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LOST IN TRANSLATION

If you find Shakespeare challenging at the best of times, try listening to those mellifluous lines in Welsh. Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru is putting on a production of Macbeth within dramatic Caerphilly Castle, with a live broadcast to cinemas across Wales on 14 February. Both live and screened shows will also have English Shakespearean subtitles. Not Bard, eh? Fly to Bristol. 7-18 February. theatr.cymru



ALPINE APERITIFS

Skiing's fun and all, but sometimes you just want to skip straight to the après. London restaurant Bodo's Schloss is hosting two boozy après-ski brunches in its Alpine chalet themed space complete with reindeer, snow cannons blasting out fresh powder and an Alpine feast - meaning there's no danger of waking up in a snow drift after one too many Jägerbombs. Phew. Fly to London. 4 February and 1 April. bodosschloss.com



It's been 30 years since Matthew Bourne, the avant-garde British choreographer of all-male Swan Lake fame, launched his New Adventures dance company – and he's celebrating by touring with Early Adventures, a collection of his first ground-breaking works (Spitfire, Town and Country, The Infernal Galop), including a show at Madrid's Teatro Del Canal. Fly to Madrid. 15-18 March. teatroscanal.com





WATER TO WINE

It might sound like an adult fairy tale, but Italian winery Dora Sarchese has installed a free. 24-hour fountain in the village of Caldari di Ortona – with red wine flowing instead of water. Designed as a pick-me-up for passing pilgrims en route to the Ortona cathedral, which celebrates a feast day on 7 May, anyone can help themselves. We're lining our suitcases with empty bottles. Fly to Rome. dorasarchese.it



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STREET SONGS

Breaking into song on the streets of Paris usually signifies an impromptu Les Mis singalong. Not for opera singer Veronica Antonelli, who has launched historical walking tours of Montmartre to the sounds of Mozart and Puccini. Sights, including Place des Abbesses and Sacré-Coeur, are chosen for their superior acoustics. Possibly not the time to bust out your karaoke faves... Fly to Paris. veronicaantonelli.com



MATERIAL GIRLS

The latest craze taking over this year's Snowbombing music festival? Voga. Combining the ancient art of yoga with Madonna-inspired voguing, complete with 80s beats and fluorescent leggings, it's guaranteed to get you pumped for the snowy igloo raves hosted by the likes of Chase & Status, Groove Armanda and De La Soul. Strike a pose, there's nothing to it. Fly to Innsbruck. 3-8 April. snowbombing.com





OH YES YOU CAN-CAN

Shhh... Secret Cinema is back, with Baz Lurhmann's sexiest and fantastically camp Moulin Rouge. Dress up in glitzy Belle Époque attire, choose between three different clans – Creatures of the Underworld, Children of the Revolution and Aristocrats – and step into the diamante shoes of Christian or Satine for an absinthe-soaked evening. The show must go on. Fly to London. 16 February-30 April. secretcinema.org



PLAIN SAILING

We're all fed up with the warm lager and wellies routine of most music festivals, so brand-new Anchored, that doubles up as a sunny cruise around Europe, is a total no-brainer. Sail from Rome, with stops in Santorini, Mykonos and Cannes, on a luxury boat with 10 restaurants, casinos, theatre and Tinie Tempah as DJ – and get completely anchored (sorry) in the process. Fly to Rome, 11-18 June. unique-cruise.com

ART ATTACK

Amsterdam's Teleport Hotel looked like a grim office building until a troupe of graffiti artists were called upon last November to give it a colourful urban revamp. Now it's ready for a re-paint, as Teleport Street Art returns with its graffiti workshops and free Mojitofuelled party, while nine artists turn the hotel rooms into a street-art mecca. Hipster alert... Fly to Amsterdam. 19-20 February. teleporthotel.nl



MUSIC FAD

Foo Fighters, alt-J, The Weeknd... meh.
The really big news at this year's Nos
Alive festival in Lisbon is the headline
addition of Mariza, a singer from
Portugal's Fado music scene, known for
its mournful melodic tunes. The yin to
the other artists' yang, she's also been
nominated in the Latin Grammies and is
taking her country's traditional sound
stratospheric. Fly to Lisbon. 6-8 July.

