



Music & Comedy brochure Spring 2018

ARC Stockton

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**Catch 22 Comedy Club in association with Ten Feet Tall**

**Julian Deane & Phil Chapman with MC Jason Cook**

Fri 26 Jan / 8pm / Age 18+

Catch 22 starts the New Year as they mean to go on – stellar line-ups, familiar TV faces, top-quality comedy and one of the best audiences around. Jason Cook is back by popular demand as January's MC with guests Julian Deane and Phil Chapman.

*Starting prices F: £10 Tables: £12*

**Milo McCabe, Steve Shanyaski with MC Jason Cook**

Fri 30 Mar / 8pm / Age 18+

MC Jason Cook is back in charge of proceedings as Catch 22 welcomes multiple Amused Moose nominee and character comedian Milo McCabe to ARC, along with Comedy Store favourite Steve Shanyaski. Another glorious night of quality stand-up.

*Starting prices: F: £10 Tables: £12*

**Ivo Graham, Jeff Innocent with MC Danny McLoughlin**

Fri 27 Apr / 8pm / Age 18+

Comedy circuit and festival favourite Danny McLoughlin hosts the April edition of Catch 22 with Ivo Graham, a TV and radio regular with a whole host of sell-out dates to his name, and UK Comedy Awards winner Jeff Innocent set to have the crowd rolling in the aisles.

*Starting prices F: £10 Tables: £12*

**Andy Askins, Darren Harriot with Dan Nightingale**

Fri 25 May / 8pm / Age 18+

MC Dan Nightingale is widely regarded as one of the best performers working in comedy today. Join him at Catch 22 in April as he introduces Andy Askins who expertly walks the line between light and dark humour, and the wildly exciting talents of Darren Harriott.

*Starting prices F: £10 Tables: £12*

Please note Catch 22 line-ups are occasionally subject to change. Not for the easily offended.

## **Comedy**

### **Spohie Willan: Branded**

Sat 10 Feb / 8pm

Both brutally honest and gloriously unpredictable, Sophie Willan makes bold, unapologetic work that is raucously funny and completely original. Her work is political to the core, but it doesn't feel like it. With a razor sharp and totally authentic comic voice, she exudes confidence and Northern charm.

*Starting prices F: £12*

### **Shappi Khorsandi: Mistress & Misfit**

Sat 17 Feb / 8pm

Recently seen on I'm a Celebrity..., star of Live at the Apollo, Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow, Friday Night with Jonathan Ross, Have I Got News for You and Q.I, Shappi Khorsandi brings her new sell out show to ARC. She has plenty to say, and says it with pointedness and potency.

*Starting prices F: £15 Student: £13*

### **Jess Robinson: Here Come the Girls**

Fri 2 Mar / 8pm

Join multi award-winner and Britain's Got Talent 2017 semi-finalist Jess Robinson for an evening of spot-on celebrity impressions, musical comedy and stunning vocal gymnastics. Like a wonderfully malfunctioning jukebox, Jess and her incredible vocals will take you on a dizzying journey.

*Starting prices F: £12.50*

### **Dr John Cooper Clarke plus special guests**

Fri 9 Mar / 8pm / Age

Dr John Cooper Clarke's latest show is a mix of classic verse, extraordinary new material, hilarious ponderings on modern

life, good honest gags, riffs and chat - a chance to witness a living legend at the top of his game. *Starting prices F: £22.50*

## **Beat the Gong**

Fri 16 Mar / 8pm

Let the comedy chaos commence as twelve hot, hilarious, new acts try to beat the dreaded gong & win over the ARC audience! The gong show is a jaw-dropping spectacle, crammed with off-the-cuff, unpredictable stand-up and savagery just about held together by Gong Master & Catch 22 maestro Matt Reed.

*Starting prices F: £8.50*

## **Mark Steel: Every Little Thing's Gonna Be Alright**

Fri 23 Mar / 8pm

Not so long ago, it seemed unlikely the UK would vote to leave the EU; we had a reasonable opposition to the Tory Government; Donald Trump was a buffoon who surely wasn't going to win. Then it all went to absolute s\*\*\*! But don't worry - Every Little Thing's Gonna Be Alright.

*Starting prices F: £15*

## **John Robins: The Darkness of Robins**

Thur 29 Mar / 8pm

John Robins – one of the most exciting and distinctive voices in comedy – has a new show reflecting on love, loss and lamenting the fact he can't break up with himself. Powerful, angst-ridden comedy at its finest and an opportunity to see one of the UK's best comedians at the peak of his powers.

