

**THE
ATKINSON**



**January —
March '22**

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WELCOME

Hello and welcome!

The Atkinson is proud to be **See it Safely** approved by the Society of London Theatres & UK Theatre and has also received Visit Britain's **We're Good to Go** industry standard mark. You can feel confident knowing that our staff, artists and audiences are always COVID-secure based on the latest government guidelines.

January kicks off with Kevin Clifton's sensational dance show **Burn The Floor** (6 Jan), stand-up from comedy legend **Omid Djalili** (26 Jan) and a play not just for football fans **The Heart of Everton's Badge to the Grand Old Lady** (27 Jan).

Our **Love Folk Festival** returns for Valentines weekend (11 - 12 Feb) with two incredibly talented headliners; **Jon Boden & The Remnant Kings** and **Ranagri**. The bands are supported by a stellar line up from the folk music scene; **Merry Hell**, **Lizzy Hardingham**, **ack Rutter**, **The Last Inklings**, **The Meadows** and much more. Expect great food, great ales, and great music.

The Atkinson is fantastic for families! **Woodland Tales with Granddad** (17 Feb) features a cast of extraordinary puppets. **Hurrah! For The Pirate King** (18 Feb) takes you on a magical musical journey to find a treasure beyond gold and jewels. Rod Campbell's much-loved lift the flap book **Dear Zoo** (2-3 Mar) is the perfect introduction to theatre for young children.

Plan a great night out with friends and family. The children of the revolution take you on a thrilling non-stop journey in **Come What May: The Ultimate Tribute To Moulin Rouge** (4 Feb). The rip-roaring comedy musical **Crooners** (19 Feb) features an outstanding 9-piece big band. Squeeze frontman **Glenn Tilbrook** (17 Mar) brings his ready wit, raucous vibes and a shed load of grin-inducing great songs.

We continue to remember the lives of Polish Airmen based at RAF Woodvale and the iconic Spitfire in **Courage & Devotion** (until 12 Mar) with Polish Day celebrations on the final day of the exhibition. Step back in time with our **I Grew Up 80s** exhibition (until 19 Mar) and prepare to exclaim 'I remember that!'. Relive the magic of the 80s music scene with some top tribute acts lined up this season! Are you a Super Trouper?... Livin' On A Prayer?... Radio Ga Ga?...

We hope to see you at The Atkinson very soon!

LOVE FOLK FESTIVAL

FRI 11 – SAT 12
FEBRUARY 2022

Featuring

**Jon Boden &
The Remnant Kings**
Ranagri
Merry Hell
Lizzy Hardingham
Jack Rutter
The Last Inklings
The Meadows

Plus

Acoustic Stage

#LoveFolkFest

Festival Tickets
£48

HALF TERM

Book
Now!

Woodland Tales with Granddad

Thursday 17 February, 1pm & 3.30pm
£10 Adult / £8 Under 16s / £32 Family

Hurrah! For The Pirate King

Friday 18 February, 2.30pm
£12

Image: Woodland Tales with Granddad

TALKS

Delve deeper into our museum & exhibitions with talks delivered by a wide range of expert speakers.

Object of the Month

Second Wednesday of every month, 1pm
Free, Booking required

Ancient Worlds

First Wednesday of every month, 7pm
£5 / Free to members

Image: *Courage & Devotion*, The Atkinson

EXHIBITIONS

Free
Entry

A New Direction: Contemporary Collecting at The Atkinson

4 December 2021 – 19 March 2022

This exhibition looks at our recent acquisitions, addressing issues such as the gender imbalance of artists represented and a lack of racial diversity. Visitors are invited to join the conversation on the future direction of our collections.

I Grew Up 80s

13 November 2021 – 19 March 2022

Travel through the cultural landscape of 1980s Britain through the eyes of a child. From BMX to Betamax, Dirty Dancing to Donkey Kong, Thompson Twins to Transformers, if you grew up in the 80s get ready to exclaim 'I remember that!'.

