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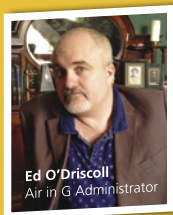


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# WELCOME TO AIR IN G



Welcome to our 20th Anniversary Season!

Inside this guide you'll find shows taking place the length and breadth of Gloucestershire between September 2021 and April 2022. We've missed you all, but hopefully we're rapidly approaching the day when we can put the last 18 months behind us and get back to business (almost) as usual.

There are a few shows returning to the county after a few years including **Moscow Drug Club** and Michael Lunts with **Rollover Beethoven**. Among the new arrivals we're delighted to welcome **Noble Jacks** with their high-energy folk influenced Americana rhythms, as well as Jazz FM's David Freeman, who with Mark Harrison and his band have crafted an uplifting and informative evening of modern and classic blues songs in their show **Blues People**. Younger audiences will be thrilled by **Ugg 'n' Ogg & The World's First Dogg** while older audiences might be interested in a brand new show that lovingly recreates the work and music of Victoria Wood, **Looking For Me Friend**.

We've also made a few changes that we hope will make your lives easier including updating our website so you can book tickets for any of our performances online. There could still be a few bumps along the road for the foreseeable future but if we work together we believe we can still bring a little bit of AIR in G magic to communities across the County. We hope we get the chance to see you all again very soon and look forward to raising a glass to celebrate two decades of Arts in Rural Gloucestershire.

**STAY SAFE – THE SHOW MUST GO ON.**

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(Air in G Administrator)

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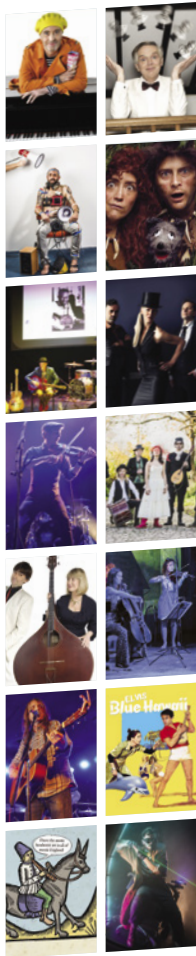
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## CABARET

# LOOKING FOR ME FRIEND

Paulus will share 12 of Victoria's best-loved songs through the decades, including *It Would Never Have Worked*, *Reincarnation* and, of course, the classic *Ballad of Barry & Freda (Let's Do It)* as well as some of her lesser-known and more poignant compositions.

Looking For Me Friend is a nostalgic hour of entertainment filled with love, laughter and fabulous memories for Victoria Wood fans as well as the ultimate 'Beginner's Guide' for audiences new to her work.



Sheepscombe VH

Sat 4 Dec 2021

"Gales of laughter from fans in the audience, but it is through Paulus' interpretation of Wood's songs that he genuinely touches a nerve."

MUSICAL THEATRE REVIEW

## CABARET

# ROLLOVER BEETHOVEN

From Alan Sherman to Tom Lehrer, comedy song writers down the ages have played fast and loose with the rarefied world of classical music, finding humour in an art-form that can take itself rather seriously. In Roll Over Beethoven, Michael Lunts brings together two worlds by celebrating the work of those—from Flanders and Swann to Joyce Grenfell, from Dudley Moore to Gilbert and Sullivan—who have found plenty to laugh about in classical music. As Mozart famously illustrated, a love of classical music is not incompatible with a sense of humour.



Cranham VH

Fri 18 Feb 2022

France Lynch  
Church Rooms

Sat 19 Feb 2022

"Lunts demonstrates an easy, beguiling mastery of the piano and a talent for mimicry which brings out the wealth of comic characters lurking inside the songs."

THE STAGE

## DANCE

# LOUDER IS NOT ALWAYS CLEARER

Teacher, artist, campaigner, father, Jonny is deaf. He also loves to dance but he can't hear the music unless the bass is turned right up. Born deaf, Jonny grew up in a hearing family, surrounded by hearing friends who did not use the word 'deaf'. This one-man show is an honest portrayal of a man perceived to be full of confidence, who is outwardly social, but inwardly vulnerable, and at times isolated. In a hearing world Jonny is different and this show highlights those differences in a warm and humorous way.



