

2024 Season

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#### Welcome

#### Hello to all our valued patrons,

Let me introduce myself. My name is Michael Courtney and I am proud to say I am the new manager of the Riverhead Theatre.

I have been in the theatre industry for 36 years and have been bringing shows to the Riverhead since it opened. After a life touring the UK and Europe, I am excited to come to work in this wonderful venue.

Alongside a varied professional season of shows, the Louth Playgoers Society continues to offer excellent productions all brought to you by a fine group of volunteers. We pride ourselves in offering a varied programme of events which, going forward, we will only continue to expand and develop. The Riverhead will continue to remain at the forefront of community

engagements with craft fairs, open days and lots more exciting events for OUR community.

This year we are launching what we hope will be an annual "Search for a Star" talent competition. It will be open to residents of Lincolnshire and kindly sponsored by our good friends at NT Shaw of Louth. We kick off our season with the ever successful pantomime: this year you can enjoy "Snow White & the Seven Dwarves".

So, whether it's a laugh you're after or a great concert, we have a little of everything here at the Riverhead.

We look forward to seeing you here!

Michael Courtney Theatre Manager

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See you at the show for a night of laughter folks.

The award winning Comedy Hotspot proudly presents

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Friday 12th – Sunday 21st January. Weeknights 7.00pm, Saturdays 1.00pm and 6.00pm, Sundays 11.00am and 4.00pm. No performances on Monday 15th or Tuesday 16th.

#### **Snow White and the Seven Dwarves Pantomime**

Co-Producers Derek Smith & Stuart Spendlow. Directors Philip Marshall Junior & Alice Murray. Choreography by Studio 2000. Kindly Sponsored by N T Shaw.

Come and join us for some classic pantomime fun at the Riverhead Theatre! Louth Playgoers are putting on the seminal story, Snow White and the Seven Dwarves.

Escape the January blues and enjoy all the singing and dancing regulars – the Dame, the Villain and, of course, the dashing Hero in this fantastic, fun-filled family show! We guarantee we'll get you laughing as the silly jokes abound – it's a perfect way to start the year!

Featuring a brand new, original script by our very own Philip Marshall Junior; a playlist including the fabulous tunes 'I Wanna Dance With Somebody', 'Haven't Met You Yet' and '9 to 5'; and, of course, the amazing dancers from Studio 2000.

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Tickets: £15, TheatreCards £13.50, Under 18s £9



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At just £13.50 for an individual card or a joint card
for £27, it entitles you to £1.50 off all
Louth Playgoers Productions and professional
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You can purchase them through Box Office 01507 600350 or online at louthriverheadtheatre.com







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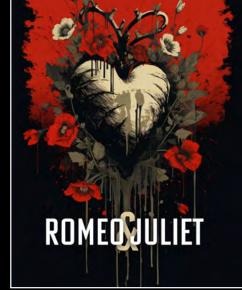
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Preview: Tuesday 23rd January, 2.00pm Premiere: Tuesday 23rd January, 7.00pm Performance: Wednesday 24th January, 10.00am

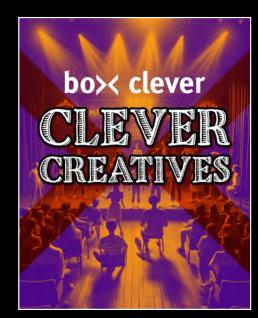
#### Romeo & Juliet

Box Clever Theatre sets the stage for an ageless narrative, re-envisioned with contemporary flair. Amidst the backdrop of Verona, the saga of Romeo and Juliet unfolds, a poignant embodiment of young love ensnared in the web of familial discord.

The adaptation fully realises the characters of the lovers and brings to life their world: the sound, heat and colour of Verona, the dark threat of the feud between their families and the ever-increasing speed at which events hurry the lovers to their inevitable doom. It also, through the inclusion of the Narrator ensures that Romeo and Juliet themselves do not remain literary creations distant from the 21st century.

**Tickets:** £13.50, Under 18s £6





3 Day Project: 12th, 13th, 14th February, 10.30am - 16.30pm

#### **Clever Creatives**

An opportunity to join with professional actors of the Box Clever Theatre Company to help make and present a brand new, short piece of theatre from scratch, inspired by one of the Company's current productions on tour – MACBETH.

Be part of the Box Clever team to help write the storyline of the new theatre piece; to decide the characters; to write the dialogue; to rehearse and to perform. At the start of day 1, we have nothing. At the end of day 3, we have a finished piece to which friends and family can be invited.

No experience is necessary, just an interest in drama, in having fun, in meeting other like-minded people and in learning more about how theatre is made.

Tickets: £10 in total for all 3 Days!

## Saturday 27th January, 7.30pm Watch that Scene!

The ABBA Tribute

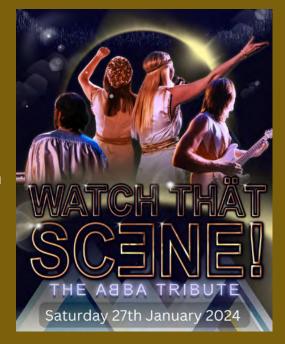
Watch that Scene Abba Tribute band not only encompass everything you love about the Swedish folk/rock/pop sensation that we can't live without – they are the living, breathing, all singing, all dancing embodiment of the real thing. Lookalike and sound alike musicians who have studied their art for decades, they are a tribute we can promise you is like no other!

