

ROYAL C HIPPODROME THEATRE

October 2025 - March 2026

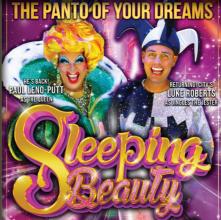
















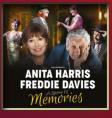


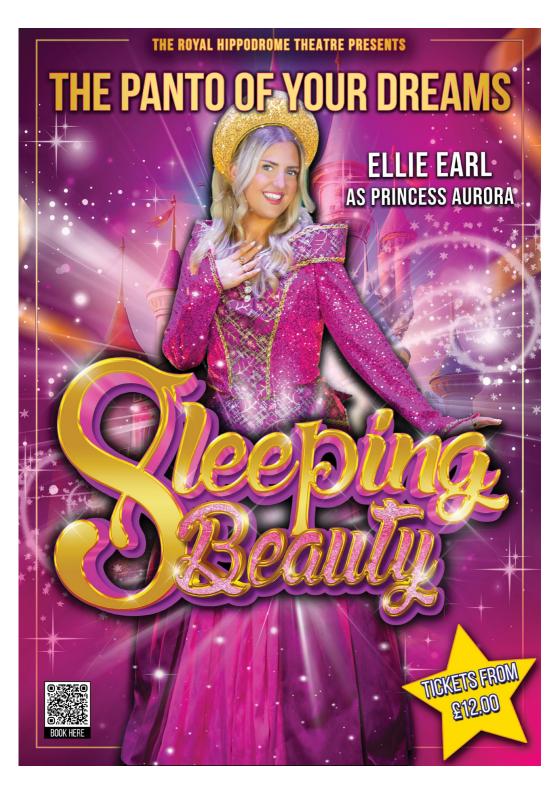












Welcome to our brand-new brochure for The Royal Hippodrome Theatre's October 2025 – March 2026 season! It's bursting at the seams with shows for every taste – so whether you're a panto lover, a music fan, a comedy seeker, or someone who just can't resist a night at the theatre, you're in the right place.

Let's start with the big one – our Christmas Pantomime. This year, we're sprinkling fairy dust over Eastbourne with *Sleeping Beauty*. Expect dazzling costumes, toe-tapping tunes, laugh-out-loud comedy, and all the magic and mayhem you've come to know and love from our festive tradition.

The fun doesn't stop there – we've got an incredible line-up of music and tribute shows coming your way, including *Ultimate Tribute to Tina Turner, The Taylor Swift Tribute, The Dusty Show, The Take That Experience, The Wonder of Stevie, Boyband in the Buff starring Gareth Gates, and the sensational West End Tenors.* We're also thrilled to welcome TV personalities Katie Price and Kerry Katona, comedy legend Jim Davidson (back by popular demand), and the stunning dance spectacular *Vincent Simone: Tango Passions* to our stage.





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Christmas at the Hippodrome is always special, and this year you can join us for *The Overtones Christmas Party, Step into Christmas*, and the return of the feel-good festive treat *The Rattonians Christmas Spectacular*.

Families are in for a treat too, with live-action adventure *Dinosaur Live* and the mind-blowing fun of *Exciting Science* – perfect for curious kids and grown-ups alike!

Our community programme is just as exciting – EODS bring Disney magic to the stage with *The Little Mermaid*, Eastbourne Dance Space celebrate their 10th Anniversary, and we're thrilled to welcome back Cavendish School, Ratton School, and Bodiblossom, all showcasing the incredible talent right here on our doorstep.

And if you'd like to make your visits to the theatre even more special, why not join our Royal Hippodrome Friends Membership Scheme? It's a great way to enjoy exclusive benefits while supporting Eastbourne's oldest theatre. You'll find full details, plus the complete line-up of shows, right here in this brochure.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you to our amazing volunteers, staff, and loyal audiences – your support means the world to us. We can't wait to welcome you through our doors soon for another unforgettable season at Eastbourne's oldest theatre. So take a seat, have a flick through these pages, and start planning your next visit. Trust us – you're in for a treat or two (or ten!).





Sponsoring a seat here at The Royal Hippodrome Theatre is a wonderful way to celebrate a special occasion, or to dedicate in memory of a loved one and to mark those precious memories we have together. It is also a brilliant way to show your support for our work on stage and in the local community and to become part of both the rich history and vibrant future of The Royal Hippodrome Theatre.

The money raised from seat sponsorship goes straight to The Royal Hippodrome Theatre Friends charity and will be put towards renovating the scating in the auditorium.

In recognition of your donation, a plaque engraved with your name or dedication will appear on your chosen seat(s).

Every seat sponsorship will remain in place for a minimum of 10 years from purchase.



For more information or to Sponsor a Scat, please visit our website or call the Box Office on 01323 802020





This summer, The Royal Hippodrome Theatre proudly presents Curtain Up – an exciting celebration of song, dance, and laughter! Starring the wonderful Grant Martins, alongside a talented cast of sensational singers and dancers, this variety extravaganza is the perfect mid-week treat!

Enjoy show-stopping numbers from your favourite musicals, timeless classics from beloved films and a sprinkling of comedy to keep you smilling all evening. With breathtaking choreography, stunning vocals and the enchanting atmosphere of The Royal Hippodrome, *Curtain Up* promises a summer night to remember.

Now until 15th October Every Wednesday – 8.15pm Full Price £20 / Concession £18



DISCOVER THE HISTORY OF EASTBOURNE'S OLDEST THEATRE

The Royal Hippodrome Theatre Friends invite you to discover the history of Eastbourne's oldest working theatre.

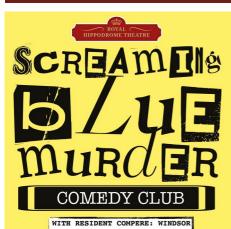
Come along and see the places the public do not normally get the chance to see.

Tours take place regularly throughout the year starting at 10.30am and last approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.



