



# What's On

## Jan – July 2019

Lancaster  
Grand  
—  
Theatre



Al Murray - Landlord Of Hope And Glory Tour Friday 31st May 7.30pm

Lancastergrand.co.uk **Box Office** 01524 64695



# Hello and a very warm welcome to the Lancaster Grand Theatre

The Lancaster Grand Theatre is a thriving venue delivering an exciting and inspirational programme including comedy, live music (with outstanding vocalists and musicians), drama, Children's TV Shows, Educational performances, 'Audiences With' and both Traditional Family and Adult Pantomimes since 1782. Our venue is a beautiful, historic building full of charm and history and is the third oldest provincial theatre in the country. For those of you that don't know, we are an 'unfunded' theatre which means we are totally dependent on ourselves and our ability to sell tickets.

Make sure you take a look at our 'What's Coming Up' as we welcome some 'old faithful's back and many newcomers' too. Enjoy!

Ellie Singleton  
Theatre Manager

**Categories:** ● Music ● Family ● Comedy ● Interest ● Drama ● Dance ● Musical



## Lancaster Grand Community Support

Although Lancaster Grand Theatre is a charity itself and receives no external funding we endeavour, where we can, to support other local charities by donating our building and resources for free. This year's charities are below:

### St John's Hospice & NeuroDropin Centre

We are also lucky to be the recipients of a fund raising event ourselves being organised by The Lancaster and District Male Voice Choir.



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# January 2019



## The New Foyer Appeal Concert

Saturday 19th Jan - 7.30pm

Tickets: £10 / £9 conc

Winter Musicale featuring The Lancaster and District Male Voice Choir with guest soloists and choirs. The Lancaster and District Male Voice Choir is one of the oldest secular male voice choirs in the country. It can trace its history back to its foundation in 1899. The Choir continues its traditions of providing entertainment for audiences, enjoyment for members and money for charities.



## Laura Sandham's School of Dance presents Showcase Spectacular

Sunday 20th Jan - 1pm & 5pm

Tickets: £9 / £7.50 conc

There will be music from The Greatest Showman and excerpts from La Fille Mal Garde plus others, with a programme of acrobatics, ballroom, cheerleading, singing and street dance.

# January 2019

## Hal Cruttenden: Chubster

Friday 25th Jan - 8pm

Tickets: £18

Hal's literally filled our screens recently on Have I Got News For You, The Apprentice: You're Fired, Bake Off: Extra Slice, and Live at the Apollo. His daughters chose the title of his new stand-up show. He's now on a diet.

Age 14+

\*\*\*\*\* 'On top form' – Edinburgh Evening News

\*\*\*\*\* 'He had the audience in stitches' – Daily Record

\*\*\*\* 'Hilarious' – Evening Standard

\*\*\*\* 'Hugely talented' – The Times

\*\*\*\* 'Go and see Hal Cruttenden' – Daily Mirror



## Roy Hemmings Motown Show

Saturday 26th Jan - 7.30pm

Tickets: £22

Both critics and fans agree that Roy G Hemming's is a great showman and dynamic singer. Understood as the longest serving former member of legendary group, The Drifters, Roy had worked alongside founder Johnny Moore for more than 10 years. This Show feature some of the classic hits Motown, by The Supremes, Martha Reeves and the Vandellas, The Four Tops, The Temptations, Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder and Lionel Ritchie to name but a few. This electrifying show features such classic hits as 'Stop In The name Of Love' 'Dancing in the Street', 'I Can't Help Myself', 'I Heard It through the Grapevine', 'My Girl 'Reach Out I'll be there' and more.



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# January 2019



**St John's Hospice Choir**  
**"Why we Sing"**

**Sunday 27th January at 6pm**  
**The Grand Theatre, Lancaster**

**Tickets £12** concessions £10  
Tickets available from Box Office at The Grand - 01524 64695  
or from St John's Hospice reception

**This event is in partnership with The Grand Theatre, Lancaster**  
**All proceeds to St John's Hospice**

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**A GRAND VARIETY SHOW STARRING**  
**toploader**

**THURSDAY THE 31ST OF JANUARY 2019**  
**DOORS OPEN 7PM**

 **Lancaster Grand**

**RAISING FUNDS FOR**  
**NeuroDropin**  
**Together better**

Lancaster grand theatre, St Leonardgate, Lancaster LA1 1NL  
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Lancaster Farms Estate, Stonerow Head, Lancaster, LA1 3QZ  
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**TICKETS £20**

Lancaster Grand Community Support  
**St John's Hospice Choir**  
**"Why we Sing"**

Sunday 27th Jan - 6pm

Tickets: £12 / £10 conc

January offers a time of renewal & hope to all and this is "Why St John's Hospice Choir Sing"- with an energy & enthusiasm which will brighten dark winter days. Under the motivating musical directorship of Joanna Jeffreys, our choir have established an inspiring and varied repertoire, embracing songs from the shows with sacred & secular settings including Sweet Charity's "The Rhythm of Life" & Amanda McBroom's "The Rose." Concerts in 2017/18 have raised an incredible £9000. Every penny goes towards supporting vital care in this community each day, every day.

Lancaster Grand Community Support  
**A Grand Variety Show**  
**starring Toploader**

Thursday 31st Jan - 7.30pm

Tickets: £20

The Neuro Dropin is a Lancaster based charity that supports people and families with neurological conditions. Based at the Lancaster farms estate and includes a café, bistro, therapy rooms, charity shop and classroom. We help nearly 200 families a year with our provisions with annual running costs in the region of £80,000. As a self-funded charity we rely on fundraising through events and also from the generous donations from the public to keep our doors open. With this in mind, we decided to put on an evening that will blow away the January blues and have you dancing in the moonlight on your way home. Huge shout out to Lancaster Grand for supporting us on this evening and we look forward to seeing you all on the night.

# February 2019

## Let Me Entertain You

Friday 1st Feb - 7.30pm

Tickets: £24 / £22 conc

Lancaster Grand Theatre are pleased to welcome back JK as Robbie Williams with his stage show Let Me Entertain You. If you have seen the show before then you will know to buy tickets early and expect an incredible atmospheric night of entertainment.

Be captivated by the world of our greatest pop star Robbie Williams in this full stage production, celebrating the music of our UK born icon with huge stage sets, a host of talented musicians, state of the art video and that hint of Robbie magic.

Tickets sell quickly; so for your chance to see the most spectacular stage production celebrating the music of the most awarded UK artist in history, then book now!



## Whitney – Queen Of The Night

Saturday 2nd Feb - 7.30pm

Tickets: £25 / £23 conc

A stunning celebration of the music and life of one of the greatest singers of our time. This award winning production features a sensational line-up of musicians and artistes, and together with a powerhouse and breath-taking performance in the spirit of Whitney, deliver a show that exceeds expectation on every level.

Taking us on a magical rollercoaster ride through three decades of classic hit's that include, I Wanna Dance With Somebody, One Moment In Time, I'm Every Woman, My Love is Your Love, So Emotional Baby, Run to You, Saving All My Love, I will Always Love You, and many more, this show beautifully remembers the most highly awarded female artiste in the world ever.

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DIRECT FROM LONDON

# WHITNEY

## QUEEN OF THE NIGHT

★★★★★

'A POWERHOUSE PERFORMANCE THAT DELIVERS ON EVERY LEVEL..... GO AND SEE IT NOW!'

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'DESERVED THE STANDING OVATION'

A STUNNING CELEBRATION OF THE MUSIC - THE LIFE - THE STAR

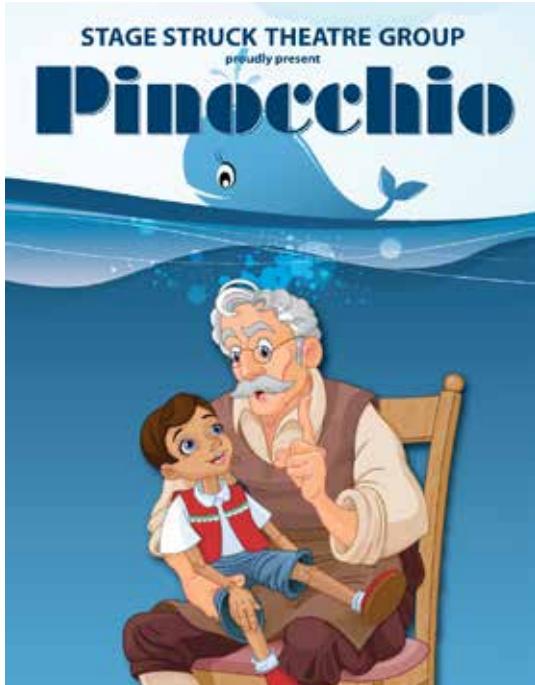
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# February 2019



Stage Struck Theatre Group  
proudly present

## Pinocchio

Thursday 7th / 8th / 9th Feb - 7.30pm

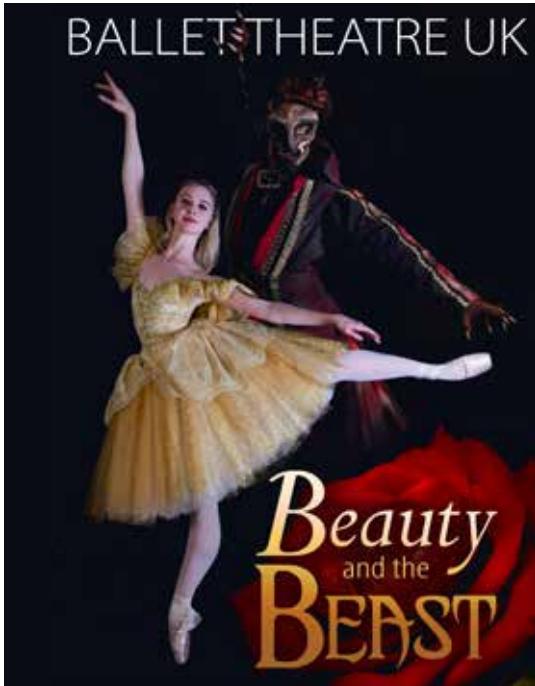
Saturday 9th Feb - 2pm

Tickets: £12 / £10 conc

If you loved "WITCHES" you'll be enthralled with Stage Struck's magical retelling of the dark, sometimes scary, often hilarious tale of PINOCCHIO.

Retold from the original Carlo Collodi by Liz Brewster – choreography by Hannah-Louisa Doyle with original and brilliant score by Phil Allcock.

Discounts available for groups and schools



Ballet Theatre UK presents  
**Beauty and The Beast**

Sunday 10th Feb - 3pm

Tickets: £17.50 / £15.50 conc

£10 under 16's

Join Ballet Theatre UK with one of the most enchanting love stories of all time, "Beauty and the Beast". Inspired by the original tale, this production tells the story of Belle, a beautiful and intelligent young woman who feels out of place in her provincial French village. Set to a stunning classical score this production will showcase new choreography by Artistic Director, Christopher Moore, as well as featuring new sets and costumes created especially for this production.

# February 2019

## Dear Zoo Live!

Monday 11th Feb - 1.30pm & 3.30pm

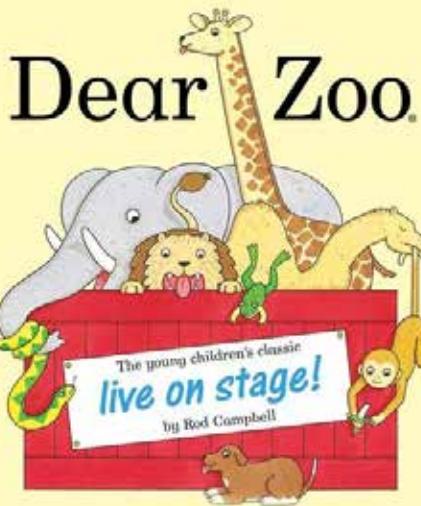
Tuesday 12th Feb - 11am & 2pm

Tickets: £12 / £8.50 schools

Family £44

After a successful debut tour, Dear Zoo the timeless children's classic book returns to the stage in 2019!

