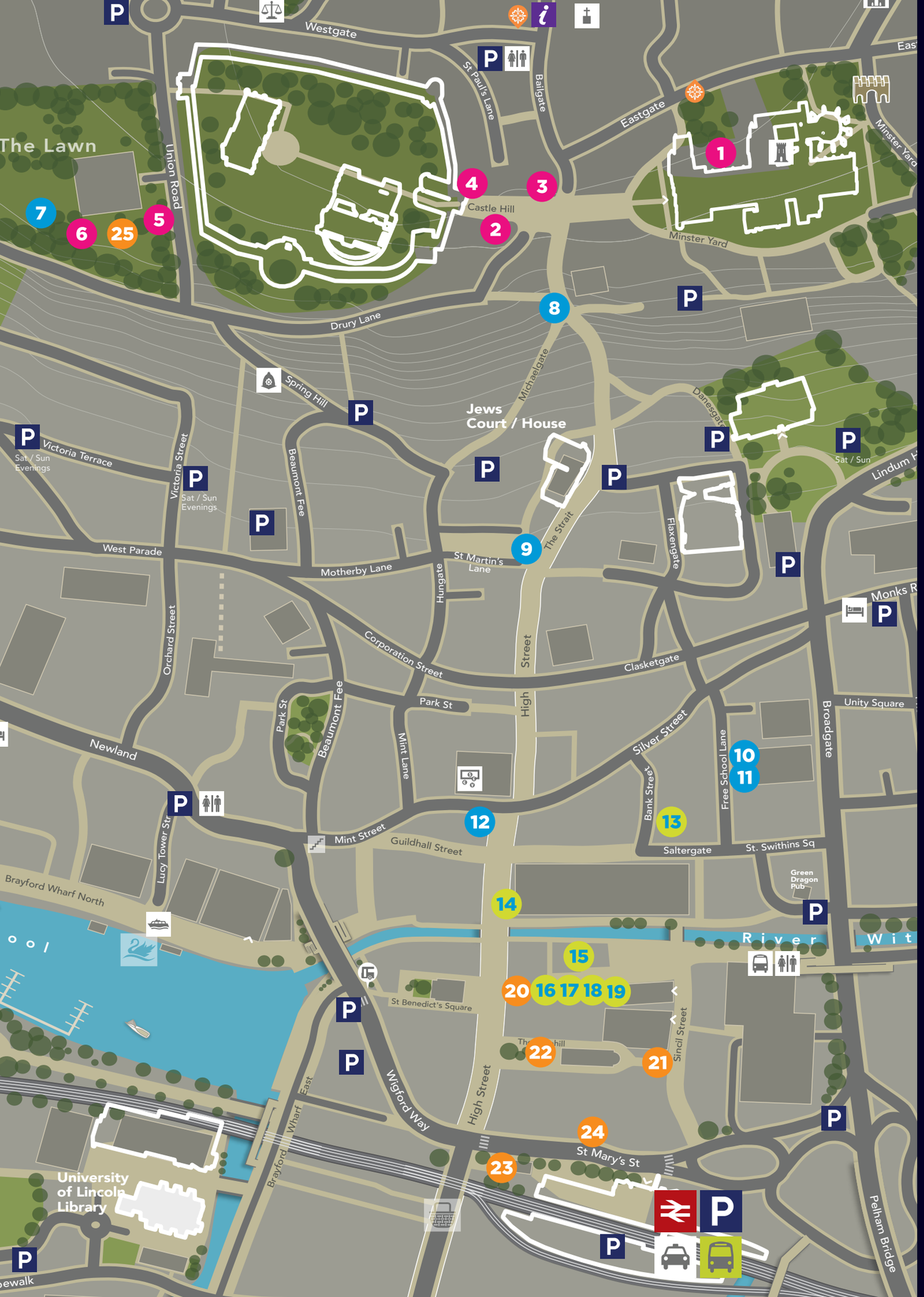
Offers & Discounts

We are delighted that many local businesses are offering special deals and discounts to Frequency visitors. Visit our website and Instagram for full details.

Thanks for Visiting

Your feedback is important to us. It helps us produce more events in the future and make improvements.

