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2026

What's on at The Met

In the heart of Bury

Spiers & Boden,
Sat 21 Feb, 8pm

Gabrielle Sey & Emma Jane Mansfield,
Fri 27 Feb, 8pm



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Welcome to The Met

Our award-winning venue, based in the heart of Bury town centre, has been packing in music fans and theatregoers 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.

Some of our events give you the choice on what to pay to help make The Met a more welcoming and inclusive space for all. These are:

Standard – What we need most people to pay to run the event

Subsidised – For those currently unable to pay the standard price

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Sophie Cade,
Artistic
Programme
Manager

A new season, a new chapter

As we step into a new year, we do so with full hearts and deep gratitude. Our 50th birthday celebrations were an incredible milestone made truly special by you, our audiences, whose enthusiasm and support made it a year to remember.

Now, we look ahead with renewed energy and creativity. This season brings together powerful performances and unforgettable music. From Samuel Beckett's Krapp's Last Tape to the soulful sounds of Errol Linton, the folk brilliance of Spiers & Boden, and Holly Clarke's evocative album launch tour. We also pay heartfelt tribute to the wit and warmth of Victoria Wood with Looking For Me Friend, marking ten years since her death.

Our Emerging Showcase events continue to grow, now spotlighting talented new artists from across the UK and placing Bury even more firmly into the nationwide touring circuit. We look forward to welcoming back families following panto season with a variety of choices and continue to programme matinee and early evening shows for those who prefer an earlier home time.

We invite you to join us to discover, connect and be inspired. We look forward to seeing you in The Met again soon.

Comedy

The Met's Comedian of the Year Competition 2026

Thu 22 Jan, 8pm – £14

Six up-and-coming comedians perform and compete for a £600 prize and the coveted title of The Met's Comedian of the Year.

First Thursday Comedy Club

Thu 5 Feb, Thu 5 Mar, & Thu 2 Apr, 8pm – £14

Top quality comedy at The Met on the first Thursday of every month.

Dave Spikey – Life in a Northern Town

Thu 19 Feb, 7:30pm – from £22.50

Laugh along as Dave Spikey recounts his journey from a Bolton childhood to the world of stand-up comedy.

Cerys Bradley's Queer Tales for Autistic Folk

Sat 28 Feb, 7pm – Standard £12 /
Subsidised £8 / Supporter £14

Join comedian Cerys Bradley (winner Autistic Excellence Award; as seen on Comedy Central, UKTV, and BBC One Wales) for this interactive choose-your-own-story comedy show.



Theatre



Krapp's Last Tape by Samuel Beckett

Thu 29 Jan, 7:30pm – Standard £16 /
Subsidised £14 / Supporter £18

A journey into the human soul in Krapp's world of solitude, memories, dreams, elation, and despair. Starring David Westhead and directed by Academy Award nominee Stockard Channing.

Virgins by Nathan Lea

Fri 27 Mar, 7:30pm –
Pay What You Want

A fully rehearsed performance of Virgins, a new coming-of-age comedy drama by local actor and playwright Nathan Lea.



Get Involved

Bury Music – Battle of the Bands – get ready to rock!

Thu 29 Jan, 7pm – £14 (£8 conc)

The best of Bury's young local rock and pop talent, battle for the chance to represent Bury in the Greater Manchester Music Hub Battle of the Bands. Find out more: burymusic.co.uk

Kendal Mountain Tour

Wed 18 Feb, 7pm – £21 / £16 conc

Adventure and human connection with Kendal Mountain Tour in this curated selection of award-winning short films and inspiring talks from adventurers.

PADOS Youth: Chicago

Wed 18 – Sat 21 Mar, 7:30pm
(Sat 2:30pm & 7:30pm) – £18

This multi award-winning theatre group perform the Teen Edition of the longest running American musical on Broadway, with a classic soundtrack full of showstoppers.

BBS on Tour 2.0

Thu 12 Mar, 7:30pm – £12

An evening of musical entertainment, showcasing the talents from Bury Blind Society.

Family

The Ultimate Bubble Show

Sat 31 Jan, 1pm – £11

A high-energy show filled with incredible bubble sculptures, magical effects, and the quest to create the ultimate square bubble!



Goofus Theatre – The Tale of Nobody Nose...

Wed 18 & Thu 19 Feb, 2pm – £12

A fantastical wintry journey, led by three clowns who travel wherever their magical, map-of-dreams leads them!