Rod Campbell's best-selling lift the flap book has delighted generations of young readers since it was first published in 1982. And has sold more than 8 million copies worldwide. This production will delight all those who have read the book (both young and old) as it unfolds with child-engaging puppets, music and lots of audience interaction. Join us to see what the zoo has sent: the perfect pet – in the end!



## The Christians

Friday 15th Feb - 7.30pm

Tickets: £22 / £21 conc

Described as “the Temptations in ripped jeans ....” by one rock critic, the Liverpool band’s infectious melodies and warm harmonies had a deep emotional undercurrent. Feeding on accusations, protest, despair and even self-doubt, their “socially aware soul” made a big impact on the complacent music scene of the late 80s. The band’s name came from the surname of the three brothers that were originally in the line-up (Garry, Russell and Roger Christian) and was also, coincidentally, their songwriter/guitarist/ keyboards player Henry Priestman’s middle name.

Age 12+



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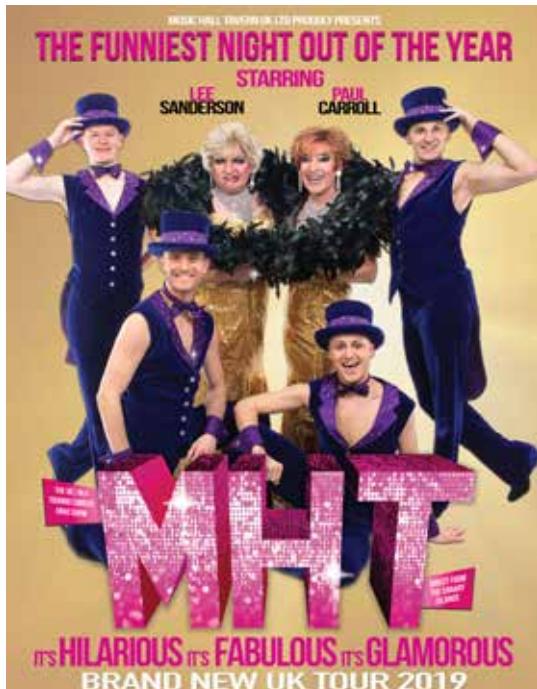


## Lau

Saturday 16th Feb - 8pm

Tickets: £18.50 Adv / £20.50 Door

Scottish folk pioneers Lau return with their first new music since 2015's 'The Bell That Never Rang' (Album of The Year - The Herald, \*\*\*\*\* The Guardian). Premiering at Edinburgh International Festival August 18 2018 - at one of their now legendary self curated Lau-Land events. The new music was written in Shetland and highlights the continuation of Lau's experimental approach to folk music with increasingly minimal arrangements in song form which include the themes of togetherness and forgiveness. Lau is a trio that put a lot of thought into the live experience and presentation, something anyone who shared in Lau's acclaimed Decade tour will know, they have fresh theatrical ideas for Lau's 2018-2019 tour.



## Music Hall Tavern

Thursday 21st Feb - 7.30pm

Tickets: £20 / £18.50 conc

The UK's premier comedy drag show is back for its 6th year with a brand new hilarious fabulous glamorous show for 2019!

Whatever your age, come along and join Mrs T and the "girls" from MHT this Spring for a truly magnificent night of dazzling costumes, side splitting laughter and a cast of unique characters singing and dancing all night long. A feel-good night that will not only entertain and amuse you, but will leave you with unforgettable memories of the funniest night out of the year! Starring the sensational Paul Carroll as Mrs T, Lee Sanderson as Peggy Lee and featuring the Showcase International Dancers.

Age 14+

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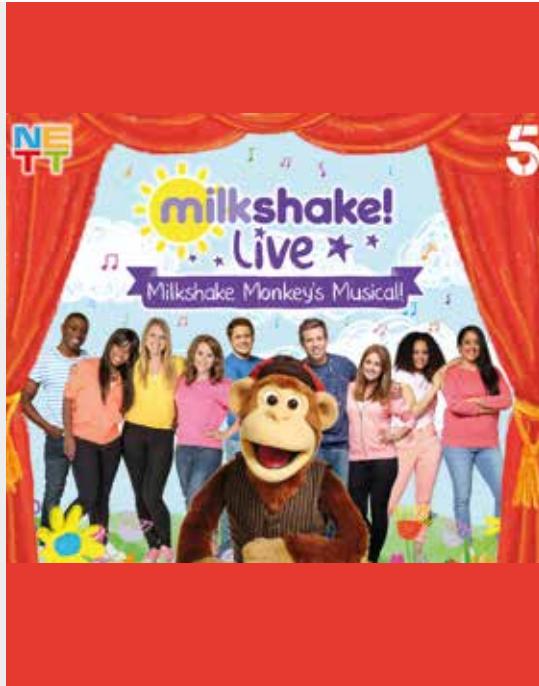
## Milkshake! Live

Friday 22nd Feb - 12pm & 3.30pm  
Tickets: £15.50 / £14.50 under 16's  
£54 Family / £5 12 months to 2 years  
Babes in arms FREE

Milkshake! Monkey is determined to put on a Musical, so spectacular, it will keep the theatre open forever! This won't be easy, so he'll need the help of his Milkshake! friends. Working together, Milkshake! Monkey soon learns that with great friends anything is possible.

Join Milkshake! Monkey and friends for their biggest and best live show ever! With plenty of laughter, great songs, funky dance routines, bags of audience interaction and bucket loads of fun, it's the family show not to be missed.

Please be aware if you wish to sit your baby (up to 12 months) on your knee you must select the ticket Adult and Baby.



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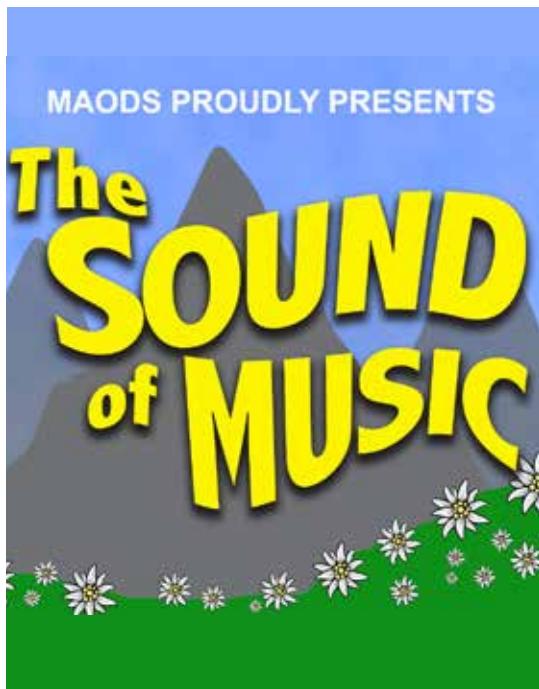
## The Sound of Music

Tues 26th Feb - Fri 1st March - 7.15pm  
Sat 2nd March - 2.15pm & 7.15pm  
Tickets: £15 / £12 Tues & Sat 2.15pm

The Sound of Music is based on a real life story of the Von Trap Family.

In 1930's Austria a young woman Maria is attempting to become a nun. She is sent to the villa of Navy Captain Von Trap who is looking for a governess for his seven mischievous children and Maria is given the job.

Her kindness and sense of fun endear her to the children and to the Captain who she eventually marries.



# March 2019



## A Very Special Evening With Russell Watson

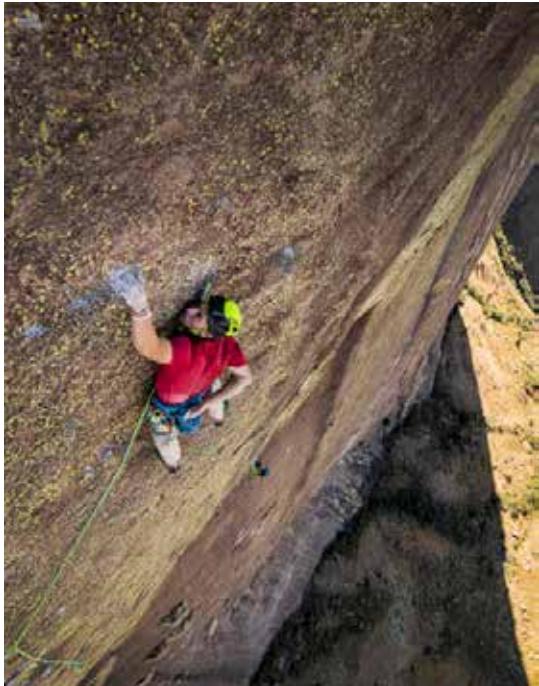
Wednesday 6th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £45

Join four-time Brit Classical Award winner Russell Watson for a very special evening, accompanied by his pianist and guest choir.

Having sold more than seven million albums worldwide, Russell Watson is firmly established as the UK's best-selling classical crossover artist of all time. To date, his illustrious career has included performances for Her Majesty The Queen, The Pope and two US Presidents.

Captivating to watch and enchanting to listen to, Russell continues to wow audiences with his enigmatic and entertaining live performances.



## The Brit Rock Film Tour

Thursday 7th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £12 / £11 conc

The Brit Rock Film Tour is back for 2019 with its strongest line up to date

The UK has arguably the richest climbing history and one of the strongest ethical codes of conduct in the world; Brit Rock is quite literally a no-nonsense celebration of this richness. Leading film maker and founder of the Brit Rock Tour Alastair Lee is collaborating with the best of the UK's adventure film makers as well as his own new productions resulting in this stunning new line up of climbing films.

# March 2019

## Dirty Dusting

Friday 8th March – 7.30pm

Tickets: £22

Starring Crissy Rock, Leah Bell and Dolores Poretta – Back by popular demand!

This is a heart-warming, feel good comedy which will have you rolling in the aisles and smiling every time you answer the phone. Dirty Dusting is a sex chat line that really cleans up.

Age 16+



## Ardal O'Hanlon: The Showing Off Must Go On

Saturday 9th March – 8pm

Tickets £22

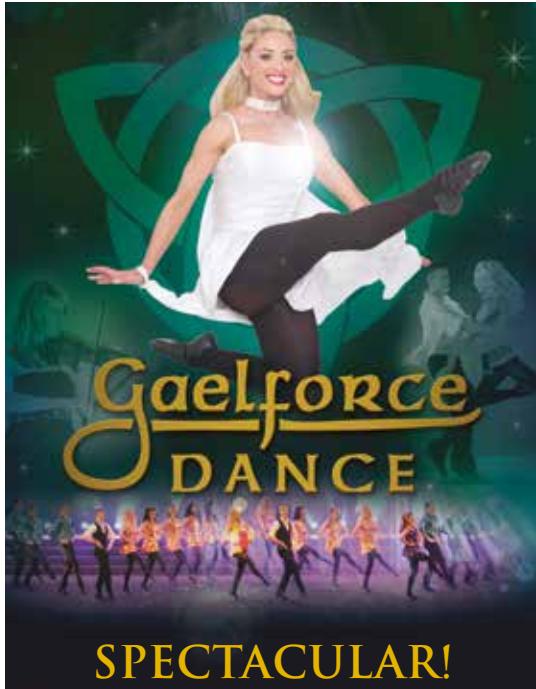
Mick Perrin Worldwide in association with Dawn Sedgwick Management presents Ardal O'Hanlon, star of Death in Paradise, Father Ted, and My Hero (BBC), continues to tour his acclaimed stand-up shows worldwide. Because he loves it. And it's a compulsion. And the world is a funny place. In an age of raging populism, MeToo, identity politics, the end of truth, the collapsing middle ground, peak avocado and £15 Gin and Tonics, and terrified of being on the wrong side of history, and desperate to prove that his gender, race, age and class don't necessarily define him.

