Prescot Festival of Music & the Arts

Our Director

Founded in 2005 by local composer, musician and teacher Dr Robert Howard, the Prescot Festival now runs to 10 days, welcoming more than 1,600 people in 2018, and providing an unrivalled programme of diverse artistic and musical talent.



Our Patron

The festival is delighted to have as its patron the esteemed musician Professor Dr Ian Tracey, Organist Titulaire of Liverpool Cathedral and Chorusmaster to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Choir. Ian is affectionately known as an 'honorary Prescotian,' having once been organist in the parish.



How You Can Get Involved

- * Sign up to 'Come & Sing' Vivaldi's *Gloria* on Saturday 22 June (sopranos, altos, tenors & basses)
- * Sing along & flag-wave at the Proms-style finale on Sunday 30 June
- * Volunteer to help or steward as a 'Friend of the Festival'
- * Become a personal or business sponsor

Find out more at www.prescotfestival.co.uk

SHORT STORY COMPETITION

Do you have an urge to put pen to paper? This year's theme is 'Magic, Myth & Mystery.' £100 is on offer for the winning story. The closing date is 31 May. Full details are online at www.prescotfestival.co.uk.



Arts in Prescot is a not-for-profit, volunteer-run community group organising & promoting arts & cultural events in Prescot & the surrounding area.





Contact Us

To find out more about the festival, visit www.prescotfestival.co.uk or email us at prescotfestival@gmail.com.

How to Find Prescot

From the M57—J2 . From the M62—J6 (then M57 to J2) A58 from St Helens . A57 from Warrington or Liverpool



GUIDE TO VENUES

- 1 Parish Church & Meeting Room, Church St, L34 1LA
- 2 Poco Coffee Shop, 30 Eccleston St, L34 5QJ
- 3 Library & Museum, Prescot Ctr, Eccleston St, L34 5GA
- 4 Methodist Centre, Atherton St, L34 5QN
- 5 Eaton Street Park, Eaton St, L34 6HD
- 6 Wellington Pub, St Helens Rd, L34 2RH
- 7 Evelyn CP School, Evelyn Ave, L34 2SP
- 8 Brown's Field, Wood Ln, L34 1NU
- 9 St Paul's Church, Bryer Rd, L35 5DN
- 10 Whiston Town Hall, Old Colliery Rd, L35 3QX



Friday 21-Sunday 30 June 2019



10 days of arts, music, culture & entertainment in the historic Lancashire town of Prescot, Merseyside



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Full Festival Programme Friday 21—Sunday 30 June 2019

Fri 21

7.30pm . Parish Church . £7

Opening Night: Band & Drums of the Cheshire Constabulary We usher in the festival with a debut appearance from a spectacular brass band that began life as the Stockport Borough Police Band over 65 years ago. Enjoy



Sat 22

7.00pm . Parish Church . £5*

Choral Celebration The

a Cottom's hot pot in the interval,

included in the ticket price.

Prescot Festival Chorus assembles once again to perform one of the most celebrated works of the Baroque era, Antonio Vivaldi's Gloria, along with festival director Robert Howard's Alleluia. In the second half. we welcome the sublime Liverpool Cathedral Choir, under the baton of



Lee Ward, its director since 2017. Choral singers: See overleaf if you'd like to 'Come & Sing' Vivaldi's Gloria.

Sun 23 12 noon . Brown's Field. Free

Prescot Carnival Prescot Town Council present their annual afternoon of stalls, games, food, fairground rides, live entertainment and more for all ages. The parade assembles on Eccleston Street at 11.15am, arriving at the carnival at 12 noon for the official opening.

Sun 23 3.00pm . Parish Church . £5*

Richard Lea in Recital

More than an hour of popular, classical and sacred music from Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral's organist, followed by wine/juice and nibbles (included in ticket price).



Mon 24 6.00pm . Parish Church . Free

Primary Schools' Choir Festival Join us in celebrating an array of choral talent from local primary schools with this inaugural choir festival.

Tue 25 9.30pm . Wellington Pub

Pub Quiz Test your knowledge with friends on a team at this long-standing, regular pub quiz night.

Wed 26 9.30am . Evelyn School . Free

Young Instrumentalists of Prescot

Specially selected local children of all ages demonstrate their musical skills. Featuring the David Rose Trophy.

Thu 27 7.00pm . St Paul's Church . £5

Film: The Magnet (1950)

A young James Fox—billed simply as William at the mere age of 10—stars in this charming Ealing comedy, filmed on location in New Brighton and Liverpool. Enjoy the trip down memory lane (and a complimentary choc ice).



Fri 28

7.00pm . Parish Church . £7

Dr Jazz & the Cheshire Cats The Lymmbased big band return to Prescot with vocalists for an evening of showstopping numbers from the classic swing era. We've teamed up with the Albion Bakehouse to treat you to a cupcake in the interval (included in ticket price).

Sat 29 11.30am . Meeting Room . £1

Curious Tales of Prescot & Knowsley: History Talk with Ken Pye Liverpool's best-

loved historian is back with more intriguing stories from Prescot's illustrious and highly entertaining past.

TICKETS ON SALE 1 MAY 2019 from Poco Coffee (cash only),

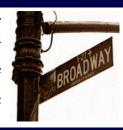
30 Eccleston St, L34 5QJ, or online at www.prescotfestival.co.uk. Booking fee applies to internet sales * Under-16s free if with an adult at asterisked events

Sat 29

7.30pm . Whiston Town Hall . £6

Opera Viva on Broadway

Merseyside's outstanding Opera Viva present a programme packed with memorable tunes from the golden age of American musical theatre, a time before the microphone. Hot drinks & bar available.



Sun 30 6.00pm . Parish Church . Free

Festival Choral

Evensong A traditional musical service in the elegant surroundings of Prescot's Jacobean parish church. The parish choir sing, with Tim Hall on the organ. Refreshments follow.



Sun 30 7.30pm . Parish Church . £6*

Festival Finale with Maghull Wind Orchestra & Danielle Louise

Thomas Audiences loved them so much last year, we've asked this exceptional community ensemble to return with a soprano soloist for another vibrant finale. Along with songs from such popular shows as Oliver! we draw the festival to a close Proms-style, with patriotic



favourites such as Jerusalem and Land of Hope & Glory. Come in good voice, and bring a flag or buy one on the night!

Plus:

- * Schools' Artwork & Jane Reilly Exhibition (Prescot artist) in Prescot Parish Church during events
- * Prescot Museum & Library—Saturdays & Thursday 10am—1pm, Monday—Tuesday & Friday 10am—5pm
- * Coffee Mornings at Prescot Methodist Centre, Tuesday, Friday & both Saturdays, 9.30am—11.30am
- * Tea in the Park at Eaton Street Park Pavilion, each Sunday, 2pm—4pm
- * Open Church at Prescot Parish Church, each Saturday, 10am—2pm. Tour this beautiful Jacobean place of worship, dating to 1610, Knowsley's only Grade I listed building.