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INTRODUCTION

WELCOME TO THE 2023 FESTIVAL OF CHICHESTER: FOUR FABULOUS WEEKS OF FUN AND CELEBRATION ACROSS THE COMMUNITY, FROM PLAYS TO TALKS, FROM MUSIC TO WALKS, FROM ART TO ALL KINDS OF SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT.

What you have in your hand is the definitive guide to nearly 100 individually organised events. As usual, we have been particularly keen to encourage local talent but as you can see, some big names from further afield have also been drawn to the city.

How it works

The brochure works in two ways. Detailed event information is arranged by genre on pages 4 to 23 but you can also search using a day-by-day calendar on pages 24 to 29. For recurring events you'll need to flip back to the first mention to find a full description.

In parallel with the main festival is the Chichester Fringe (see ad on p31). Also, please be aware that the Festival of Chichester is not the same as the Chichester Festival Theatre (CFT) which has a summer season of its own (see ad on p9) .

Note that while most of the venues are within the city, some (marked 🚌) are out of town so do read carefully and make sure you know where you are booking. Events marked ♌ are outdoors so go prepared. Those marked ❖ allow audience members to arrive around 90 minutes early and to bring a picnic.

A large majority of events are ticketed through the Novium/ Chichester Box Office but a handful of organisers have chosen not to use this service so please be aware that the box office can't always sell tickets for every show.

About us

This is our tenth edition since the festival rose from the ashes of the former Chichester Festivities in 2012/13. The festival remains a charity guided by a small committee of volunteers. And we are very keen to encourage more local enthusiasts to help us over the coming months and years. See p34 if you think you might be keen to join us facilitating the arts in this wonderful city. Meanwhile we are extremely grateful to our sponsors and thrilled to acknowledge the continuing support of our Festival patron, distinguished actor Dame Patricia Routledge, and of our Festival President, best-selling author Kate Mosse.



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The festival committee is:
Phil Hewitt (chairman), Katie Bennett, Dan Inman, Mark Elliott, Simon O'Hea, Anne Scicluna, Michelle Sinclair and Nick Sutherland.

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In person:
The Novium, Tower Street, Chichester, PO19 1QH: a 1-minute walk from the Cathedral.

For phone and in-person bookings the box office is open Tuesday to Friday 10am-4.30pm & Saturday 10am-5pm. Also open summer Sundays 10am-4pm starting 18th June. Closed Mondays except bank holidays.

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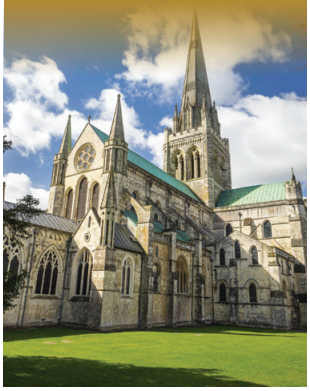
FESTIVAL LAUNCH

Saturday, June 10, 1.30pm.

FESTIVAL LAUNCH, CATHEDRAL GREEN, CHICHESTER.

Join us on the Cathedral Green as we launch the 2023 Festival in our traditional style. Special guests will declare us open while a series of performers offer tasters that set the tone for four weeks of fun. The Andrew Bernardi Music Group will be there to give a teaser for their 'otherworldly' concert that you can hear in full later that evening. **Free admission, no ticket required.**

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MUSIC



Sunday, June 3, 7pm.

Event M1: FAUST – STAGED OPERA BY GOUNOD, NEW SUSSEX OPERA CHORUS, The Assembly Room, The Council House, North Street, Chichester.

New Sussex Opera Chorus presents Gounod's Faust, an immersive production of this opera, a popular, tuneful favourite, although in recent times not frequently performed. NSO Chamber Orchestra and Chorus, conductor Nicholas Houghton, director Cate Crockford. Staged and sung in English. **Tickets: £25, concessions £23**



Friday, June 9, 7pm.

Event M2: LIVE BANDS NIGHT AT UNIVERSITY OF CHICHESTER ZEEBAR, UCSU, University of Chichester, College Lane, Chichester, PO19 6PE.

UCSU are proud to present some of the best local artists from across Sussex's vibrant music scene in our live venue. Chichester's Jam Studio is putting up acts, as well as our university students. This promises to be a veritable cornucopia of talent and wondrous sounds. **Tickets: £5.**



Saturday, June 10, 7.30pm.

Event M3: BEYOND OUR WORLD, Bernardi Music Group, Chichester Cathedral.

Gustav Holst rests in Chichester Cathedral. This performance by many leading UK instrumentalists features his masterpiece 'The Planets', mirrored by a new work: 'The Lost Planet.' The concert opens with 'Sunrise of the Planetary Dream Collector' arranged for solo electric viola and performed by Nic Pendlebury. **Tickets: band A/B £30/25, concessions band A/B £15/12.50**



Saturday, June 10, 7.30pm.

Event M4: CHICHESTER FRINGE: AN IMPROVISED EVENING WITH STUART IRONSIDE, Chichester Fringe, Chichester Ship Canal Café, Canal Basin.

Following on from performances at Chichester Fringe in 2021 and 2022, Stuart Ironside returns with an evening of meditative and contemplative listening; inspired by his recent work in West African and experimental music. Tickets are available via the venue: chichestercanal.org.uk. **Tickets: £10, concessions £7.**



Sunday, June 11, 6pm.

Event M5: MARTIN SMITH – THE LYRICAL EUPHONIUM, Christchurch, Chichester.

The Lyrical Euphonium returns to the Festival of Chichester featuring recital favourites from the latest critically acclaimed CD/album by Martin Smith featured on BBC Radio. From Elgar to Capuzzi and Cecilia McDowall, Evelyn Glennie and Rebecca Clarke in a charity event supporting The Cat and Rabbit Rescue Centre, Sidlesham. **Tickets: £10, concessions £5**



Tuesday, June 13, 1.10pm.

Event M6: CATHEDRAL LUNCHTIME CONCERT: PLAEGAN PIANO TRIO, Chichester Cathedral.

The Plaegan Piano Trio performs works by Johannes Brahms as part of Chichester Cathedral's regular lunchtime concert series in the spectacular setting of the Cathedral Nave. Concert duration approx 50 minutes. Helen Sills violin; Bettina St J Skeen cello; Alan Brown piano. **Free entry with a retiring collection.**



Tuesday, June 13, 7.30pm.

Event M7: CHICHESTER MUSIC SOCIETY – ENDYMION ENSEMBLE, University of Chichester Chapel.

CMS is delighted to welcome the Endymion Ensemble for this concert dedicated to the memory of our late chairman David Tinsley. The Endymion last visited CMS as a trio in June 2019 for our summer buffet concert, playing music for violin, horn and piano. In this evening's concert the ensemble will be playing music for three, four and six players including Mozart's Piano Quartet in G Minor and Dohnanyi's Sextet. **Tickets: £15.**



Wednesday, June 14, 7.30pm.

Event M8: BOURNEMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: MIDSUMMER MELODY, Chichester Cathedral.

Enjoy a summer's evening with some of the most memorable melodies ever written, performed in full majesty by the BSO. Vaughan Williams' Tallis Fantasia, Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto, Dvorak's 'From the New World' Symphony. Tom Fetherstonhaugh conducts. **Tickets: £31/£26/£15 Concessions: 50% discount.**



Friday, June 16, 7pm.

Event M9: FUNK 'N' SOUL NIGHT FEATURING LIVE ACT TICKLIN' THE PICKLE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICHESTER'S ZEEBAR, ZeeBar, UCSU, University of Chichester.

Featuring Chichester's very own Ticklin' The Pickle band plus a supporting cast of musicians and vinyl-spinning DJs. Come n' strut yo' stuff! Doors at 7pm, runs till 11pm. **Tickets: £5.**



Saturday, June 17, 7.30pm.

Event M11: THE CHICHESTER SINGERS' 70TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT, Chichester Cathedral.

Jonathan Willcocks leads one of the south's leading amateur choirs The Chichester Singers as it celebrates 70 years of music-making. This anniversary season culminates in our Chichester Cathedral performance on June 17. Chilcott – Dances of Time; Stanford – Songs of the Fleet; Assersohn – A Drop of Nelson's Blood. chichestersingers.co.uk **Tickets: £30 to £10.**



Saturday, June 17, 7.30pm.

Event M13: LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS CONCERT BY THE ROYAL MARINES ASSOCIATION CONCERT BAND, St Paul's Church, Chichester.

