

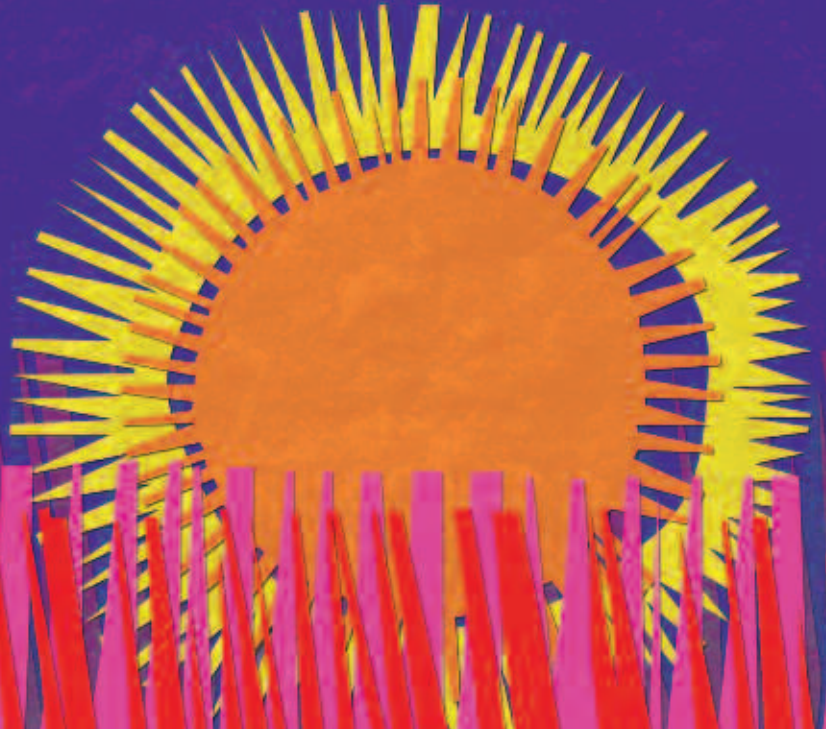
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Returning in June 2009 for its 11th year, the North Devon Festival is recognised as being one of the top five events in the country by The Times.

The Festival celebrates the rich cultural life of the area with dance, music, fairs, art, lifestyle, sport, theatre, comedy, nature, heritage and community events happening throughout the area over the month of June.

North Devon Festival
Queen's Theatre,
Boutport Street, Barnstaple,
North Devon EX31 1SY
Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevonfestival.org

Inspired by our environment

Many of our Festival events are inspired by our unique environment, one that is recognised across the world for its landscapes, wildlife and culture. The dramatic and inspiring North Devon coast is designated as an **Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty** and sits next to the woodlands, clear streams and high moorlands of **Exmoor National Park**. Large parts of these areas are included in the UK's first **UNESCO Biosphere Reserve**. The Festival aims to develop new ways of bringing people and the environment together to make it a true celebration of culture, landscape and life.

For a map of the Festival locations see page 35.

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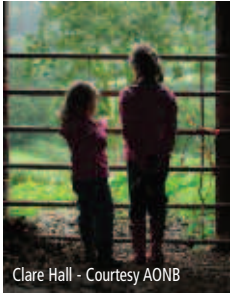
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- Entertainment & theme parks
- Museums & heritage centres
- Delightful coast & glorious beaches
- Stunning countryside
- Pannier markets
- Restaurants, pubs & hotels
- Historic and famous golf courses
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- Market towns & villages

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dance companies to produce high quality, stimulating and accessible workshops, projects and events.

With the Festival you can learn...

how to care for our unique environment with one of the many Biosphere events on offer.

how to rap, breakdance, move and shake with one of the North Devon Theatres'

Make the Move performing arts projects.

about the master of all things evolutionary with the Museum of North Devon and its special Darwin exhibition.

about almost anything from fire to food and bugs to bees.



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The Festival nurtures new talent with...

art exhibitions and performances from the local community: Appledore Visual Arts Festival, The Accidental Road to Hollywood, Be Not Afeared and Art Trek.

musical events, featuring the stars of tomorrow:



Barnstaple Fringe, Festival Open Mike and Musical Youth IV.

sports events, where the young take centre court and dive in: Tarka Tennis Festival, Tag Rugby Festival and GoldCoast Oceanfest.

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Time: 10am to 5pm

Admission: Free

Information: 01237 423547

Two members of the artists' co-operative, Eleanor Bartleman and Penny Laird,

present new porcelain wall pieces and textile work. Fairytale with a dark edge and layers of colour and texture, weave stories and lead the onlooker in.

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Mon 25 to Sat 30 May **ED**

SmashEd

Urban Fest

Landmark Theatre,
Ilfracombe

Booking: 01271 869 216 or
01271 32 42 42

northdevontheatres.org.uk

Building on the last four years Smash projects, we are inviting all young people and adults aged 10+ to participate in a series of educational workshops with an urban twist.

These include: hip hop, street and breakdance with Zonation the company behind the West End spectacular urban fairytale *Into the Hoods*; rap and poetry with acclaimed performance poets from Apples & Snakes; and graffiti, to set the scene for the *Urban Fest* showcase.



Workshops

Hip hop, street & breakdance

Date: Mon 25 to Sat 30 May

Time: 10am to 5pm

Cost: £100 (free to associates)

Juniors age 10-15

Adults 16+

Grffiti

Date: Tues 26 to Wed 27 May,

Time: 10.30am to 4.30pm

Cost: £30 age 13+

Rap and poetry

Date: Tues 26 to Thurs 28 May

Time: 2pm to 5pm or

6pm to 8pm

Cost: £5

Showcase

Date: Sat 30 May

Time: 7pm

Admission: £2

An energetic and vibrant demonstration of the work achieved during the week.



Thurs 28 to Sun 31 May (Opening Evening on Wed 27 May) 

Appledore Visual Arts Festival

The first and best annual visual arts festival in the country

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Time: 11am to 6pm,
plus some evening events

Admission: Festival Pass £3,
young person under 16 free.
Most events free.

Artist talks and advance-
booking workshops with
an additional fee.

Information: 07900 212747

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innovative programming.

Fire & Fury is the theme for
2009. From our earliest
history, fire has been an
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process, it has been used to
create and inspire great art
including glass, ceramics
and metalwork. The Festival
is a contemporary
celebration of fire in its full
creative fury!

The programme of
exhibitions, events and
residencies, educational
projects, open studios and
workshops involves a wide
variety of artists ranging
from internationally
renowned artists to local
craftspeople, children and
community groups. The
Festival is a fantastic
opportunity for people of
all ages to take part in art
events and activities.

Programme available
from Fri 3 April.

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Thurs 28 May

Seth Lakeman

Folk icon, made in Devon

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Time: 7.45pm

Admission: £18.50

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Since his first appearance at the Queen's Theatre in the 2005 Festival, Seth has become an established figure on the folk scene. With three critically acclaimed albums: *Kitty Jay*, *Freedom Fields* and *Poor Man's Heaven*, major festival appearances, and tours all over the world, Seth is credited with bringing folk to a whole new generation.

Seth has given fiery new life and contemporary relevance to the rich legends that lurk in the shadows of the West Country. Anyone who has seen Seth live will know he is a dramatic storyteller, whose live performance is fuelled by a raw, rhythmic energy that is infectious.

Fri 29 May

Ian Shaw



With special guest Georgia Mancio

Gallery Café,

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Time: 8pm

Admission: £9.50

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
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The brilliance of singer and pianist Ian Shaw impressed everyone at last year's Festival (with Guy Barker) and we are delighted to bring him back, this time with the

outstanding, young, award-winning singer Georgia Mancio.

Aligned with Mark Murphy and Kurt Elling as one of the world's finest jazz vocalists, Ian relishes the company of other great singers. Georgia's elegant voice and tone turns heads; she has performed with Bobby McFerrin among many famous names and her latest album *Trapeze* has

received critical acclaim.

A top-class evening of jazz standards, original music and sheer vocal exuberance once again.

'(Shaw)... is our finest jazz singer. Marvellous.' Time Out

'Georgia Mancio had the crowd begging for more' Jack Massarik, London Evening Standard

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Sat 30 May

Sir James Galway

International flautist

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple
Time: 7.30pm

Admission: stalls/dress circle
£27.50, conc £26.50,
upper circle £25, conc £24
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Sir James Galway - flute
Lady Jeanne Galway - flute
Michael McHale - piano

Nicknamed 'The Man with the Golden Flute', Sir James Galway became one of the first flute players to establish himself as an international soloist.

Sir James is well remembered for his signature instrumental release of the John Denver track *Annie's Song*, yet he is regarded as both a supreme interpreter of the classical flute repertoire and a consummate entertainer whose appeal crosses all musical boundaries.

As one of the most televised and recorded classical artists performing today, with over 30 million albums sold and annual extensive world tours, Sir James has endeared himself to millions worldwide.

Bazzini - Carnival of Venice
C Debussy - En Bateau
C Debussy - Clair de Lune
CM Widor - Widor Suite for Flute & Piano
P Taffanel - Fantasy Sur Mignon
K & F Doppler - Rigoletto Fantasy for 2 Flutes & Piano
F Borne - Carmen Fantasie



Sun 31 May

Gilad Atzmon with Strings

A tribute to Charlie 'Bird' Parker

Barnstaple Parish Church
Time: 7.30pm (no interval)
Admission: £10.50
Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
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Gilad Atzmon -
saxophones
Frank Harrison - piano
Yaron Stavi - bass
Asaf Sirkis - drums
With the
Sigamos String Quartet

Following a stunning Gallery quartet session last year, we welcome back the outstanding jazz

saxophonist Gilad Atzmon (winner of BBC Jazz Award) with his much-garlanded evocation of Charlie Parker's legendary *With Strings* Verve album of 1949.

Led by Gilad's virtuoso playing and including some new works, the two quartets succeed in

conveying Bird's mercurial genius, as well as accurately representing what counts as some of the most profoundly beautiful music ever made.

'It's as perfect a jazz marriage as you could wish for.' Independent on Sunday

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Sat 30 & Sun 31 May **ED**

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Castle Green, Barnstaple

Time: 11am to 4pm

Admission: £3, young person £2

Information:
01271 32 42 42

The brand new Colourscape, with large silver dome performance space, is unveiled for the first time in the UK, here in Barnstaple.

If you've stepped inside Colourdome or Colourscape before, you will know what an extraordinary experience



it is - emotions are altered and senses adjust as you become part of this fantastic environment. As daylight permeates through the walls, all the

colours of the rainbow come alive before your very eyes.

Throughout the weekend the silver dome, within the structure, will host a wide range of performances to include: Michael Ormiston (Mongolian singing), Ansuman Biswas (Asian percussion), Simon Desorgher (flutes/panpipes), Lawrence Casserley

(computer musician) and Mr Silver (crystal globe illusionist).

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Mon 1 June to Fri 3 July **ED**

Sum of the P'arts



Art Exhibition

North Devon School of Art,

Pottington, Barnstaple

Time: Mon to Fri,
9am to 4pm

Admission: Free

Information: 01271 852341

An exhibition from second year degree students, in ceramics, illustration and

fine art, which represents the culmination of their studies at North Devon College's School of Art. Over thirty students will be exhibiting highly accomplished, diverse and challenging work.

ndevon.ac.uk/he
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Throughout June

Barnstaple Fringe

Admission: Free & ticketed events

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northdevontheatres.org.uk

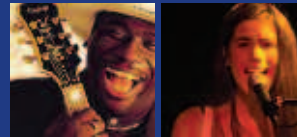
The 6th Barnstaple Fringe is a well established strand of the North Devon Festival. It features unconventional performances of contemporary jazz, folk, country rock, bluegrass, soul, americana, electro-pop, ambient, latin, funk, indie, zheng, blues, comedy, poetry, drama and many more.

The Fringe also includes a **Street Theatre Festival** (p17), the **Fringe TheatreFest 09** (p55) and **Colourscape** (p15).

