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& Michael Rouse
on piano

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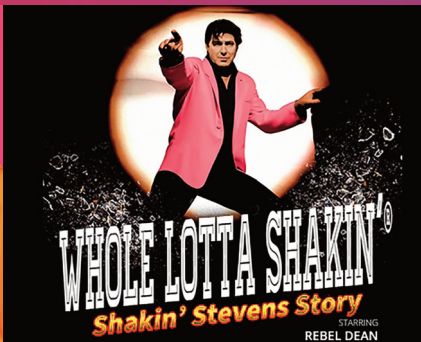
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WELCOME TO THE GUILDHALL ARTS CENTRE

Welcome back to the Guildhall Arts Centre — and if you're new here, a warm hello!

We're embracing the Autumn and Winter seasons with our brand-new What's On guide, packed with events to brighten the colder months. Back in April, we had a full house for 'The Princess & The Frog' ballet — it was a joy to see so many little ones captivated by the performance and even more special to watch you join in the post-show workshop. There were definitely some budding ballet dancers in the room! This Autumn, we're thrilled to welcome Let's All Dance Ballet Company back with 'Hansel & Gretel', sure to be another magical experience for families.

You may have heard the whispers — and now we can officially announce 'Thatcher Fest', taking place this October to mark the 100th anniversary of Margaret Thatcher's birth on 13th October 2025. Across Grantham, local organisations will be hosting events exploring the life, legacy, and historical impact of one of the town's most iconic figures. At the Arts Centre,

we're excited to present a wide range of events, including a Margaret Thatcher drag show and fascinating talks featuring Edwina Currie, Gyles Brandreth, and Dr James Cooper.

Amateur photographers, artists and graphic designers can get involved by designing a Grantham postcard as part of an exhibition at Union Street Gallery. Your postcards can be on any theme related to Grantham, whether it's history, architecture, events or people, it's up to you! Head to our website for further information — we can't wait to see your Grantham Postcards!

Before you dive into the rest of the season's fantastic events, a quick update: our upgraded Spektrix booking system now supports Google Pay and Apple Pay, making it even faster and easier to book tickets online!

Here's to another exciting season! We look forward to welcoming you soon.

The Guildhall Arts Centre Team



Don't forget to visit Digby's Café inside the Guildhall Arts Centre! Enjoy a full English breakfast, a hot lunch or coffee and cake. You can also beat the interval queue and order your interval drinks when you arrive! Digby's is open one hour before our evening shows serving snacks, ice creams and alcoholic drinks.

FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM

ATLANTIC HITS - MUSIC MASTERS

Are you ready to be transported back to the golden era of the 1950s and 60s, where music wasn't just heard but felt? Then look no further! Music Masters, a five-piece band that has rapidly risen to the pinnacle of the vintage music scene, invites you to an unforgettable night of nostalgia and unparalleled musical ecstasy. Music Masters are not just a band; they're a time machine. Each member's vocal and instrumental mastery brings the vibrant energy and soulful harmonies of the 1950s and 1960s to life, offering a performance that's as authentic as it is mesmerising.

£17 standard | Hired

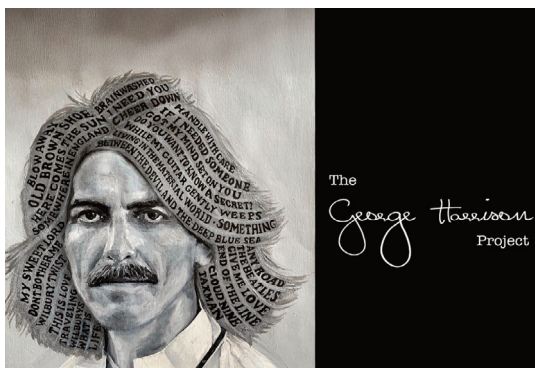


FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM

THE GEORGE HARRISON PROJECT

Enjoy the UK's leading live music tribute to George Harrison, performing his best-loved hits from The Beatles, his solo career and The Traveling Wilburys. After the Liverpoolian four-piece called time on Beatlemania, George Harrison enjoyed a successful solo career, releasing 12 studio albums including Living In The Material World, Cloud Nine, Brainwashed and the classic triple album All Things Must Pass. These talented musicians authentically recreate some of George Harrison's best-known tracks, including well-loved songs such as My Sweet Lord, Here Comes The Sun, Something and more!

£24 standard | Hired



SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM

STRICTLY NASHVILLE

Guitarist, vocalist and band leader Bob Drury, who has been selling out in theatres across the country for the past 10 years with his highly acclaimed shows, heads up an amazing cast of musicians to deliver a set of pristine classics from the likes of Johnny Cash, Glen Campbell, Brad Paisley, Garth Brooks, Willie Nelson and Kenny Rogers. Featuring Bob's daughter Harriet on female lead vocals, the band presents stunning versions of monster hits from Shania Twain, Dolly Parton, Taylor Swift, Carrie Underwood, Eva Cassidy and many more. Harriet is an established vocal performer with a "stunning, soaring voice" that will delight and captivate you!

