

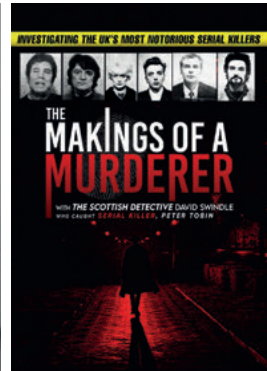
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# OH WHAT A LOVELY WAR



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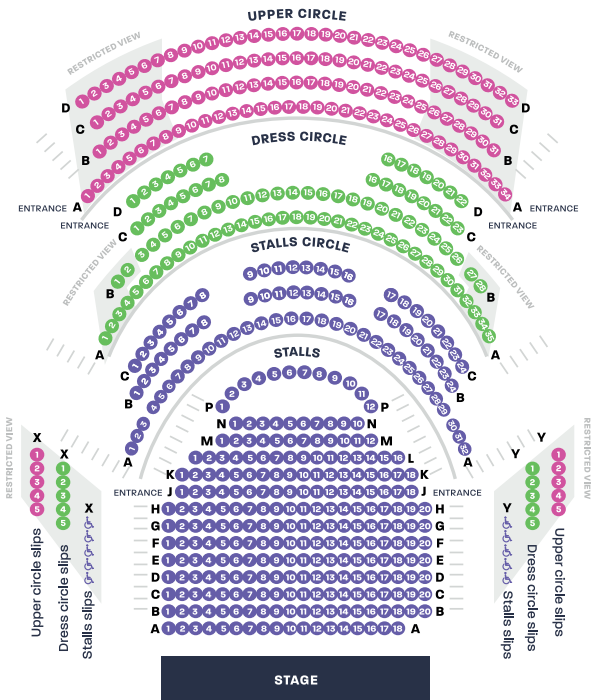
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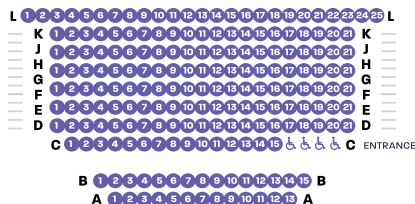
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# Your guide to the **Towngate Theatre**

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## MIRREN STUDIO



## BOX OFFICE INFORMATION

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**Tickets will be sent to your device as an e-ticket, which can be shown to an usher on your mobile device or printed off for use. Alternatively you can ask/ select Collect at Box Office.**

If you require your tickets to be posted, this will incur an additional £2.50 charge.

Concession rates (unless specified) are applicable for 60+, Under 16s, Registered Disabled and Carers.

Please note that all children, regardless of their age, must have a ticket purchased on their behalf.

## BOOK TICKETS ONLINE / JOIN OUR MAILING LIST

Our online box office is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and gives you the chance to purchase tickets whenever you choose. Sign-up to buy tickets online and/or on our mailing list. To book online simply visit our website, click on a show and follow the online instructions.

## ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The Towngate Theatre has ground level access to the building with two slip boxes in the stalls. Wheelchair access to these boxes is via a wheelchair lift. Wheelchair spaces should be booked in advance, and notice given if assistance is required. There are two wheelchair accessible toilets on the ground floor level of the theatre.

Allocated disabled parking spaces are situated at the rear of the building.

We offer a hearing loop, neck loops with a hearing aid can be used by switching it to the 'T' position.

## PARKING

There is plenty of daytime car parking within a short walk of the Towngate, both surface and multi-storey. You can find information on the nearest car parks on the How To Find Us page on our website.

Please be aware that the Towngate Theatre is not affiliated with any Pay and Display car parks in the local area, so we would thoroughly recommend that you check the rules and regulations of your intended car park prior to your visit.

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UKRAINIAN NATIONAL OPERA®  
PRESENTS

# Carmen

PERFORMED BY DNIPRO OPERA



## Carmen

Friday 2 February, 7.30pm

Featuring an impressive cast and accompanied by a **large live Orchestra** with **over 30 musicians**.

After last season's premier in the UK, **Dnipro Opera** from the Ukraine are delighted to return to the Towngate with their production of **George Bizet's** most popular opera, **Carmen**.

Feel the thrill of **fiery passion, jealousy, and violence** of 19<sup>th</sup> Century Seville. **Carmen** tells the story of the downfall of Don José, a naïve soldier who falls head over heels in love with Carmen, a **seductive, free-spirited femme fatale**. The infatuated Don José abandons his childhood sweetheart and neglects his military duties, only to lose the **fickle Carmen** to the **glamorous toreador**, Escamillo.

The music of **Carmen** has been widely acclaimed for the **brilliance** of its **melodies, enthralling atmosphere** and **orchestration**. The **vibrancy, enthusiasm, and intensity** of the performances will reverberate, long after the final curtain has fallen.

**Tickets: £36**

**Concessions: £34**

## Cirque

Saturday 3 February, 2pm & 6pm,  
Sunday 4 February, 1pm

Escape with us for a night like no other, where we take you into a world where the very best of **musical theatre showstoppers** meet **jaw-dropping circus spectacular**.

A world that **explodes into colour** as everyone's favourite **West End** and **Broadway** hits combine with **breath-taking, amazing aerialists, incredible contortionists**, and **thrilling feats of agility and flair**.

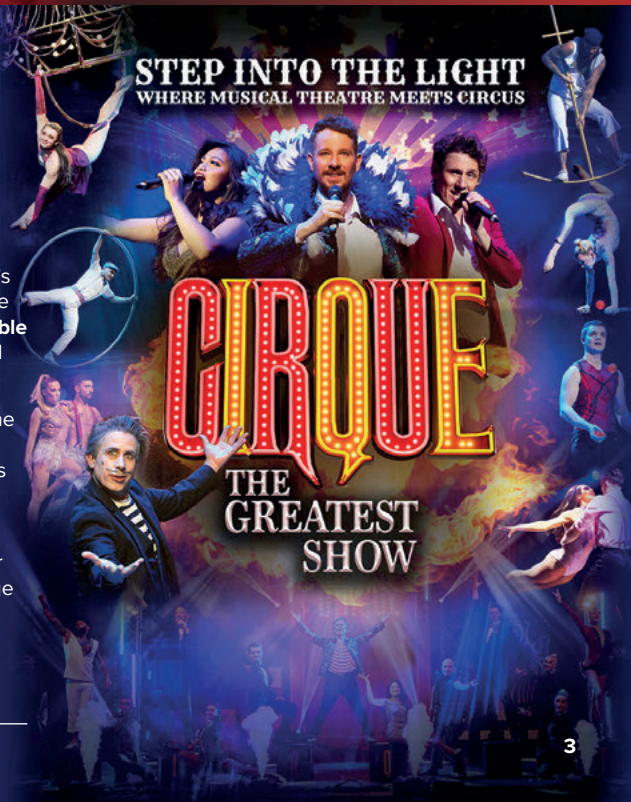
It's the **brand-new variety spectacular** everyone is talking about for 2024... welcome to **Cirque**: the **award-winning, smash-hit sensation** that is **fun for all the family**.

Stars of the **West End** combine with **incredible circus performers** as the biggest hits from your favourite theatre shows are brought to the stage in **unique, spellbinding style**.

Enter the extraordinary world of **Cirque!**

**Tickets: £29**

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## Macbeth

Monday 5 & Tuesday 6 February, 1pm & 7.30pm

Dickens Theatre Company present **The Bard's bloodiest tragedy!** This fresh new adaptation of 'The Scottish Play' arrives at the Towngate.

With the infamous Porter acting as narrator, an ensemble of 7 actors create a **cauldron of characters**, as **Macbeth** and **Lady Macbeth** make their perilous descent towards Hell.

Set against a back-drop of **wars, witchery** and **treasonous plotting**, Shakespeare's ambitious Macbeth remains ominously relevant in the 21st Century.

"What's done cannot be undone!"

Tickets: £20

Concessions: £16

Schools (Teachers & LSA go FREE): £14



# Macbeth

## DICKENS THEATRE COMPANY:

### Romeo & Juliet

Wednesday 7 February, 1pm & 7.30pm

Spoiler Alert: Romeo and Juliet are dead.