Gilad Atzmon with Strings
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Darius Brubeck Quartet
Carly Bryant
The Caves
The Dawn Chorus
Philip Clouts' Trio
Stephen Dale Petit
The Drat Pack
Empirical
Chris Farlowe
Charlotte Glasson Quintet
Neil Halstead
Eugene Hideaway Bridges
The Eduardo Niebla Experience
Sam Holmes
Sonic Fusion
Morph
Jackie Oates
Michael Ormiston
Sun Zhou
Miele Passmore
Paul Lamb and the King Snakes
PickPockets & SkyRockets
Julian Piper with Jelly Roll
Ian Shaw with Georgia Mancio
Mr Silver
Martin Stephenson
Tipitina
Ellie Williams and more to be confirmed

Fringe venues...

Barnstaple Baptist Hall
Barnstaple Parish Church
Boston Tea Party
Broomhill Art Hotel
Castle Green
Claytons
Fullam Restaurant
Gallery Café
High Street
Inn On The Square
Lilico's
Lloyds Chambers
The Olive Branch
The White Horse



See website or Barnstaple Fringe programme (available from May) for a full listing.
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Every weekend throughout June

Street Theatre Festival

A special Festival commission

Town Centre, Barnstaple

Time: 10am to 4pm

Admission: Free

Street artists bring the centre of Barnstaple to life every weekend throughout June with a collection of death defying, awe inspiring, hilarious, family friendly, free entertainment.



Skate Naked - A dazzling acrobatic duo, who have won first prize at 5 international street festivals with their acrobatic skills, life-risking comedy and ever popular g-strings.

AJ James - Spectacular and gravity defying feats of balance, acrobatics, martial arts, and escapology from this quick witted and agile performer.

Dodger - International street entertainer, professional show-off, and stand-up philosopher, whose talents include rope walking, unicycling and juggling.

Dominic Searle - Unicyclist, juggler, fire-ball spinner, and magician with a side-splitting sense of humour.

Kwabana Lindsay - An accomplished solo performer and musician, Kwabana is a master of the stilts and slack-rope.

Part of Barnstaple Fringe

Throughout June

Art Installation by Alain Kurylo



Sculptural Silhouettes and ceramic figures

Broomhill Art Hotel,

Barnstaple

Time: Wed to Sun,
11am to 4pm

Admission: £4.50, conc
£3.50, under 15yrs £1.50,
family (2 adults & 2 YP) £10

Information: 01271 850262

From the talented French artist Alain Kurylo, an exciting new outdoor

installation of *Sculptural Silhouettes* shaped in steel and ceramic figures on the floodplain at Broomhill.

Broomhill lies in one of the most glorious valleys in North Devon, surrounded by hundreds of acres of woodland, bound by its own stream. Discover a wonderful balance between

art and nature, with more than 300 sculptures by over 60 sculptors.

The Broomhill Gallery also features a new exhibition, *Coastal Sceneries*, displaying pieces from the Broomhill painters (free entry).

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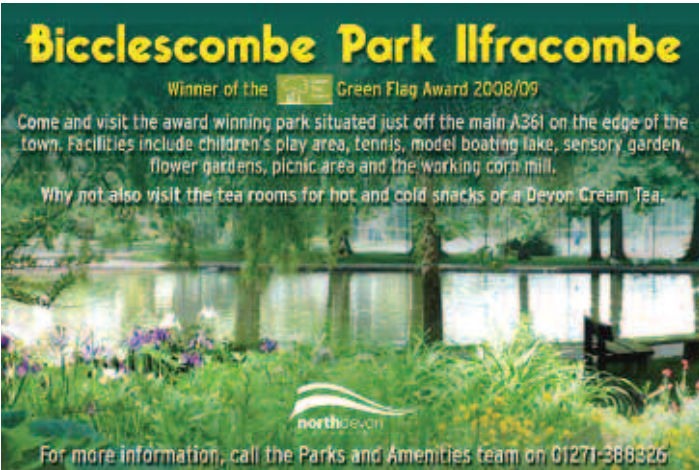
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For more information, call the Parks and Amenities team on 01271-388826

Darwin in Devon

A 200th birthday celebration

Admission: Free
Information: 01271 346747

2009 marks the 200th birthday of Charles Darwin, creator of the theory of evolution. The Museums of Devon present a programme of celebratory events to include exhibitions, talks, events and the *Darwin in Devon* tour.

Darwin travelled through Devon on his way to board the Beagle in 1831. On this voyage he gathered information which laid the foundation of the theory of Natural Selection. Darwin also collected evidence from a huge army of amateur naturalists around the UK. These people were also creating the collections which local museums hold today.

devonmuseums.net/darwin
museum@northdevon.gov.uk

Darwin in Devon Combe Martin Museum

3 May to 5 June

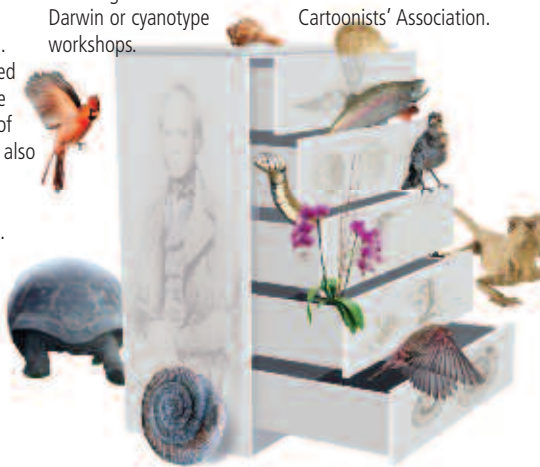
Ilfracombe Museum

6 to 18 June

Barnstaple Museum

20 June to 4 July

Come along to explore our specimen chests, use a video microscope and find out more about Darwin, Victorian collectors and classification. Most venues will host extra events during the tour, including visits from Mr Darwin or cyanotype workshops.



Cartooned 3: Evolution Barnstaple Museum

Date: 2 May to 27 June

Time: Mon to Sat,
9.30am to 5pm

Come and find out how cartoonists dealt with evolution in the 19th century and how the concept of evolution has influenced political cartooning over the past 150 years. In collaboration with the University of Kent British Cartoon Archive & the British Cartoonists' Association.



Darwin Week Exmoor Zoo & Landmark Pavilion, Ilfracombe

Date: 8 to 14 June

Come and get evolved by following the Darwin Exmoor Zoo trail and help to feather the Dodo! Free admission to the zoo for anyone in Victorian costume. On the 9 June Ilfracombe hosts Darwin Day.



Barnstaple Darwin Day Barnstaple Library & The Square

Date: 13 June

The North Devon Festival celebrates Darwin with a series of talks by North Devon Humanists and a performance of *Darwin and the Dodo* by Desperate Men street theatre. *Darwin and the Dodo* explore, through comedy, themes of evolution and extinction, as seen at the launch of Darwin 200 at the Natural History Museum.

Barnstaple Elephant Day Moose Hall, Trinity Street

Date: 20 June

A community event celebrating the discovery of the remains of an extinct elephant in 1844. With lots of family activities and a special visit by Andy Currant of the Natural History Museum.

Bideford College Summer Science & Family Fun Day Tapeley Park, Instow

Date: 20 June

Featuring the Exmoor Zoo Roadshow Extravaganza presented by Steve Eddy (in costume as Charles Darwin) see p.47.



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Throughout June **ED**

Public Art



Work by students from The Park Community School

Castle Mound, Raleigh Hill, Taw Vale

Time: All day
Admission: Free
Information: 01271 373131

Paintings and collages based on flowers, fruits and vegetables will provide a splash of colour to Barnstaple's town centre and surrounding area. We hope to inspire a little healthy eating during the summer season! Watch out for some murals inspired by African culture too.

kphillips@parkcommunity.
devon.sch.uk

Throughout June

Plough Festival Exhibitions

The Friday Art Group and Rob Cordingley

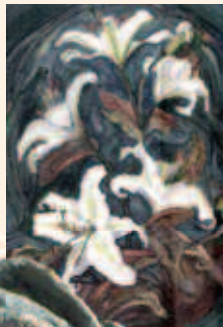
The Plough Arts Centre,
Great Torrington
Time: Tues to Sat,
10am to 10.30pm
Admission: Free
Information: 01805 624624

natural world in a contemplative and colourful illustration of the modern world.

plough-arts.org

The Friday Art Group, who meet twice monthly, present a mixed media exhibition in the main gallery.

Rob Cordingley exhibits, on the artist's wall, a series of oil paintings which portray the urban cityscape and



Throughout June **ED**

Children's Art



Part of Barnstaple in Bloom

Green Lanes Shopping Centre, Barnstaple
Time: Mon to Sat,
9am to 5.30pm
Sun, 10.30am to 4.30pm
Admission: Free
Information:
01271 373351

An exhibition of local school children's artwork, in various media, inspired by the natural environment and particularly by flowers.

Sponsored by
Barnstaple Rotary Club

barnstapleinbloom.org
barnstaple.inbloom@virgin.net

Wed 3 June

Jackie Oates

With James Dumbleton

Gallery Café,
Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple
Time: 8pm
Admission: £8
Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Jackie Oates is one of the most celebrated new wave folk performers. Since her nomination at the *BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Awards* 2003, she has released 2 albums to critical acclaim and at the recent awards won the *Horizon Award for Best Newcomer* and *Best Trad Track*.

A regular on the touring scene Jackie has performed with some of folk's most respected artists: Phil Beer, Saul Rose, Rachel Unthank and Jim Moray. Tonight she performs with her permanent accompanist James Dumbleton.

jackieoates.co.uk

Tues 2 to Mon 8 June **ED**

The Accidental Road To Hollywood

Photographs by Paul Harris

The Venue, The Strand, Barnstaple

Time: Mon to Fri 4pm to 7pm,

Sat 2pm to 6pm, Sun closed

Admission: Free

Information: 01271 344217

The venue for this exhibition and the contents of the show illustrate a story of two artists who grew up on the Woodville Estate, Barnstaple and

what they did to satisfy their passion for art and yet survive.

Michael Deakin owner of 'The Venue' is a graphic artist who loves music and rock and roll. Paul Harris was a dreamer who wanted to explore. Michael stayed in North Devon, Paul Harris travelled.



Photographs, projected on ten large video screens, illustrate Paul's journey and a common thread, returning to North Devon for family & friends. Michael's success surrounds you, it is *The Venue* and the 'Art' that went into the concept in which you will stand when you see the show.

web.mac.com/paulharris8/Website/Blog/Blog.html

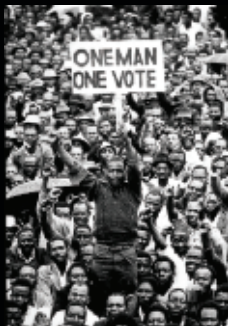
Far left: Kevin Costner, Hollywood, BBC

Left top: The Great Train Robber, Brazil, Mail on Sunday

Left centre: The One Man One Vote, Rhodesia, 1976

Left bottom: My Wife and Daughter, Abbotsham Cliffs, Hartland

Top: Rupert Thorpe, Paul Harris, John Chapple, Los Angeles



Wed 3 June

The Tempest

A Shakespearian classic by Cygnet Theatre

The Plough Arts Centre, Great Torrington

Time: 8pm

Admission: £9, conc £8,

supporters £7, schools £6

Box Office: 01805 624624

Stranded on a magical island with his daughter, Prospero dreams of revenge and reconciliation. When a storm brings his enemies within his grasp a scheme is conjured. With comedy, drama and romance *The Tempest* looks at the painful process of letting go with warmth and tenderness, and reveals the joyful liberation of forgiveness.

Suitable for all ages.

plough-arts.org



A Biosphere Event

Wed 3 June **ED**

Babs Hadrill



Eco-traveller, author and low impact living practitioner

Hallsannery Centre, Hallsannery, Bideford

Time: 7pm to 9pm

Admission: Free

Booking essential:

01237 472135

Babs speaks of her epic, eco-overland journey from Wales to Australia and her experiences living a truly low impact life. Essential listening for anyone wanting to tackle climate change through low impact living. Babs is committed to living a low-carbon life and her experiences are told with passion and conviction.

babs2brisbane.com

hallsannery.co.uk

info@hallsannery.co.uk

Wed 3 & Wed 10 June **ED**

Tarka Tennis Schools' Championships



Local schools compete to become the 2009 Schools' Champion

Tarka Tennis, Barnstaple
Time: 10am to 3pm
Admission: Free
Booking: 01271 377701

The Tarka Tennis Schools' Championships are an annual event open to all local schools. There are two days of competition: Wed 3 June for Primary and Wed 10 June for Secondary. This is

a doubles tournament, with great prizes to be won. For information please visit our website or ask your school teacher.