£25 standard | Hired



SEPTEMBER

THIRD CLASS A TITANIC STORY

THURSDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM

THIRD CLASS - A TITANIC STORY

A one-man theatre show based on the life of Titanic survivor Edward Dorking. Edward was gay. Openly gay, and on Wednesday 10th April 1912, he set sail for NYC on a ticket bought for him by his parents in the hope his American family could put him 'right'.

Third Class charts Edward's journey from boarding the Titanic to swimming for half an hour towards an already full collapsible lifeboat and how he, upon arriving in New York, would tour the Vaudeville circuit, recreating the stories for a fact-hungry public.

But Edward didn't want fame; he wanted revenge. When everyone was talking about the deaths of millionaires and society figures, few were discussing the people who took the lion's share of the losses that night: the third class. Edward was coming for the upper classes. Using music, movement, projection, and historical facts, Third Class tells the story of an unknown hero from a well-known story.

£16 (£15 concessions) | Suitable for ages 12+ | Programmed



FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER, 2PM & 7:30PM

D-DAY DARLINGS

Relive the nostalgic days of wartime Britain as the delightful D-Day Darlings take you on a musical journey back to the heart of 1940s war time Britain. The D-Day Darlings, semi-finalists in the hit ITV programme 'Britain's Got Talent', are Britain's premier wartime act. The group have now become a head lining fixture at endless theatre performances, countless TV appearances and at many Armed Services reunions.

£25 standard | Suitable for ages 12+
Hired

SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER, SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER & SATURDAY 20TH DECEMBER, 7PM

THE GROOVE

An exciting, fun-filled night for adults with disabilities aged 16+, their families and support workers. If you have ever wanted to experience a nightclub environment this event should not be missed! The Groove is a great opportunity not only to dance to great music, but to socialise and meet new people in a safe place. Head into the Ballroom where our live DJ will play top tunes all night! Wheelchair access is available. Please be aware, the Guildhall facilitate the disco session by arranging the disco and bar. The Guildhall does not provide personal support or care services for persons attending the disco.

£5 standard (carers go free) | Strictly ages 16+ | Programmed



SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM

'AUTUMN LEAVES' THE BELVOIR BIG BAND

Henry Bell & Co, Seed Merchants present Autumn Leaves - The Belvoir Big Band in aid of the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust. Take a journey back through the ages and enjoy all your old favourites with a night of musical extravaganza with the Belvoir Big Band. Featuring their resident vocalist, the incredible Steve Sale, and under the spirited direction of their MD, Jonathan Barker, the band will take you on a whistle stop tour of magical musical moments gone by. From the lolling jazz and blues of the 1920s and the big band swing of the 1930s and '40s to the rock and pop of the '50s and '60s and a delve into the delights of Latin, Soul and even a bit of Funk.

£12 standard (£10 over 60s) | Hired



MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER, MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER & MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER, 10:30AM

DISCO TODDLERS

Join us in our beautiful Ballroom and spark joy in your toddler's world with our themed disco toddler sessions - watch them groove to music and lights! With participatory songs, a play corner and more, it's sure to be the coolest disco in town. This season's sessions are Animal Party, Halloween Party, Firework Party and Christmas Party!

Never been to Disco Toddlers before? New customers can use the code NEWDISCOTOD at checkout to attend September's session free of charge!

£5 per child | Suitable for ages 0-4 | Programmed



SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

Top
Pick



SATURDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM

WHOLE LOTTA SHAKIN' THE SHAKIN' STEVENS STORY

Fully endorsed by members of Shaky's own family, this Award-Winning tribute to the UK's biggest selling singles artist of the 1980's is a nostalgic celebration, jam packed with feel-good Rock 'n' Roll!

Performing as Shakin' Stevens, West End star Rebel Dean will guide you through a full audio-visual spectacular with his live band, including rare footage and images which tell the story of the rockin' Welsh boy and his rise to chart-topping superstardom. The show features unforgettable hits including 'Green Door', 'Oh Julie', 'You Drive Me Crazy' and 'This Ole House', as well as the classic songs which were covered by Shaky from artists such as Eddie Cochran, Chuck Berry, Ritchie Valens and Elvis Presley.

Put your bopping shoes on, dust off the double denim, slick back your hair and get ready to sing-along, dance-along and join in with the biggest and best 'Shaky' party to hit UK theatres... ever!

£25 standard | Programmed



FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER, 7:45PM

MADE IN THE 80S

Immerse yourself in the magic of 'A Blitz of Glitz' as we transport you back in time with unforgettable hits by iconic artists such as Madonna, Cher, Tina Turner, The Pointer Sisters, The Eurythmics, and many more. Prepare to be captivated by the outrageously, incredible talent of Made-in-the 80s, a six-piece 'live' tribute group dedicated to celebrating the pinnacle of pop music.