Wednesday 1st October • Saturday 11th October • Wednesday 5th November Wednesday 3rd December • Wednesday 7th January • Wednesday 4th February Wednesday 4th March – 10.30am

All Tickets £5



The Screaming Blue Murder Comedy Club, now into its sixth year at The Royal Hippodrome Theatre, has become a regular highlight in the Theatre's programme, with audiences returning again and again for a brilliant evening of entertainment.

Screaming Blue Murder Comedy Clubs have been around since 1988 – in that time they have been proud to present performers such as Jack Dee, Eddie Izzard, Jo Brand, Bill Bailey, and Alan Davies, now all TV stars in their own right.

Come along and see a four-strong line up of comedy's rising stars, hosted by your resident compere Windsor – back by popular demand!

Friday 17th October • Friday 27th March 8pm

All Tickets £12





Wednesday 1st October 10.30am – £5



CURTAIN UP FROM STAGE TO SCREEN AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN

Wednesday 1st October 8.15pm Tickets £18 – £20



Dust off your air guitars for an evening of the very best classic rock anthems from legends past and present! Let them take you on a roller coaster journey of classic rock nostalgia, performing hit after hit, live, with stunning accuracy and high energy, accompanied by an incredible light and projection show, they're guaranteed to have you on your feet all night.

Over two hours of classic rock anthems from artists including Eric Clapton, Led Zeppelin, Queen, Pink Floyd, Deep Purple, Free, The Eagles and Jimi Hendrix to name but a few!

Thursday 2nd October
7.30pm
All Tickets £33 50



A Very Special Evening of Mediumship with MARTIN HOPGOOD

Martin returns to the Royal Hippodrome Theatre for another evening of extraordinary mediumship this October.

Martin has worked tirelessly for over 20 years to bring through evidence of life's continuation, passing on verifiable messages from loved ones who now reside in spirit.

Martin's unique and unfiltered way of working draws huge crowds wherever he demonstrates his mediumship.

Martin works day and night seeing clients privately and has over a year's waiting list to see him which is testament to his accuracy in this work. Be prepared for an evening of laughs, tears and unbelievable evidence.

This is not an evening to be missed.

www.martinhopgood.com

Friday 3rd October - 7.30pm

All Tickets £21



Roll over Beethoven, because the greatest tribute to Jeff Lynne's Electric Light Orchestra is here!

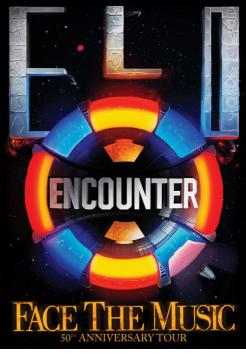
In an all live show featuring soaring strings, striking vocal harmonies and playing all the much loved songs from ELO's hit-filled library including *Evil Woman, Telephone Line* and *Don't Bring Me Down.* The ELO Encounter promises a night filled with rock, roll and Blue Skies that would make even Mozart mambo and Bach boogie! So *Hold On Tight* because Rock and Roll Is King in a show that is guaranteed to have you partying *All Over The World.*

Not only flawlessly recreating the wonderful music of ELO, it's a spectacular live show from start to finish. Stunning lights and special effects create an atmosphere that will have you fully immersed in the whole experience.

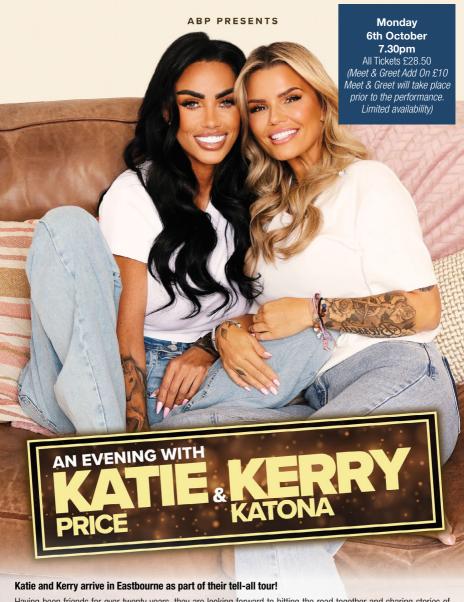
As a recent reviewer remarked, "Not really a tribute, that cheapens what this band does, which is to transport you back to those days. So sensitively and authentically done, at times it felt like it was actually ELO being mirrored up there on the stage".

That's what The ELO Encounter tribute show is all about.

Sunday 5th October – 7.30pm All Tickets £27.50



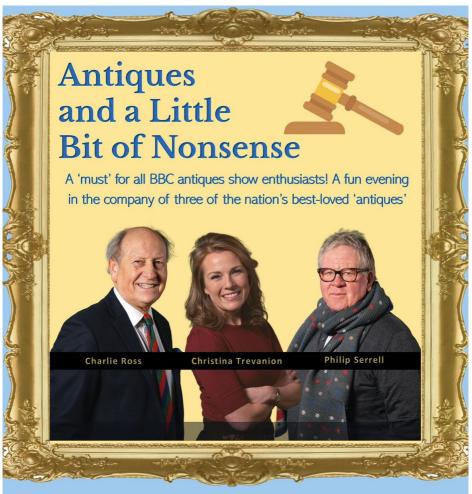




Having been friends for over twenty years, they are looking forward to hitting the road together and sharing stories of marriage and divorce, bankruptcy, 'I'm A Celebrity', the importance of family, their constant press attention and turning their lives around. There will also be some song and dance and an opportunity for audience questions in an evening that promises to be warm, inspirational, motivational and lots of fun!



Wednesday 8th October 8.15pm Tickets £18 – £20



Four of Britain's best known TV antiques experts are set to reveal their deepest secrets on their first-ever UK theatre tour.

After decades of working together on some of Britain's best loved television series, Charlie Ross, Charles Hanson, Christina Trevanion and Philip Serrell have joined forces to share anecdotes galore.

In a no-holds-barred stage show called Antiques and a Little Bit of Nonsense, the four auctioneers plan to share secrets of the antiques world — and themselves. Plus, they will answer questions put to them by the audience.

