

# The Bexhill Festival of Music

18 May - 6 July 2025





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### Welcome to the Bexhill Festival of Music 2025 - our 16th Annual Festival, celebrating Live and Local Music throughout the Town



Gaby Hardwicke



• You will notice that our "Proms Night" at the De La Warr Pavilion has had to be brought forward to **Sunday 18th May 2025** and will start our Festival this year.

• The Festival includes a full variety of performers and musicians, professional and amateur, ranging from internationally and nationally renowned orchestras and performers down to individual musicians, all committed to playing wonderful **Live Music**.

• At the centre of the Festival, on **Wednesday 18th June 2025** at the **DLWP**, you will find the **Schools Summer Big Sing**. This is where pupils and students from our local schools and colleges get to perform in this internationally renowned iconic building, accompanied by live professional musicians. This goes to the heart of one of the Festival's central aims – nurturing music with our young people.

• Huge thanks go to **Bexhill Lions** for their financial support and attendance at the Big Sing.

• Our thanks extend also to **Bexhill Town Council** for their grant-aid this year. The **Advertisers** in this booklet also financially support the Festival with their sponsorship; our thanks extend to them and, once again, to **McPhersons** – our Accountants.

• To all our friends at the **DLWP**, thank you for your continued support over the years as a crucial partner in delivering this Festival.

• If you like what the Festival is doing, and feel you may have something positive to give, the Trustees are looking for another active member. Please feel free to contact Brian for a chat.

• Hope you like our new addition – the centre-spread venues location map – conceived and designed by our excellent Graphic Designer Tony Lindfield.

• We hope you will attend as many events as you can. Many are free to attend and many raise money for local and national charities.

**Brian Beeston**, Chairman  
info@bexhillfestivalofmusic.co.uk

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## A Night at the Bexhill Proms with the Sussex Concert Orchestra at the De La Warr Pavilion

Conducted by **Kenneth Roberts**

Featuring the **Bexhill Festival Choir** led by **Lorraine Barry** and guest soloist **Thomasin Trezise**.

The first half features popular music celebrating the 'Spirit of the Dance', featuring music by **Tchaikovsky** (*Waltz of the Flowers* from 'The Nutcracker'), **Dvorak** (*Slavonic Dance*), **Bizet** (*Habanera/Danse Bohemien* from 'Carmen'), **Boccherini** (*Minuet*), **Frederick Loewe** (*I Could Have Danced all Night* from 'My Fair Lady'), **Sullivan** (*Dance a Cachucha* from 'The Gondoliers'), **Conrad** (*The Continental*), **Merrill** (*Mambo Italiano*) and **Ponchielli** (*Dance of the Hours* from 'La Gioconda').

After the interval it's time to wave your flags and sing along to all the prom favourites including 'Follow the Fleet', *I Vow to Thee My Country*, *Sea Songs*, *Pomp & Circumstance No.1*, *Jerusalem* and *God Save the King*. Union flags are available on the evening.

Our soloist this year is **Thomasin Trezise**. Since leaving Glyndebourne in 2018 Thomasin has developed her highly successful Opera Cabaret. She sings the most popular and well-known Opera Arias and Musical Songs for events Nationwide. Recently Thomasin was made a member of the Royal Society of Musicians for her contribution to music. Thomasin studied singing at the Royal College of Music. She has sung at Glyndebourne, Covent Garden and has had great success with her Opera Cabaret. Thomasin was born in Brighton and studied singing at the Royal College of Music. She has sung at Glyndebourne and The Royal Opera House, Covent Garden and performs her Opera Cabaret for events nationwide.

**The De La Warr Pavilion, Marina, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1DP.**

**Starts 7.30pm.** Tickets £11, £19, £24 (concessions available).  
Box office **01424 229111**. Book online at [www.dlwp.com](http://www.dlwp.com)



Kenneth Roberts



Soloist Thomasin Trezise



'Spirit of the Dance' at Bexhill Proms

De La Warr Pavilion

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## Music under a New Sky

Featuring **Tristan Fry** (percussion), **Paul Morgan** (double bass), **Mike Hatchard** (keyboards/violin and vox).