£18 standard | Hired

SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER, 8PM

COMEDY SPECIAL: ED BYRNE WITH COMEDIANS TBA

The very special headliner at this evening of comedy is a certified legend of stand-up! With a TV career now in its third decade, Ed Byrne has regularly appeared on QI, Mock The Week, Dara and Ed's Road to Mandalay and Have I Got News For You, as well as hosting Live At The Apollo and Comic Relief Bake Off. His latest tour, Tragedy Plus Time, won British Comedy Guide's Best Comedy Show Of The Year and sold-out venues nationwide, becoming his most critically and commercially successful yet. With legions of fans, Ed remains the observational stand-up to see.

£36 standard | Suitable for ages 13+ | Programmed



THURSDAY 9TH & FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER 7:30PM, SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2:30PM

ARSENIC AND OLD LACE ST PETER'S HILL PLAYERS

Mortimer Brewster has just got engaged and visits his aunts to share the news. He's always known his family were a bit eccentric – for example, his eldest brother believes himself to be Teddy Roosevelt – but things take a farcical turn when he discovers his sweet aunts have found a new sideline, one that compromises his integrity... And, when Mortimer's maniacal brother Jonathan returns with 'a new friend,' Mortimer tries to keep things as normal as he can, whilst fighting a losing battle with his own sanity!

£11 (£12 concessions) | Hired

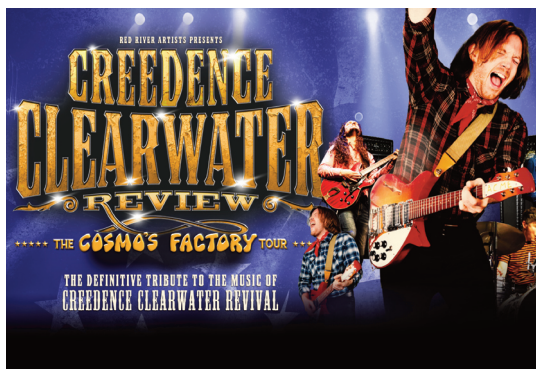


THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER, 7:30PM

CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIEW COSMOS FACTORY TOUR

Step back in time and relive the magic of one of America's most iconic rock bands, Creedence Clearwater Revival! Join us for an unforgettable night of high-energy rock 'n' roll as we transport you back to the heady days of Woodstock and the electrifying sounds of American Rock in the late 1960s and early 1970s. This is not just a concert; it's a journey through the music that defined a generation! Sing along to classic anthems like "Bad Moon Rising", "Proud Mary" and "Fortunate Son". Experience the essence of CCR with beloved tracks from Cosmo's Factory, including "Who'll Stop the Rain", "Run Through The Jungle" and "Up Around the Bend".

£23 standard | Programmed

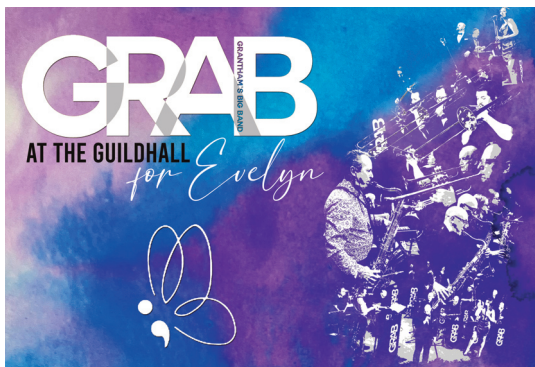


SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER, 7:30PM

GRAB'S BIG BAND BASH FOR EVELYN

GRAB is back at the Guildhall in a special concert raising funds for mental health charity, CALM, in partnership with Evelyn's Butterfly Effect. Evelyn's Butterfly Effect is a community initiative encouraging random acts of kindness, connection and social change around mental health. GRAB will donate the proceeds of this event to CALM, in memory of Evelyn. Expect another energetic show full of GRAB's usual mix of timeless big band classics and more recent chart hits. The band's vocalists, Craig Martini and Becca Faye, will delight you with songs from Michael Bublé to Freddy Mercury, Ella Fitzgerald to Paloma Faith. Put that together with the amazing big band sound of a 24-piece ensemble and the theatre will be jumping!

£15 standard | Hired



THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER, 7:30PM

ROMEO AND JULIET

KESTEVEN AND GRANTHAM GIRLS' SCHOOL

A Kesteven and Grantham Girls' School Production. An ancient grudge between two sworn enemies erupts in bloodshed when their son and daughter fall in love. Drama and dance combine to reimagine Shakespeare's compelling tragedy. Come support these local students as they take on this timeless classic with passion and heart.