Enter to become this year's champion!

tarkatennis.net
Georgie@tarkatennis.net

Thurs 4 June **ED**

MIX4SIX

Ilfracombe Local Learning Community Mini Mix

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe
Time: 6.30pm to 8pm
Admission: Free
Information: 01392 386487

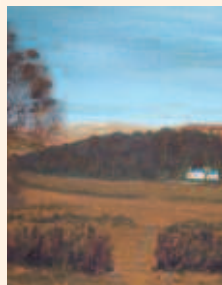
MIX4SIX is an exciting project to extend the reach and range of music making for children and young people in Devon, and is one of only 5 national programmes funded by the government. This event will showcase the musical projects happening in Ilfracombe, celebrating the talents of our young people.

sally.daldorph@devon.gov.uk



Thurs 4 to Sat 6 June

Ivan Pollard



Art Exhibition

The Guildhall, Barnstaple
Time: 10am to 5pm
Admission: Free
Information: 01271 374646

Landscapes and seascapes in oils, acrylics, pen and wash and watercolours. There are more than seventy pictures in the artist's second exhibition at Barnstaple's wonderful Guildhall. Pictures of Devon, the West Country, England and from abroad make up this wide ranging show.

marilynann@yahoo.co.uk

Thurs 4 to Thurs 18 June **ED**

Exploring your Ethnic Creativity

An opportunity to participate in a series of exciting art workshops

Various venues in Bideford, Torrington and Ilfracombe
Time: Various
Admission: £5, plus materials costs
Information: 01237 472462 or 01271 864171

Devon Adult & Community Learning 'Exploring your Ethnic Creativity' workshops offer something for everyone - you will be surprised at the variety of exciting courses.

Some workshops are aimed at complete beginners – all you need is a willingness to learn. Other workshops can build on your existing skills – the choice is yours.

Our workshops will be a great way to express yourself; and can be therapeutic as well as utilising your creativity. Come along and join in.



Look out for workshop dates throughout the brochure

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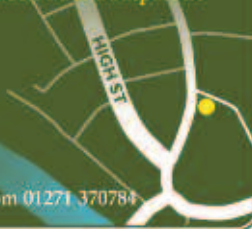
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Thurs 4 June

Festival Open Mike



Cook Island Open Mike

Cook Island, Mullacott Cross, Ilfracombe
Time: 8pm
Admission: Free
Information: 07980 159050

The evening commences with the very popular Average Blues Band followed by a selection of local musicians, from unaccompanied solo singers, duos, 'unplugged' acoustic soloists to 'plugged' bands. The night demonstrates what a wealth of talent we have in North Devon, and it is just on the doorstep, in a warm and friendly bar.

redshoesmusic.com
redshoesmusic@btinternet.com

Fri to Sun 28 June

The Square Picture Show

North Devon Arts, Summer Exhibition

Broomhill Art Hotel, Barnstaple
Time: Wed to Sun 11am to 3.30pm
Admission: Free
Information: 01271 850262

Members of North Devon Arts exhibit an extensive range of affordable art at £150 or less. Your golden opportunity to buy real art, produced by the best artists in the West! You can take your purchase straight away, whereupon it will be replaced by fresh work, creating an ever-changing display throughout the month. Not to be missed!

northdevonarts.co.uk
exhibitions@northdevonarts.co.uk



Fri 5 June

Poor Jack



Multi Story Theatre

Chittlehampton Church
Time: 7.30pm
Admission: £8, conc £7, family ticket £15
Booking: 01789 549581/887

A re-working of a Roman story suitable for over 5s. Jack leaves home to find a castle of grey and the Lady in Green. He meets strange folk and performs seemingly impossible tasks. Physical theatre with music for families.

Pre-show supper booked in advance (£4).
Outside picnic-style supper weather permitting!

chumpchurches.org.uk
events@chumpchurches.org.uk
Sponsored by Beaford Arts

Fri 5 June

Empirical



'New jazz for those who like it straight up' Mojo

Gallery Café, Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple
Time: 8pm
Admission: £9.50
Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Nathaniel Facey – sax
Tom Farmer – bass
Shaney Forbes – drums
Lewis Wright – vibraphone

This young, red-hot, multi award-winning band, (2008 Best Ensemble – Parliamentary Jazz Awards, and 2007 Best Album – Mojo and Jazzwise) have performed at the London Jazz Festival, Ronnie Scott's Club, and have been invited to perform at the North Sea Jazz Festival for the third year running. Influenced by the classic

jazz of the 50s and 60s, and by later developments, tonight's show includes their own music plus a selection from their forthcoming second album, a tribute to Eric Dolphy and his seminal album *Out to Lunch*, recently premiered at the Dankworths' Stables.



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Fri 5 June

Mitch Benn

One of the UK's best comic singer/songwriters

George Hotel, South Molton

Time: 8.30pm

Admission: £9, conc £8

Booking: via website, pre-show meals 01769 572514

Mitch Benn is not only one of the most sought-after acts on the comedy circuit, but is widely acknowledged as one of the best writer and performers of comic songs. He began his comedy career in Edinburgh in 1994,

following which he moved to London and quickly established himself as a comedy club headliner. Mitch is a regular writer and performer on BBC Radio, has toured extensively abroad, and won the Best New Comic award at the Glastonbury Festival.

wegottickets.com

georgehotelsouthmolton.co.uk



Fri 5 June

The New Machine



A tribute to Pink Floyd

The Plough Arts Centre, Great Torrington

Time: 8pm

Admission: £14, conc £13, sups £12 (standing gig)

Box Office: 01805 624624

A show of classic Pink Floyd songs performed with passion, creativity and energy. This seven piece band play a set of over 2½ hours with songs from *Dark Side of the Moon*, *Division Bell*, *Wish You Were Here*, *Momentary Lapse Of Reason* as well as a selection from *The Wall*, *The Final Cut*, *On An Island* and *Gdansk*. Dedicated to Richard Wright 1943-2008.

plough-arts.org

Fri 5 June

A Twist in the Trail

Barnstaple's heritage brought to life

Meet at Heritage Centre

Times: 9.30am, 11.30am & 1.30pm

Admission: Free

Booking: 01271 373311 (pre-booking advisable)

Understand Barnstaple's past by taking one of three 90 minute guided tours of the town's newly improved heritage trail. Historical street performances, school children singing Victorian songs in the Square, and the odd surprise or two along the way!

Sponsored by Heritage Lottery Fund & Barnstaple Town Council

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Sat 6 & Sun 7

Street Theatre - see page 17 for details

Sat 6 June

Benny Gallagher in Concert

Supported by Rebecca Worthley

The Plough Arts Centre, Great Torrington

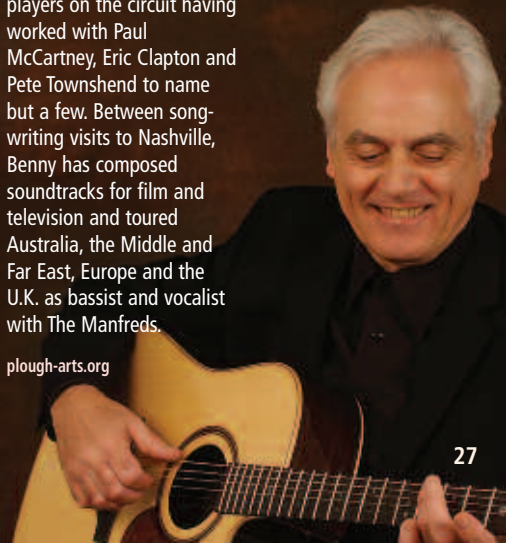
Time: 8pm

Admission: £12, conc £10, supporter £9

Box Office: 01805 624624

One half of the legendary Gallagher & Lyle, Benny has written more great songs than seems possible. He remains one of the best players on the circuit having worked with Paul McCartney, Eric Clapton and Pete Townshend to name but a few. Between song-writing visits to Nashville, Benny has composed soundtracks for film and television and toured Australia, the Middle and Far East, Europe and the U.K. as bassist and vocalist with The Manfreds.

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Sat 6 June

Cara Dillon

Plus support

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Time: 8.15pm

Admission: £16.50, conc £15.50

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

From her early days in folk super-group *Equation*, Cara has shown she is a musical tour de force to be reckoned with. In January Cara released her 4th album *Hill of Thieves*, on the Charcoal label she's formed with partner Sam Lakeman.

As torch bearers for both traditional and original songwriting, Cara and Sam squeeze new life into ancient material, whilst creating a distinctive musical identity of their own. Cara's staggeringly beautiful, crystal clear voice combines perfectly with Sam's rippling piano and fresh production.

Cara Dillon is at the very top of her field and one has the feeling she'll be there for a very long time.



Sat 6 June to Sat 4 July

Brannockstown Events

Festival concerts, & fete

St Brannock's Church, Vicarage & Recreation Ground, Braunton
Information: 01271 814082

Throughout June the village of Braunton hosts a number of Festival concerts:

Sat 6, 7.30pm
Concert for Organ and Violin

Thurs 18, 7.30pm
Choral Concert with Barnstaple Ladies Choir

Fri 26, 6.30pm
Songs of Praise

Sat 4 July, 2pm
The recreation of yesteryear with an Olde English Vicarage Fete.
m.shaplnd07@btinternet.com



Sat 6 June

Musical Youth IV



Showcasing North Devon's talented young people

Village Hall, Croyde
Time: all day
Admission: £2

A day of live music, stand-up comedy and skateboarding from some of North Devon's most talented young people. Please check the website for line-up details.

Sponsored by J's Boardsports
CroydeVillageHall.info

A Biosphere Event

Sat 6 June 

Bee Awareness Day

Fremington Quay
Time: 11am to 4pm
Admission: Free

Bees pollinate crops and wildflowers, as well as making us honey but *bee aware*, they are in decline. Come and see a demonstration hive, make a bee box for your garden, buy some honey, find bee-friendly plants on guided walks at Fremington Local Nature Reserve, and ask the experts about bees and what you can do to help them.

northdevonbiosphere.org.uk
ndccs@devon.gov.uk



Sat 6 to Sun 14 June

Ilfracombe Victorian Celebration

Step back in time and enjoy today

Ilfracombe

Time: Daily from 10am

Admission: Most events free, some ticketed

Information: Lin Harper
01271 863263 or
07929 923457

Have you wandered into the film set of a BBC drama or stepped into Brigadoon? No! It's Ilfracombe celebrating its wonderful Victorian Heritage. Nine days of Victorian merriment all around Ilfracombe, with Mr Dickens and his characters,



informative talks, street theatre, parades, noisy suffragettes, parties and a ball, all culminating in a glorious firework display on Capstone Hill. You

will be transported back by bustling ladies and top-hatted men to a genteel and polite environment where fun and frolics take place each and every day of the

celebrations. Be sure not to miss this spectacular event.

Sat 13 June, Orchestra of Welsh National Opera - see p39

ifvc.org.uk



Sun 7 June

Devon Coast to Coast Challenge



Sponsored cycle through the finest countryside Devon has to offer

Start: The Red Barn, Woolacombe

Time: 8am start

Admission: £15 per person plus min £50 sponsorship

Booking: via website

Information: 07791 906433

The 6th Devon Coast to Coast Challenge will see cyclists pedalling across the county from Woolacombe to Dawlish Warren to raise vital funds for North Devon

Hospice. The choice of 70-mile or 100-mile routes enables entrants to ride at their own pace, whilst taking in the glorious changing landscapes that Devon has to offer.

All sponsorship in aid of North Devon Hospice.

coast-coast.co.uk
simon@coast-coast.co.uk

Sun 7 June

Chris Farlowe



Legendary blues n' soul singer with the Norman Beaker Band

The Underground, Inn On The Square, Barnstaple

Time: 8pm

Admission: £12

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

With a staggering 50 years in the business and a voice that's as unforgettable as ever, Chris Farlowe is a legendary British blues and soul singer.