Age 16+



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# March 2019



## SPECTACULAR!



### Gaelforce Dance

Sunday 10th March - 7.30pm

Tickets £24 / £23 conc

Gaelforce Dance the International phenomenal Irish Dance Show is delighted to be performing in the UK in 2019, to once again enchant audiences nationwide.

Gaelforce Dance, the celebration of Irish dance, music and song, has dynamically tapped its way into the beating hearts of millions of audience members worldwide since its inception in 1999. This Dance spectacular has enjoyed tremendous success on a global scale performing in over 30 countries, across 4 continents and playing to over 2 million people.

### Robert Newman's Total Eclipse of Descartes

Thursday 14th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £14

Phil McIntyre Entertainments proudly presents Robert Newman's Total Eclipse of Descartes. Based on the hit BBC Radio 4 series 'Rob Newman's Total Eclipse of Descartes', Rob's whirlwind tour of philosophy explores 3000 years of good and bad ideas from Pythagoras to driverless cars, by way of levitating Buddhist monks, Pavlov's dogs, Jean-Paul Sartre's mum, Fat Man On A Bridge, T. Rex, Morrissey and wire monkeys.

In a world gone crazy, can philosophy help?

# March 2019

## Dan Snow

### The History Hit UK Tour 2019

Friday 15th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £25

'An Evening with Dan Snow' will feature the well-known historian and TV presenter recount anecdotes of memorable experiences from his very successful career as an historian and broadcaster. Otherwise known as 'The History Guy' Dan will also research and include historical facts and stories relating to the specific area/ town of each theatre on the tour and will be aided by the use of digital screens. The show will be an undoubted success with academics, students, families (young and old) and all those interested in the history of LANCASTER and the surrounding areas. The show will conclude with a 20mins Q&A



## Ultimate Bublé

Saturday 16th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £19 / £17 conc

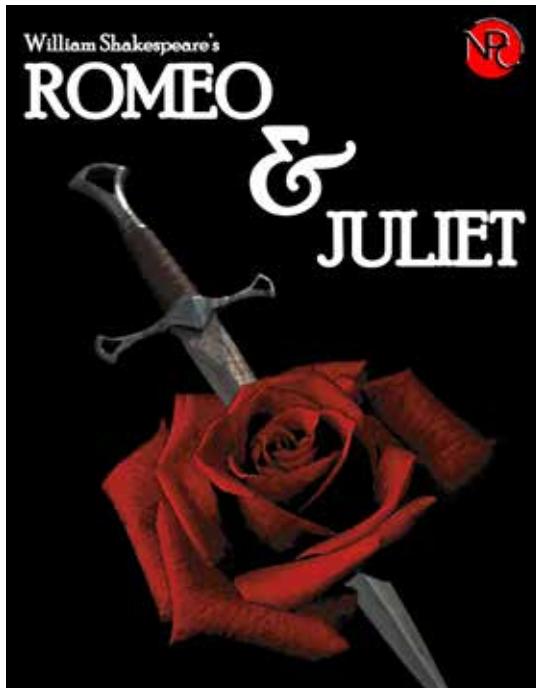
Mark Daniels as Ultimate Bublé performs the biggest hits of Michael Bublé in this stunning live tribute show featuring his incredible live band.

The show's big band sound, along with Mark's mesmerising likeness to the modern day Canadian crooner, will appeal to fans of traditional big band music and Michael Bublé alike.

Mark's charismatic nature, powerful vocals and boyish charm, are all perfectly packaged in true tuxedo style. A sleek, polished performance with a top coat of class and sophistication.



# March 2019



## Romeo and Juliet

Wednesday 20th March - 1.30pm & 7.30pm

Tickets: £16 / £12.50 conc  
£10 school

What if you were told to resent your first true love? One of Shakespeare's most famous plays is brought to life by the National Production Company as they present Romeo and Juliet. An explosive, all-consuming love story in which a young couple risk everything by defying their feuding families to find love on the medieval streets of Verona. However, their irresistible desire for change gives rise to calamitous consequences.



## LipService presents **Strangers on a Train Set**

Thursday 21st March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £15 / £14 conc

Challenging a youth to turn down his music, Irene Sparrow, inventor of the left-handed crochet hook (patent pending, as seen on Dragon's Den) finds herself under suspicion of murder after the train emerges from a tunnel with the young man dead. But this is no ordinary train, each passenger is reading a book, each book is a portal into a parallel universe of train related crime fiction. With clever use of projection and multiple train sets, LipService give you a whistle stop tour that will leave you breathless and racing for the refreshment coach. So don't blow your stack, this show is just the ticket to help you let off steam and overuse many more railway metaphors. A show that appeals to crime aficionados and narrow gauge railway enthusiasts alike.

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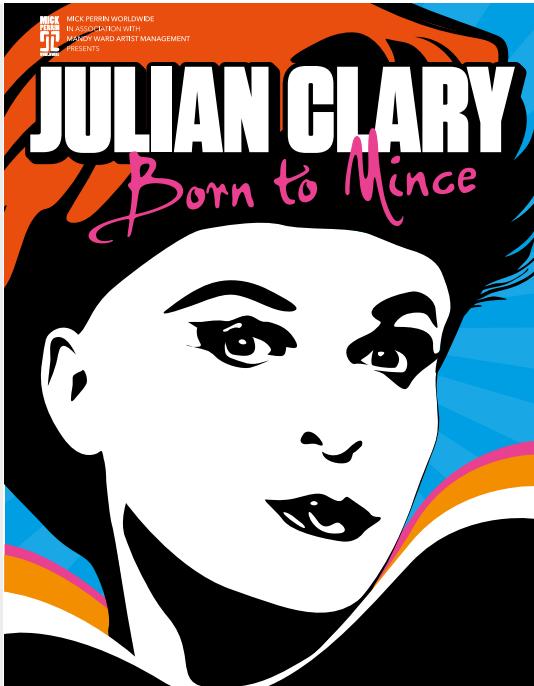
## Julian Clary – Born To Mince

Friday 22nd March – 7.30pm

Tickets: £25 / £23 conc

Mick Perrin Worldwide in association with Mandy Ward Artist Management presents Julian Clary. ‘Are you ready for some filth? I know I am. It’s been a while since I sallied forth to pleasure the provinces with my particular brand of saucy innuendo. Let me at them!’ In this outrageously camp new show, (that he was going to call Bed Knobs and Knee Pads but was advised might not sell too well in Harrogate), renowned homosexual Julian Clary will bare his soul as never before in the interests of light entertainment. He’ll murder some well known songs along the way, no doubt, read you a sneak preview from his next memoir A Night At the Lubricant and make withering remarks about punters foolish enough to sit in the front row. You know the kind of thing. It’s the only life he knows. Don’t miss out.

Age 16+



## Jennifers Dancers Showcase

Saturday 23rd March – 6pm

Sunday 24th March – 3pm

Tickets: £9

Jennifer's dancers return to the Grand Theatre for their annual street dance showcase 2019. Dancers from ages 4 upwards from Lancaster, Kendal, Milnthorpe, Carnforth and Morecambe, will take to the stage to perform a range of street dance styles including hip hop, break dance, popping, locking, tutting, house and krump.



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# March 2019



Blackeyed Theatre present  
**Sherlock Holmes –  
The Sign of Four**

Monday 25th March - 7.30pm

Tuesday 26th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £17.50 / £16.50 conc

£10 School/Child

The Sign of Four is Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's epic second Sherlock Holmes tale, a breathtaking yarn brought to life in this spectacular new stage adaptation. When Mary Morstan arrives at 221B, Baker Street to request help with the mystery of her missing father, Holmes takes the case and together with his companion Dr Watson enters a murky world of deception and trickery, unravelling a complex plot involving murder, corruption and stolen jewels.

In association with New Theatre Royal Portsmouth and South Hill Park Arts Centre presents Sherlock Holmes – The Sign of Four by Blackeyed Theatre. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle Adapted for the Stage by Nick Lane. Directed by Nick Lane Music by Tristan Parkes.



## Foster and Allen

Thursday 28th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £24

For over four decades in the music business, Foster & Allen have continuously managed to scale new heights! Their albums constantly enter the UK Top 40 and their new album, due to be released for the tour will no doubt continue this pattern.

In late March and early April 2019, Foster & Allen will be touring England and Scotland with their brand new live show – A Night to Remember. On the show they will be performing all their hits including 'Bunch of Thyme', 'Maggie', 'After All These Years', 'I Will Love You All My Life'...and many more, the list is endless.

# March 2019

## Love Machine

Friday 29th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £20

From the beginning of popular music with the American Song Book way back in 1935 with classics like Cole Porters Under My Skin. We move on to the rocking 50s and Why Do Fools Fall In Love and then the swinging 60s and You Don't Have To Say You Love Me. Motown of course with Heatwave and Ain't No Mountain High Enough through to the disco era and its all aboard the Love Train & many more.

Its a feel good fun production of all the great love related songs delivered with lots of humour, class and style that sure to get you clapping, singing and enjoying all your favourite memories !



## An Evening With Jimmy Bullard

Saturday 30th March - 7.30pm

Tickets: £25 / £40 VIP

Jimmy has gained a reputation over the years as being one of the funniest blokes in football. He was an on field prankster throughout his footballing career, from laughing in the face of Duncan Ferguson to imitating Phil Brown. He will be talking through his career and giving the inside track to the other superstars of the generation. He is a regular on TV from 'I'm a celebrity' to hosting 'Soccer AM'. MC Is Former Professional Rugby player Turned Comedian John Lebon. VIP Ticket includes a selfie with Jimmy and he will sign an item of your own.



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# April 2019



## An Evening of Mediumship with Terri Stromeier

Friday 5th April - 7.30pm

Tickets: £15

Join International Psychic Medium, Terri Stromeier, for an evening of spirit communication and reconnect with those that have passed over to spirit. Terri brings through the thoughts, memories and conversations of those who have passed over onto the other side. This not only gives great comfort to those receiving the messages, but can also inspire and empower them in their current and future lives.



## Thank ABBA For The Music

Saturday 6th April - 7.30pm

Tickets: £19.50 / £17.50 conc

This two-hour theatre spectacular really does capture all the magic and excitement of ABBA, one of the world's most successful and entertaining live bands. This incredibly authentic show comes complete with superb vocals and beautiful ABBA trademark harmonies, stunning replica stage costumes, tongue-in-cheek Swedish humour and plenty of audience participation throughout so everyone is sure to be having the time of their life! The live band is backed throughout by interactive video projection which, at regular points, depicts key moments throughout ABBA's musical career together with clips of interviews from celebrities and music experts alike. ABBA and 70's style fancy dress remains optional (but certainly adds to the fun) ...

# April 2019

## An evening with Mark 'Billy' Billingham

Thursday 11th April - 7.30pm

Tickets: £22 / £21

Join TV's most experienced, highest ranking and most decorated SAS leader and sniper – Mark 'Billy' Billingham (as seen on Channel 4's SAS Who Dares Wins) for an exciting evening of inspirational speaking & stories.

Billy is a former SAS Sergeant Major Class 1 and Bodyguard to the Stars including Brad Pitt, Angelina Jolie, Russell Crowe, Sir Michael Caine, Tom Cruise and many others.

Hosted and produced by endurance world record breaker and author Mark Llewellyn.