The Royal Marines Association Concert Band is back in Chichester. An evening of great music where the band will feature marches, overtures, music from the classics, soloists, West End, popular songs and a Last Night of The Proms finale. **Tickets: £15, concessions £12.**



Sunday, June 18, 7pm.

Event M15: VOICES OF GREECE: ZABETAS: WITH PLASTIKES KAREKLES, St Paul's Church, Chichester.

Zabetas is one of the warmest and most relatable and uplifting Greek musicians. His catchy and melodic music, filled with the down-to-earth tragedy and comedy of the human condition, makes his songs part of the DNA of Greek life. "Plastikes Karekles had people dancing in the aisles and evoked memories of sunnier climes" (Nottingham Press). **Tickets: £15, concessions £6.**



Saturday, June 17, 7.30pm.

Event M12: LA FOLIE CONSORT, Bognor Regis Music Club, The Regis School of Music, Bognor Regis.

We are pleased to welcome back La Folie after the Consort's brilliant concert last year. Under the leadership of Luke Haydn, they pride themselves on historically informed performances of Baroque music. Their programme includes Vivaldi – The Four Seasons, Vivaldi – Cello Concerto in C major (HWV 365) and Bach – Brandenburg Concerto No 5 in D major. 🚌 **Tickets: £11.**



Sunday, June 18, 3pm.

Event M14: LYNDEN CRANHAM: BACH'S CELLO SUITES AND TEA, St Peter and St Mary Church, Fishbourne.

Launching volume two of her recording of Bach's cello suites, Lynden will play from these wonderful compositions, using four-string and five-string baroque cellos; writer and broadcaster Roger Parker will discuss the music; tea follows. Proceeds to St Peter and St Mary Church, the beautiful space where the recordings were made.
🚌 **Tickets: £10.**



Monday, June 19, 7.30pm.

Event M16: GUITAR SOIRÉE, Christ Church, Chichester.

Join Linda Kelsall-Barnett and the West Sussex Guitar Orchestra with friends from the West Sussex Guitar Club for a summer extravaganza of the guitar in ensemble. Enjoy a wide range of repertoire from 1600 to the present day specially composed and arranged for a variety of guitar combinations. **Tickets: £12, concessions £5.**

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Saturday 1st July 7.30pm
Graylingwell Chapel, Blomfield Drive, Graylingwell Park, Chichester, PO19 6BZ

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Tuesday, June 20, 1.10pm.

Event M17: CATHEDRAL LUNCHTIME CONCERT: TIM STEWART (ORGAN), Chichester Cathedral.

Chichester Cathedral's organ scholar Tim Stewart performs as part of the Cathedral's regular lunchtime concert series in the spectacular setting of the Cathedral Nave. Concert duration approx 50 minutes. Free admission with retiring collection. Programme includes Howells, Mendelssohn, Buxtehude, Duruflé, Whitlock and Vierne. **Free entry with a retiring collection.**



Wednesday, June 21, 7pm.

Event M18: MAESTRA: 900 YEARS OF CHORAL MUSIC BY FEMALE COMPOSERS, Sonare, St Peter's Place, Fishbourne.

Sonare turns the spotlight onto a wealth of exciting, moving and even boundary-breaking music, spanning 900 years, and taking in everything from German mystics to famous siblings. Although women have been composing alongside men for centuries, their works have often been neglected in favour of their male counterparts.**Tickets: £17, seniors £15, students £12.**



Thursday, June 22, 7.30pm.

Multi-Themed Event SW10: POETRY & JAZZ CAFE WITH PENELOPE SHUTTLE, South Downs Poetry Festival, The Assembly Room, Chichester.

Acclaimed, award-winning poet and novelist Penelope Shuttle teams up with star jazz saxophonist Jo Fooks to entertain and inspire. Penelope will read from her celebrated books and her new collection Lyonesse, the mythical kingdom of Cornwall. A delightful mix of words and jazz. Jo Fooks rose to fame with Humphrey Lyttleton's Band. **Tickets: £15.**



Friday, June 23, 7.45pm.

Event M19: CHICHESTER JAZZ CLUB: THE RE-BIRTH OCTET, The Pallant Suite, Chichester.

Formed in 2021 by Brighton-based Chris Coull, the Re-Birth Octet took the original Birth of the Cool compositions by Miles Davis, Gil Evans and Gerry Mulligan and extended the music to feature each of the Octet's personnel whilst staying true to the ensemble character of this seminal album. **Tickets: £15.**



Saturday, June 24, 7.30pm.

Event M20: SING PSALMS AND SONGS, South Downs Soloists, The Assembly Room, Chichester.

South Downs Soloists, a vocal ensemble of eight professional singers, are based in Chichester and directed by George Haynes, a lay vicar at Chichester Cathedral. Sing Psalms and Songs will include music old and new and will commemorate the 400th anniversary of the deaths of William Byrd and Thomas Weelkes. **Tickets: £18.**



Saturday, June 24, 7.30pm.

Event M21: MIDSUMMER SOUNDS IN BRASS, Chichester City Band, St Paul's Church, Chichester.

Celebrate Midsummer's Day and the new Carolean Era in spectacular style with the glorious sounds of your local award-winning brass band in a carefully chosen programme of entertaining music to suit all tastes and age groups, featuring talented soloists, interval refreshments and our ever-popular raffle. **Tickets: £10.**

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Sunday, June 25, 3pm.

Event M22: ENSEMBLE REZA – CLASSICAL JOURNEY THROUGH SUSSEX WITH MUSIC & STORIES, Ensemble Reza, St Paul's Church, Chichester.

Join us for an afternoon of beautiful music as we take you on a journey with tales and music written by composers, both new and old, from our local Sussex. Ensemble Reza is at the core a sextet (two violins, two violas and two cellos), but it can include any combination of string players from soloist to sextet. **Tickets: £10, students/children £3.**



Monday, June 26, 7.30pm.

Event M23: ST RICHARD SINGERS FESTIVAL CONCERT, Boxgrove Priory Church.

St Richard Singers with the Choral Scholars of Portsmouth Cathedral under the direction of Sachin Gunga invite you to an evening of choral and organ music from the Renaissance to the present day. **Tickets: £15.**



Tuesday, June 27, 1.10pm.

Event M24: CATHEDRAL LUNCHTIME CONCERT: ALASTAIR PENMAN AND JONATHAN PEASE (SAXOPHONE & PIANO), Chichester Cathedral.

Saxophonist Alastair Penman performs as part of Chichester Cathedral's regular lunchtime concert series in the spectacular setting of the Cathedral Nave, with piano accompaniment from Jonathan Pease. **Free entry with a retiring collection.**



Thursday, June 29, 6.30pm. & Thursday, July 6, 6.30pm.

Event M25: GUITARS IN THE GARDEN, Wagtail Coffee, Chichester, PO19 7BD.

Guitars in the Garden comprises two guitarists who play café music, a genre from Bach to blues, Latin to contemporary, peppered with a jazzy feel. The venue is the lovely Wagtail Café by the city walls in the city centre (so the concert is not actually in a garden!). The café will be open for refreshments. **Tickets: £12.**

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Friday, June 30, 1pm.

Event M26: BACH CELLO SUITES: GENESIS AND REFLECTION, NOS 1 AND 2, St Paul's Church, Chichester.

Pavlos Carvalho performs the 1st suite, G major, the simple, innocent genesis of all the suites, and then the more inward-looking and reflective 2nd suite in G minor. Bach speaks to the soul and intellect at once, to the religious and secular, the young and old. He speaks to all. **Tickets: £10, students/children £5.**



Friday, June 30, 7.30pm.

Event M28: BYRD SONG, Tom Robson, Boxgrove Priory.

Tom Robson returns to the festival to present a recital alongside the consort of viols Arculo to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the death of William Byrd. Come and join these fantastic musicians in the stunning setting of Boxgrove Priory for an evening exploring music from 16th and 17th-century England. **Tickets: £15.**



Saturday, July 1, 7.30pm.

Event M30: SONG FOR SANCTUARY, Chichester Cathedral.

The University and Cathedral co-present a concert to raise awareness and funds for refugees from around the world, incl Ukraine. Performers: Lilija Sholomey (soprano); University of Chichester Conservatoire Orchestra and Choir; Grand Choeur de Maitrise of Chartres Cathedral; Chichester Cathedral Choir. Music includes Fauré's Requiem & Stravinsky's Symphony of Psalms. **Tickets: £25 nave; £15 aisles (restricted/no view) and students.**



Friday, June 30, 7.30pm.