He's guested with some of the greats including Van Morrison and toured with The Manfreds and PJ Proby amongst others. Chris performs with the excellent Norman Beaker Band. Expect songs like *Stormy Monday*, *Handbags and Glad Rags* as well as songs from his new album and of course his massive No.1 hit *Out of Time*.

Sun 7 June 

Life on the Rocks

Seashore ecology with Dr Pip Jollands

Meet: Merley Rd car park, Westward Ho! (SS 425292)

Time: 10am to 2.30pm

Admission: Free

Booking essential:
01237 472135

An introduction to common species on the rocky shore, their life histories and reasons for their distribution. There is a 20 minute walk along the coast path, followed by a scramble over the pebbles to get to the rocky shore. Please wear appropriate footwear, bring wet weather gear and lunch.

Sponsored by North Devon Biosphere Foundation

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info@hallsannery.co.uk



Sun 7 June 

Celebrating Strawberries



Combe Martin Strawberry Fair

Combe Martin Museum
Time: From 11am to 2pm

Admission: £2.75, conc £1.50, accompanied young person free,

Strawberry Fair free
Information: 01271 889031

Combe Martin Museum celebrates the bygone days of strawberry growing and jam making with a colourful exhibition, and fun activities for all the family. Once known as the 'Best in the West' strawberries were big business in Combe Martin. Join in the fun of our annual traditional Strawberry Fair at 11am.

Tues 9 June

The Eduardo Niebla Experience

'World-class virtuoso' Time Out

Barnstaple Parish Church

Time: 8pm (no interval)

Admission: £10.50

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Eduardo Niebla - guitar
Carl Herring - guitar
Dharmesh Parmar - tabla

Following a spectacular concert last year we welcome back Eduardo Niebla, one of the world's greatest flamenco jazz guitarists.

Inspired by recent tours to Kolkata and Abu Dhabi, Eduardo's fantastic compositions are interwoven with a myriad of Eastern

colours and his passionate, gypsy jazz flamenco roots. Combined with stunning technique and profound artistry - world class guitar playing at its very best.

'...a spellbinding mixture of flamenco and modern jazz, bursting with obvious passion and verve.'
The Spectator

Part of Barnstaple Fringe

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Tues 9 & Wed 10 June **ED**

Tag Rugby Festival



Great fun and prizes

Barnstaple Rugby Club

Time: 10am to 3pm

Admission: Free to spectators

Information: 01271 338112

Now in its 15th year, the Tag Rugby Festival attracts over 450 children from North Devon Primary Schools. The winners from each day enter a play-off for the honour of representing North Devon in the Devon Games To Inspire (see p66). Organised by the first year sports students at North Devon College.

ndtagrugbyfestival@hotmail.com

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Tues 9

Ethnic Jewellery Workshop - see page 23 for details

Wed 10 June **ED**

Apples & Snakes

Performance poetry from Brian Patten and others

Gallery Café,

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Time: 8pm

Admission: £8, students £5

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Performance poetry owes an awful lot to **Brian Patten**: as one of the Liverpool Poets, he captured the zeitgeist of

the 1960s and turned poetry into something quirky, invigorating and slightly dangerous. But rather than resting on former glories, he's tackled the subsequent decades head-on, tirelessly producing new material and establishing himself as one of the nation's foremost writers, both on the stage and

between the book-covers. Tonight the great craftsman presents a selection of his masterworks.

He will be supported by some of the region's finest poetry performers, bringing you an evening of spoken word that reaches all the right places.

Part of Barnstaple Fringe



Wed 10 June

Disassembler



Jazz concert

Broomhill Art Hotel,
Barnstaple

Time: Doors 7.30pm,
performance 8pm

Admission: Concert £7.50,
plus buffet £15

Booking essential:
01271 850262

Trevor Warren - guitar/composer
Winston Clifford - drums
Annie Whitehead - trombone
Dudley Phillips - bass
Mark Lockheart - saxes

Enjoy a relaxing and intimate evening eating and absorbing the vibes of one of Britain's best jazz performances. Set in the enlightening atmosphere of the Broomhill Contemporary Art Gallery, with a Mediterranean Tapas buffet, the ambience is definitely appealing. Trevor Warren's Disassembler will delight with their rhythmic, rock inspired grooves.

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broomhillart.co.uk
info@broomhillart.co.uk

Thurs 11 June **ED**

Hangman Heights

A guided walk

Combe Martin seafront car park (SS577473)

Time: 11am to 3pm

Admission: £3, young person & students free

Booking: 01398 323841

Celebrate the North Devon Festival by joining a National Park Ranger and Archaeologist for an opportunity to walk along lanes full of history on a circular walk around Combe Martin, returning on the South West Coast Path. Bring a picnic, as we will stop for lunch. Walking clothing/boots essential.

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exmoor-nationalpark.gov.uk



Tues 11

Artfrican Sculpture Workshop - see page 23 for details

Fri 12 June

Mark Thomas



It's the Stupid Economy!

Queen's Theatre,
Barnstaple

Time: 7.45pm

Admission: £15, conc £10

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Comedian, writer, presenter and political activist Mark Thomas came to light starring on *The Mary Whitehouse Experience* in the late

80s, which preceded his political stunt show *The Mark Thomas Comedy Product*.

In addition to his Time Out Award and Perrier Comedy Award nomination Mark has been honoured for his political campaigning and features in the Guinness Book of Records for the most

political demonstrations carried out in 24 hours.

Tonight Mark attempts to answer some of the more pressing questions about the state we are in.

'Thomas the polemicist deploys the comedian's eye for a situation's dark absurdities'.
Guardian

Fri 12 & Sat 13 June

Elkie Brooks in Concert

A Plough Arts Centre event at RHS Rosemoor

RHS Gardens Rosemoor,
Great Torrington

Time: 8pm

Admission: £28, conc & RHS members £26, Plough supporters £24

Box Office: 01805 624624

Elkie Brooks is one of the most successful and popular singers the UK has ever produced and is still proving to be one of the most powerful and versatile vocal talents of our generation.

Performing some of her classic hits, blues, jazz and perhaps a song or two from her forthcoming album, an electric evening with Elkie is guaranteed. Don't miss the chance to see a truly great artist in action.

'Still one of the great British voices' Guardian

Rosemoor restaurant open for pre-performance suppers.

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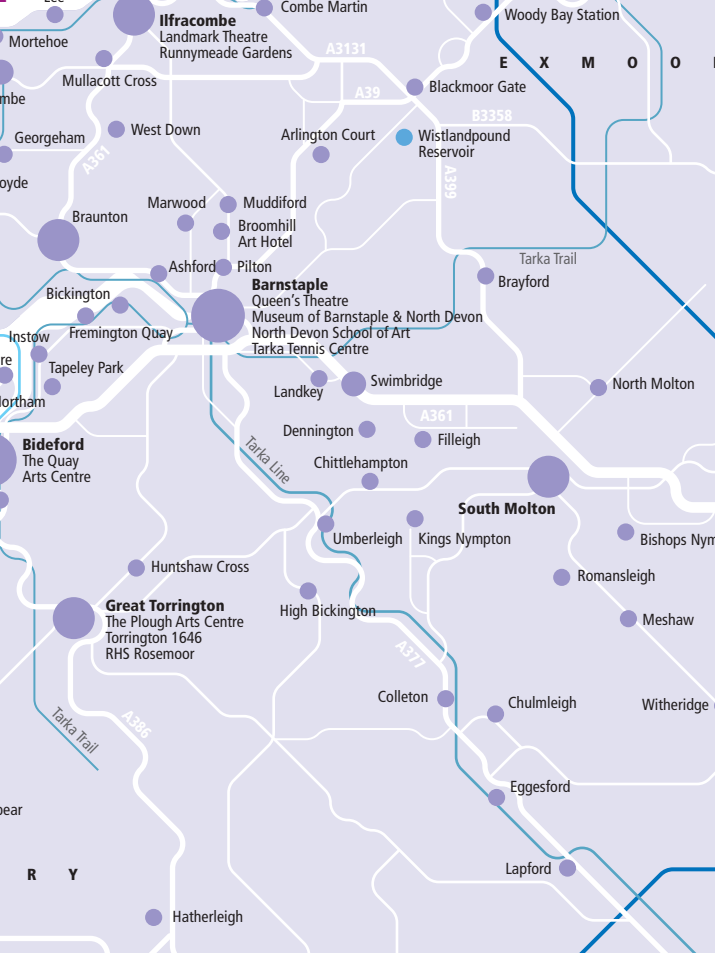
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Fri 12 to Sun 14 June

The LLAMA Music Festival



The Lynton & Lynmouth Music Festival

Lynmouth Manor Green (Mainstage) and various other venues

Time: Various

Admission: Free (except Town Hall gig on Fri 12)

Information: via website

Few festivals can boast such a breathtakingly scenic

backdrop to the proceedings as this unspoilt corner of North Devon. Picture an expansive green beside the sea, the sun shining down while an afternoon of music unfolds...

The majestic Countisbury cliffs create a natural amphitheatre to produce pristine sound, and the

shops, pubs and cafés of Lynmouth are just a stroll away. Meanwhile, Lynton gigs take place outdoors and in the pubs of the old village.

Our philosophy is *'for music, not for profit'*. The festival is free and the committee work just for the fun of it. We programme music of the



quality that you'd expect from a paying festival. This year's line-up includes David Holmes, Moon Music Orchestra, Glastonbury new talent winners The Travelling Band, DJ Skitz, Badly Drawn Boy & many more.

llama.org.uk

Fri 12 June

Tarka Line Music Train

An evening of Jazz

Train Station, Barnstaple
Train departs: 6.13pm
Train fares: £4.80 adult, see website for other fares

The Fox & Hounds

Admission: £2 (diners free)
Booking: Diners must book in advance: 01769 580345

Guy Fenton will entertain train passengers with the great sounds of Trad Jazz. At Eggesford passengers and band alight for the Fox and Hounds where the band plays on and those wishing to dine can enjoy a hog roast.

Seats on the train cannot be pre-booked.

greatscenicrailways.com
foxandhoundshotel.co.uk
relax@foxandhoundshotel.co.uk



Sat 13 & Sun 14
Street Theatre - see page 17 for details

Sat 13 June **ED**

Living History Experience



Meet the characters of Arlington Court

Arlington Court, near Barnstaple
Time: 11am to 3pm
Admission: Normal admission, see website
Information: 01271 850296

Come and meet a cast of characters from 1883, who lived and worked on the estate. From gamekeeper to coachman they all have an interesting story to tell.

Why not also try your hand at 'Carriage Driving' and spend the day with the Head Coachman and stables team. Booking essential, £50, to include a 2 course lunch and entry (10.30am to 3.30pm).

There will be no carriage rides for the general public on this day.

nationaltrust.org.uk/events
arlingtoncourt@nationaltrust.org.uk

Sat 13 June

Darius Brubeck Quartet

South African jazz and original compositions

Gallery Café, Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple
Time: 8pm
Admission: £9.50
Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Darius Brubeck - piano
Paul Greenwood - tenor sax/flute
Matt Ridley - bass
Wesley Gibbens - drums

As a jazz pianist, Darius' biggest influence is undoubtedly his famous father, Dave Brubeck, with whom he and his brothers toured throughout the 70s. Darius has spent the last 25 years teaching in South Africa and touring the world, dividing his time between continents.

His new album, *For Lydia and the Lion*, reflects his

eclectic influences with tunes from Abdullah Ibrahim, Bob Dylan and jazz standards. Darius' interests include folk, blues, soul and rock, South African jazz, composing for the London Symphony Orchestra, Lincoln Centre Jazz Orchestra and leading his own groups.

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Ilfracombe

Time: 7.45pm

Admission: £19.50

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
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Conductor - Luke Dollman

Join the world-class Orchestra of Welsh National Opera for a

summer's evening of wonderful live music. A vivacious programme includes Dvorak's romantic *New World* symphony and the evocative *Lark Ascending* rounding off with an arrangement of rousing *British Sea Songs* and Elgar's inspiring *Land of Hope and Glory*. Fast-

rising young Australian Luke Dollman conducts.