Courage & Devotion

26 June 2021 – 12 March 2022

We remember the lives of the Polish Airmen based at RAF Woodvale during World War 2 and some of the stories associated with the area. A replica scale model of a Spitfire Vb AB273 from paper artist Suhail Shaikh is also on display.

Natural High

19 June 2021 – 26 March 2022

Reconnect with nature in this contemplative exhibition of British landscape scenery from our fine art collection. Take a meditative and relaxing journey as we follow in the footsteps of artists from the early 19th century to the present day.

The Landing: Re-View Textile

29 January 2022 – 26 March 2022

The Landing is an exciting Gallery showcasing affordable artwork from leading regional artists.

MUSEUM

Free
Entry

Discover Ancient Egypt

Our stunning Egyptology museum takes visitors on a journey through what life was like in ancient Egypt at the time of the Pharaohs. Visitors can see an intricately decorated coffin lid and the Mummy of Nes-Amun, amongst many other artefacts.

Between Land & Sea

Explore the history of Sefton from prehistoric times to the present day. A range of interactive displays and creative activities have been designed to help visitors of all ages have fun whilst exploring.

I GREW UP 80S

Share your photographs

Did you have a Polaroid Camera, Kodak Ektralite, Canon AE-1?... We want to see your iconic 80s photos; the fashion, the hair, the memories! Tag us on social media or email your photos to info@theatkinson.co.uk. We will display our favourites in the galleries.

Image: *I Grew Up 80s*, The Atkinson



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January 2022

Ancient Worlds

Western Approaches HQ (online)

Wed 5 Jan, 7pm, £5 / Free to Members

We are joined by the team at Western Approaches who will be discussing this incredible building and its history (and present story as a museum) in detail.

Burn The Floor with Kevin Clifton

Thu 06 Jan, 7.30pm, £36 Zone 2 / £44 Zone 1 / £75 VIP Meet & Greet

Featuring Kevin Clifton, one of the most successful professional dancers to come out of Strictly Come Dancing; Burn The Floor is a mix of eclectic live music, jaw-dropping choreography and ground-breaking moves.

Cake & Classical

Gounod: Petite Symphonie

Mon 10 Jan, 1pm, £13

Our regular lunchtime concerts are a great way to hear really beautiful ensembles in a relaxed environment. Ticket price includes a hot drink and a piece of cake.

Object of the Month

Love and Betrayal: Writing Poland's War

Wed 12 Jan, 1pm, Free, Donations Welcome

To accompany The Atkinson's exhibition Courage & Devotion, join novelist Carolyn Kirby for an illustrated talk about the real people and events behind her acclaimed wartime novel, When We Fall.

All Souls Dramatic Club

The Snow Queen

Thu 13 Jan, 7.30pm, Sat 15 Jan, 2pm & 7.30pm, Sun 16 Jan, 2pm, Thu 20 Jan, 7.30pm, Fri 21 Jan, 7.30pm, Sat 22 Jan, 2pm & 7.30pm, Sun 23 Jan, 11.30am & 4.30pm
£13 Adult / £11 Under 16s / £11 Thursdays / Group booking discount available

The local amateur theatre company have been performing at The Atkinson since the mid 1970s and promise to bring a spectacular and magical pantomime...



Omid Djalili: The Good Times Tour

Wed 26 Jan, 8pm, £25

Comedy legend Omid Djalili brings his incredible stand up show to The Atkinson. Intelligent, always provocative, entertaining, Omid's legendary stand-up performances is a captivating comedy masterclass.

Blue Park Productions

The Heart of Everton's Badge to the Grand Old Lady

Thu 27 Jan, 7.30pm, £16 / £8 Under 16s

This play is not just for Evertonians but for all the family. It's a story about an amazing football club and its history but also some life lessons. You'll not only laugh but you'll also cry.

ABBA Reunion Tribute Show

Fri 28 Jan, 7.30pm, £22.50 / £20.50 Concession

A truly feel good concert from the Director of the award-winning ABBAMANIA musical, starring the original 'Frida' from the London West End cast. Relive the phenomena that swept the airwaves during the 70s and 80s!