£7 (£5 concessions) | Hired



SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER, 7:30PM

ULTIMATE COMMITMENTS AND BLUES BROTHERS EXPERIENCE

Described as 'absolutely amazing' and 'truly authentic' and featuring a full live band, this show relives the story lines of both classic films and all the fantastic music of The Commitments and The Blues Brothers. This is a show of two halves - Dublin Soul meets Chicago Blues. This big-band style experience is packed full of iconic scenes, laughs, crazy dance moves and the authentic sounds of soul, rhythm, blues, and even a little country and western music. With audio-visual displays and some of the best R&B musicians in the UK - this will be a night to truly remember!

£26 (£24 concessions) | Hired



MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER, 7:30PM

KEYS IN CONCERT

An evening of light popular music performed on the world's finest Böhm Digital Orchestra Organs by two leading organists. Claus Riepe has been active not only as a musician, but also as a musical consultant and accomplished product specialist for Böhm. As editor-in-chief of the renowned magazine OKEY, he informs keyboard enthusiasts around the world. Now the business owner of Grantham's musical instrument shop in Westgate, Rod Pooley has been one of the UK's top organists and keyboard players for over 40 years. Rod has won many competitions including National Organist of the Year twice.

£12 standard | Hired



TUESDAY 28TH OCTOBER, 2PM

THE THREE BEARS

FULL HOUSE THEATRE

Full House present 'The Three Bears' - a hilarious fairy tale remix! Get ready for giggles galore in this wild, high-energy adventure! Perfect for all ages the show celebrates love, laughter and the beauty of families of all shapes and sizes. The Three Bears flips the classic fairytale of Goldilocks on its head and is packed full of surprises, slapstick chaos and heart-warming twists. A delightful theatre experience bursting with fun that all children everywhere will treasure forever.

£12 adult (£8 child) | Suitable for ages 3+ | Programmed



THURSDAY 30TH OCTOBER, 2:30PM

HANSEL & GRETEL THE BALLET

LET'S ALL DANCE BALLET COMPANY

Whether your child has recently started dance classes or dreams of becoming a ballet dancer, this is the perfect opportunity to dive into the world of performing arts. After their recent performance, 'The Princess & The Frog', The Let's All Dance ballet company returns with this captivating new ballet, adapted from the original Brothers Grimm fairytale. With expressive music and staging, this vibrant retelling of the classic tale celebrates the timeless themes of courage, family bonds and the power of love. We're also offering a post-show dance workshop with the ballet company for just £3.50 per child! Spaces are limited so head to our website for more information.

£10 adult (£8 child) | Suitable for ages 5+
Workshop available | Programmed



THATCHER FEST

100 YEARS OF IRON

**COMMEMORATING THE
CENTENARY OF
MARGARET THATCHER**



Thatcher Fest marks the 100th anniversary of Margaret Thatcher's birth on 13th October 2025. Local organisations are hosting events across Grantham exploring the life, legacy, and historical impact of Grantham's most prominent political figure.



WALKING TALKS: THE THATCHER YEARS

**Meet on St Peter's Hill at
The Newton Statue, NG31 6PY**

**Thu 9th, Fri 10th, Sat 11th, Thu 16th,
Fri 17th, Sat 18th October | 10.30am
Sun 12th October | 2pm**

£8 adult, £5 child - suitable for 11yrs+

Join John Manterfield from Grantham Civic Society for a fact filled walking tour to notable places in Thatcher's life.
Lasts approximately 2 hours.



THATCHER DISPLAY

Grantham Library, Isaac Newton Centre

Mon 13th - Fri 17th October | 9am-5pm

Sat 18th October | 9am-4pm

Free Entry

Step into history at Grantham Library, where a rich collection of captivating images, newspaper articles, intriguing books, and Thatcher's fascinating school records are on display.



MARGARET THATCHER, QUEEN OF SOHO!
Guildhall Arts Centre Theatre, NG31 6PY
Mon 13th October | 7.30pm | £24

To celebrate her centenary, Maggie returns in this smash-hit drag extravaganza. On the eve of the Section 28 vote, Thatcher gets lost in Soho and becomes a cabaret star. A big gay disco odyssey about LGBT rights and the 80s.
Ages 16+



IRON LADY (12A)

**Kesteven & Grantham Girls' School,
Sandon Road, NG31 9AU**

Mon 13th & Thu 16th October | 7pm | £5

In the school Margaret Thatcher once attended, watch the 2011 biographical film based on her life and career. From 6.15pm ticket holders can see documents and memorabilia relating to Mrs Thatcher.



EDWINA CURRIE

Guildhall Arts Centre Theatre, NG31 6PY
Tue 14th October | 2pm & 6pm | £20

Edwina Currie joins us at the Guildhall Arts Centre for two talks about, her time in politics, and personal insight into her time in Parliament with Thatcher.
Check the website for more information about each talk.