And they're not the only ones.

But **how** did this happen and **why**?

Dickens Theatre Company are back at the Towngate Theatre this Spring, doing what they do best, putting their unique stamp on another **classic GCSE English literature text**.

After the success of **Macbeth**, **A Christmas Carol** and **Dr Jekyll & Mr Hyde** in 2022, DTC return with a fresh adaptation from Writer and Director Ryan Philpott.

Romeo & Juliet is presented as part of DTC's "Revision on Tour" and breathes **new life** and **wit** into Shakespeare's classic tale of "**two star-crossed lovers**".

Tickets: £20

Concessions: £16

Schools (Teachers & LSA go FREE): £14



# Romeo + Juliet



# DR JEKYLL & MR HYDE



Morning Star

## Dr Jekyll & Mr Hyde

Monday 12 February, 1pm & 7.30pm

Calling all **English GCSE students** and **literature lovers!** DTC's acclaimed production of this **Victorian classic** arrives in Basildon this Spring.

1888. Victorian London is under attack. Within the **thick Fitzrovia fog** and **dimly lamp-lit streets** lurks an **evil predator**. Unprovoked, a young child is attacked and beaten by a **mystery man**. Who is this "sneering Satan"?

7 actors take on all the roles in DTC's exciting stage adaptation of **Robert Louis Stevenson's Victorian gothic masterpiece**.

**Tickets: £20**

**Concessions: £16**

**Schools (Teachers & LSA go FREE): £14**

## REVISION ON TOUR 2024

### SCHOOL BOOKINGS

#### Calling all teachers!

Bring your students to watch these **literature classics** come to life on stage. Post-Show **Question & Answer Sessions** are available upon request, please email [towngate@basildon.gov.uk](mailto:towngate@basildon.gov.uk) for further information and to book your Q&A now.

Critical Acclaim for Dickens Theatre Company from School trips:

*"At last! DTC have finally given GCSE students the stage adaptation of J&H we have all been crying out for. The characters, the key quotes, Stevenson's London... leapt from the page. The kids loved it"*  
**Westcliff High School for Boys**

*"If you are studying Macbeth at GCSE... it all starts with this show. A revelation for my English students"*  
**English Team Leader, Crompton House School**

★★★★★  
'THE KING IS BACK!'  
*Rolling Stone Magazine*

★★★★★  
'ENTERTAINING, ENTHRALLING AND ELECTRIC'  
*The List*

★★★★★  
'SIMPLY SUPERB'  
*North West Echo*

# A VISION OF ELVIS

*On Tour*



## A Vision Of Elvis

Thursday 8 February, 7.30pm

Put on your **blue suede shoes** and come to celebrate the music of the **King of Rock 'n' Roll** with the UK's supreme Elvis – **Rob Kingsley** – and his talented cast.

This breath-taking recreation of a live Elvis Presley concert takes you on an epic through time like you've never seen before. Including hits **Stuck on You, It's Now or Never, Return to Sender, GI Blues, Suspicious Minds, The Wonder Of You, American Trilogy** and many, many more

As soon as the show begins you are taken on an emotional roller coaster, engaging audiences with a **truly authentic Elvis musical spectacular!**

**Tickets: £26.50**

**Concessions: £24.50**

## Lost in Music

Saturday 10 February, 7.30pm

Join us as we recreate the **magical 70s** and let us take you on a musical journey straight to the heart of **disco!**

Relive some of the greatest songs of all time from artists such as **Donna Summer, Gloria Gaynor, Earth, Wind & Fire, Sister Sledge** and **Chic**.

This show boasts a **sensational live band**, incredibly talented cast and stunning vocals and is sure to have you **dancing in the aisles!** So, **come dressed to impress** as we celebrate the **golden age of disco!**

With songs such as **Never Can Say Goodbye, On The Radio, Hot Stuff, Car Wash, Boogie Wonderland** and many, many more! It's the **feel-good show of the year!**

**Tickets: £31**

ENTERTAINERS PRESENTS



LIVE ON STAGE THE MUSIC OF

**DONNA SUMMER  
GLORIA GAYNOR  
DIANA ROSS  
EARTH, WIND & FIRE  
SISTER SLEDGE | CHIC | CHAKA KHAN  
AND MANY MORE.**



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# good evening mr. bublé

## Good Evening Mr Bublé

Wednesday 14 February, 7.30pm

The perfect way to spend **Valentine's Day!**

Celebrating one of the most successful artists of the 21st century, Grammy award-winner **Michael Bublé**.

This show has it all – the **power, emotion, musicianship**, and above all the **VOICE!**

Join us for this **breath-taking concert spectacular**, featuring powerful performances of his hits, including **Home, Feeling Good, Haven't Met You Yet, Crazy Love, Cry Me A River** and many more all performed live by our Michael and his incredible **Orchestra**.

**Tickets: £27**

**Concessions: £25**



## Dinosaur Adventure Live

Sunday 25 February, 1.30pm & 4pm

Join our **brave Rangers** for another action-packed Dinosaur Adventure in the all-new and exciting show: **TROUBLE ON VOLCANO ISLAND**.

When the island's **ancient volcano** becomes **active**, it spells **danger** for everyone – including the **Dinosaurs!** It's a race against time to help our **Rangers** and favourite Dinosaurs to save Volcano Island from **imminent disaster**.

Meet the incredible **Triceratops**, the **cheeky Spinosaurus**, our **cute baby dinos** and the **gigantic T-Rex** as we journey across the island. We'll encounter **wild new species of Dinosaur** and conquering **exhilarating challenges** at every turn!

**Tickets : £15**

**Family (4 tickets): £54**

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INVESTIGATING THE UK'S MOST NOTORIOUS SERIAL KILLERS



## The Makings Of A Murderer

Thursday 29 February, 7.30pm

Join **The Scottish Detective**, David Swindle, for a **chilling, thrilling**, night at the theatre.

**True crime fans**, can explore the **cases, circumstances** and the **detective's perspective** on what went on - the **early warning signs** and the **clues** behind **The Makings of a Murderer!**

Learn about the biggest British serial killers of all time - including **Jack the Ripper, Peter Tobin, Harold Shipman, Peter Sutcliffe** and 'Killer Couples' – **Fred and Rose West** and The Moors Murderers **Ian Brady** and **Myra Hindley**.

With more than 34 years as a **Senior Detective**, he shares his **unique insight** into the minds of the murderers - of what made these **notorious serial killers** tick, how they were **caught**, the **famous cases** that were **never solved** and those with connections to the **local area... from someone on the inside**.

Over 18s advised

**Tickets: £31**

# THE MAKINGS OF A MURDERER

WITH **THE SCOTTISH DETECTIVE** DAVID SWINDLE  
WHO CAUGHT **SERIAL KILLER, PETER TOBIN**

## Don't Stop Believin'

Friday 1 March, 7.30pm

Jump aboard the **midnight train** – **heaven is a place on Earth** – called Basildon! - as the greatest **end-of-the-night anthems** spectacular roars into town!

Guaranteeing a **crazy, crazy night** of non-stop, singalong favourites, it's the latest smash-hit show from the producers of **Lost in Music**. Thirty of the biggest end-of-night anthems are **brought to life in full colour** with a **sizzling cast, fantastic costumes** and **amazing light show**.

The biggest party night EVER features **Summer of '69, I Love Rock 'n' Roll, Eye of the Tiger, Livin' on a Prayer, Sweet Child O' Mine, China in Your Hand, You Shook Me All Night Long, Sweet Home Alabama** and so many more.

Hold on to the feeling and **Don't Stop Believin'!**

**Tickets: £29**

THE END OF THE NIGHT ANTHEMS SHOW

# DON'T STOP BELIEVIN'

FROM THE PRODUCERS OF **LOST IN MUSIC**

LIVE ON STAGE SONGS INCLUDING ...