Teach Rex Live

Fri 3 Apr, 10am, 12:30pm & 3pm – £14

This hugely popular show returns to The Met, suitable for children aged 3 and over. Meet the dinosaurs and find out what makes them tick!

Lyngo Theatre presents Hay!

Fri 10 Apr, 2pm – £10

Lyngo have been delighting audiences for 20 years with their unique mix of fun and beautiful imagery (suitable for children aged 3+).

Out of the Box

Tue 14 Apr, 2pm – £14 Adult / £12 Child

A non-verbal, family-friendly circus comedy show, featuring Darryl and his amazing box of tricks. In his hands ordinary objects become extraordinary.



Box office 0161 761 2216 — themet.org.uk

Music January

Jean Genie – The Best of David Bowie

Sat 10 Jan, 8pm – from £20
Jean Genie performs David Bowie's greatest hits.

A History of Blues Harmonica 1920s – 1960s

Fri 16 Jan, 8pm – Standard £15 / Subsidised £13 / Supporter £17
Former British Blues Harmonica champion Mat Walklate takes a journey through the history of blues harmonica joined by guitarists Alex Haynes and James Lawley.

Get A Round In

Fri 23 Jan, 8pm & Fri 13 Mar, 8pm – £10 / Season Ticket £49.50
A Nashville-style writers’ round, featuring three artists sharing the stage to showcase their songwriting talent and tell the stories behind their music.

Pinked Floyd

Sat 24 Jan, 8pm – from £22
Favourites from the timeless albums Dark Side of the Moon, The Wall, The Division Bell, Wish You Were Here, Animals, and A Momentary Lapse of Reason.

Little Strange & Tommy Ball
Fri 30 Jan, 8pm – £10 / U25's £6
Expect an amalgamation of Rock, Blues and Americana, in a melting pot of influences from this genre-blending four-piece Manchester band, joined by Blackburn musician Tommy Ball.

Dennis Ellsworth

Sat 31 Jan, 8pm – Standard £19.50 / Subsidised £18 / Supporter £21
Acclaimed Canadian songwriter Dennis Ellsworth performs a captivating show with his brilliant four-piece band.

February

The Clone Roses & DJ Clint Boon

Fri 6 Feb, 8pm – £26 seated / £22 standing
The UK’s number one Stone Roses tribute band return. Plus a special 'Madchester' DJ set from Inspiral Carpets' Clint Boon.

Paul Jones and Dave Kelly

Thu 12 Feb, 8pm – from £28.50
True, unvarnished virtuosity of the blues with master performers Paul Jones and Dave Kelly delivering an acoustic set steeped in decades of musical knowledge.

Daniel Kimbro

Fri 13 Feb, 7:30pm – Standard £17 / Subsidised £15 / Supporter £19
Music from this multi-Grammy-nominated master of American Roots music and Folk-Blues. East Tennessee native Daniel Kimbro has toured and recorded with legends like Eric Clapton, Sarah Jarosz, and The Jerry Douglas Band.



Errol Linton and his band

Fri 20 Feb, 8pm – £20
Join Errol Linton, the "tremendous King of the UK Blues", and his sensational band for a night of world-class, critically-acclaimed British Blues.

Spiers & Boden

Sat 21 Feb, 8pm – £24
Folk masters Spiers & Boden celebrate a quarter of a century of spellbinding music, bringing their acclaimed, high-energy sound to the stage.

Joshua Burnell: Misty Mountain Tour 2026

Thu 26 Feb, 8pm – £17
Singer-songwriter Joshua Burnell celebrates the re-release of his Tolkien-influenced debut album, with a night of alt-folk and retro-pop with expressive piano, lush strings, and immersive lyrics.

MCR Made – A Night of Iconic Manchester Anthems

Sat 28 Feb, 8pm – £19
A high-energy tribute to Manchester legends like The Smiths, Oasis, and Joy Division, plus support from rising local bands Sad Sells and Shoehorn.

Gabrielle Sey & Emma Jane Mansfield

Fri 27 Feb, 8pm – £10 / Under 25s £6
South London born singer songwriter Gabrielle Sey’s music and songwriting draws on years of journaling, candid conversations and spiritual reflection, she is joined by fellow singer songwriter Lancashire’s Emma Jane Mansfield.



March

Los Pacaminos featuring Paul Young

Thu 5 Mar, 8pm – £27 seated / £23 standing
A brilliant seven-piece band, featuring UK pop legend Paul Young, perform infectious Tex-Mex music.

Hannah James and Toby Kuhn

Fri 6 Mar, 7:30pm – £17
This captivating folk duo blend virtuosic cello playing with award-winning accordion, vocals, and percussive dance.

