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The Gallery Sessions

Gallery Café, Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple



Bella Hardy & Chris Sherborne

Young folk fiddle singer extraordinaire is accompanied by concertina wizard from *Last Night's Fun.* A double nominee in the 2008 BBC Folk Awards (Horizon Award and Best Original Song), Froots cover girl, and four **** in Mojo.

12 20 55 Tues 18 March, 8pm Ticket: £8



John Law

Prize-winning pianist John Law's new trio The Art of Sound features Sam Burgess (bass) and, from Gilad Atzmon's group, Asaf Sirkis (drums). Law's beautiful and lyrical tunes are certainly attracting attention. 'A band heading for great thinas.' The Guardian





Tony Kofi Trio +1 Toni Kofi (sax), Byron

Ioni Kori (sax), Byron Wallen (tpt), Anders Olinder (Hammond org), Winston Clifford (dms). Award-winning saxophonist and Jazz Warrior, Tony Kofi has recently completed an extensive tour with the World Saxophone Quartet.



Thurs 20 March, 8pm Ticket: £6.50



Rachel Harrington

This published writer and award-winning songwriter was reared among the Pentecostal pines of Oregon. She performs a mixture of country, folk and blue grass and is touring internationally with duo partner and multi-instrumentalist Zak Borden on vocals, mandolin and quitar.



Tues 10 June, 8pm Ticket: £7.50



Nancy Kerr & James Fagan

This well-loved duo combines Nancy's earthy and exquisite fiddle and viola playing with the striking rhythmic texture of James's flat-backed bouzouki, while their rich singing evokes the stories of the songs they choose and write.

12 420 55 Wed 9 April, 8pm Ticket: £8



An Evening with Apples & Snakes

If I Cover My Nose You Can't See Me, is a dramatic monologue told by Steven 'Polarbear' Camden. This twenty something Brummie has a fine line in no nonsense lyrical storypoems with hip hop rhythms.

12 20 55 Wed 18 June, 8pm Ticket: £7.50

students: £5

4 Box Office 01271 32 42 42

For more information visit: northdevontheatres.org.uk or northdevonfestival.org



Trevor Watts & Veryan Weston

Legendary saxophonist Watts teams up with pianist Weston. The pedigree of Watts compliments the great compositions from Weston that will provide an outstanding evening of contemporary rythmic and melodic jazz.

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Wed 23 April, 8pm Ticket: £6.50 note change of programme



The Eduardo Niebla Experience

This Spanish guitarist is one of the most brilliant and emotive performers on the world circuit today, fusing flamenco gypsy jazz with Arabic, Indian, Latin and classical influences.

12 570 Tues 24 June, 8pm

Ticket: £9.50





Rory McLeod

This one man soul band, poet and storyteller is a modern day travelling troubadour who performs his own unique upbeat dance stories using tap shoes, acappella, harmonica, guitar, trombone, spoons, finger cymbals, bandorea, djembe and various percussion instruments.



Wed 7 May, 8pm Ticket: £8



Led Bib

Mark Holub (dms), Liran Donin (bs), Toby McLaren (keys) Chris Willams, Pete Grogan (saxes). . Dodging definition, Led Bib are a maverick jazz band and an unlikely rock quintet whose driving melodies roar at full throttle. If you liked Accoustic Ladyland...



Guy Barker & Ian Shaw Go to The Movies

These two jazz legends kick start the opening of the fifth Barnstaple Fringe.

Barker is back. The award-winning trumpeter, composer and broadcaster, joins forces with award-winning jazz vocalist, pianist and broadcaster, lan Shaw, in an evening celebrating the fabulous force that is The Cinema. With no apology, this jazz odd couple presents a musical babylon for all tastes ... but no popcorn or children!

The idea for this piece came from a BBC Jazz Awards launch where Guy (the MD for the awards) and lan duetted on a ballad, reducing an eminent critic to tears.

This outstanding duo promise to create all the drama, comedy and romance inherent in their carefully chosen movie songs and themes.

BARNSTAPLE FRINGE 12 \$20 \$55 Sat 31 May, 8pm Ticket: £9.50

Eating in

Let us tempt your taste buds with our excellent range of food and drink from our two café bars.

The Gallery Café

Open Mondays from 25th Feb

At the Queen's Theatre, Monday to Saturday, 10am to 3pm.

The Gallery serves fine pastries, fresh pasta dishes, crisp salads and a selection of paninis and sandwiches. Fully licensed, the café uses Fairtrade coffee and tea and is child and family friendly. A classic yet contemporary respite from the bustle of Barnstaple.

The Rendezvous Café

At the Landmark Theatre open seven days a week.

With its large ocean-facing terrace and breathtaking views, the Rendezvous makes a perfect setting to enjoy great food and the best outlook in Ilfracombe. Open for morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon tea.

Pre-show suppers at the Queen's Theatre

Make a night of it and enjoy a pre-show supper. Ask for details of availability and menu details when booking

your tickets.



Wu Qian

The Toller Beattie lunchtime classical concert series. Sponsored by TOLLER BEATTIE SOLICITORS

Aged only 15, this remarkably talented pianist, performed at the Elizabeth Hall, London and later at the Menuhin Festival in Gstaad, Switzerland. Since then Wu has given recitals in the Royal Festival Hall, in Hanover and Amsterdam, Wigmore Hall and the International Music Festival in Koblenz.

Wu Qian is currently studying on a full scholarship for a Masters degree at the Royal Academy of Music with Christopher Elton and was recently selected by The Independent newspaper as a rising star for 2007.