From the poignant trademark Abba harmonies and knockout replica costumes made especially for this amazing show, **Watch that Scene** will transport you back to the time where Abba dominated the charts. Our team comprises theatre stage performers, TV actors and models and unbelievably talented vocalists. The front four look exactly like our beloved Swedish counterparts and we can't wait to perform for you soon!

Tickets: £23, TheatreCards £21.50

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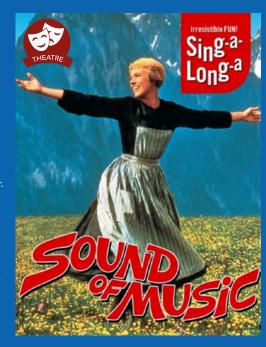


## Saturday 3rd February, 7.30pm Sound of Music Sing-a-Long

Classic 1960s musical starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer. Former nun Maria (Andrews) becomes the governess for a family of seven children who live in the shadow of their domineering and repressed widower father Captain Von Trapp (Plummer). Along with the required discipline Maria brings love, music and excitement into the children's lives and also eventually begins to have an effect on their father. But just when things are looking up, the rise of Nazism and the threat of the coming war darkens all their futures. The cast also includes Charmian Carr, Nicholas Hammond and Eleanor Parker.

This well known 1960s classic starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer is familiar to many of us. The film and, indeed the songs, make up many of our childhood memories. Come and join in with the Von Trapp family singers as we raise our voices in these beloved tunes. No need to worry if you feel you haven't got a great singing voice, Julie Andrews gives free musical tuition – "when you read, you begin with A, B, C. When you sing you begin with do, re, mi". See you there!

Tickets: £7





Sunday 28th January, 7.00pm

Songs for the Soul Lincs Soul Collective Performed by Liz McIntosh (vocals), David Allsop (piano) and Jamie Nowell (guitars)

Following the journey of soul, gospel and blues music from the 1900's to the present day.

This performance will celebrate this wonderful music featuring soul, blues and jazz standards alongside our own soulful take on more modern songs.



**Tickets:** £14, TheatreCards £12.50



#### Sunday 4th February, 7.30pm

Tony Moore, Awake

Get ready to be blown away! Tony Moore is taking to the stage with his electrifying one-man show, "AWAKE."

Tony's journey in the music industry has been nothing short of legendary, from being an original member of Iron Maiden to playing with Meatloaf and hitting the charts with his own band in Holland to touring the world as a member of the band Cutting Crew (I Just Died In Your Arms Tonight).

Now Tony's bringing his own brand of musical magic to the world with his stunning and soul-stirring solo performance of a unique live concept called "AWAKE."

Audience members have been raving about the show, calling it "one of the greatest shows they've ever seen," "mind-blowing," "bonkers yet beautiful" and "electrifying and emotional in equal measure."

Don't miss your chance to experience "AWAKE." After playing to sold-out crowds in London for over a year, Tony is now ready to hit the road and share his unique brand of magic with the world. Get your tickets now!

**Tickets:** £21, TheatreCards £19.50

#### Afternoon **Tea Concert**

## Tuesday 6th February, 2.00pm

Table 14 is an acoustic trio featuring vocals, acoustic guitar, fiddle or banjo and double bass. They play a lively mix of Americana, original songs and old time fiddle tunes.

In addition to the 'foot tapping' numbers the sets feature some soulful ballads beautifully enhanced by the weaving fiddle part. Table 14 have a unique sound but one that is always appreciated by our audiences.





Tickets: £7.50 (includes a tea or coffee at the interval)

#### Friday 23rd & Saturday 24th February, 7.30pm

#### Die Fledermaus Music by Johann Strauss II

greatest of all Viennese operettas, *Die Fledermaus*.

accompaniment, will be sung in a witty English translation by John Mortimer, creator of *Rumpole* of the *Bailey* and will bring the glamour and sparkle of old Vienna to a dark February evening.



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Tickets: £16



## AFTERNOON TEA CONCERT

Tuesday 5th March, 2.00pm

The Frank & **Dean Show** 

A Tribute to Frank Sinatra & Dean Martin by Alan Becks

This Brilliant one man tribute show is dedicated to the world's greatest Crooners Frank Sinatra & Dean Martin.

This fabulous and nostalgic show simply oozes class and sophistication as Alan superbly performs hit after hit of all those famous and classic, and unforgettable songs that people all over the world associate with these two absolute legends such as: 'Fly Me To The Moon', 'Sway', 'Everybody Loves Somebody Sometime', 'Summerwind', 'Volare', 'Come Fly Me' and many, many more.



