

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS APRIL • MAY • JUNE 2016



Debra Stephenson
2 April



King of Pop
2 April



Pasha Kovalev
5 May



A night of Dirty Dancing
24 June

Also appearing:

Robin Hood • Viva Neil Diamond • Upbeat Beatles • Mercury
Bee Gees – Nights on Broadway • On Tour with Elvis

Join us for our first season of 2016. From popular tribute acts to world-class musician's and top stand-up comedy – you're sure to be entertained!

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Don't forget gift certificates are always available from the box office – for that perfect present any time of the year.

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Medina Theatre

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Debra Stephenson



The star of BBC's *Dead Ringers* and *The Impressions Show*, and ITV's *Newzoids* and *Coronation Street*, takes to the stage in for an evening of comedy, music and impressions!

'An amazingly accomplished performer' *Radio Times*

Saturday 2 April, 7.30pm

Tickets: £18



King of Pop – The Legend Continues



Showcasing the extraordinary talent of an impersonator who has performed in over 350 international shows in 61 different countries and is the ONLY impersonator to have been associated with Michael Jackson, Sony Music, MJJ Estate and MJ's family.

Led by the World's No.1 Michael Jackson Impersonator – Navi, who is simply 'Chosen by Michael' as he is the only impersonator who has worked with the legend himself.

Navi was invited by Michael Jackson to Neverland Ranch, and also invited by Michael Jackson himself to perform at birthday parties in New York and Los Angeles in which MJ gave Navi a standing ovation.

In New York, Michael Jackson asked Navi "You're an amazing dancer, do you practice every day?"

For more info please visit www.kingofpop.co.uk

This is the only live band production that will have you believing for a moment, the legend continues...

Sunday 3 April, 6.30pm

Tickets: £18.50/£16.50 under 16 or over 60



Roy Chubby Brown (plus support)



Roy Chubby Brown, the original bad boy of British comedy is *big, brash, and back with a bang* for his 2016 tour!

'Chubby' is ready to rock the boat one more time in his notoriously outrageous live show. He promises to pull no punches and leave no topic off-limits with his jaw-dropping take on the world and everyone in it.

Guaranteed to leave you gob-smacked, don't miss the chance to tell your friends – I saw that fat b*****d live!!

Get the hottest ticket in town for the Chubbster's last stand, but be warned – If easily offended please stay away!

Over 18 years only.

Wednesday 6 April, 7.30pm

Tickets: £20



Blake



For fans of IL Divo, Collabro and G4, don't miss out on the original Brit-Award-winning vocal group Blake, back on tour in the UK with a highly anticipated new show. Mixing pop, classical and musicals in one thrilling night, linked together with hilarious banter and beautiful video projections, this is entertainment at its finest. Joined on stage by award winning choirs, live instrumentalists and special guests, the night features powerful renditions of *'Fields of Gold'*, *'Bring Him Home'*, *'Time To Say Goodbye'*, *'Nessun Dorma'*, *'Chasing Cars'* and many more! Book early to avoid missing out.

Friday 8 April, 7.30pm

Tickets: £20



LDN Wrestling



LDN Wrestling live events celebrating 12 years of Britain's top promoters return here with an explosive night of top action bringing a host of top American wrestling stars to the ring to face the very best of home grown talent and fans favourites in a two hour rip roaring entertainment for all the family to enjoy.

This show is the ideal place to celebrate a birthday and get the opportunity of VIP back stage passes to meet the stars at the end of the show.

If you've been before you know how good its gets if you haven't give it a try we guarantee that the kids will be talking about it for weeks afterwards.

Family friendly prices to make this the best value ticket in town Box office now open. Book in advance for the best seats!

Saturday 9 April, 7pm

Tickets: £14 adults/£12 concessions

A TRIBUTE TO THE ARMED FORCES PAST - PRESENT AND FUTURE!

WE'LL MEET AGAIN

A CELEBRATION OF WARTIME ENTERTAINMENT



STEVE
BARCLAY



MAGGIE
O'HARA



ANDY
EASTWOOD



MERVYN
FRANCIS



MARTYN
ST JAMES



PHIL
JEFFERY



PETE
LINDUP



★ THE MARTYN ST JAMES BAND ★
MUSIC ★ COMEDY ★ SONG

We'll Meet Again



First produced in 2004 for the D-Day 60th anniversary, the show is a bright and breezy wartime revue featuring tributes to some of the greatest entertainers of the 40s era, including Max Miller, George Formby, Vera Lynn, Gracie Fields and Bing Crosby.

