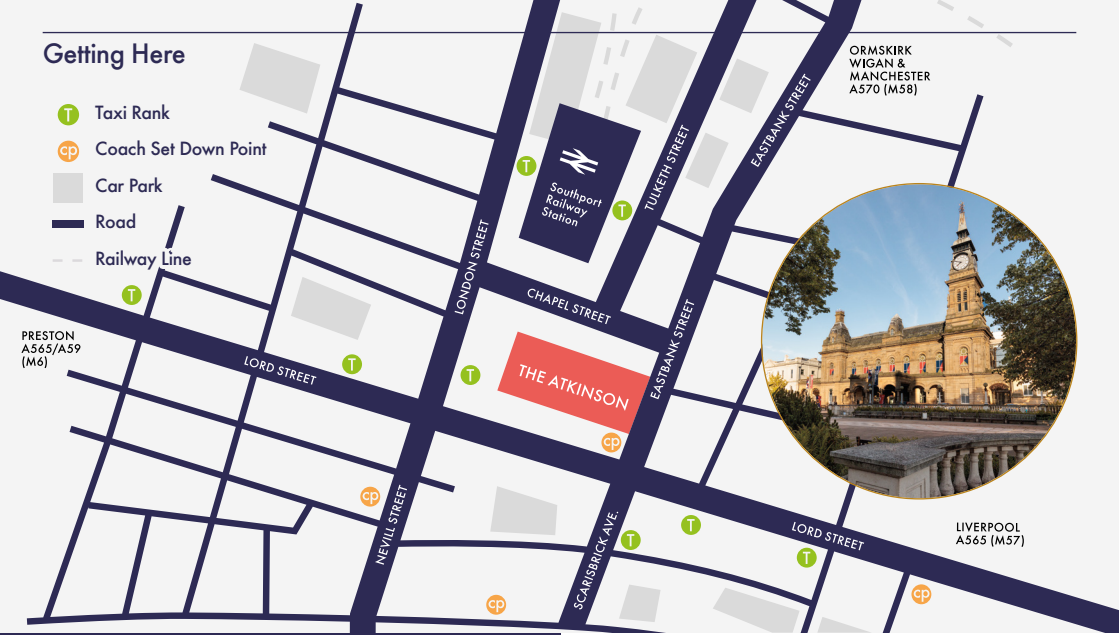


**THE  
ATKINSON**

**January —  
March '23**

**Music  
Theatre  
Comedy  
Exhibitions  
Museum  
Shop  
Café  
Library**

## Getting Here



## HELPFUL INFO

### Opening Hours

#### Box Office

Monday – Saturday 10am – 2pm  
(Open one hour before performance start times)

#### Museum, Gallery & Shop

Monday – Saturday 10am – 4pm

#### A Great Little Place Café

Monday – Friday 10am – 4.30pm  
Saturday 10am – 4pm

#### Southport Library

Monday – Friday 10am – 5pm  
Saturday 10am – 2pm

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

### General Information

Booking fees apply to purchases made online and over the phone.  
The Atkinson's refund policy is available online and at Box Office.  
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
-  Assistance 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

### The Atkinson would like to thank our Funders & Supporters:



### Industry Standards:



# WELCOME

Hello and welcome,

Last year we began working with **B 4 Biodiversity** and installed a beehive on our roof, created homes for solitary bees and planted lots of pollinator friendly plants around our building. **Meet our beekeeper** (13 Jan) Andrea Ku and learn how you can support the bee ecosystem. You can also **make homes for solitary bees** (23 Feb) in a workshop focused on creating sustainable spaces.

Lovers of the great outdoors will not want to miss this insightful show from wildlife presenter and filmmaker **Gordon Buchanan** (17 Mar) as he looks back at his incredible 30-year career in the wild.

Iconic tribute artists performing this season include **The UK Rock Show** (25 Feb), **T.Rextasy** (10 Mar) and **Someone Like You – The Adele Songbook** (15 Mar). So, get into the groove and enjoy these incredibly talented singers and musicians giving fans a chance to hear their favourite songs up close and personal.