Three musicians with a stunning list of credits between them (Tristan Fry was the percussionist with Sky and has worked with all the major orchestras; Paul Morgan's played with just about everybody including the Buddy Rich Orchestra and the Robbie Williams Big Swing Band). Ex-Dankworth pianist Mike Hatchard is well known locally (particularly for his jazz breakfasts) but now presents something rather different and exciting - a new suite specially written for the occasion, alongside some familiar fare including new twists on Bach, Brubeck and Corea.

**St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE**

**Starts 7.30pm.** Tickets £15 from [Wegotickets.com](http://Wegotickets.com) (no booking fee).



Tristan Fry, Paul Morgan and Mike Hatchard,

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## Half-term Concert with Heathfield Silver Band at Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand

**Battle Ukulele Band - 1pm-1.45pm**

Join this 15 strong ukulele band for a fun afternoon of music and song, performing a range of hits from the 50's, 60's and 70's and more. Any donations to Battle Food Bank.

**Heathfield Silver Band - 2pm-3.45pm**

Heathfield Silver Band is a lively local brass band that has been in existence since the 1880s. They will be performing popular band classics.

**The Spinning Jenny Band - 4pm-5.30pm**

The Spinning Jenny Band combines musicians who originally played for Folk music and Morris Dancing. They are a popular band playing for barn dances, weddings, village fairs and parties.

**Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand, De La Warr Parade, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS**



The Spinning Jenny Band

Heathfield Silver Band

Battle Ukulele Band



TUESDAY  
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## ContraBand Big band - an evening of Swing and Latin numbers

ContraBand continues to be a 17 piece big band playing swing jazz, latin and other styles of music. We have been in our current formation since Covid. We rehearse weekly and have enjoyed gigging last year both indoors and also outdoors on bandstands. We are delighted to be involved with the festival again and this year are raising money for Cancer Research.

**Town Square Social Club, 4-6 London Road, Bexhill-on-Sea TN39 3JU**  
**Starts 7.30pm.** Tickets will be £7.50. Information from Ronnie Parker (bandleader) on 07973 703053. Tickets also available at the venue itself.



THURSDAY  
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05

## Royal Philharmonic Orchestra play Tchaikovsky

Programme

**MENDELSSOHN** Overture: Hebrides (Fingal's Cave)

**HAYDN** Trumpet Concerto

Interval

**TCHAIKOVSKY** Symphony No 5

**Gergely Madaras**, Conductor

**Matthew Williams**, Trumpet

Spend a summer's evening with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (RPO) at The De La Warr Pavillion as part of the Bexhill Festival of Music.

Opening the concert is Mendelssohn's Hebrides Overture, a score inspired by a trip to the Scottish island of Staffa where he visited the Fingal's Cave with its legend of giants and destroyed castles. This epic piece captures all the mythical and misty atmosphere of that special place and puts it firmly on the classical map. The RPO will then treat you to Haydn's rarely performed Trumpet Concerto, known for its challenging but significant tribute to the brass instrument written at a time when it was a very little known instrument. RPO Principal Trumpet Matthew Williams will be put to the test as the piece skips and jumps around, playfully leading the orchestra. 🎺

Matthew Williams



Sit back and let Tchaikovsky's Symphony No.5 wash over you for the second half. Gergely Madaras conducts this great symphonic soundscape, which is closely tied to the theme of 'Fate'. It displays Tchaikovsky's brilliant orchestration and his ability to weave in the folk songs of his homeland, culminating with the ultimate triumph of hope in the explosive final movement of the symphony.

**The De La Warr Pavilion, Marina, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1DP**

**Starts 7.30pm.** Tickets £20, £29, £39, £49. For ages 7+.  
Box office 01424 229111. Book online at [www.dlwp.com](http://www.dlwp.com)





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### Brian Cope

Brian is a local singer/songwriter with a keen interest in blues and roots American music. A story teller at heart his songs draw on the history and culture of the southern states of the USA.

**Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand,  
De La Warr Parade, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS**

**From 2pm-3pm. Free event.**

### Crispian Steele-Perkins

Eminent trumpeter Crispian Steele-Perkins is a local musician who has already played a couple of times with the St. Peter's Choir. He will be doing a concert in which he will play his 8 different trumpets in a quasi-lecture describing the development of this wonderful instrument. He will be accompanied by Mark Shepherd the excellent new organist of St. Peter's.