Topics will include the weird and wonderful things they have sold at auction, the dream lot they would love to sell and their guilty pleasures. They will also reveal how their TV work blossomed and which celebrities they've enjoyed working with the most.

Thursday 9th October – 7.30pm
All Tickets £30



THEATRE TOURS

Saturday 11th October 10.30am - £5







Carlton Entertainment brings you their brand-new production featuring Meat Loaf's greatest hits. Following a SOLD OUT tour of Spain in 2024, this show-stopping concert launches across Europe in 2025.

Heaven Can Wait features the incredible vocals of Lee Brady and an awesome band made up of the UK's most highly-skilled and reputable rock musicians and female rock vocalists. This spellbinding concert will take you on a rollercoaster ride of Meat Loaf's greatest hits of all time, including: Anything For Love, Bat Out Of Hell, Paradise by the Dashboard Light, Took The Words Right Out Of My Mouth, Two Out Of Three Ain't Bad, Dead Ringer For Love and many, many more.

Saturday 11th October 7.30pm

All Tickets £30.50

CURTAIN UP FROM STAGE TO SCREEN AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN

Wednesday 15th October 8.15pm Tickets £18 – £20

SCREAM INS

COMEDY CLUB

Friday 17th October 8pm

All Tickets £12



Experience the thrilling That Night in Manchester, written with over 50 years experience, a musical emotional journey through the vibrant Manchester indie scene.

Step into the Madchester time machine as you hear a father recount the highs and lows of his life to his only son during the Madchester era, spanning his life through the 70's, 80's and 90's as you watch his story and experience the music performed live on stage.

Saturday 18th October 7.30pm All Tickets £26.50





Step into the unparalleled world of **Taylor Swift in this ENCHANTED show** featuring the incredible: Xenna as Taylor. A celebration of the iconic pop sensation's music, style, and unrivalled stage presence.

Xenna embodies every essence of Taylor Swift, capturing her voice, signature looks, and magnetic charisma.

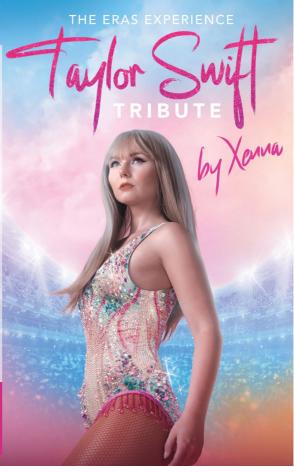
Audiences will be transported through Taylor's world as they sing along to timeless classics from "Love Story," "Blank Space," and "Shake It Off," to "Fortnight." With dancers and replica costumes, showcasing Swift's distinctive

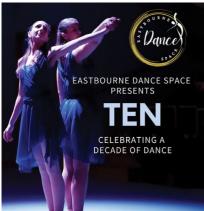
Now featuring "The Tortured Poets Department", this is an unforgettable 'Eras Tour' experience for fans of all ages.

Whether you're a die-hard Swiftie or simply love great music, this is the ultimate homage to one of the biggest stars in the world. Get ready to relive Taylor Swift's greatest hits in a show that's as close to the real thing as it gets!

Friday 24th October – 7pm

VIP Meet & Greet Ticket £29 (Meet & Greet will take place at 6PM. Limited number of VIP tickets available) Standard Ticket £26





Celebrating a decade of Eastbourne Dance Space - a welcoming and inclusive community dance studio offering classes to adults.

'Ten' presents a diverse mixture of tap, ballet, pointe, jazz and contemporary dance from our dedicated company of adult dancers led by our experienced team of professional teachers.

Expect some fabulous music, costumes and dancing. We'd love to invite you to come and experience this uplifting performance. Who knows – you might even be inspired to join our encouraging community of dancers!

You can find out more at www.eastbournedancespace.org.uk

Saturday 25th October - 7.30pm Sunday 26th October - 2.30pm All Tickets £16





DÍSNEP THE LITTLE NERVEN DE LA CONTROLLA DE LA

From the creative team that brought you 'Kinky Boots' and 'Charlie and The Chocolate Factory', EODS are proud to announce they will be presenting the musical Disney's 'The Little Mermaid' at the Royal Hippodrome Theatre, October 2025.

Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories and the classic animated film, Disney's THE LITTLE MERMAID is a hauntingly beautiful love story for the ages. With music by eight-time Academy Award winner Alan Menken, lyrics by Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater, and a compelling book by Doug Wright, this fishy fable will capture your heart with its irresistible songs including "Under the Sea", "Kiss the Girl" and "Part of Your World."

So come and join Ariel, Flounder, Sebastian, and all your favourite characters as we dive into a magical, underwater adventure for the whole family this October half term!



Wednesday 29 October – 7pm
Thursday 30 October – 2pm
Friday 31 October – 11am
Saturday 1 November – 2pm & 7pm
Sunday 2 November – 2pm

Full Price £22 / Under 16 £16

Music by ALAN MENKEN

Lyrics by
HOWARD ASHMAN & GLENN SLATER

Book by DOUG WRIGHT

Based on the Hans Christian Anderson story and the Disney Film produced by Howard Ashman & John Musker and written & directed by John Musker & Ron Clements

ORIGINALLY PRODUCED BY DISNEY THEATRICAL PRODUCTIONS

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International All authorised performance materials are supplied by MTI www.mtishows.co.uk



THEATRE TOURS

Wednesday 5th November 10.30am – £5







Get ready to Step into Christmas once again for the most magical, feel-good show of the year!

After a sensational run, we're back— bigger, brighter, and more festive than ever before. This spectacular Christmas concert is the ultimate way to kickstart your festive celebrations, guaranteed to fill your heart with holiday cheer and have you singing along from start to finish. Packed with all your favourite Christmas classics, the show brings the spirit of the season to life with dazzling performances, stunning festive visuals, and a sensational live band. From heartwarming ballads to upbeat festive anthems, it's the perfect playlist for your Christmas celebrations.