**SUMMER OF '69 | I LOVE ROCK 'N' ROLL  
LIVIN' ON A PRAYER | JUMP | ONE WAY OR ANOTHER  
SWEET CHILD O' MINE | CHINA IN YOUR HAND**

AND MANY MORE





## Mirren Must Sees



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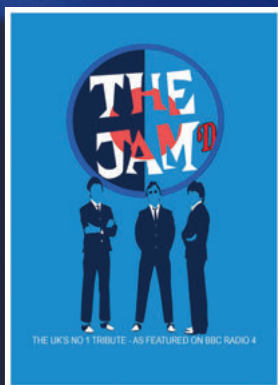
Friday 1 March, 8pm

ZZ TOPPD formed in 2020 and have firmly established themselves as the **UK's no.1 tribute** to Texas legends **ZZ TOP**.

Touring all over the UK, this two hour show takes you on a **red hot musical journey** through the band's 50+ year career. Featuring all the **greatest hits**, multiple **costume changes** and the **famous furry spinning guitars**, this is a show not to be missed.

Have mercy!

Tickets: £17



### The Jam'd With Support from Finn Sexton

Saturday 2 March, 8pm

The Jam'd are the UK's leading tribute to **The Jam**. The Jam'd put on a performance from the **heart and soul**, drawing on all their **memories, experiences and love** of one of our country's biggest bands in their day!

Every effort is placed into reproducing the **sound, arrangements and energy** of a Jam gig. Those who saw The Jam live will remember the **electricity, aggression, passion**, and even **fashion** on stage. For The Jam'd, it is a **passion, a mission**, and an **honour** to play for fans of **"the best band in the world!"**

Tickets: £19



### Creedence Clearwater Review

Saturday 23 March, 8pm

The UK **#1 Creedence Clearwater Revival** Tribute Show bring you **The Green River Tour**, celebrating Creedence Clearwater Revival's **#1 Album Green River** and their **#1 hit single Bad Moon Rising**. Experience a two-hour nostalgia trip back to the heady days of **Woodstock** along with all the greatest hits including **Proud Mary, Have You Ever Seen The Rain, Fortunate Son** and many more.

In this **authentic, honest and power-packed celebration**, they conjure up the **full throttle, high-energy** experience of seeing Creedence on stage in their **prime**, and six decades on, we experience the **spirit of Creedence** reprised with Creedence Clearwater Review.

Tickets: £21



## The Magic of The Bee Gees

Saturday 2 March, 7.30pm

It's time to **put on your dancing shoes** for the night out of the year you have been waiting for, as we celebrate the songs of music royalty - **The Bee Gees!**

With a **brand-new show** for 2024, complete with **stunning light** and **video show**, prepare to experience the **distinct sound** of one the **greatest bands** to have ever graced the stage in this **unforgettable concert spectacular**.

Join us for this **breath-taking concert spectacular**, taking you on a musical journey through all your favourite songs, including **Night Fever, Stayin' Alive, More Than a Woman, You Should Be Dancing, How Deep is Your Love** and many more!

This fabulously authentic production ensures the Gibb brothers' **incredible legacy** of classic hit songs is well and truly **stayin' alive!**

**Tickets: £28.50**

THE MAGIC OF THE  
**BEE GEES**  
GREATEST HITS CONCERT SHOW

FROM THE PRODUCERS OF **LOST in MUSIC**

THE MAGIC OF THE  
**BEE GEES**  
GREATEST HITS CONCERT SHOW

## Seven Drunken Nights

Thursday 14 March, 7.30pm

Direct from the **West End** and having sold out venues worldwide, **Seven Drunken Nights – The Story of the Dubliners** returns to the Towngate in 2024!

In partnership with **Tourism Ireland** and in association with legendary Irish pub **O'Donoghue's**, **Seven Drunken Nights** tells the story of a career spanning 50 years and invokes the spirit of **Ronnie Drew, Luke Kelly, Barney McKenna, John Sheahan, Ciaran Bourke** and **Jim McCann**.

This hugely talented cast of musicians and singers bring the music of this iconic group back to life, and will have you **singing and dancing in the aisles**.

It is – without doubt – **the ultimate feel-good Irish show!**

**Tickets: £29.50**

**Concessions: £28**



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
**Tourism Ireland**

THE STORY OF **THE DUBLINERS**

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ALL NEW SHOW FOR 2024

# JIM DAVIDSON SWIMMING AGAINST THE TIDE

**Jim Davidson**

Friday 15 & Saturday 16  
March, 7.30pm

Join Britain's best loved funny man on his 'marathon swim' in his new tour for 2024 – **Swimming Against The Tide!**

Slap on the goose fat and battle through the **dark and murky woke infested waters** and join him for another evening of **rip-roaring grown-up comedy**, as Jim Davidson OBE continues to play to **capacity audiences year after year.**

*Please note: This show will contain Adult Humour which some may find offensive. Suitable for ages 18+*

**Tickets: £28.50**

## Country Roads

**One Night of Country Classics**

**Sunday 17 March, 7.30pm**

Come with us to the **place you belong**, for a night of the **very best Country classics!**

Leave your **9 to 5** worries at the door and get ready as – for one night only – we celebrate the **Kings and Queens of Country music.**

Enjoy the very biggest country songs of all time: **9 to 5, The Gambler, Walk The Line, Ring Of Fire, King Of The Road, Crazy, Rhinestone Cowboy, Jolene, Dance The Night Away, Walkin' After Midnight** and many, many more.

The stars of hit show **Islands in the Steam** return in this **brand-new production** for 2024 that's now **bigger** than ever!

It's a night like no other – join us for a **celebration**, live on stage, of the **music of a generation...** in one night of **Country Classics.**

**Tickets: £30**

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## Mercury

Thursday 21 March, 7.30pm

Celebrating **25 years on the road** in 2024, Mercury have firmly established themselves as one of **the world's most authentic tributes** to **Freddie Mercury** and the legendary **Queen**.

Including performances of the most popular Queen hits such as **Bohemian Rhapsody**, **Radio Ga Ga**, **We Are The Champions**, **We Will Rock You** and many more, this **award-winning, dynamic** stage show has been **wowing audiences** across the world with its **spectacular costumes** and **world class production** for two and a half decades.

Featuring Joseph Lee Jackson as '**Freddie**', together with **excellent musicianship**, **beautiful harmonies** and **intricate guitar work** from Glenn Scrimshaw as '**Brian May**'; this show will **captivate any audience**.

**Tickets: £26**

# MERCURY

## The Ultimate Queen Tribute



## Bugsy Malone

Thursday 28 – Saturday 30 March, 7.30pm

Saturday matinee, 3pm

Rare Productions return to the Towngate in 2024 with a Youth Production of the **joyous** and **uplifting comedy musical**, Bugsy Malone!

Based on the classic **Alan Parker** movie and filled with the stunning songs, **Fat Sam's Grand Slam**, **My Name is Tallulah**, **You Give a Little Love** and of course **Bugsy Malone**.

Two gangs square off in a **1920s** rivalry of Capone-ian standards. **Dandy Dan's gang** has gotten the upper hand with the "**splurge**" gun. Now, **Fat Sam and his bumbling buffoons** are in real trouble! Bugsy Malone, a **one-time boxer**, is thrust into the limelight when he becomes the last chance that Fat Sam's gang has of surviving. All Bugsy really wants to do is spend time with his new love, **Blousey**, but that just isn't in the cards for our hero.