**GRANTHAM IN THE 1920s AND 1930s
WITH JOHN MANTERFIELD**
ChristChurch, Finkin Street, NG31 6QZ
Tue 14th October | 4pm
Free Entry, booking not required

The talk will cover how Grantham recovered from the First World War and developed with new housing, parks and a Public Library and Museum, and was successful in attracting new industry. John Manterfield is a local historian and is Chair of Grantham Civic Society.



LIVING OVER THE SHOP BY GRANTHAM DRAMATIC SOCIETY

ChristChurch, Finkin Street, NG31 6QZ
Wed 15th October | 7.30pm | £9

Grantham Museum, NG31 6PY
Sat 18th October | 2pm | £9

A short play in which customers at A.Roberts Grocery and Post Office on North Parade Grantham, acknowledge the steps along the path to power of Britain's first female Prime Minister.



THATCHER, REAGAN, GORBACHEV: POWER, POLITICS AND THE END OF THE COLD WAR **DR JAMES COOPER**

Guildhall Arts Centre Ballroom, NG31 6PY
Wed 15th October | 2pm school talk | Free
Wed 15th October | 6.30pm | £8

Margaret Thatcher of Grantham changed British history and played a key role in ending the Cold War. Join Dr James Cooper for a talk exploring her leadership and relationships with Reagan and Gorbachev. Dr Cooper, Associate Professor at York St John University, is author of *A Diplomatic Meeting* and a leading expert on British-American relations and recent political history.



FROM SHOP FLOORS TO SHAPING LEGACIES...

Grantham Museum, NG31 6PY
Fri 17th October | 4pm
£5 for friends of the museum,
£8 non members, £10 on the door

A retail champion's reflections on resilience, roots and remarkable women. Clare Bailey reflects on growing up in Lincolnshire, drawing surprising parallels with Thatcher's legacy. Through humour and nostalgia, she explores shared values of resilience, ambition, and hard work - offering a personal, local lens on the evolution of retail.



GYLES BRANDRETH, QUITE A CENTENARY!
Guildhall Arts Centre Theatre, NG31 6PY
Fri 17th October | 7.30pm | £35

Gyles Brandreth celebrates three unique British icons: Margaret Thatcher, Elizabeth II and Winnie the Pooh.

As well as celebrating Thatcher's remarkable achievements, Gyles is going to give a portrait of a most unusual woman, and will be telling some stories about the Iron Lady you may not have heard before.

In partnership with The Reading Room, purchase pre-signed books before the event - or join us after the show for a personalised book signing. Limited availability.



**MARGARET THATCHER -
ALTERNATIVE VOICES**

Grantham Museum, NG31 6PY
Fri 17th October | 7pm | £10, £5 conc.

Join us for an evening of music and poetry as local artistes share what living in the shadow of Margaret Thatcher means to them.



POSTCARD EXHIBITION

Union Street Gallery, NG31 6NZ
1st - 31st October | Free Entry

Visit a vast and diverse collection of Thatcher postcards, covering various sides of the story on display at the gallery. You can also design your own Grantham Postcard to be part of the exhibition! See more online about how to get involved...

More to come...

**SCAN
ME! >>**



Head to the Guildhall Arts Centre website for more events and activities to be announced!

#thatcherfestgrantham



OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

THE RIPPER FILES!



SATURDAY 1ST NOVEMBER, 7:30PM

THE RIPPER FILES RUMPUS THEATRE COMPANY

Based on the world's most famous case. Inspector Lestrangle is up to his neck in evidence but there's one fact only the Ripper himself will know... Charles William Lestrangle was a newly promoted Detective Inspector in the Metropolitan Police, just transferred to H Division in Whitechapel, when THE AUTUMN OF TERROR, as it came to be known, reached its grizzly height. Now, thirteen years later, and ably assisted by Samuel Edwards, formerly Detective Constable Edwards of H Division, and Samuel Edward's "close friend" Miss Elsie Fordham, rising star of the music hall stage, Lestrangle rehearses again for your delectation and delight the ghoulish events in Victorian Whitechapel which have been a source of universal fascination since the 1880's... anyone wishing to leave the auditorium during the performance as a consequence of excessive fright or terror is respectfully requested not to do so in the middle of a "murder"!

"Magnificent ... this unusual who-dunnit gripped like steel ... I literally jumped out of my seat" (Thanet Gazette)

"Fun, but not for the faint-hearted ... the first night audience was engrossed" (Derbyshire Times)

£16 (£15 concessions) | Suitable for ages 12+ | Programmed



FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER, 2PM

HALLOWEEN ARTS & CRAFTS WORKSHOP

This Halloween, join Hannah Peacock for a spooky themed arts and crafts afternoon! There will be a variety of crafts on offer, so come along and have a go. Get creative and make a pumpkin suncatcher to decorate your home. Design your very own monster mask and make your own creepy crawlies garland using recycled materials.