Whether you're starting a new festive tradition or keeping the magic alive, Step into Christmas is the ultimate feel-good Christmas concert spectacular.

Saturday 8th November – 7.30pm
All Tickets £32 50



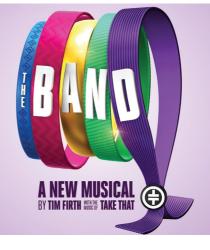
Cavendish School present: The Band – An uplifting story of friendship featuring the pop hits of Take That.

The Band tells the story of five teenage girls who are obsessed with a boyband and reunite 25 years later to fulfil their dream of meeting them.

The story is not about the actual members of Take That, but rather about the impact their music has on the lives of these fans. The musical explores themes of friendship, nostaloia, and the enduring power of music.

Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th November 7pm

Full Price £14.50 / Student/Child £11.50







STARRING Louise June Hasters

Welcome to The Dusty Show, the celebration of a true British popicon. An unforgettable evening of wall-to-wall hits and classics spanning the success of Dusty Springfield's life and music.

Singer Louise Ann Masters takes you on a journey to remember, through the years of Dusty's career with the utmost authenticity, grace and a stunning vocal performance. Accompanied by her 9-piece band, Louise takes you from the debut 'I Only Want To Be With You' and 'Stay A While' through to the 'Ready Steady Go' Motown era, Dusty in Memphis' 'Son Of A Preacher Man', the psychedelic 'Ain't No Sun Since You Been Gone' to the pinnacle 'You Don't Have To Say You Love Me' and so many more.

An ultimate definition of a musical legacy, and a life story that warms the heart.



Bodiblossom x APA:

The Greatest Show

Saturday 15th November – 2pm All Tickets £15

A heartfelt and uplifting family-friendly showcase that brings together the finest talents of APA and BodiBlossom! This exciting afternoon performance blends elegance with energy, curated especially for audiences of all ages.

A Burlesque Journey
Through The Decades

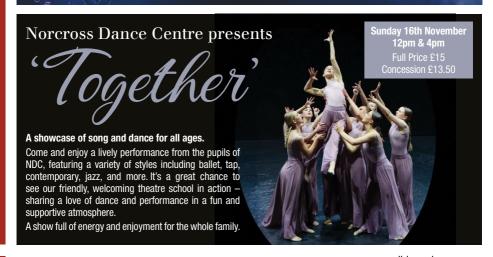
Saturday 15th
November – 7.30pm
All Tickets £15

Get ready for a night of sparkle, sass, and sensational self-expression.

From the sultry swing of the 1920s to the iconic pop anthems of the 2000s, our show takes you on a time-traveling tease through the most unforgettable eras in music history. Expect feathers, glitter, and fierce confidence as incredible women take the stage to embody the spirit of every decade with bold choreography and unapologetic flair.

Celebrate with us as we showcase what it means to step into your light, own your body, and uplift one another through dance and performance.

Confidence. Community. Celebration. This is BodiBlossom.









Thursday 27th November – 7.30pm
Full Price £40.50 / Under 16 £27.50 / VIP Add On £49
(VIP includes exclusive access to the sound check,
photo opportunity and a small gift. Limited availability)

The Overtones are back – and they're bringing the ultimate Christmas celebration with them!

Get ready for the festive event of the season as the UK's no.1 vocal harmony group takes to the stage with their signature blend of smooth vocals, infectious energy and synchronised dance moves.

This year is extra special as the group celebrates their incredible 15 Year Anniversary a milestone that guarantees more sparkle, more surprises, and more reasons celebrate. Expect a perfect mix of classic Christmas hits with the best feel-good hits from Soul, Motown, Doo-wop, Disco and Pop, all with The Overtones' unique twist and delivered with the charm and charisma that has made them a household name.

So, gather your friends, dress to impress, and get ready to sing, dance, and soak up the festive fun! This is the Christmas party you've been waiting for – and it's one you won't forget!

Let the party begin!

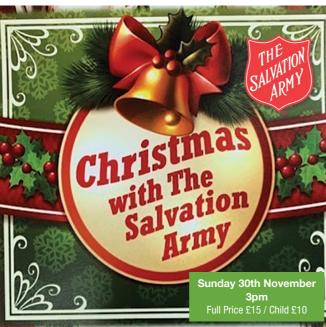
After a stunning performance in 2024, we are delighted to bring back The Marley Experience to Eastbourne.

Presenting "The Marley Experience" The UK's No1 Bob Marley Tribute Live and Direct. Giving you all the hits, classics and sing-alongs like One Love, Three Little Birds, No Woman No Cry, Iron Lion Zion, I Shot the Sheriff, Get Up Stand Up and many many more..... Sharing stages with the likes of Maxi Priest, General Levi, Aswad, The Skattelites, David Rodigan, Musical Youth This amazing group pays tribute to the originator and undisputed King of Reggae Music...The Honorable Mr Robert Nesta Marley, better known as..............BOB MARLEY.

Friday 28th November – 7.30pm All Tickets £24.50







You're Invited to a Magical Afternoon of Christmas Joy!

Join the Salvation Army as their much-loved Christmas Carol Concert returns to the Royal Hippodrome for another unforgettable afternoon of festive celebration!

Sing along to your favourite carols and enjoy performances from the Eastbourne Citadel Band, Songsters, and our amazing young people. This joyful fundraising event will warm your heart and lift your spirits.

Featuring very special guests – adding even more sparkle to the occasion!

So gather your family and friends, and come celebrate the season with us.