Dvorak - Symphony No.9
New World

Vaughan Williams - Lark
Ascending

Henry Wood, arr Zalva -
Fantasia on *British Sea Songs*

Elgar - Pomp and
Circumstance *Land of Hope and Glory*

Sat 13

Nomadic Felt Making Workshop - see page 23 for details

Sat 13 June

Big Sports Day

Bringing sport to the community

Sports Field, Tews Lane,
Roundswell

Time: 12 noon to 6pm

Admission: £1, young person free

Booking: 01271 343176

Tews Lane Community Sports and Recreation Association celebrates its first anniversary with a sports fun day. The day features a football tournament plus demonstrations of tai-chi, American square dance, skateboarding, kite flying and archery, alongside fairground rides, dog show, beer tent and a tug of war event. This will be a fun packed day. Fremingtonparishcouncil.org.uk



Sun 14 June **ED**

Bug Fest 09



Observe and study live insects before creating models and sculptures

Discovery Centre,
Calvert Trust Exmoor,
Wistlandpound

Time: 10am to 5pm

Admission: Free

Booking advisable: via email or 01271 329770

Follow interesting trails around the lake, with information and survey sheets available for observing and identifying insects in their natural habitats. A variety of captive insects, both

native and foreign, will be on display for study and inspiration before creating models and sculptures from recycled packaging materials, metal and wood. There will be something for all ages. The event will be run by Ned Morgan, an entomologist, teacher and member of the Devon Guild of Craftsmen.

nedmorgan@gmail.com

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple
Time: Mon to Sat eves 7.30pm
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stalls/dress circle: £32 (£30),
upper circle: £30 (£28)
Weds & Thurs mats,
all seats: £22
Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
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Since its Broadway premiere
in 1966 and the famous
movie version with Liza
Minnelli, Michael York and
Joel Grey, Cabaret has won
a staggering number of
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including: eight Oscars,
seven BAFTAs and thirteen
Tonys and has enjoyed a
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songs in musical theatre

including: *Mein Herr*, *Maybe
This Time*, *Money Money
Money* and of course
Cabaret.
This production contains adult
themes and brief moments of nudity.
Recommended age 13+ (subject to
parental/teacher's discretion).

Sun 14 June

Ruby Run



Half marathon

Start: Hatherleigh

Finish: Holsworthy

Time: 10.30am

Admission: Advance £12, £2 discount to EA competition licence holders, on the day will incur an extra £2 fee

Entry details: 01837 810476

The Ruby Run is a half marathon run between Hatherleigh and Holsworthy. There will be a team event, so get a group together and run a few miles each, walkers are also welcome. A 1.5 mile fun run (mainly off road) accompanies the main event, where all the family are welcome.

rubyrun.co.uk

rubbyhalfmarathon@googlemail.com

Wed 17 June **ED**

Remote Exmoor

Walk on easy tracks over a lonely moor

Hillsford Bridge,

NT car park on A39

Time: 10.30am to 4pm approx

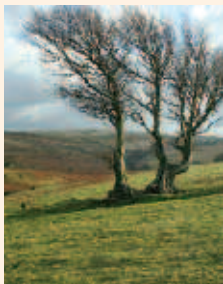
Admission: Free

Booking essential:

01271 863727

An eight mile walk led by North Devon Ramblers along Cheriton Ridge and by Hoar Oak, with the chance to see deer and moorland birds. Cross moorland, rough pastures, streams, rivers and hamlets. Wear appropriate clothing/boots and please bring a picnic.

northdevonramblers.co.uk



A Biosphere Event

Wed 17 June **ED**

Seashores & Climate Change

By Fiona Crouch & Nova Mieszkowska

Hallsnerry Centre,

Hallsnerry, Bideford

Time: 7pm to 9pm

Admission: Free

Booking essential:

01237 472135

Our seas are changing! Sea temperature has already risen in the 20th Century and scientists predict that the average seawater temperature could rise a further 2°C by the 2050s. Find out more about the effects of climate change on the seashore with Fiona Crouch, Shore Thing Project Officer, and Dr Nova Mieszkowska, Research Associate for the Marine Biological Association.

hallsnerry.co.uk

info@hallsnerry.co.uk



Thurs 18 June **ED**

Rob Cordingley Egg Tempera



Artist talk and supper

The Plough Arts Centre,

Great Torrington

Time: 7.30pm

Admission: £10, to include light supper

Box Office: 01805 624624

Rob Cordingley introduces the centuries old technique of Egg Tempera, a paint made by binding dry pigments in egg yolk. Inspired by the renaissance way of painting, Rob will demonstrate this skill whilst showing examples from different artists and answering any questions.

plough-arts.org

Thurs 18 June

A Celebration of Food



Fresh, organic, fair, local, Slow Food...

Broomhill Art Hotel,

Barnstaple

Time: From 6pm

Admission: see website

Booking essential:

01271 850262

Guy Watson gives a talk on his new book *Riverford Farm Cook Book: Tales from the Fields, Recipes from the Kitchen*, and Fred Dudbridge, from Slow Food Devon, advises us how we can counteract fast food and fast life.

A variety of local food producers display their

produce, whilst the food theme continues on the walls with an exhibition by photographer Guy Harrop. The Broomhill kitchen will also be serving up a Slow Food inspired menu.

Visit www.wildcurl.co.uk for food related competitions and special offers, you could be in with a chance of winning one of their special prizes.

Sponsored by WildCurl

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Wed 17 African Batik Workshop - see page 23 for details

Thurs 18 to Mon 22 June

South Molton Olde English Fayre



A weekend of traditional olde English fun and enjoyment

South Molton Town Centre

Time: see website

Information:
01769 573239 (eves)

The Fayre dates back to the Royal Charters of Elizabeth I & Charles II and is a weekend of Olde English celebration in the historic market town of South Molton. Events planned for

Fayre Day, Saturday - Crowning the Fayre Queen, followed by the Floral Dance led by the Town Band, also market stalls, including 'Taste of the West', fairground rides, Punch & Judy, Alan Lewis Jazz Band, displays by the Rescue Services and 'Ask the Vet', and at 7.30pm Songs from the Shows.

oldeenglishfayre.co.uk

Thurs 18 to Sun 21
Thurs 18
Art Trek Artist in Residence at Arlington Court
Aztec Mosaic Workshop - see page 23 for details

Fri 19 to Sun 21 & Fri 26 to Sun 28 June **ED**

Art Trek

Open studios and associated art events

Holsworthy - Hartland, Ilfracombe - Lynmouth, Bideford - South Molton.

Time: 10.30am to 4.30pm

Admission: Free - unless otherwise stated

Information: 01769 540602

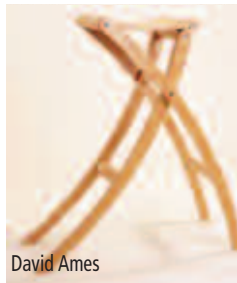
Artists and makers across North Devon, Torridge and West Exmoor, will be inviting visitors into their homes, workshops, studios and a variety of other venues, including galleries, stately homes and sculpture gardens.



Ben Yates



Pauline Pearce



David Ames



Jacob van der Beugel



Art Trek is a friendly event, with no pressure on visitors to buy (but should you feel inclined, everyone would be delighted!) This is a great opportunity to meet and talk to the artists, see work in progress and even perhaps

join in. You will be made welcome by all the artists involved and be encouraged to chat about art (or anything really) over a cup of tea.

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Fri 19 to Sun 21 June **ED**

GoldCoast Oceanfest

Surf, sounds & sports

Limekiln Field, Croyde

Time: Fri & Sat 10am to 11pm, Sun 10am to 7pm

Admission: Early Bird Tickets

- valid for 3 days

adult £30, young person

£20, family £75

Booking and information: Online

information: Online

Midsummer weekend celebrates the 11th consecutive GoldCoast Oceanfest. The single largest event in the North Devon festival, hosting over 500 athletes competing for 10 freesports titles in the coastal playground of Croyde Bay.

Grammy Award nominated Jason Mraz headlines this year's festival. Dubbed the next Jack Johnson, Mraz's stylistic influences include reggae, pop, rock, folk, jazz, and hip hop. He is joined by over 25 live music acts and top international artists. The music stage is adjacent to the Oceanside Croyde arena hosting a Trade Village incorporating licensed bars & global cuisine. Grassroots events and pro workshops, adrenalin zones, workshops, exhibitions, sampling booths, simulators and hospitality suites, all adding to the eclectic ambience of the event.



For tickets, full line-up details, and sports registration visit the website.

goldcoastcoastfest.co.uk
info@goldcoastcoastfest.co.uk



Fri 19 June

Comedy Club Night with John Bishop



Landmark Comedy Club

Landmark Pavilion,
Ilfracombe

Time: 8.30pm

Admission: £10

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Wendy May's Barnstaple Comedy Club presents a laugh a minute line-up, anyone who has already sampled one of these nights will know what great fun is in store.

A regular on *Live at the Apollo*, John Bishop, draws his material from life's experiences, from fatherhood to cycling around the world, to playing semi-professional football, to working as a nightclub doorman. He has been named Best Newcomer by BBC Radio Merseyside and won the North West Comedy Award for best stand-up.

Plus support Colin Owens

Fri 19 June

Comedy Night with Chris Addison



Star of *Have I Got News for You*, *Lab Rats* and *The Thick Of It*

The Plough Arts Centre,
Great Torrington

Time: 8pm

Admission: £14, conc £12,
supporters £10

Box Office: 01805 624624

Mr. la-di-da smartypants Addison is regarded as one of the most versatile stand-ups in the country. With his energetic routines and faultless delivery, he has

charmed audiences, Perrier judges and critics alike. Chris has also received recognition for his writing, winning the Sony Award in 2006 for his BBC Radio 4 series *The Ape That Got Lucky*.

'The best stand-up I've seen.' The Observer

plough-arts.org

Fri 19 & Sat 20 June

The Berkeley Ensemble



Fine music from eight young musicians

The Berkeley Ensemble is an exciting new chamber group formed by eight outstanding young musicians who are graduates of the major music colleges. They return to North Devon a year after their first tour here to play two concerts.

Barnstaple Parish Church

Time: Fri 19, 7.30pm

Admission: £10, conc £8.50

Booking: 01271 32 42 42

Presented by Young Musicians' Support, a registered charity dedicated to helping talented young musicians in North Devon.

Programme:

Nielsen - Serenata in vano FS68

Dvorak - String Quintet No.2 in G, Op.77

Schubert - Octet in F, D803

Colleton Manor

Time: Sat 20, 7.30pm

Admission: £15 (inc welcome drink)

Booking: 01769 581398

The eight young graduates talk about the ensemble giving an insight into their work and how they approach rehearsing a piece. Presented by the Chulmleigh Society and Young Musicians' Support, by kind permission of Mr. & Mrs. S. Phillips.

Programme:

Brahms - Clarinet Quintet in B minor, Op.115

Dvorak - String Quintet No.2 in G, Op.77

Francaix - Divertissement for bassoon and strings

Glasunov - Idyll for horn and string quartet.

berkeleyensemble.co.uk

Sat 20 June **ED**

Bideford College Summer Science and Family Fun Day

Science in the Community

Tapeley Park, Instow

Time: 11am to 5pm

Admission: £2, senior citizen £1.50, child 50p. Includes admission to gardens and children's adventure playground.