For those of you who prefer the real thing, we have **Ian Prowse & Amsterdam** (11 March), 10cc's **Graham Gouldman** and his Heart Full of Songs project (14 Mar), and the incomparable **Paul Young: Behind The Lens** (22 Mar). It's time to revel in the classic hits of the 70s, 80s and 90s - backcombed hair not required...

Have we got a class act for you! Get in the school spirit with John Godber's timeless comedy play **Teechers** (23 & 24 Mar). Fast-moving, inventive and highly entertaining, this is comedy theatre not to be missed! Move beyond your role as spectator and become part of the experience in **Murder Mystery: The Final Act** (25 Feb). You will be immersed into a story, brought to life by a team of crafted, professional actors – the fate of whom belongs to YOU!

Discover local stories from across Sefton in our **Museum** and **Gallery**. In our new exhibitions you can take a closer look at the buildings that line our town in **Southport's Streets – Seen by you!** (3 Dec - 4 Feb) and explore the Victorian history of our coastline in **The Promenade: A Leisurely Stroll Along Southport's Seafront** (14 Jan - 11 Mar). Entry is free and a range of interactive displays have been designed to help visitors of all ages explore.

We look forward to seeing you at The Atkinson.

## LOVE FOLK FESTIVAL

FRI 10 & SAT 11  
FEB 2023

Festival Tickets  
£48

Featuring

**Jim Moray**

**The Gigspanner Big Band**

**Bonfire Radicals**

**Greenman Rising**

**Jenny Colquitt**

**The Rheingans Sisters**

**Calum Gilligan**

**Katie Spencer**

Plus

**Busk Love Folk  
Acoustic Stage**

Festival Partner

FATEA



## Tales from Acorn Wood

Wed 1 Feb, 4pm

Thu 2 Feb, 10.30am & 1.30pm

£15 adults / £13 under 16s

Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler's beloved stories are brought to life in a charming experience packed full of toe-tapping songs and expert puppetry.

## CALL FOR ARTISTS

Get  
involved



## The Sefton Open 2023

An annual exhibition celebrating the creativity and artistic talent across the borough. Entry forms with full submission details are available online and at The Atkinson.

Hand in day: 21 March 2023, 11am – 7pm

Exhibition: 1 April – 13 May 2023

## MUSEUM

Free  
Entry



## Discover Ancient Egypt

The stunning Egyptology museum takes visitors on a journey through life in ancient Egypt at the time of the Pharaohs, showcasing Anne Goodison's personal collection in an interactive display.

## Between Land & Sea

In our local history museum explore the history of Sefton from hunter-gatherer footprints to Dan Dare Pilot of the Future. Take a selfie in a historic costume from our dressing up wall.

## EXHIBITIONS

Free  
Entry

## The Poetry of Trees

4 June 2022 – 11 March 2023

Trees have inspired artists and writers for millennia. A range of artistic perspectives help us reconnect with the natural world, through painting, sculpture, and digital artworks.

## Unselfish Selfie

8 October 2022 – 4 March 2023

Guest curator and artist Nahem Shoa presents historic self-portraits alongside contemporary self-portraits by artists who traditionally have not been given an equal voice and remained largely invisible.

## The Landing: Southport's Streets – Seen by you!

3 December 2022 – 4 February 2023

An invitation exhibition celebrating the built heritage of the town, presented in collaboration with Southport Townscape Heritage Project. Artworks are available to purchase.

## The Promenade: A Leisurely Stroll Along Southport's Seafront

14 January – 11 March 2023

Stroll along Southport's beautiful promenade and explore the history of our seafront. The exhibition includes original watercolours and ephemera from the Victorian period and recently restored original plans for the Victorian pier.