Chopin - Ballade No. 4 **Rachmaninov** - Sonata No. 2

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Wed 9 April 1.05pm

all seats: £4 (special ticket deal: book both lunchtime concerts in April and May for £7)

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TEN STRANGERS, A MYSTERIOUS ISLAND, AN UNSEEN KILLER...

GERALD HARPER ALEX FERNS DENIS LILL CHLOE NEWSOME JENNIFER WILSON PETER BYRNE MARK WYNTER

AND THEN THERE WERE NONE

BY AGATHA CHRISTIE

Following the Agatha Christie Theatre Company's hugely successful tours of The Hollow & The Unexpected Guest, And Then There Were None (Agatha Christie's best selling thriller ever) marks the third instalment of the highly acclaimed new productions.

> DIRECTOR JOE HARMSTON DESIGNER SIMON SCULLION SOUND DESIGNER IAN HORROCKS-TAYLOR

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Mon 31 March to Sat 5 April eves 7.45pm Thurs and Sat mat 2.45pm stalls/dress circle: £18 (£17) upper circle: £16 (£15) mats: £10.50 Friends' offer Wed, all seats: £10

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

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THE LAVISH 2008 PRODUCTION OF

Simply Ballroom DVD – available in stores now



THE SENSATIONAL BALLROOM DANCE SPECTACULAR

Hosted by SAM KANE and SOPHIE LAWRENCE

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This sensational ballroom dance spectacular features a cast of international championship dancers with choreography by TV's dancing stars Anton Du Beke and Erin Boag.

Simply Ballroom is a lavish production where the colour and spectacle of ballroom dance fuses brilliantly with live theatre.

Featuring a cast of outstanding world-class dance champions, whose performances in the waltz are exhilarating; their passion in the tango breathtaking and their paso doble one of the many highlights of this spectacular show. Astounding audiences in every venue around the country, this electrifying production showcases the exceptional talents of the cast through a number of styles, including the cha cha, salsa, rumba, quickstep and many more.

'A must-see show' Sunday Express

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Thurs 10 April 7.45pm stalls/dress circle: £22.50 upper circle: £20.50





Medieval Banquet

Feasting and merriment abound when you step back in time to dine medieval style.

Recreating all the pomp, ceremony and fun of the era, with jesters, magicians, dancers and lusty serving wenches all in attendance, there will be plenty of action-packed entertainment as well.

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Landmark Pavilion, Ilfracombe

Fri 11 April 7.30pm

£21 per person including 3 course meal plus glass of mead on arrival

Foster & Allen

After their sell-out last time, it's great to have a return visit from the ever-popular Foster and Allen, whose beautiful Irish melodies have made them a phenomenal success all over the world. Come and spend a wonderful evening being serenaded by this well-loved Irish duo as they sing all their hits.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Fri 11 April 7.45pm all seats: £17.50 (£16)

North Devon Festival of Choirs

16th Annual Summer Song



Compéred by John Karslake

Enjoy an evening of choral music with performances from male, female and mixed choirs, choral societies and youth choirs

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Sat 12 April, 7pm

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe Sun 13 April, 7pm all seats: £8 (£7) young person & choir members: £6 both concerts: £14 (£12)



Barnstaple's award winning Young Generation become one of the last theatre companies nationwide to stage Disney's musical teenage phenomenon prior to the start of the UK professional tour.

Join Troy, Gabriella and the gang on a magical musical rollercoaster ride, containing all the hit numbers from the Disney Channel movie ...

- Get'cha Head in the Game
- The Start of Something New
- What I've Been Looking For
- Breaking Free
- Stick to the Status Quo
- Bop to the Top
- We're All in this Together
- ... and more

Laugh, cry, sing-along, dance in the aisles ... and shout at Sharpay! ... this will be a magical visit to the theatre for all ages.

Early booking is advised

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Wed 16 to Sat 19 Apr 7.30pm Wed all seats: £6.50, Thurs & Fri, adults: £8.50, young person: £6.50, Sat all seats: £10

Sinfonia Classica

Alison Balsom (Trumpet) Christopher Monks (Conductor) Hans-Peter Hofman (Director) Armonico Consort

A stunning choral and orchestral concert to round off the classical music season with The Queen's Theatre's resident orchestra being joined by celebrated trumpeter Alison Balsom and the Armonico Consort.

The spectacular music of the Gloria, together with the Four Seasons, is undoubtedly Vivaldi's best-known work and is a fitting finale to the season. Purcell - Sonata for Trumpet and Strings Mozart - Divertimento K.137 in B flat Haydn - Trumpet Concerto Handel - Chandos Anthem Vivaldi - Gloria

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Thurs 24 April 7.30pm stalls/dress circle: £16.50 (£15) front stalls/upper circle: £15 (£13.50)





North Devon Sinfonia with soloist Alison Farr

North Devon Sinfonia return to the Landmark following a triumphant debut last April. In this year's concert they are joined by acclaimed young pianist Alison Farr: winner of the piano section of the BBC Young Musician of the Year 1998 and prize winner in the 2000 Messiaen International Competition in Paris. She has performed concertos with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and the Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra.

Programme

Beethoven - Fidelio Overture Rachmaninov - Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini, op.43(soloist Alison Farr). Shostakovich - Symphony No. 5,

op.47

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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Sat 19 April 8pm all seats: £10, under 18s free It's always nice to share your toys - but in a rush to share their favourite toys with the audience, Barney's friends BJ, Riff and Baby Bop accidentally break theirs.