For those who remember the 40s, We'll Meet Again brings back memories of the stars who kept Britain smiling through her darkest days – for those who don't, the show is an authentic introduction to the swinging music and good clean comedy of the period. We'll Meet again, now in its twelfth year, has been described as today's best recreation of traditional variety. Don't miss your chance to see it!

The cast: Steve Barclay, Andy Eastwood, Maggie O'hara, Mervyn Franics, Phil Jeffery, Pete Lindup and The Martyn St James Band.

Produced by Duggie Chapman MBE

Sunday 17 April, 2.30pm

Tickets: £14.50/£12.40 over 60s

Group rates available from the box office



Genesis Connected



Genesis Connected is a UK tribute show celebrating the music of Genesis and the biggest selling acts connected: Peter Gabriel, Phil Collins and Mike & the Mechanics.



This show has an incredible mix of material, from atmospheric anthems to Chart toppers that will get the crowd dancing in the aisles. Hits spanning from the late 70's onwards including; *Turn It On Again*, *Sledgehammer*, *In The Air Tonight*, *Over My Shoulder*, *Against All Odds*, *That's All*, *Solsbury Hill*, *You Can't Hurry Love*, *The Living Years* and many more.

The frontman, Pete Bultitude, is not only an incredibly versatile vocalist, he is also a truly gifted drummer just like Phil Collins, So expect the show to include the iconic 'double drums' element as featured on every Genesis and Phil Collins tour.

Saturday 23 April, 7.30pm

Tickets £16/£15 over 60 and under 16 years



Spirit of Ireland



The Spirit of Ireland, now celebrating 30 years touring worldwide, was Ireland's first national and international success story. The production has gone from strength to strength, evolving over many years to become one of the most exciting and popular cultural, dance and music products to come out of Ireland!

Featuring a cast of champion dancers and musicians, this diverse production offers the audience a spectacular evening of Irish music, song and dance.

The Spirit of Ireland prides itself in respecting core traditions of Irish music and dance culture with a team of talented and highly respected musicians, singers & dancers, who provide a truly authentic experience.

In the stories, songs and dance this show draws back the curtain of centuries and lets you glimpse into the soul and Spirit of Ireland, which continues to define the essentials of being Irish, magically and wondrously.

Sunday 24 April, time?

Tickets £18/£17



RARE FOOTAGE
AUDIO & VIDEO
PROJECTION

BIG BEAT
AUTHENTIC
BAND & SINGERS

ALL THE
GREATEST
HITS & MORE

HALFWAY TO PARADISE
IT'S ONLY MAKE BELIEVE
ONCE UPON A DREAM
I'D NEVER FIND ANOTHER YOU
WON'T YOU SAY I LOVE YOU
I WAS MADE FOR LOVE
I'VE NEVER BEEN GONE
JEALOUSY
THAT'S LOVE
I WILL
WONDEROUS PLACE
MAYBE TOMORROW
A THOUSAND STARS
and many more...

Billy Fury Story



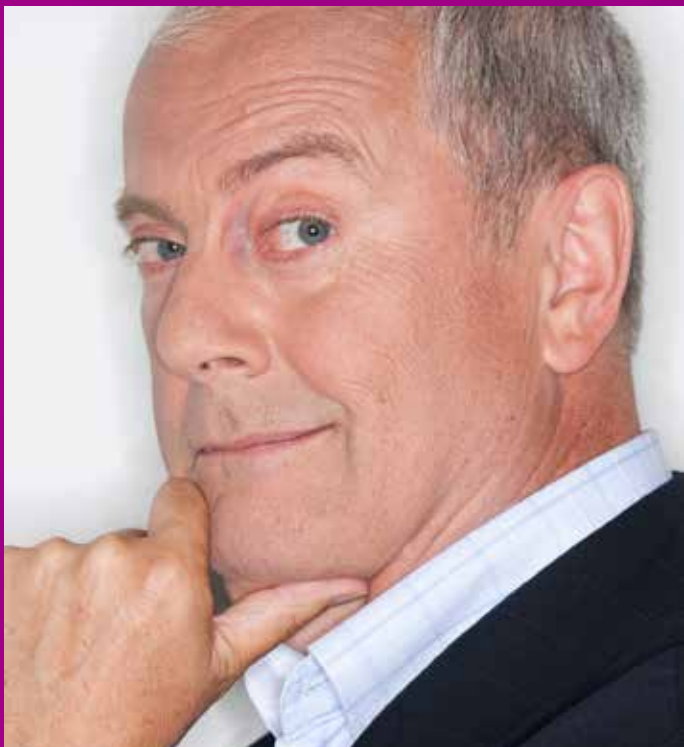
An amazing two-hour live concert production including rare footage audio and video projection plus 'big beat' authentic band and singers. Taking you on a non-stop unforgettable journey through the musical career of Britain's best loved rock'n'roller.