**Tickets:** £7.50 (includes a tea or coffee at the interval)



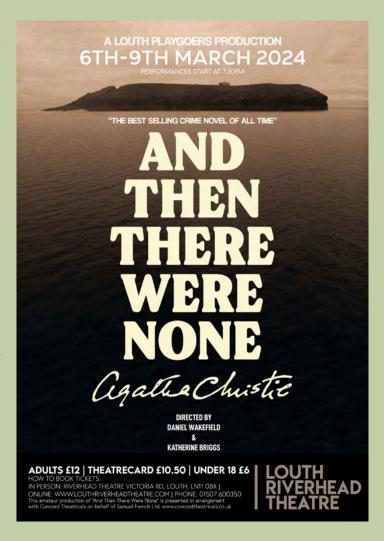
Wednesday 6th - Saturday 9th March, 7.30pm

### **Agatha Christie And Then There Were None** 'The best selling crime novel of all time'

Directors Daniel Wakefield & Katherine Briggs.

A mysterious invitation arrives and ten strangers are summoned to a luxurious mansion on a remote island off the coast of Devon. Upon arrival, the guests soon realise not everything is as it seems and, as a storm crashes over the island, a more sinister plot begins to develop making the reason that they have all been gathered terrifyingly clear.

This play is based on the novel "And Then There Were None" by Agatha Christie renowned for her ability to weave together suspense and drama with an unhealthy dose of murder. This adaptation, produced by Louth Playgoers, will keep you spellbound and on the edge of your seat. Will you be able to solve the mystery before it's too late?



Tickets: £12, TheatreCards £10.50, Under 18s £6

#### Monday 11th March, 7.30pm The Fureys

Join us as **The Fureys** – one of Ireland's all-time most acclaimed and influential folk, traditional and middle of the road bands head to Louth Riverhead Theatre!

The Fureys' indelible musical footprint is rivalled only by their vast collection of personal stories. These recount their musical experiences and friendships and have been gathered by Eddie and George Furey along an amazing 45-year journey, which shows no signs of reaching a final destination.

Enjoy their tales, as well as Fureys' classics including 'I Will Love You', 'When You Were Sweet 16', 'Red Rose Café', 'Leaving Nancy', 'The Old Man', 'From Clare to Here' and 'The Green Fields of France', which have become the soundtrack to the lives of fans all over the world.

Tickets: £25, TheatreCards £23.50





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#### Saturday 16th March, 7.30pm **Daniel Kemish**

Daniel Kemish is a true road dog. He is constantly touring Europe and regularly performs more than 150 shows a year all over the world.

Daniel is a British citizen and returns to the UK to perform for the first time in over 5 years.

What a special night this promises to be! Daniel is a prolific singer/songwriter who delivers his songs and stories in a way that you haven't

Daniel's latest album 'Hard Times' was recorded and produced in Nashville, Tennassee 100% analogue which delivers a true recorded sound not often heard in today's music. He really is a true artist producing honest music. Make sure you catch him in a small venue whilst you still have the chance.

Tickets: £13, TheatreCards £11.50



#### Saturday 23rd March, 7.30pm The Carpenters Experience

When we were young we'd listen to the radio, waiting

for our favourite songs. Now they're back again, like a long-lost friend, all the songs we loved so well.

The UK's leading Carpenters show, featuring the amazing voice of Maggie Nestor and eight top-class musicians, captures the sights and sounds of the amazing talents of Richard and Karen Carpenter.

Karen's silky contralto is combined with Richard's delightful piano and seamless harmonies in this big production that brings 'Close to You', 'We've only Just Begun', 'Top of the World', 'Rainy Days and Mondays', 'Solitaire', 'Goodbye to Love', 'Please Mr Postman', 'For All We Know', 'Only Yesterday' and dozens more classic songs to the stage.

The Carpenters Experience is coming to town for an evening of non-stop hits – it's yesterday once more.

Tickets: £23.50, TheatreCards £22





#### Thursday 21st March, 6.00pm

#### **East Side – Spoken Word Power**

Come and hear the thoughts, feelings and ideas of local young people as they grapple with modern life through the power of Spoken Word!

They may make you laugh; they may make you cry; they will certainly make you think – but you will learn about what really matters to young people as they express themselves through performance poetry. Supported by professional poets Ben Macpherson, Matt and Victoria Martin, this



Tickets: £5, Under 16s FREE





Sunday 24th March, 11.00am - 3.00pm

#### **Easter Fair**

Join us for our annual Easter Fair.

There will be lots of stalls including homemade crafts, and the Riverhead Theatre Café will be open.



#### Saturday 30th March, 7.30pm

#### The Straits UK

Founded in 2018, The Straits UK are made up of six musicians all with a passion for delivering quality music and performance every time. Residing in the North East of England, the idea to form a tribute to Dire Straits originated with the frontman and drummer, who happen to be father and son. They have both been life long Dire Straits fans, meaning attention to detail is second to none.

Performing all the hits from The Dire Straits back catalogue, with authenticity that has been likened to 'listening to the real thing' by many. Come with us to experience and re-live the unmistakable guitar and keyboard sounds of the Alchemy, Wembley '85, On Every Street tours and much more!

Tickets: £20



#### **Afternoon Tea Concert**

#### Tuesday 9th April, 2.00pm

#### A Girl Called Dusty

A Girl Called Dusty is a sensational tribute to the 60's Soul Diva Dusty Springfield. Taking you back in time covering all her classic hits.