£5 per child | Suitable for ages 3+
Programmed

LOOKING FOR ME FRIEND:

The Music Of

VICTORIA WOOD

Top
Pick

Featuring Star
of BBC1's
'All Together Now'
Paulus, The Cabaret Geek
& Fascinating Aida's
Michael Roulston
on piano



Everything Theatre



London Theatre 1



The Scotsman



Daily Mail

"Vic would have loved this" **"Absolutely splendid!"**

Sue Devaney, dinnerladies

Zeb Soanes, Classic FM



FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER, 7:30PM

LOOKING FOR ME FRIEND: THE MUSIC OF VICTORIA WOOD

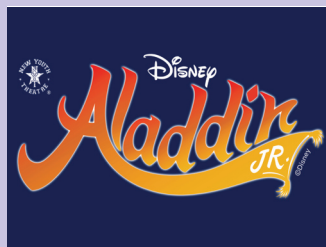
"The most feel-good show in town" (The Daily Mail) has spread nostalgia and laughter throughout the UK and has the seal of approval from Victoria's very own school chums and colleagues.

Featuring the star of BBC1's 'All Together Now', Paulus The Cabaret Geek with Michael Roulston (Fascinating Aida) on piano, this is an evening of pure joy filled with Victoria's best-loved songs, including the iconic 'Ballad of Barry & Freda' (Let's Do It) and the classic 'It Would Never Have Worked'. This show is for fans of Victoria and for those yet to discover her, to come together and relish her breathtaking wizardry with words. In telling Victoria's story, Paulus unfolds his own. A relatable story of a 1970s childhood and what it really means to find your tribe. So, pair your stilettos with an oven glove, zip up your cocktail slacks and get booking!

"Vic would have loved this" (Sue Devaney, Dinnerladies)

"Paulus's homage to Victoria Wood is practically a national institution" (Kate Copstick, Chortle)

£20 standard | Suitable for ages 10+ | Programmed



MONDAY 3RD – THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

ALADDIN JR - NYT

Aladdin and his three friends, Babkak, Omar, and Kassim, are down on their luck until Aladdin discovers a magic lamp and the Genie who has the power to grant three wishes. Wanting to earn the respect of Princess Jasmine, Aladdin embarks on an adventure that will test his will and his moral character.

£11.50 (£11 concessions) | Hired

NOVEMBER



SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER, 7:30PM

JOURNEY TO THE CENTRE OF THE EARTH

LAMPHOUSE THEATRE

Take a break Rick Wakeman, back to your trailer Brendan Fraser, watch and learn Jules Verne, Lamphouse are going on a journey all the way to the centre of the Earth! Two intrepid explorers, one impossible mission (featuring at least one joke about a big hole), and no special effects budget whatsoever. What could possibly go wrong?

From the makers of War of the Worlds (On a Budget) and Frankenstein (On a Budget) this new comedy that takes on Jules Verne's classic novel will be one epic night out, full of belly laughs, brand new music and really impressive* dinosaurs. Featuring Tom Fox and Becky Owen-Fisher, the familiar faces behind the On a Budget series, Journey to the Centre of the Earth will be another fan favourite. Expect silly jokes, catchy tunes, ridiculous costumes and lots and lots of cardboard.

*not actually that impressive

£15 (£12 concessions) | Suitable for ages 10+ | Programmed

Live & Local is a not-for-profit arts organisation working with a network of voluntary groups. They provide a range of support for arts activities that keep people in touch with their communities and enhance their quality of life, including high-quality, entertaining and affordable professional live theatre, music, dance and film screenings in their local village hall, church or school. SKDC proudly supports Live & Local, providing funding towards their programme of events. Head to liveandlocal.org.uk for more information or pick up one of their brochures from the Arts Centre.

LIVE & LOCAL

WEDNESDAY 12TH – FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER, 7:30PM | SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER, 2PM

AND THEN THERE WERE NONE GRANTHAM DRAMATIC SOCIETY

It starts with ten, then nine, then eight... picked off one-by-one by an unseen hand. Will it end with none left alive?

Ten strangers are brought together on an isolated island, invited away for a weekend together by a person they have never met. Yet, instead of hospitality they face terror and accusations for past sins. With an invisible net tightening around them, suspicion spreads through the party, as a childish rhyme suddenly takes on a hideous new meaning. Christie's biggest-selling novel, and the biggest-selling mystery of all time, this gripping play will keep you on the edge of your seat until the final twist.

£14 (£12 concessions) £12 groups of 6+ | Hired



WEDNESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER, 2PM

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES NEIL SANDS

Neil Sands and his amazing cast return with the brand-new 2025 production of their must-see Christmas Cracker! Don't miss an afternoon full of festive joy and heartwarming nostalgia, featuring over 60 of your all-time favourite Christmas songs and carols.