Michael King and his fantastic collection of musicians bring you a Fury birthday celebration filled with his greatest hits and more, including *Jealousy*, *I Will*, *In Thoughts of You*, and *Halfway to Paradise* to name but a few, all delivered in true Fury style.

Hailed as "the best Fury since Fury", Michael bears an uncanny resemblance to Billy Fury which is further enhanced by a series of wonderful costume changes. But if that is not enough, the production also has the addition of a fantastic audio and video presentation setting each and every scene to perfection.

"The definitive Billy Fury stage show, King captured fully the sound, the gestures, the mannerisms, even the physical appearance of arguably Britain's greatest Rock and Roll singer" - The Beat Magazine.

Thursday 28 April, 7.30pm
Tickets: £18.50



An Audience with Gyles Brandreth



They say all political careers end in tears – in Gyles Brandreth's case it's tears of laughter as the author, broadcaster, former MP and government whip takes us on an hilarious roller-coaster ride through the corridors of power – from Buckingham Palace to the Kremlin, from the green benches of Westminster to the green rooms of the West End. With a cast list that runs from Oscar Wilde to Elizabeth II this is a wickedly witty entertainment from an award-winning raconteur with unique tales to tell from his unlikely life in the theatre, television, journalism and politics.

'Gyles Brandreth is brilliant ...incredibly funny, wildly indiscreet'
Daily Mail

'A deadpan comic to rival Jack Dee' *Daily Telegraph*

Saturday 30 April, 7.30pm

Tickets: £19



Vienna Festival Ballet presents Giselle



The ultimate Romantic ballet, Giselle is a tale of innocence, love, betrayal and madness. With music by one of the 19th century's best composers, Adolphe Adam, and choreography by the late Nicholas Beriosoff, VFB's traditional staging of this 1841 masterpiece moves from the sunny optimism of Giselle's idyllic village life to an ethereal world of mystery and menace.

Giselle, a peasant girl, has fallen in love with Count Albrecht, who has told her he is a villager named Loys. Her discovery of his true identity has devastating consequences.

With its irresistible combination of a heart-breaking story and exquisite choreography, Giselle is the perfect way to discover classical ballet.

"An excellent company of talented young dancers. Their energy and enthusiasm is breathtaking." - ENTS24.COM

"The entire show was captivating from start to finish." - Welwyn Hatfield Times

"A truly spellbinding performance!" - Burnley Express

Tuesday 3 May, 7pm

Tickets £20/£18 seniors/£13 juniors



Vienna Festival Ballet presents Swan Lake



Music by Tchaikovsky

One of the best known love stories, performed by the ever popular Vienna Festival Ballet. Lavish costumes, stunning scenery, international stars, and the glorious music from Tchaikovsky make this a night not to be missed.

Swan Lake is the most popular ballet in the world. It's the ballet that captures like no other the full range of human emotions - from hope to despair, from terror to tenderness, from melancholy to ecstasy.

Don't miss this magical evening.

"Vienna Festival Ballet, with its talented array of young artistes, ensures you won't see dancers going through the motions" – Oxford Times

"This production looks and feels absolutely right" – Worthing Herald

Wednesday 4 May, 7pm

Tickets £20/£18 seniors/£13 juniors



Pasha Kovalev – It's all about you



After his successful UK Tour - Life Through Dance, Pasha Kovalev, the winner of *Strictly Come Dancing* 2014, welcomes you to his new and exciting dance spectacular - 'It's all about you'.

On his fifth UK tour you can expect another evening of your favourite music, spectacular dancing, energy, lights and sparkling costumes, filled with positive emotions and great entertainment for the entire family.