Event M27: TESORO – MOVIES, MUSICALS AND MORE, The Assembly Room, The Council House, North Street, Chichester.

Tesoro Duo, soprano Karen Barnett and tenor Simon Long, will be returning this year to the Assembly Rooms for a musical extravaganza of music from Movies, Musicals and More. The tenor/soprano duo will perform a wealth of music from the world of contemporary classical, opera, musical theatre and film. **Tickets: £14, seniors/students/children £10.**



Saturday, July 1, 7.30pm.

Event M29: A SUMMER SPECTACULAR CONCERT, Southdowns Concert Band, St Paul's Church, Chichester.

In aid of the Sussex Snowdrop Trust, this Summer Spectacular Concert features the very best of choral music from the Walton Voices as well as spectacular pieces from the repertoire of the Southdowns Concert Band. **Tickets: £15.**



Saturday, July 1, 7.30pm.

Event M31: PZAZZ SINGERS, Graylingwell Chapel, Chichester.

PZAZZ presents an evening of songs from pop sensations including Adele, Michael Jackson and Meghan Trainor amongst others. The vibrant singing group is Chichester based, performing regularly in the area, raising funds for the Love Your Hospital charity. We welcome you to our concert and hope you enjoy our performance. **Tickets: £12.**



Saturday, July 1, 7.30pm.

Event M32: A TRIBUTE TO OUR FRIEND CHRIS IN AID OF SAGE HOUSE, Bognor Regis Music Club, Chichester Baptist Church.

Local pianist Chris Coote organised concerts for local charities, raising thousands from donations over many years. Chris was also chairman of the Bognor Regis Music Club. Join us as we come together to celebrate the life of our friend Chris, who died in 2020, and raise money for Sage House. **Please note, the tribute is in Chichester NOT Bognor. Free entry with a retiring collection.**



Monday, July 3, 7.30pm.

Event M33: BOGDAN VACARESCU (VIOLIN) & VALENTINA SEFERINOVA (PIANO), Christ Church Methodist and United Reformed Church, Chichester.

Amici Concerts. Bogdan Vacarescu and Valentina Seferinova present a stunning programme for violin and piano featuring treasures by Vivaldi, Tartini, Vitali, Beethoven, Chopin and Sarasate. Vacarescu is a Romanian virtuoso violinist living in the UK since 2000. **Tickets: £17, seniors: £15, under 25s: £5, children: free.**



Tuesday, July 4, 7pm.

Multi-Themed Event SW18: POETRY AND MUSIC WITH LOUIS DE BERNIÈRES AND CONCERT PIANIST ELENA TOPONOGOVA, Chichester Cathedral.

Enjoy a magical blend of poetry and music with international-bestselling writer Louis de Bernières, brilliant concert pianist Elena Toponogova, actress Emily Rose Smith and South Downs poets celebrating the bicentenaries of the Romantic poets. The mix includes poetry, romantic music and readings from the poets linked with Sussex. **Tickets: £15.**



Sunday, July 2, 3pm.

Multi-Themed Event TM10: BOWJANGLES, Amici Concerts, Halnaker Park Cottage Gardens.

Bowjangles is an award-winning group of multi-talented genre-spinners, bringing music, storytelling, cabaret, theatre, choreography and comedy together in a way you've never seen before. Brilliant classical musicians at the core, they promise a fabulously-fun show. Parking available from 1.30pm. Bring low chairs and picnics. 🚻 ❖ **Tickets: £17 (£18.50 on the door) including glass of wine.**



Tuesday, July 4, 1.10pm.

Event M34: CATHEDRAL LUNCHTIME CONCERT: IDA PELLICCIOLI (PIANO), Chichester Cathedral.

Italian pianist Ida Pelliccioli performs a programme of music inspired by the forgotten Spanish composer Manuel Blasco de Nebra (1750-1784). This concert features as part of Chichester Cathedral's regular lunchtime concert series in the spectacular setting of the Cathedral Nave. Concert duration approx 50 minutes. **Free entry with a retiring collection.**



Wednesday, July 5, 7.30pm.

Event M35: AMANDA COOK - CLASSICAL GUITAR SOLOIST, St Pancras Church, Chichester.

Amici Concerts. "The guitar queen with a silken touch" (The Independent) presents an inspiring programme of romantic and contemporary music by the celebrated composers Verdery, Kavanagh and Torroba. Known for her sensitive musicality and special ability to draw the listener in, Amanda has performed internationally. **Tickets: £17, seniors: £15, students: £5, children: free.**



Friday, July 7, 7pm.

Event M36: SUSSEX SONG MAKERS WITH THE SUSSEX ENSEMBLE PRESENT AN EVENING OF VIVALDI, ALBINONI AND TORELLI, The Assembly Room, Chichester.

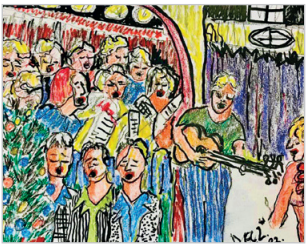
Vivaldi's Gloria and Magnificat, Albinoni's Concerto for Oboe,and Torelli's Concerto for trumpet will be performed. The singers are The Sussex Song Makers, conductor Elizabeth Muir-Lewis, with the Sussex Ensemble, leader Nick Houghton. The Torelli and the Albinoni complement the beauty of the Vivaldi. **Tickets: £15, students/children: £10.**



Saturday, July 8, 7.30pm.

Event M38: CHICHESTER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA – SUMMER CONCERT, St Paul's Church, Chichester.

Catherine Lawlor, former leader of Chichester Symphony Orchestra, will perform Bruch's violin concerto. The orchestra will also perform Brahms' Symphony No 2 and Brahms' Academic Overture. Simon Wilkins conducts. Chichester Symphony Orchestra is Chichester's premier and longest-operating amateur music ensemble. **Tickets: £17, students: £5, children: free.**



Sunday, July 9, 2pm.

Event M40: SINGING IN THE BISHOP'S GARDEN, The Bishop's Palace Gardens.

Chichester community choirs get together to sing with and for each other – or anyone else in the vicinity. There are lots of community choirs in the Chichester area. Today is a day to celebrate the many different choirs who will share their own style and repertoire as well as joining in a big sing with all singers celebrating the joy of singing together. **Free entry.**



Friday, July 7, 7.30pm.

Event M37: PURCELL ODES, Chichester Chorale, Boxgrove Priory.

Chichester Chorale present music by Henry Purcell, including his Birthday Ode for Queen Mary, Come ye Sons of Art. Conducted by Tom Robson and accompanied by the Chichester Chamber Ensemble in the idyllic setting of Boxgrove Priory. Originally programmed for July 2020 to celebrate 325 years since the death of Henry Purcell, Chichester Chorale are delighted to be returning to the Festival. **Tickets: £15.**



Saturday, July 8, 7.30pm.

Event M39: ZOE BARNETT – GUITAR RECITAL, The Regis School of Music, Bognor.

Sussex Young Musician winner 2022 and International Guitar Foundation Young Artist Zoe Barnett presents a diverse programme of guitar solos for the West Sussex Guitar Club, inspired by the folklore of Brazil, Iran and Catalonia. **Tickets: £15, students: £8, children: free.**



Sunday, July 9, 3.30pm.

Event M41: HAMPSHIRE RECORDER SINFONIA – MUSIC DIVINE, Boxgrove Priory Church.

On the final afternoon of the Festival, exceptional recorder players on seven sizes of instrument will present the leading edge of English musical style from 1700-2023. An inspirational performance directed by Helen Hooker. Fabulous music in the magnificent Boxgrove Priory Church. **Tickets: £10.**



Sunday, July 9, 5pm.

Event M42: HANDEL: MESSIAH (COMPLETE), St Paul's Church, Chichester.

Celebrate the last night of another fabulous Festival with the Consort of Twelve and the Portsmouth Baroque Choir performing Handel's Messiah. Bring a picnic for the dinner interval. 2023 will be the 280th anniversary of Messiah's London debut. Following their successful collaboration last year, the Consort of Twelve and Portsmouth Baroque Choir present a complete performance of Messiah. ❖ **Tickets: £20, students: £5.**



Thursday, July 13, 6pm.

Event M43: ROB JOHNSTON, Pallant House Gallery Courtyard.

Rob Johnston is a virtuoso guitarist with a huge range of influences. Together with skilled, versatile percussionist, Tim Gower, these two experienced and creative performers bring an eclectic blend of new and exciting acoustic music to the Pallant House Gallery. "Staggering playing...He is a mighty, mighty fine player." Live BBC Radio. **Free entry.**



Saturday, July 15, 7.30pm.