You'll be singing along from start to finish, reliving cherished memories of Christmases past. With stunning costumes and even falling snow, it's been described as "Like A Sparkly Christmas Card Come To Life." This truly is the perfect way to kick off the festive season!

£14 (£13 concessions) | Programmed



NOVEMBER



FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER, 7:30PM

GRAFFITI CLASSICS

16 strings, 8 dancing feet and 4 voices in 1 electrifying and hilarious pre-Christmas musical show! Graffiti Classics is a comedy string quartet who never sit down, bursting the perceived elitist boundaries of traditional classical music with their hilarious all-singing, all-dancing musical comedy show.

Wickedly funny, the group energetically leap and clown their way through an eclectic musical landscape from Beethoven to Elvis, all virtuosically accompanied on their own instruments. This ground-breaking group are on a mission: to make classical music irresistibly fun.

This is the ideal show to get you into the festive spirit before Christmas—it's a virtuosic mix of musical comedy, gypsy-folk, opera, bluegrass, stand-up comedy and dance!

£22 (£5 under 16s) | Programmed

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Your donations will allow us to provide tickets free of charge to people, children and families that have never been to the theatre before or might not have been able to attend otherwise. We will work with local partners including schools, social prescribers and third sector organisations to identify those most in need within our community. Donations can be made online, over the phone or in person at box office.

SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER 10AM, 11AM & 12PM

CHRISTMAS COPPER WORKSHOP WITH SHALINI AUSTIN

Join Lincolnshire based artisan metalsmith Shalini Austin to make decorative items out of copper sheet and wire.

This is a fun workshop for adults as well as children aged 8+. You will make colourful Christmas themed decorations in copper for indoor or outdoor display, learn about metalwork tools and how to use a hammer to create texture and dimension on flat copper sheet. All material and tools will be provided. Adults who are just accompanying their children do not need to buy a ticket however adults who wish to take part in the workshop must buy a ticket.

£8 per participant | Suitable for ages 8+
Programmed



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LOCAL EVENTS



FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER, 8PM

TAYLORMANIA

Taylormania – Taylor Swift Eras tribute concert is an award-winning extravaganza that plays tribute to one of the leading contemporary recording artists of our time. Starring Katy Ellis - a self-confessed 'Swiftie' - with an incredible live band, light show and dancers, the show promises to deliver the most authentic recreation of a Taylor Swift show you will ever see.

Meres Leisure Centre NG31 7XQ | £27

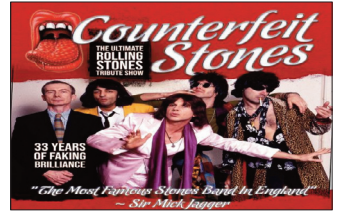


WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER, 7:30PM

KYAN STRING QUARTET

A Grantham Music Club Concert. The Kyan Quartet, prize winners of the 2024 Royal Over-Seas League and 2025 City Music Foundation artists, unites musicians from the UK, US, China, and France. They perform globally in venues like Wigmore Hall and Shanghai Opera House. Upcoming highlights include a Scottish tour joining the Carducci Quartet's Barbiican Shostakovich cycle, and guitar quintets with Ahmed Dickinson.

ChristChurch NG31 6QZ
£15 (child & student free)



SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER, 8PM

THE COUNTERFEIT STONES

The Counterfeit Stones, Britain's major Rolling Stones tribute act, are coming to the Grantham in a rare appearance for the band in Lincolnshire. Why pay a fortune to see ants in a stadium when for a fraction of the price you can get up close and smell the faking brilliance of the Counterfeit Stones – described as a Rolling Stones' hooky masterpiece.

Meres Leisure Centre NG31 7XQ | £27
Ages 18+



WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER, 7:30PM

MARSYAS TRIO

A Grantham Music Club Concert. The London-based Marsyas Trio—Australian flautist Helen Vidovich, Canadian cellist Valerie Welbanks, and Belarusian pianist Olga Stezhko—champions classical-to-contemporary works for flute, cello, and piano. Formed by Royal Academy of Music graduates, they explore themes of gender, society, and politics through commissions and historic repertoire.

ChristChurch NG31 6QZ
£15 (child & student free)



WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER, 7:30PM

CLASSIC RHYTHM

A Grantham Music Club Concert. Classic Rhythm is a dynamic chamber trio formed in 1992, featuring flute, piano, and percussion. They have achieved great success, performing to sold-out audiences across the UK, broadcasting on Classic FM, and appearing on BBC2. Their repertoire blends classical favourites with jazz, light music, and original compositions.

ChristChurch NG31 6QZ
£15 (child & student free)



SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER, 7:30PM

MUD LIVE IN CONCERT + GLAM AND GLITZ

Glam rockers Mud, featuring two of the four original members, are playing a handful of shows this winter. It will truly be Grantham's Big Christmas party, with original 70s band Mud singing live one of the most memorable and best loved Christmas songs of all time – "Lonely This Christmas" – together with their host of top ten glam hits.