One thing is for certain... its gonna be **messy!**

**Tickets: £21**

**Concessions: £20**

**Under 16s: £19**

**RARE**  
**PRODUCTIONS**  
YOUTH THEATRE GROUP

# BUGSY MALONE

## Mirren Must Sees



### Wifi Wars

**Sunday 24 March, 2.30pm**

Wi-Fi Wars returns to the Mirren with their **live comedy game show** where you all play along! Log in with your **smartphone** or **tablet** and compete in a range of **games, puzzles** and **quizzes** to win the show and **prizes!**

Hosted by comedian **Steve McNeil** (team captain on UK TV's hit comedy/gaming show "**Dara O'Briain's Go 8 Bit**") and aided by **Guinness World Record-Breaking** tech whizz, the award-winning **Rob Sedgebeer!**

*Recommended for ages 6+*

*Please ensure your smartphone or tablet is **fully charged** prior to the show!*

**Tickets: £10**

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### So True

**Saturday 20 April, 8pm**

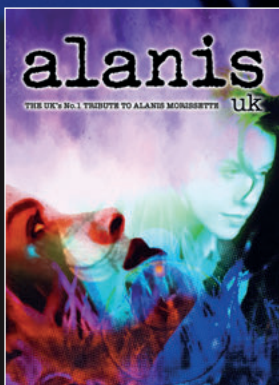
When **Spandau Ballet** quit the music industry in the 90s, they left a **fantastic legacy of great music**. So True helps fill that space by faithfully re-creating the original **Spandau Ballet soundscape**.

The band's Saxophonist, Dave Green, says: "**Our job isn't to look like the original band, but to bring that original sound back to life**".

Featuring all the greatest hits, including **To Cut A Long Story Short, Instinction, Gold, Through The Barricades, True** plus many more! Also featuring some of Tony Hadley's solo work, including **Because Of You** and **Take Back Everything** – this is a **must-see for any Spandau Ballet fan!**

**Tickets: £21**

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### Alanis UK

**Friday 26 April, 8pm**

Alanis UK are a **totally live 5-piece band** recreating the **90s sound** and **attitude** of Alanis Morissette. 25 years after **Jagged Little Pill** became the **album of a generation**, and on the back of her sensational world tour in 2022, this show arrives with perfect timing.

Shout along hits such as **Ironic, You Oughta Know** and **Head Over Feet** are combined with the eastern inspired **Thank U** and **Uninvited** and blended along with some of her latest pop hits such as **Reasons I Drink** and **Everything** to create an evening for **Alanis fans** and **'90s nostalgics'** to savour.

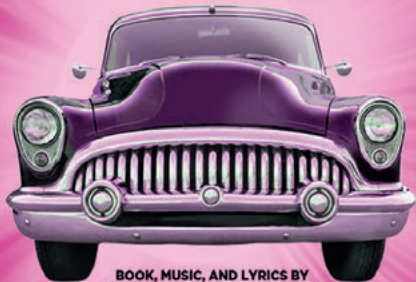
**Tickets: £19**

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YOUR TIME  
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YOUR TIME TO SHINE PRESENTS

# GREASE



BOOK, MUSIC, AND LYRICS BY  
JIM JACOBS AND WARREN CASEY

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## GREASE: The Musical

Wednesday 10 - Friday 12 April, 7.30pm

Friday matinee, 2.30pm

The world's **most popular musical** is back! Your Time to Shine are proud to present a new Youth Production of GREASE The Musical.

**Cool, leather-clad greaser Danny** and **girl next door Sandy** are unexpectedly reunited when Sandy transfers to **Rydell High** for senior year.

Can they survive the **trials and tribulations** of teenage life and find **true love** once more?

Featuring hit songs **Greased Lightnin'**, **Hopelessly Devoted to You**, **You're The One That I Want** and **Summer Nights**.

"GREASE" is presented through special arrangement with Your Time to Shine and all authorised performance materials are supplied by Theatrical Rights Worldwide (TRW).

**Tickets: £22**

**Concessions: £20**

**Babes in Arms (available from Box Office only): £5**

## The Magic of Motown

Saturday 13 April, 7.30pm

Seen by **over a million people**, now in its 19<sup>th</sup> year!

It's no surprise that this show is one of the biggest success stories in British theatre history. Get ready for the **biggest Motown party of the year**.

You will be going **loco down in Acapulco** as we take you back down memory lane with all the Motown classics from artists such as **Marvin Gaye, Diana Ross, Stevie Wonder, The Temptations, The Supremes, The Four Tops, Martha Reeves, The Jackson 5, Smokey Robinson** and many, many more.

Celebrate **the sound of a generation** with one very special night of The Magic of Motown!

**Tickets: £30.50**



# Alice in Wonderland

A magical family musical!

## Alice in Wonderland

Sunday 14 April, 2.30pm

**Multi award-nominated** Immersion Theatre - the team behind last year's smash hit, **The Jungle Book** - bring their trademark energy to their **biggest, funniest** and most **spectacular family musical** to date, Alice in Wonderland!

Follow **Alice** and the **White Rabbit** as they set off on a **colourful, topsy-turvy adventure** and meet a host of outlandish characters including **Tweedle Dum** and **Tweedle Dee**, the **Queen of Hearts**, the **Cheshire Cat** and of course, the **Mad-as a bat-Hatter!**

Children and adults alike are invited to join in the **hilarity** of seeing this **classic story** brought **vividly to life** in a show packed with **comedy, music, audience interaction**, and **fun for the whole family!**

You'd be **MAD** to miss it!

**Tickets: £17**

**Concessions: £14**

**Family (2+2): £58**

**Babes in Arms (available from Box Office only): £2**

## Thanks For The Memories

Monday 15 April, 2pm

Join Neil Sands for his brand-new matinee show – with more **songs**, more stunning **costumes**, more **memories** and even more **fun!** Neil and his **wonderful West End cast** bring back musical memories from the **fabulous 40s**, the **rocking 50s**, the **swinging 60s** and the **sensational 70s**.

This brand-new production is guaranteed to have **you singing along**, with over 60 **all-time favourite songs** to bring back happy memories of **golden days past**. Also celebrating the **80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day** in a **flag waving finale**, paying tribute to the **veterans of the armed forces**.

**Tickets: £18**

**Concessions: £16.50**

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NEIL SANDS PRODUCTIONS PROUDLY PRESENTS  
A SPECTACULAR AFTERNOON OF HEARTWARMING NOSTALGIA

**THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES**

Celebrating Happy Musical Memories  
From the 1940s 50s 60s & 70s

**D-DAY 80**  
1944 - 2024

★★★★★  
A Flag Waving Tribute To The Veterans As We Celebrate The 80th Anniversary of D-Day

★★★★★  
"ANOTHER HIT SHOW FROM THE MASTERS OF MATINEE NOSTALGIA"



KVN DANCE COMPANY

## Coppelia

Wednesday 17 April, 7.30pm

KVN Dance Company presents **Keven Allen's** reimagined version of the beloved **classical ballet** Coppelia, following its successful run in London. The **innovative approach** of this new production fuses together a **range of dance styles** from **classical to contemporary** and **street**, with the original full classical **Delibes** score imaginatively **re-worked, remixed** and **adapted** to compliment this.

While the **traditional ballet** focuses on Dr Coppelius, **Swanhilda** and the life-size **clockwork doll** that comes between them, this retelling will address his **intent on creating the doll** and how that **impacts on his relationship** with the wider community of villagers.

**Tickets: £29**

**Concessions: £27**

**Groups 10+: £26**

Strictly Come Dancing's

## Tommy Blaize

Thursday 18 April, 7.30pm

Tommy Blaize has one of the **most recognisable voices** in the UK.

As the lead singer on **Strictly Come Dancing** for 20 glorious years, he's sung live each week to up to **12 million people**.

In a remarkable career **spanning 50 years**, he's worked with some of the world's most legendary artists, from **Diana Ross** to **Queen**, from **The Beach Boys** to **Amy Winehouse**, and from **Stevie Wonder** to **Robbie Williams**.

Now it's time for **the man with the golden voice** to step out in his first, major, solo tour. **Singing songs** everyone knows and loves, and **telling stories** about the legends he's worked alongside, expect a **Strictly incredible evening**.

**Tickets: £28**





# BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT

## FORBIDDEN NIGHTS

READY FOR A NEW FANTASY?

### Forbidden Nights

Friday 19 April, 7.30pm

Brace yourself for something **truly spectacular**... Forbidden Nights is here, celebrating 9 years of **muscles, mayhem** and **over 11,000 shirt rips!**

Ready for a **new fantasy**? **Unleash your inhibitions** as Forbidden Nights takes you to a whole new level, delivering more than your **wildest dreams**.