Broadwell  
Evergreen Hall

Thu 25 Nov 2021

*"Simply, I was moved. Thank you for your bravery in sharing your world with us."*

AUDIENCE MEMBER, EXPERIMENTICA,  
CARDIFF

## FAMILY

# UGG 'N' OGG & THE WORLD'S FIRST DOGG

Don't miss this mind-boggling comic tale of how two young hunter-gatherers palled up the wolves, Tooth 'n' Nail, to invent the dog. Join Ugg 'n' Ogg on their fun-packed adventure where you can expect sabre-toothed tigers, raging forest infernos, and even a time-travelling stick. Award-winning Fideri Fidera's brand-new comedy about the truly amazing evolutionary process that transformed the Wolf into all the dogs we see in the world today. A perfect theatrical treat for all the family, and dog lovers.



Westcote VH

Sat 25 Sep 2021

Box VH

Sat 2 Oct 2021

*"Every aspect of the production is marvellous. From the acting, which is pitched perfectly to the wide-eyed wee ones; to the puppets and puppetry, which are in turn beautifully constructed and wondrously brought to life"*

EDINBURGH 49

## MUSIC

# BLUES PEOPLE

Lauded songwriter and guitarist Mark Harrison & David Freeman present an uplifting evening of modern and classic blues songs and stories about life today and the history of blues music and blues personalities.

Mark Harrison is a unique British songster who draws heavily on the blues for his inspiration, his songs covering both modern issues and the world of the original blues artists. David Freeman is a hugely experienced broadcaster for BBC, Jazz FM and Sky, and a leading authority on all forms of blues music and its history. He has done a host of live shows, including many literary festivals.



Box VH	Fri 12 Nov 2021
Brookthorpe VH	Fri 11 Feb 2022
Hartpur VH	Sat 19 Feb 2022
Meysay Hampton Memorial Hall	Sat 23 Apr 2022

*"It's difficult to capture an evening like this, all I can say is, if it comes your way, just go."*

**RHYTHM AND BOOZ**

## MUSIC

# NOBLE JACKS

With the fiddle leading the charge, Noble Jacks are out to take no prisoners with their high-energy footstompin' rhythms which have taken crowds by storm across the UK.

Noble Jacks have been touring relentlessly with sold out shows across the UK on their headline tours, as well as shows at major festivals including Glastonbury, Isle of Wight and Bestival, plus major European festivals.

Hailed as the finest purveyors of folk-influenced Americana, the band were invited to showcase at Americana Fest in Nashville, USA where they went down a storm!



Daglingworth VH	Fri 14 Jan 2022
Chedworth VH	Sat 15 Jan 2022

*"Their music is just the kind of sonic elixir we need in these troubled times."*

**ACOUSTIC MAGAZINE**

# MOSCOW DRUG CLUB



Moscow Drug Club ... a curious musical place where elements of 1930s Berlin cabaret, Hot Club de France, Nuevo Tango and Gypsy campfire meet.

Combining their original material with songs by the likes of Jacques Brel, Leonard Cohen, Tom Waits and Edith Piaf, Moscow Drug Club provide an intoxicating and intimate musical experience.

You are cordially invited to enter the darkly comic world of Moscow Drug Club ... this way please, and mind the stairs!

France Lynch Church Rooms	Sat 20 Nov 2021
Westcote VH	Fri 28 Jan 2022
Minchinhampton Market House	Sat 29 Jan 2022
Chedworth VH	Fri 25 Feb 2022
Box VH	Sat 26 Feb 2022
Brockweir Mackenzie Hall	Sat 16 Apr 2022

*"The music, songs and your voice were amazingly evocative, beautiful and inspiring, such originality just like the band's name."*

*"The whole concert was fantastic, delivered with style, humour, great musicianship and plenty of warmly-felt audience engagement."*

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## MUSIC

## SHE'KOYOKH

She'Koyokh is a Yiddish word meaning 'nice one!'

The band features vocals, clarinet, violin, guitar, accordion, double bass and percussion with members from Turkey, the Balkans and the UK playing tunes from Romanian mountains, Serbian villages, Bulgarian festivals and even Turkish saunas. Each song tells a story and are introduced to give the audience insight, meaning and perspective. Rooted in the music is the tradition of dancing, and a line dance around the hall is expected – if there's space! The show is for all ages, interactive, informative, inspiring and great fun.