Lauren has been performing various tributes for the last 13 years and working as a professional singer for the last 16 years.

An amazing tribute covering all the Dusty 60's Classics, 'I only wanna be with you', 'Son of a Preacher Man' and 'I just don't know what to do with myself'.

And many more.



Tickets: £7.50 (includes a tea or coffee at the interval)





#### Saturday 6th April, 7.30pm **Mad About The Musicals** Starring Michael Courtney & Lisa Jane Kelsey.

With supporting cast and band.

Taking you on a whistle stop tour from the heart of London's theatre land to the glitz of Broadway, the critically acclaimed MAD ABOUT THE MUSICALS will be visiting Louth for one night only, celebrating the very best songs from the shows we all know

With a host of your favourite numbers from the pen of Stephen Sondheim, Kander & Ebb, Andrew Lloyd Webber and Boublil & Schonberg, the talented cast of MAD ABOUT THE MUSICALS will evoke the true spirit of the stage, with brilliant vocals and top notch musicians to bring you the very best show in town!

From Les Miserables to Miss Saigon, sit back and enjoy two hours of unforgettable London and New York favourites, brought to you by Michael Courtney 'A Pure Slice of Entertainment'!

Tickets: £17, TheatreCards £15.50

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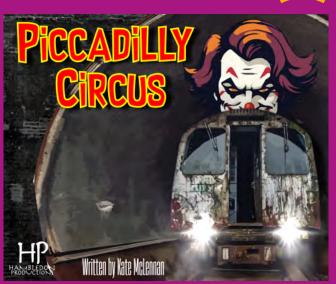


#### Thursday 11th - Saturday 13th April, 7.30pm **Presented by Hambledon Productions and Louth Riverhead Theatre**

#### **Piccadilly Circus** Written by Kate McLennan. **Directed by John Hewer.**

Six people from different walks of life find themselves trapped in an abandoned tunnel on London's Underground. They soon realise that they are not alone, with no certainty of who or what the team is going to face. Deadly challenges, dark humour and lots of clowning around... Lincolnshire's newest playwright Kate McLennan (winner of the 2023 Scratch Night) and John Hewer's production is a laugh – or a scream - a minute.

Tickets: £9, TheatreCards £7.50



#### Saturday 20th April, 7.30pm

#### Queen II

#### The Ultimate Live Experience

'Relive the Magic' of a classic Queen concert with Queen II.

Queen II provide a breathtaking show at any venue! The band have been touring Britain and Europe captivating

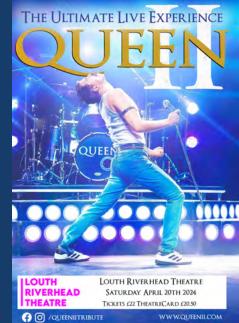
audiences with their nostalgic tribute show! "We are very excited about the current show. After 5 years of touring the band is tighter than ever and the show has a great repertoire from 'fan-favourites' to Queen's stadium

anthems. Queen II faithfully recreates the energy, excitement, and emotion of a classic Queen concert! An authentic tribute, the four-piece band delivers powerful vocals, driving rock anthems and flamboyant showmanship.

"It's a lot of work, a labour of love really!" Said Queen II front man, Gary McGahon. "It's the only way you can hope to pull it off! We have a saying in the band... "It's not done until it's Queen!"

Tickets: £22, TheatreCards £20.50









## Wednesday 17th April, 7.30pm

Chapterhouse Theatre Company is proud to present the wild and tempestuous love story of Emily Brontë's Wuthering Heights, set on the beautiful and mysterious Yorkshire moors.

This tale of passion and revenge has thrilled readers and audiences alike for generations and is now set to entrance Chapterhouse audiences for an evening of theatre beneath the stars. Can Catherine and Heathcliff's love endure, or will the forces of nature tear them apart?



Tickets: £19.50, TheatreCards £18, Under 16s £12

#### Saturday 27th April, 7.30pm

#### **Bon Joe V** Ultimate Tribute to Bon Jovi

Bon Joe V are the Ultimate Tribute to Bon Jovi and they are bringing their spectacular show back to Louth,for one night only! With decades of experience between them, they will bring high level musicianship and a little bit of flair to the Rock N Roll show, playing all the greatest hits, some great album tracks and some rarely played songs too. Grab your cowboy hats and get your tickets for an incredible night of Stadium Anthems, classic rock ballads and some of the greatest songs ever recorded!





Tickets: £15

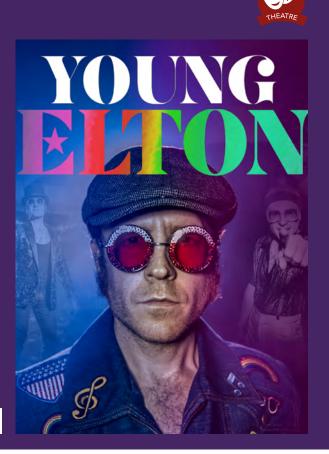
#### Friday 3rd May, 7.30pm Young Elton The Tribute Show

Ladies and gentlemen, join us down the yellow brick road as we welcome back 'Young Elton – The Tribute Show' starring Tom Weston. A journey back in time to the electric and eccentric youth of Sir Elton John and his extensive catalogue of hits. You will be singing and dancing the night away to the classics; 'Crocodile Rock', 'I'm Still Standing' and 'Don't Go Breaking My Heart' and enjoy beautiful renditions of moving ballads such as 'Your Song' and 'Candle In The Wind'.