Event M44: TOM BULLARD (BARITONE) IN RECITAL, Bognor Regis Music Club, The Regis School of Music, Bognor Regis.

Tom Bullard returns to the Festival performing Robert Schumann's Dichterliebe and works by Vaughan Williams and Martin Read in an evening of song, accompanied by John Paul Ekins. A rare opportunity to hear again a professional baritone with many ensembles: Swingle Singers, London Voices, Synergy Vocals, Opera-Up-Close and currently Tenebrae. 🚌 **Tickets: £11.**

SPOKEN WORD

TALK, POETRY, COMEDY



Saturday, June 10, 7.30pm.

Event SW1: SPEED AGGRESSION SURPRISE – THE UNTOLD SECRET ORIGINS OF THE SAS, Tom Petch, The Assembly Room, Chichester.

Myth surrounds the origins of the SAS. Author, film-director and former commander Tom Petch tells first hand the real story of how the world's pre-eminent Special Forces were born, exploring the ideas and characters that forged a new means of warfare from the wreckage of Dunkirk. Signed copies will be on sale. Co-hosted by Petworth Bookshop. **Tickets: £20, Livestream: £10**



Monday, June 12, 7.30pm.

Event SW2: FINDING HARMONY BEHIND BARS – THE PRISON CHOIR PROJECT, The Friends Meeting House, Chichester.

Adam Green shares with us his work in prisons, some of the characters he's met along the way and outlines the charity's mission to develop self-confidence, self-belief and self-determination to succeed through music, offering a way of reducing the possibility of reoffending. It promises to be an exciting, uplifting and inspiring session. **Tickets: £10, seniors: £8, students: £8.**



Tuesday, June 13, 7pm.

Event SW3: CHICHESTER SKEPTICS IN THE PUB, Chichester Inn.

Chichester Skeptics in the Pub is a group for informal themed conversations that meets on the second Tuesday of each month. For June's session the starting point for discussion is a 15-minute talk by Lonely Planet guidebook writer Mark Elliott titled "Lessons Learnt from a Life in Travel". **Free entry.**



Wednesday, June 14, 12 midday.

Event SW4: MIRROR, MIRROR, MAKE ME YOUNGER, Sandra M H Saer, The Assembly Room, The Council House, North Street, Chichester.

Mirror, mirror, make me younger! We were all affected by the lockdowns. My own solution? I'll write my autobiography! That is how Night Things On got written: a defiant nod to lock-downs. Talk repeated on June 22 (see **Event SW8**). **Tickets: £7, seniors: £5, students: £4.**



Thursday, June 15, 6pm.

Event SW5: STEVEN FRANK, CHILD SURVIVOR OF THE HOLOCAUST, SHARES HIS STORY, Chichester Marks Holocaust Memorial Day, Graylingwell Chapel, Chichester.

Following the murder of his Dutch resistance member father in Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1943, Steven Frank, his mother and brothers were sent to three camps ending up in Theresienstadt in the Czech Republic. They were finally liberated in May 1945. In this talk he will share his extraordinary story. **Tickets: £12.**



Wednesday, June 21, 6.30pm.

Event SW6: HOMECOMING WITH AUTHOR ISABEL ASHDOWN, Waterstones, Chichester.

Her last novel was described by the Sunday Times as "ingenious" and by others in the national press as "fiendishly clever." Now bestselling Chichester author Isabel Ashdown returns to her hometown to celebrate and talk about her much-anticipated suspense novel Homecoming. Ticket price includes a copy of the book to be collected on the night (RRP £9.99). **Tickets: £11.**



Wednesday, June 21, 6.30pm.

Event SW7: A QUESTION OF IMAGINATION: HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSON (1805-75), WIT, ARTIST, TRAVELLER – AN ILLUSTRATED, DRAMATISED TALK, The Arts Society Chichester Evening, The Assembly Room, Chichester.

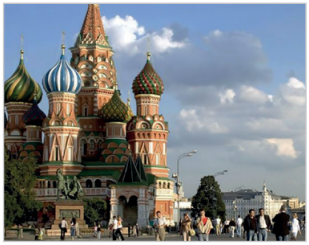
Hans Christian Anderson was an artist of both words and pictures. As a child he made costumes and collages, based on folk tales. He said, "every character is taken from life." **Tickets £10, concessions £8.**



Thursday, June 22 12 midday.

Event SW8: MIRROR, MIRROR, MAKE ME YOUNGER, Sandra M H Saer, The Old Court Room (same building as the Assembly Room), North Street, Chichester.

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Thursday, June 22, 6pm.

Event SW9: TALKS AT SIX: RUSSIA AND THE GLOBAL POWER CONTEST, Basil Shippam Centre, Tozer Way, Chichester.

Andrew Monaghan, writer and journalist, will discuss if Moscow has a long-term game plan and asks how has the war in Ukraine affected this. Assessing Moscow's view of the future and Russia's place in global power. **Book seats via bookings@talksatsix.co.uk or online at www.talksatsix.co.uk. Donations of £5+ pp (by cash or card on the door) to the speaker's chosen charity.**



Thursday, June 22, 7.30pm.

Event SW10: POETRY & JAZZ CAFE WITH PENELOPE SHUTTLE, South Downs Poetry Festival, The Assembly Room, Chichester.

Acclaimed, award-winning poet and novelist Penelope Shuttle teams up with star jazz saxophonist Jo Fooks to entertain and inspire. Penelope will read from her celebrated books and her new collection 'Lyonesse', the mythical kingdom of Cornwall. Enjoy a delightful mix of words and top-class jazz with complimentary cake. **Tickets: £15.**



Friday, June 23, 7.30pm.

Event SW11: IT'S NEVER TOO LATE, Gill Thompson, The New Park Community Centre, Chichester.

Historical fiction authors Suzanne Goldring, Louise Morrish and Gill Thompson all became published in middle age. In this lively, informative evening, they'll be interviewed by writer Libby Morgan about their different paths to publication and how they fit their writing around family and other work commitments. **Tickets £5.**



Saturday, June 24, 9am-5pm full day workshop.

Event SW12: HOW TO WRITE A MYSTERY NOVEL, Greg Mosse, West Dean College.

Greg Mosse is a writer and encourager of writers and author of The Coming Darkness and The Maisie Cooper Mysteries as well as being a teacher of creative writing with thirty years' experience. This dynamic whole-day workshop will transform the germ of an idea into a coherent and engaging plot. **Tickets: £120.**



Monday, June 26, 7.15pm.

Event SW13: CHAOS & COMEDY: A SUMMER ON THE SOMME 1916, WITH NO 11 SQUADRON, ROYAL FLYING CORPS, Chichester Park Hotel.

Arun & Chichester Air Enthusiasts Society presents a talk by Jill Bush exploring the experiences of No 11 Squadron. Jill Bush was inspired by a family legend to write Lionel Morris and the Red Baron, published in 2019, which tells the story of her distant cousin, the first pilot to be shot down by Manfred van Richthofen. **Tickets £7.**



Monday, June 26, 7.30pm.

Event SW14: AN EVENING WITH SIMON BRETT, The Assembly Room, The Council House, North Street, Chichester.

Renowned author Simon Brett talks about his life and work. His crime and thriller books, screenplays and radio writing and children's works have proved immensely popular with all ages. Presented by Chichester's twinning associations and followed by refreshments from France, Italy and Malta. **Tickets £12.**



Tuesday, June 27, 6.30pm.

Event SW15: POLISH AND ENGLISH CULTURAL EXCHANGE, Words Out Loud, Wagtail Coffee and Yoga.

Join us in person and online for a meeting with renowned poets of Polish origin, writing in or translated into English. Polish/English translator Anna Widlarz has collaborated with Words Out Loud to organise this special Event and will be introducing the Polish poets and presenting their poetry in both languages. **Tickets £5.**



Monday, July 3, 7pm.

Event SW17: A NIGHT OUT WITH KATE MOSSE, The Novium Museum.

Join Cicestrian and international bestselling author Kate Mosse for the exclusive Festival of Chichester launch of her new breath-taking novel The Ghost Ship. Inspired by the real-life story of pirates Anne Bonny and Mary Read, it's an epic adventure story of revenge on the high seas, family secrets, a love story and courageous women fighting to survive in a man's world. **Tickets £10, to include a drink.**



Thursday, July 6, 6pm.

Event SW19: TALKS AT SIX: THE MURDER OF SIR HARRY OAKES, Basil Shippam Centre, Tozer Way, Chichester.

