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HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

Wednesday 1 February

David Seidler's play of The King's Speech receives its world premiere at Guildford's Yvonne Arnaud Theatre. Seidler wrote The Kings Speech as a play before penning his script for the Academy Award®-winning film starring Colin Firth. The stage version stars Charles Edwards as the stammering King George VI and Jonathan Hyde as maverick speech therapist Lionel Logue.

The Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply publishes its latest analysis of the UK's manufacturing sector.

David Cameron takes questions from Members of Parliament in the latest Prime Minister's Questions session.

News Corporation announces its financial results for the second quarter. The period from April to June was dominated by the News International phone hacking scandal, which preceded the closure of News of the World in July.

The Halifax House Prices index publishes its January report on the UK housing market.

Monday 6 February

Gun salutes are fired across the country to mark the 60th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the throne.

Ticket sales to the London 2012 Olympic football competition close. Following original ticket applications, there were more than 1.5 million seats across all sessions still available.

Tuesday 7 February

Impressionist and Modern Art from the collection of late actress Elizabeth Taylor comes up for auction in London. The sale follows online auctions of her iconic jewels, fashion accessories and film memorabilia in December 2011.

Wednesday 8 February

The V&A opens its doors to an exhibition of photographic portraits of the Queen. Queen Elizabeth II by Cecil Beaton: A Diamond Jubilee Celebration includes a number of unseen photographs and depicts her roles as princess, monarch and mother.

Thursday 9 February

The Monetary Policy Committee makes its latest decision regarding UK interest rates.



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Sunday 12 February

London's Royal Opera House welcomes stars to the annual BAFTA® award ceremony, rewarding the best work seen on British screens over the last year.

Friday 17 February

Stars and industry professionals descend on the British capital for the spring/summer London Fashion Week - one of the biggest catwalk influencers in the world.

Tuesday 21 February

Some of the biggest names in music gather at the O2 in London for 2012 BRIT® Awards. This year, Adele and Jessie J are predicted to clean up at the annual celebration of British pop.

Wednesday 22 February

The Royal Television Society rewards creativity and excellence in journalism at its annual award ceremony in London.

Sunday 26 February

Hollywood's A-listers gather in LA for the 84th Academy Awards®, where films Moneyball, The Descendants and War Horse are tipped to sweep the gongs.



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