Please scan the QR code and complete a short online survey for the chance to win a festival goody bag.



1. CIRCA
by Limbic Cinema

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL LN2 1PY
///oven.chat.shared

Twelve glowing hoops mirror the year's changing light, connecting audiences with nature's rhythms in a captivating moment of exploration and reflection. Connect with the biological patterns and rhythms of nature through light and sound, with soundtrack by Joe.

2. FESTIVAL INFORMATION POINT

CASTLE HILL LN1 3AA
///half.tilt.hotel

Pop by and meet our festival hosts who are on hand to answer your questions, point you in the right direction and collect your feedback – in return for some freebies!

3. BOUNDING LIGHT
by Vent Media

VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE LN1 3AA
///demand.snail.weedy

See a familiar historic building in a new way — not as something fixed and unchanging, but as a surface that can be brought to life through light and movement.

4. DRAGON'S BREATH
by ITHACA Studio

LINCOLN CASTLE LN1 3AA
///punks.voice.online

Lincoln Castle's much-loved dragon sculptures come alive with this new immersive spectacle created especially for Frequency. Fire-coloured trails of light blaze forth from the mouths of Lincoln Castle's iconic dragon sculptures, trailing across the grounds creating a colourful sound and light show within the shadow of the historic castle walls.

5. WALKING HISTORIES
by Lincoln Free Walking Tour

STARTS AT THE LAWN LN1 3BU
///reply.wizard.spirit

Lincoln Free Walking Tour has teamed up with the Reimagining Lincolnshire project to uncover hidden heritage stories within the city, with a particular focus on historically marginalised communities.

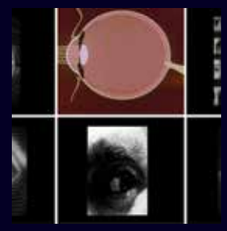
This event is a FREE ticketed event.

Tickets available via website: frequency.org.uk

6. MIGRATORY LIGHT
by Chris McClean

THE LAWN LN1 3BU
///counts.cloth.passes

Drawing on the rhythms of the Humber Estuary, this immersive installation translates bird migration into moving light, inviting you to step into the journeys that connect the city to distant coasts, revealing migration as a shared, living process.



7. RESONANT PULSE
by Lucy Mager

THE LAWN LN1 3BU
///usual.habit.lines

Transport yourself to the Lincolnshire coast through this multi-channel sonic installation that brings to life the sounds of Cleethorpes beach to create an interactive and meditative experience.

8. THE FINISH LINE
by Flexor & Sandiland

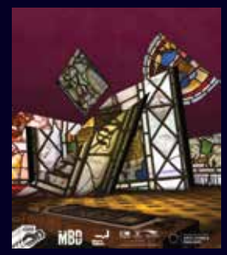
IMPERIAL TEAS - STEEP HILL LN2 1LU
///stored.closet.grew

The Finish Line is an interactive installation where your arrival at the top of the famous Steep Hill is met with cheers and a round of applause. Take a moment to enjoy being recognised for your climb and join in the shared celebration at the summit. A playful tribute to determination and the thrill of reaching the top.

9. THE FOX & THE OTTER
by Lumo Workshop

HIGH STREET LN2 1HW
///alone.given.stays

The viral CCTV footage of a fox and an otter exploring Lincoln's streets has been recreated with glowing puppet lanterns. Follow their journey along the High Street as Lumo bring their story of unlikely friendship to life with an illuminated walkabout performance.



10. INFINITE MUSEUM 12-4PM
by MBD

LINCOLN CENTRAL LIBRARY LN2 1EZ
///honey.rests.bunk

Take part in a multi-person Virtual Reality (VR) experience and explore short stories rooted in local heritage. Structured as a virtual museum, each room transports you to different moments and environments.

11. THE PEOPLE'S MARKET Sat 21 Feb only 12-4pm
by Human Studio

LINCOLN CENTRAL LIBRARY LN2 1EZ
///honey.rests.bunk

Join us at the library for a fun, interactive experience that reimagines Lincoln's marketplace as a meeting place of activism, brought to life virtually. Drop in, try the experience, and get creative designing objects that could become part of the final display.