Jive Talkin' perform the Bee Gees

Sat 29 Jan, 7.30pm, £22.50 / £21.00 Concession

Renowned as the very best Bee Gees tribute show and the only act who have performed with the original Bee Gees! Hear the greatest hits in an explosion of music and vocal harmony.

February 2022

Ancient Worlds

King Cnut the Great

Wed 02 Feb, 7pm, £5 / Free to Members

Dr Timothy Bolton discusses how Cnut's invasion and takeover of power in England in 1016-1018 is important for our understanding of the final phase of Anglo-Saxon history.

Grateful Fred's

Americana & Roots Music

Wed 02 Feb, 7.30pm, £13 Advance / £15 Doors

Brooks Williams & Aaron Catlow bring their singular voices to the guitar and violin tradition with soaring melodies, heart-tugging counter-melodies and agile rhythms.

Sweeney Entertainments

Come What May:

The Ultimate Tribute to Moulin Rouge

Fri 04 Feb, 7.30pm, £26.50

Starring Strictly Come Dancing's very own Robin Windsor; Come What May is all-singing, all-dancing extravaganza celebrating one of the greatest movie-musicals of all time.

GO NOW! The Music of The Moody Blues (Tribute)

Sat 05 Feb, 7.30pm, £25

The ultimate tribute to the greatest classic rock band of a generation from drummer Gordy Marshall, who toured with The Moody Blues for 25 years.

Cake & Classical

Gounod: Musica Argentina

Mon 7 Feb, 1pm, £13

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Object of the Month

The Polish Air Force in WW2

Thu 10 Feb, 1pm, Free, Donations Welcome

A free talk by the Chairman of the Polish Air Force Memorial Committee featuring archived material from the presenter's father, Franciszek Kornicki, former Commander of 308 and 317 Polish Squadrons.

Love Folk Festival 2022

Fri 11 Feb, 7.30pm

Sat 12 Feb, from 1.30pm

£48 Festival Ticket

Love Folk Festival returns in 2022! Join us at The Atkinson for a celebration of traditional, upcoming and alternative folk music. Spend the most romantic weekend of the year dancing, singing, drinking, eating and generally loving folk!

Pickled Image

Woodland Tales with Granddad

Thu 17 Feb, 1pm & 3.30pm, £10 Adult / £8 Under 16s / £32 Family, Age 3+

Featuring a cast of extraordinary puppets, this uproarious family show not only entertains, but has an important and timely environmental message to share.

Bill Elms & Absolute Children's Opera

Hurrah! For The Pirate King

Fri 18 Feb, 2.30pm, £12, Ages 0-10

Follow the great Pirate King's adventure, as he takes us on a magical musical journey to find a treasure beyond gold and jewels.

Board Game Day

Sat 19 Feb, 11am - 3pm, Free

What's your favourite Board Game, Buckaroo, Guess Who, Hungry Gungry Hippos?... Join us at The Atkinson as we play some games suitable for all the family.



Crooners

Sat 19 Feb, 7.30pm, £22

Paying homage to the greatest crooners, this exhilarating show is full of hilarious one liners and superb musical numbers from an outstanding 9-piece band.

Sam Jalloh: How Tennis Saved My Life

Thu 24 Feb, 8pm, £15 / £10 Concession

War Survivor, ex Sierra Leonean Tennis player and professional tennis coach Sam Jalloh shares his incredible story, defying the odds to become a truly inspirational figure around the world.

Key:

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March 2022

Murder Mystery Productions

By Invitation Only 1927

Fri 25 Feb, 7.30pm, £22

Murder Mystery evenings allow you to put your investigative skills to the test and enjoy an evening of murder, mystery and intrigue, courtesy of Murder Mystery Productions.

The Bon Jovi Experience

Sat 26 Feb, 7.30pm, £22

Bon Jovi has called this band the best tribute he has ever watched! Get ready for a stadium rock concert as the band produce the looks and sounds of the real thing.