Paul Stickler, ex-policeman, investigates unsolved murders of the past. In 1943 the wealthiest man in the British Isles was found murdered in his Bahamian home, bludgeoned to death and his body burnt. **Book seats via bookings@talksatsix.co.uk or online at www.talksatsix.co.uk. Donations of £5+ pp (by cash or card on the door) to the speaker's chosen charity.**



Sunday, July 2, 4pm.

Event SW16: MEDICINE STORIES, SPIRIT SONGS, The Hamblin Centre, Bosham.

Don't miss award-winning Amanda Waring's profound gift for storytelling, ceremony, sound healing and song in this heart-opening and transformative event. Be welcomed and inspired by this unique spiritual storyteller, medicine woman and poet. Awaken to the magic of bardic alchemy during this soulful, healing, love-filled journey. 🚌 **Tickets: £13, seniors: £11, students: £11**



Tuesday, July 4, 7pm.

Event SW18: POETRY AND MUSIC WITH LOUIS DE BERNIÈRES, South Downs Poetry Festival, Chichester Cathedral.

Enjoy a magical blend of poetry and music with international-bestselling writer Louis de Bernières, brilliant concert pianist Elena Toponogova, actress Emily Rose Smith and South Downs poets celebrating the bicentenaries of the Romantic poets. The mix includes Louis' poetry, Romantic music and readings from the Romantic poets linked with Sussex. **Tickets: £15.**



Thursday, July 6, 6.30pm.

Event SW20: ISABELLA TREE – THE BOOK OF WILDING: A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO REWILDING, BIG AND SMALL, Chichester Library.

Join Isabella Tree to hear how rewilding is a spectrum of possibility for everyone. The Book of Wilding (co-authored with Charlie Burrell) shows that nature can bounce back if you give it the chance. Whether you have a garden, roadside verge or window box, there is no space too small. **Tickets: £5.**



Tuesday, July 11, 6.30pm.

Event SW21: MURDER IN THE FAMILY: AN EVENING WITH CARA HUNTER, Chichester Library.

Join us as we talk to million-copy bestselling author Cara Hunter about her thrilling new book Murder in the Family. Cara Hunter is the author of the critically-acclaimed Oxford-based DI Adam Fawley series. *Murder in the Family* is her first stand-alone crime novel. **Tickets: £5.**



Friday, July 14, 7pm.

Event SW22: THE FISHBOURNE LITERARY QUIZ, Fishbourne Literary Festival, St Peter and St Mary Church Hall, Fishbourne.

As a spin-off from the established Fishbourne Literary Festival held in March, we are hosting a literary quiz with a guest speaker. The event is for teams of 4-6 people; there is limited availability, so please book early. Author David Bathurst will talk about writing and his books. He has walked all the complete National Trails of Great Britain and written over 30 books. **Tickets: £15**

COMMUNITY

FAMILY



Wednesday, June 21, 11am.

Event C1: PRIZE POETRY PULL-IN FOR CHILDREN, Sandra M H Saer, Chichester City Arts Centre, St Bartholomew's Church, off Westgate, Chichester.

Even very young children can write great poetry. To be creative, all children need is a spark of encouragement to write for me on the day on given themes: birds; animals; gardens; friends; holidays. This workshop will also invite primary school children to bring along poems they have already written, to read out. **Tickets: Adults £5, children free**

BOOK YOUR TICKETS

ONLINE:

www.thenovium.org/boxoffice

BOX OFFICE:

01243 816525 or 775888

IN PERSON:

The Novium, Tower Street, Chichester, PO19 1QH: a 1-min walk from the cathedral

For phone and in-person bookings the box office is open Tuesday to Friday 10am-4.30pm & Saturday 10am-5pm. Also open summer Sundays 10am-4pm starting 18th June. Closed Mondays except bank holidays.



THEATRE

PLAY, CABARET, MUSICAL

Thursday, June 15, 8.30pm.

Event TM1: CHICHESTER FRINGE: EPIC COMEDY NIGHT, The Chichester City Arts Centre, St Bartholomew's Church off Westgate.

Bringing the very best of stand-up comedy to you! Collaborating with the Chichester Fringe, Epic Comedy (epiccomedy.co.uk) was founded in 2021 with the sole intention of bringing the most epic comedy shows to local communities in West Sussex, Hampshire and Dorset. **The show includes adult content. Tickets £15**

Thursday, June 1 to Sunday, June 18.

Event TM2: CHICHESTER FRINGE is back, taking place from Thursday, June 1 to Sunday, June 18 in various venues throughout the city.

We are an annual multi-arts festival which supports and promotes local performers and arts venues. Our mission is to break down barriers for up-and-coming performers, enabling them to showcase their work. Visit chichesterfringe.co.uk for a full line-up of performers, timings and ticket details.



Saturday, June 17, 7pm.

Event TM3: WORDS OUT LOUD PRESENTS: THE WELL OF LOST VOICES, Graylingwell Chapel, Chichester.

The Well of Lost Voices is a thought-provoking piece of crowd-sourced community theatre which shows the vulnerability, fragility and resilience of the human spirit. Featuring music, movement, poetry and dialogue, written by the cast themselves, this ensemble performance will touch your heart and give you hope. **Tickets £15.**



Monday, June 19, 7.30pm.

Event TM4: STAR OF STRAIT STREET, The Old Court Room (same building as the Assembly Room), North Street, Chichester.

A cast from Malta brings Philip Glassboro's true story of Christina Ratcliffe, a British dancer who went to Malta during World War Two, fell in love and ended up leading the aircraft plotters in the war room and winning the British Empire Medal. With music. Followed by refreshments. Presented by Friends of Valletta. Suitable for all ages. Wheelchair-accessible. **Tickets £10.**



June 24, 28, 30, July 6 and July 8, 7.30pm.

Event TM5: HABEAS CORPUS, THE PERGOLA OPEN AIR THEATRE, West Dean Gardens.

New Theatre Productions proudly present the play Habeas Corpus by Alan Bennett; farcical fun containing adult humour, part of their traditional summer programme where tickets allow entry to West Dean Gardens from 5.30pm. Picnics are welcome. Amateur production by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd (concordtheatricals.co.uk). See also **Event TM9.** **Tickets £10.**



Saturday, June 24, 7pm.

Event TM6: CHICHESTER CABARET CLUB, Dawn Gracie, Oaklands Pavilion.

Chichester's very own Cabaret Club is a high-octane seated evening of mayhem and music, featuring burlesque, drag and comedy from visiting acts booked by host and producer Dawn Gracie. Warning: not for the faint-hearted! This one-of-a-kind evening is **suitable for 18+**. You should expect fruity language and scantily-clad swishes on the stage **Tickets £20.**



Sunday, June 25, 7.30pm.

Event TM8: ALL THAT MALARKEY, The Guildhall, Priory Park, Chichester.

"Four dangerously good singers and a hilarious MC/pianist" (Three Weeks) deliver a performance rich in glorious harmonies, cheeky humour and operatic flamboyance. Critically acclaimed for their classical re-imaginings of iconic hits, ATM is thrilled to be returning to the Festival of Chichester accompanied by the fabulous Sounds Familiar Choir. **Tickets £14.**



Sunday, July 2, 3pm.

Event TM10: BOWJANGLES, Amici Concerts, Halnaker Park Cottage Gardens.

Bowjangles is an award-winning, irreverent, anarchic group of multi-talented genre-spinners, bringing music, storytelling, cabaret, theatre, choreography and comedy together in a way you've never seen before. Parking available from 1.30pm. Bring low chairs and picnics. 🚌 ♫ ❖ **Tickets £17 (£18.50 on the door) including glass of wine. Students & under 25s: £10. Children: free at the gate if dry weather.**



Sunday, June 25, 7pm.

Event TM7: ROMEO & JULIET – OPEN AIR PERFORMANCE Chichester Cathedral – South West Lawn.

The Lord Chamberlain's Men invite you to join them for the classic love story Romeo & Juliet. With a history stretching back to William Shakespeare himself, they present this play with an all-male cast and Elizabethan costumes, music and dance. ♫ **Tickets: £8, children £10. Box office: 0333 666 3366 or tlcm.co.uk; enquiries: 0208 852 5761. Advance booking is recommended.**



June 27, 29, July 1, 5 and 7, 7.30pm.

Event TM9: OUTSIDE EDGE, THE PERGOLA OPEN AIR THEATRE, West Dean Gardens.