There will also be a Q & A and a chance to meet Billy himself.

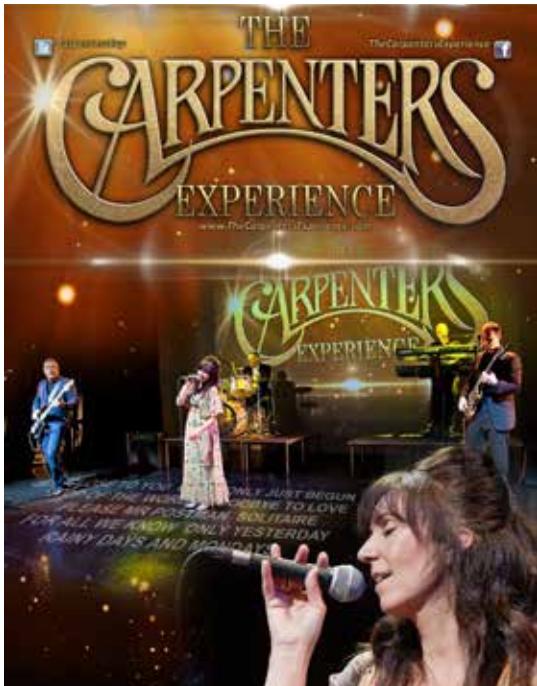


## The Carpenters Experience

Saturday 13th April - 7.30pm

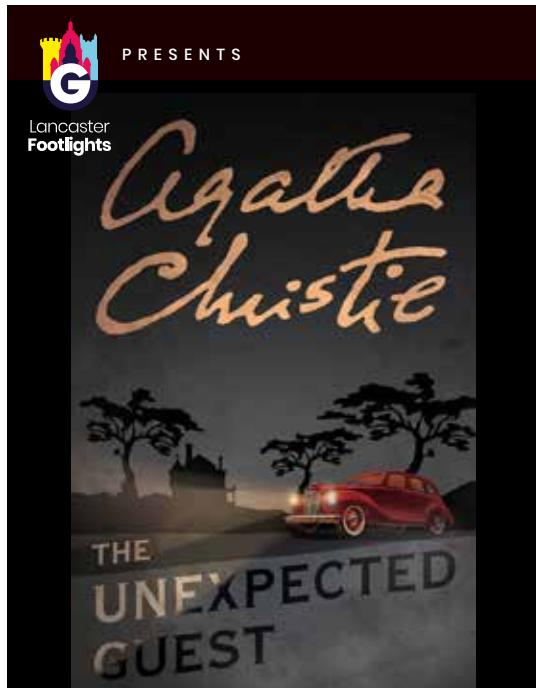
Tickets: £16

When we were young we'd listen to the radio, waiting for our favourite songs. Now they're back again, like a long-lost friend, all the song we loved so well. The UK's leading Carpenters show, featuring the amazing voice of Maggie Nestor and eight top-class musicians, captures the sights and sounds of the amazing talents of Richard and Karen Carpenter. Karen's silky contralto is combined with Richard's delightful piano and seamless harmonies in this big production that brings Close to You, We've only Just Begun, Top of the World, Rainy Days and Mondays, Solitaire, Goodbye to Love, Please Mr Postman, For All We Know, Only Yesterday and dozens more classic songs to the stage. The Carpenters Experience is coming to town for an evening of non-stop hits – it's yesterday once more...



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# April 2019



Lancaster Footlights present

## The Unexpected Guest

Tuesday 23rd-27th April - 7.30pm

Tickets: £10 / £9 conc

When a stranger runs his car into a ditch in dense fog in South Wales and makes his way to an isolated house, he discovers a woman standing over the dead body of her wheelchair-bound husband, gun in her hand. She admits to murder, and the unexpected guest offers to help her concoct a cover story. But is it possible that Laura Warwick did not commit the murder after all? If so, who is she shielding? The house seems full of possible suspects.



## Our Trace

Sunday 28th April - 7.30pm

Tickets: £15

Hello you lovely people....let me start by thanking you all so much for your support on this prestigious occasion. After 18 years of treading the boards, a short video clip of my act was shared live on social media. In days it went not only around the UK but worldwide, with the footage being viewed two and a half million times.

So now, I want to share my show with you wonderful people. Remember this, a wasted day is that in which we have not laughed, keep loving and laughing.....Our Trace

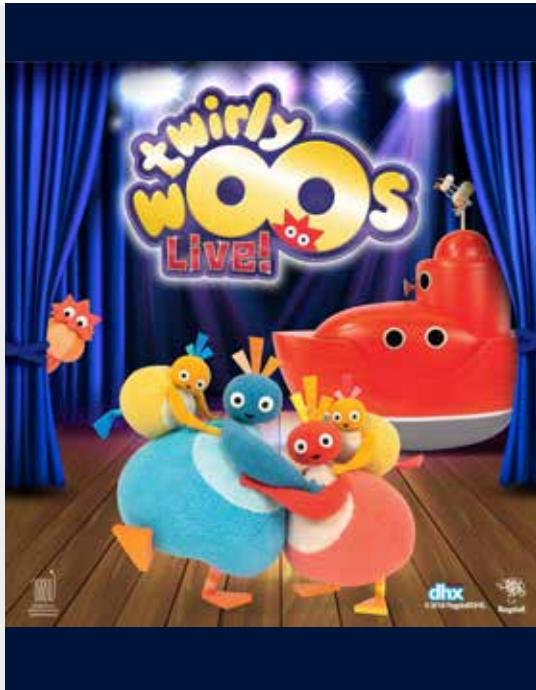
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## Twirlywoos Live!

Monday 29th April - 1.30pm &  
4.30pm

Tickets: £13 / £12 conc  
£10 12 months to 2 years

From the producers of The Very Hungry Caterpillar Show and Sarah and Duck Live on Stage comes another enchanting show for young audiences. The Twirlywoos are setting sail around the UK to welcome young fans along for a theatrical adventure. Expect mischief, music and plenty of surprises as they share the delight of discovery. With beautifully inventive puppetry the show promises a cast full of all your favourite characters from the hit TV show.



## An evening with Francis Rossi

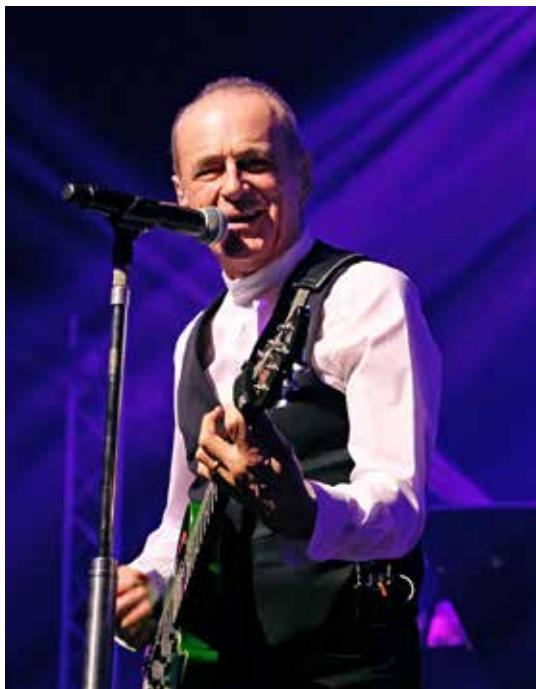
Wednesday 1st May - 7.30pm

Tickets: £25 / £32.50 VIP

Legendary Status Quo lead singer Francis Rossi will share the extraordinary secrets of his 50-plus years in rock'n'roll when he takes to the stage for an intimate evening.

In Francis Rossi: I Talk Too Much, the founder, lead singer and lead guitarist of Status Quo will talk about his mishaps and adventures of life on the road with one of the biggest and most loved bands ever. Francis is a true member of British Rock Royalty. He sang the first words at Live Aid in 1985, survived the obligatory rock'n'roll brush with alcohol and drugs, was awarded an OBE in 2010 and has a BRIT for his Outstanding Contribution to Music. His band has sold more than 120 million records globally.

VIP tickets include Best seats, exclusive VIP lanyard, 10 x 8 photograph of Francis Rossi.



Box Office 01524 64695

# May 2019



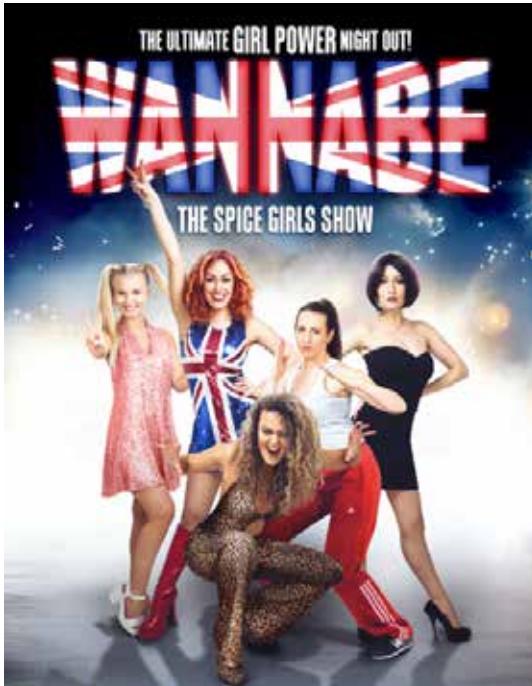
## Jethro

Thursday 2nd May - 7.30pm

Tickets: £21 / £20 conc

A memorable evening of hysterical nonsense, as we take a peek into the circus lurking deep within the mind of, probably the greatest, comic storyteller ever to grace the stage. Jethro beguiles and befuddles his audience with the endless stream of irreverent twaddle that has created a comedy genius.

Over 4 million DVD sales pay testament to the legion of fans who have followed Jethro faithfully throughout his career. Now, with stories old and new we present, live on stage.



## WANNABE

Friday 3rd May - 7.30pm

Tickets: £23

WANNABE is a spectacular concert created to celebrate the career of the World's biggest girl band, the Spice Girls. Featuring the greatest Spice Girls hits, this musical celebration recreates the era of Girl Power! From the chart stomping 'Spice Up Your Life' through to the hip shaking 'Who Do You Think You Are?', WANNABE takes you on a Spice World journey through the Spice Girls group and solo careers that will make you Zig-A-Zig-Ahahhh. Come and join the exceptionally talented WANNABE cast as they pay homage to Ginger, Scary, Posh, Sporty & Baby on the smash hit touring sensation not to be missed!

# May 2019

LADOS present

## **Jesus Christ Superstar**

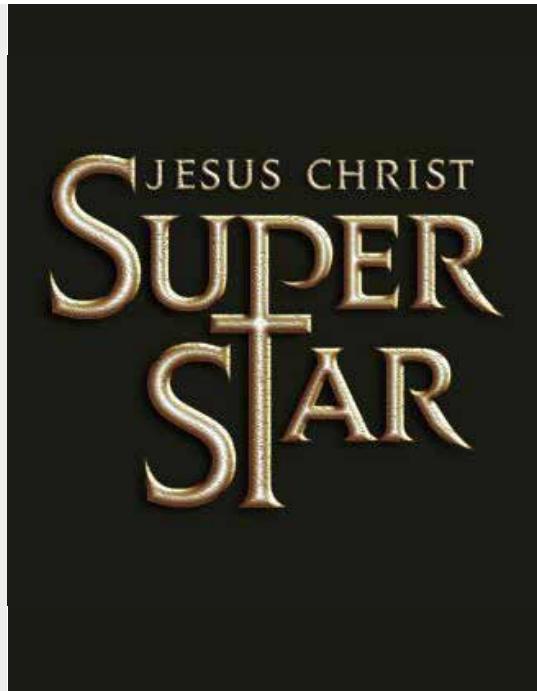
Tuesday 7th–10th May – 7.30pm

Saturday 11th May – 2pm & 7.30pm

Tickets: £15 / £13 conc

A global phenomenon that has wowed audiences for over 40 years, Jesus Christ Superstar is a timeless work set against the backdrop of an extraordinary and universally-known series of events but seen, unusually, through the eyes of Judas Iscariot following the last week of Christ's life. The iconic 1970s rock score contains such well-known numbers as "Superstar," "I Don't Know How to Love Him" and "Gethsemane."