Car parking: Free

Information: 01237 477611

Activities, stalls and competitions will be held throughout the day including *Junk Carnival* and *Physics for Breakfast, Dinner and Tea* workshops; birds of prey displays; revolting



demonstrations by Torrington 1646, 'Exmoor Zoo Roadshow Extravaganza' presented by Steve Eddy (in costume as Charles Darwin to celebrate 200 years since the birth of this famous scientist) and many other exciting, entertaining and educational attractions suitable for all ages.

bideford.devon.sch.uk

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Sat 20 June **ED**

The Knicker Lady

As seen on Jeremy Paxman's *The Victorians*

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Time: 8.15pm

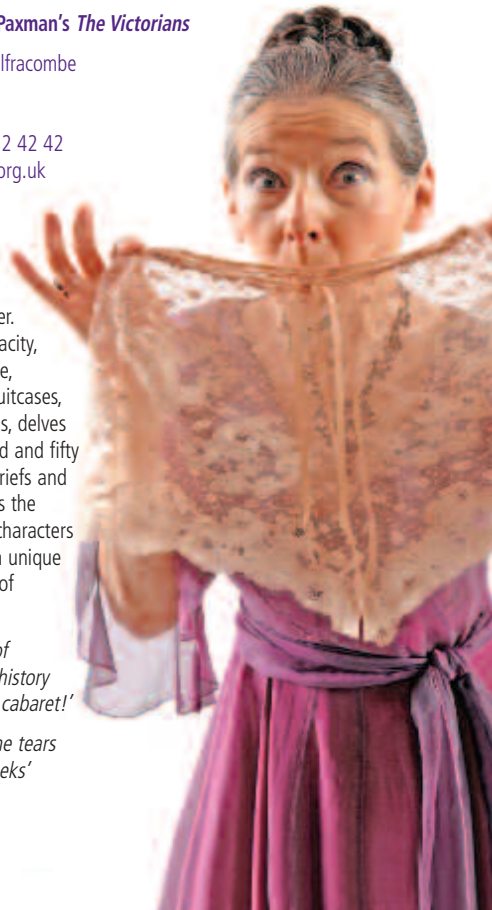
Admission: £10

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

The Knicker Lady is quite literally a show that romps through the history of the humble knicker. With charismatic vivacity, Rosemary Hawthorne, surrounded by old suitcases, boxes and hat stands, delves through two hundred and fifty years of bloomers, briefs and bustles, and presents the myriad of colourful characters that wore them, in a unique and enigmatic style of her own.

'...A delightful mix of costume and social history with a dash of pure cabaret!'

'We laughed until the tears rolled down our cheeks'
Saga Magazine.



Sat 20

Sat 20 & Sun 21

Street Theatre - see page 17 for details
North Devon Choral Society Summer Concert - see northdevonfestival.org for details

Sat 20 June

The Mowgli Stories



Presented by **Illyria**

A Plough Arts Centre event
at Torrington 1646

(The Plough if wet)

Time: 7.30pm, BBQ from 6pm

Admission: £10, conc £8,

supporters £7, family £30

Box Office: 01805 624624

Adapted from *The Jungle Book* by Rudyard Kipling, Illyria uses an ensemble chorus, masks, puppetry and song to bring the adventures of Mowgli to life. Growing up in the jungle Mowgli speaks all animal languages and has learned their laws, yet is this enough to make him King of the Jungle?

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Sat 20 June **ED**

Patch & Chat

Patchwork Workshop

Arlington Court,
near Barnstaple

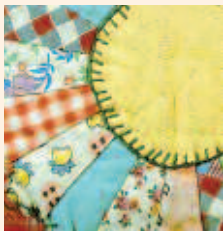
Time: 10am to 4pm

Admission: £20, includes
lunch & 20% discount
voucher for tearoom

Booking essential:
01271 850296

Use your scraps to make something new at this patchwork workshop with Step by Step Patchwork Centre, South Molton; suitable for beginners and improvers. Create a bag or small quilt out of new materials or put your old clothes to good use if you prefer.

nationaltrust.org.uk/events
arlingtoncourt@nationaltrust.org.uk



Sat 20 June

Woodturners Craft Fair



North Devon Woodturners

St John's Community
Centre, Barnstaple (Tesco)

Time: 10am to 4pm

Admission: adults 50p,
under 16 free

Our sixth event, bringing together crafts from North Devon: jewellery, bags, willow, quilts, marquetry, carving and pottery. Live turning demonstrations throughout the day, with drinks and snacks available.

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northdevonwoodturners.org.uk

Sat 20 June **ED**

Barnstaple Elephant Day



Moose Hall,
Trinity Street, Barnstaple

Time: 10am to 4pm

Admission: Free

Information: 01271 346747

Did you know that remains of an extinct straight-tusked elephant were found in Barnstaple in 1844? Trinity Street Residents are proud to announce the

second Barnstaple Elephant Day, with a fun-packed programme of elephant-related activities for all the family. You can also expect a visit from Mr Darwin (see p19).

Expert Andy Currant from the Natural History Museum in London will also be there, bringing the original bones

back to Barnstaple for the first time in 150 years.

We will be making a new, full-size carnival elephant during May half-term. Contact Julian Vayne at the Museum of Barnstaple and North Devon if you would like to take part.

devonmuseums.net/barnstaple
museum@northdevon.gov.uk

Sat 20 June **ED**

Textile Jewellery

Workshop with Karen Howse

The Plough Arts Centre,
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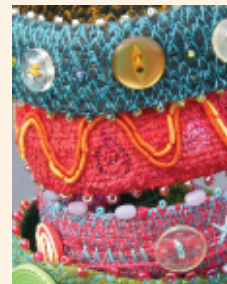
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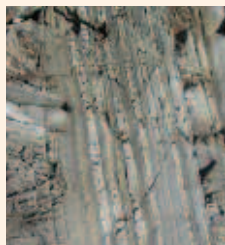
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Sat 20 June **ED**

Seashore Geology



A walk with Dr Chris Cornford

Westward Ho!

Time: 10am

Admission: Free

Booking essential:

01237 472135

The mudflats of the Torridge estuary allow us to interpret the sedimentary rocks at Westward Ho! The geology walk starts at the Skern and finishes at the Elizabethan.

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hallsannery.co.uk

info@hallsannery.co.uk

Sun 21 to Sun 28 June **ED**

Be Not Aferead...

Exhibition and performance

Woody Bay Station,

Parracombe

Sculptural Exhibition:

Sun 21 to Sun 28 June

Performance:

Thurs 25 & Fri 26 June 2pm

Admission: Free (donation to the station optional)

Information:

01598 763359

The children of Parracombe C of E Primary School (part of West Exmoor Federation)

take Caliban's speech from *The Tempest* and work with performing arts professionals to create a magical landscape in the woodland at Woody Bay Station. This landscape then stages their multi-art form performance. No twee fairies and skipping pixies here!

teresa_councell@yahoo.com



Sun 21 June **ED**

Mud '09



An interactive celebration of sustainable technologies

Chulmleigh Community College

Time: 11am to 5pm

Admission: £2, young person £1, family £5 (2 adults & up to 4 yps)
Information: 01769 580215

From cob walling and brickmaking to biofuels and organic farming MUD '09 celebrates the diversity that sustainable technologies contribute to enhancing the

uniqueness of North Devon. Try your hand at lime plastering, thatching and willow weaving. Slake your thirst in the 'micro breweries' beer tent and enjoy locally produced foods. Learn how you can use sustainable technology to enhance your life. Lots to see and do for all the family on the longest day, Father's Day.

admin@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk

Sun 21 June

Artavian Baroque

Oratorio 'Esther' by Handel

Castle Hill, Filleigh

Time: 7pm

Admission: £15

Booking: 01271 323202

Esther, an Israelite but made Queen of Persia, puts her life in danger to try and save the rest of the Israelites threatened with death by her husband, the Persian King. The Artavian Baroque Orchestra is joined by the Artavian Singers and soloists to bring the drama to life.

With kind support from the Earl & Countess of Arran

artavianjohn@gmail.com



Mon 22 to Sun 28 June

The Great Pub Party Week

For North Devon Hospice

The Kings Arms,
South Molton - Skittles Event
The Castle Inn,
Landkey - Pub Quiz
The Old Station House Inn,
Blackmoor Gate - Pub Quiz
The Wheel Inn,
Ilfracombe - Devon Quiz

Join 100 North Devon Hospice heroes for a week of pub fundraisers. Listed above are a selection of events confirmed, see press for full details of all pub fundraisers.

All proceeds from these events support the vital, local work of North Devon Hospice.

northdevonhospice.org.uk
fundraising@northdevonhospice.org.uk



Tues 23 June

The Bad Shepherds



Punk era classics go Celtic

Landmark Theatre,
Ilfracombe,
Time: 8.15pm
Admission: £15
Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

A folk band with a difference; The Bad Shepherds don't play traditional classics but Celtic covers of 70s and 80s punk hits by The Sex

Pistols, The Clash, The Stranglers and The Jam.

This new folk super-group is the brainchild of *The Young Ones* and *Bottom* star, Adrian Edmondson. He leads the band on thrash mandolin and vocals, and is joined by Fairport Convention guitarist Maartin Allcock, Troy Donockley (pipes &

whistles), Andy Dinan (fiddle) and Mark Wooley (bodhran).

An unusual combination, but the Shepherds guarantee plenty of laughs, classic hits, brilliant musicianship and a few rewritten parables for good measure.

thebadshepherds.com

Tues 23 June

Romeo & Juliet

Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo?

Northcote Manor,
Burrington, Umberleigh
Time: 7.30pm
Admission: £12.50, young person £7
Booking: 01769 560501

Romeo and his beloved Juliet will be performing their tale of tragic romance and family betrayal on the lawns of Northcote Manor with the house as the backdrop. Please bring rugs and an extra layer!

In the event of bad weather the play will take place in the conservatory.

In association with the Chapterhouse Theatre Company

Pre arrival drinks served from 7pm.
Pre performance simple supper served from 5.30pm, £20 per person, booking essential.

northcotemanor.co.uk
rest@northcotemanor.co.uk



Tues 23 June **ED**

Red Deer Search



On the trail of Britain's largest wild land animal

Meet at Anstey Common
(SS835 297)

Time: 7pm to 10pm

Admission: Free

Information: 01398 323841

Join Exmoor Ranger Richard Eales on an evening search for the famous Red Deer of

Exmoor. Bring binoculars if you have them. Walking clothing and boots essential - some steep and uneven ground. No dogs.

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Wed 24 June **ED**

Surfing and Shipwrecks

Enjoy fine views walking a rugged coastline

Mortehoe car park

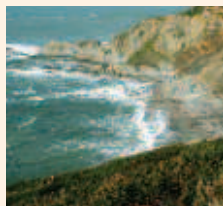
Time: 11am to 2.30pm approx.

Admission: Free

Booking essential:
01271 863727

A five mile coastal walk led by North Devon Ramblers starting with a superb but little-known viewpoint and visiting Morte Point and Bull Point. This rocky coastline has seen numerous shipwrecks through the ages and has many tales to tell. Please bring a snack and wear practical clothing/footwear.

northdevonramblers.co.uk



Wed 24 June

Paddy Ashdown

Clive Conway presents An Audience With...

Queen's Theatre,
Barnstaple

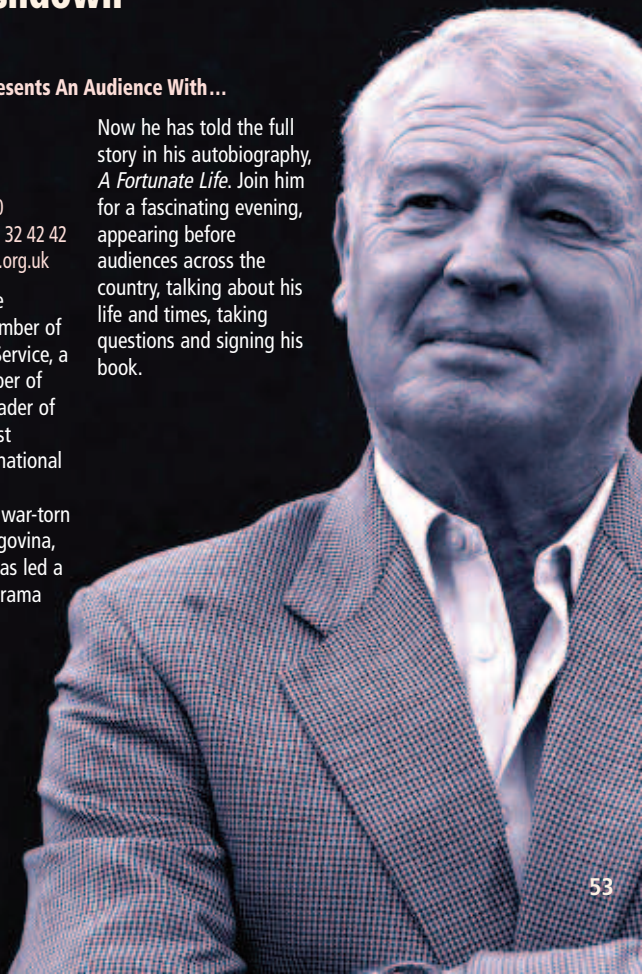
Time: 7.45pm

Admission: £10.50

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

As a Royal Marine Commando, a member of the Special Boat Service, a diplomat, a Member of Parliament and leader of his party and, most recently, the international community's High Representative in war-torn Bosnia and Herzegovina, Paddy Ashdown has led a life packed with drama and adventure.