12. SERVING SOUNDS
by Working Boys Club

STONEBOW LN2 1AZ
///nature.stuck.boom

Step up, grab a glass, tap a beer mat, and drop a beat. Serving Sounds is a joyful pop-up bar where everyday objects trigger iconic grooves, thumping basslines, and unexpected musical magic.

13. LIGHT PAINTING
by Access Creative

SALTERGATE LN2 1EY (VESTRY GREEN)
///pints.begun.number

Take part in a light-painting workshop that invites everyone to play, experiment and create with light. Explore colour, movement and long-exposure photography in a fun, accessible way, discovering how imagination and technology combine to transform light into art.

14. LIGHT GLIDERS
by Circo Rum Ba Ba

HIGH STREET LN2 1AF
///stops.topped.branded

Give the tiny Light Gliders a spin and delight as they light up the High Street with their choreographed colour changing lights.

15. SUBFREQUENCY GAMES
by Earth Bound Misfits

CITY SQUARE LN5 7EU
///fails.doing.lamps

It's party time as City Square becomes a playground of sound and spectacle. Expect big sounds, crowd challenges, theatrical hosting and moments of joyful chaos that pull everyone into the experience.

16. LANTERN MAKING
with Lumo Workshop

11AM-3PM 17 & 18 FEB

CORNHILL MARKET LN5 7ET
///foam.expect.stem

Take part in a fun lantern-making workshop and then collect your lantern from 5.30PM during the festival and carry it through the city, helping to light up Lincoln!

17. FESTIVAL INFORMATION POINT

CORNHILL MARKET LN5 7ET
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Pop in and say hello to our friendly team, leave us your feedback and grab some goodies!

18. 4 BIT PLAYGROUND
by Pather & Johnston

CORNHILL MARKET LN5 7ET
///foam.expect.stem

Do machines have personalities? Interact with small moving cubes that behave like playful creatures. They react to people nearby and to each other, creating a lively and unpredictable space.

19. DJ AND BEATBOXING SAT 21 FEB 12-4PM
by Noise Academy

CORNHILL MARKET (MEZZANINE FLOOR) LN5 7ET
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Drop in, get hands-on and make some noise. Learn DJ basics, try beatboxing and be part of a live collaboration with Noise Academy. Live music-making fun for all the family.

20. AN ELEVATED PLATFORM
by Flexor & Sandiland

CORNHILL MARKET LN5 7ET
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Described as "dysfunctional karaoke for the body" step onto the platform and elevate your status by performing to the watching 'crowd' who are keen to rate your performance.

21. LIGHT BOAT
by The Institute of Crazy Dancing

EXCHANGE SQUARE LN5 7ET
///remark.facing.hurry

Slow the pace and enjoy a few moments of meditative stillness as the light boat gently rocks and turns to the sounds of beating drums.

22. TALKING HEADS
by Impossible Arts

CORNHILL LN5 7HJ
///shower.await.sends

Become one of three giant talking heads. Step up to the mic and see yourself come to life on the giant screens. What will you say, sing or recite to the watching crowd?

23. DRIFT
by William Lindley

ST MARY LE WIGFORD CHURCH LN5 7EQ
///boxer.remark.sample

A beautiful hand-drawn original projection depicting the sights and sounds of Lincolnshire's diverse urban and rural landscapes.

24. FlightPaths
by Electric Egg

BARBICAN CREATIVE HUB LN5 7EQ
///vocal.barn.buyers

Created as part of a collaborative process between artists Electric Egg and the children of Westgate Academy Primary School, the installation explores the themes of home and journeys and looks at the contribution of international aircrew in 'Bomber County' during the Second World War. You can also follow the FlightPaths audio-visual trail across the city. Pick up your FlightPaths guide at the Barbican.

25. ARCADE*
by Darkfield

FRI 13 - SUN 21 FEB 12-8PM
Run time 30 mins.

THE LAWN LN1 3BU
///behind.prompting.lift

Channelling classic 80s video arcade vibes, Darkfield's latest immersive experience puts you in the game. For 30 minutes, you play an arcade adventure with a twist: a choose-your-own-path journey powered by 360 degree binaural sound, sensory effects, and total darkness. Tickets must be pre-booked through website: frequency.org.uk Show times may vary.

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