

# Welcome to The Met

Our award-winning venue, based in the heart of Bury town centre, has been packing in music fans and theatre-goers since 1979. But we're always open to new people ready to discover a new favourite act, or take part in something different, so here are the basics you need to know before checking out the What's On, on the following pages.

Fold-out for Music listings

# Your Visit to The Met

The Met is filled with music and theatre throughout the year. From our main Derby Hall stage productions, community spaces and solve resording at Edwin Street Studio, there's always something happening within our wells. We also host weekly community choics, ukutele bands and more with our partners ALFA education ever the day, and even have our own community lax or chesta. Find out more about learning or jointural themet-organic/workshops.



# Covid Safet

We've been working hard to ensure the well is a safe place to be and is ready to support audiences and artists alike. Our venue is now back to full eapacity, but we still have several Covid safety measure in place to ensure we're all as safe as possible. Read more about all of our safety measures at themetour ukypowing



One Way Systems



Additional Cleaning



Face Mask Mandatory Hand Sanitiser Stations





### **General information**

#### **Getting here**

The Met is on Market Street in Bury town centre, BL9 0BW. We are about 50 metres from Bury interchange, meaning Metrolink or local bus services are a great way to get to and from shows.

We don't have a car park, but there's plenty of on street parking in Bury (including blue badge bays directly opposite), or Bolton Street Car Park is the nearest main car park (search BL9 0DL).

#### **Tickets & booking**

Tickets for all shows are available directly from The Met. The price you see listed will be the price you pay, without additional transaction fees.

Buy direct from us at: **themet.org.uk** or call us on **0161 761 2216**. Buy in person at The Met on Tuesday, Wednesday or Saturday (10am-2pm) or Friday (12-5pm), and from one hour before any show.

The Met is a fully accessible venue. See **themet.org.uk/visit** for more information.

### Music Workshops programme

#### Metro Jazz

Metro Jazz is The Met's own community jazz orchestra led by experienced saxophonist and educator Munch Manship.

Metro Jazz is open to anyone aged 16-100 (and beyond!) who plays an instrument to a competent standard (but don't worry about grades) and is interested in learning about and playing jazz music.

Sessions run Mondays 7-9pm. Please contact steph.meskellbrocken@themet.org.uk about getting involved.

#### Instrumental Lessons

The Met also hosts instrumental lessons in Harmonica with Mat Walklate and Guitar with Terry Moses. These classes will be accepting new students from January so please get in touch and keep your eye on the website to find out more.





Box office 0161 761 2216 — themet.org.uk

#### January

#### **Kevin Montgomery**

Country: Fri 14 Jan, 7pm - From £16 Nashville singer-songwriter Kevin Montgomery returns to The Met.

#### Ferris & Sylvester

Blues/Rock: Fri 14 Jan, 7.30pm - £11

#### Carl Barat

Rock: Sat 15 Jan, 7pm - £22 Libertine and former Dirty Pretty Things frontman Carl Barat visits The Met as part of the National Lottery Revive Live January Tour.



Pop: Thu 20 Jan, 8pm - From £21 Harriet performs intimate versions of her favourite original songs and some specially selected covers.

#### The Outside Track

Folk: Fri 21 Jan, 8pm - From £15 One of the best Celtic acts in the world. Blending fiddle, accordion, harp, guitar, flute, whistle and vocals with breathtaking vitality!

#### Jean Genie

Tribute: Sat 22 Jan, 8pm - From £16 Jean Genie performs all of David Bowie's greatest hits.

#### Sam Baker

Folk: Thu 27 Jan, 8pm – £16 Texas troubadour Sam Baker comes to The Met for a captivating evening of songs and stories.

#### George!

Tribute: Fri 28 Jan, 8pm – £16 The ultimate tribute to George Harrison starring Nick Bold.

#### Pinked Floyd

Tribute: Sat 29 Jan, 8pm - From £19 This seven-piece tribute band return to the Met with an engaging and energetic performance celebrating the magical music of Pink Floyd

#### February



Blues: Wed 2 Feb, 7pm - £11 Laurence Jones has become one the UK's hottest guitar players. His passionate riffs, soloing and catchy songs, has seen him inducted him into the British Blues Hall Of Fame.



Folk: Thu 3 Feb, 8pm - From £17 Police Dog Hogan are a seven-piece who mix of country, pop, folk, and bluegrass to create a highenergy sound you can't help falling in love with.

#### Emerging Showcase Denova

Pop: Fri 4 Feb, 7pm - From £5 The Met's emerging artists showcase returns, and this time it's LIVE! February's event features Bury's Denova - anthemic pop rock paired with meaningful, uplifting songwriting.

Independent

Venue Week

#### Flook

Independent Folk: Sat 5 Feb, 2pm – £17 Venue Week The Iconic, ground-breaking, Irish/ English folk group returns to Bury with music from their latest album Ancora.



