

Lichfield Arts

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Blues & Jazz Festival 2016



Fri 24 - Sun 26 June

Kent DuChaine • Matt Schofield Band • Zappatistas
Fred Thelonius Baker • Callum Roxburgh 'Swing' Orchestra
Steve Ajao Blues Giants • Rebecca Downes Band
Steve Waterman Quartet • Birmingham Jazz Orchestra
Nick Dewhurst Quintet • Tim Amann Xtet
Staffordshire Schools Primary & Senior Jazz Orchestras
+workshops, street events, ale trail & more!



Lichfield Guildhall • The George Hotel
Wade Street Church & many more venues

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FULL FESTIVAL TICKET
(FRI/SAT/SUN):
£50
(£45 BEFORE 1ST MAY)

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Yes, it's back again and will feature some of the UK's finest blues and jazz musicians plus some of our excellent regional performers.

Our outreach programme will give very young musicians their very first taste of hearing and playing jazz with their more seniors inspiring them to go forward.

We are particularly proud to be presenting two big bands, products of the excellent Birmingham Conservatoire, plus many favourites from past festivals. Blues fans will get a full programme from current established stars to the new strident faces on the British Blues scene.

Besides all this, many of our fine pubs will be showcasing local bands. Enjoy an evening, day or the full festival.

A few words from our patron...

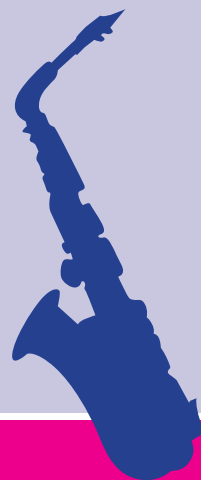
When my nine year old grandson picks up his alto sax my eyes glaze over and I think how wonderful it would have been to have had the opportunities that he and so many other youngsters have today to find their way into the music we love so much.

Looking at the programme it highlights how musicians of my age and youngsters come together to create such wonderful sounds.

It was a great sadness to me that for a whole period I could only listen to my music on vinyl and live music was almost dead now Lichfield resounds with sound on every street corner.

Thank you Lichfield Blues and Jazz Festival for inviting me back for another year as your Patron.

Cllr. David S. Smith.
County Councillor
Lichfield Rural South



ABOUT Lichfield Arts

INSPIRING, INVOLVING, ENTERTAINING

Lichfield Arts is an independent charitable organisation that has promoted music and Arts events in Lichfield since 1974. Playing a key role in Lichfield District's thriving arts and creative community, it is mainly run by volunteers.

Lichfield Arts is nationally recognised for the promotion of artistic excellence from our existing heritage and new innovative work. The organisation has a distinctive cultural offer presented in an informal and accessible way for the whole local community and visitors to the District to enjoy.

Lichfield Arts promotes around 40 concerts a year including the genres of Folk, Jazz, Blues, Roots & Rock. It stages a number of festivals such as L2F - the Lichfield Festival of Folk and various beer festivals.

Lichfield Arts also encourages and promotes local talent with community projects and by supporting Wildfire Folk, Blast Off!, Lichfield Lighthouse Company, Lichfield's Got Talent as well as other events and projects.

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Friday 24th June

Tim Amann Xtet

7.30pm Wade Street Church £7



Recent Jazzlines audience poll winners; the Tim Amann Xtet comprises some of the Midlands' top talented jazz musicians, including several members of the popular Walsall Jazz Orchestra.

They are led by pianist/composer Tim Amann and the group features Adam Gilchrist bass, Carl Hemmingsley drums, Ray Butcher trumpet, Sam Rogers saxes, Sheila MacRory on vocal and flute.

Tim's original compositions blend elements of folk, blues, and jazz together to create very distinctive, melodic and individual soundscapes creating jazz to savour and enjoy. The band will be performing material from their latest CD Still Waters as well as recently written and arranged material prepared for the festival.