In the 4 years that Tom has been paying tribute to Sir Elton he has quickly established himself as one of the countries top tribute artistes performing at theatres and festivals in all corners of the UK and abroad. His attention to detail in every aspect from costumes to vocals, piano playing and mannerisms is second to none.

Prepare yourself as Tom and his incredible band bring the iconic songs you know and love to life in this impressive and finetuned production.

Tickets: £21, TheatreCards £19.50





#### Sunday 5th May, 2.00pm

#### A Variety Extravaganza

A Variety Extravaganza in aid of the Mayor's Charity Fund for two very worthy local causes. These are based in Louth and are the foodbank and also "Bob's Brainwaves" for dementia sufferers and their carers in tribute to dear Bob Suich, former Head of Leisure and Entertainment.

Mayor of Louth, Councillor Julia Simmons sincerely hopes that the community will support the afternoon of exciting entertainment from local and professional acts. Come along, join in the fun and help raise funds for your community.

Tickets: £15



#### **Afternoon Tea Concert**

#### Tuesday 7th May, 2.00pm

#### Zarakar

Zarakan Blues are a popular live performance wide spectrum British Three Piece Blues/Blues Rock Band based in South Lincolnshire England. Capturing the classics and recent releases in the Blues Rock Genre and other Blues Derivatives with a tight and full Modern Electric Blues Sound. Zarakan Blues Band delivers an entertaining and varied repertoire of British Blues Rock, American Blues and Blues Rock, Blues Soul and many others.

**Tickets:** £7.50 (includes a tea or coffee at the interval)





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## Friday 10th May, 7.30pm Shadowing Hank presented by Justin Daish



Justin Daish's Hank Marvin extravaganza returns to the Riverhead Theatre with a fresh, new show.

Presented with a sparkling production, relaxed humour and polished vocals, Justin's visual similarity to Hank Marvin is not the only likeness in this show; his famously accurate guitar sound has seen him share the stage with The Shadows' Bruce Welch, Jet Harris, and his dear late friend Brian 'Licorice' Locking.

Featuring The Shadows' greatest hits, including 'Apache', 'Wonderful Land', 'Foot Tapper' and 'Cavatina', plus music that Hank Marvin has recorded and performed over a record-breaking 60-year career, Shadowing Hank captures the magic of the great man's live shows.

Shadowing Hank certainly has a claim to the title 'biggest small show in the world'. Come and see why, and join in this celebration of the music of one of the UK's greatest-ever guitarists. You'll be doing the Shadows Walk into the night, and humming the famous tunes long after you leave the theatre!

Tickets: £15, TheatreCards £13.50

Saturday 11th May, 7.30pm MAYBE DICK

By John Hewer
Based on the novel 'Moby-Dick'
by Herman Melville
Directed by Bruce Knight

Herman Melville's classic tale of revenge and retribution is retold in this inventive, comic retelling on the high seas from the company behind 'Just Like That! The Tommy Cooper Show' and 'Dracula! One Bloody Fang After Another'.

Nantucket, 1841. Ishmael signs on to the Pequod, and witnesses the perils of nature, obsession, punning and physical comedy, as Captain Ahab conducts a reckless pursuit of the savage white whale, Moby Dick.

All plot will be lampooned. All jokes will be harpooned.

Tickets: £13



Wednesday 15th – Sunday 26th May. Weeknights 7.30pm, Saturdays 2.30pm and 7.30pm, Sundays 2.30pm. No performances on Monday 21st & Tuesday 22nd.

#### Oliver

Produced by Jamie Harris.

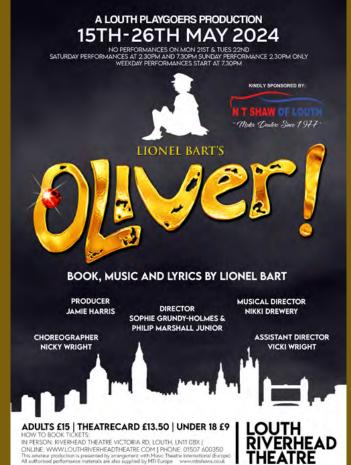
Directed by Sophie Grundy-Holmes & Philip Marshall Jnr.

Musical Director Nikki Drewery.

Consider Yourself...At Home as Louth Playgoers present their 2024 Musical – the British classic OLIVER! Based on the Victorian novel by Charles Dickens, this Tony and Olivier award winning family favourite is a musical delight for audiences of all ages!

When Oliver is picked up on the streets of London by The Artful Dodger, he is welcomed into a gang of pickpockets led by the conniving but charismatic Fagin. After being falsely accused of theft, Oliver is rescued by a kind and wealthy gentleman, to the dismay of the violent and evil Bill Sykes. Caught in the middle is the warm-hearted Nancy who is trapped under Bill's thumb, but desperate to help Oliver, with tragic results.