Guest starring Anya Garnis from *Strictly Come Dancing* and *So You Think You Can Dance USA*

Enjoy the show and get ready to dance.

Thursday 5 May, 7.30pm

Tickets £25



California State University Jazz Big Band

Appearing as part of the 2016 Newport Jazz Weekend is the California State University Northridge Jazz 'A' Band. Recognised as one of the finest college jazz bands in the USA, the band's recordings are heard on jazz radio stations around the world. As the flag ship jazz ensemble of the CSU Northridge Jazz Studies Program, the band regularly performs at major music festivals including the Monterey and Reno Jazz Festivals. The band has also toured the Far East, Australia, and Europe. The Band are previous winners of the Monterey "Next Generation" Jazz Festival College Big Band Award. Guest artists with the band in the past have included Randy Brecker, Peter Erskine, Dave Holland, and many others.



We look forward to a swinging set from this band of fine musicians.

The CSUN Jazz Big Band and Stacey Kent concerts are part of Newport Jazz Weekend. Newport Jazz Weekend runs from 2 to 5 June, and has established itself as one of the UK's best small jazz festivals.

newportjazzweekend.co.uk

Sunday 5 June, 3 to 5pm

Early bird tickets available until 16 April:

£8 adult/£4 under 21s

Tickets after 16 April: £10 adult/£4 under 21s

For ticket availability see next page



Tenderly
Stacey
Kent

Stacey Kent – Tenderly Tour



Headlining the 2016 Newport Jazz Weekend is Grammy-nominated jazz vocalist Stacey Kent. We are delighted to welcome Stacey to present our closing concert. Born in New Jersey, Stacey studied at London's Guildhall School of Music and Drama before becoming the regular opener for established jazz acts at Ronnie Scott's jazz club.



Stacey is presenting a brand new concert, featuring music from her latest album Tenderly. Tenderly sees Stacey return to familiar ground with her first album of standards since the release of her breakthrough album of 2003, The Boy Next Door. Her concert at the Medina Theatre provides a rare opportunity for UK fans to enjoy her music live and in person.

"Stacey Kent has been quietly sitting on top of the world of jazz vocals, for many years" - Jamie Cullum

newportjazzweekend.co.uk

Sunday 5 June, 8pm to 10.10pm

EarlyBird tickets available until 16 April:

£12 adult/£4 under 21s

Tickets after 16 April: £15 adult/£4 under 21s

Tickets only available from newportjazzweekend.co.uk or tel: 07785 78 5440. Or in person from the County Press shop



A Night of Dirty Dancing



The ultimate tribute show

No film has captured the hearts of a generation like Dirty Dancing. Relive the passion, indulge in the romance and celebrate the greatest movie soundtrack of all time.

Recast and re-scripted for 2016, it's all down to Kellerman's end of season show. Revel in the moments you loved, the memories you made and music that's resonated throughout the years: She's Like the Wind, Big Girls Don't Cry, Hey Baby, Wipeout, Do You Love Me, Be My Baby, Hungry Eyes and, of course, the Oscar-winning (I've Had) The Time of My Life.

Don't be the one sitting in the corner. Immerse yourself in the timeless, theatrical treat. Take a trip back to the summer of '63, relive Patrick Swayze and Jennifer Grey's sizzling performance in the ultimate coming of age romance.

Please note this show is not affiliated with 'Dirty Dancing: The Classic Story on Stage' currently on tour in the UK and worldwide.

www.easytheatres.com

"The jam-packed stage show lived up to all expectations with laughter, fun and frolics galore" – Leona Greenan, Hamilton Advertiser

Friday 24 June, 7.30pm

Tickets £19/£18 concessions

COMING SOON



The Greatest Love of All



The Whitney Houston Show.

Wednesday 5 October, 7.30pm

Tickets: £25



Henning Wehn



Westphalia is not an option.

Sunday 16 October, 7.30pm

Tickets: £17



The Dreamboys



Friday 28 October, 7.30pm

Tickets: £22.50

COMMUNITY THEATRE

Isle of Wight Music Centre



Easter Concert with the IW Youth Symphony Orchestra and the IW Youth Wind Band

Sunday 10 April, 2.30pm

Tickets: £8 adult/£4 children

Cantata Choir



Saturday 16 April, 7.30pm

Tickets: TBC

Isle of Wight Music Centre



Saturday 7 May, time?