Now he has told the full story in his autobiography, *A Fortunate Life*. Join him for a fascinating evening, appearing before audiences across the country, talking about his life and times, taking questions and signing his book.



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- 12 Take Thyme



Thurs 25 to Sun 28 June

Fringe TheatreFest09



A feast of theatrical fare

Inn On The Square & Baptist Hall, Barnstaple

Time: various

Admission: £4, conc £2, Frequent Fringer £15 (5 shows)

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

'A chance to eat one theatre piece after another and still, somehow, want more' - so enthused an audience member in 2008. And Fringe TheatreFest09 offers another substantial feast: 66 performances over 4 days, from 22 companies offering a huge diversity of theatrical fare.

'The quality of what we saw was high. There is

something rather amazing about the originality of what is on offer.'

Companies of established national and international repute perform alongside 'break-through' companies bringing new energy and creativity to the table.

All this excitement takes place in the intimacy of specially created theatre-spaces – two of them located in Barnstaple's historic Inn on the Square.

See website for full programme.

Part of Barnstaple Fringe

theatrefest.co.uk
ndfringe@hotmail.com



Fri 26 June

Country Skills Day & Ceilidh



A celebration of local skills and music

Arlington Court, near Barnstaple

Time: 11am to 3pm

Admission: Free with normal admission

A celebration of local skills including live demonstrations in shearing, spinning and shepherding with David Kennard. There will also be a craft and food fair with local produce on sale, and the historic cake baking competition (contact Arlington in advance for recipe, fee £1).

Country Ceilidh

Time: 7pm

Admission: £12.50

Booking essential: 01271 850296

Join the Oogle Band and support act for an evening of dancing and fun. The price includes a barbecue of Arlington's own Jacob lamb-burger and bap (or veg opt) and a glass of Devon cider or apple juice.

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Thurs 25 June

Three Bonzos and a Piano

Packed to the rafters with **Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band** favourites

Landmark Theatre,
Ilfracombe

Time: 8.15pm

Admission: £13.50

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Fans who missed the recent (and possibly final) reunion tour of the Bonzo Dog Doo

Dah Band, will be delighted to know that these four Bonzos will provide them with a glorious 'Hair of the Dog' in the true anarchic spirit of the infamous band.

The survivors of the tour (and the last forty odd years) who bring you this mayhem are:

Roger Ruskin Spear - saxophone, robots, vocals.

Rodney Slater - soprano sax, washboard, vocals.

Sam Spoons - electric spoons and percussion.

Dave Glasson - pianist and world class exponent of the bass pullover.

threebonzosandapiano.co.uk



Fri 26 June

Rotary Jazz Sunset Cruise



MS Oldenburg,

from The Quay, Bideford

Time: Boarding 7.15pm

Admission: £14, young person (under 16) £7.50

Booking: 07710 254781 or 01271 375271

Enjoy a wonderful sunset cruise from Bideford Quay along the river Torridge enjoying live traditional jazz from Guy Fenton and his All Stars band. Weather permitting, we may even cross the 'Bar' and follow the sunset.

Organised by **The Rotary Club of Barnstaple** in aid of local Rotary supported charities.

barnstaple.rotary1170.org

brian@gloverstanbury.co.uk

Fri 26 June

Reg Meuross

A true English troubadour

George Hotel, South Molton

Time: 8.30pm

Admission: £7

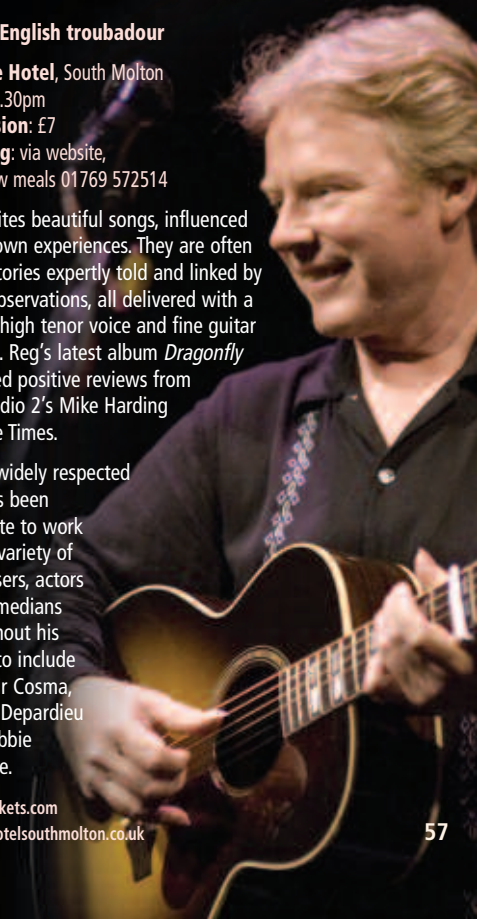
Booking: via website,
pre-show meals 01769 572514

Reg writes beautiful songs, influenced by his own experiences. They are often great stories expertly told and linked by witty observations, all delivered with a soulful high tenor voice and fine guitar playing. Reg's latest album *Dragonfly* garnered positive reviews from BBC Radio 2's Mike Harding and The Times.

Reg is widely respected and has been fortunate to work with a variety of composers, actors and comedians throughout his career to include Vladimir Cosma, Gerard Depardieu and Robbie Coltrane.

wegottickets.com

georgehotelsouthmolton.co.uk



Fri 26 June

John Mayall and his band

Statesman of British Blues

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Time: 7.45pm

Admission: £25

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

'Awesome' is a carelessly overused word, but with a staggering 56 albums to his name, and five decades in the professional music industry, John Mayall's musical CV genuinely inspires awe.

Mayall is most revered for forming The Bluesbreakers, which has watched the likes of Eric Clapton, John McVie (Fleetwood Mac), Jeff Beck and Mick Taylor (The Rolling Stones) pass through its ranks. Consequently, Mayall has become as renowned for discovering and nurturing British musical talent as for his powerful interpretations of the Chicago Blues he grew up listening to.

johnmayall.com

Fri 26 to Sun 28

Art Trek - see page 43 for details

Fri 26 June

Comedy Club Night with Nick Revell, Isy Suttie & Elis James

Wendy May's Barnstaple Comedy Club

The Riverfront, Barnstaple

Time: 8pm

Admission: £10

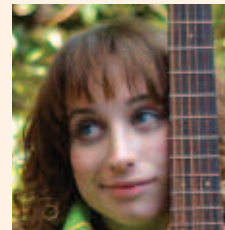
Booking: 07870 954089 or
from The Riverfront or
J&A Cameras, Barnstaple

Nick Revell has been a regular at the Comedy Store since 1982 and performed



at Jongleurs from the day it opened. His TV writing credits include *Drop The Dead Donkey*, *Not The Nine O'Clock News* and routines for Jasper Carrot.

Isy Suttie, star of Channel 4's *Peep Show*, is a quirky, stylish newcomer, who



provides a wry, weird but witty addition to any comedy bill.

Elis James, from Cardiff, returns to the Comedy Club as MC for this excellent line up for the Festival.

Seating at this club is on a first come basis.

A Biosphere Event

Sat 27 June



Salad Days & Herb Heaven



With Sally Hollis

Hallsannery Centre,
Hallsannery, Bideford

Time: 10am to 4pm

Admission: Free

Booking essential:

01237 472135

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We will focus on a range of culinary herbs and plan for winter production over some herb teas. Leave with inspiration for the season ahead.

hallsannery.co.uk

info@hallsannery.co.uk

Sat 27 June

Witheridge St John's Fair



The oldest fair in the country

The Square & Parish Hall, Witheridge
Time: various
Admission: Free
Information: 01884 860557 or 01884 860270

The fair is packed with attractions both old and new, beginning with the Grand Parade at 11am and ending with a ceilidh from

the Oggle Band at 8pm. The colourful town criers' Devon Championship, which has been held annually in Witheridge since 1992, will once again draw criers from across Devon to compete.

witheridge-devon.com/fair.htm
gill@dartraffe.eclipse.co.uk

Fri 26 June

An Evening with Andy Abraham

The X Factor soul man

The Plough Arts Centre at RHS Gardens Rosemoor, Great Torrington
Time: 8pm

Admission: £24.50, conc & RHS members £22.50, supporters £20
Box Office: 01805 624624

Andy Abraham won the hearts of over 9 million *X Factor* viewers with his incredible vocal talents and endearing personality. His debut album *The Impossible Dream* made chart history selling 175,000 copies in its first week and reaching platinum status.

In 2006 Andy sold out London's Royal Albert Hall, released his second album, *Soul Man*, and represented the UK in the Eurovision Song Contest.

Rosemoor restaurant open for pre-performance suppers.

plough-arts.org
rhs.org.uk

Sat 27 June

Dennis Rollins' Badbone & Co

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple
Time: 7.45pm
Admission: £12.50
Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Dennis 'Badbone' Rollins - trombone, electronics
James Gardiner-Bateman - alto sax
Johnny Heyes - guitars
Alex Bonfanti - bass
Mitch Jones - keys
Jack Pollitt - drums

The multi-award winning jazz star Dennis Rollins is an acclaimed musician, composer and educator. His mighty sound can be heard to full effect in Badbone & Co, his groove-based, funky dance band with jazz overtones, which won the prestigious BBC Jazz Award for Best Band.

Dennis has collected more Best Trombonist awards than you can shake a stick at, which has led to performances with the likes of Courtney Pine, Baaba Maal, Jamiroquai, The Brand New Heavies and Blur.

After years of study, Dennis moved to London to play with NYJO and the legendary all-black jazz big band, The Jazz Warriors. As an inspirational educator, his *Rhythms of Fire* project won the 2006 Arts & Kids Award.

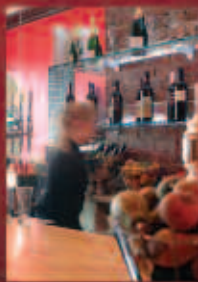
Badbone & Co has released three acclaimed albums: *Badbone, Make Your Move,* and last year's *Big Night Out!*



Sat 27 & Sun 28 Street Theatre - see page 17 for details



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Sat 27 & Sun 28 June **ED**

Move It Shake It

Performing arts festival by the community for the community

Landmark Theatre,
Ilfracombe

Time: 12noon to 8pm

Admission: Free

Information: 01271 32 42 42

Workshops: 01271 869216

Do you have a talent you want to share? Do you dance, sing or play an instrument? Do you belong to a novice or established performing arts group, choir or club? Does your school have something they would like to share with a wider audience? Are you a performance poet or do you have a short film you are proud of?

If so come and join us for two days of fun, theatre performances, face painting, outdoor performances (weather permitting) and more. You don't need experience, just bags of enthusiasm and a spare weekend!



Make It Break It

Date: Sun 28 June

Time: 10am to 5pm

Workshop: Free

Working with Wow Sister and Flying Colours you will have the opportunity to make your own instrument from re-cycled materials to create a junk band. Face paints and fabrics will be used to create a carnival atmosphere at this fun family event.

Tap It Trash It

Date: Sun 28 June

Time: 10am to 5pm

Workshop: £5

Participants: ages 10+

Try your hand at percussive music and dance, using tap shoes to create sound and rhythm as part of the Make It Break It performance and procession at 6pm.