Whether you're just looking for an excuse to **let loose**, celebrating a **birthday** or planning a sensational **hen party**, look no further. This isn't just a typical show; get ready to **dive right in** and **interact** like never before.

For the best seats in the house, **book now** and find out why Forbidden Nights have performed to **over 300,000 people**. So, what are you waiting for?

*Suitable for ages 18+*

**Stalls Rows A-F: £28.50**

**All Other Seats: £27.50**

## Dreams Of Fleetwood Mac

Sunday 21 April, 7.30pm

One of the UK's top – and some say, most authentic – **Fleetwood Mac** tribute shows!

UK Fleetwood Mac are a **high calibre**, **professional** and **polished** band of **experienced** and **accomplished musicians** who have come together to recreate the **sound, look** and **feel** of the legendary band itself. All **seven** professional members play **live** and **unadulterated**, dedicated to delivering a show **as close to the real thing as possible!**

The Dreams Of Fleetwood Mac show successfully recreates the **authentic look** and **sound**, and every show is portrayed with the **passion, energy** and **respect** that the legendary band deserve.

**Tickets: £31**

**Concessions: £29**

Spring/Summer 2024 Season

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# Jack And The Beanstalk

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AWARD-WINNING PANTO TEAM



DON'T MISS THIS **GIANT** OF A PANTO!



Relaxed Performance  
Mon 9 Dec  
5pm Carers go  
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Thursday 28			7:00pm
Friday 29		1:00pm	6:00pm
Saturday 30		1:00pm	5:00pm
DECEMBER 2024			
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Tuesday 3	10:00am	1:30pm	
Thursday 5	10:00am	1:30pm	
Friday 6	10:30am		7:00pm
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Friday 3		1:00pm	5:30pm
Saturday 4		1:00pm	5:30pm
Sunday 5	11:00am	3:00pm	

**Concession** Applies to children under 16 and adults over 60  
**Family Ticket** Four tickets (Must include 1 or 2 Adults per family)  
**Group Rates** For Groups of 10 or more - 1 in 10 free!  
**School Rates** One teacher free for every 10 children  
**Please Note:** A Concession ticket must be purchased for every child, regardless of age. We do not recommend bringing children under 3 years old.  
**\*Relaxed Performance:** Monday 9 December @ 5pm. Carers Go Free valid on this performance only. This performance is unavailable to book online, please contact the Box Office on **01268 205 300** or email [towngateboxoffice@basildon.gov.uk](mailto:towngateboxoffice@basildon.gov.uk) to purchase tickets.

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Preview	£18	£18	-	£17	£15	-
Schools	£23	£20	-	-	£14	£14
Off-Peak	£23	£21	£82	£21	£15	-
Peak	£28	£24	£98	£25	£17	-



## Tony Stockwell psychic medium

## Tony Stockwell Wednesday 24 April, 7.30pm

The popular star of TV's **Street Psychic**, **Psychic Private Eyes** and **Psychic Academy**, Tony Stockwell has a long established credibility as one of the top intuitive Mediums.

Tony demonstrates his belief that those who have passed can communicate with their loved ones with **detailed messages** frequently including **names**, **dates** and **locations** and all delivered with **emotion**, **sensitivity** and **empathy**.

The evening may include **psychometry**, **photograph readings** and **psychic predictions**.

*Recent legislative guidelines insist that any Evening of Mediumship should be billed 'for entertainment purposes'. Tony certainly uses his natural wit, showmanship and Cockney charisma to entertain but more important, Mediumship has the potential to change someone's life and instil in them a sense of peace, comfort and purpose. We hope that nobody can fail to come away untouched by the experience.*

**Tickets: £24.50**

## The Rolling Stones Story

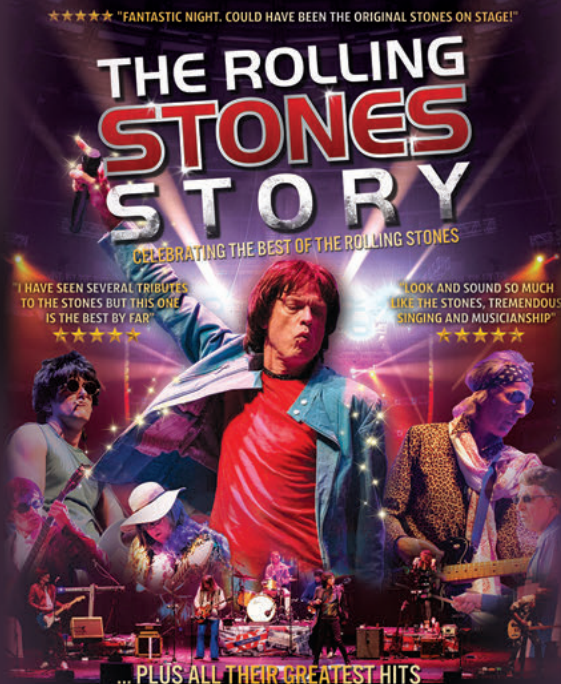
Thursday 25 April, 7.30pm

The Rolling Stones have **dominated Rock 'n' Roll music** since the 1960s. They've recorded some of the most phenomenal Rock 'n' Roll songs of all time - **Satisfaction**, **Jumpin' Jack Flash**, **Not Fade Away**, **Honky Tonk Woman**, **Brown Sugar**, **Start Me Up**...to name just a few.

You can now relive **all these classic hits** in The Rolling Stones Story, a **high energy** concert celebrating their music. **Let's Spend The Night Together** in the company of **Mick and the boys** and you will experience a **truly authentic** Rolling Stones spectacle; complete with an **awesome production**, the **finest musicians** and the **world's No. 1 Mick Jagger lookalike** in Paul Ashworth.

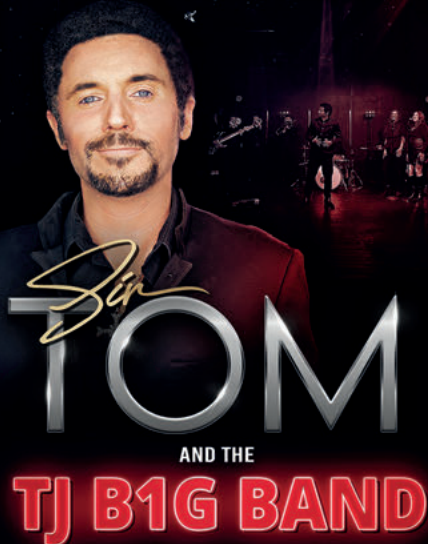
It's **Only Rock 'n' Roll**, but we like it!

**Tickets: £27.50**



PRESENTING

# A TRUE LIVE TRIBUTE TO Tom Jones



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ADAM PARKER BROWN

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## Sir Tom & The TJ B1g Band

Friday 26 April, 7.30pm

Adam Parker Brown delivers a definitive tribute to the greatest Welsh singer of all time, **Sir Tom Jones**. With a **live band** and **sensationally sassy backing singers**, this show pays the ultimate tribute to the **legend himself** and his incredible **catalog of music**. It is clear from the outset, in **every detail of his performance**, just how much this **established entertainer** has studied his **idol**.

**Sir Tom & The TJ B1g Band** is a show intended to **encapsulate the magic** only ever experienced at a concert given by the man himself. Adam delivers the **look**, the **songs** and most importantly, **'The Voice'**, in a performance that can only come from the **heart**.

Tickets: £27

Over 65s, Disabled & Carers: £25

## Luther Live

Friday 3 May, 7.30pm

The World's premier show in celebration of **The Velvet Voice!** Experience all the hits from his amazing career, culminating over **40 million album sales** and **eight Grammy awards**, including many of the **greatest dance anthems** and **love songs** ever written. Fronted by international Luther Vandross tribute. **Harry Cambridge** and his **10-piece band**

Featuring the hits **Never Too Much, Here And Now, Give Me The Reason, I Really Didn't Mean It, Stop To Love, So Amazing, The Best Things In Life Are Free, Always and Forever, Endless Love, Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now, Your Secret Love, Shine, The Closer I Get To You, Love The One You're With, Any Love, Superstar, Until You Come Back to Me, Dance With My Father** and many, many more.