**St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE.**

**Starts 7pm. Free event.**

SATURDAY  
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### Rother Community Choir proudly presents: 'Hello Summertime'

Rother Community Choir are a large adult choir who sing for fun and to raise money for St Michael's Hospice and Chestnut Tree House Children's Hospice.

Enjoy an evening of live music and choral harmony singing. We sing anything from pop to musicals so something for everyone. This concert will feature a VE Day 80th anniversary tribute.

If you love to sing and would like to join please email us at rothercc@yahoo.com. We have places available for tenors and a waiting list for all other parts. (Over 18's only). We are a great community of singers. But come along and see for yourself!

**St John's Church, London Road, Bexhill-on-Sea TN39 3PD**

**Starts 7pm, doors open 6.30pm.** Tickets £10, include interval refreshments. Available from Eventbrite.com, Records & Retro, Sackville Road, Bexhill-on-Sea TN39 3JB, or on the door. Bucket collection for our charities. Raffle for choir funds.

Brian Cope

Crispian Steele-Perkins

Rother Community Choir



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### Mike Hatchard's Jazz Breakfast

Mike has been presenting Jazz Breakfasts on the South Coast for years at venues such as St. Mary in the Castle, The Manor Barn, the Kino, the De La Warr Pavilion, The Brighton Corn Market and literally hundreds of guests have been plucked from the top echelons of the jazz circuit. Now for the FIRST TIME EVER on a SATURDAY Mike will be tickling the ivories on the superb Steinway in St. Peters with the usual high standard of co-performers.

**St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE.**

**From 11am-1pm.** Tickets £14 including refreshments from WegotTickets.com (no booking fee).

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### Loose Ends at the RAFA Club

An afternoon with Loose Ends featuring a wonderful mix of popular songs of all genres with superb vocals, great guitar, ukulele, mandolin, bass and drums. This band cover contemporary classics in a light up beat style of their own. So why not enjoy some lovely traditional laid back music from the 20's to the present day.



**Albatross RAFA Club, 15 Marina,  
Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS**

**Starts 2.30pm.**

### Oliver Manning Classical Guitar Recital

The Bexhill Classical Guitar Society is back this year and kicking off the festival with a recital by London based classical guitarist Oliver Manning. Oliver is a Julian Bream Trust Scholar, has won multiple prizes and is a fantastic guitarist. The event is free to enter with donations requested to help support the society. The event will last 45 minutes with no interval.

**St Barnabas Church, Sea Road, Bexhill-On-Sea, TN40 1JG**

**From 3-4pm.** Tickets: Free entry, unreserved seating. For more details please email akcgs@outlook.com



Jazz Breakfast with Mike Hatchard

Oliver Manning



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### 'Voices of Volya' Ukrainian Choir with 'Friends of Volya' guest choir

Join the 'Voices of Volya' Ukrainian Choir in celebration of their rich culture of music and dance, along with the Friends of Volya guest choir, followed by delicious Ukrainian and English refreshments in the church hall.

St Augustine's Church Hall, St Augustine's Close, Cooden Drive, Bexhill-on-Sea TN39 3AZ

From 6-8.30pm. Tickets £8.00, available on the door or in advance from Ticketsource by scanning the QR code or visiting [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk) and searching for Volya Choir East Sussex.



### The Sussex Concert Orchestra

Conducted by Kenneth Roberts.

Programme

Mendelssohn - Midsummer Night's Dream Overture  
Bottesini - Double Bass Concerto No.2 (with Zyta Law)  
Beethoven - Symphony No.2 in D

St. Peter's Church, Church Lane, Bexhill TN40 2HE

Starts 7.30pm. Tickets £16 on the door - £14 in advance, (Under 16 free). From: <http://www.sussexconcertorchestra.org>  
Second Spin, Sackville Road. 01424-210894  
Bookkeeper, 1a King's Road, St. Leonards. 07807 136641

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### The Spinning Jenny Band at Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand

The Spinning Jenny Band combines musicians who originally played for Folk music and Morris Dancing. They are a popular band playing for barn dances, weddings, village fairs and parties.

Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand, De La Warr Parade, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS

From 1pm-3pm.

### 'Mozart is Good for You'

With Kenneth Roberts, Bexhill Choral Society's Director of Music

The music of Mozart continues to captivate audiences and inspire musicians even centuries after his untimely death. His timeless compositions, marked by their beauty and emotional depth, have had a profound and lasting impact. Some research even suggests that listening to Mozart's music can improve your health and increase your intelligence!

Together with some of Mozart's own great pieces, Kenneth Roberts will talk about and play music which inspired Mozart, and music by other great composers he in turn inspired.

Little Common Community Centre, Shepherds Close TN39 4SQ

Starts 7.30pm. Tickets £12 from Second Spin, Sackville Rd, Bexhill TN39 3JL (cash), choir members, [ticketsource.co.uk/bcs](http://ticketsource.co.uk/bcs) or 0333 666 3366, or on the door. Booking recommended.



Kenneth Roberts

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### Bexhill Community Orchestra Open Rehearsal

FREE EVENT (18+) BCO invites orchestral players of any ability or experience to join us for an open rehearsal. We are an adult only orchestra. Our rehearsals are fun, mistakes are definitely allowed and we have the wonderful experience of playing together! Pop along and play or join us for a cuppa to watch the rehearsal.

St Marks Church Hall, Green Lane, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS

From 12.00-1.00pm. For more information contact Lorraine Barry, [bexhillcommunitymusic@gmail.com](mailto:bexhillcommunitymusic@gmail.com)

Ukrainian Choir



Sussex Concert Orchestra



The Spinning Jenny Band





The Wacky Band



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### The Wacky Band

The Wacky Band is a local Wind Band with over 30 amateur musicians of various ages and abilities who meet once a week to make merry music and play at local festivals, events and fêtes under the guidance of their lively conductor, Alun Francis. They have a vast and varied playlist so you will soon be humming along to a tune you know and love! The Wacky Band is playing to support the Church in its fund-raising for their building re-furbishment.

**Bexhill (St Georges) URC Church, Cantelupe Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN40 1PP**

**Starts 4.30pm.** Free event. Phone Brian on 07843 412966 for details.

### Common Little Pop Choir

Singing Pop Hits from all eras we are the new choir kids on the block. We're a friendly and inclusive bunch and we welcome singers, people who have never sung before and those who never thought they would.

Our emphasis is on having fun, both at concerts and at practice, and delivering songs that we enjoy and that the audience know and can sing along to.

Our concert is FREE and we will be raising funds for Save The Children. New Members Welcome. No musical knowledge required. We are just a Common Little Pop Choir ... from Little Common The Wheatsheaf Inn

**The Wheatsheaf, 2 Barnhorn Rd, Little Common, Bexhill-on-Sea TN39 4LR**

**Starts 7pm.** Facebook: Common Little Pop Choir  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565414592264>  
Email: [clpChoir@gmail.com](mailto:clpChoir@gmail.com) .

Common Little Pop Choir



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## Sussex Day Concert at Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand

FREE  
EVENT

Sussex Day was first celebrated in Bexhill more than a century ago in 1917. Come along to the bandstand and enjoy Sussex Day 2025 with music by three of Bexhill's favourite local bands.

### Battle Ukulele Band - Noon-12.45pm

Join this 15 strong ukulele band for a fun afternoon of music and song, performing a range of hits from the 50's, 60's and 70's and more. Any donations to Battle Food Bank.

### The 'Jolly Boys', Ticehurst Male Voice Singers - 1pm-1.30pm

The Jolly Boys, formed in 2023, are a group of like minded men who enjoy singing Sea Shanties, though they also cover a wide range of other styles including traditional folk, popular music, Christmas songs, Old Time Music Hall songs and other sing along material.

### The Kukes - 1.45pm-2.30pm

The Kukes are an alternative folk/country/pop band, based in Bexhill, featuring melodic harmonies, ukuleles, melodeon, whistle, banjo and an eclectic song choice. Winners of the Ukulele Society of Great Britain's Ukulele Band of the Year contest 2019.