New Theatre Productions proudly present Outside Edge, an entertaining cricketing comedy play by Richard Harris. Tickets allow entry to West Dean Gardens from 5.30pm. Picnics are welcome. Amateur production by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd (concordtheatricals.co.uk). See also **Event TM5.** 🚌 ♫ ❖ **Tickets £10.**



Wednesday, July 5, 5pm.

Event TM11: VINTAGE SUPPER CLUB WITH DAWN GRACIE, Graylingwell Chapel, Chichester.

Welcome to the club! Dawn Gracie invites you for a delightful early evening supper with family, friends and music. Designed for enjoying time with friends, elderly relatives or those you care for (not aimed at children). Graylingwell Chapel is a stunning cosy venue with community at the heart of it. Guests arrive from 5pm, then fish & chips and the evening wraps up at 8pm. **Tickets £18.**

chichester festival theatre

Chichester People's Theatre

...Something!

Friday, July 7, 7.30pm; Saturday, July 8, 2pm; Saturday, July 8, 7.30pm.

Event TM12: CHICHESTER PEOPLE'S THEATRE PRESENTS: SOMETHING!, Graylingwell Chapel, Chichester.

20 people aged 25+ have been set the challenge by Chichester Festival Theatre to create an original piece of theatre. Taking inspiration from the 2023 Festival Season, the company will write, design and perform Something! Come and see what they create! **Tickets £5.**



Saturday, July 8, 6.30pm.

Event TM13: CYCLONE LIVE! Audible Visions Drama, Old Dojo, New Park Centre, Chichester.

Far among the stars, a group of freedom fighters battle against a brutal police state which is pushing the universe down a path of controlled identity. Cyclone blends action, drama and absurdity in equal measures, all against a backdrop of a 1980s check-out girl, out of her depth (adult/teenage). **Tickets: £10, seniors £7, students £7.**

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Sunday, July 16, 7.30pm; picnics from 5pm.

Event TM14: MISS POPPLEWELL'S GARDEN, The Rude Mechanical Theatre Co, Halnaker Park Cottage Gardens.

It's April 1940 and The Willows School for Girls will have to move lock, stock and the proverbial barrel from its idyllic home in Little Inkling, Sussex, to take refuge from the war. They have two weeks left to have some fun and say goodbye to their friends. therudemechanicaltheatre.co.uk. **Tickets £23, seniors £22, students/children £10.**

WALK OR TOUR



Wednesdays and Thursdays at 11am and Saturdays at 2pm.

Event WT1: CHICHESTER CITY TOURS, starting from the Novium Museum.

Take a walk round Chichester with a knowledgeable local guide. See and learn of things you didn't know about the city, its history and character, as well as some of the interesting events and people associated with the area. Tour lasts around one and a half hours. Suitable for all ages. **Tickets £6.**



June 11, 11.30am; June 16, 6pm; June 18, 11.30am; June 22, 6pm; June 25, 11.30am; June 29, 6pm; July 2, 11.30am; July 6, 6pm; July 9, 11.30am.

Event WT2: HIGHLIGHTS OF CHICHESTER'S HISTORY, Chichester Tour Guides, meet at the Cathedral Bell Tower, West Street

An easy 90-minute stroll with an ITG qualified, guide within the historic city walls. From Roman times to the present day, we give an insight into Chichester's history. **Tickets £10.**



Sunday, June 11 at 2.30pm ending at 4.30pm; Sunday, July 2, 11am ending at 1pm.

Event WT3: A WALK AROUND GEORGIAN CHICHESTER with Alan Green, meet outside Edes House, West Street, Chichester.

Join local historian and author Alan Green on this popular walk (approx. two hours) that explores Chichester's Georgian architecture and meets a few of its Georgian characters along the way. **Tickets £5.**



Thursday, June 22, 10.30am.

Event WT5: VICTORIAN & 20TH CENTURY GLASS AT THE CATHEDRAL, Chichester Cathedral.

Come and hear the stories and see the characters depicted in Chichester Cathedral's beautiful Victorian and 20th-century stained glass windows. Learn about the glass designers and the people to whom the windows were dedicated. The tour will last around 75 minutes. **Tickets £8.**

ART, CRAFT & EXHIBITION

Sundays, June 18 and 25, July 2 and 9 at 2pm.

Event WT4: GUIDED TOURS OF CHICHESTER WALLS, Chichester Walls Trust, starts at the Novium Museum, Chichester.

A 90-minute guided tour around the two-kilometre circuit of the city's historic walls, with insights into their construction in Roman times, their survival through two millennia and their continuing importance. Parts of the city wall are difficult to access; detours possible by arrangement. **Tickets £5; students and children are free.**



Wednesday, July 5, 10.30am.

Event WT6: STORIES OF THE ENGLISH CIVIL WAR: CHICHESTER AND ITS CATHEDRAL Chichester Cathedral.

National and local events and personalities intertwine as we examine how the 17th-century English Civil War played out in Chichester and its Cathedral. The tour will include a visit to what was then the Cathedral Chapter House where one of the most dramatic scenes unfolded. **Tickets £8.**



Tuesday-Friday, 10am-4.30pm; Saturdays 10am-5pm.

Event A1: THE MAGIC OF MIDDLE-EARTH, The Novium Museum.

The Magic of Middle-Earth presents a magical treasure trove of objects and artworks celebrating the epic fantasy novels The Hobbit and The Lord of The Rings. This exciting exhibition is dedicated to the incredible fantasy worlds brought to life by JRR Tolkien and the generations of creators his writing has influenced. **Tickets £4, child £2.50, family (up to 5) £12.**



Saturday, June 24, 10am-12 midday.

Event A2: CREATIVE WELLBEING WORKSHOP, PurchaseChichesterArt, The Novium Museum.

A relaxed workshop where we employ collage and art materials to explore our creativity. Discover how art supports your wellbeing. Using a range of fun exercises we uncover what may block us and free our creativity. No art experience needed; all art materials provided as part of workshop. Facilitated by Melissa Purchase. **Tickets £15.**



Tuesday, June 27- Sunday, July 9 (closed July 3), 10am-4.30pm, 4pm on the last day.

Event A3: CHICHESTER ART SOCIETY SUMMER EXHIBITION, Oxmarket Contemporary, Chichester.

The Society's annual exhibition of original and contemporary art offers an opportunity to acquire a wide range of works including paintings, prints, sculpture, ceramics and jewellery, at an affordable price. For more information visit chi-art-soc.org. **Free entry.**



Weds, June 28, July 5, 1-5pm; Thurs, June 29, July 6, 1-7pm; Sat, July 1, July 8, 10am-2pm; Sun, June 25, July 2, July 9, 1-5pm.

Event A4: LOVING EARTH EXHIBITION, Chichester Quakers, The Friends Meeting House, Chichester

An exhibition of textile panels highlighting the increasing threat to the earth's eco-system. The Loving Earth Exhibition has given people "great joy and hope" as well as being a warning. **Free entry.**



Thursday, July 6, 10.30am-12.30pm then 2-4.30pm.

Event A5: ART IN THE PARK – CELEBRATING CHICHESTER'S TREES, with Fiona Bell Currie, Bishop's Palace Garden, Chichester.

Come, look and learn about the trees in Bishop's Palace Garden, try paper sculpture, painting and drawing with two enthusiastic teachers. Enjoy a fascinating tree trail with one of Chichester's tree wardens. **Free entry but booking essential, via Eventbrite, see the Festival website for the link.**



Friday, July 7, 10am-6pm; Saturday, July 8, 10am-6pm; Sunday, July 9 10am-6pm.

Event A6: MEMORIES OF GREECE, Juno Studio, 107 Cedar Drive, Chichester, PO19 3EL.

A studio exhibition of paintings by Catherine Barnes interpreting forty years of travel to and study in Greece. Paintings on paper mounted ready to frame or framed under glass and medium to large canvases. Parking at 107 Cedar Drive and unlimited on the street at weekend. **Free entry.**



June 12- August 31, Monday – Saturday (9am – 5pm) and Sunday (12.30pm – 2.30pm).

Event A7: KATE VINER AT CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL.