Tickets: £29.50

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"MAKING THE IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE"

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"LUTHER IS IN THE ROOM"



**Blackeyed Theatre in association with South Hill Park Arts Centre presents The 60th anniversary tour of Joan Littlewood's Musical Entertainment**

## Oh What A Lovely War

**Tuesday 7 & Wednesday 8 May, 7.30pm**  
**Wednesday matinee, 1.30pm**

A cornerstone of **modern musical theatre** and one of the very greatest stage satires, Oh What A Lovely War is an **extraordinary theatrical journey** bringing to life the **folly, farce** and **tragedy** of the **First World War**.

**Wildly satirical, visually stunning** and **deeply moving**, it's the musical that **revolutionised modern theatre**; a **no-holds-barred assault** on the **military incompetence** and **inconceivable disregard** for **human life** in the First World War.

Brimming with **timeless songs**, **razor-sharp satire** and **high jinks**, Oh What A Lovely War is a **hilarious, heart-breaking snapshot** of life for those caught in the **crossfire of conflict**, a **unanimous voice** from the **trenches** and a timely warning from the **theatre of war** itself.

*Recommended for ages 11+*

**Tickets from: £19.50 - £23**

**Concessions: £2 off**

**School Rate: £14.50 plus 1 teacher FREE with every 10 students**

# "AN OUTSTANDING PRODUCTION"

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Musical Theatre Review



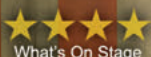
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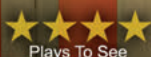
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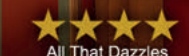
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THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY PRODUCTION OF  
JOAN LITTLEWOOD'S MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

# OH WHAT A LOVELY WAR

BY THEATRE WORKSHOP, CHARLES CHILTON, GERRY RAFFLES  
AND MEMBERS OF THE ORIGINAL CAST



BLACKKEYED  
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## Rock of Ages

Thursday 9 – Saturday 11 May, 8pm

Saturday matinee, 3pm

This **five-time Tony Award-nominated** musical tells the story of a **small-town girl, a city boy, and a rock 'n' roll romance** on the **Sunset Strip**.

Rock of Ages' **electric score** features **all your favourite 80s rock anthems and power ballads**, including **Every Rose Has It's Thorn, I Wanna Know What Love Is, Here I Go Again, We Built This City, The Final Countdown, Anyway You Want It, Oh Sherrie** and more!

This **all-singing, all-dancing** show will have you singing along, laughing, and joining in, so why not come along with those **air guitars** because when you **can't fight that feeling anymore and you wanna rock**, we will make sure you have **nothing, but a good time!**

This **Amateur Production** of Rock Of Ages by **True Productions** is presented by arrangement with **Concord Theatricals**  
Book, Music and Lyrics by **Chris D'Arienzo**  
Arrangements and Orchestrations by **Ethan Popp**

In the Mirren Studio

Tickets: £24

## Some Guys Have

## All The Luck

Friday 10 May, 7.30pm

Endorsed by Rod's own family, **Some Guys Have All The Luck – The Rod Stewart Story** is back in theatres in 2024 with its **hotly anticipated new production**.

Direct from the West End, the show brings to the stage an **incredible live concert** and takes you on a musical journey that **spans six decades** from humble beginnings to world-famous **rock sensation**.

Widely acknowledged as the UK's best, frontman **Paul Metcalfe** captures all the **excitement, energy and charisma** of the legendary performer and 2024's new production showcases a **brand-new set list**, a **new stage set**, an **even bigger light show** and a **world class live band**.

Tickets: £28.50

Concessions: £27



**SOME GUYS  
HAVE ALL THE LUCK**  
— THE ROD STEWART STORY —



**THE ULTIMATE RETRO CONCERT!**

# 80s Live

**Saturday 11 May, 7.30pm**

Get ready as we bring you the **biggest 80s party show** ever - 80s Live!

Put your hands together and **get into the groove**, as our live band **Electric Dreams** perform over two dozen chart topping anthems from **Wham, The Weather Girls, Culture Club, Rick Astley, Madonna, Duran Duran, Soft Cell, The Human League, A-Ha, Tears for Fears** and more.

Blending pop and soft rock, the show includes **Girls Just Wanna Have Fun, Edge of Heaven, Tainted Love, Love Shack, Living on a Prayer, The Final Countdown, Don't You Want Me, Baby, Relax, Never Gonna Give You Up, It's Raining Men, Rio...** the list goes on!

The ultimate 80s night out, so come **dressed to impress** as we **spin you around and around** for a night to remember!

**Tickets: £29**



## Milkshake! Live on Holiday

**Sunday 12 May, 11.30am & 2.30pm**

Milkshake! Live is back with a **brand-new show!**

Join your favourite Milkshake! friends on Holiday with **Dora, Pip and Posy, Blue** from **Blues Clues** and **You!, Milo, Milkshake! Monkey** plus two of your **Milkshake! presenters** for an all-new adventure!

**Pack your bags and jump aboard** the Milkshake! train as we go on an **all singing, all dancing holiday** together! It's a family show **not to be missed!**

Milkshake! Live "On Holiday" is produced by **Mark Thompson Productions Limited** in partnership with **Channel 5 Broadcasting**. Written by **Miranda Larson**, with creative direction and choreography by **Derek Moran**.

**Adult: £19.50**

**Child: £18.50**

**Family (2+2): £72**

**Babes in Arms: £2 (available from the Box Office only)**



## Mirren Must Sees



### DS:UK

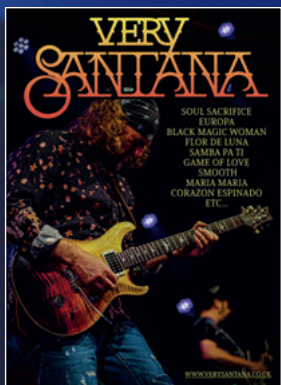
Thursday 30 May, 8pm

DS:UK return with their highly anticipated **Alchemical Tour** – their tribute to the Dire Straits infamous live **Alchemy** album, which was released as the **first live album**, recorded during the final nights of the **1982-1983 Love Over Gold Tour**.

DS:UK... in tribute to Dire Straits have become **the quintessential tribute** to one of the **worlds most loved bands**, due to their obvious affection for **Mark Knopfler's music** and **attention to detail** that fans truly appreciate.

**The Alchemical Tour** features **music and stories** from Dire Straits **early career**, it's going to be something special... **Let's let it rock and let it roll!**

**Tickets: £21**



### Very Santana

Saturday 1 June, 8pm

**Sit back, relax**, and enjoy the most **beautiful guitar melodies** and the amazingly **creative, unique, diverse songs** of Carlos Santana. All of which are played skilfully by this band of **top-quality** musicians.

This **live experience** spans the entire Carlos Santana legacy, including the **Early Era** songs from the **Abraxas** album such as **Black Magic Woman, Oye Como Va, and Samba Pa Ti**, through the **Late 70s** hits such as **Europa** and **She's Not There**, to the **Modern Era** multi Grammy-awarded songs such as **Smooth** and **Maria-Maria**.

Very Santana **recreate the guitar master and his band's live experience**, with all the **authenticity and uniqueness** that made Carlos Santana a **living legend musician and composer**.

**Tickets: £22**



### Small Fakers

Friday 14 June, 8pm

Formed in 2007, the Small Fakers are the UK's only tribute to **mod legends**, the **sensational Small Faces**.

Featuring hits galore at every show, including **All Or Nothing, Itchycoo Park, Lazy Sunday** and many more, mixed in with **B-sides** and **fan favourites** from the Small Faces' back catalogue.

A **visual and musical feast** for all Small Faces fans.

**Tickets: £19**

# THE TAKE THAT EXPERIENCE



## Take That Experience

Thursday 13 June, 7.30pm

As Take That celebrate over 30 years as the UK's number one boy band, The Take That Experience mark **over a decade together** as their most **popular** and **recognised** tribute act.