Battle Ukulele Band,

The Sussex Stompers



### The F.O.G - 3pm-3.45pm

The F.O.G (Five Old Geezers) are a five piece local band playing lively mix of 60s/70s, Blues & Country. Together for the past 6 years, appearing at various local venues. Come and join us at the Bandstand!



### The Sussex Stompers - 4pm-5pm

Representing the 1066 Jazz Club, the Sussex Stompers will be showcasing the traditional style of jazz which the Club offers every month at the Egerton Park Indoor Bowls Club.

### Claire Baldry - to be included inbetween sets.

Local poet and writer.

**Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand, De La Warr Parade,  
Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS**

Left: Claire Baldry, Below: The Jolly Boys, Bottom: The Kukes







# Venue locations

14 great venues, 39 live events - where all the music is taking place at this year's festival.

**The Bexhill Festival of Music 2025**  
 Live and local



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## Schools Big Summer Sing

Join students from Bexhill's schools and colleges raising their voices once again at the Bexhill Festival of Music Big Summer Sing, featuring a massed choir of Year 4 children and live band.

**The De La Warr Pavilion, Marina, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1DP**

**Performances at 5pm and 7pm.** Tickets: Adults £8 (Under 16s free admission). Box office 01424 229111. Book online at [www.dlwp.com](http://www.dlwp.com)

The Big  
Summer  
Sing 2025



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## The Friday Singers

Come and spend 90 minutes of your time with **The Friday Singers** under the direction of **Roy Gregory** and enjoy over 400 years of all musical genres.

This adult choir meets most Fridays and they are delighted to open the doors at ESSPA for you to see them put through their paces by Maestro Roy.

Admittance is free, but any donations to a leaving collection are welcomed in support of the **Bexhill Festival of Music**.

**The ESSPA studio, 17 London Road, Bexhill-on-Sea TN36 3JR.**

**From 11am-12.30pm.** The studio space is small to accommodate an audience as well as the choir, so please book in advance to secure a place. No fee, but a gratuity will be accepted on behalf of the Festival. Ring 07802 217840 to check on availability on seating.

## Bob Hammond at Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand

Bob is an experienced and confident singer with an easy-going style and singing to professionally recorded backing tracks, his repertoire ranges from the 1930's through to the present day.

He has performed at various venues and functions across the South East and along the length of the South Coast, including Hailsham Festival; The Hydro Hotel Eastbourne, Priory Meadow Centre, Hastings, countless Day Centres and care homes and numerous birthday celebrations.

**Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand, De La Warr Parade, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS.**

**From 2pm-3pm.** Free event.

The Friday Singers



Bob Hammond





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### Chill Factor at the Wheatsheaf

We perform tunes you know at a sensible volume - hence the Chill. Chill Factor has recently formed with seasoned musicians from Bexhill, Eastbourne and Alfriston.

Vocal and instrumental songs from Dusty Springfield, Beatles, Santana, Fleetwood Mac, Ray Charles, Chris Stapleton and many others are in our repertoire and when the dancing needs to start we kick in with Abba, Kylie, Chic, Wild Cherry, Mud, Mavericks and whatever gets your feet tapping.

**The Wheatsheaf, 2 Barnhorn Rd, Little Common, Bexhill-on-Sea TN39 4LR**  
**Starts 8.30pm.** Free admission. Facebook: Chill Factor  
[www.facebook.com/ChillFactor4](http://www.facebook.com/ChillFactor4)

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### St. Peter's Church Choir and Friends

A concert given by the Choir of St Peter's Church and the children of St Peters and St Pauls School, featuring the trumpet playing of the renowned trumpeter Crispian Steele-Perkins with offerings from the music of Vivaldi and others.

**St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE**  
**Starts 7pm.** Free entry but donations welcomed.

SUNDAY  
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### Bexhill Classical Guitar Society Meeting featuring Simon Pearce

The Bexhill Classical Guitar Society hosts 3 meetings a year where our members, who are locals with a passion for all things classical guitar, show off the music they have been working so hard on. As well as this we have a luthier demonstration by our sponsor and a short professional recital by Buckinghamshire based guitarist Simon Pearce. The entire event lasts two hours including a short interval. Entry is free, with refreshments provided at the interval. Donations requested to help support the society in the future. Seating is limited and given on a first come first served basis.