With spirited, timeless songs including as 'As Long As He Needs Me', 'Food Glorious Food', 'Oom Pah Pah' and 'I'd Do Anything', this show is not to be missed!



 $\textbf{Tickets:}\ \texttt{£}15, \mathsf{TheatreCards}\ \texttt{£}13.50, \mathsf{Under}\ 18s\ \texttt{\pounds}9$ 



#### Thursday 30th May, 7.30pm

#### Alfie Moore: A Face for Radio

Somewhere in a parallel universe little Alfie's natural comedic performance skills were recognised by his doting parents who encouraged and developed his blossoming talent. After several years as a stage school brat Alfie's angelic face was launched on stage and screen and the rest is history.

Meanwhile, in this universe Alfie Moore was told to stop messing about in class before being 'encouraged' into the grinding, grimy world of an apprenticeship in the Sheffield steelworks. When recession hit he traded steel for copper by joining Humberside Police.

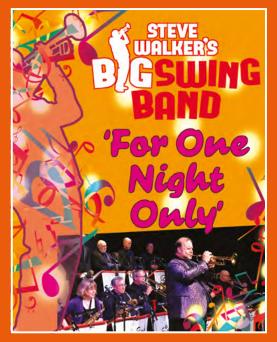
Thirty years of shift-work, initially in the Sheffield steelworks and then as a copper on the beat (where he was punched in the face quite a lot), has left him with 'a face for radio'. A face not so much 'lived in' as inhabited by a settlement of squatters with little regard to property maintenance and repair.

In his 40s a surprising career shift turned middle-aged Alfie from street cop to BBC radio star. But when TV fame beckoned could he grasp it or was he past it?

Tickets: £17, TheatreCards £15.50







#### Saturday 1st June, 7.30pm Steve Walker's Big Swing Band – For One Night Only

Following their last sell-out appearance, Louth Riverhead Theatre are looking forward to welcoming back Steve Walker and his sensational 17-piece Big Swing Band, who are swinging by to present their annual, summer, big band spectacular: 'For One Night Only'.

Join us for an evening filled with wonderful music and fun, from the golden age of the big bands and beyond.

Be sure to book early, as this show is sure



**Tickets:** £16, TheatreCards £14.50

#### Friday 31st May, 7.30pm Atom Heart Floyd

The greatest hits of Pink Floyd, with a focus on recreating the immersive live experience of a Pink Floyd show for their audiences.

The band combine live musical performance with the latest digital technology to perform Pink Floyd fan favourites, including hits from 'The Dark Side of the Moon', 'The Wall' and 'Wish You Were Here', right up to their final album, 'The Endless River', capturing the essence of Pink Floyd's iconic live and studio sound.

Fantastic musicianship and sound combines with a great light and video show to deliver an unforgettable aural and visual experience.



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Tickets: £17.50, TheatreCards £16



#### Friday 7th June, 7.30pm

All Revved Up Meatloaf 'The Ultimate Tribute'

Peter Young has been performing Meat Loaf since 2007.

With over 30 years experience as a cabaret act, Peter decided to concentrate solely on his tribute show. In the last 7 years he has performed with the live theatre show 'Rock and Roll Dreams Come True' and more recently with his own band 'All Revved Up'.

Known for the passion and emotion he puts into the songs, Peter captures the very essence of the story in the lyrics written by Jim Steinman.



Tickets: £18.50



#### **FINALS NIGHT**

## The grand final of 'Search for A Star 2024' is here.

The Riverhead Theatre and NT Shaw of Louth proudly present an amazing night of talent.

Music, dancing and comedy will all feature tonight as our amazing acts battle it out to be crowned "Search for a Star 2024" winner and walk away with an amazing £1000 sponsored by NT Shaw of Louth. The runner up will receive £500 and third place £250

Our panel of Judges plus you our audience will decide who is our...

**SEARCH FOR A STAR WINNER 2024** 







## Thursday 20th June – Saturday 22nd June, 7.30pm HMS Pinafore or The Lass that loved a sailor by WS Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan

For their 20th Anniversary Summer production, the New London Opera Group will present an exciting new production of one of the most popular operas of Gilbert and Sullivan, their nautical extravaganza, HMS Pinafore. This hilarious comedy satirizes the hierarchy of naval and social ranks, combined with the star crossed romance between the Captain's daughter and a humble seaman. Only the mysterious figure of Little Buttercup knows the secret that will make their dreams come true.

This new production, directed by Tony Bannister and conducted by Alex Carpenter will bring the opera to life with NewLOG's usual flair, set in the era of Nelson and Trafalgar and including many of the most popular songs in the canon, including 'I'm called Little Buttercup', 'Never mind the why and wherefore' and 'He is an Englishman'. We hope that you will join us for this midsummer treat.

**Tickets:** £15, TheatreCards £13.50, Under 18s £9





# Friday 14th June, 7.30pm A night with The Soul Solution – Funking it up for 25 years

Lincolnshire's quintessential funk, soul band are bringing a celebration of their 25th anniversary together to The Riverhead Theatre the 14th June 2024.