With **acclaimed vocal performances, stunning replica costumes and iconic dance routines**, The Take That Experience recreate the magic of Take That live on stage with their **Greatest Hits Tour**.

This incredible show features **hit after hit** from Take That's career spanning three decades – from **classic 90s** hits through to their most recent triumphs. Songs include **Pray, Relight My Fire, Patience, Shine, These Days, Rule The World** and many more.

The show also features the one and only **Robbie Williams** who brings alive songs such as **Angels, Rock DJ** and **Candy** to an already explosive show!

**Tickets: £26**

**Concessions: £24**

## Big Girls Don't Cry

Friday 14 June, 7.30pm

**Come out tonight** as we celebrate the iconic sounds of **Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons**.

This non-stop hit machine - authentically recreated by our **phenomenal cast** and **live band** - will transport you back in time for a magical evening enjoying all your favourites. No.1 hits **Sherry, December 1963 (Oh What a Night), Walk Like a Man, Rag Doll** and **Big Girls Don't Cry** helped propel the Four Seasons and Frankie Valli to super stardom.

This **internationally acclaimed show** authentically revives the sublime harmonies of New Jersey's finest and features his solo hits like **Grease, Let's Hang On, Working My Way Back to You, Beggin', I've Got You Under My Skin** and **Who Loves You**.

So it's time to **hang on to what we got** and treasure two hours with Big Girls Don't Cry!

**Tickets: £29**

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# BIG GIRLS DON'T CRY



## THE INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED TRIBUTE TO FRANKIE VALLI & THE FOUR SEASONS

HITS INCLUDE: **SHERRY • GREASE • BYE BYE BABY • SILENCE IS GOLDEN • WORKING MY WAY BACK TO YOU  
LET'S HANG ON • RAG DOLL • STAY • MY EYES ADORED YOU • OH WHAT A NIGHT ... AND MANY MANY MORE!**

## Mirren Must Sees



### Oasish

**Saturday 15 June, 8pm**

Since forming in 2004, Oasish have taken the tribute world **by storm!** The **attention to detail is incredible** and many have hailed them as being **better than the real thing!** They have performed at **Wembley Stadium, The National Indoor Arena, Manchester Academy** and are the only band to perform at the now world famous **Glastonbudget** Festival EVERY single year it's been running.

Using the same model of guitar - a **Gibson ES355** - that the real **Noel Gallagher** plays, and blasting through custom-made **Hi Watt** and **vintage Fender amps**, Oasish recreate the **big Oasis sound** that became their trademark in the **90s**.

**Tickets: £20**



### Rabbit Rabbit

**Friday 27 September, 8pm**

It's time to "**put your beer in the sideboard here**" and get yer-self along to this wonderful show that celebrates the music of the great **Chas & Dave!**

Rabbit Rabbit will have you singing along with all the feel-good songs the boys did over three decades. You will enjoy hits such as **Gertcha, Sideboard Song, London Girls, Margate, Poor Old Mr. Woogie, Ain't No Pleasing You** and of course – **Rabbit** – plus plenty more, including some surprises!

Performed by the renowned trio, **Triple Cream** with their **fantastic musicianship** and **witty banter**, this show will have you **smiling from ear to ear**.

**Tickets: £21.50**



### A tribute to Sting & The Police starring The Rozzers

**Saturday 5 October, 8pm**

**The Rozzers**, fronted by **Sting** look and sound-a-like **Owen James**, have been entertaining audiences as the **No. 1** tribute to **Sting** and **The Police** for over a decade.

**The Police** were arguably the biggest band on the planet between 1977 and 1983, achieving **5 number one hits** on both sides of the Atlantic. **Sting** then went on to be one of most **acclaimed solo songwriters** of his generation.

From **Roxanne** and **Every Breath You Take** to **Fields of Gold** and **Englishman in New York**, all the hits are reproduced with stunning authenticity and vocal accuracy. Be sure to catch them in Basildon in 2024!

**Tickets: £21**

# Johnny Cash Roadshow

Saturday 15 June, 7.30pm

Johnny Cash Roadshow is back with an **all-new production** of their much-loved show. Set in Folsom Prison, award-winning **Clive John** pays homage to Cash in his warming unique way, alongside his iconic wife, **June Carter** (Meghan Thomas), and is joined by some of the world's best musicians playing **double bass, fender telecaster and acoustic guitars, drums, piano, trumpet and four-part vocal harmonies.**

All the hits are delivered such as **Walk The Line, Ring of Fire, Jackson, Orange Blossom Special** and **Boy Named Sue** along-side some of the later American Recordings such as **Hurt.**

With **standing ovations** every night, Johnny Cash Roadshow is an **emotional rollercoaster** and **still** the biggest and best celebration of Johnny Cash in the world today.

**Tickets: £28.50**

**Concessions: £26.50**

# JOHNNY CASH ROADSHOW

SIN & REDEMPTION TOUR

## Taylormania

Sunday 16 June, 6pm

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

The show has already taken **'Swiftie'** fans across the world by storm, and features all of Taylor's much loved hits including **Shake It Off, Blank Space, Love Story, You Belong With Me, Look What You Made Me Do, I Knew You Were Trouble** and many, many more

**Tickets: £25.50**

**Under 16s: £23.50**

# TAYLORMANIA TAYLOR SWIFT ERAS

**THE ULTIMATE TRIBUTE**

The National Dance Company of Ireland

25<sup>th</sup>  
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# Rhythm Of The Dance

Thursday 4 July, 7.30pm

Rhythm of the Dance returns to the UK with a **new production** as part of its **25th Anniversary** global tour.

Join us on a journey through **Ireland's history** from the ancient, **rich in legend and myth**, to the **modern, urban Ireland** that we see today, **bursting with talent**.

Featuring **world class musicians** who play live on stage, **star vocalists** singing live and **world champion dancers**, the show is a **completely captivating** two-hour experience of **pulsating rhythms** performed at **lightning speed** with **slick choreography**.

**Tickets: £35**

## That'll Be The Day

Thursday 26 September, 7.30pm

That'll Be The Day is back on the road with another **incredible show** packed full of **world class performances** from Trevor and the **highly talented ensemble cast**.

Let the **world's leading Rock 'n' Roll show** take you on a journey through the years, as together you celebrate the most **iconic moments** in **Comedy, Rock 'n' Roll** and **Pop Culture** from the **50s** right the way through to the **80s**.

Combining **uproarious comedy sketches** and **impersonations** with **breathtaking vocals** and **dazzling musicianship**, That'll Be The Day truly is in a **league of its own**. Join **Trevor** and the **stellar cast** for the **ultimate feel-good experience** that will have you **singing and dancing**, and leave you wanting just a little bit more!

*Please note: Contains adult humour, recommended for ages 12+*

**Tickets: £29.50**

**Concessions: £27.50**



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# LEGEND

◆ THE MUSIC OF ◆  
**BOB MARLEY**



## Legend: The Music of Bob Marley

Friday 27 September, 7.30pm

When you think **reggae**, there is only one name that comes to mind. The legend that was **Bob Marley**.

Legend – The Music of Bob Marley is an **unforgettable** evening celebrating this musical icon in one fantastic stage show extravaganza. Combining his **superb, distinctive vocals** with **flawless musicianship**, a supremely talented cast recreate the timeless hits **Could You Be Loved, Is This Love, One Love, No Woman No Cry, Three Little Birds, Jammin', Buffalo Soldier, Stir It Up, Get Up Stand Up, Exodus, Waiting in Vain, Satisfy My Soul, Iron Lion Zion, I Shot the Sheriff** and many more reggae classics.

It is a two-hour spectacular, showcasing the **magic of Marley**. It captures the **charisma** and **culture** of an **icon** gone too soon.

**Tickets: £30**

## UK Pink Floyd

### Experience

Saturday 28 September, 7.30pm

Celebrating over **50 years** of one of rock music's **most influential bands**, UK Pink Floyd Experience recreate the **sights** and **sounds** of the legendary band in concert.