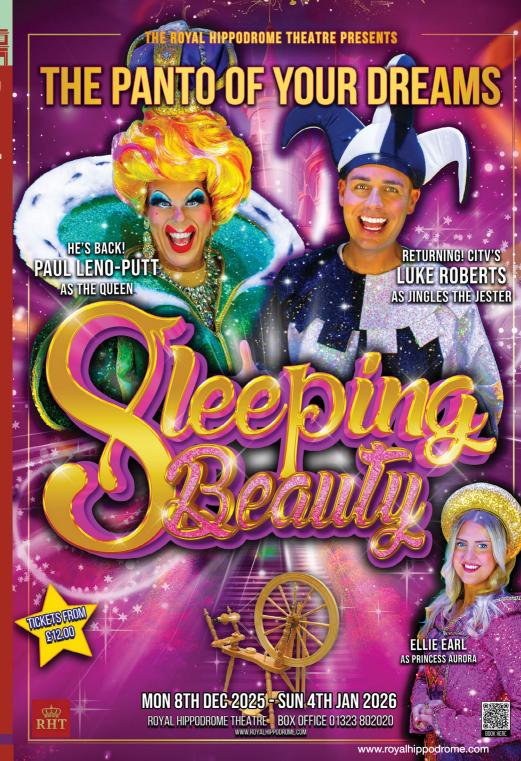
Christmas starts here – and you're invited!



THEATRE TOURS

Wednesday 3rd December 10.30am – £5





Join us Christmas 2025 for the Hippodrome's spellbinding pantomime – Sleeping Beauty!

Once upon a time in a land far away, Princess Aurora is given a twenty-first birthday present by her evil aunt Carabosse. By pricking her finger on an enchanted spinning wheel, she is placed under a cruel curse and forced to sleep for 100 years.

But don't hit snooze, because they're back! Luke Roberts and Paul Leno-Putt return to bring chaos to the stage once again.

The show will have all of the panto elements you know and love from the Royal Hippodrome Theatre: mayhem and mischief, memorable songs, fun and laughter and a mega talented cast of your dreams!

There is also a special night for all the bigger boys and girls with the 18vrs+

performance on Thursday 18th December! A great night to bring your friends and be naughty and do all the things at a panto that you normally couldn't do!

Can true love survive and break the spell? Make your dreams come true this Christmas and visit Sleeping Beauty to find out!

SCHOOLS PERFORMANCES

Monday 8th • Tuesday 9th Wednesday 10th • Thursday 11th December All Tickets £8

Please contact the Box Office 01323 802020/boxoffice@ royalhippodrome.com for more information and to book.

RELAXED PERFORMANCE

Saturday 27th December – 11am

Elements of the production are adapted to reduce anxiety or stress. This performance welcomes those who would like to see the show in a less formal atmosphere, including (but not limited to) those who experience sensory overload, people with a learning disability and parents with very young children.

OPENING WEEKEND

Friday 12th • Saturday 13th December All Tickets £12

PRIME TIME

Sunday 14th • Tuesday 16th Wednesday 17th • Friday 19th December Full Price £15 / Concession £13 / Family Ticket £50

PEAK TIME

Saturday 20th – Sunday 28th December Full Price £18.50 / Concession £16.50 / Family Ticket £65

PRIME TIME PLUS

Tuesday 30th December - Sunday 4th December Full Price £16.50 / Concession £14.50 / Family Ticket £57

ADULT PERFORMANCE 18+

Thursday 18th December All Tickets £20

Santa will be in his











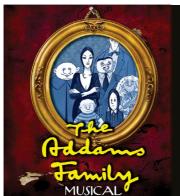
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THEATRE TOURS

Wednesday 7th January 10.30am – £5





They're creepy, kooky, mysterious and spooky – and they're taking over the stage at the Royal Hippodrome Theatre!



With a long-standing reputation for professional-standard shows, Ratton Performing Arts invites you to join Gomez, Morticia, Wednesday and the whole gloriously ghoulish gang for a night of macabre musical mischief. Expect catchy tunes, killer comedy, and enough wicked wit to raise the dead.

Wednesday 21st - Friday 23rd January - 7.30pm

Full Price £16 / Concession £10

The Eastbourne Performing Arts Festival is a competitive festival held annually in Eastbourne, and was originally founded in 1961.

The aims of the festival are to help to promote and encourage the study and practice of the Arts of Music, Dance. Speech and Drama in all their branches.

This competitive festival is affiliated to The British and International Federation of Festivals for Music. Dance and Speech.

For more information and entries visit www.eastbourneperformingartsfestival.co.uk

Sunday 1st February Morning Session 10am / Afternoon Session 1pm Evening Session 6pm

Single Session Ticket £8 / All Day Ticket £16

Eastbourne
Performing
Arts Festival



THEATRE TOURS

Wednesday 4th February 10.30am – £5





BILLY IDOL WHAM SOFT CELL TALK TALK ROBERT PALMER

Imagine stepping in a time capsule back to the dance halls of the 1980's, the sounds of Tears for Fears, Duran Duran, Frankie Goes to Hollywood, Kate Bush, Don Henley, Aztec Camera, Depeche Mode, Simple Minds, INXS, Wham, Soft Cell, Billy Idol and many more across the airwaves in this fantastic show!

80s HiFi are a fully live band dedicated to faithfully recreating your favourite 1980's classics. Searing guitar sounds, reverb drenched drums, nu-romantic vocals, and wall-wobbling bass are all presented in a high energy show featuring the greatest hits of

the decade. Originating in Brighton but operating throughout the UK and beyond, 80s HiFi are ready to send you straight back to the 1980s!

7.30pmAll Tickets £22.50

THE ULTIMATE TRIBUTE TO FLEETWOOD MAC PERFORMED BY RHIANNON

PLAYING ALL THE HITS INCLUDING..

'EVERYWHERE'
'LITTLE LIES'
'ALBATROSS'
'LANDSLIDE'
'GO YOUR OWN WAY'
'THE CHAIN'
'GYPSY'
'DREAMS'
PLUS MANY,
MANY MORE...



Rhiannon return to The Royal Hippodrome with a brand new lead singer!

Rhiannon isn't just a tribute band – they're a journey back in time, a spellbinding recreation of Fleetwood Mac's legendary sound and spirit. This dynamic group brings the unmistakable vocals, look, and musicianship of the iconic band to life.

From Peter Green's bluesy beginnings to Christine McVie's soulful songwriting, and of course, the unforgettable hits of Lindsey Buckingham and Stevie Nicks, Rhiannon delivers an authentic, electrifying performance that will leave you spellbound.