K-POP Superstars

Sat 7 Mar, 3:45pm – from £22
The ultimate K-POP tribute show, bringing the excitement, energy, and style of the global phenomenon to the stage. Look out for incredible young performers, dazzling choreography, sparkling costumes, and non-stop hits in this high-energy, family-friendly show. A fun, interactive celebration of music and dance.



Lizzy Hardingham

Sat 7 Mar, 8pm – Standard £12 / Subsidised £10 / Supporter £14
An acclaimed English folk singer-songwriter, best known for her emotive vocals, instrumental versatility, and thoughtful thematic work.

Daoirí Farrell

Thu 12 Mar, 7:30pm – £20
A multi-award-winning Dublin singer and bouzouki player, celebrated internationally for his powerful voice and authentic take on traditional Irish folk music.

Noasis

Fri 13 Mar, 8pm – from £20.50
The definitive tribute to Manchester legends Oasis, recreating the real Oasis experience with all the classics.

Sam Lewis

Sat 14 Mar, 3pm – £19.50
Nashville-based musician with a unique sound that blends Americana, Blues, and Soul.

The Lancashire Hotpots: Party Party Party Tour

Sat 14 Mar, 8pm – £22
The biggest, silliest, and most unforgettable sing-along party night of the year guaranteed!

Ags Connolly & Will Edgar

Thursday 19 Mar, 8pm – £17
One of the UK’s finest traditional country songwriters with an acclaimed, authentic sound that is winning over fans on both sides of the Atlantic.



Holly Clarke

Fri 20 Mar, 8pm – Standard £14 / Subsidised £12 / Supporter £16
A captivating singer and guitarist who effortlessly blends powerful traditional ballads with fresh new compositions.

Brooke Law

Sat 21 Mar, 8pm – £16
From provocative rock to soulful confessionals, Brooke Law's music and powerful voice blends grit and grace, influenced by artists like Janis Joplin and Alanis Morissette.

The Delines

Sun 22 Mar, 8pm – £30
US country soul five-piece The Delines return to play songs from their re-released 2015 album Scenic Sessions, plus music from their new album which will be released in December 2025.



Transglobal Underground

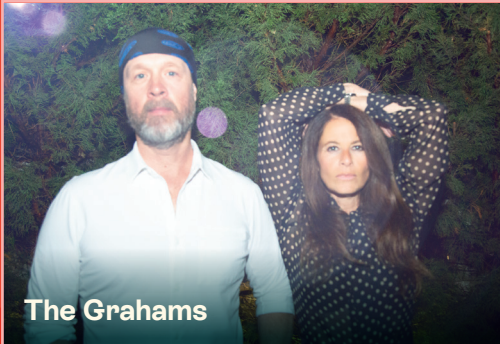
Thu 26 Mar, 8pm – from £23
A band who seamlessly blends diverse Global Sounds, from Techno and Dub to Bhangra and Rock, into a truly unique musical experience.

The Celtic Social Club: 10th Anniversary Tour

Fri 27 Mar, 8pm – £18
Shaking up the Celtic music tradition, Franco-Irish musical powerhouse celebrates traditional Celtic music from Brittany, Ireland, Scotland and Asturias in an exciting mix of Rock, Pop, Folk and Groove.

Laid – A Tribute to James

Sat 28 Mar, 8pm – £17.50
Treat yourself to a memorable evening of classic British indie rock as Laid power through James's biggest hits including Sit Down and She's A Star.



The Grahams

Sun 29 Mar, 4pm – £18 Standard / £16 Subsidised / £20 Supporter
This romantic and musical couple return after 10 years with their new album The Bridge, revealing an honest glimpse into their personal lives within their music for the first time.

April

Harp and a Monkey perform ‘Tall Tales and Truths’

Sat 4 Apr, 4pm – £16 Standard, £14 Subsidised, £18 Supporter
Traditional folk music with a 21st century twist from this award-winning folk trio. A unique blend of English folk music and storytelling, electronic music, accordions and harps.

King Pleasure and The Biscuit Boys

Sat 4 Apr, 8pm – Standard £20 / Subsidised £18 / Supporter £22
A raw, rough, and always-rocking night of authentic vintage rhythm and blues from the world’s greatest jump, jive, and swing act.

Moving Pictures – A Tribute to RUSH

Fri 10 Apr, 8pm – from £22
2026 celebrates 50 years of RUSH’s 2112 album. This show sees Moving Pictures play the 2112 suite in full as well as songs from every RUSH era.