This highly authentic show recreates the atmosphere of Floyd live. Featuring top-flight musicians and complete with **video projections**, a **stunning light show** and of course, over 2 hours of **incredible music!**

Come and share the passion for Pink Floyd's music as we tackle the classic songs including **Wish You Were Here, Shine On You Crazy Diamond, Another Brick In The Wall** and **Comfortably Numb**.

With **outstanding musicianship**, **superb vocals** and **amazing production**, this **spellbinding show** is a true celebration of all things **Floyd**.

**Tickets: £28**

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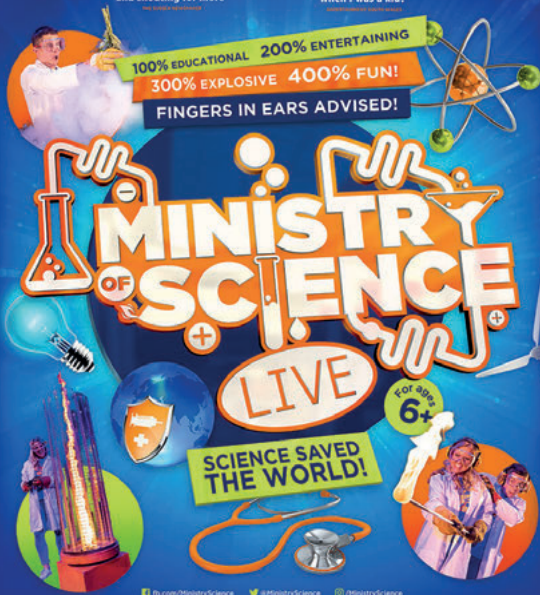


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Sunday 29 September, 11.30am & 2.30pm

The UK's favourite science team are back - and more explosive than ever!

Join our presenters as they **dive deep into the world of science** - with a few **loud bangs** along the way!

They'll take an anarchic approach to science communication whilst looking at the **scientists, engineers and inventors** who have **shaped the modern world that we live in** - whilst proving that each and everyone of you have the ability to **change our world** for the better!

Expect 20ft **Liquid Nitrogen** clouds, exploding **Oxygen** and **Hydrogen** balloons, **Fire Tornadoes**, **Hydrogen** bottle rockets, ignited **Methane** and even a self-built **Hovercraft**!

Adult: £19

Child: £18

Family (2+2): £71

Under 18 Months (available from Box Office only): £2

## The Magic Of The Beatles

Thursday 3 October, 7.30pm

**Come together, right now** – it's time to **shake it up baby** with the concert show of the year!

The sensational 2024 **The Shake it Up Baby Tour** features an incredible cast that not only look and sound like **John, Paul, George, and Ringo**, they also generate that same, famed **incredible excitement** that was the trademark of the **greatest group the world has ever seen** – with the **Fab Four's** unique sense of humour thrown in for good measure too.

Enjoy **She Loves You**, **A Hard Day's Night**, **Help!**, **I Feel Fine**, **Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band**, **Hey Jude**, **Here Comes The Sun**, **Get Back** and so many more non-stop chart toppers. Join us on a **magical musical tour** that takes you back to the **golden era of pop music** – featuring **hit after hit after hit!**

Tickets: £29

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# TOWNGATE

## live


We are bringing **original music** back to the Towngate! Join us for our **monthly** live music night, **Towngate LIVE!** in the Gielgud Room.

Showcasing and celebrating **local** and **emerging artists**, there will be **live bands, original music** of all **genres**, all within our **intimate venue** where every seat has a great view – why go anywhere else!

Best of all, these events are completely **FREE!** Grab your seats now and join us to celebrate the **musical heritage** and **future** of Basildon.

**Opening Night: Friday 22 March, 7pm**

**Tickets: FREE!**



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Join us for an **exciting evening of theatre**, as we present the work of **local actors** and **performers** who have been attending **workshop sessions** over the past few months.

This is a unique opportunity to **see the creative process in action**, as the artists share their **experiments, discoveries** and **challenges**. You will witness a variety of **scenes, monologues**, and **improvisations**, ranging from **comedy** to **drama**, and from **classic** to **contemporary**.

Come and support the **emerging talent** of our **community**, and be part of the conversation about **the future of theatre**.

**Thursday 28 March, 8pm**

**Tickets: £7.50**

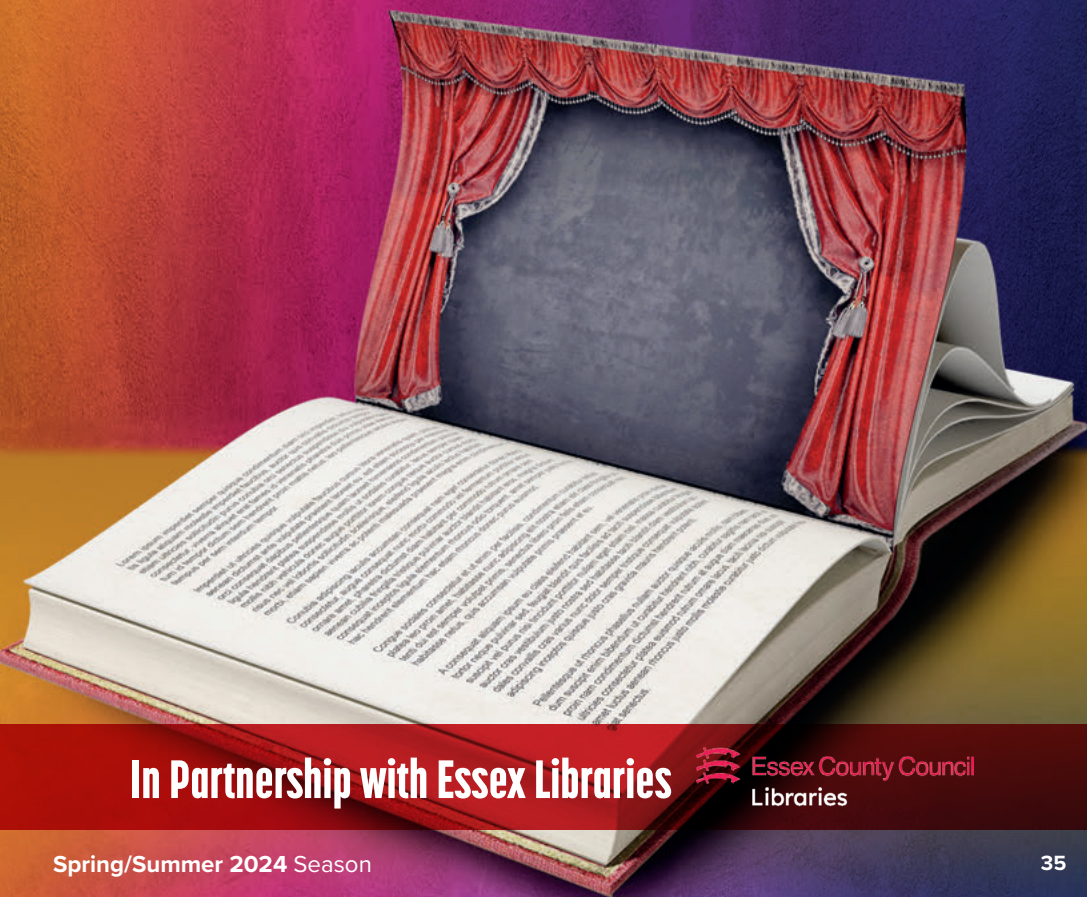
# BETWEEN THE LINES

## Join our Towngate Book Club!

Our **Book Club** will focus on **page to stage** texts – perfect for anyone who has a **love** of the **arts** and **literature!**

- ★ **Online Meeting:** From 1pm every second Monday of the month
- ★ **In-Person Meetings:** From 1pm every last Monday of the month
- ★ **Book Club Members** receive **10% off at the Towngate Café** on the In-Person Monday!

Visit [towngatetheatre.co.uk](https://www.towngatetheatre.co.uk) for more info!



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