Broadwell	Thu 24 Feb 2022
Evergreen Hall	
Sheepscombe VH	Fri 25 Feb 2022
Brockweir	
Mackenzie Hall	Sat 26 Feb 2022

"She'Koyokh are one of the finest and most entertaining British-based exponents of global music."

THE GUARDIAN

## MUSIC

## SIMON MAYOR &amp; HILARY JAMES

From folk to blues, Berlioz, classical mandolin, swing fiddle and their own comic songs, this will be a hugely entertaining evening of Tears and Laughter. If Simon Mayor and Hilary James have a speciality it is an ability to combine a truly diverse array of talents into a hugely entertaining show. They slide easily from an Irish ballad into a mandolin and guitar version of Handel's Arrival of the Queen of Sheba, and then have the audience singing one of their own notoriously comic children's songs, but it's a wry sense of humour and an easy, informal stage manner that holds it all together.



Brookthorpe VH	Fri 26 Nov 2021
Bibury Village Hall	Fri 1 Apr 2022

"Sheer musical brilliance."

BBC WORLD SERVICE

## MUSIC

# SPINDLE ENSEMBLE

Spindle Ensemble are a chamber quartet whose original compositions combine the melodic beauty of impressionist era classical with cinematic contemporary music. Since 2016 they have gained much praise for their innovative take on modern classical music, rooted in spontaneity and improvisation performed with deft musicianship and unique instrumental pairing all resulting in truly captivating sonic soundscapes. At home performing in concert halls or record shops, Spindle Ensemble bring their music to a diverse and ever growing audience.



Broadwell  
Evergreen Hall

Thu 24 Mar 2022

*"If you love to be delighted by fluid and sparkling musical arrangements and instrumentation you'll greatly enjoy this record."*

**NICK LUSCOMBE ON FORTHCOMING ALBUM 'INKLING'**

## MUSIC

# TRUCKSTOP HONEYMOON

Hollering with all their hearts over a five string banjo and a doghouse bass, Truckstop Honeymoon live the life they sing about. Touring across three continents with four kids and a truck load of songs, Katie and Mike West tell stories about the strangeness of everyday life. Their music combines elements of bluegrass, music hall jazz, and straight up rock'n'roll. They have released nine albums and a full length documentary film, produced over two hundred albums for other artists, and received awards for Lifetime Achievement in the Arts.



Chedworth VH

Fri 22 Oct 2021

Meysey Hampton  
Memorial Hall

Sat 19 Mar 2022

*"Truckstop Honeymoon work their way through an entertaining set flawlessly ... the husband and wife duo have the crowd eating out of the palm of their hands."*

**BRING THE NOISE, UK**

# ELVIS BLUE HAWAII



Spitz & Co (Gloriator, Les Gloriables) are thrilled to bring you their latest production Elvis' Blue Hawaii starring the King himself, with live music, lots of audience interaction, and the usual mayhem.

A songsational technicolour romantic comedy with a twist!

Broadwell Evergreen Hall	Thu 27 Jan 2022
Slimbridge VH	Sat 26 Feb 2022
Chedworth VH	Sat 26 Mar 2022

Reviews for Les Gloriables:

"A highly appropriate show for the current times, liberating, classically silly, highly engaging and just a good old laugh out loud sort of affair."

ONE PLYMOUTH

## THEATRE

# THE CANTERBURY TALES

Revered as one of the most important works in English literature, *The Canterbury Tales* paints an ironic and critical portrait of English society in the middle-ages. Experience a journey down the foul and fetid footpaths of fourteenth-century England, told with the usual irreverence, wit and silliness! Expect archaic naughtiness, nonsense, tights (possibly), a codpiece, medieval swearing (definitely)! Let's party like it's 1387! This is Chaucer ... but not as you think you know it!



Westcote VH

Fri 26 Nov 2021

Minchinhampton  
Market House

Sat 27 Nov 2021

*"Mynne's performance is exquisite: a masterclass in the telling of tales, it needs to be seen."*

**CIARAN CLARKE: ARTS END OF NOWHERE  
(ON 'DRACULA')**

## THEATRE

# THE TIME MACHINE

An eccentric Victorian inventor travels into the planet's distant future, where he discovers an idyllic garden-Earth and quickly bonds with the peaceful inhabitants. But when, in the still of night, his time machine disappears, the traveller is forced to confront the true fate of humanity's future and must overcome a subterranean horror to escape back to his own time. Utilising spoken word, puppetry, and a fully working time machine, *The Keeper's Daughter* transform this classic Victorian sci-fi into a neon-electro adventure for the entire family.



