

CONCERT PROGRAMME OF PERFORMANCE by the Riviera Singers for 'Back to the 1950s'

CELEBRATION OF THE REIGN OF HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II

to be held on both days from 4pm to 5pm on
Thursday 2nd June & Friday 3rd June 2022
in the Methodist Church, Fore Street, Brixham.

The audience are asked to be seated by 4pm sharp.



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Welcome to this FREE Public Concert provided by the Riviera Singers which is part of Brixham's public holiday celebrations of the 1950s and the 70 years reign of H. M. Queen, Elizabeth II.

In Brixham, we are celebrating this historic occasion with 'Back to the 1950s' events, music, dancing, displays and activities from Wednesday 1st June to Sunday 5th June 2022 and encourage public participation.

In the 1950s we overcame many post-war challenges. There was much social, economic, environmental, technological and medical progress.

In this period music played a major part in community activities from emerging 'Rock 'n' Roll' to formal concerts such as this. The film industry began creating wonderful musicals.

This 1950s period was dominated by the accession of HM Queen. Today, she remains a remarkable public servant. She has been the adviser and confidente to 14 Prime Ministers; a 96 year old Senior Citizen who still works a 40 hour week. She remains a dignified, unifying and admired figurehead who has led by unselfish example. Her sense of duty is an example for future generations.

So let us all enjoy the celebrations and reflect on this post-war period that laid the foundations of modern Britain and much of our world.

We thank all the individuals, community, statutory and commercial organizations whose efforts made these celebrations possible.

We thank the public who purchase Brixham Lottery Tickets and all who helped fund these free Public activities.

John BrennanChair, Brixham Future CIC

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COVID 19 Precautions

We are taking all reasonable precautions to reduce likelihood of any COVID 19 transmission. People are also welcome to wear face masks if they so wish. We discourage the shaking of hands. We ask people to practise a sensible amount of social distancing between 1-2 metres when possible. We ask people not to attend if you have any signs of COVID 19 or have not been triple jabbed.



Brixham and the Coronation of Elizabeth II

When HM Queen was crowned at Westminster Abbey almost 70 years ago, there was a period of national celebrations. Years of austerity were ending and all around Britain was engaged in post-war reconstruction. Millions of people took to the streets to celebrate the dawn of a new Elizabethan era in the hope of a brighter future.



The Queen and Royal Family appear on the balcony of Buckingham Palace London on special national occasions.

The Queen has always looked outwards toward her people beginning with her coronation vows and in her 21st birthday radio address said:

"I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service and the service of the great family to which we all belong.

But I shall not have the strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do: I know that your support will be unfailingly given.

God help me make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it."

Elizabeth R

Programme

The duration is an hour and we will seek to provide refreshments after.

Musical Director Margaret Johnstone

AccompanistAudrey TaylorSoloistTony GreggMaster of CeremonyDavid Taylor

Music

The Audience will have sing-a-long sheets for the event.

It's a Grand Night for Singing (1945 from State Fair)
Words by Oscar Hammerstein II, Music by Richard Rodgers

I Believe (1953)

Words and music by Ervin Drake, Irvin Graham, Jimmy Shirl and Al Stillman Arrangement by Hawley Ades

Psalm 23

Arranged by Barry Russell

Over the Rainbow 1939

Music by Harold Arlen, arrangement by Ben Kendall

Chattanooga Choo Choo

Lyrics by Mack Gordon, music by Harry Warren

Unchained Melody 1955

Words by Hy Zaret, music by Alex North, arranged by Mark Brymer

Soloist - Mr. Tony Gregg

(Items to be announced)

Oklahoma Medley

Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, music by Richard Rodgers, arrangement by John Leavitt

Poems (to be announced)

Sing-a-long Disney with audience participation and choir soloists

1945	Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah (Song of the South)
1955	Mickey Mouse March (Everybody & Choir interjecting)
1951	Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo (Shona Treharne) (Peter Pan)
1951	The 2nd Star to the Right (two soloists) (Peter Pan)
1953	The Siamese Cat Song (Lal Weight and Carol Ramshell)
1940	When You Wish Upon a Star (Cynthia Burrington) (Pinocchio)

White Cliffs of Dover Anne Adams

The National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen.
Long live our noble Queen.
God save The Queen.
Send her victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save The Queen.

Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign:
May she defend our laws,
and ever give us cause
to sing with heart and voice
God save The Queen

Historic moments during Queen Elizabeth II's reign

1950s	Post war re	construction	and	creation	of	consumer	society	//welfare	state
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- 1960s Affluent society, music and liberal social changes.
- 1973 Britain joins the European Union.
- 1982 Prince Charles marries Lady Diana Spencer.
- 1989 The World Wide Web established.
- 2001 9/11 Attacks on Twin Towers (New York).
- 2012 Diamond Jubilee.
- 2020 Britain leaves the EU.
- 2020 COVID 19 Pandemic.
- HRH the Duke of Edinburgh dies aged 99.
- 2021 America and NATO allies abandon Afghanistan.
- 2022 Russia invades Ukraine, prompting fears of WW3.