Chichester Cathedral welcomes local and international artist Kate Viner for a sculpture exhibition representing those who have sought sanctuary in Chichester. The exhibition is supported by a programme of activities. **Entry to the Cathedral is free, donations are welcome.**

DAILY LISTINGS

PRE- FESTIVAL EVENTS SATURDAY, JUNE 3

10am-5pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

2pm City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

7pm Gounod's Faust by New Sussex Opera Chorus, Assembly Room **Event M1**

FRIDAY, JUNE 9

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

7pm Bands Night, Zeebar, ChichesterUniversity **Event M2**

FESTIVAL LAUNCH SATURDAY, JUNE 10

1.30pm Festival Launch, Cathedral Green

10am-5pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

7.30pm Beyond Our World, the Bernardi Music Group plays Holst's Planets and more, Chichester Cathedral **Event M3**

7.30pm Stuart Ironside, musical improvisation, Chichester Ship Canal Café **Event M4**

7.30pm Speed Aggression Surprise – The Untold Secret Origins of the SAS, Tom Petch, Assembly Room, Chichester **Event SW1**

SUNDAY, JUNE 11

11.30am History Walking Tour **Event WT2**

2.30pm A Walk Around Georgian Chichester with Alan Green **Event WT3**

6pm Martin Smith – The Lyrical Euphonium, Christchurch, Chichester **Event M5**

MONDAY, JUNE 12

7.30pm Finding Harmony Behind Bars – The Prison Choir Project, Friends Meeting House, Chichester **Event SW2**

TUESDAY, JUNE 13

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

1.10pm Plaegan Piano Trio, works by Brahms, Cathedral **Event M6**

7pm Chichester Skeptics in the Pub. 'Lessons from a Life in Travel', Chichester Inn **Event SW3**

7.30pm Endymion Ensemble, Mozart's Piano Quartet in G Minor and Dohnanyi's Sextet, University Chapel **Event M7**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

11am City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

12 noon Mirror, Mirror, Make Me Younger, Sandra M H Saer, The Assembly Room, Chichester **Event SW4**

7.30pm Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Vaughan-Williams, Mendelssohn and Dvorak, Cathedral **Event M8**

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

11am City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

6pm Steven Frank, Child Survivor of the Holocaust, Graylingwell Chapel, Chichester **Event SW5**

8.30pm Epic Comedy Night, The Chichester City Arts Centre **Event TM1**

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

7pm-11pm Funk 'n' Soul Night Ft Ticklin' The Pickle, ZeeBar, UCSU, University of Chichester **Event M9**

6pm Fringe at Graylingwell **Event TM2**

7.30pm Maria Luc & Elmore String Quartet, Franck, Fanny Mendelssohn & Liszt, Christ Church, Chichester PO19 1SW **Event M10**

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

10am-5pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-5pm Chichester Fringe Summer Garden Party, Graylingwell **Event TM2**

2pm City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

7pm Words Out Loud Presents: The Well of Lost Voices, crowd-sourced community theatre, Graylingwell Chapel, Chichester **Event TM3**

7.30pm The Chichester Singers' 70th Anniversary Concert, Chilcott, Stanford & Assersohn, Cathedral **Event M11**

7.30pm La Folie Consort, Vivaldi & Bach, Regis School of Music, Bognor **Event M12**

7.30pm Royal Marines Association Concert Band, West End, marches, classics, popular songs and a Last Night of The Proms finale, St Paul's Church, Chichester **Event M13**

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

11.30am History Walking Tour **Event WT2**

2pm Guided Tour of Chichester Walls **Event WT4**

3pm Lynden Cranham: Bach's Cello Suites with discussion and tea, St Peter and St Mary Church, Fishbourne **Event M14**

6pm Fringe at Graylingwell **Event TM2**

7pm Voices of Greece: Zabetas: with Plastikes Karekles, St Paul's Church, Chichester **Event M15**

MONDAY, JUNE 19

7.30pm Guitar Soiree, Linda Kelsall-Barnett and the West Sussex Guitar Orchestra, Christchurch, Chichester **Event M16**

7.30pm Star of Strait Street, WWII theatre piece with cast from Malta, The Old Court Room, Chichester **Event TM4**

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

1.10pm Tim Stewart (Organ) Howells, Mendelssohn, Buxtehude et al, Cathedral **Event M17**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

11am Prize Poetry Pull-In for Children Chichester City Arts Centre **Event C1**

11am City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

6.30pm Homecoming With Author Isabel Ashdown, Waterstones, Chichester **Event SW6**

6.30pm A Question Of Imagination: Hans Christian Anderson (1805-75), Wit, Artist, Traveller – An Illustrated, Dramatised Talk, The Arts Society Chichester Evening, Assembly Room, Chichester **Event SW7**

7pm Maestra: 900 Years of Choral Music by Female Composers, Sonare, St Peter's Place, Fishbourne **Event M18**





THURSDAY, JUNE 22

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10.30am Cathedral Stained Glass Tour **Event WT5**

11am City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

12 noon Mirror, Mirror, Make Me Younger, Sandra M H Saer, The Old Court Room, Chichester **Event SW8**

6pm History Walking Tour **Event WT2**

6pm Talks at Six: Russia and the Global Power Contest, Basil Shippam Centre, Tozer Way, Chichester **Event SW9**

7.30pm Poetry & Jazz Cafe with Penelope Shuttle and Saxophonist Jo Fooks, South Downs Poetry Festival, The Assembly Room, Chichester **Event SW10**

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

7.30pm It's Never Too Late Historical fiction authors Suzanne Goldring, Louise Morrish and Gill Thompson interviewed by Libby Morgan, New Park Community Centre, Chichester **Event SW11**

7.45pm Chichester Jazz Club: The Re-Birth Octet, The Pallant Suite, Chichester **Event M19**

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

9am How To Write a Mystery Novel, full day workshop, Greg Mosse, West Dean College **Event SW12**

10am-5pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

2pm City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

7pm Chichester Cabaret Club, Dawn Gracie (for 18+), Oaklands Pavilion **Event TM6**

7.30pm Habeas Corpus (Alan Bennett Farce), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens **Event TM5**

7.30pm Sing Psalms and Songs -400th anniversary William Byrd and Thomas Weelkes, South Downs Soloists, The Assembly Room **Event M20**

7.30pm Midsummer Sounds in Brass, Chichester City Band, St Paul's Church, Chichester **Event M21**

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

11.30am History Walking Tour **Event WT2**

1pm-5pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

2pm Guided Tour Of Chichester Walls **Event WT4**

3pm Ensemble Reza – Classical Journey Through Sussex With Music & Stories, St Paul's Church, Chichester **Event M22**

7pm Romeo & Juliet – Open Air Performance all-male cast and Elizabethan costumes, Cathedral South West Lawn **Event TM7**

7.30pm All That Malarkey "Four dangerously good singers and a hilarious MC/pianist", The Guildhall, Priory Park, Chichester **Event TM8**

MONDAY, JUNE 26

7.15pm Chaos & Comedy: A Summer on the Somme 1916, With No 11 Squadron, Royal Flying Corps, Chichester Park Hotel **Event SW13**

7.30pm St Richard Singers, choral and organ music Renaissance to present day, Boxgrove priory Church **Event M23**

7.30pm An Evening With Simon Brett, prolific British crime & screenplay writer, The Assembly Room, Chichester **Event SW14**

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket **Event A3**

1.10pm Alastair Penman (Sax) & Jonathan Pease (piano), Cathedral **Event M24**

6.30pm Polish and English Cultural Exchange, Words Out Loud, Wagtail Coffee and Yoga **Event SW15**

7.30pm OUTSIDE EDGE (cricketing comedy), THE PERGOLA OPEN AIR THEATRE, West Dean Gardens **Event TM9**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket **Event A3**

11am City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

1pm-5pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

7.30pm Habeas Corpus (Alan Bennett Farce), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens **Event TM5**

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket **Event A3**

11am City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

1pm-7pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

6pm History Walking Tour **Event WT2**

6.30pm Guitars in the Garden without a garden – Bach to Blues, Latin to contemporary, Wagtail Coffee, Chichester, PO19 7BD **Event M25**

7.30pm Outside Edge (Cricketing Comedy), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens **Event TM9**

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket **Event A3**

1pm Bach Cello Suites: Genesis and Reflection, Nos 1 and 2, Pavlos Carvalho, St Paul's Church, Chichester **Event M26**

7.30pm Habeas Corpus (Alan Bennett Farce), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens **Event TM5**

7.30pm Tesoro – Movies, Musicals And More tenor/soprano duo, The Assembly Room, Chichester **Event M27**

7.30pm Byrd Song, tenor Tom Robson & Arculo consort of viols explore music of 16th & 17th century England, Boxgrove Priory **Event M28**

SATURDAY, JULY 1

10am-5pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-2pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket **Event A3**

2pm City Walking Tour **Event WT1**

7.30pm Outside Edge (Cricketing Comedy), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens **Event TM9**