*Starting prices F: £14.50*

## **Rob Kemp: The Elvis Dead**

Thur 19 Apr / 8pm

Multi award-winning Edinburgh hit The Elvis Dead will have you revving up the Delta and taking a trip to a cabin in the Tennessee backwoods via Graceland, to witness the cult classic horror movie Evil Dead 2 reinterpreted through the songs of Elvis Presley.

*Starting prices F: £10*

## **Matt Reed's Junk Box**

Sat 21 Apr / 8pm

One comedian, one box of miscellaneous items brought by the audience, zero prep time, 100% improvisation and a whole load of gags. Bring something suitable (or unsuitable) along, sit back and enjoy an epically unpredictable improvised feast like nothing else you have ever seen!

*Starting prices F: £11*

## **Coming Soon**

### **Phill Jupitus**

Thur 3 May / 8pm / Starting price F: £15

### **La Voix**

Sat 5 May / 8pm / Starting price F: £18.50

### **Tez Ilyas**

Thur 10 May / 8pm / Starting price F: £12

### **Jason Cook and Glen Roughead**

Sat 12 May / 8pm / Starting price F: £15

### **Matt Forde**

Fri 8 Jun / 8pm / Starting price F: £15

## **Music**

### **The Wild Rover – 500 Miles**

Sat 20 Jan / 8pm

An evening of songs and anecdotes as Teesside's very own 'Wild Rover' Mike McGrother shares his recent adventures walking and singing from Ireland to Teesside and back again. What began as a personal pilgrimage turned into an obsession. Join Mike as he tells his stories with music, humour, laughs and emotional insight.

*Starting prices F: £10*

### **Natacha Atlas**

Fri 9 Feb / 8pm

Egyptian-British singer Natacha Atlas began her career as part of the world fusion group Transglobal Underground and has collaborated with Jah Wobble. She's known for her fusion of Arabic and Western music, has been influenced by many styles including Maghrebain, jazz, hip hop, drum and bass, and reggae.

*Starting prices F: £15*

### **Megson**

Thu 15 Feb / 8pm

Four times nominated in the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards and double winners of the Spiral Earth Awards Megson, aka Stu and Debbie Hanna, draw heavily on their Teesside heritage to create a truly unique brand of folk music.

*Starting prices F: £14 C:12*

## **The Music of Otis Redding**

Fri 16 Feb / 8pm

Originally commissioned by Soul Cookers Records, this authentic celebration of Otis Redding's music pairs charismatic Burundian singer songwriter Mudibu with Hammond and horns from The Jezebel Sextet. A truly uplifting show steeped in raw soul and late 1960s R'n'B that is guaranteed to get you on the good foot.

*Starting prices F: £15*

## **Buddy Holly & The cricketers with The English Rock and Roll Orchestra**

Mon 5 Mar / 8pm

Buddy Holly and The Cricketers present Buddy's music as you've never heard them before on what is the sixtieth anniversary of the legend playing in Stockton. This truly remarkable evening of classic rock 'n' roll will have you dancing in the aisles and shouting for more.

*Starting prices F: £19.58 first 60 tickets / £23*

## **Bootleg Blondie**

Sat 10 Mar / 8pm

Bootleg Blondie is the official Blondie tribute band and the only one to have played the legendary CBGBs in New York City before its demise. Not only do they sound just like the real thing, they look the part too.

*Starting prices F: £14*

## **The Young'uns The Ballad of Johnny Longstaff**

Sat 7 Apr / 8pm

Twice BBC Radio 2 Folk Award winners the Young'uns present a timely tale of a boy who walked out of poverty, a teenager who

stood up to racism, a soldier who fought fascism and an old man who inspired a new generation

*Starting prices F: £16*

## **Chris Difford & Noo Hewardine**

Fri 13 Apr / 8pm

Squeeze co-founder Chris Difford has made a lasting contribution to English music with hits such as Cool For Cats, Up the Junction, Labelled with Love, Hourglass, and Tempted. Joining Chris is Boo Hewardine, singer-songwriter and driving force behind English rockers The Bible.

*Starting prices F: £15*

## **Calan**

Sat 14 Apr / 8pm

This international award winning band from Wales are back on the road with their infectious rhythms and high energy routines to celebrate the release of their latest album-Solomon. They come with accordion, harp, guitar, fiddles and Welsh bagpipes along with a virtuoso performance from a champion step dancer.

*Starting prices F: £14*

## **Groove Train & Henwen**

Thur 19 Apr / 8pm

UK funk, rock, and soul 7-piece Groove Train is made up of touring and session musicians with a reputation built on the UK festival and theatre scene, including shows with the BBC's Craig Charles Funk & Soul Club, Incognito, The Blockheads and Heatwave. Support comes from Yorkshire goddesses of a cappella, Henwen.