Tickets: ?

Isle of Wight Music Centre



Saturday 14 May, time?

Tickets: ?

Isle of Wight Symphony Orchestra



Beni Mora Oriental Suite – Holst
Piano Concerto – Ireland Soloist Viv McClean
Job, A Masque for Dancing – Vaughan Williams

Saturday 21 May, 7.15pm

Tickets: £14.50 adults/£6 under 18 years

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs



Wight Side Story is a local twist on the classic musical West Side Story. This show is performed by Island charity Way Forward

Monday 20 June, 7pm

Tickets £7/£6 under 16 and over 60 years

Tickets and booking

Tickets can be reserved for most shows with full payment. Please enquire at the box office when you want to book. We accept payment by cash, credit or debit card, or by cheque – payable to Medina Theatre. Tickets may not be exchanged unless arrangements have been made with the box office prior to the performance date.

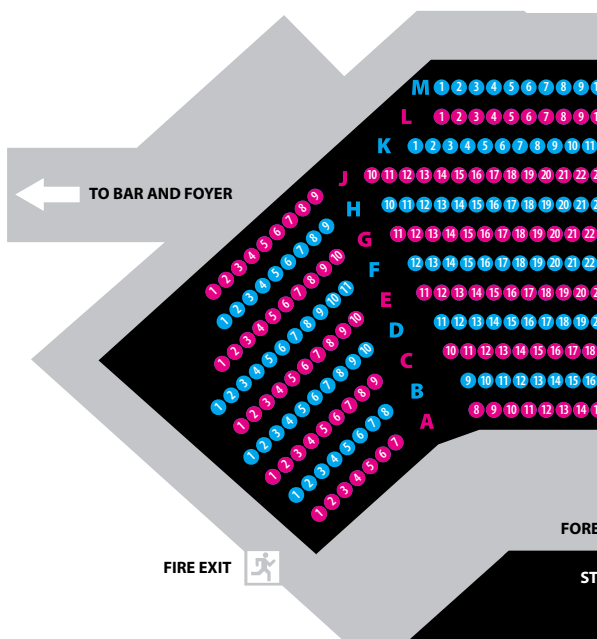
Refunds are not permitted unless the show is sold out and the box office can resell tickets. Refunds will be subject to a ten per cent administration charge.

Online bookings

You can book many of the shows at Medina Theatre online. To see if a show is available for online booking, visit www.medinatheatre.co.uk and follow the link. Please note online bookings are subject to a fixed £1 fee.

Concessions

Concessionary ticket prices are available for performances where stated. You are required to prove your entitlement to concessionary tickets.



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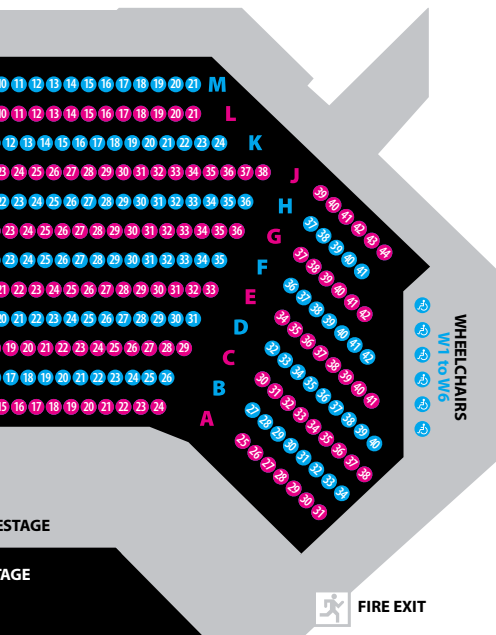
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Facilities for the disabled

A designated wheelchair area is situated on the left hand side of the auditorium. There is level access through to the theatre and an induction loop is installed for the hard of hearing. Wheelchair spaces are limited and must be booked in advance. Please advise the box office of any special requirements when booking.

Performance finish times

Many factors can affect the finish time of a performance, including late starts, over-running and encores. If you wish to know the finish time of a performance, please contact the box office on the day, and every effort will be made to give an accurate finish time.





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Ryde road next to Medina Leisure Centre.

Box Office tel: (01983) 823884

Monday to Wednesday	10am to 6pm
Thursday and Friday	10am to 8pm
Saturday	10am to 1pm

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