As always, Barney finds the bright lining behind the dark cloud as he takes the little dinos and audience to a marvellous, magical toy factory where the toys can be repaired by the imagination machine, a fantastic device powered by children's imagination.

Join your favourite purple dinosaur for ninety minutes of song, dance and fun...

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Sat 26 & Sun 27 April 1pm & 3.30pm adult: £12 young person: £10 family ticket: £40

The Big Ballet A comedy ballet of weighty elegance and adorable humour

The plus-sized Russian ballerinas from The Big Ballet will certainly make their presence felt when they bend the boards in Ilfracombe this spring. Adding new weight to traditional ballet their performance will break all common notions of what ballet should be like.

These 16 ladies, each weighing no less than 17 stone, always enchant their audiences with a collection of classical and modern ballet pieces. This hilarious comedy show is full of fun and astonishing choreography, proving that you shouldn't take life, or yourself, too seriously.

Performing together with the Fighting Club dance company, the wonderful music and gorgeous costumes complement the magic of the dancers perfectly.

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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Sat 26 April 8pm all seats: £17.50 young person: £12.50 family ticket: £55

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Nina Conti Complete & Utter Conti

Award-winning stand-up comedienne and ventriloquist, Nina Conti, visits us with her fulllength solo show. After a recent stint in Hollywood, Nina and Monkey are back to play host to a cavalcade of outlandish double acts in their over-populated solo show.

Monkey says it is genre-defying, but what does he know? He's not even real. 'Nina Conti is a terrific, experienced ventriloquist... it's perfectly performed' Times

www.mickperrin.com

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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Wed 30 April 8pm all seats: £13.50



We'll Meet Again Hits from the Blitz

A professional and talented cast of singers, comedians and musicians recall the heyday of wartime entertainment with a tribute to the great stars: Bing Crosby, Donald Peers, George Formby, Max Miller, Gracie Fields, Vera Lynn and Tessie O'Shea.

With a new programme, this nostalgic tribute recollects the days when the spirit of Britain was at it's highest, an era to be proud of.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Wed 30 April 2.30pm all seats: £11 (£9)

Mugenkyo Taiko Drummers

Members of the renowned Mugenkyo Taiko Drummers thunder back into North Devon with their powerful fusion of intense rhythms. Performed on huge taiko drums, the heart-pounding rhythms are interweaved with the delicate shinobue bamboo flute and lavers of subtle percussive soundscapes in a visually spellbinding display of fluid grace, precise choreography and sheer athleticism

Retaining the traditional spirit of taiko, yet creating a thoroughly contemporary sound, Mugenkyo are forging a new path with their innovative approach and captivate audiences of all ages and backgrounds.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Thurs 1 May 7.45pm all seats: £15 (£13)

Landmark Beer Festival Beer, music, fun and sun

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

Free admission to all music events throughout the weekend.

Band line-up includes: 7amba The Holts Pretty Jacks Cable Car Catastrophe **Tabloid Press** Eat The TV **Charles Bellamy** Hip Route Tribal Brides **SnakebiteCvanide** Something Somethings Jay Tamkin & The Crackers Babelfish **Douglas E Powell** Amy Newton Booking is not necessary

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Fri 2 to Mon 5 May various times





Todd Miller & the Joe Loss Orchestra

The big band music of one of the best known light orchestras whose name was synonymous with the TV programme *Come Dancing* mark their debut performance in North Devon.

The Joe Loss Orchestra has been in operation since 1930 and never disbanded or reformed. When Joe Loss became too ill to perform at the end of the '80s, leadership was entrusted to Todd Miller who fronts the band today. Continuity is clearly an ingredient of the band's enduring appeal and it is reflected in their music - from tributes to Glenn Miller, Count Basie and Duke Ellington to the chart-toppers of today.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Fri 2 May 7.30pm stalls/dress circle: £15 (£14) front stalls/upper circle: £13.50 (£12.50) Friends' offer, all seats: £10



Simon Hewitt-Jones Violin Daniel Swain

Piano

The Toller Beattie lunchtime classical concert series.



Simon Hewitt Jones performs regularly throughout the UK, and has appeared in Germany, the Netherlands, and Portugal as well as broadcasting on BBC Radio. Daniel Swain appears regularly in recitals, master classes, and competitions throughout the UK and he has performed with internationally acclaimed artists such as cellist Alexander Baillie and violinist Heideko Udagawa.

Beethoven - Sonata for violin & piano in D major, Op.12 No.1 Ravel - Sonata for violin & piano

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Wed 7 May 1.05pm

all seats: £4 (special ticket deal: book both lunchtime concerts in April and May for £7)



The Big Chris Barber Band

Great British trombonist Chris Barber has been the most important figure in the British traditional jazz scene for over 50 years and returns to the Queen's Theatre with his 11-piece band for an unforgettable evening of jazz and blues.

Presenting the music he loves, from New Orleans Bourbon Street Parade to the soul sounds of Miles Davis come and experience the sounds and styles Barber has cherished through his years of band leading and trombone playing.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Sat 10 May 7.45pm stalls/dress circle: £17 (£15.50) upper circle: £15 (£13)

Climb aboard and get your kicks...

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A musical journey featuring American country rock, pop and traditional classics including: The Eagles, Cher, Meatloaf, Starship, Shania Twain, The Doors, Tina Turner, Neil Diamond, Elvis Presley, Bryan Adams, and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

This production will have something for all ages; from the power ballads of LeAnn Rimes to the laid back acoustic classics of John Denver, all the way through to rockier sounds of Springsteen and Bon Jovi.