**St Augustine's Church Hall, St Augustine's Close, Cooden Drive, Bexhill-on-Sea TN39 3AZ**

**From 3-5pm.** Tickets: Free entry, unreserved seating.  
For more details please email [akcgs@outlook.com](mailto:akcgs@outlook.com).



Simon Pearce

Chill Factor



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### Hastings Sinfonia presents: Fiesta

**A concert of song, music and dance from Spain and South America.**

Join Hastings Sinfonia, guest soloists, singers and dancers for a celebration of the unforgettable tunes and rhythms of Spain and South America. Revel in the sultry arias of George Bizet's Carmen, the enchanting melodies of Tchaikovsky's Spanish Dance from Swan Lake, and spellbinding live performance by **Amor Flamenco**.

Baroque Flamenco brings the passionate Spanish dance to the harp, while Piazzolla's atmospheric Libertango and Tango Solitaire by the orchestra's founder composer Polo Piatto, will transport you straight to the streets of Buenos Aires.

The orchestra is thrilled to be performing again with the talented local youngsters of St. Richard's Catholic College Choir, who will perform Mexican folk song La Cucaracha and Coldplay's Vida la Vida, and with the sensational young dancers of East Sussex School of Performing Arts. The groups' previous collaborations at the De La Warr were rousing sell-out performances.

The Fiesta concert concludes with the sweeping Mambo Symphonic Dance from Leonard Bernstein's West Side Story. Experience the thrilling music of the south on the south coast of England.

**The De La Warr Pavilion, Marina, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1DP.**

**Starts 3pm.** Tickets £16, £21, £26 (concessions available).  
Box office **01424 229111**. Book online at [www.dlwp.com](http://www.dlwp.com)

Amor Flamenco



**TUESDAY**  
**JUNE**  
**24**

## Bexhill Community Singers present: 'Midsummer Music'

Bexhill Community Singers and guest soloists present an evening of songs old and new, under the baton of Mark Napier and accompanist Stephen Page. MC Barry Turnwell will lead us through the evening, keeping everyone in stitches with his hilarious jokes. Free entry will include a programme and light refreshments. Donations and proceeds from the luxury raffle will go to Cancer Research UK.

**St Peters Community Centre, Church Street, TN40 2HE**

**Starts 7pm.** Free event. Tickets for last year's concert were all snapped up early, so please book your place(s) well in advance. To register, please send an email with the names of people who wish to attend to: [bexhillcommunitiesingers@hotmail.com](mailto:bexhillcommunitiesingers@hotmail.com). If unable to send an email, please call 07913 818522.

Bexhill Community Singers



**THURSDAY**  
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## All Saints School Concert

A concert to be given by the musicians of All Saints' School Sidley.  
**St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE**  
**Starts 12.30pm.** Free admission.

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## Keith Willson Folk

New to the Coronation Bandstand in 2023, Keith plays a heady and thought-provoking mix of his own songs and some of the very best folk and blues numbers. This accomplished Sussex songster will be joined by friends and is not to be missed.

**Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand, De La Warr Parade, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS**

**From 2pm-3pm.** Free event.

## Bexhill & Little Common Royal British Legion Band

The Bexhill & Little Common Royal British Legion Band are proud to be performing once again as part of the 2025 festival.

The band will be showcasing a superb new arrangement of The Beatles' Penny Lane - arranged for concert band by Musical Director Martin Bunce AGSM, together with a blend of well-known ancient and more modern classics. The band comprises ex-military professional musicians and keen local amateurs: they would be delighted to see you at this evening's performance.

**Town Square Social Club, 4-6 London Road, Bexhill-on-Sea TN39 3JU**

**Starts 8pm.** Tickets are £3 and will be available on the door or in advance from the Club bar. The bar will be available to concertgoers, and doors open at 7.30pm.