The evening will comprise of the best funk and soul classics from the decades with The Soul Solution's added signature twist. Two sensational sets of only the best from the giants of soul including James Brown, Stevie Wonder and Aretha Franklin. Come enjoy the party, come feel the soul.



Tickets: £16, TheatreCards £14.50



## Wednesday 26th June, 6.00pm Evolve

The students of Louth Academy take-over the Louth Riverhead Theatre for one night only, to present a diverse programme of musical performances.

Students will perform, produce, engineer and run the entire show.

This project is an Evolve project, made possible through funding from Youth Music. Lincolnshire One Venues and Louth Academy would like to thank all the team at the Louth Riverhead Theatre for supporting and working with our young creatives.



Tickets: £3, Under 18s £2

#### Saturday 29th June, 7.30pm

#### The Sounds of Simon

#### perform The Music of Paul Simon and Simon and Garfunkel

The Sounds of Simon is a tribute to the wonderful music of Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel, through the years as Simon and Garfunkel, to the successes of both their solo careers.

Explore the friendship that led to songs such as 'Mrs Robinson', 'The Sounds of Silence' and of course, 'Bridge Over Troubled Water'. The full band will also take you through the pair's solo careers, with songs such as 'You Can Call Me Al', 'Graceland', and Art's smash hit, 'Bright Eyes'.

Paul and Art are played to perfection, bringing in elements of their famously fractious relationship, as well as replicating the beautiful harmonies flawlessly.

With video clips, stories, and memories from the last 50+ years, this is a wonderful show filled with excellent music, nostalgia, and a genuine love for some great musicians.

This is the UK's longest running tribute to Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel. Come and see why!

As seen on BBC The One Show!

Tickets: £17.50, TheatreCards £16





#### Friday 12th July, 8.00pm

#### **Louth Comedy Night**

The award winning Comedy Hotspot return with another outstanding line up of the UK's finest comedians. Our line ups are handpicked to provide variety of styles and materials to guarantee there is something for everyone.

So, gather up your pals and get ready to give your laughter muscles a real workout.

Tickets available from the Riverhead Theatre Box Office, in person or online. Please follow our Facebook group LOUTH COMEDY NIGHT to be kept up to date with the very latest news regarding each show.

See you at the show for a night of laughter folks.



Tickets: £16

Wednesday 3rd July – Saturday 6th July. Weeknights 7.00pm, Saturdays 2.30pm and 7.30pm

#### Beauty and the Beast

Blaze Youth Music Theatre is proud to present their 10th Annual Christmas show at Louth Riverhead Theatre.

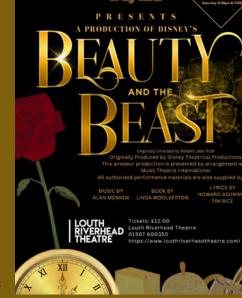
Following the hugely successful production of 'School of Rock', Jacqueline and the Blaze team are excited to announce their 2023 production will be Beauty and the Beast. Jacqueline said "This is a show I've longed to put on for ages and I am thrilled to be bringing this 'Beast' of a show to Louth next year."

Looking forward to seeing you all there!



Tickets: £12

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#### Saturday 13th July, 7.30pm

#### The Jam'd

Widely regarded now as the UK's most authentic and leading tribute to The Jam, The Jam'd are totally committed to giving an unforgettable, authentic performance with all the energy, passion and style of the Woking 3.

As full time touring professional musicians, and massive Jam fans, the band don't "try to be" or "pretend to be" The Jam, but rather put on a performance from the heart and soul, drawing on all their memories, experiences and love of what was the country's biggest band in their day.

Gigging all around the UK and Europe, at major venues, festivals, and rallies. The show also includes the only replica of Rick Bucklers 'Great White' drum kit & features their own brass section!

Every effort is placed into reproducing the sound, arrangements and energy of a Jam gig. Those who saw The Jam live will remember the electricity, aggression, passion, and even fashion on stage, something not always prevalent in today's world, but to The Jam'd, it is a passion, a mission, and an honour to play for fans of "the best band in the world!"

Tickets: £16



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#### Friday 26th July, 7.30pm

#### A Midsummer Night's Dream

Chapterhouse Theatre Company presents Shakespeare's best-loved romantic comedy. Let yourself be whisked away on an enchanting journey to the most magical of forests and meet bewitched lovers, playful fairies, and hilarious travelling players. Beautifully designed Elizabethan costumes, a wonderful musical score and fine performances come together to make this an evening of unmissable summer garden theatre.

Picnic with family and friends in the picturesque surroundings of some of the UK and Ireland's most stunning open-air venues for the perfect evening of magical theatre in magical surroundings.

Tickets: £19.50, TheatreCard £18, Under 16s £12



#### Saturday 27th July, 7.30pm

#### Louth Playgoers Summer Concert is back! And we're bigger and better than ever!

From the same creative team that brought you "Thoroughly Modern Musicals" and "Hollywood Highlights" LPS are proud to bring you POPULAR, a concert extravaganza featuring highlights from the most successful musicals in the history of Broadway and the West End.

