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FOUR GREAT REASONS TO VISIT IN AUGUST

1. The refurbished Ferens Art Gallery hosts **Masterpieces in Focus: Rembrandt (until 28 August 2017)**, a partnership with the Royal Collection Trust, which brings a Rembrandt painting to **Hull** for the first time. 'The Ship Builder and his Wife' was painted in 1633, during the height of his success as a portrait painter.
2. A vibrant celebration of Caribbean music, dance, theatre and costume comes to the streets of **Manchester** courtesy of the **Caribbean Carnival (12 - 13 August 2017)**, the North West's largest celebration of Caribbean music and carnival arts. Enjoy the carnival procession, steel bands and dance troupes.
3. For more carnival capers, head to **Leeds** for the **West Indian Carnival (20 - 28 August 2017)**. Already one of the North of England's biggest annual events, 2017 marks the 50th anniversary carnival on 28 August. There's something for everyone, from the BIG parade to the child-friendly Prince & Princess Show.
4. Think of **Liverpool** and The Beatles won't be far from most minds. In the city where it all began, this year's annual **International Beatleweek 2017 (23 - 29 August 2017)** with 70 bands from over 20 countries and fans from over 40, offers live music not only at the famous Cavern, but across the city too.