*Starting prices F: £12 / £15 on the door*

## **From The Jam**

Thur 26 Apr / 8pm

BBC Radio Young Folk Awards nominee and native Teessider Amelia Coburn returns to ARC to round off a successful year which has seen her perform at The Royal Albert Hall as part of her recent UK tour.

Amelia will be delivering some mesmerising covers and outstanding original racks such as Song of the Sea Rover.

*Starting price £24*

## **An Englishman, An Irishman and a Scotsman**

Fri 4 May / 8pm / Starting price F: £10

## **The Songs of Leonard Cohen**

Thur 24 May / 8pm / Starting price F: £15

## **Nick Heyward**

Thur 31 May / 8pm / Starting price F: £22.50

## **Over 70 Bands 9 Venues 1 Day...**

### **Stockton Calling 2018**

Sat 31 Mar 2pm onwards

Stockton Calling has made a name for itself over the years by bringing established names, rising stars and the best regional acts together for one amazing day of live music.

*Starting prices: £20 advance / £22 on the day*

### **Ale & Arty 2018**

Thur 22 Feb – Sat 24 Feb

Ale & Arty is back for 2018 with a fantastic comedy and music line-up, not to mention a tempting array of more than 80 real ales, ciders and perries.

The festival will take place on Thu 22 Feb, Fri 23 Feb and Sat 24 Feb and tickets are on sale now.

## **Class of 76**

Thur 22 Feb / 8pm

Ale & Arty gets off to a rocking start with music from Class of 76. Featuring members of Eddie & The Hotrods, The Members, The Vibrators and musicians who've played with Wilko Johnson and Johnny Thunders.

*Starting prices F: £15 including entry to beer festival*

## **Catch 22: Ian Stone, Lloyd Langford with MC Matt Reed**

Fri 23 Feb / 8pm

No good beer festival would be complete without a helping of top-class comedy and Matt Reed comperes this Ale & Arty special with TV and radio regular Lloyd Langford and Ian Stone, rated by The Independent as one of the best in the UK.

*Starting prices F: £15 including entry to beer festival*

## **Big Red & The Grinners**

Sat 24 Feb / 8pm

Rounding off Ale & Arty's 2018 line-up with style, Big Red & The Grinners move seamlessly from the likes of Techtronic's Pump Up the Jam to Tony Rice's bluegrass classic Freeborn Man. Trying to describe the genius of this band is difficult – you just need to see them!

*Starting prices F: £12 including entry to beer festival*

## **Jazz & Tapas with Jeeremy McMurry & The Pocket Orchestra**

Thur 8 Feb / Thur 8 Mar / Thur 5 Apr

Join us at No 60 for our informal jazz and tapas evening. If you have an appreciation for good food, music and wine, then this is the event for you. Background jazz music is provided by Jeremy McMurry & The Pocket Orchestra and provides the perfect atmosphere for a relaxed and enjoyable evening.

*Starting prices F: £12*

## **Studio Folk**

Discover some of the best up and coming folk talent both local and further afield in a number of smaller, more intimate folk gigs in the Studio.

## **Harri Endersby**

Sat 17 Feb / 8pm

Growing up in County Durham and its thriving folk scene, Harri Endersby's music has been heavily influenced by the region's crowd of prestigious folk singers and musicians, her lyrics being firmly rooted in the pastoral and the world of storytelling.

*Starting prices F: £8.50*

## **Emily Maguire**

Sat 24 Mar / 8pm

A classically-trained multi-instrumentalist with five albums and two books to her name, Emily Maguire is truly a talent to be reckoned with. Her strong, thought-provoking lyrics, supremely expressive vocals and spellbinding live performances have won her fans across the globe.

*Starting prices F: £8.50*

## **Jimmy Aldridge & Sid Goldsmith**

Sat 21 Apr / 8pm

Jimmy Aldridge and Sid Goldsmith arrived on the scene in 2014 with their unique style of strong harmony singing and considered musical arrangements. They tell stories of hardship, joy, struggle and celebration held together with driving banjo and guitar arrangements and close vocal harmonies.

*Starting prices F: £8.50*

## **Jack Rutter**

Fri 11 May / 8pm

Still in his mid-20s, Jack Rutter is a highly respected singer, guitarist and multi-instrumentalist playing within the British folk tradition. His new solo album – Hills – features a range of well-known and rare traditional songs from a variety of sources, delivered with guitar, bouzouki or duet concertina.

*Starting prices F: £8.50*

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