

Swaledale Festival

25th anniversary 2005



from
27th May
to
12th June

music
poetry
visual arts
walks
exhibitions
workshops





We've cast our net as widely as possible for this 25th Swaledale Festival, and Music of the World is one of our programming themes. As you look through the programme, you'll be amazed at the number of international artists we're bringing to Swaledale this year; folk music from Estonia, organ and accordion from Sweden, early music from Finland and the USA, jazz from Holland, music inspired by Salsa and Flamenco - the variety is endless.

The festival kicks off with musical lunacy from **Billposters** will be **Band** and their anarchic cabaret style approach, and we carry that lighter touch on through the festival with performances by Liz Lohead and Michael Marra and with the return of Gypsy Tango sensations **ZUM**.

The **Lindsays** have been particular friends of the Festival over the last 25 years, and we're delighted to present this world class quartet in their final season.

We maintain our commitment to new music with an amazing number of UK first performances and the world premiere of the last in our Swaledale Quartets series. **Chamber music** this year is based around a staged performance of **Stravinsky's Soldier's Tale** and we welcome Sebastian Comberti (cello) Leon Bosch (double Bass) Neyire Ashworth (clarinet) Lindy Tennent-Brown (piano) and Johan Eriksson (percussion) as the core players.

A second theme in the programme is Participation, and this festival offers the best ever chance to get involved through an exciting series of workshops and masterclasses. Over the half-term week, the **Grand Union Band** will be working with young people as part of our involvement in the North Yorkshire Youth Music Action Zone - look through the brochure to see what you'd like to try.

Finally, I urge everyone to visit Swaledale Museum for the very special Monica Young Retrospective exhibition.

Enjoy!

Philip Parr, Director



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7:30 pm St Andrew's Church Grinton E1

Billposters will be Band

This distinguished ensemble was formed in 1983 with the prime aim of having fun with music. They play anything and everything, any style of music that can be sent-up, parodied or even (yes on occasion) played seriously. Owing much to the exuberance of Spike Jones and the nostalgia of the 1930's Showbands, their performance majors on novelty numbers and musical mayhem. There are classical overtures and 'songs from the shows' mixed with Traditional Jazz, Rock & Roll and Dance Music. Throw in 'Oh Play To Me Gypsy' accompanied by strohviol and violin, Music Hall favorites with audience



participation and Russian melodies played on accordion and spoons and you're beginning to get the idea.

The members of Billposters are all experienced entertainers with their own individual interpretations fired by the great British tradition of musical lunacy – their performing histories include The Whoopee Band, The Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band, The Temperance Seven, Harry Strutters and The Rio Grande Hot Tango Orchestra.

They are a unique set of characters and their cabaret and stage presentations should not be missed.

Sponsored by the Rt. Hon. William Hague & Mrs Ffion Hague
 ●Full £8 ●Concessions £4

Bridge Inn Grinton

Late at The Bridge

Festival Club from around 9:30pm

John Conolly

The composer of Fiddler's Green, John's songwriting is firmly rooted in the folk tradition, with songs such as The Last Ploughshare – his powerful anti-war song, the elegaic Old Men Sing Love Songs, and the outrageously funny Bucket and Shovel Brigade. Many of John's songs have a tang of the sea, inherited from his upbringing on England's east coast where his grandfather and great-grandfather were boat builders on the banks of the Humber.



●Free event

The Art Trail runs for three days, Saturday May 28, Sunday May 29 and Monday May 30. All exhibitions are usually open from 10:00 – 4:00. A free leaflet outlining the guided walk that links the Art trail – devised by Major Williams – will be available at all exhibition venues, and from the festival office. If you'd like one sent with your tickets, please ask!

GRINTON LODGE YOUTH HOSTEL – STONE

Photographs from Antonina Sergeevna Baiusheva, to accompany the performance of Peter Dyson's string quartet (premiered 2003). The raw material appears in the city of St Petersburg in many forms and varieties. Stone combined with water and light, creates the mood of this, the world's largest most northerly city.

GRINTON INSTITUTE

A series of etchings by painter and printmaker Rosalind Whitman, based on Wuthering Heights, is linked with the performance of the string quartet by Rachel Stott (premiered 2002) which also takes Emily Bronte's novel as its inspiration. The artist describes her work as an attempt to capture some of the extreme emotions which Bronte evokes, while at the same time looking to encompass the cerebral enquiry that is at the heart of the novel.