Saturday 7th February – 7.30pm All Tickets £30







Direct from the USA, it's the critically-acclaimed Barry White revue starring the big man with the big voice – William Hicks.

Hailing from Atlanta Georgia, William's mesmerising stage presence effortlessly recreates the distinctive style and silky-smooth bass-baritone vocals of the three-time Grammy Award-winner

Joined on stage by his Soul Unlimited Orchestra and support – the stunning Motown trio The Supreme Dreamgirls – with incredible attention to detail, this show has really "got it together".

Including hits *You're the First, the Last, My Everything; Can't Get Enough of Your Love, Babe* and, of course, *Let the Music Play*... to name a few, you're never more than a song away from another million-selling hit.

If you love soul and Motown you will love this.

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

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

This incredible show features hit after hit from Take That's career spanning three decades — from classic 90s hits through to their most recent triumphs. Songs include *Pray*, *Relight My Fire*, *Patience*, *Shine*, *These Days*, *Rule The World* and many more. The show also features the one and only "Robbie Williams" who brings alive songs such as 'Angels', 'Rock DJ' and 'Candy' to an already explosive show!

This show is a must for any Take That fan as the boys don't just give you a night you'll Never Forget... they give you The Take That Experience!

Saturday 14th February 7.30pm

All Tickets £28.50





In the ever-evolving book of British comedy, Jim Davidson OBE remains a best-seller, an unapologetic voice still standing tall while others bow to the tide.

Through decades of laughter, controversy, and cultural change, he's held the line. And now, in 2026, he's back with a brand-new tour 'Last Man Standing ... Just!' and firing on all cylinders and refusing to be silenced. Despite the relentless efforts of a vocal woke minority to pen his final chapter, Jim's story is far from over. Shadow-banned, de-platformed, and 'cancelled' more times than he can count, Davidson has turned adversity into ammunition, his live shows becoming safe havens for those who still believe in common sense, satire, and the best of British comedy. Jim's 2025 UK tour, The Next Chapter, proved that the appetite for unfiltered, grown-up laughter is alive and well, with the General receiving standing ovations from Glasgow to Southend from loyal and new fans

Now, as Britain stands at a cultural crossroads, Davidson returns to do what he does best: say what others are thinking, with razor-sharp wit and bulletproof timing. It's time to reset. To push back. To laugh again without fear.

alike, many who feel silenced themselves. Jim's loyal audience packed venues across the UK, cheering not

just the punchlines but the principles behind them.

Jim invites you to join him once again for a riotous evening where freedom of speech takes centre stage, comedy bites back, and the battle for Britain's comedic soul rages on. He's survived the storms, stood firm in the face of censorship, and he's still here!

Oh, and yes—he's got another wedding to pay for.







Stuart Michael – The Psychic Medium, direct from London's West End. A thrilling and intriguing night of psychic mediumship!

Boasting an impressive, worldwide celebrity client list, Stuart brings his quick-witted humour, sensitivity, and compassion to the stage. Sharing his incredible gift that he's had since childhood of being able to see with the mind's eye, Stuart uses his extraordinary abilities to connect with the spirit world.

Intuitively drawn to members of the audience, he brings forward direct messages from the other side. Don't worry about where you're sitting, Stuart will find you if he has a message for you!

Spreading comfort and empathy to those who come to him, he specialises in bringing messages from loved ones who have passed on. And, recurring dreams are interpreted — no matter how silly, serious, or scary they may seem.

Don't miss this unique and unforgettable evening. You have to see it to believe it.

WARNING.... WARNING.... EXTREME FUN ALERT!

This Brand New, Exciting and Educational show will amaze and astound all ages from 4 years and upwards, as we put the "Exciting" back into "Science". (See what we did there!)

With Fun and Fact filled experiments, watch in amazement as we recreate a volcanic eruption; turn a vacuum cleaner into a missile launcher or take aim at you with our smoke blaster!

So, stand clear and prepare for action, as this show is full of wiz, bang, pop and splurt!

Exciting Science – Prepare to be amazed!

Sunday 22nd February – 11.30am & 2.30pm



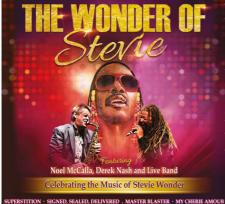


COMEDY CLUB

Friday 27th March 8pm

All Tickets £12





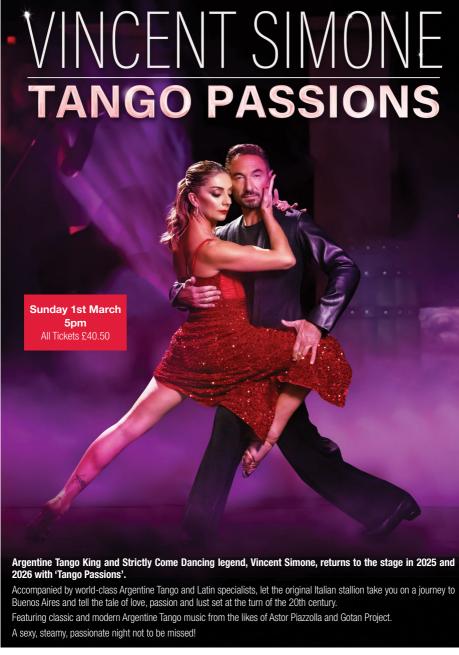
I WISH · AND MANY MORE

The ultimate celebration of the genius of Stevie Wonder!

Voted one of Britain's top soul singers, mesmeric vocalist Noel McCalla, award-winning saxophonist Derek Nash (Jools Holland's R&B Orchestra) and their world-class band present a diverse catalogue of Stevie Wonder classics.