An Amateur production by arrangement with The Musical Company Ltd. Lyrics by Tim Rice, Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber



Ballet Theatre UK presents

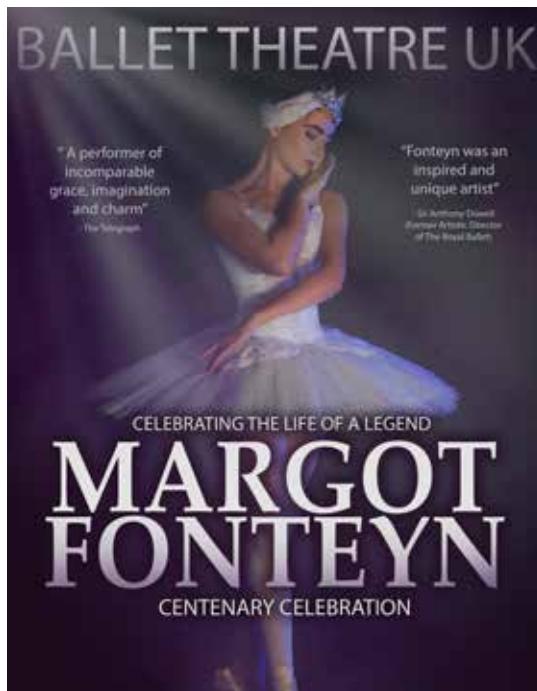
## **Margot Fonteyn**

Sunday 12th May – 5pm

Tickets: £18 / £16 conc

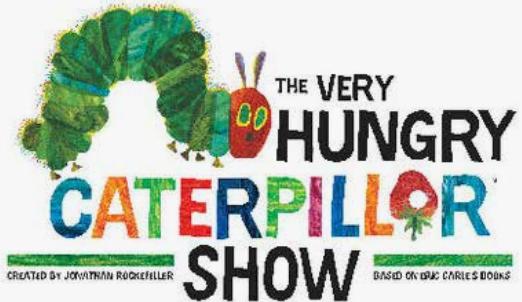
£10 under 16's

Margot Fonteyn was an iconic figure in British ballet. Along with Ninette de Valois and Frederick Ashton she was instrumental in shaping of the Royal Ballet company and the direction of British Ballet. Fonteyn was renowned for her great performances of the classics. Her charming quality and steely technique set the standards for the British Ballerina's. Fonteyn was also celebrated for her famous dance partnership with the great Russian dancer Rudolf Nureyev. Join Ballet Theatre UK as we mark the centenary of the great ballet icon.



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# May 2019



PRO TOURS THEATRE present

## The Very Hungry Caterpillar

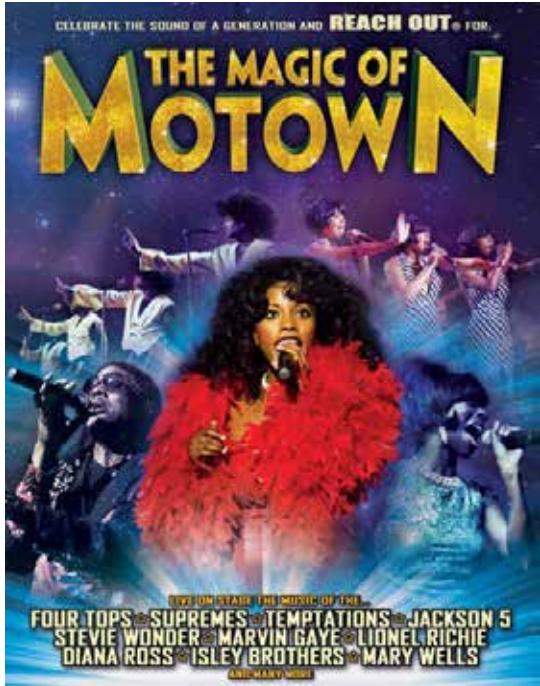
Wednesday 15th - 1pm & 5pm

Thursday 16th - 10.30am & 1.30pm

Tickets: £14 / £12 conc

£11 School groups

The Very Hungry Caterpillar, by author/illustrator Eric Carle has delighted generations of readers since it was first published in 1969 selling more than 43 million copies worldwide. Eric's well-known books captivated readers with his iconic colourful hand-painted tissue paper collage illustrations and distinctively simple stories, introducing generations of children to a bigger, brighter world— and to their first experience of reading itself. The timeless classic has made its way off the page and onto the stage.



## The Magic of Motown

Friday 17th May - 7.30pm

Tickets: £25

Celebrating the sound of a generation. Music fans are invited to the biggest party of the year as the unstoppable Magic of Motown show steams into town! Seen by over a million people, it's no surprise that the show is one of the biggest success stories in British theatre history. Prepare yourself for 40 back-to-back classic Motown hits, glittering costume changes, dazzling dance moves and outstanding musicianship in this explosive concert experience. Celebrate the sound of a generation as the timeless music of Marvin Gaye, Diana Ross, Stevie Wonder, The Temptations, The Supremes, The Four Tops, Martha Reeves, Jackson 5, Smokey Robinson and more, are sensationaly recreated for you by an exceptionally talented cast and band.

# May 2019

## Just Like That!

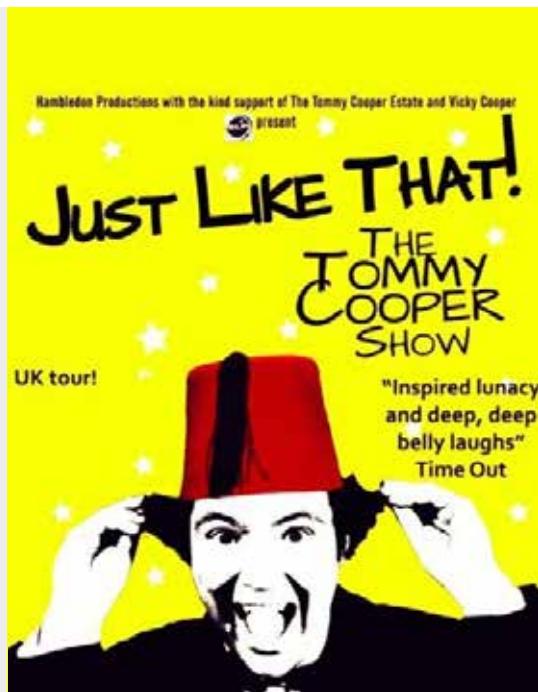
### The Tommy Cooper Show

Saturday 19th May - 7.30pm

Tickets: £14 / £12 conc

The UK's No. 1 Tommy Cooper Show is back on tour! Tommy Cooper was a true comic genius. His impeccable timing, misfiring magic, trademark fez and quick-fire gags made him an international star.

"JLT!" continues to wow audiences after sell-out success at London's Museum of Comedy and an extensive UK tour. This all-encompassing show stars John Hewer (Tony Hancock, Hancock's Half Hour – The 'Lost' Episodes, Harold Steptoe, Steptoe and Son) giving "a perfect illusion of time travel" and delivering "nuances both obvious and subtle" as the man in the fez. With live musical accompaniment, this acclaimed tribute is the perfect celebration of Britain's favourite comedian.



Veto presents

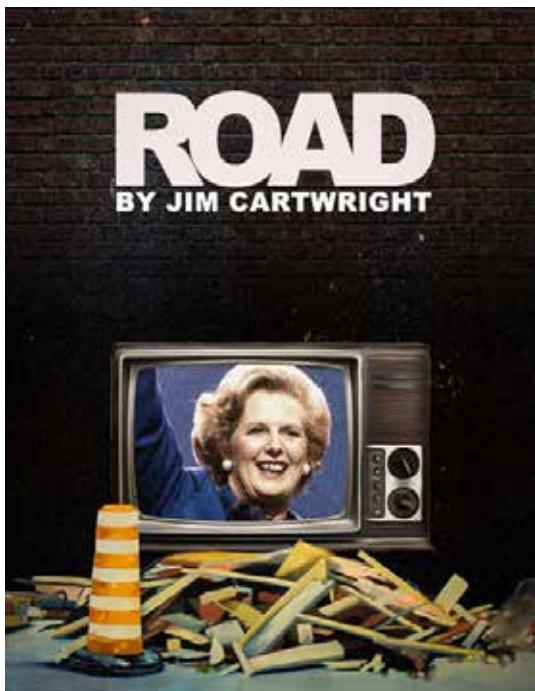
## Road

Saturday 25th May - 7.30pm

Tickets: £14 / £10 conc

Under the guidance of the rum-soaked wideboy Scullery, we are taken on an evening's tour of a scruffy, depressed road in a small Lancashire town. Moving from street corner to living room, from bedroom to kitchen, we meet the inhabitants of young, middle-aged, and old, glimpsing their socially and emotionally wretched lives, in this sharp, sad, funny, and angry play.

Veto presents its sixth show, one that draws startling parallels to the lives that we lead even today years after the play's publication.



Box Office 01524 64695

# May 2019



## Black Magic – The Little Mix Show

Sunday 26th May - 7pm

Tickets: £15 / £12 conc

£12 Children / £48 Family of 4

A highly energetic tribute show that follows in the footsteps of the award winning girl band, Little Mix. This iconic 5-star rated show has live vocals and is full of commercial popvideo choreography. Suitable for kids, tweens, teens and adults alike, The Little Mix Show brings the full pop concert experience to your local theatre. There are lots of added extras including Dance Competitions, Free Giveaways and even a Meet & Greet with the girls after the show! The Little Mix Show features all of Little Mix's chart topping hits including the most recent releases from the Glory Days album.

ANDY ABRAHAM  
PRESENTS

*The Nat King Cole Songbook*

Platinum selling recording artist Andy Abraham has performed to fans around the world having shown to fame as the runner up of The X Factor in 2005. While on the show he stunned the nation with his soulful voice and now, he takes his voice to the next level as he celebrates the life and music of the legend that was Nat King Cole.

On the lead up to the 100 year anniversary of the man himself, Andy's new show, Andy Abraham Presents: The Nat King Cole Songbook will see him perform songs such as 'Unforgettable' and 'Mona Lisa'. Andy's powerful voice will be a great tribute to the voice that everyone around the world knows and loves.

## The Nat King Cole Songbook

Thursday 30th May - 7.30pm

Tickets: £24.50

Andy Abraham is known across the country as the runner up of ITV's 2005 series of The X Factor. He captured the hearts of the country then and will do so once again, as he has masterminded a special new tour called The Nat King Cole Songbook. Throughout the year, the Platinum and Gold recording artist will be bringing the stunning songs of American jazz icon, Nat King Cole, to theatres up and down the country in what is set to be a spectacular showcase of one man's musical legacy. The show itself will be a mix of some of Nat's most-loved songs, and, always a stickler for keeping his shows interactive Andy will also include intervals of thought provoking commentary throughout.

# May 2019

## Al Murray – Landlord Of Hope And Glory Tour

Friday 31st May - 7.30pm

Tickets: £27.50

Citizens of Hope and Glory! Our new tomorrow beckons. A new tomorrow that smells reassuringly of yesterday, but with wifi. One last heave and we will be there. And when the going gets tough the tough get going. Although the going won't get tough and anyone who tells you it is going to be tough is lying. Come join me to marvel at the majesty of our green and pleasant land. A land just off the coast of France, except now it feels a little bit further away.