Ancient Worlds

Evening Talks

Wed 02 Mar, 7pm, £5 / Free to Members

A brilliant way to delve deeper into our exhibitions programme. The talks are delivered by a wide range of experts and offer insight into their field.

Grateful Fred's

Americana & Roots Music

Wed 02 Mar, 7.30pm, £13 Advance / £15 Doors

The all-acoustic sound of Sandy McLelland unashamedly pays respect to the American country, blues, folk and soul music he absorbed in his early days in Glasgow.



Norwell Lapley Productions

Dear Zoo

Wed 02 Mar, 4pm, Thu 03 Mar, 10.30am & 1.30pm

£14.50 / £12.50 Concessions & Groups of 10+ / £10 Schools & Nurseries, Age 2+

Ben and Sally are searching for the perfect pet, but instead the zoo send a far too big elephant, a far too grumpy camel, and a far too jumpy frog. Whatever will they send next!

Fairport Convention 55th Anniversary

Fri 04 Mar, 7.30pm, £30

Fairport Convention have been entertaining music lovers for over half a century, with 2022 being their 55th anniversary!

Jim Cregan & Co - The Rod Stewart Songbook

Sat 05 Mar, 7.30pm, £20

Formed by Rod Stewart's guitarist and collaborative songwriter, Jim Cregan, Cregan & Co. celebrate from 1977 to the present day with an evening of Rod's hit songs.

Cake & Classical

Divas: Handbags at Dawn

Mon 07 Mar, 1pm, £13

Our regular lunchtime concerts are a great way to hear really beautiful ensembles in a relaxed environment. Ticket price includes a hot drink and a piece of cake.

Giovanni Pernice: This Is Me

Tue 08 Mar, 7.30pm, £34 Zone 2 / £36 Zone 1

£75 VIP Meet & Greet

With beautiful choreography perfectly complemented by a fabulous soundtrack, This Is Me pays homage to the music and dances that have inspired Giovanni's career.

SOLD OUT

Object of the Month

Lunchtime Talk

Wed 09 Mar, 1pm, Free, Donations Welcome

The Object of the Month lunchtime talks take place on the second Wednesday of every month and highlight different objects from our fine art and social history collections.

Courage & Devotion

Polish Day

Sat 12 Mar, 11am - 3pm, Free, Donations Welcome

Join us for a celebration of family friendly activities and delicious Polish food on the last day of our 'Courage & Devotion' exhibition, remembering the Polish Airmen based at RAF Woodvale during WW2.

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Glenn Tilbrook

Thu 17 Mar, 7.30pm, £20

Squeeze frontman Glenn Tilbrook is one of the UK's most cherished singers, guitarists and songwriters.

The Drifters

Fri 18 Mar, 7.30pm, £30

The legendary group are back on tour performing their classic hits from the last six decades including 'Saturday Night at the Movies', 'You're More Than A Number', 'Come on Over to My Place' and more!

The Upbeat Beatles

Sat 19 Mar, 7.30pm, £24

The Upbeat Beatles are a rockin' band with the same tight musicianship and powerhouse vocals as The Fab Four.

Lipservice

Chateau Ghoul

Sat 19 Mar, 8pm, £15 / £10 Concession

Château Ghoul is East Yorkshire's go-to boutique hotel offering themed weekends. Guaranteed fun for all the family, the only trouble is - the guests keep dying...



Dyad Productions

I, Elizabeth

Wed 23 Mar, 7.30pm, £15 / £13 Concession

Elizabeth was the last of the five monarchs of the House of Tudor. This incredible production tells her story using her own letters, speeches and writings.

Queen Rhapsody

Fri 25 Mar, 7.30pm, £25

The world will never see Queen perform with Freddie Mercury again but Rhapsody gets very close. Featuring hits from every decade of Queen's musical legacy.

Heidi Talbot

Sat 26 Mar, 7.30pm, £15

Heidi Talbot became a star as a member of the Irish American band Cherish the Ladies. Her style slips effortlessly between musical worlds but is rooted in traditional folk.