From Les Misérables to Phantom, Billy Elliot to Matilda, Mama Mia to We Will Rock You and Cats to Hamilton, there are over 30 shows that have reached the enormous milestone of having more than 3,000 performances on the professional stage.

So join us on our 2 hour journey into the very best the world of musical theatre has to offer. With 30 songs being performed there will be something for everyone to enjoy!

Our summer concerts always sell out quickly so don't delay and secure your seat early for what promises to be the musical highlight of the summer!

Tickets: £12, TheatreCards £10.50, Under 18s £7



SATURDAY 27TH JULY 2024 2.30PM & 7.30PM



## SUMMER WORKSHOPS

#### **Junior Youth Summer Workshop**

For Age 7 to 10 years, Monday 7th – Saturday 10th August, 10.00am-3.00pm For Age 11 to 16 years, Monday 12th – Saturday 17th August, 10.00am-3.00pm

Jacqueline Wilson from Blaze returns to the Riverhead to run our wildly popular Junior Youth Summer Workshops to keep young creative minds busy this holiday season. This year, Week 1 for 7 to 10 year olds will be based on the story of 'Frozen'. Week 2 for 11 to 16 year olds will be based on the story of 'Mamma Mia'.

Workshop Fee: £70 per child, per week





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#### **Senior Youth Summer Workshop**

#### Sunday 21st July to Saturday 3rd August, 9.00am-5.00pm

The town's most established Summer Workshop returns for budding young stars aged 15 to 23 years old to show off their talents in a full-blown, West End style, musical production!

Limited to just eighteen places, the participants will enjoy two weeks working with a professional creative team, developing new talents and honing performance skills, as well as working across all areas involved in theatre and media production. Most importantly, it's the perfect opportunity to get creative, expressive and have lots of fun!

Regardless of any previous experience, the Louth Playgoers Youth Summer Workshop is an absolute must for those interested in the creative arts.

The Summer Workshop runs from 9.00am-5.00pm, Monday to Friday both weeks, with an introductory day on Sunday 21st July, and 3 nights of the Final show performed on Thursday 1st, Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd August.

The title of this year's West End style, musical production will be Legally Blonde, and tickets will be on sale, very soon – keep your eyes peeled!

Workshop Fee: £100, EARLY BIRD OFFER £80 (if paid by 30th March)

#### **Information**

#### **Gift Vouchers**

Our **Gift Vouchers** are an ideal gift for theatre lovers and perfect for birthdays, anniversaries, Christmas and all year round! Available from the Box Office or online at www.louthriverheadtheatre.com/giftvouchers

#### **Sponsorship**

Why not sponsor a production? Show your business to be active and enthusiastic in the local community and be seen by potential customers for miles around. Easy and cost effective, contact us on sponsorship@louthplaygoers.co.uk

#### **Donations**

Your donations help keep this theatre alive and sustainable. Any amount, that is affordable to you, would be most welcome.

#### **TheatreCards**

Don't forget that you can purchase a TheatreCard at any time of the year. At just £13.50, it entitles you to £1.50 off all Louth Playgoers Productions and professional shows that we have brought in (not applicable for hirings). You can purchase them through Box Office 01507 600350 or online at www.louthriverheadtheatre.com/theatrecard

#### Subscribe SIGN UP TO OUR EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Keep up-to-date with what is happening at the Riverhead Theatre, get information on the latest happenings and news right from the source. Never miss a last minute addition to the programme of events, and get helpful reminders of things yet to come.

Sign up by emailing admin@louthplaygoers.co.uk and requesting to join.



#### Volunteering

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED AT THE RIVERHEAD** 

Volunteers are at the heart of what we do. Our theatre could not survive without its strong team of volunteer staff. We have opportunities for volunteers in all areas to join our friendly team!

- Front of House Box Office
- Back Stage Props Stage Crew
- Lighting Sweet Kiosk Ice Creams
- Programmes Wardrobe
- Set Building & Painting Sound
- Café Bar

No experience necessary, so if you feel you could give a few hours a month and have a willing pair of hands please ring the Box Office on **01507 600350** or email admin@louthplaygoers.co.uk

If you have enjoyed visiting our Theatre, why not give us a review on Tripadvisor? If you haven't enjoyed a visit, please tell us why by contacting admin@louthplaygoers.co.uk

### **Booking Information**

#### **Online**

www.louthriverheadtheatre.com (a £1 booking fee applies).

#### In Person

At the Box Office, which is open 10.00am-1.00pm. Monday to Saturday and on performance days 45 minutes prior to curtain up.

#### Telephone

01507 600350. Phone lines are open during Box Office open hours, after which you can leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

#### **Email**

Enquiries only at admin@louthplaygoers.co.uk

#### **Payment**

We accept cash, cheques (payable to Louth Playgoers Society Ltd) and most major debit and credit cards.

#### **Group Discounts**

One FREE seat with every 12 paid seats (all shows except theatre hirings).

#### **Wheelchairs and Access Seats**

We keep a certain amount of seats reserved for Wheelchair bookings for each performance, that are not released for general online sales. To book one of these please call Box Office on 01507 600350.



#### **Seating Plan**



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