Join me to step backwards into the future.

Age 16+

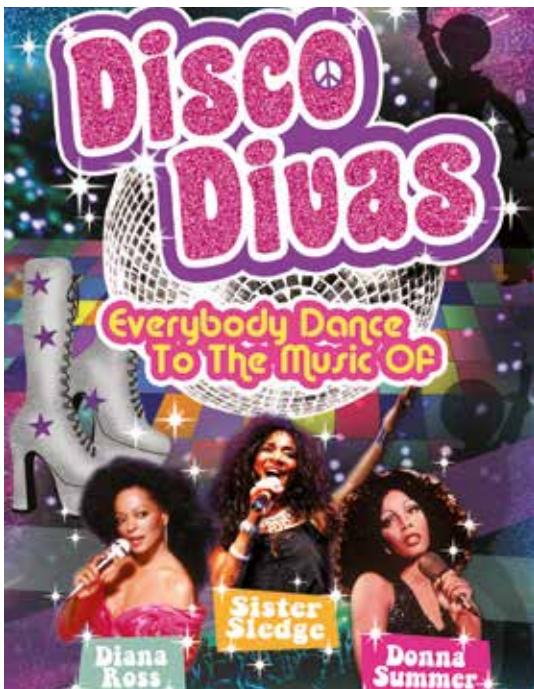


## Disco Divas

Saturday 1st June - 7.30pm

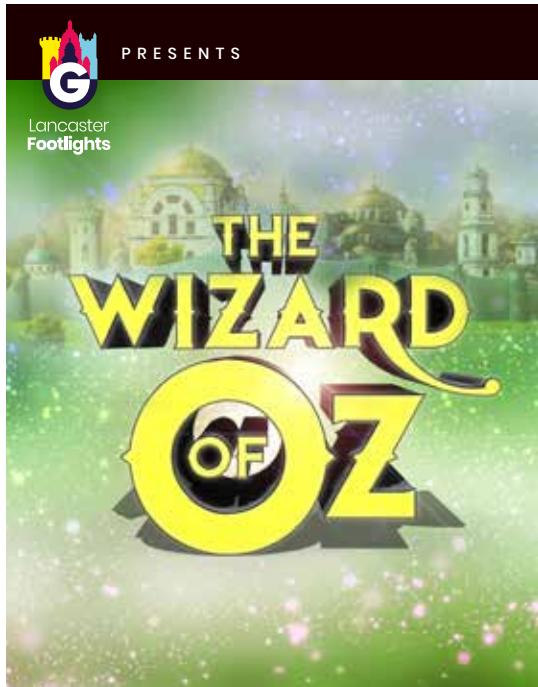
Tickets: £19.50

Don't walk, boogie!! The glitter ball is ready so let's go back, right back to the decadent age of disco! A funkastic live band keep the beats pumping & the rhythms rolling. A fabulous cast of World Class singers perform the greatest hits of the glamorous high priestess of Pop, Diana Ross, Sister Sledge, Gloria Gaynor & the undisputed queen of disco, Donna Summer. This divatastic show features many of their classic hits, also covering many of the classics penned and produced by Music legend and man of the moment Nile Rogers. "Ain't No Mountain High Enough, Last Dance, Frankie, I Feel Love, Chain Reaction, Upside Down" and many, many more.



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**June 2019**



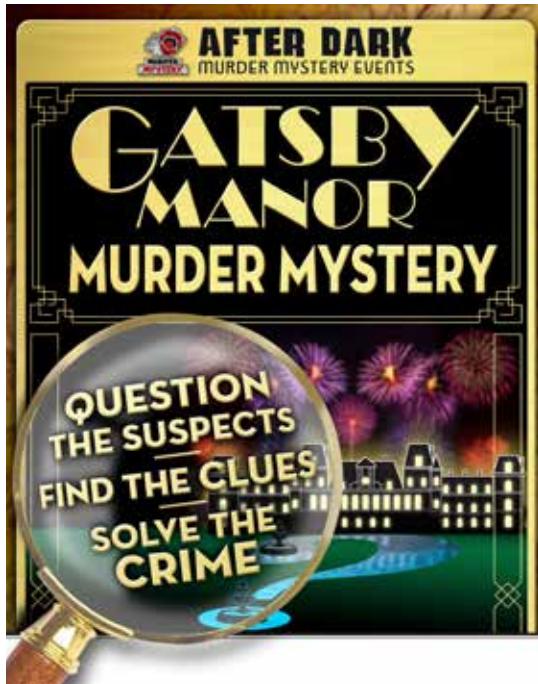
## **The Wizard of Oz**

Friday 7th/13th/14th June - 7.30pm  
Saturday 8th/9th/15th June - 2.30pm  
Tickets: £10 / £9 conc

When a tornado rips through Kansas, Dorothy and her dog, Toto are whisked away in their house to the magical Land of Oz.

They follow the Yellow Brick Road toward the Emerald City to meet the Wizard, and en route they meet a Scarecrow that needs a brain, a Tin Man missing a heart, and a Cowardly Lion who wants courage.

The Wizard asks the group to bring him the broom of the Wicked Witch of the West to earn his help.



## **After Dark Murder Mystery Events present The Great Gatsby Investigation: Murder Mystery**

Sunday 16th June - 7.30pm  
Tickets: £19 including meal

A Parody Tribute Murder Mystery Event by After Dark A little party never killed nobody. Or did it? It's the swinging twenties and The Gatsby Manor is the perfect place for some for a night of jubilations and Celebrations, Things take a turn for the worse when a guest ends up dead on their birthday. Who were they blackmailing and which cocktail spelt the end for this party goer? Question the suspects, examine the evidence and uncover the truth in this classy criminal caper.

Meal includes one course of Hot Food included in the ticket price, with vegetarian option available.

Age 14+

# June 2019

## Rod Woodward – I'm not being funny but...

Friday 21st June – 8pm

Tickets: £18

Award-winning Welsh comedian Rod Woodward takes to the road again in Spring following his invitation to repeat his barnstorming performance at the Royal Variety Performance 2018. Named Best Newcomer Variety and winner of BBC's Funny Business, it promises to be an unforgettable fun-filled evening of laughter with one of the country's fastest rising comedians.

Age 16+

'We all love Rod Woodward!' Michael McIntyre  
'A young Dave Allen' Peter Kay  
'Just plain laugh-out-loud funniness'  
Edinburgh Evening News

## The Bohemians

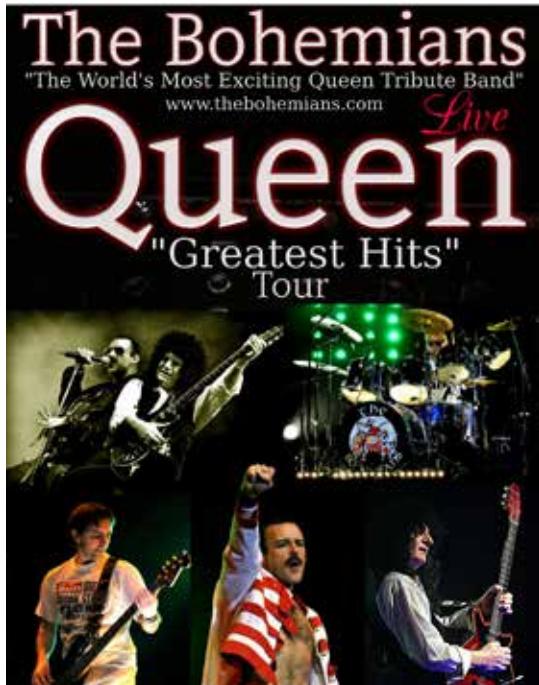
Sunday 23rd June 2019 – 7.30pm

Tickets: £20 / £19 conc

The Bohemians return with A Concert Celebrating Queen's Finest Live Performances, from 1973 to Magic '86. Internationally renowned Queen Tribute band The Bohemians return with a new tour, new costumes, new production, a new set and take you back to the early 70's. Remember when Bohemian Rhapsody was number one in the charts, (the first time round) and Queen played the Legendary Hammersmith Odeon show as filmed and shown on the BBC Whistle Test program. Remember the long hair, the big winged shirts, even the harlequin leotards of '77! Yes, The Bohemians take you back to the decade that taste forgot.

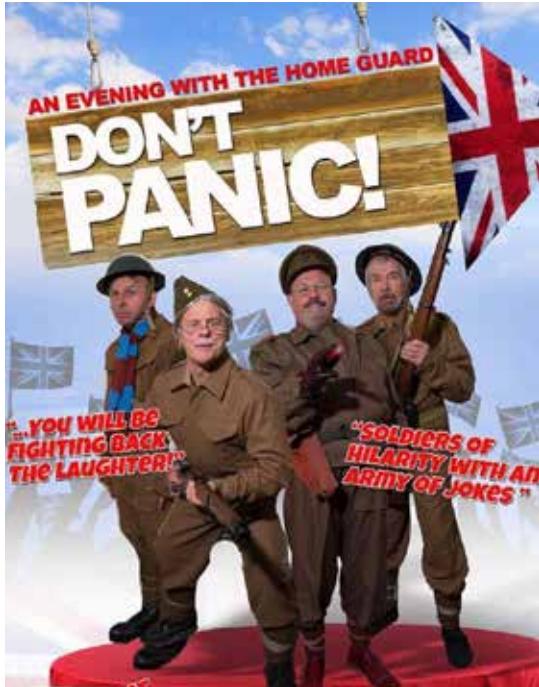


**Manager's Pick  
of the Season**



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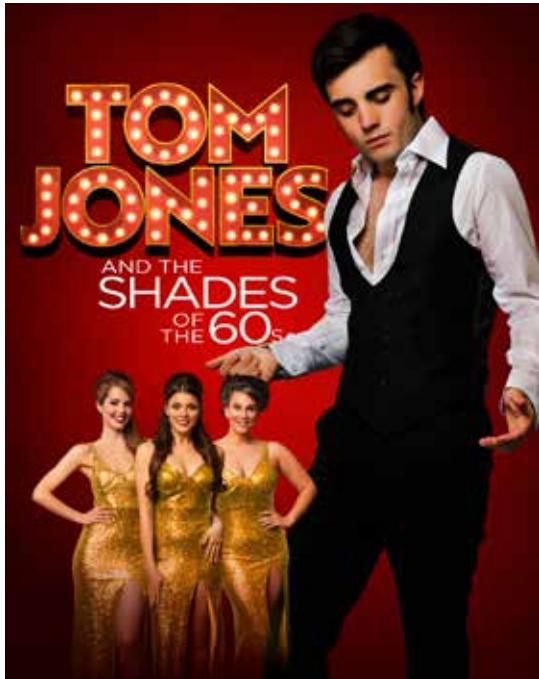


## Don't Panic! An Evening with the Home Guard

Thursday 27th June - 7.30pm

Tickets: £15 / £12 conc

Don't Panic is a variety tribute show in the style of Dads Army, based on the outbreak of the second World War the show runs for two hours with a 30 minute break, this light hearted sing along, laugh along fun show is guaranteed to have the audience laughing all the way. All the favourite characters are there along with our very own musical Maestro who provides some stirring renditions of wartime favorites on the old Joanna, add in some magic and human puppetry and Don't Panic is a sure fire hit. Audience interaction is a big part of the show and guarantees some hilarious moments with our quick witted cast.