An Evening with Blowers The voice of cricketstars in his own one-man show.

Henry Blofeld, one of Britain's most celebrated cricket commentators and the doyen of BBC Radio's *Test Match Special*, is famed as the voice of cricket and one of the great characters of the game.

Blowers, as he is affectionately known, is as renowned for his catchphrase - "my dear old thing"; for his musings on pigeons, double-decker buses, planes, tea ladies, and of course, cakes, as he is for his much-loved commentating prowess. He remains one of the most respected and knowledgeable commentators in the sport - and one of the most charming.

A must for cricket fans young and old alike, the show is a thoroughly quintessential British affair in which Henry trawls through his extraordinary life and career, and pays homage to his insatiable passion for cricket.

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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Sat 10 May 8.15pm all seats: £14.50 (£13.50) young person: £10 family ticket: £45

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Fri 9 May 7.45pm all seats: £15





The Counterfeit Stones It's phoney rock 'n'

roll but you'll like it

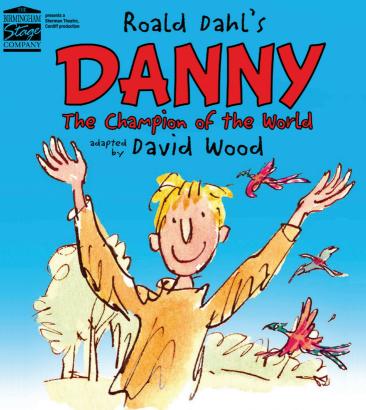
The band is back, rolling out their latest theatre tour, It's Phoney Rock 'n' Roll.

As the name of the tour implies, the band lovingly (and laughingly) covers the history of the Rolling Stones from 1963 through to the stadium gigs of the 1980s and blends stunningly accurate live renditions of the Stones' music with their trademark dance moves, costumes, and onstage banter.

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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Fri 16 May 8.15pm all seats: £14.50 (£13.50)



The irresistible story-telling power of the world's most famous writer of children's fiction, Roald Dahl, is brought vividly to life in this production, packed full of colour, action and adventure.

Danny lives in a caravan with his dad - the most marvellous and exciting dad any boy ever had. But his father has a secret. When night comes, he poaches pheasants from Hazell's Wood. Mr Hazell, the biggest landowner in the district, wants to evict them both and the battle is on to save their home. How can one little boy defeat a rich and powerful landowner?

Funny, warm and moving, this captivating story is guaranteed to

hold your interest whether you are closer in age to Danny or his dad; we hope you'll bring all your family to see this marvellous adaptation.

'It was brilliant... we need more of these types of shows' Times Educational Supplement

See at trailer at www.birminghamstage.net Illustration by Quentin Blake

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Fri 16 to Sun 18 May Fri 16, 1.30pm (schools only) Fri 16, 7pm Sat 17, 2.30pm & 7pm Sun 18, 1.30pm & 4.30pm

all seats: £12 young person: £9.50 family ticket: £38



Ilfracombe Rotary Club's Charity Variety Show 2008

This year comedian Bill Bailey (*Never Mind the Buzzcocks*) joins the line-up for Ilfracombe Rotary Club's Variety Show. Supporting Bill is one of the UK's most popular ventriloquists, Jimmy Tamley and there will also be performances from Purple Olive, a contemporary and traditional jazz group plus a performance

form the ladies of the Ilfracombe Dance Academy.



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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Sat 17 May 8pm all seats: £17.50 SONGS FROM THE WORLD'S GREATEST MUSICALS IN CONCERT



Beyond the Barricade

The UK's leading musical theatre concert revisits the Queens Theatre with its brand new 2008 Production.

Recreating the songs of the world's most popular musicals, the cast of past principal performers from *Les Misérables* and the West End perform songs from the classic musicals: *Miss Saigon, The Lion King, Phantom Of the Opera, We Will Rock You, Chicago, Blood Brothers* as well as songs from more recent productions including: Wicked, *Spamalot* and *Billy Elliot*.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Fri 23 May 7.45pm all seats: £18 (£16.50)

Tim Vine Punslinger

Tim Vine is here partners. Riding in on a sand storm of laughter, all puns blazing. Tell your kinsfolk; you're about to be captured by a posse of jokes.

Star of BBC1's *Not Going Out* comes back to what he does cotton pickin best.

N.B. this is not a show about cowboys; it's just a bloke doing a lot of jokes.

Plus support act John Archer

C 15 Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Sat 24 May 7.45pm all seats: £15



That'll Be the Day

Back by overwhelming public demand, the legendary That'll Be The Day returns to the Queen's Theatre.

The nation's favourite rock 'n' roll variety show has been touring for over 20 years and this all-new production combines classic gold hits from the 50s to the 80s. Prepare yourself for a party with fantastic music and much more in over two hours of nonstop nostalgia.

www.thatllbetheday.com

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Mon 26 May 7.45pm all seats: £18



The British Blues Quintet

Maggie Bell, Zoot Money, Miller Anderson, Colin Hodgkinson, Colin Allen

These artists are the best in their field they've been around the block a few times and performed with some of the greatest names in music over the past 40 years. They'll not only play music from those heady, foot stomping days and nights of the 60s but also feature the vocals of the wonderful Maggie Bell, one of the greatest blues and soul singers this country has produced.

This evening's entertainment is a must - if you like good music.