## The Foyer: Lancashire Aircraft Investigation Team

4 February – 4 March 2023

On Friday 13 February 1942 Flying Officer Boleslaw Paley (308 Squadron, RAF Woodvale) was conducting mock dog-fighting exercises with Sergeant Majchrzyk before he bailed out of his aircraft. The wreckage of Spitfire BL585 will be on display.

## The Landing: Jonathan Kennedy – Stop & Search

11 February – 18 March 2023

The Wirral artist presents a semi-autobiographical body of work. His skilful drawings are infused with hidden messages and often dark obscure meaning. Artworks are available to purchase.

## The Foyer: Southport Photographic Society Members' Exhibition

11 – 25 March 2023

The local society was founded in 1890, making it one of the oldest in the country. In this 76th annual exhibition their members present a range of subjects and techniques.

# January – March '23

## January 2023

**Ancient Worlds  
Evening Talk**  
Wed 04 Jan, 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.

**Cake & Classical Music  
Trio Havisham**  
Mon 09 Jan, 12.30pm, £13  
A trio of Violin, Cello & Piano present music by Dvorak, the Dumky Trio No 4 and Shostakovich Trio No 1. Ticket price includes a hot drink and a piece of cake. Refreshments from 12.30pm / Concert begins 1pm.

**Object Of The Month  
Lunchtime Talk**  
Wed 11 Jan, 1pm, Free, donations welcome  
Discover the hidden histories of items across our collections, from painting, print and sculpture to craft, costume and ceramics. The talks are delivered by Atkinson staff and a range of expert speakers.



**All Souls Dramatic Club  
Snow White: A modern family pantomime**  
Thu 12 Jan, 7.30pm, Sat 14 Jan, 2pm & 7.30pm,  
Sun 15 Jan, 2pm, Thu 19 Jan, 7.30pm, Fri 20 Jan, 7.30pm  
Sat 21 Jan, 2pm & 7.30pm, Sun 22 Jan, 11.30am & 4.30pm  
£14.50 / £12 under 16s / £12 Thursday performances  
Come and join Snow White and her seven little friends from the enchanted forest as they attempt to defeat the evil Wicked Queen. Will Snow White meet her handsome Prince and live happily ever after?

**B 4 Biodiversity  
Meet The Beekeeper**  
Fri 13 Jan, 12pm, Free, donations welcome  
Andrea Ku of B 4 Biodiversity is The Atkinson's resident beekeeper. In this talk she will tell us which plants are great for bees, how far bees forage, and the different types of honey made by bees throughout the year.



**Danny Lowry Entertainments  
Ray Quinn: King of Swing**  
Sat 28 Jan, 7.30pm, £25 / £23 concessions  
Led by a bona fide star of swing music, Ray Quinn, this concert tells the incredible story of the world-famous Rat Pack. Featuring the greatest hits of Sammy Davis Jr, Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra & more.

## February 2023

**Norwell Lapley  
Tales from Acorn Wood**  
Wed 01 Feb, 4pm, Thu 02 Feb, 10.30am & 1.30pm  
£15 adults / £13 under 16s  
Julia Donaldson & Axel Scheffler's beloved stories are brought to life on stage in an enchanting lift-the-flap experience packed full of toe-tapping songs, puppetry, and all the friends from Acorn Wood.

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Wed 01 Feb, 7pm, £5 / Free to Members  
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**Grateful Fred's: Americana & Roots Music  
Madison Violet**  
Wed 01 Feb, 7.30pm, £13 advance / £15 doors  
Heart-wrenching songwriting and luscious harmonies combined with the natural storytelling of folk, the rhythms of Americana and catchy pop hooks. With support from John Williams.

**Daddy Productions Ltd  
Adult Pantomime: The Little Mermaid**  
Fri 03 Feb, 7.30pm, £28.50 / £43.50 pre-show meet & greet / age 16+  
A filthy, funny twist on a classic tale with beautiful scenery, sparkling costumes and the usual comedy & camp songs you'd expect. Starring Rupaul's Drag Race alumni Divina DeCampo, Detox, Choriza May & Trinity K Bonet.