Pop: Sat 5 Feb, 8pm - £21 A unique chance to experience Toyah up close and personal with a show that has a lively cinematic sound using Toyah's vocals, keyboards, stand-up bass and story-telling.

#### IQ (SOLD OUT)

Rock: Fri 11 & Sat 12 Feb, 8pm - From £20 One of the world's leading progressive rock bands, IQ are known for their passionate music and dramatic live shows.

#### The Delines

Country: Sun 13 Feb, 8pm - £21 Retro country soul from novelist/songwriter Willy Vlautin, Amy Boone, Sean Oldham and friends.

#### The Animals and Friends

Rock: Sat 19 Feb, 7.30pm - From £28.50 Rhythm and blues legends The Animals and Friends come to Bury with their farewell tour. Joining them is Maggie Bell, former front-woman

#### Livewire - The AC/DC Show

Tribute: Fri 25 Feb, 8pm – From £18.50 The hugely successful and unique six-man tribute to AC/DC returns to The Met to play all the classics including Back in Black, Rosie, and Highway to Hell.

#### **Daisy Chute**

Americana: Sat 26 Feb, 8pm - £11 American-Scottish folk singer and songwriter Daisy Chute comes to The Met with her Songs of Solace EP.

#### The Zombies

Supported by Rogers and Butler Rock: Sun 27 Feb, 8pm – £28.50 Iconic British psychedelic pop legends The Zombies return to celebrate their long-awaited induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

#### March

#### The Jerseys

Tribute: Thu 3 & Fri 4 Mar, 7.30pm - From £21 Join The Jerseys as they celebrate the timeless music of the one-hundred-million album selling Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons.

#### **Both Sides Now: The Joni Mitchell Celebration Concert**

Tribute: Sun 5 Mar, 8pm - From £19 Both Sides Now, the UK's only regular touring tribute to the songs of Joni Mitchell, are back on the road to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of Joni's breakthrough album Blue.



Folk: Wed 9 Mar, 8pm – From £17 Leveret is a unique collaboration between Andy Cutting, Sam Sweeney and Rob Harbron, three of England's finest folk musicians.

#### Harley Kimbro Lewis

Folk: Thu 10 Mar, 8pm - £19.50 Daniel Kimbro's Appalachia roots meet Sam Lewis's Nashville tones and Martin Harley's travelling riverside blues. Acoustic Americana at is finest.

#### Inversions - Belinda O'Hooley

Folk: Fri 11 Mar, 8pm - £17 Inversions,' featuring O'Hooley and Tidow, showcases Belinda's abilities as a composer and pianist with many of the piano pieces inspired by the songs and tunes her father inherited from a long line of male musicians in the hills of the West coast of rural Ireland.

#### **James Grant and the** Hallelujah String Quartet

Tribute: Sat 12 Mar, 8pm - From £16 Love & Money frontman James Grant is joined by The Hallelujah String Quartet for this very special concert at The Met.

#### Emerging Showcase

#### **Urban Theory**

Pop: Thu 17 Mar, 7pm - From £5 Our March showcase features Urban Theory, a hard hitting, four-piece, indie-punk guitar band from Bury.

#### Jim Ghedi

Folk: Friday 18 Mar, 8pm – from £13 Although clearly well versed in the history of Folk music, Jim stands out as a potential torch bearer for a new generation of respectful yet experimental performers.



Folk: Sat 19 Mar, 7pm – £11 James and Sam Gillespie perform with rich with lyrical intensity and the sounds of soaring sibling harmony, guitars, flute, fiddle and mandolin.

#### Mike Sweeney

Pop: Sat 19 Mar, 8pm - £21 Broadcasting legend Mike Sweeney takes to the stage in a show packed with sixties classics.

#### Breabach

Folk: Sun 20 Mar 7:30pm - From £17 Breabach are one of Scotland's most skilled and imaginative contemporary folk acts. Exhilarating, energetic and accomplished.

#### Phil Cunningham & Aly Bain

Folk: Thu 24 Mar, 8pm - £19 With Aly's passionate fiddle playing and Phil's mastery of the accordion, the pair have won awards including Best Duo at the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards.

#### Twelfth Day

Folk: Fri 25 Mar, 7.30pm - £15 Catriona Price and Esther Swift, two young Scottish virtuosos offer a musically ground-breaking amalgam of chamber music, Scottish folk music, jazz-funk and electronica.

#### **Blue Rose Code**

Folk: Fri 25 Mar, 8pm - £17 Ross Wilson aka Blue Rose Code addresses universal themes of love, loss, travel, home and hard times in a deeply personal way.

#### Glenn Tilbrook

Rock: Sat 26 Mar, 8pm - From £21 Glenn Tilbrook is one of our most cherished singers, guitarists and songwriters, not to mention an indemand and endlessly endearing live performer.