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Landmark Pavilion, Ilfracombe

Fri 30 May 8.15pm tickets: £12.50



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One of the greatest musicals from the West End is coming to Barnstaple as part of the North Devon Festival. Blood Brothers, the international smash hit musical has been hailed by the critics as one of the best musicals of all time and has triumphed around the world. Scooping up no less than four awards for Best Musical in London, seven Tony nominations on Broadway, and receiving a standing ovation at every performance, Blood Brothers is now in its 21st phenomenal year in the West End.

Set in Willy Russell's native Liverpool, it tells the captivating tale of twin boys, separated at birth only to be re-united by a twist of fate and a mother's haunting secret. The musical's PING, SUPERB... MUST!' Mail on Sunday

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truly memorable and dramatic ending is only one reason not to miss this show; book now and discover just why audiences across the globe still stand, cheer and weep at this rousing masterpiece.

'Devastating...a masterpiece. If you haven't seen it, go. If you have, go again' News of the World

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Mon 2 to Sat 7 June Mon to Sat eves 7.30pm Thurs & Sat mats 2.30pm Mon to Thurs eves, stalls/dress circle: £25.50 (£23.50) upper circle: £23.50 (£21.50) Fri & Sat eves, stalls/dress circle: £29.50 (£27.50) upper circle: (£27.50 (£25.50) mats, all seats: £19.50 English National Ballet performs

Angelina's Star Performance

English National Ballet has recently performed at Wembley Stadium (*Concert for Diana*) and the Royal Albert Hall (*Swan Lake*). Now you have the chance to see eight dancers from this worldrenowned company performing Angelina's Star Performance at The Queen's Theatre.

Angelina Ballerina has been given the honour of putting on her very own performance of *The Sleeping Beauty* for the Queen in her splendid palace. It's Angelina's biggest challenge yet... will she manage to pull it off?

This magical introduction to ballet for children is a rare chance to see Angelina Ballerina dance her pirouettes and grand jetés in front of a live audience. Workshops available see page 38

'It's enough to tickle almost anyone's inner child.' The Times

'... accessible, entertaining, fun and genuinely touching.' The Stage

Running time 1 hour 15 minutes including a 20 min interval.

Choreography by Antony Dowson. Music by Tchaikovsky.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Fri 30 May, 7pm Sat 31 May, 1.30pm & 4.30pm all seats: £15 young person: £9.50 family ticket: £45





For 30 days in June, the North Devon Festival hosts over 200 diverse events featuring theatre, sport, visual arts, music, dance, fayres, literature and a fringe.

Barnstaple Fringe GoldCoast Oceanfest Lynton & Lynmouth Music Festival The Factory Gigs Appledore Visual Arts Festival The Gallery Sessions Main Theatre Events Colourscape Fringe Theatre Festival International Art Exhibitions Devon Wildlife Festival Art Trek Open Studios SMASH Boyz Dance and much more . . . The Festival is set amidst amazing locations in a region that boasts the first UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in Britain, the wild beauty of Exmoor, Ruby Country and miles of glorious coastline. With a rich variety of venues there's always an event close to you.

A free programme is available from April. For your copy call the Box Office or visit the website for an up to date list of events.

01271 324242 www.northdevonfestival.org





Where There's a Will, There's a Death

The contents of the will were not what the family were expecting. It comes as no surprise to learn that the beneficiary does not survive long enough to enjoy their new found wealth.

Come and watch this tale of Victorian skulduggery unfold and help solve the murder. Dressing up is optional but there will be a small prize for best dressed lady or gentleman.

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Landmark Pavilion, Ilfracombe

Fri 6 June 7pm £18 to include a 3-course meal

On the Stage and Off

starring Rodney Bewes

Based on the writings of Jerome K Jerome

Rodney Bewes has been an actor for 55 years, but is still best remembered for the popular television series *The Likely Lads*. Jerome K Jerome wrote over thirty books and nine plays but is best known for *Three Men in a Boat*. In his new one-man show, Rodney brings to life Jerome's first book, a true story about three years of his life as an actor in the 1880s.

An hilarious journey through weekly repertory theatre, touring, pantomime, stock and fit up, until our hero swears never to darken a stage door again!

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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Sat 7 June 8.15pm all seats: £12.50 (£11) Friends' offer, all seats: £10



Alfie Boe

Tenor

Alfie Boe as emerged as one of the most exciting young tenors that this country has produced for many years.

Adopted by Classic FM as one of their Artists of the Year, through Classic FM's promotion and his critically acclaimed albums for EMI, *Onward* and his most recent release *La Passione*, he has become a favourite with British music lovers.

His appeal has also had audiences enchanted overseas, most notably in America where he recieved a Tony for his work in Baz Luhrmann's Broadway production of *La Bohème.*

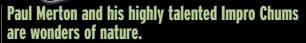
For his debut performance at the Queen's Theatre, Alfie will be accompanied by a trio and will be performing a programme of Opera and Neapolitan arias. This will include Mozart, Puccini, Donizetti and songs from *La Passione*.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Wed 11 June 7.45pm all seats: £18.50 (£17.50)





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Chums take audience suggestions and create cascades of fantastic tumbling laughter. Most of the time.

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Impro Chums are mainly the delightful **Richard Vranch**, **Lee Simpson** and **Suki Webster** plus appearances from other guest Impro Chums.

'They turned my grey cells psychedelic' The Hindu

'These are masters of their craft and there wasn't a dull moment. Terrific fun' Manchester Evening News 'The best ad-lib ensemble in the UK' London Evening Standard

There may be some swearing.