They perform hit after hit, from dance floor classics *I Wish* and *Superstition* to beautiful arrangements of *My Cherie Amour* and *I Just Called to Say I Love You* and the much-loved *Isn't She Lovely* and *Don't You Worry 'bout a Thing.* This outstanding live band features musicians who have previously performed with a wide variety of music legends including Sir Rod Stewart, Bill Withers, Amy Winehouse, The Bee Gees, Eric Clapton, Sir Paul McCartney, David Gilmour, Nile Rodgers, Martha Reeves, Chaka Khan, Sam Moore, Jethro Tull, Eddie Floyd, Gregory Porter and Alfie Boe.

Saturday 28th February – 7.30pm All Tickets £33



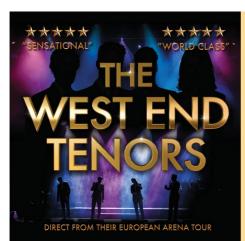


THEATRE TOURS

Wednesday 4th March 10.30am - £5







Leading men from London's West End combine in a powerhouse of vocal talent. After selling out arenas across Europe, The West End Tenors embark on their first UK Tour, bringing their smash hit show directly to you!

The cast of The West End Tenors have starred in musicals such as Les Misérables, The Phantom of the Opera, Mamma Mia and Miss Saigon, as well as performing at Windsor Castle for the Royal Family, the BBC Proms and the Eurovision Song Contest.

Celebrating the greatest triumphs of Musical Theatre and Film, their spine-tingling vocals are not to be missed, leaving audiences breathless from start to finish.

Thursday 5th March – 7.30pm Full Price £28.50 / Concession £26.50

Get ready to scream like it's

Boyband in the Buff is the ultimate throwback concert – starring pop heartthrob Gareth Gates and a cast of ripped and ridiculously talented performers. With nothing but harmonies, dance moves, and a whole lot of skin, the boys belt out the biggest hits of the '90s and '00s – from Backstreet Boys to NSYNC, Blue to Take That – in a show that's as nostalgic as it is naughty.

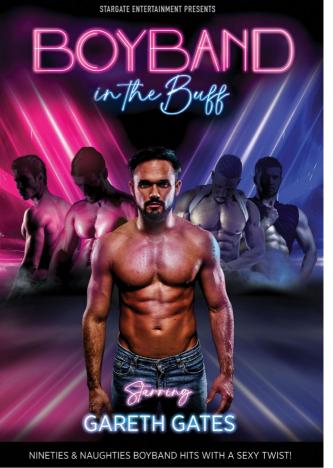
It's a celebration of pop, passion, and pecs, where the clothes come off and the heat turns up. This is the ultimate night out for anyone who's ever swooned over a boyband.

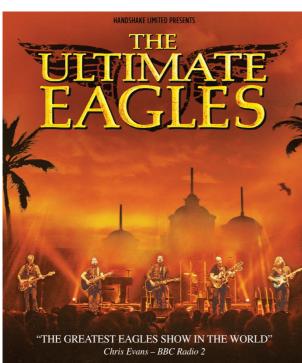
Warning: Contains tight harmonies and tighter pants. (At least, for the first few numbers.)

Friday 6th March 7.30pm

All Tickets £36

Want to meet Gareth yourself before the show? Add on a Meet & Greet ticket for an extra £30. Meet & Greet will take place at 6pm. Limited availability.





Handshake Ltd are proud to present the world's premier Eagles show, The Ultimate Eagles.

Having performed to over 1,000,000 people worldwide, The Ultimate Eagles features a cast of internationally acclaimed musicians who've played alongside artists such as Queen, Paul Young, Roger Daltrey, Lulu, Van Morrison, Cliff Richard, John Legend and Thunder.

The Ultimate Eagles are universally recognised as the most authentic tribute to The Eagles music and recreate the sublime harmonies and legendary guitar solos of hits such as "Hotel California", "Life in the Fast Lane" and "Take it Easy" like no others.

This show takes you on a journey back to sunny California at the height of its golden era during the 1970s.

Saturday 7th March 7.30pm

All Tickets £33

Following the sudden death of founding member Barney McKenna in 2012 and John Sheahan's decision to retire, it was agreed that The Dubliners, as a touring band, would end and The Dublin Legends were born.

They will, of course, continue to play all the classic songs and ballads known the world over; Whiskey in The Jar, Dirty Old Town, The Wild Rover, Seven Drunken Nights, The Rare Auld Times, Molly Malone, The Irish Rover, Black Velvet Band and many more.

Over the past ten years the band have continued the legacy of The Dubliners by packing their bags and touring far and wide playing concerts to a whole new generation of Irish music fans. They have wowed audiences in Iceland, Norway, Finland, The Faroe Islands, Sweden, Holland, Belgium, France, Italy, Spain, Austria, Switzerland as well as all over the UK.

Sunday 8th March 7.30pm All Tickets £29.50



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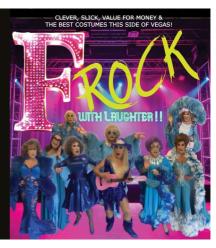


CERI DUPREE

Internationally acclaimed female impersonator, Ceri Dupree, is touring his 1 man 21 woman show across the UK!

With fabulous costumes, routines, jokes and songs, witness great impersonations of some of the world's most fantastic females. There's characters old and new, all adorned in jaw dropping costumes. Look out for Queen Camilla, Joan Collins, Barbara Streisand, Jane McDonald, Taylor Swift and many more.

Friday 13th March – 7.30pm





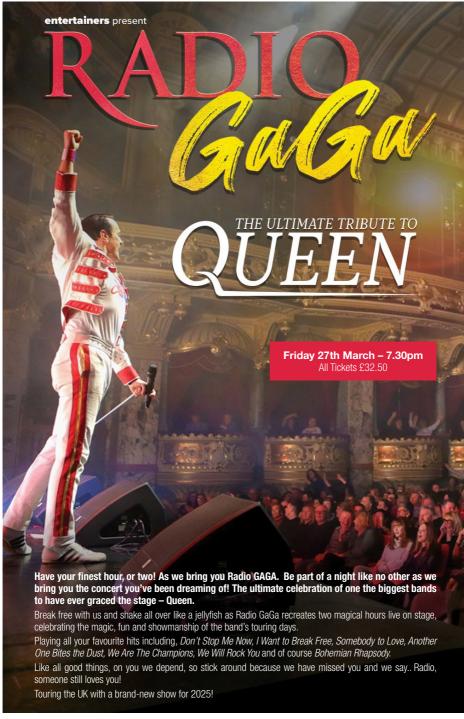
Saturday 21st March 7.30pm All Tickets £30

RBBB GOLD

PLAYING THE GREATEST HITS OF ABBA IN THIS SENSATIONAL 2 HOUR SHOW

Abba Gold return to Eastbourne in their all singing, all dancing extravaganza! Two hours of the very best of ABBA which is sure to get you on your feet!