**Cake & Classical Music  
The Beautiful Bassoon**  
Mon 06 Feb, 12.30pm, £13  
A lovely programme from Dell'Arte's principal bassoonist David Thomas, together with his string friends. Ticket price includes a hot drink and a piece of cake. Refreshments from 12.30pm / Concert begins 1pm.

**Object Of The Month  
Lunchtime Talk**  
Wed 08 Feb, 1pm, Free, donations welcome  
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**Love Folk Festival 2023**  
Fri 10 Feb, 7pm, Sat 11 Feb, 1pm  
£48 Festival Ticket  
Join us at The Atkinson for a celebration of traditional, upcoming and alternative folk music. Headliners Jim Moray and The Gigspanner Big Band (six piece) are joined by Bonfire Radicals, Greenman Rising, Jenny Colquitt, The Rheingans Sisters, Calum Gilligan and Katie Spencer. Fatea host the Busk Love Folk acoustic stage.

**Sweeney Entertainments  
Come What May:  
The Ultimate Tribute to Moulin Rouge**  
Tue 14 Feb, 7.30pm, £29.50  
We present to you an all singing, all dancing extravaganza celebrating one of the greatest movie musicals of all time. A 'spectacular spectacular' featuring Strictly Come Dancing's Robin Windsor and a cast of top West End performers.



**Make it!  
Craft Workshop**  
Thu 16 Feb, 11am – 3pm, Free, drop in sessions  
Be inspired by our museum, galleries & theatre programme in a family craft workshop. There's something for all ages, with all materials supplied and all for free!

**Ballet Theatre UK  
Beauty and the Beast**  
Fri 17 Feb, 7pm, £18 / £15 concessions / £10 under 16s / £10 Dance schools  
One of the most enchanting love stories of all time is brought to the stage in a beautiful ballet production. Inspired by the original tale, the performance is set to a stunning classical score and features beautiful sets, costumes and of course, dance!

**Phil McIntyre Live  
Rob Newman: Live On Stage**  
Sat 18 Feb, 7.30pm, £17.50 / £10 concessions / age 14+  
Fresh from his BBC Radio 4 series Rob Newman On Air, the award-winning comedian's new show is a stand-up epic that goes from cave paintings to car-free cities to ask: Who are we? Where are we going? And how do spiders fly?

**B 4 Biodiversity  
Making Homes for Solitary Bees Workshop**  
Thu 23 Feb, 12pm, Free, booking required  
Our resident Beekeeper talks about the importance of creating suitable spaces for solitary bees. This practical session will enable participants to build their own solitary bee home to take away.

Key:

- Audience With
- Comedy
- Community
- Dance
- Family
- Music
- Talks
- Theatre

**Dotted Line Ltd  
Fairport Convention**  
Thu 23 Feb, 7.30pm, £30  
Fairport Convention have been entertaining music lovers for over half a century, having formed in 1967. During that time the band that launched British folk-rock has seen many changes, but one thing has remained the same – Fairport's passion for performance.

**DBY Interactive  
Murder Mystery: The Final Act!**  
Sat 25 Feb, 8pm, £25  
Move beyond your role as spectator and become part of the experience! You will be immersed into a story, brought to life by a team of crafted, professional actors – the fate of whom belongs to YOU! Price includes a glass of Prosecco or soft drink.

**Artistes International Management  
The UK Rock Show**  
Sat 25 Feb, 7.30pm, £23 / £21 concessions  
Get ready to be transported back to the 80s heyday of classic rock! An amazing 5 piece band recreate hits from Journey, Aerosmith, Def Leppard, Bon Jovi, Kiss, AC/DC, Van Halen & more!

## March 2023

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**Grateful Fred's: Americana & Roots Music  
State Of The Union**  
Wed 01 Mar, 7.30pm, £13 advance / £15 doors  
Boo Hewerdine & Brooks Williams interweave melodies and harmonies, nimble picking and full-tilt chording, creating an enthralling atmosphere with two guitars and two voices. With support from Vision Thing.