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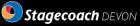
Presented by Mick Perrin for Just for Laughs Live by arrangement with International Artists Ltd.

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Fri 13 & Sat 14 June 7.45pm

all seats: £18.50 (£16.50)

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Bill Giles' Weather Show

A humorous outlook from the man who led the BBC weather team for 17 years, Bill Giles presents his one-man weather show.

- How did Michael Fish miss the hurricane in 1987?
- Why Ian McCaskill broadcasts without his shoes on!
- Will global warming affect you?
- All weather phenomena: rainbows, lightning, thunder waterspouts, tornadoes and hurricanes.
- How hurricanes are born.
- Why some clouds are mistaken for UFOs.

An evening liberally splashed with anecdotes and the chance for the audience to chat informally with Bill both during the interval and after the show.

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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Thurs 19 June 8.15pm all seats: £12.50 (£11)



Simon Amstell

plus support

Simon Amstell is on tour...

Simon became a household name as the presenter of Channel 4's *Popworld*. Today he is the face of BBC2's *Never Mind The Buzzcocks*, winning him two British Comedy Awards and a Royal Television Society Award.

With his deliberately dry demeanour, Simon is engagingly honest and wonderfully sharp-minded in his humour and delivers his stand-up with plenty of charm as well as a few of those snide put-downs for hich he is so famous.

as close as you can get to a man emotionally and philosophically disembowelling himself on stage' The Times

www.simonamstell.co.uk www.mickperrin.com

G 16 Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Sat 21 June 7.45pm all seats £19 (£17)



Blazin' Fiddles

Blazin' Fiddles was created 10 years ago as a project for the Highland Festival. They have since become one of Scotland's top traditional bands playing from remote village halls to the BBC Proms at the Royal Albert Hall. The band have delighted audiences with their highlands and islands tunes and tales and during a performance, the audience has a rare opportunity to hear pieces featuring the regional styles of each fiddler followed by all hands jumping in for a wonderful explosion of music.

In the past decade no other band has quite captured the excitement, passion and the sensitivity of Scottish music. Fiddles and bows blaze away with guitar and piano for one of the most exciting and memorable fiddle ensembles ever to take the stage.

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Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe Thurs 26 June 8.15pm all seats: £12.50 (£11)



Fringe at rightarrow fringe at part of Barnstaple fringe



The Factory is an exciting new venue on the Roundswell Estate, near Sainsbury's. Pre-booking is recommended, contact the Box Office on 01271 32 42 42, but tickets will also be available at The Factory on the night. This venue is standing only.



Achanak

Fresh from their triumph at the North Devon Folk Festival, this sixpiece band has gained a fearsome reputation as a brilliant live bhangra act and extensively performs at all the major festivals in the UK and Europe.

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all tickets: £9.50

Barnstaple

Fri 6 June

8pm

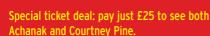


Courtney Pine

An inspirational role at the forefront of British Jazz, it's the combination of contemporary jazz, reggae, hip hop, drum and bass that's come to characterise the Courtney sound.

The Factory, Barnstaple

Thurs 12 June 8pm all tickets: £17.50





James Taylor Quartet

JTQ is the grooviest jazz-funk band in the UK with their swinging, timeless Hammond-led funk sound. They return to the Fringe following the release of the new album recorded live at The Jazz Café in London.

The Factory, Barnstaple

Sun 29 June 8.30pm all tickets: £12.50

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Unconventional performances on the edge, covering a wide spectrum of genres - jazz, folk, bluegrass, bhangra, soul, americana, country, blues, performance poetry, fringe theatre and many more, all taking place in familiar locations throughout the town. What's even better is that most performances are free or under £10.

A full Fringe brochure wil be available in May



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For information and tickets to all paid for performances:

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Joan Armatrading

Joan Armatrading, whose unique voice has deservedly built her a huge following, takes to the road again to play a selection of UK dates.

Joan's strong rhythmic acoustic guitar playing and her melodic electric solos help to make her the consummate musician, with songs like *Love* and Affection, Willow, Drop the Pilot and Lovers Speak standing the test of time.

Her latest release *Into The Blues* has been nominated for a Grammy in the category of Best Contemporary Blues.

'Britain's first lady of song' Daily Mail

Future Events

Summer shows at the Landmark Theatre

Chas & Dave Fri 11 July, 8.15pm

Rockin' on Heaven's Door Tues 15 July, 8.15pm

The Essence of Ireland Wed 16 July, 8.15pm

An Evening with Arthur Smith Thurs 17 July, 8.15pm

Abba Mania Tues 22 & 29 July, Tues 5, 19 & 26 August, 8.15pm

One Night in Vegas Wed 23 & 30 July, Wed 6, 13, 20 & 27 August, 8.15pm

Jimmy Tarbuck OBE Thurs 24 July, 8.15pm

Sooty's Magic Wand Factory Fri 25 July, 1.30pm & 4pm

Harry and His Bucketful of Dinosaurs Fri 8 & 22 August, 1.30pm & 4pm

One Night of Elvis Tues 12 August, 8.15pm

Rainbow Live Fri 29 August 1.30pm & 4pm

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Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple Sun 29 June 7.30pm all seats: £26

www.joanarmatrading.com



Take Part

Participating in Make the Move classes and workshops paves the way for many opportunities including residencies, performances (including North Devon Theatres pantomimes), theatre trips and work experience.