## Tom Jones and the Shades of the 60's

Sunday 30th June - 7.30pm

Tickets: £21 / £19 conc

From the green, green grass of a small Welsh mining village to international superstar fame, Tom Jones always was unusual... His toe-tapping, hip-shaking moves and that unique pop tenor voice defined Tom Jones the man and shaped a career over five decades long. Now a star judge of The Voice, he has remained relevant to 3 generations of music lovers. Modern songs including Sex Bomb and Mama Told Me Not To Come introduced the star to 00s pop music with a bang whilst his classics of Delilah, What's New Pussycat & It's Not Unusual are still just as well known today as they ever were. Tom Jones & The Shades of the 60s brings Jones' story of an unprecedented rise through the charts to the UK stage.

# July 2019

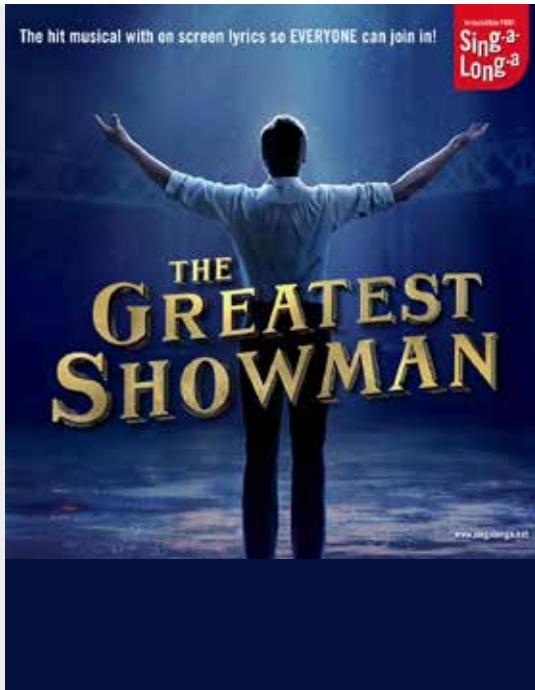
Sing-a-Long-a

## The Greatest Showman

Friday 5th July - 7pm

Tickets: £16 / £12 Children

Cheer on Hugh Jackman, lust after Zach Efron and hiss Rebecca Ferguson (...or maybe not) as you experience The Greatest Showman in the greatest way possible – with lyrics on the screen so you can join in as loud and proud as you want. And it's marching on to the beat we drum. Our live host will teach everyone a unique set of dance moves, show you how to use our interactive prop bags, and also get you to practice your cheers, your boos and even a few wolf whistles. It couldn't be easier or more fun! Fancy dress is strongly encouraged and full audience participation essential. YOU the audience will rewrite the stars! Please note this is a screening of the movie not a live stage show.



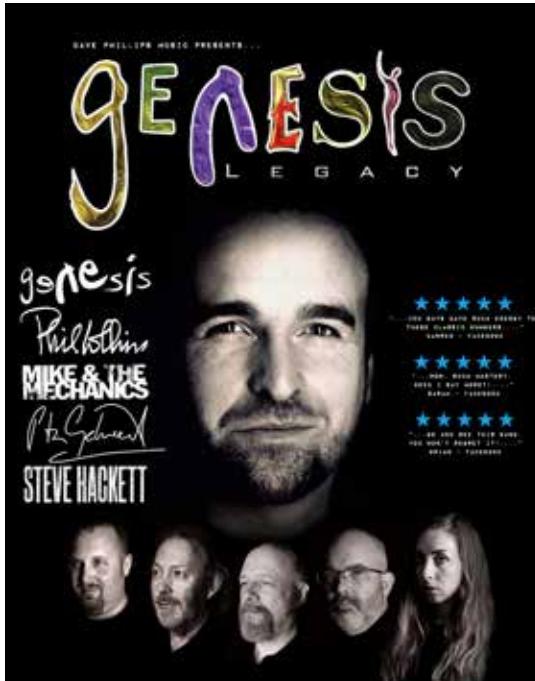
## Genesis Legacy – The Touring Show

Saturday 6th July - 7.30pm

Tickets: £20 / £19 conc

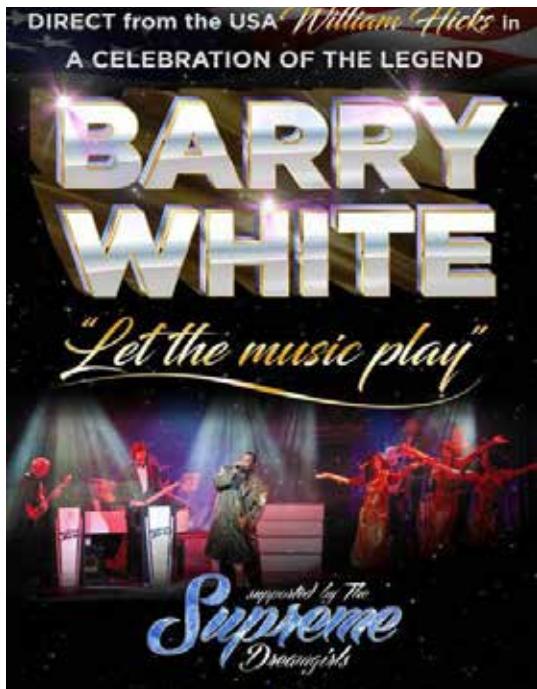
Genesis Legacy is an outstanding touring show paying respects to the musical careers of Phil Collins, Peter Gabriel, Mike Rutherford's "Mike and the Mechanics", Steve Hackett and the band that brought them all together.... "Genesis". This 2 hour explosive, inclusive, immersive and commercial show delivers on the biggest commercial hits from these stellar pillars of the UK Music Community including the likes of "Over my Shoulder" (Mike and the Mechanics), "One more night" (Phil Collins), "Games without Frontiers" (Peter Gabriel) and "Invisible Touch" (Genesis).

Book now for what is sure to be a great night!



Box Office 01524 64695

# July 2019



## Let the Music play, a Celebration of the legend **Barry White**

Sunday 7th July - 7.30pm

Tickets: £24 / £23 conc

Hailing from Atlanta Georgia USA, William Hicks has carved out a career in his own right and is "Known for a big man with a big voice" and what better voice and presence could there be to pay tribute to and celebrate the music of the legend that is Mr Barry White. William Hicks tours with his own live orchestra and three piece female group The Supreme Dreamgirls with the intention to bring to you an experience as close to the real man and his music as possible. Worldwide Barry White earned both platinum and gold discs with combined sales of over 100 million and his live shows remained sold out.



## **Sam Avery**

Thursday 11th July - 8pm

Tickets: £17

Parenthood is a crafty beast. The second you master something it changes the game so you're rubbish at it again. Stand-up comedian, viral blogger and bestselling author Sam Avery (aka the Learner Parent) started his award-winning blog when his twin boys were born. A million nappies, Peppa Pig episodes and a head-full of hair loss later, he shares all the lows, highs and hilarious in-betweens of his experiences of first-time parenthood. Sam's honest, messy account of wrestling with sleep deprivation and breast pumps – right through to his botched attempts at discipline and pathetic bids to stifle various toddler tantrums that definitely registered on the Richter scale – will have you testing your pelvic floor with laughter.

Age 16+

# July 2019

## The Lancashire Hotpots: The Love Tour

Saturday 13th July - 7.30pm

Tickets: £16 / £14 conc

The Lancashire Hotpots are back with a brand-new show and they're in the mood for love! Bernard and the boys will be playing all your Hotpot favourites with an emphasis on all the things they really love: meat pies, nights out down the boozers, and of course a Chippy Tea! It's going to be an unbeatable night of music and laughs for everyone. If music be the food of love...have yer dinner with the Hotpots!

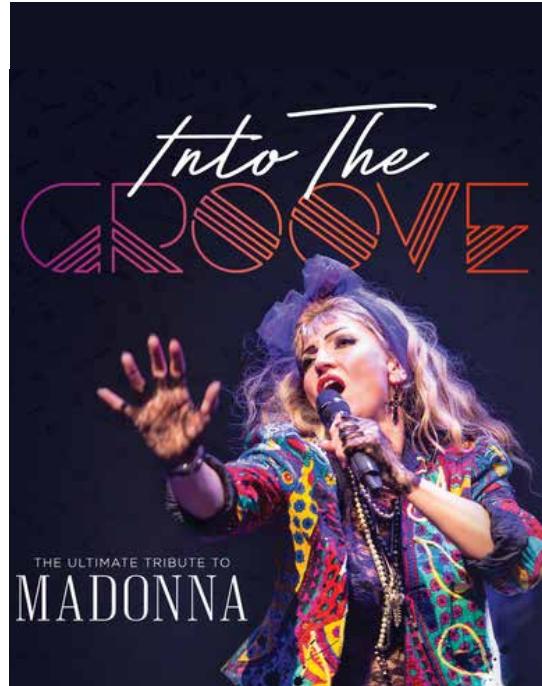


## Into The Groove - The Ultimate Tribute to Madonna

Friday 19th July - 7.30pm

Tickets: £22.50 / £21.50 conc

Join us to celebrate the incredible 35-year career of the best-selling female artist of all time. This dazzling and colourful production features all of Madonna's greatest hits such as Holiday, Like a Prayer, Papa Don't Preach, Material Girl, Vogue, Music, Hung Up and many, many more! Recreating highlights from her breathtaking live tours, this show pays tribute to the classic songs, spectacular costumes and iconic dance routines that have earned Madonna the title Queen of Pop. It's generating such a buzz around the country that Madonna fans everywhere are digging out their lacy gloves, conical bras and cowboy hats and preparing to get Into The Groove!



Box Office 01524 64695

# Gift Vouchers



Lancaster  
Grand

Are there times when you just do not know what to buy for birthdays or Christmas presents for family and friends- then how about a **Gift Voucher for a show at the Lancaster Grand Theatre?**

The vouchers are available from Box Office and on line and the denominations are **£20, £10 & £5.**



The vouchers are redeemable for up to 12 months.

# Theatre Tour

**236 years of history in the Gem of the Northwest for the taking!**



**Lancaster  
Grand**

You are invited to take a guided tour of the third oldest continually operating theatre in England. Originally built in 1782 during the reign of George III and rebuilt in 1908 to its current Edwardian style, you will hear about its long and lively history and how it has developed into what you see today. A backstage and front of house tour is yours for the taking during which you will see the ornate auditorium and the wonders of the hidden, functional world behind the curtain. Stand on the stage and see what it looks like to be a performer! Hear about the people who ran the Grand over the years, what they did to it and who has appeared here. If you are lucky, you may even see the ghost!

## **Theatre Tour : Saturdays at 10am**

Jan 19th, Feb 16th, March 30th, April 20th

May 18th, June 22nd, July 27th

Tickets: £5 Full / £2.50 Child

## **Footlights**

### **Footlights**

Footlights is a thriving amateur drama group which takes a professional approach to its work. We first started performing in the 1920's, and purchased the Grand Theatre in 1951, saving it from demolition. We currently produce four plays per year at the Grand Theatre, including a traditional Christmas pantomime which is specifically aimed at family enjoyment and a Family production in the summer.

You can join Footlights for just £15 per year for adults and £10 for juniors and students. We have a large membership, but with a theatre to run, a full season of plays to cast, sets to build, backstage and front-of-house staff to find etc. We are always looking for new faces and fresh ideas and talents. Why not come and join us? You'd be very welcome.



### **Youth Footlights**

Membership of Footlights is open to any young person above the age of 9. The annual fee is £10 for anyone under 18 years and/or in full time education. Being a member of Youth Footlights gives you the chance to be cast in one of the Footlights productions- the 'family show' in June and the Panto in December, as well as the opportunity to be involved with a beautiful 460 seat venue, meet new people, make new friends, and increase your skills and confidence.