Kris Drever & Annie Dressner

Sat 11 Apr, 8pm – from £20
One of Scotland’s most acclaimed and distinctive contemporary musicians and one third of the award-winning trio Lau, performs songs from his new solo album, plus a selection from his back catalogue of originals.

Make Friends & Kieran Arnold & Charlotte Mary

Thu 16 Apr, 7:30pm – £10 / £6 U25’s
Bristol based band Make Friends bring their unique indie-pop sound to Bury for the first time. Supported by local talent Kieran Arnold and Charlotte Mary.



Kathryn Roberts and Sean Lakeman

Thu 16 Apr, 8pm – £20
Two-time BBC Radio 2 Folk Award winners celebrate 30 years of masterful, inspiring folk music in this magical evening.

CODA: A Tribute to Led Zeppelin

Fri 17 Apr, 8pm – £22
Europe’s most authentic Led Zeppelin tribute band brings tracks to life.

Baby Rock Sampler – Hackney Colliery Band

Sat 18 Apr, 1pm – £17 (early bird & cones available, under 2s free)
These London musical pioneers have pushed the boundaries of brass band conventions building a huge fanbase with their joyous live shows. An afternoon of family-friendly celebration for parents, carers, and their children, in a child-friendly setting. Expect a fun, playful, festival atmosphere.

Sam Carter

Sat 18 Apr, 8pm – Standard £14 / Subsidised £12 / Supporter £16
Award-winning singer-songwriter and guitarist, renowned for his lyrical storytelling. Sam has been stirring audiences from Camden to Canada, from major festivals to intimate clubs.

Looking For Me Friend: The Music of Victoria Wood

Sun 19 Apr, 6pm – £23.50
Celebrate the life and legacy of the incomparable Victoria Wood with an evening of her best-loved songs.

Andy Fairweather Low

Thu 23 Apr, 7:30pm – £32
Andy Fairweather Low, voice of 60s hitmakers Amen Corner and collaborator with Rock royalty like Eric Clapton and Kate Bush, performs his sensational, chart-topping Blues-Rock with a brilliant live band.



Juliet Lloyd

Thu 23 Apr, 7:30pm – Standard £11 / Subsidised £9 / Supporter £13
Join this singer-songwriter whose music blends folk-rooted storytelling with pop-forward melodies for a night of expertly crafted, emotionally layered songs.

Ranagri

Fri 24 Apr, 8pm – £17
A dynamic contemporary folk band blending traditional Irish and British roots with modern influences and global sounds.

Guy Davies

Sat 25 Apr, 7:30pm – £19
With 15 albums and two Grammy nominations to his name, Guy’s musical storytelling is influenced by artists like Blind Willie McTell and Big Bill Broonzy, and his musicality from artists like Lightnin’ Hopkins.

Across the Evening Sky: Josienne Clarke sings the songs of Sandy Denny

Sat 25 Apr, 8pm – from £24
Acclaimed singer songwriter Josienne Clarke is joined by a full band in this new show dedicated to the immortal songs and genius of Sandy Denny.



Granny’s Attic

Thu 30 Apr, 8pm – Standard £16 / Subsidised £14 / Supporter £18
This phenomenal English Folk trio bring boundless energy, exceptional musicianship, and a fresh take on traditional music.



Support The Met

Help us deliver our exciting mission of delivering live events and creativity to the people of Bury.

The Met is a registered charity. This means all the funding and income we receive goes directly back into the work on our stages and in our community.

We are incredibly grateful for the public funding we receive, and to our amazing audiences for visiting and buying tickets. However, this income alone doesn't cover the cost of our live events, projects and workshops in Bury. Just like all non-profit charities we must fundraise all year round to keep this work going.

Thank you to everyone who has donated, funded, sponsored or become a Member so far. You are all part of making amazing things happen and bringing our communities closer together through the arts and creativity!

To find out more about supporting the work of The Met by donating as little as £5 per month visit themet.org.uk/support or call us on 0161 761 2216.

Food and Drink at The Met

Whether you're looking for a pre-show tippie or an interval indulgence, our theatre bar offers a wide selection of hot and cold drinks from freshly brewed tea and coffee to wine, beer and soft drinks. We now also host pop-up restaurants in our kitchen, serving food Thu, Fri & Sat 5pm – 9pm (more details on our website). The Nook, our downstairs bar, is open through the week, so pop in for a brew and a snack! We operate a cashless bar.

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. If you request your tickets by post there will be an additional £1.50 postage fee.

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.

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