Angelina Ballerina

These workshops with the English National Ballet company support their tour of Angelina Ballerina. Working with the dance officer and a musician, the young dancers will get a fascinating insight into the world of ballet and learn some steps from the show. The first workshop is aimed at our tiniest dancers and no experience is necessary.

Landmark Theatre

Fri 30 May 10.30am to 11.15am age group 3½ - 5 (pre-primary and primary) 11.30am to 12.15pm age group 6 - 9 (primary and Grade 1)



Wear either loose comfortable clothing or you are welcome to wear your fairy dresses, tiaras and tutus...

Advance booking essential as numbers are limited. Contact the Box Office on 01271 32 42 42

Queen's Theatre - on stage Fri 30 May 2pm to 3.00pm

Participate in this masterclass on the set of Angelina Ballerina with Matthew Paluch from ENB and a live musician. This workshop is to further the skills of those subscribing to the North Devon Theatres Junior Associate programme.

Masterclass: £10. Advance booking essential contact Carol Turner 01271 86 92 16.



Easter residency with UKFD at the Landmark Theatre

Working with Gerrard Martin and Seeta Patel from UKFD, North Devon Theatres Youth Dance Associates will create a piece to be performed in London as part of Big Dance 2008. Some participants will also be creating a dance to be performed at North Devon Theatres' Medieval Banquet on Fri 11 April.

Landmark Theatre Mon 7 to Fri 11 April

There will also be re-workings of the piece and rehearsals later in the spring, ready for July.



North Devon Theatres Youth Dance Associates

Your chance to become involved in workshops, residencies and performance projects.

Being an Associate gives you free or reduced price workshops and residencies plus priority booking for education events. Open to dancers aged 8 and above on subscription of an annual fee payable in instalments.

Events still to come: Easter residency with UKDF, residency and performance with Independent Ballet Wales, residency and performance project with the Jiving Lindy Hoppers, Musical Theatre residency with Nigel Brooks and Gerry Zucharello, Angelina Ballerina workshops, Express Yourself summer workshops, cheerleading residency, Tap and Trash and more to be programmed...

Make the Move performing arts classes

For more information on classes, times and registration please call Kate Irvine on 01271 86 92 14.

Exhibitions











Linda Gordon, Environmental Artist



Extreme Boardshots

Queen's Theatre, 25 Mar to 26 April Northern Exposure

This stunning new exhibition of images from the North Coast of Devon and Cornwall, taken between September and February, captures the beauty and splendor of our coastline.

Derek Spencer

Landmark Theatre, 25 Mar to 27 April Rock 'n' River

Vibrantly coloured oil paintings capturing the rhythm of the seasons and rock of the landscape. Roll downstream from the heart of Exmoor to Hartland, Lundy and the ocean.

Kerrie and Jake ArtsApart

Queen's Theatre, 29 April to 31 May Time Well Spent

Jake Howard creates beautiful coloured and hand etched metal wall sculptures that command attention.

Tim Sanders

Landmark Theatre, 29 April to 1 June **Cloud Nine**

An exhibition of cloud paintings from this North Devon artist. Visit Tim's website at www.timsaundersart.co.uk

Art Trek

Queen's Theatre, 3 June to 5 July

The Exhibition



An opportunity to see work from **Corvent** each of the artists' participating in this year's Art Trek event (Thurs 19 to Sun 22 June). www.northdevonfestival.org

Lance Read

Landmark Theatre, 2 June to 6 July **Airscape Devon** Photographs from the air capture the amazing variation in North Devon's landscape.



Museum of Barnstaple & North Devon



A great way to get to know North Devon's landscape, history, people and stories.

Projects Showcase Explore North Devon

29 March - 19 April

Local heritage work from five North Devon village projects as part of the Archives 4 All collection

Devon Rocks

26 April - 28 June

Celebrating North Devon's geology and the International Year of Planet Earth

Free admission

Opening times

Mon to Sat, 9.30am to 5pm

The Square, Barnstaple, North Devon EX32 8LN Tel: 01271 34 67 47 museum@northdevon.gov.uk devonmuseums.net/barnstaple





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Central Box Office: 01271 32 42 42

Queen's Theatre

Boutport St, Barnstaple EX31 ISY Admin telephone: 01271 32 73 57 Fax: 01271 32 64 12

The Queen's Theatre is located in Boutport Street, on the corner of Butchers' Row, with parking close by at Queen Street and Bear Street car parks. If travelling from outside the area follow the signs for the Town Centre.

Landmark Theatre

Wilder Rd, Ilfracombe EX34 9BZ Admin telephone: 01271 86 56 55 Fax: 01271 86 77 07

The Landmark Theatre is located in Wilder Road on the Seafront, with public parking available, both on site and close by. Follow the signs for the Seafront and The Landmark is on your left.

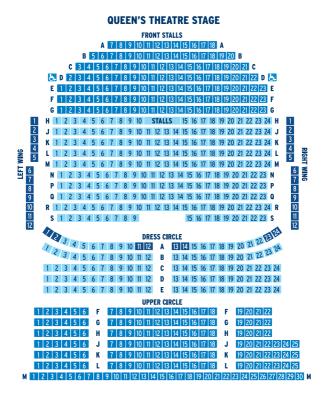
Please carshare or use public transport wherever possible. For more information visit www.carsharedevon.com

Public Transport

The main bus station in Barnstaple is situated within a 5 minute walk of the Queen's Theatre. Stagecoach 103 stops on Ilfracombe High Street. First 3, 3A, 3B and 30; Exmoor Coastlink 300 stop outside the Landmark

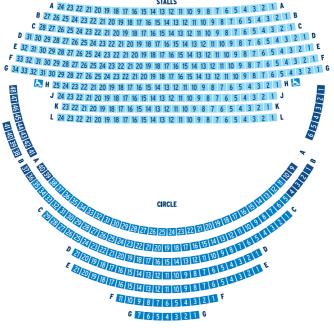
The nearest train station is in Barnstaple for more information visit www.nationalrail.co.uk

Telephone Traveline 0871 200 22 33 or visit www.traveline.org.uk



LANDMARK THEATRE STAGE





How to book & Access

In person

In the foyer of the Queen's Theatre or the Landmark Theatre. Open Monday to Saturday, 10am to 5pm and Sundays, April to October (later on performance nights).