•*Stone, and the etchings of Rosalind Whitman, will also be exhibited in St Andrew's Church Grinton during the performances of the Quartet cycle, June 8-10*

FREMINGTON SUNDAY SCHOOL – 'MY CULTURAL HERITAGE'

Works submitted by young people aged between 16 and 25 years old, who took part in a competition exploring young people's attitudes and perceptions of their own identity. Works include poems, short stories and digital images. Part of The Positive Images Project established by Bradford Youth Development Partnership and Bradford Study Support Network.

ICE CREAM PARLOUR, REETH – WOMEN FROM MY COUNTRY – DR. SHETHA FARAJ ABBO AL NUMAN



"When ever I start drawing, I find myself guided in lines and shapes that interpret memories of back home, and images of views I forgot to appreciate once, now I try to recall." We're privileged to have this exhibition by the distinguished Iraqi artist Dr Shetha Al Numan. The elegant lines and shading of her drawings capture the essence of the women of the Arab worlds.

EAST WINDY HALL, ARKENGARThDALE ROAD REETH

Well known artists all from North Yorkshire with the exception of Chris & Will Illsley from Lincolnshire. Winifred Hodge, Mike Bilton, Carolyn Stevenson, Andrew Hague, Jenny Lavies, Pauline Trueman, Chris Illsley, Will Illsley and Joy Bentley provide a mixed exhibition of style and media in their Paintings, Pottery, Patchwork, Prints, Sculpture Jewellery and Silks. May 28th – June 12th, Mondays to Saturdays from 11am to 5pm and on Sundays from 2pm to 5pm.

MONICA YOUNG – RETROSPECTIVE, SWALEDALE MUSEUM

The potter Monica Young died at the end of 2004. A winner in 2002 of the Gold Medal at the International Craft Exhibition in Munich, she worked largely unheralded but broke the boundaries of working with large scale pots. Monica lived in Reeth for the last 28 years of her life and was an integral and wonderful part of the fabric of village life.

With the enthusiastic support of her family and friends, we are very

pleased to be able to present a retrospective of Monica's work which will feature four of her distinctive large pots, as well as material drawn from private papers, sketches and working drawings. We also hope to have prepared a comprehensive catalogue with articles about Monica and her work.

Following the festival exhibition the remaining pots will be dispersed to their intended owners and galleries. Given their size and the scale of mounting an exhibition of this nature, it is unlikely that there will be a future opportunity to see this work collected in the one place.

*Open 10:30 am - 5:30 pm for the duration of the Festival
The exhibition is free, though the usual museum entry charges will apply: •Adults £3 •Children up to 16 £1*

PLATFORM: AN EXHIBITION OF ARTS AND CRAFTS BY MEMBERS OF THE DALES GUILD

Sat 4th - Sun 26th June inclusive, 10am - 4pm daily. The Old Richmond Station Building, Richmond

Platform is the first in a series of five exhibitions to be staged in 2005 by The Dales Guild (formerly known as The Richmondshire Arts and Crafts Guild). Established in 2004, this exciting, and ever expanding, group of artists offers an eclectic mix of

contemporary arts and crafts in a variety of media; watercolour, print, oils, photography, ceramic, sculpture, woodturning and textiles. The Dales Guild is supported by the Arts Council of England.





