

Derby Promise is excited to announce the return of **ROOTS Fest**, a free, marketplace-style festival designed to connect young people with real opportunities across Derby.

Taking place at Electric Daisy on Wednesday 16 July from 5:00pm to 8:00pm, ROOTS Fest offers a relaxed and energetic “School’s Out” atmosphere where inspiration meets opportunity

The event is aimed at young people aged 15–18, particularly those preparing for or recently completing their GCSEs or A Levels and beginning to think about their next steps.

ROOTS Fest supports young people to explore their interests, build confidence, recognise their strengths, and discover the wide range of pathways available locally in education, employment, training, and the creative industries.

Young people can get a free ticket here: <https://www.skiddle.com/whats-on/Derby/Electric-Daisy/Derby-Promise-presents-ROOTS-Schools-out-Whats-next/42478560/>

Young people and families who register will receive a free pizza, with additional rewards available for early attendees.

For updates on ROOTS Fest and Electric Daisy, please follow Electric Daisy’s official social media channels for the latest announcements and event information.

What young people can expect:

- Career pathway advice and guidance
- Opportunities to meet local employers and organisations, including Culture Derby, Rolls-Royce, Balfour Beatty, and the University of Derby
- Career talks and informal Q&A sessions
- Hands-on creative workshops, including DJing, gardening, and graphic printing
- CV-building and employability skills support
- Live music and DJ performances in a festival-style setting

More than just an event, ROOTS Fest is part of a wider commitment to creating meaningful pathways for young people in Derby. By bringing together employers, creatives, educators, and young people in one space, ROOTS Fest is helping to build clearer routes into education, training, apprenticeships, and employment, while ensuring every young person has the chance to explore what’s possible.

We would be grateful if you could share this opportunity with your students, parents, carers, and wider school community. **Parents and careers are encouraged to attend but don't need to book an additional ticket.**

For more information - <https://www.facebook.com/DCCLocalOffer/photos/derby-promise-presents-roots-this-hands-on-marketplace-of-ideas-skills-and-possibilities/1427466072731213/>

Thank you for your support.

Derby Promise Team



The poster has a dark green background. At the top left is the 'Derby Promise' logo, which includes a green hand icon. To its right are three logos: 'Derby City Council' with a stylized 'D' and 'C' logo, 'DOWN TO EARTH' with a circular logo containing a plant, and 'ELECTRIC DAISY' with a star-like logo. The main text is in yellow and reads: 'Derby Promise Presents: ROOTS, a marketplace of ideas, skills & possibilities for young people aged 14-18. Come and see where your interests and creativity can take you, with activities and advice from people who take pride in what they do.' Below this is another yellow line: 'Whether you've got a plan or not, ROOTS meets you where you are.' Then: 'Did we mention the free pizza? THERE'S FREE PIZZA.' At the bottom, the word 'ROOTS' is written in large, bold, yellow capital letters.

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