## Coronation Bandstand Free Summer Concerts 2025

A WONDERFUL PROGRAMME OF SUMMER MUSIC

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 12.45pm

VE Day 80th ANNIVERSARY CONCERT with  
THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BAND



Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May 1pm

Half-term concert with  
HEATHFIELD SILVER BAND

SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> June Noon

SUSSEX DAY CONCERT with  
THE SUSSEX STOMPERS

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July 11.30 am

SUMMER CONCERT with  
BODIAM CONCERT BAND

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 1pm

SUMMER CONCERT with  
SAXONYMOUS

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August Noon

BEXHILL DAY CONCERT with  
BRASS FUSION

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2.30pm

AUGUST CONCERT with local  
musicians

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September  
12.30pm

GUSTAV HOLST 151<sup>ST</sup>  
BIRTHDAY CONCERT  
with the WACKY BAND



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Find out how to support our projects and campaigns at [bexhillheritage.com](http://bexhillheritage.com) / 01424 575065

Keith Willson



The Royal British Legion Band





FRIDAY  
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### The Spinning Jenny Band Festival Barn Dance

Supporting The Sarah Lee Trust who provide help for people with cancer or other life-threatening illness

Little Common Community Centre, Shepherds Close TN39 4SQ

Starts 7.30pm (doors open at 7pm). Please bring your own drinks and snacks. Tickets £8 (£4 children) in advance from Colin 01424215258 or Ken 01424 843486.

### St Peter & St Paul Church Of England Primary School Concert

A concert to be given by the pupils of St Peter and St Paul's School Bexhill.

St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE

Starts 12.30pm. Free admission.

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### Patronal Festival Choral Eucharist

St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE

Starts 10am. Free admission

### The F.O.G at the RAFA Club

The F.O.G (Five Old Geezers) are a five piece local band playing a lively mix of 60s/70s, Blues & Country. Together for the past 6 years, appearing at various local venues. Come and join us at the Albatross Club on Sunday.

Albatross RAFA Club, 15 Marina, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS

Starts 2.30pm.

### Patronal Choral Evensong

St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE

Starts 6.00pm. Free admission.

The Spinning Jenny Band

Albatross RAFA Club



FRIDAY  
JULY  
04

### 'Quattro' Sax Quartet

Four local bods playing easy listening, non-amplified music in a variety of styles ranging from Swing, Latin, Jazz, Classical, Folk to contemporary Popular tunes.

Gorgeous melodies, harmonies and chords featuring Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Baritone saxophones.

Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand, De La Warr Parade, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS

From 2pm-3pm. Free event.



### Ottoventi Octet & Friends

Presenting a concert of music for wind nonet.

*Programme*

Sullivan - Overture to Iolanthe

Parry - Nonet

*Interval*

Dvorak - Slavonic Dance Op 46 No2

Gounod - Petite Symphonie

St Peter's Church, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE

Starts 7.30pm. Admission is free with a retiring collection for St Peter's Church funds.

Ottoventi

'Quattro' Sax Quartet

St Peter's Church



**SATURDAY**  
**JULY**  
**05**

## All Day Summer Concert at Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand

### The Shady Ladies - 11.30am-12.30pm

The Shady Ladies are a fun band playing pop, rock, country and standards with a broad range guaranteed to get the party started. Our bass and rhythm section supports our vocals and all money raised goes to our nominated charity.

### Claire Baldry - 12.30pm

'The Beast of Bexhill' is a narrative poem by Claire Baldry about a legendary creature who emerges from the sea in Bexhill every 100 years. The ballad includes some light-hearted references to local issues, and will be brought to life by the drama group 'Acting Up'.

*Narrators:* Val Yates and Kevin Terrell  
*Poet:* Claire Baldry  
*Bexhill Child:* Elsa Gibson  
*Beast:* Tim Fenner  
*Goddess of Day Dreams:* Della Williams  
*Leader of the Crowd:* Kate Griffiths

### Bula Brothers - 1pm-1.30pm

The Brothers Bula are Bexhill's finest purveyors of adventurous music! Having spent years honing their craft in a shed, the Brothers finally came outside and unleashed a heady concoction of explosive drumming, vintage TV themes, wailing sax and joie de vivre.

### Bodiam Concert Band - 2.00pm-3.30pm

Bodiam Concert Band is a community wind band formed in the 1980s and now based in Hawkhurst. About 30 regular players meet weekly to rehearse a wide range of music under the direction of its conductor John Cornford. The repertoire it enjoys includes light classics, selections from stage and screen, traditional military band works and popular music past and present. The band performs at various events in Kent and East Sussex throughout the year and holds occasional concerts.