7.30pm A Summer Spectacular Concert, Southdowns Concert Band & Walton Voices in aid of the Sussex Snowdrop Trust, St Paul's Church, Chichester **Event M29**

7.30pm Song for Sanctuary, orchestra and three choirs in concert to raise awareness/funds for refugees, Cathedral **Event M30**

7.30pm Pzazz Singers songs from pop sensations including Adele, Michael Jackson and Meghan Trainor - raising funds for the Love Your Hospital charity, Graylingwell Chapel **Event M31**

7.30pm A Tribute to Chris Coote in aid of Sage House, Chichester Baptist Church **Event M32**

SUNDAY, JULY 2

1pm-5pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket **Event A3**

11am A Walk Around Georgian Chichester with Alan Green **Event WT3**





11.30am History Walking Tour
Event WT2

2pm Guided Tour of Chichester Walls
Event WT4

3pm Bowjangles, music, storytelling, cabaret, theatre, comedy, Halnaker Park Cottage Gardens
Event TM10

4pm Medicine Stories, Spirit Songs, Spiritual storyteller, medicine woman and poet Amanda Waring, Hamblin Centre, Bosham
Event SW16

MONDAY, JULY 3

7pm A Night Out With Kate Mosse, exclusive launch of her new novel, Novium, Chichester
Event SW17

7.30pm Bogdan Vacarescu (Violin) & Valentina Seferinova (Piano) Vivaldi, Tartini, Vitali, Beethoven, Chopin and Sarasate, Christ Church Methodist and United Reformed Church, Chichester
Event M33

TUESDAY, JULY 4

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket
Event A3

1.10pm Ida Pelliccioli (Piano) music inspired by forgotten Spanish composer Manuel Blasco de Nebra (1750-1784), Cathedral **Event M34**

7pm Poetry and Music With Louis De Bernières, South Downs Poetry Festival, Cathedral
Event SW18

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket
Event A3

10.30am Cathedral Tour: Stories of the English Civil War **Event WT6**

11am City Walking Tour
Event WT1

1pm-5pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

5pm Vintage Supper Club With Dawn Gracie – not for children, Graylingwell Chapel **Event TM11**

7.30pm Outside Edge (Cricketing Comedy), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens
Event TM9

7.30pm Amanda Cook - Classical Guitar Soloist, romantic and contemporary music by Verdery, Kavanagh and Torroba, St Pancras Church, Chichester **Event M35**

THURSDAY, JULY 6

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10.30am-12.30pm & 2-4.30pm Art in the Park: Chichester's Trees, Bishop's Palace Gardens **Event A5**

11am City Walking Tour
Event WT1

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket
Event A3

1pm-7pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

6pm History Walking Tour
Event WT2

6pm Talks at Six: The Murder of Sir Harry Oakes, Basil Shippam Centre, Tozer Way, Chichester
Event SW19

6.30pm Isabella Tree – The Book of Wilding, Chichester Library
Event SW20

6.30pm Guitars In The Garden, without a garden. Wagtail Coffee, Chichester **Event M25**

7.30pm Habeas Corpus (Alan Bennett Farce), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens
Event TM5

FRIDAY, JULY 7

10am-6pm Memories of Greece Exhibition, Juno Studio **Event A6**

10am-4.30pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket
Event A3

7pm Sussex Song Makers With the Sussex Ensemble Present an Evening of Vivaldi, Albinoni and Torelli, The Assembly Room, Chichester
Event M36

7.30pm Outside Edge (Cricketing Comedy), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens
Event TM9

7.30pm Purcell Odes, Chichester Chorale - music by Henry Purcell, Boxgrove Priory **Event M37**

7.30pm Chichester People's Theatre Presents: Something!, Graylingwell Chapel **Event TM12**

SATURDAY, JULY 8

10am-6pm Memories of Greece Exhibition, Juno Studio **Event A6**

10am-5pm Middle Earth Exhibition, Novium **Event A1**

10am-2pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

10am-4.30pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket
Event A3

2pm City Walking Tour
event WT1

2pm & 7.30pm Chichester People's Theatre Presents: Something!, Graylingwell Chapel **Event TM11**

6.30pm Cyclone Live! Action, drama and absurdity, Old Dojo, New Park Centre, Chichester **Event TM13**

7.30pm Habeas Corpus (Alan Bennett Farce), The Pergola Open Air Theatre, West Dean Gardens **Event TM5**

7.30pm Chichester Symphony Orchestra, Bruch's violin concerto, Brahms' Symphony No 2, Brahms' Academic Overture, St Paul's Church, Chichester **Event M38**

7.30pm Zoe Barnett – Guitar Recital, Sussex Young Musician winner 2022. Music inspired by the folklore of Brazil, Iran and Catalonia, The Regis School of Music, Bognor Regis
Event M39

SUNDAY, JULY 9

10am-6pm Memories of Greece Exhibition, Juno Studio **Event A6**

10am-4pm Chichester Art Society Exhibition, Oxmarket **Event A3**

11.30am History Walking Tour
Event WT2

1pm-5pm Loving Earth Exhibition, Friends Meeting House **Event A4**

2pm Guided Tour of Chichester Walls
Event WT4

2pm Singing in The Bishop's Garden, Chichester community choirs get together and 'big sing', Bishop's Palace Gardens, Chichester
Event M40

3.30pm Hampshire Recorder Sinfonia – Music Divine, exceptional recorder players on seven sizes of instrument, Boxgrove Priory Church
Event M41

5pm Handel: Messiah (Complete) Consort of Twelve and the Portsmouth Baroque Choir, St Paul's Church, Chichester **Event M42**

POST-FESTIVAL EVENTS
TUESDAY, JULY 11

6.30pm Murder In The Family: An Evening With Cara Hunter, best-selling author, Chichester Library
Event SW21

THURSDAY, JULY 13

6pm-8pm Rob Johnston, acoustic guitar accompanied by percussionist Tim Gower. Pallant House Gallery
Event M43

FRIDAY, JULY 14

7pm The Fishbourne Literary Quiz, guest speaker author David Bathurst, St Peter and St Mary Church Hall, Fishbourne
Event SW22

SATURDAY, JULY 15

2pm City Walking Tour
Event WT1

7.30pm Tom Bullard (Baritone) In Recital, Robert Schumann's Dichterliebe, Regis School of Music, Bognor **Event M44**

SUNDAY, JULY 16

5pm for 7.30pm Miss Popplewell's Garden, The Rude Mechanical Theatre Co, Halnaker Park Cottage Gardens
Event TM14





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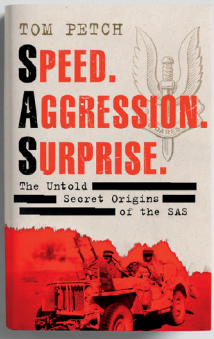
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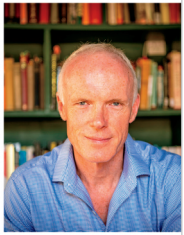


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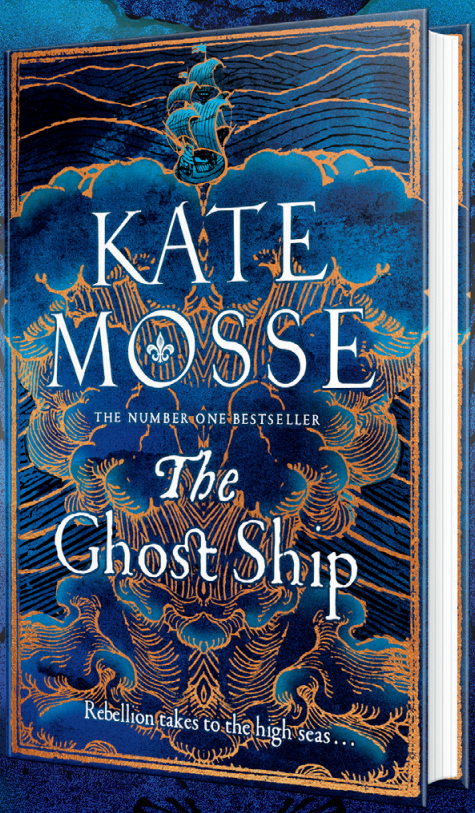
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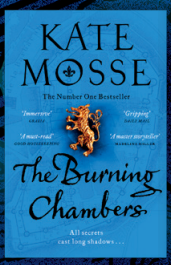
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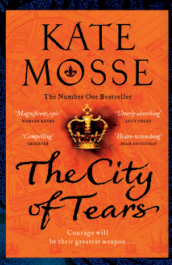
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