Meres Leisure Centre NG31 7XQ | £27
Ages 18+

BOOKING INFORMATION

The box office is open from 10am-2pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday plus 45 minutes prior to events. Online bookings are open 24/7 and gift vouchers and credit can also be used when booking via our website. Tickets can be printed in person or sent via email as a PDF. Simply show your ticket on your smart phone as you enter the theatre – no need to print!

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Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult when attending unless otherwise specified. Babes in arms tickets are available on selected performances for children. These are for toddlers aged 2 and under. Please speak directly to the box office to check for eligibility. These are lap tickets only and they will not be assigned a seat, therefore one babes in arms ticket per adult.

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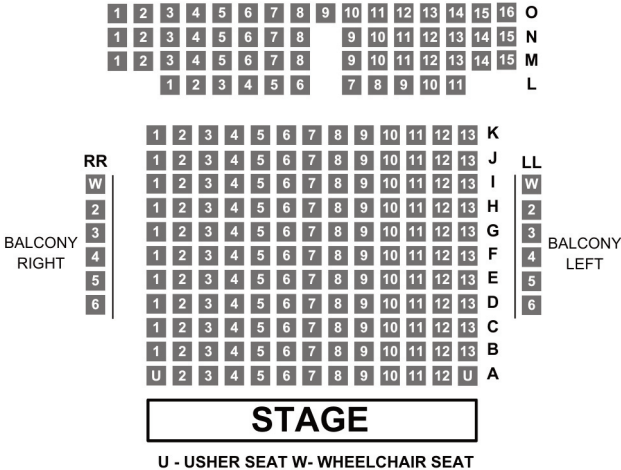
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THEATRE SEATING PLAN



SNOW WHITE

A Wickedly Fun Family Pantomime

Mirror Mirror On The Wall. What's the fairest panto of them all?

Following last year's record breaking pantomime the Guildhall Arts Centre are proud to present this year's magical Christmas extravaganza SNOW WHITE.

This enchanting fairytale will captivate audiences of all ages and is the perfect festive treat for the whole family. With spectacular scenery, dazzling costumes, amazing special effects, hilarious jokes and plenty of audience participation SNOW WHITE promises something for everyone.

The show will once again star Grantham's favourite Dame **JOHN HIGHTON** as Nurse Nelly alongside a full supporting principal cast and wonderful professional dancers.

So don't delay, book today and secure your seats now!

TICKETS

Adult	£19.00
Concession/Child	£17.50
Family of 4	£68.00
Groups (10+)	£15.00

® Relaxed performance - Suitable for people with autistic spectrum conditions, dementia and additional support needs.

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* School performances

	MORNING	MATINEE	EVENING
Sat 29 Nov		2.00pm	6.30pm
Sun 30 Dec		1.00pm	5.00pm
Mon 1 Dec	10.15am*	1.15pm*	
Tue 2 Dec	10.15am*	1.15pm*	
Wed 3 Dec	10.15am*	1.15pm*	
Thu 4 Dec	No performances		
Fri 5 Dec			6.30pm
Sat 6 Dec	10.30am	2.00pm	6.30pm
Sun 7 Dec		1.00pm	5.00pm
Mon 8 Dec	10.15am*	1.15pm*	
Tue 9 Dec	10.15am*	1.15pm*	
Wed 10 Dec	10.15am*	1.15pm*	
Thu 11 Dec	No performances		
Fri 12 Dec			6.30pm
Sat 13 Dec	10.30am®	2.00pm	6.30pm
Sun 14 Dec		1.00pm	5.00pm
Mon 15 Dec	10.15am*	1.15pm*	
Tue 16 Dec	10.15am*	1.15pm*	
Wed 17 Dec	10.15am*		6.30pm
Thu 18 Dec	No performances		
Fri 19 Dec		2.00pm	6.30pm
Sat 20 Dec	10.30am	2.00pm	6.30pm
Sun 21 Dec		1.00pm	5.00pm
Mon 22 Dec		2.00pm	6.30pm
Tue 23 Dec		2.00pm	6.30pm
Wed 24 Dec	10.30am	2.00pm	
Thu 25 Dec	Merry Christmas - No performances		
Fri 26 Dec	No performances		
Sat 27 Dec		2.00pm	6.30pm
Sun 28 Dec		1.00pm	5.00pm
Mon 29 Dec	10.30am	2.00pm	6.30pm
Tue 30 Dec		2.00pm	6.30pm
Wed 31 Dec	10.30am	2.00pm	
Thu 1 Jan	No performances		
Fri 2 Jan		2.00pm	6.30pm ©
Sat 3 Jan	10.30am	2.00pm	6.30pm
Sun 4 Jan		1.00pm	

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