Matt Schofield Band

8.00pm Lichfield Guildhall £15



This superb guitarist is no stranger to Lichfield Guildhall and continues to push the frontiers and reshape the boundaries of the British Blues tradition. Guitar virtuoso, singer, songwriter, producer and band leader, ten years into his solo career, Schofield's impact as one of the most influential and distinctive guitarists of his generation is unquestionable. His inimitable playing and tone has inspired legions of guitarists. To see and hear him live with his impressive band from main stages to iconic venues like London's 100 Club and Lichfield Guildhall, Schofield's ability to connect with audiences immediately and profoundly is unforgettable. His authenticity, mastery of guitar, emotive vocals, and improvisational brilliance are brought to life with innovative original compositions, as beautifully captured on the recent live album 'Ten From The Road'.

Saturday 25th June

10.30am

Outside Lichfield Guildhall

Festival Launch

The official launch of the festival out on the street featuring Blast Off!, Lichfield's funkiest, grooviest community big band and other local bands getting you truly warmed up for the rest of this superb weekend of music.



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Saturday 25th June

1.30pm Lichfield Guildhall £12

Some of the finest young musicians from the Midlands in these two contrasting Big Bands.

Birmingham Jazz Orchestra

Directed by Sean Gibbs this dynamic, 19-piece orchestra was founded in 2014 to showcase the composing and improvising talents of the area's best jazz musicians. They released their critically acclaimed debut album, Burns, in 2015. In addition to this, they have a growing repertoire of music penned by other band members.

www.seangibbs.com



Callum Roxburgh 'Swing' Orchestra

Founded in 2011 by like-minded jazz students at Birmingham Conservatoire and led by saxophonist Callum Roxburgh who cut his teeth playing in the big band tradition.

Be ready for a sonorous tour of the big band sound. You'll hear classic swing band adaptations, Sinatra classics, rock songs given a jazz treatment, John Coltrane compositions and American song book standards.



6.30pm Wade Street Church £10

Steve Waterman Quartet

An exciting concert in this fine venue featuring four of Britain's finest jazz musicians. Leader Steve Waterman is a professor of Jazz Trumpet at Trinity College, London. Joining him are Gareth Williams (piano), Alec Dankworth (bass) and Dave Barry (drums). The quartet will play a mixture of tunes from composers such as Benny Golson, Wayne shorter and Chick Corea plus some of Steve's own compositions. Wonderful, stirring, swinging, mind-blowing, tasty, unforgettable music.



7.00pm Lichfield Guildhall £13

Get ready for a great night of Blues performed by two of the Midlands finest.

Steve Ajao Blues Giants

This band play simply good-time, classic, sparkling blues with humour and finesse. They are Steve Ajao (guitars/vocals), Mick Hatton (bass) and Pete 'Washboard' Hammond. Close your eyes for one moment and you will think you are listening to a band from the Mississippi Delta and the next second Jimi Hendrix. They are a must-see group, extolling the blues, who have been entertaining Midlands fans for many years. Watch out for Steve's amazing voice and colourful shirts.



Rebecca Downes Band

If you enjoyed Steve Ajao then get prepared for Rebeca Downes' explosive soulful blues. She is blowing the cobwebs away with her soul-tinged blues helped along by her amazing band made up of herself (vocals/songwriter), Steve Birkett (guitar/songwriter), Dan Clark (bass), Rick Benton (keyboards/Hammond organ), Rik Sandford (lead guitar) and Lloyd Daker drums.

They perform original compositions punctuated by some classic covers. Besides the blues, expect to hear elements of funk, rock and jazz delivered with warmth, humour and passion. A live act which is blowing the British Blues Scene completely upside down.



Sunday 26th June

ALL DAY
TICKET
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10.30am Wade Street Church Blues & Jazz Festival Service

Join the musicians and congregation of Wade Street Church exploring the spiritual roots of blues and jazz in a special service arranged for the festival. All welcome.