By telephone

North Devon Theatres Box Office 01271 32 42 42. Open as stated above. Visa, Mastercard, Maestro & Solo accepted. Unpaid reservations held for 3 days.

By post

North Devon Theatres Box Office, Boutport Street, Barnstaple EX31 ISY. Please include booking requirements and make cheque payable to 'North Devon Theatres Trust'. Add £1 if you would like your tickets posted to you.

Online

Visit our web site for secure online booking, the best seats remaining will be allocated.

Refunds

Tickets cannot be exchanged or refunded. However we will attempt to re-sell tickets on any soldout shows, a charge of 10% is made for this service.

Gift vouchers

Gift vouchers are available for purchase from the Box Office and can be used for shows at the Queen's Theatre and Landmark Theatre.

Special offers

Only one offer applies to any one ticket and must be requested at time of purchase.

Ticket concessions

(shown in brackets) apply to children, fulltime students, claimants, over 60s and registered disabled.

Family ticket When available applies to a family of 4 with max 2 adults.

Young person's ticket

On selected performances. Applies to children 16 & under.

Stand-by tickets

Any remaining unsold seats may be purchased for half the top price either by phone or in person after 6pm on the day of performance. Tickets must be paid for at time of booking. This offer is not available on all shows.

Young people admissions policy

Infants aged 18 months or under may be held on their parent or guardian's lap with no charge. In the interest of all our customers an infant must remain on the accompanying adult's lap at all times throughout the performance.

The infant in arms ticket is available for pantomime and all children's events.

Unaccompanied children

Unaccompanied children of 12 years and over are welcome at most performances (except those with an age guidance limit indicated). Customers must ensure that if children are attending without a parent/guardian that they have safe travel to and from the theatre.

Children aged under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Access

The following information may prove useful if you have specific access requirements; however it is not exhaustive. Please do contact a member of our team if you have any queries. We are happy to assist.

Physical access

There are wheelchair spaces available in the stalls for every performance at the Queen's Theatre, accessed via a ramp from street level. The Gallery Cafe is situated on the first floor and is accessible by lift.

The Landmark Theatre offers wheelchair spaces for all performances. The Theatre, Pavilion and Rendezvous Café are all fully accessible. There is disabled parking on the Wilder Road car park next to the Landmark at the front of the building.

Both venues have accessible toilet facilities.

If you have a mobility problem, a disability that prevents you from getting out and about or you may not feel safe driving late at night we now have The North Devon Theatres' Minibus Group that covers the Woolacombe, Berrynarbor, Ilfracombe and Combe Martin areas.

To register for this service please contact Sandy Campbell on: 01271 86 92 22.

Hearing Impaired

Both venues are fitted with an infra-red hearing system please reserve equipment at time of booking.

Visually Impaired

Guide dogs are welcome at both the Queen's Theatre and the Landmark Theatre.

For other access requirements or further information please contact the Front of House Manager on 01271 32 73 57 or email foh.qt@northdevonthe atres.org.uk

Parking

There is limited disabled parking at the Queen's Theatre opposite the theatre entrance in Boutport Street and Butchers Row.

Shopmobility

Shopmobility is a scheme which lends manual wheelchairs, powered wheelchairs and powered scooters to members of the public with limited mobility to shop and to visit leisure and commercial facilities within Barnstaple and Ilfracombe. For more information phone 01271 32 88 66 or visit www.justmobility.co.uk

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For more details contact the Box Office on 01271 32 42 42

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Tamsin Waley-Cohen Wed 5 March, 1.05pm Queen's Theatre

On the Trail of the Countback Kid Thurs 6 Mar, 10am & 1pm Landmark Theatre

The Wurzels Thurs 6 Mar, 7.45pm Queen's Theatre

Oliver! Tues 11 to Sat 15 March, 2pm & 7pm Queen's Theatre

The Solid Silver 60s Show Fri 7 March, 6pm & 9pm Queen's Theatre

Two Thurs 13 March, 8pm Landmark Theatre

Magic Sat 15 March, 8pm Landmark Theatre

Tony Kofi Trio + 1 Thurs 20 March, 8pm Queen's Theatre Gallery Café

Essence of Ireland Sat 22 March, 8pm Landmark Theatre

The Masters of the House Thurs 27 March, 8pm Landmark Theatre

Soloists of the Philharmonia Orchestra Thurs 27 March, 7.30pm Queen's Theatre

Rockin' on Heaven's Door Fri 28 March, 7.45pm Queen's Theatre

The Chuckle Brothers Sat 29 March, 2pm & 5pm Queen's Theatre

The Landmark Wedding Fair Sun 30 March, 10am to 4pm Landmark Theatre

Family Easter Disco Sat 5 April, 2pm to 4pm Landmark Pavilion