Brockweir  
Mackenzie Hall

Sat 22 Jan 2022

*"Going to see a production by The Keeper's Daughter is like walking a tightrope: gripping, dangerous, slightly insane and extraordinarily entertaining. Theatre should always be this vital and thrilling."*

**DISS EXPRESS ON DRACULA**

# HALL DETAILS

<b>Bibury VH</b>	Church Road, Bibury Cirencester GL7 5NR	01285 740021 wendy.challinor@gmail.com
<b>Box VH</b>	Box Stroud GL6 9HJ	01453 839041 rogerogle@compuserve.com
<b>Broadwell Evergreen Hall</b>	Evergreen Hall Broadwell, Nr Coleford GL16 7BN	01594 544149 lastthursday1@gmail.com
<b>Brockweir, Mackenzie Hall</b>	Mill Hill Brockweir NP16 7NW	events@brockweirvillagehall.co.uk
<b>Brookthorpe VH</b>	Stroud Road Brookthorpe GL4 0UR	01452 812628 nigel.bone@btinternet.com
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<b>Daglingworth VH</b>	High Street Daglingworth GL7 7AA	07754 728044 rye.house@btinternet.com
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<b>Hartpury VH</b>	Over Old Road Hartpury GL19 3DH	07817 232276 info@hartpuryvillagehall.co.uk
<b>Meysey Hampton Memorial Hall</b>	School Lane Meysey Hampton GL7 5JS	01285 644622
<b>Minchinhampton Market House</b>	Market Square Minchinhampton GL6 9BW	01453 731320 adrian96herbert@gmail.com
<b>Sheepscombe VH</b>	Sheepscombe GL6 6RQ	01452 814306 celia.hargrave@btconnect.com
<b>Slimbridge VH</b>	St John's Road Slimbridge GL2 7DE	07759 154472
<b>Westcote VH</b>	Church Westcote Chipping Norton OX7 6SF	01993 831196 westcote.bookings@gmail.com

# CALENDAR

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## 2021

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DATE	ACT	VENUE	TIME
Sat 25 Sep	Ugg 'n' Ogg	Westcote VH	3.00pm
Sat 2 Oct	Ugg 'n' Ogg	Box VH	2.30pm
Fri 22 Oct	Truckstop Honeymoon	Chedworth VH	7.45pm
Fri 12 Nov	Blues People	Box VH	7.30pm
Sat 20 Nov	Moscow Drug Club	France Lynch Church Rooms	7.30pm
Thu 25 Nov	Louder Is Not Always Clearer	Broadwell Evergreen Hall	8.00pm
Fri 26 Nov	Simon Mayor & Hilary James	Brookthorpe VH	7.45pm
Fri 26 Nov	The Canterbury Tales	Westcote VH	7.30pm
Sat 27 Nov	The Canterbury Tales	Minchinhampton Market House	7.30pm
Sat 4 Dec	Looking For Me Friend	Sheepscombe VH	7.30pm

## 2022

DATE	ACT	VENUE	TIME
Fri 14 Jan	Noble Jacks	Daglingworth VH	7.30pm
Sat 15 Jan	Noble Jacks	Chedworth VH	7.45pm
Sat 22 Jan	The Time Machine	Brockweir Mackenzie Hall	7.30pm
Thu 27 Jan	Elvis Blue Hawaii	Broadwell Evergreen Hall	8.00pm
Fri 28 Jan	Moscow Drug Club	Westcote VH	7.30pm
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Sat 19 Mar	Truckstop Honeymoon	Meysey Hampton Memorial Hall	7.30pm
Thu 24 Mar	Spindle Ensemble	Broadwell Evergreen Hall	8.00pm
Sat 26 Mar	Elvis Blue Hawaii	Chedworth VH	7.45pm
Fri 1 Apr	Simon Mayor & Hilary James	Bibury Village Hall	7.30pm
Sat 16 Apr	Moscow Drug Club	Brockweir Mackenzie Hall	7.30pm
Sat 23 Apr	Blues People	Meysey Hampton Memorial Hall	7.30pm





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