They have been performing for over 20 years, and have played more than 3,500 shows to over 2.5 million people in 41 different countries. This doesn't include the millions of people who have seen ABBA Gold on numerous television shows for the BBC, ITV, Channel 4 and Sky. They have also played on many other television channels around the world!



THE GORGEOUS
ELLIE EARL
AS RAPUNZEL

Come and 'let your hair down' with our family adventure Rapunzel!

This show promises to be a 'cut above the rest' with comedy aplenty, beautiful scenery, glamourous costumes and lots for you all to boo and hiss at!

Watch how Rapunzel escapes her tower and falls in love with her dashing Prince. Her journey won't be easy though, with Mother Gothel getting in her way.

We also have a special night for all the bigger boys and girls with our 18yrs+ performance! A great night to bring your friends and be naughty and do all the things at a panto that you normally couldn't do!

Come and make your Easter egg-stra special with us at The Royal Hippodrome Theatre.

It's bound to be 'hair-larious'.

OPENING PERFORMANCE

Thursday 2nd April
All Tickets £12

ADULT NIGHT 18+

Saturday 4th April – 8pm

RELAXED PERFORMANCE

Tuesday 7th April – 11am

Full Price £15.50/Concession £13.50

Elements of the production are adapted to reduce anxiety or stress. This performance welcomes those who would like to see the show in a less formal atmosphere, including (but not limited to) those who experience sensory overload, people with a learning disability and parents with very young children.

ALL OTHER PERFORMANCES

Full Price £17.50 / Concession £15.50

www.royalhippodrome.com



Cast, The La's, and Me An Intimate Evening with John Power



Here We Go Again
The Mamma Mia Tribute with Kerry Katona



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The Rattonians present Come From Away



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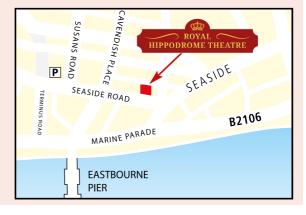


These tokens can be used at participating theatres nationwide and are the ideal present for that special occasion!

How to find us

Situated close to Eastbourne Seafront, only a short distance from the town centre. Just 40 minutes drive from Brighton, 30 minutes from Hastings and Bexhill and an hour from Tunbridge Wells. We are 10-15 minutes walk from Eastbourne Train Station and frequent direct services are available to Lewes. Bexhill, Brighton, Haywards Heath and London with connecting services to Tunbridge Wells and Seaford, Call 0845 748 4950 for train details.

For details of bus services call 08456 00 22 99.



How to Book

In Person At The Theatre

The Box Office is open Monday – Saturday 10am – 5pm. For the hour before a show begins, staff will be on hand to deal with ticket sales and any other requests.

By Telephone

Call the Box Office between the hours above on 01323 802020. If you are unable to get through then please leave your name and number on the answer phone and a member of our team will return your call. Tickets can be emailed to you free of charge, left for collection at the venue or sent by post (this incurs a $\mathfrak{L}1.50$ charge).

Online

Please visit our website at www.royalhippodrome.com, where all information on current shows is available. Please note there is a transaction fee for tickets purchased online.

Theatre Vouchers

We accept Theatre Tokens and these can be used in person at the Box Office to purchase tickets.

Concessions

Where indicated, concessions are available for over 60s, Jobseekers, People with Disabilities, Full Time Students and Children under the age of 16. Children under 2 years old are free of charge if they do not require their own seat. Please

note concessions do not apply to all shows, so please ask if you are unsure.

Accessibility

The Royal Hippodrome Theatre has a hearing loop in both the Stalls and the Dress Circle. There are two wheelchair spaces accessible at street level and disabled toilet facilities. The Stalls bar is also accessible. Unfortunately, there isn't a lift in the theatre so the only way to reach the Dress Circle and the Upper Circle is via the stairs.

Essential Companion Scheme

The theatre operates a free scheme for those who need an Essential Companion to be with them at a show in order to assist them. Application forms to apply for the scheme are available from the Box Office or can be downloaded from our website.

Refunds and Exchanges

Once purchased we are unable to refund tickets. In exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the management, a credit note or exchange may be possible. Please note fees may apply.

Group Bookings

For group bookings please contact boxoffice@royalhippodrome.com or call the Box Office on 01323 802020.

Volunteering

Our incredible Front of House team are predominantly volunteers who give their time freely and enable the smooth running of the theatre. Volunteers take on the roles of Ushering, working behind the bar, selling merchandise/programmes and manning the Box Office. Whilst volunteering they enjoy all sorts of events and earn stamps on their Loyalty Cards for each shift completed, which can then be exchanged in the purchase of tickets for shows.

All new volunteers will receive full training. If you love theatre and have some spare time we would love to welcome you to our ever expanding team. For further information please email our FOH Manager jane@royalhippodrome.com.



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Sat 7th	7:30pm	Rhiannon Tribute to Fleetwood Mac
Sun 8th	2:00pm	Anita Harris and Freddie Davies: A Lifetime of Memories
Fri 13th	7:30pm	Let The Music Play: Celebrating Barry White
Sat 14th	7:30pm	The Take That Experience
Sun 15th	2:00pm	Dinosaur Adventure LIVE
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Musical Comedy

7:30pm Radio Gaga

8:00pm Screaming Blue Murder Comedy Club

Talks / Audience With

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