Conn Artists Theatre Co in association with

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Mary Rose by J. M. Barrie

Sat 26 Mar, 7.30pm, £15 / £13 Concession

In this hauntingly beautiful play, from the creator of Peter Pan, comes an exploration of time, love and loss.

The Fureys

Mon 28 Mar, 7.30pm, £23

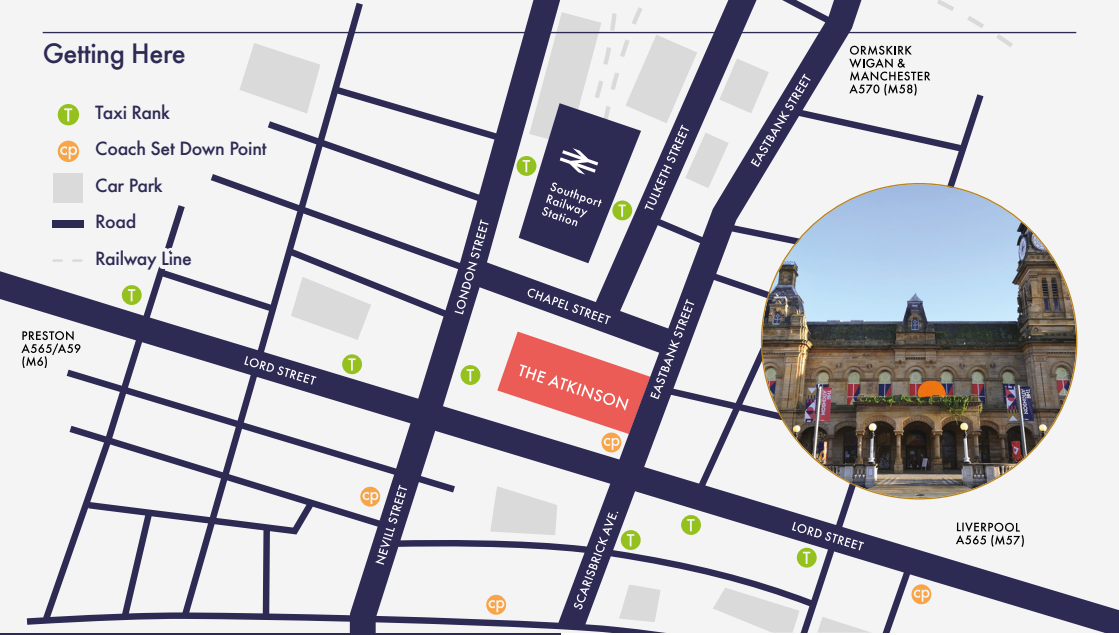
The Fureys are one of Ireland's most influential traditional bands, renowned for their hit songs 'I Will Love You', 'When You Were Sweet Sixteen' and 'The Green Fields Of France'.

Community Activities

Regular community events at The Atkinson include the Wellbeing Choir, Tea Dance, Sefton Art Group and Construction Club. Please visit our website or ask our staff for more information.

Southport Library offer a range of services to the local community. Please visit the Sefton Council website or ask the library staff for more information.
www.sefton.gov.uk/libraries

Getting Here



HELPFUL INFO

Opening Hours

Box Office

Monday – Saturday 10am – 2pm
(Open one hour before evening performances.)

Museum, Gallery, Shop & Café

Monday – Saturday 10am – 4pm

Southport Library

Monday – Friday 10am – 4pm
Saturday 10am – 2pm

The Atkinson is closed on Sundays and Bank Holidays.
Please check opening hours before visiting.

General Information

To ensure the safety of our staff and audiences we are complying with the latest Government and industry COVID-19 guidelines. Up to date information on the safety measures in place can be found on our website.

The Atkinson will exchange tickets (with exceptions, check before booking) up to 48 hours before a show. Full terms & conditions are listed online.

All information is correct at the time of printing.



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Accessibility

- Wheelchair spaces are available, please call the Box Office on 01704 533 333
- Changing Places toilet facility
- Guide Dogs are welcome in all areas of the venue
- Lift access to all areas of the venue
- Induction Loop available for any space in the venue

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