Interesting facts about Queen Elizabeth II

- Born on 21 April 1926 in London, HRH Princess Elizabeth became Queen of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on 6 February 1952 following the death of her father, King George VI (1895–1952).
- Educated by tutors at home and never went to University.
- She speaks fluent French.
- She is allowed to drive in the United Kingdom without a licence.
- The country celebrates her birthday on June 11th.
- 1997 Tony Blair was the first Prime Minister born during her reign.
- She loves dogs and has owned over 40 Welsh Corgis during her reign.
- When visiting the Royal Dartmouth Naval College in July 1939 the then Princess
 Elizabeth met Captain Philip Mountbatten. They began to write to each other and
 eventually married at Westminster Abbey. They began married life by living at
 Windlesham Moor, near Windsor Castle.
- In 1948 a son, Prince Charles born at Buckingham Palace, London.
- In 1949-a daughter, Princess Anne born at Clarence House, London.
- 1964 The Queen gives birth to her third child, Prince Andrew.
- 1969 The Queen gives birth to her fourth child, Prince Edward.
- 1981 Shots were fired at HM Queen in London. Although teenager Marcus Sarjeant had used blanks, he was jailed for five years.
- 2021 On 9th April, HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh dies aged 99.
- Queen Elizabeth was the first female member of the Royal Family to serve in the military as a mechanic during World War Two (1939-1945). The tradition has continued down the generations, with her children and grandchildren all serving in the 3 branches of the armed services.

Thank you

Many thanks to all the volunteers, statutory, voluntary and commercial organisations who make these events possible.

All donations to defraying the costs of these celebrations or for refreshments are welcome!

The Riviera Singers

Under the direction of our Musical Director, Margaret Johnstone and accompanied by Audrey Taylor we are a traditional Choir. We have a varied repertoire consisting of a selection of popular songs, songs from the shows, together with traditional and sacred pieces. Our choir has its roots in Brixham and has been in existence for over 50 years.

Joining the Choir

If you like singing and are interested, we rehearse at 7.15 p.m. most Wednesday evenings in the Methodist Church Fore Street, Brixham. No formal audition required. Come along or contact our Secretary Chris on 01803 883886 www.riviera-singers-brixham.co.uk



The ladies of the Riviera Singers Choir

We trust you will be able to join us, our families and friends for a refreshing non-alcohol drink after the performance at 5pm.

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- Wall Murals in Bolton Street, Fore Street, Middle Street
- WW1 & WW2 'Shadows' Projects to mark historical anniversaries.
- Commemorations & celebrations which delivered 100 FREE PUBLIC ACTIVITIES for local people & visitors to enjoy. These included free parades, period films, music concerts, exhibitions, displays and dancing etc.



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Brixham Lottery will be supporting new exciting projects or events in June 2022 and beyond.

OUR PRIZES HAVE INCLUDED:

A spitfire flight (ONLY 543 card tickets sold)
A luxury cruise (ONLY 345 card tickets sold)

An electric bicycle (ONLY 331 card tickets sold)

A lifetime membership of the National Trust (ONLY 525 card tickets sold)

Christmas jewellery (ONLY 410 card tickets sold)

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Olivia Silby -1st Winner of Brixham Lottery in 2019 with WW2 'Spitfire' pilot

The Brixham Lottery Spring first prize is a flight over Brixham in the historic WW2 'Spitfire' plane. The flight will be with Boultbee Flight Academy.

John Brennan, Chair of Brixham Future CIC says: "The winner will receive briefings about the facility, the aircraft, the flying equipment meet the pilot and taxi out for take-off. The unique experience will see you flying out along the stunning South Devon coastline passing over England's green and pleasant land."

John Rudden, Chief Organiser adds: "There are only limited Lottery Card tickets available at £10 per ticket. The Spitfire flight cost £3,000 making the prize very attractive."

The tickets are in the form of a card with envelope - so an ideal present. There is no upper age limit but flyers have to be 18 years old. There are health restrictions set by the flying company.

Brixham Lottery Cards are available now until 1st June from:

Middle Street - Flower Flour Cafe; Colours of Brixham; Crafty Cwtch Cafe;

Chris Slack - Photographer **Fore Street:** Doble Jewellers.

Elsewhere in Brixham: 'The Handyman' - Pillar Avenue

The next draw will be on SUNDAY 5th JUNE 2022
Contact Tel: 01803 852270



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All proceeds to Elizabeth II fund to support our celebrations and creating lasting tributes in Brixham to our Queen.

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Middle Street:

Flower Flour Cafe; Colours of Brixham; Crafty Cwtch Cafe; Chris Slack - Photographer

Fore Street:

Trinity Cakes; Doble Jewellers; Brixham Steam Packet Restaurant & mobile locations during our celebrations.

Other outlets:

Brixham Yacht Club – Overgang Road; Brixham Library or phone 01803 852270 leaving contact details or email john.brennan@brixhamfuture.co.uk