**FREE  
EVENT**



Claire Baldry



Bula Brothers



Illustration by Ben Gibson

The Shady Ladies

The Other Band



### The Other Band - 3.45pm-4.30pm

Performing their rollicking repertoire of Americana, country and blues, driven by mandolin, bass and guitar rhythms coupled with vocal harmonies.

**Bexhill Heritage Coronation Bandstand,  
De La Warr Parade, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 1JS**

**SUNDAY**  
**JULY**  
**06**

## The Bexhill Classical Guitar Society Concert

A Classical Guitar Recital by society founder Kianush Robeson.

Once again our founder, Kianush Robeson, presents a programme of exciting repertoire for the classical guitar. The multi prize-winning performer is back with a new programme of 20th century and modern repertoire with music from Spain, Britain and more. The event is free to enter with donations requested to help support the society. The event will last 45 minutes with no interval.

**St Barnabas Church, Sea Road, Bexhill-On-Sea, TN40 1JG**

**From 3pm-4pm.** Tickets: Free entry, unreserved seating.  
For more details please email [akcgs@outlook.com](mailto:akcgs@outlook.com).

Kianush Robeson





**BEXHILL CHORAL SOCIETY**

**Saturday 17th May 2025**

St. Peter's Church, Bexhill-on-Sea, TN40 2HE

At 7:30pm

**MOZART-REQUIEM**

**&**

**SALIERI-MASS IN D**

Kristy Swift—soprano  
 Louisa Hunter-Bradley—mezzo  
 Kristian Thorkildsen—tenor  
 Peter Grevatt—bass

With the Sussex Concert Orchestra  
 Conducted by Kenneth Roberts

Tickets: £15 in advance or £17 on the door, £12 for "Friends of BCS"  
 From : Second Spin, Sackville Rd, Bexhill (cash only), choir members,  
 ring 0333 666 3366 or online from [ticketsource.co.uk/bcs](http://ticketsource.co.uk/bcs)

Programme included Refreshments available

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**COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA WEDNESDAYS 12.00PM**

**RECORDER CHOIR WEDNESDAYS 1.15PM**

Bexhill Community Music is led by local musician Lorraine Barry. Our friendly ensembles are accessible to all, with music to accommodate any level of experience or playing.

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*Bloomers of Bexhill*

Weddings, funerals,  
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 Bouquets,  
 arrangements,  
 seasonal flowers,  
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# Serving the People of Bexhill

**For a yearly membership of £30, clients have full access to all our services.**

**Introduction to self employed carers, domestics, gardeners, handyman and shoppers.**

## **Community Car Service**

For medical appointments and funerals anywhere in the South East. Suggested donation to Conquest Hospital £25.00\* return (includes drivers waiting up to 2 hours). Our Community Car service also goes to Eastbourne Hospital £30.00 return and all Brighton hospitals £55.00 return.

## **Dial-A-Ride Bus**

Minibus with tail lift to take clients anywhere in Bexhill for £9.50\* return (escort free).

## **We also offer:**

- Medical equipment for sale
- Home Library Service for the Housebound
- Volunteer Befrienders
- Help to fill out Attendance Allowance and Blue Badge Forms etc.

\*All prices / suggested donations current as of April 2024.



## **If you need help - contact us:**

17 Western Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex TN40 1DU

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# **Bexhill** Caring Community

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the guitar, great  
at doing accounts!

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# A NIGHT AT THE BEXHILL PROMS

Featuring the **Sussex Concert Orchestra** with conductor **Kenneth Roberts** and **Bexhill Festival Choir** led by **Lorraine Barry** with guest soloist **Thomasin Trezise**.

The first half features popular music celebrating the **'Spirit of the Dance'** from composers including **Tchaikovsky, Dvorak, Bizet, Sullivan, Merrill, Rossini** and others.

After the Interval its time to wave your flags and sing along to all the 'Last Night of the Proms' favourites. Union flags are available on the evening.

## Sunday 18 May 2025

**Starts 7.30pm.** Tickets £11, £19 & £24 (concessions available).  
Box office 01424 229111. Book online at [www.dlwp.com](http://www.dlwp.com)



Kenneth Roberts



Thomasin Trezise

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