Noon Lichfield Guildhall FREE South Staffordshire Primary Schools Jazz Orchestra -I hear and play Jazz

After last year's pilot workshop we have extended to a larger outreach project under the leadership of Paul Bennett, involving young pupils from across Primary schools in South Staffordshire. Some had never heard any jazz or even played in a band so come along and hear the results of their hard work.

1.00pm George Hotel £10

Get ready for a great day of Jazz at this wonderful venue.

Fred 'Thelonius' Baker

Be prepared to hear this amazing Derbyshire born bass/acoustic guitarist. He will take you off onto a musical journey from blues, country, flamenco, Bach, rock and straight-ahead-Jazz to Elizabethan lute. He has appeared with all the top musicians from Courtney Pine and Soft Machine to Robert Wyatt. So just relax and enjoy the wonderful music of this skilful, talented musician.



Nick Dewhurst Quintet

Former Netherstowe School student and graduate of Birmingham Conservatoire, Nick Dewhurst, formed this five-piece band with fellow graduates of the Conservatoire. They make a welcome return to this festival.



The quintet play a mixture of tunes inspired by some of Nick's favourite trumpeters plus some of Nick's own compositions. Expect to hear tunes written or recorded by Freddie Hubbard, Tom Harrell and Chet Baker to name but a few.

12.45pm Lichfield Guildhall FREE Staffordshire Senior Schools Jazz Orchestra (East)

Sit back and enjoy the skills of these very talented young musicians from all parts of East Staffordshire under the leadership of Jenny Mawdsley and Paul Bennett. Hear classic Big Band sounds played with dexterity, understanding, verve and the enthusiasm of youth.

More fantastic
music on the
next page!...

The GEORGE Hotel



NEW GIN MENU

With a choice of 20 premium gins, it's never too early for Gin o'clock at The George!

We now offer a choice of 20 signature gin and tonics in our newly refurbished lounge bar—all are served in a large balloon glass filled with ice, topped with the recommended tonic and served with a selected garnish to marry perfectly with your chosen gin.

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3.00pm Lichfield Guildhall £12

Kent DuChaine

the American Delta Bluesman

There are few musicians who can captivate an audience with nothing but a guitar & the blues to the level that Kent DuChaine does.

A true raconteur with tales of playing & travelling with some of the great blues masters including Muddy Waters, Howlin' Wolf, John Lee Hooker & Bukka White. A true all round entertainer with his legendary National steel guitar, the 82 year old Leadbessie.

"Honest entertainment this good should not be missed." Blueprint magazine

"One of the 5 best concerts nationwide (in any music genre)." The Sunday Times (London).



5.00pm George Hotel £14

Zappatistas

COOL RATS - HOT LICKS!

This fantastic band are making a very welcome appearance back in Lichfield to end the festival.

They bring to life some of Frank Zappa's greatest rock music with an energising injection of jazz-rock provided by a top band of musicians.

They are leader, John Etheridge (guitar), Mike Bradley (drums), Steve Lodder (keyboards/piano), Rob Statham (bass), Annie Whitehead (trombone), Ben Castle (saxes) and Paul Jayasinha (trumpet).

Let's hope the Georgian chandeliers at the George Hotel will stand up to the strain!



visit Lichfield

A hidden treasure in the heart of the country

With a bustling bijou city, picturesque countryside, and fun for all the family, Lichfield District is a fantastic destination for a day out, city break or short getaway. Lichfield is less than 20 miles from Birmingham and only 40 minutes by train from New Street Station.