Folk: Sat 26 Mar, 8pm - £11 Odd, unconventional melodies, sophisticated song-writing and the bewitching clarity of Kentborn, Canada-based Farrell's voice are made elegant with careful accompaniment on tenor guitar and viola.

#### Heidi Talbot

Folk: Sun 27 Mar, 8pm – From £17 Born in a small village in Co. Kildare, Ireland, Heidi Talbot became a folk star in the USA as a member

#### Rachel McShane & The Cartographers

Folk: Thu 31 Mar, 8pm - £17 Best known as a member of Bellowhead, Rachael McShane comes to The Met with her new band the Cartographers.

#### The Trials of Cato

Folk: Fri 1 Apr, 8pm - £16 The Trials of Cato pay homage to the folk tradition, twisting it into something febrile and modern, with stomping tunes and captivating stories.

#### **Guns or Roses**

Tribute: Sat 2 Apr, 8pm - From £16 The ultimate tribute to Guns N' Roses performing all their iconic hits including Welcome to the Jungle, Sweet Child of Mine, and Paradise City.

#### **Clive Carroll**

Folk: Sat 3 Apr, 8pm – From £13 Guitar phenomenon Clive Carroll's masterful compositions, coupled with his versatility and unparalleled technical virtuosity, have rendered him one of today's most admired and respected guitarists.

#### Calan

Folk: Tue 5 Apr, 7.30pm - From £17.50 Calan are a multi award-winning Welsh folk band comprising of five virtuoso musicians which formed after they met at a folk music course in Sweden.



Folk: Thu 7 Apr, 8pm - £16 Essex-born John Smith is one of the UK's finest guitarists and songwriters.

# Emerging Showcase Toria Wooff

Folk: Fri 8 Apr, 7pm - From £5 Manchester-based singer-songwriter and 'folky lioness' Toria Wooff is influenced by classic rock and blues and standing at a crossroads of folk and Americana. Expect stories told by delicate guitar and haunting vocals.

#### Mama Genesis

Tribute: Sat 9 Apr, 8pm - £21 The Next Domino, a reproduction of Genesis's The last Domino tour, featuring the same songs in the same order.

#### Fara

Folk: Thu 14 Apr, 8pm – £17 At the forefront of today's young Scottish folk scene, Fara combine three fiddles and piano to create a fiery sound rooted in their upbringing in Orkney.

#### Dreadzone

Pop: Fri 15 Apr, 8pm - From £23.50 Dreadzone are an unstoppable force who have long been, and still are, one of the best live bands around with a loyal and ever growing fanbase due in part to their storming and energetic live shows.

#### India Electric Co.

Folk: Sat 16 Apr, 7pm – £15 Blending traditional instruments, folk melodies and subtle electronic influences, this group have extensively toured throughout Europe, Australia and New Zealand, including UK shows at The London Palladium and Hammersmith Apollo.

#### Lindisfarne

Rock: Sat 16 Apr, 8pm - From £28.50 The legendary 1970s folk-rock pioneers return with a classic five-piece line-up.

#### Daoirí Farrell

Folk: Thu 21 Apr, 8pm - £15 Singer and bouzouki player Daoirí Farrell is one of most important folk musicians to come out of Ireland in recent years.



Pop: Fri 22 Apr, 8pm - £23.50 Los Angeles-based singer and songwriter Joshua Radin mixes acoustic eloquence with dyed-in-the-wool Americana storytelling.

#### **Hot Club of Cowtown**

Americana: Sat 23 Apr, 8pm - From £17 Hot Club of Cowtown's joyful sound blends the traditional western-swing of the American southwest with European hot jazz influences of the same era.

#### Sam Carter

Folk: Thu 28 Apr, 7pm - From £13 Sam Carter is a brilliant guitarist and songwriter who combines the observational with social comment and personal reflection.

#### **Danni Nicholls**

Americana: Fri 29 Apr, 8pm - £13 Acclaimed UK Americana singer-songwriter Danni Nicholls comes to The Met for her first headline show.

#### **Charm of Finches**

Folk: Sat 30 Apr, 7pm - £16 Australian indie-folk sister duo Charm of Finches make haunted tunes about love, grief and whispering trees.

# Food and Drink at The Met

Our own independent restaurant Automatic is also now open for business! It's perfect for pre-show meals and post-gig drinks, recovery breakfasts and quick lunches, with everything made fresh.

Visit automaticcafe.com or call 0161 763 9399 to book a table

## Support The Met

We can't wait to welcome more of you through our doors as we're able to offer more live events, and evolve our programme over the months to come. Your ongoing support has enabled us to continue adapting our work to the changing situation, and deliver brilliant projects designed to uplift, entertain and inspire our audiences. As a charity, we rely on donations to ensure we can continue to deliver brilliant projects designed to uplift, entertain and inspire our audiences, and it only through this continued support that we will be able to continue delivering world class entertainment, right in the heart of Bury.