- FRI MAY 27** • St Andrew's Church Grinton 7:30pm **Bill Posters Will Be Band**
 • Bridge Inn Grinton 9:30pm **John Conolly – Festival Club**
- SAT MAY 28** • meet Reeth Bus Shelter 10am **Festival Walk with Musical Interludes**
 • St Andrew's Church Grinton 7:30pm **Helsinki Baroque Orchestra**
 • The Buck Hotel Reeth 7:30pm **Free's Company**
- SUN MAY 29** • Hudson House 10:00 am - 12:00pm **Family Music Composition Workshop**
 • Meet Hudson House 10:30am **Art in the Pub – Pub Crawl**
 • Hudson House Orchard Reeth 2pm **Al fresco music in the orchard**
 • Reeth Methodist Chapel 7:30pm **Liber Unusualis**
 • St Andrew's Church Grinton 7:30pm **Reeth Brass 1**
- MON MAY 30** • Grinton 9am **Car Boot Sale**
 • Bainside Arts Bainbridge 10:30 - 5:30pm **Liber Unusualis workshop**
 • Reeth Green 12:00 - 4:00pm **Street Theatre**
 • Reeth Memorial Hall 7:30pm **Sister Josephine 1**
- TUES MAY 31** • Hudson House 10:00am **Family Music Composition Workshop**
 • Meet Holy Trinity Church Low Row 10:30am **Walk - Where Lead Miners Trod**
 • Holy Trinity Church Low Row 5:15pm **Johan Eriksson**
 • Arkengarthdale Methodist Chapel 7:30pm **De Jongens Driest**
 • Eppleby Village Hall 7:30pm **Sister Josephine 2**
- WED JUN 1** • Richmond School 2:00 - 5:00pm **Grand Union Workshops day 1**
 • St Mary's Arkengarthdale 7:30pm **Leon Bosch and Sebastian Comberti**
 • Muker Public Hall 7:30pm **Muker Silver Band**
 • Hawes Market Hall 7:30pm **Sister Josephine 3**
- THURS JUN 2** • Richmond School 10:00am-5:00pm **Grand Union Workshops day 2**
 • Meet St Margaret's Church Preston Under Scar 9:30am **Walk - Hidden Mid Wensleydale**
 • St Margaret's Preston under Scar 5:15pm **Leon Berger, Michael Flanders & Soldier's Tale**
 • St Andrew's Church Aysgarth 7:30pm **Chamber Music 1 - Reflections & Celebrations**
 • Newton Le Willows Village Hall 7:30pm **Sister Josephine 4**
- FRI JUN 3** • Richmond School 10:00am-5:00pm **Grand Union Workshops day 3**
 • Meet Leyburn Station 11:00am **Redmire to Leyburn via The Shawl**
 • St Matthew's Church Leyburn 5:15pm **Pepys Singers**
 • St Andrew's Church Grinton 7:30pm **The Lindsays**
 • Bridge Inn Grinton 9:30pm **Jörgen Sundeqvist - accordion (festival club)**
- SAT JUN 4** • Reeth Green 12:00pm and 4:30pm **Morris Day**
 • Richmond School 2:00pm-5:00pm **Grand Union Workshops day 4**
 • Richmond School 7:30pm **Grand Union Band - Spirit of Carnival**
 • St Andrew's Church Aysgarth 7:30pm **Chamber Music 2 - With a Smile**
- SUN JUN 5** • Reeth Methodist Chapel 10:30am **Festival Service**
 • Heugh, Wensleydale 10:30am-5:00pm **Wordale - Renga workshop**
 • St Andrew's Church Aysgarth 3:00pm **Chamber Music 3 - Mirth and Morality**
 • St Andrew's Church Grinton 7:30pm **Swale Singers**
 • Heugh, Wensleydale 7:30pm **Poetry Reading**
- MON JUN 6** • meet Hudson House 10:30am **Art in the Pub - Pub Crawl**
 • St Mary's Church Muker 7:30pm **In Flagrant Delict - Liz Lohead & Michael Marra**
- TUES JUN 7** • Meet Car park, Keld 10:00am **Walk - Wild Swaledale**
 • Keld United Reform Chapel 5:15pm **Cass Meurig (crwth) Sofia Joons (bowed harp)**
 • Buck Hotel Reeth 7:30pm **Phil Mason All Stars**
 • St Mary's Church Richmond 7:30pm **Hakón Dahlén (organ)**
Jörgen Sundeqvist (accordion)
- WED JUN 8** • St Andrew's Church Grinton 7:30pm **Fitzwilliam String Quartet**
 • Meet Grinton Redmire Road 10:30pm (22:30) **A Stroll under the Stars - Night Walk**
- THURS JUN 9** • Meet St Matthew's Church Stalling Busk 10:45am **Walk - The Legend of Semerwater**
 • St Matthew's Church Stalling Busk 5:15pm **Harriet Adie (harp)**
 • St Matthew's Church Leyburn 7:30pm **Sian Philipps (violin) Charles Owen (piano)**
- FRI JUN 10** • Meet Grinton Bus Shelter 10:45am **Walk - Grinton, Down Low Up High**
 • St Andrew's Church Grinton 1:00pm-4:00pm **Yorkshire Quartets Workshop**
 • St Andrew's Church Grinton 5:15pm **Fitzwilliam Yorkshire Quartets**
 • St Matthew's Church Leyburn 7:30pm **Elena Riu (Piano) - Salsa Nueva**
 • Bridge Inn Grinton 9:30pm **Cass Meurig and Sofia Joons - Festival Club**
- SAT JUN 11** • Hudson House 10:00am **Family Music Composition Workshop**
 • West Burton Village Hall 10:00am-4:30pm **NEEMF workshop**
 • Hudson House Orchard 2:00pm **World Music Jam - all welcome**
 • Arkengarthdale Methodist Chapel 7:30pm **Reeth Brass 2**
- SUN JUN 12** • St Andrew's Church Aysgarth 2:00pm **Richmondshire Orchestra**
 • St Andrew's Church Grinton 7:30pm **Zum**