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carol.turner@northdevontheatres.org.uk

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Sat 27 June

Lapstock

Music at the Mill: Lapford

Lapford Millhouse, Lapford

Time: 11am to 11pm

Admission: advance booking

£8, young person £4

(on the day £10, £5)

Booking: via email or
01363 83094 (eves)



A small friendly one-day music festival, in the village of Lapford on the A377, featuring an eclectic mix of folk, rock, pop, blues, acoustic and electric. With workshops, performers, craft traders, food for all and a bar. Limited numbers

so book early to ensure a great day. A festival on three stages in the three and a half acre grounds of Lapford Mill, EX17 6QE.

lapstock.org.uk

info@lapstock.org.uk

tickets@lapstock.org.uk



Sat 27 June

Kidding Around and The Monahan & Seaman Tour!

The Plough Arts Centre,
Great Torrington
Box Office: 01805 624624

Family comedy

Time: 5pm
Admission: £6, conc £5,
supporters £4, family (2
adults + 3 children) £18

The new family-friendly stand-up comedy show for everyone aged 6 to 96 with Patrick Monahan. Lively, interactive and physical comedy from one of the country's friendliest, cleanest and most charming comedians. With music and probably a very big dog! (60 mins show)

Comedy night

Time: 8pm
Admission: £10, conc £9,
supporter £8

A pre-Edinburgh Festival comedy treat - Patrick Monahan's brand new one hour stand up show My Kind of People. Featuring stand up stories about his journey to find people like him - a non-drinking, non-smoking, Irish Iranian Teessider! As seen on *The Paul O'Grady Show*, *The Armstrong and Miller Show*, *The World Stands Up*, and more. Support from Alan Seaman.

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Sun 28 June

Sunday Jazz Lunch



A jazz feast

The Fox and Hounds,
Eggesford

Time: 12pm to 3pm
Admission: Lunch £8.25
Booking essential:
01769 580345.

The Fox and Hounds' legendary Sunday Jazz Lunch, with carvery featuring the finest quality local meat and homemade desserts. Followed by Steve Tucker's All Star Jazz Band.

Train: A Cheap Day Return fare is £4.80 from Barnstaple (GroupSave - 4 people travel for the price of 2).

greatscenicrailways.com
foxandhoundshotel.co.uk
relax@foxandhoundshotel.co.uk

Sun 28 June

Schools Arts Festival

A celebration of the arts

Ilfracombe Arts College
Time: 12pm to 4pm
Admission: Free
Information: 01271 863427

A showcase to celebrate the excellence in the arts throughout schools in the Ilfracombe area. With dance performances, music, media productions and exhibitions of artwork by students from the local junior and senior schools. There will also be the opportunity to work with a sculptor in residence.

admin@ilfracombecollege.devon.sch.uk



Mon 29 June to Mon 24 August

Imagery with Meaning

North Devon AONB Photographic Competition Exhibition

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe
Time: Daily 10am to 4pm
(8pm on performance evenings)
Admission: Free
Information: 01237 32 42 42

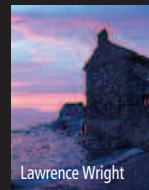
The North Devon AONB's Photographic Competition, *Imagery with Meaning*, started at the beginning of October 2008 and asked its entrants to submit expressive and charismatic images. The winners of the competition were decided by an online public vote that ended in February and now all the finalists are being displayed in an exhibition at the Landmark Theatre.



Rob Weare



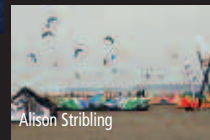
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Throughout the year

Outside the Festival

Yarner Trust Events

Welcome

Date: Throughout the year

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Seize the Moment Events

Date: Throughout the year

Information: 07773 679559

seize-the-moment.net

Hatherleigh Festival

Date: 22 to 24 May

Information: 01837 811116

hatherleighfestival.co.uk

Brides & Bouquets Festival

Chittlehampton Church

Date: 29 to 31 May

Information: 01789 549581

chumpchurches.org.uk

Oldenburg Cruise

Ilfracombe Harbour

Date: 7 June

Information: 01271 863636

nationaltrust.or.uk

Devon Schools Mix

Westpoint, Exeter

Date: 24 June

Information: 01392 386483

devon.gov.uk/musicservice

Tractor and Trailer Rides

Morteohoe Heritage Centre

Date: 30 June to 26 August

Information: 01271 870028

nationaltrust.or.uk

National Sandcastle

Competition

Woolacombe Sands

Date: 12 July

Information: 01271 344248

northdevonhospice.org.uk

Theatre on the Move

Swimbridge

Date: 15 to 18 July

Information: 01271 830311

swimbridge.com

Pilton Green Man Festival

Date: 18 July

Information: 01271 375776

piltonfestival.co.uk

Teddy Bears Picnic

Watersmeet House

Date: 31 July

Information: 01598 763402

nationaltrust.or.uk

Bideford Folk Festival

Date: 10 to 16 August

Information: 01237 470792

bidefordfolkfestival.co.uk

English National

Sheepdog Trials

Castle Hill, Filleigh

Date: 21 to 23 August

Information: 01271 344248

northdevonhospice.org.uk

Classic Car & Family

Fun Day

Hartland Abbey to

Castle Hill

Date: 23 August

Information: 01271 344248

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Walk for Life

Date: 13 September

Information: 01271 344248

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Exmoor Sponsored Walk

Exmoor

Date: 27 September

Information: 01271 344248

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Aegon Pro Series -

Barnstaple

Tarka Tennis Centre

Date: 5 to 11 October

Information: 01271 377701

barnstapleopen.net

Thurs 30 April to Fri 8 May

North Devon and Exmoor Walking Festival



The UK's most scenic Walking Festival

Throughout North Devon and Exmoor

Time: 10.30am, or 1/2 day walks 1.30pm

Admission: from £5,

young person £4

Information: 01271

863001 or 01237 477676

73 guided walks available over 9 days covering the May Day Bank Holiday. Walks range from easy half

day walks to the more strenuous 11 mile all day walk. Speciality walks include deer watching, photographing flowing water, 'gourmet' walks and a 'Sense and Sensibility' walk. Children's walks include a rock pool ramble and a ride on the narrow-gauge railway at Woody

Bay. All walks detailed on the festival web site and brochure.

Sponsored by HF Holidays, Farm and Cottage Holidays, Mullaconn Park, Active Exmoor, Devon County Council, North Devon+ and West Country Walks

walkingnorthdevon.co.uk
bryan@westcountrywalks.co.uk

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For more information ring:
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Exeter 01392 42 77 11



Crediton Festival 23 May to 28 June
 For more information go to www.creditonfestival2009.co.uk

12 – 28 JUNE

EXETER SUMMER
2009 festival

Exeter City Council

Julia Grecos

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS:

CLASSICAL MUSIC
 Royal Philharmonic Orchestra • Rotterdam Chamber Orchestra with soloist Julian Lloyd Webber • Hatstand Opera

COMEDY
 Pappy's Fun Club • Adam Hills • Brendon Burns

THEATRE
 Proto-type Theater: 'Whispers'

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC / JAZZ / FOLK
 Courtney Pine • Po 'Girl • Claire Martin Trio • Three Bonzos and a Piano • Bollywood Brass Band

CHILDREN'S THEATRE
 The Tiger who Came to Tea • The Adventures of Peter Rabbit • Butterflies

DANCE
 Julia Grecos Ballet Español y Flamenco • Tilted Productions

PLUS OPENING NIGHT 12th JUNE:
FREE PARTY ON THE QUAY!

More Information: www.exeter.gov.uk/festival Brochure: **01392 665885**

A two week festival celebrating art & culture in Exeter



June & July

Dancing Devon Festival 2009



A celebration of dance performances, events and workshops across the county in June and July. See who's dancing near you this Summer...

Dance in Devon aims to create opportunities to watch, perform, and participate in dance, and the Dancing Devon Festival 2009 delivers more than ever before. This year Dance in Devon has worked with new partners to add extra creative dance projects into the mix so that we can all share in the celebration and encourage everyone to dance.

danceindevon.org.uk
info@danceindevon.org.uk



Sun 5 July

Devon Games To Inspire 2009

Barnstaple: Rock Park, ND Leisure Centre, Tarka Tennis Centre, Park School, The Square, The Strand

Time: 9am to 5pm

Admission: Free

Information:

01271 388200

Devon Games To Inspire is a sport and cultural event that involves over 1000 participants from teams across Devon. The teams meet in one area to compete against each other in 15 different sports and participate in different cultural activities, including dance and music. The event is being hosted across Barnstaple and will offer the young people as well as town centre visitors, shoppers and residents the opportunity to view or be involved in the Devon Games To Inspire.

Sponsored by RELAYS



Wed 5 August

North Devon Show

Entertainment for all the family

Belle Vue Aerodrome,

Huntshaw Cross

Time: 8.30am to 6.00pm

Admission: £12, young person £4 (5-15yrs), family

£30 (2 adults 3 children)

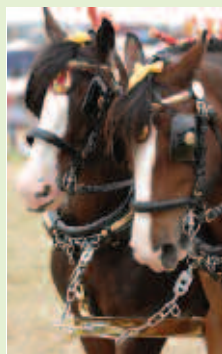
Advance Tickets: £10, young person £3 (5-15 yrs), family

£26 (2 adults 3 children)

Booking: 0845 230 5177

The North Devon Show is the premier agricultural spectacle in the region and

will have something for everyone. There will be classes for alpacas, beef and dairy cattle, goats, sheep, horses, show jumping and young handlers. There will also be an open dog show, poultry display and a wide variety of trade stands.



Electric Wheelchairs can be pre-booked at Shopmobility, Barnstaple tel: 01271 328866



Lots of demonstrations in the Foodhall, Craft Tent, Flower Tent and Rural Skills area. Arena displays include Chariots of Fire, Falconry, Joseph's racing pigs, Katy Cropper and her sheepdogs, Torrington Streetz Dance Crew. Plus Country Pursuits arena, vintage vehicles, Young Farmers Rally and the WI summer competition.

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northdevonshow.com

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Sun 18 October

FoodFest 2009



Back by popular demand!

Pannier Market, Barnstaple

Time: 10am to 4pm

Admission: Free

Information:

01237 426 426

This year's event, will be packed full of local producers selling a wonderful range of gastronomonic delights! In addition to the delicious food and drink on sale, there will also be the extremely popular chef's demonstrations and live music – making it a great day out for all the family! So come along, experience the buzz and take home some tasty North Devon fare!

northdevonfood.com

Fri 1 to Mon 4 May

The Annual Landmark Beer Festival

Beer, music & fun in the sun

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Time: see website

Admission: Free

Information: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk



People from near and far come to enjoy what has to be the best entertainment (and over 30 real ales) the region has to offer over the May Bank Holiday weekend.



Band line-up includes:

Two Spot Gobi (support band for Jason Mraz and Newton Faulkner)

Hayley Daviss

PickPockets & SkyRockets

The Dambusers

Fiddlebix

Soulsmith

Cole Stacey

Lazy

Zamba



Sun - Landmark Bands Day, 2pm to 7pm in association with SoundPad



July to September

Summer Season

Endless summertime entertainment at the...

Landmark Theatre,

Ilfracombe

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

July

Lennon The Legend: Fri 3

Roll Out The Barrel: Wed 15

That'll Be The Day: Thurs 16

Elvis Rocks: Tues 21



Throughout July & August

Vouslez Vous: Tuesdays

One Night in Vegas:

Wednesdays



August

The Tales of Peter Rabbit:

Fri 7 & 21

The Freddie Star Show:

Thurs 13

Joe Pasquale's

Summer 09 Tour: Thurs 20



September

The Bee Gees Story: Tues 1

Richard Digance: Wed 9

Sean O'Farrell: Sat 25



Visit our website or call the box office for further details.

Fri 28 to Mon 31 Aug

Sunwest Festival

End the summer in style

Landmark Theatre,

Ilfracombe

Time: see website

Admission: Free

Information: 01271 32 42 42
northdevontheatres.org.uk

Band line-up includes:

Jay Tamkin Band

Junkstar

Spinlords of Spintania

The Liquidators

Hip Route

Jenna

The Landmark Beer Festival's younger sister enjoys as much popularity and perhaps even more sunshine as it spans the August Bank Holiday Weekend.