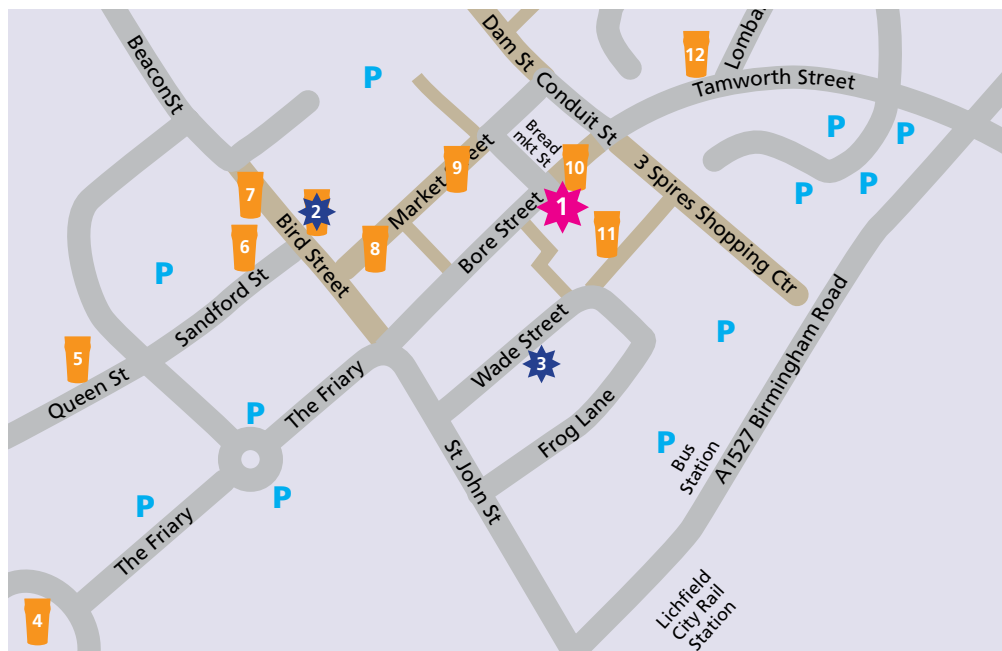
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Venues map



1. Lichfield Guildhall
2. The George Hotel
3. Wade Street Church
4. The Bowling Green
5. The Queens Head
6. The Horse & Jockey
7. The King's Head
8. The Angel Inn
9. The Scales
10. The George IV
11. Malt Bar
12. The Whippet Inn

Who's playing where

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		Staffordshire Senior Schools Jazz Orchestra (East)	Guildhall
	1.00pm	Fred 'Thelonius' Baker	George Hotel
		Nick Dewhurst Quintet	George Hotel
	3.00pm	Kent Duchaine	Guildhall
	5.00pm	Zappatistas	George Hotel

Blues & Jazz Real Ale Trail

Lichfield has a great reputation for its wide choice of fine pubs selling excellent real ales from national to regional breweries. So take a stroll round the city centre, put your feet up and enjoy a glass.

Thanks to:

Sponsors Jerry Sykes and The George Hotel. Grants from Arts Council England. County Councillors Janet Eagland, Terry Finn & David Smith and other supporters Lichfield District Council, Lichfield City Council.



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The George
Hotel



Lichfield District Tourism Association



The Bowling Green, The Angel Inn and The George IV.

Lichfield Mercury and City Life for media support.

Finally, thanks to our wonderful team of volunteers for all their hard work and all our customers for booking tickets.

The programme is correct at the time of going to press but may be subject to change at short notice.

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Getting to Lichfield

Car: Lichfield is less than 20 miles from the M42/M6/ M40 and a short distance from the A38/A5

Bus: Regular services from Burton, Tamworth, Stafford and Cannock to Lichfield bus/rail interchange.

Rail: London Midland run an hourly service from London (Euston) to Lichfield Trent Valley and from Crewe to Lichfield Trent Valley.

There is a regular 20 minute service from Birmingham (New Street) to Lichfield City station (journey time 37 minutes).

Transport partner: www.londonmidland.com

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Booking

Online: www.lichfieldarts.org.uk

Box Office: 01543 262223

Cheque: Payable to Lichfield Arts

Address: Lichfield Arts, Donegal House, Bore Street, Lichfield WS13 6LU

Please note a £1 administration charge applies to all bookings. To help Lichfield Arts even more please ask about Gift Aid.

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Caravan/camping: Available at Fullbrook Farm, Watery Lane, Curborough, Lichfield WS13 8EP

Tel: 01543 410759 www.fullbrookfarm.co.uk - advance booking essential.

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