### **Props Hire**

We have an extensive store of props and furniture (not scenery or sets) which we are happy to loan out. Visit [www.lancastergrand.co.uk](http://www.lancastergrand.co.uk) for more information.

# Visiting Us

## From the M6 Motorway

Leave the M6 motorway at Junction 34 and follow the signs to Lancaster. On joining the one way system keep in the left hand lane. Turn left onto Phoenix Street, then turn right onto St Leonardsgate. Postcode: LA1 1NL

## Public Transport

Lancaster Grand Theatre is only a few minutes walk from Lancaster Bus Station and Lancaster Train Station.

## Where to Eat

When producing a Lancaster Grand Theatre ticket you will receive 10% off your bill at The Borough, The Britannia and The Lodge and 20% deal for Royal Kings Arms. For every ticket produced these restaurants will donate back £1 to our New Foyer appeal.

## Parking

The main car park next to Lancaster Grand Theatre is Upper St Leonardsgate (01). Flat Rate Evening charge applies.

## Hiring the Grand

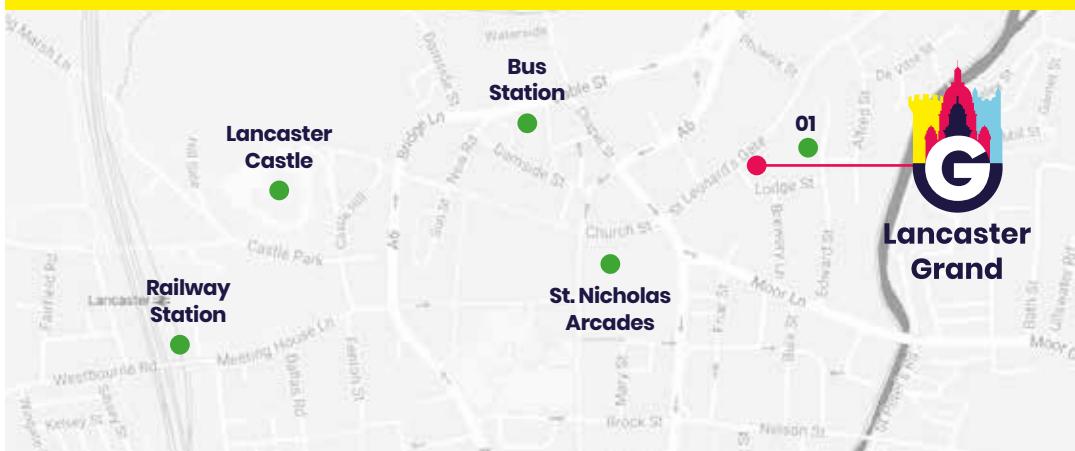
Lancaster Grand Theatre seats 460 people and is available to hire. Please contact the Theatre Manager on 01524 845230 for more information.

## Access

Wheelchair spaces are available in the Theatre with wheelchair access to the side of the theatre. If you require a carer to attend a performance with you we have a limited number of free carer tickets for each performance. Please speak to box office when booking your tickets. To find out more about our access facilities please contact box office on 01524 64695.

## Hearing Loop

Lancaster grand theatre is fitted with a hearing loop to assist people with a hearing disability. The hearing loop is accessed by setting your hearing aid on to the T setting. The greatest benefit is gained by sitting in the stalls area and nearest to the side isles. The Grand theatre has a new sound system and many of our audience now find that combined with modern hearing aids there is better clarity with hearing aids on normal audio setting. During some performances the hearing loop has to be switched off because of interference caused by electric guitars. We hope this information is useful and improves your enjoyment of the Grand theatre performances.



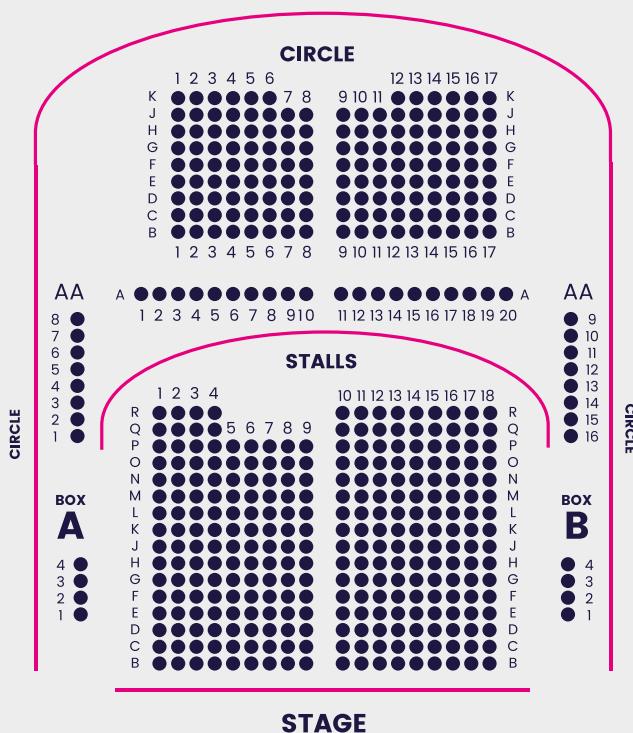
# How To Book

<b>By Phone</b>	01524 64695
<b>Online</b>	Lancastergrand.co.uk
<b>In person</b>	Box Office open Monday to Saturday 10am – 3pm
<b>Concessions</b>	Discounted tickets are available for OAPs, students and children
<b>Purple Card</b>	Offers are available with Purple Card. Please check <a href="http://purple.lusu.co.uk">http://purple.lusu.co.uk</a>
<b>Tickets</b>	You can now collect, print at home or have your tickets posted to you (posted-at a small cost). Tickets are available for collection during Box Office opening hours Monday to Saturday 10am–3pm, or 30 minutes before the performance starts.

## Seating Plan

Please note the AA seats and the boxes have restricted view

Contact the Box Office to book a box (minimum 3 people)



# Seat Sponsorship



**How would you like  
your name, a loved one's,  
a friend's or even your company  
name on an engraved plaque,  
placed on a seat in the beautiful  
Lancaster Grand Theatre?**

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This scheme helps us raise much needed funds to help finish the restoration and improvements of our lovely historic theatre.

The plaque with your inscription will remain on the seat as long as the theatre stands, for all to read.

For further details please contact the Box Office on **01524 64695**

# Lancaster Grand Theatre Patrons



**Elkie Brooks** is an English singer and solo artist. She gained her biggest success in the late 1970s and 1980s and has been nominated twice for Brit Awards. Born in Salford, she is known for her powerful husky voice and hit singles such as "Pearl's a Sing", "Lilac Wine", "Don't Cry Out Loud" "Fool (If You Think It's Over)" and top-selling album Pearls.

**Bernard Cribbins OBE** is an English character actor, voice-over artist and musical comedian. Bernard is probably best known for being the Narrator on children's television show, The Wombles. Cribbins was born in Oldham, Lancashire and has appeared in many television programmes including Fawlty Towers and The Avengers.



**Lisa Riley** is an English TV Presenter and actress. Born in Bury, Lisa is probably best known for her role as Mandy Dingle in Emmerdale as well as being a presenter on You've Been Framed! Lisa has also toured the country with various plays including The Naked Truth and Calendar Girls. Currently Lisa is a panellist on ITV's Loose Women.

**Kevin Kennedy** played the character of Norman Watts (known as Curly Watts) between 1983 and 2003 in the Coronation Street television series. He then took a break from acting and released an album with his band the Bunch of Thieves, on the RCA Records label. Born in Wythenshawe, he later returned to Coronation street. Kevin played at the theatre in the Xtra Factor and liked us so much, that he wanted to be a Patron, good news for us!



**Jane Horrocks** is an English stage, film and television actress. Jane is probably best known for the roles as Bubble and Katy Grin in Absolutely Fabulous. Horrocks is also well known for her performance in The Rise and Fall of Little Voice which was later adapted into the screen adaption, Little Voice. She was born in Rawtenstall, Lancashire and continues to support Theatre in Lancashire by being a Patron of Lancaster Grand Theatre.



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# The Proposed New Foyer

**Lancaster Grand** is very compact considering its 460 seat capacity. It has an extremely small foyer and bar and being 236 years old, it was not designed with disabled access in mind. Following the decision by Lancaster City Council to redevelop the area around the theatre, it was decided that now was the time to build a new foyer to provide additional space. The original “glass box” ideas have been progressively developed and led to the current stunning design. The computer generated image shows what it will look like.

The foyer will benefit theatre goers, the community and the long term future of the theatre by:

- Increasing circulation space
- Greatly improving disabled access using a wheelchair platform lift
- Providing additional space to allow the theatre to host conferences and seminars
- Creating a space for studio productions, small community groups and by schools as a teaching area
- Providing accessible coffee and alcohol bars at street level.
- Providing additional income to help to ensure the theatre's continued operation for generations to come



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## Diary of Events

● Music ● Family ● Comedy ● Interest ● Drama ● Dance ● Musical

### January 2019

- 19 The New Foyer Appeal Concert
- 20 Laura Sandham School of Dance
- 25 Hal Cruttenden: Chubster
- 26 Roy Hemmings Motown Show
- 27 St John's Hospice Choir
- 31 A Grand Variety Show starring Toploader

### February 2019

- 1 Let Me Entertain You
- 2 Whitney - Queen Of The Night
- 7 - 9 Pinocchio
- 10 Beauty And The Beast Ballet
- 11 - 12 Dear Zoo
- 15 The Christians
- 16 Lau
- 21 Music Hall Tavern
- 22 Milkshake! Live
- 26 - 2 The Sound of Music

### March 2019

- 6 Russell Watson
- 7 The Brit Rock Film Tour
- 8 Dirty Dusting
- 9 Ardal O'Hanlon
- 10 Gaelforce
- 14 Robert Newman's Total Eclipse of Descartes
- 15 Dan Snow – the History Hit UK Tour
- 16 Ultimate Buble
- 20 Romeo and Juliet
- 21 Strangers on a Train Set
- 22 Julian Clary - Born To Mince
- 23 - 24 Jennifers Dancers Showcase
- 25 - 26 Sherlock Holmes – The Sign of Four
- 28 Foster and Allen
- 29 Love Machine
- 30 Jimmy Bullard

### April 2019

- 5 An Evening of Mediumship with Terri Stromeyer
- 6 Thank ABBA For The Music
- 11 Mark 'Billy' Billingham
- 13 The Carpenters Experience
- 23 - 27 Footlights presents - The Unexpected Guest
- 28 Our Trace
- 29 Twirlywoos

### May 2019

- 1 Francis Rossi
- 2 Jethro
- 3 WANNABE
- 7 - 11 Jesus Christ Superstar
- 12 Margot Fonteyn Ballet
- 15 - 16 The Very Hungry Caterpillar
- 17 The Magic of Motown
- 19 Just Like That! The Tommy Cooper Show
- 25 Road
- 26 Black Magic - The Little Mix Show
- 30 The Nat King Cole Songbook
- 31 Al Murray

### June 2019

- 1 Disco Divas
- 7 - 9, 13-15 Footlights presents - The Wizard of Oz
- 16 The Great Gatsby Investigation: Murder Mystery
- 21 Rod Woodward -I'm not being funny but...
- 23 The Bohemians
- 27 Don't Panic! An Evening with the Home Guard
- 30 Tom Jones and the Shades of the 60's

### July 2019

- 5 Sing-a-Long-a The Greatest Showman
- 6 Genesis Legacy – The Touring Show
- 7 Let The Music Play, A Celebration of Barry White
- 11 Sam Avery
- 13 The Lancashire Hotpots
- 19 Into The Groove- The Ultimate Tribute to Madonna



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