**Counterfeit Group Ltd  
The Counterfeit Seventies**  
Sat 04 Mar, 7.30pm, £20 / £19 concessions  
From a decade of glam rock through to new wave and everything in between. A stunning 4 piece band take you through a rollercoaster ride of the biggest 70s hits featuring Slade, Sweet, T.Rex, The Bay City Rollers & more.

**Cake & Classical Music  
A Trio of Single**  
Mon 06 Mar, 12.30pm, £13  
Expect clarinets, basset horns and bass clarinets playing music from Mozart to Elgar whilst celebrating the unique and wisful sound of the Basset Horn. Ticket price includes a hot drink and a piece of cake. Refreshments from 12.30pm / Concert begins 1pm.

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**Sweeney Entertainments  
T.Rextasy**  
Fri 10 Mar, 7.30pm, £24  
The world's only official live tribute band dedicated to Marc Bolan & T.Rex is a rock'n'roll concert for all ages. If you would like to know exactly what a Marc Bolan concert was like in the 1970s, step this way!



**Pele 'Fireworks' 30th Anniversary Tour  
Ian Prowse & Amsterdam**  
Sat 11 Mar, 8pm, £17.50  
Ian Prowse is a renowned singer/songwriter who cemented his cult following with indie bands Pele and Amsterdam. Fans will be treated to plenty of classics from Ian Prowse's musical career.

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(Booking fees apply)  
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**The Gig Cartel  
Graham Gouldman: Heart Full of Songs**  
Tue 14 Mar, 7.30pm, £30  
A semi-acoustic four-piece band performs a broad spread of Graham Gouldman's songwriting catalogue, including chart hits for 10cc, the Hollies, Herman's Hermits, the Yardbirds, Jeff Beck and his time in Wax with Andrew Gold.

**Chameleon Music Marketing Ltd  
Someone Like You: The Adele Songbook**  
Wed 15 Mar, 7.30pm, £23 / £21 concessions / £16 under 16s  
An outstanding live concert performance featuring stunning vocals, a super-talented band and an incredible repertoire of all your favourite Adele hits – including songs from the brand-new album '30.'



**The Anniversary Tour  
Gordon Buchanan: 30 Years in the Wild**  
Fri 17 Mar, 7.30pm, £25 / £22.50 concessions / £10 NHS (limited availability direct from Box Office)  
One of the most prominent wildlife presenters and filmmakers working today has a remarkable story to tell. Discover what has driven his career and his favourite wildlife encounters.

**Julie July Band  
The Sandy Denny Experience**  
Sat 18 Mar, 8pm, £22.50  
In Sandy Denny's brief career she left a legacy of beautiful, haunting original and traditional compositions. Join The Julie July Band as they celebrate Sandy's defining role in British folk-rock music.

**A Way With Media Productions  
Paul Young: Behind The Lens**  
Wed 22 Mar, 7.30pm, £30 / £45 VIP / £80 VIP pre-show meet & greet  
Paul Young has been a major star ever since his 1983 debut album 'No Parlez' went to number one. In this tour, he'll meet fans, sing hits and tell stories about his incredible career.



**Blackeyed Theatre in association with South Hill Park  
Teachers**  
Thu 23 Mar, 7.30pm, Fri 24 Mar, 7.30pm  
£20 / £17 concessions / £13 under 16s  
Have we got a class act for you! Get in the school spirit with John Godber's timeless comedy play about life at a struggling academy for Mr Nixon, an unsuspecting new drama teacher. This is comedy theatre not to be missed!

**Mama  
The Next Domino: A Tribute to Genesis**  
Sat 25 Mar, 8pm, £25 / £22 concessions  
After the resounding success of the recent Genesis tour 'The Last Domino' Mama are proud to announce their 2022 shows where they will perform the same songs in the same order as this stunning tour.

## 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.  
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