

ST ALBANS FOLK FESTIVAL

16TH–18TH JUNE 2023

Friday June 16

- 19.45-22.00 **The Church Hall**, Marlborough Road, St Albans, AL1 3XG,
Friday Folk Social Dance Club Barn Dance with live music from the Red River Band.
Come on your own or with friends to join the fun. Open to all. Our experienced caller
will show you what to do. Admission £4, cash or card. Contact Friday Folk, 07762
085629.
- 20.30-23.00 **The Robin Hood**, 126 Victoria Street, St Albans, AL1 3TG
Traditional music session in the big tent behind the pub. This is an informal session of
English, Irish and other acoustic music. All welcome to listen or to play.

Saturday June 17

Information point

- 9.00 - 16.00 In the Market Place outside 'Five guys'. Ask for information about the festival, including
leaflets, tickets and directions to find the music and dancing.

Day of Dance

Chelmsford Morris, Chiltern Hundreds, FaltrUKeiras Galician dancers and musicians, Fenstanton Morris,
National Youth Folklore Troupe of England, New Moon Morris, Phoenix Morris, Queen's Oak Morris, St
Albans Morris, Tappalachian, Whitethorn, Wicket Brood, Young Miscellany

- 10.00 - 11.15 Outside the Alban Arena. Massed show. All sides
11.30 - 12.00 Dancing at the Clock Tower, Christopher Place, Abbey West Door and Fighting Cocks
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14.00 - 14.30 Dancing at the Clock Tower, Christopher Place and Fighting Cocks
- 14.45 - 15.15 Dancing at the Clock Tower, Christopher Place and Fighting Cocks
15.30 - 16.45 Outside the Abbey West Door, all sides
16.45 onwards Informal music and dancing for all sides at the White Hart Hotel, Holywell Hill.

Day of Music

Ukelele workshop

- 15.00-16.30 **The Mermaid**, 98 Hatfield Rd, St Albans AL1 3R
Workshop with the Ver Players, leader Steve Wragg. Suggested donation, £5.00

Free showcase performances

- 13.00-17.00 **The White Lion**, 91 Sopwell Lane, St Albans AL1 1RN

13.00-17.00 **The White Hart Tap**, 4 Keyfield, St Albans AL1 1QJ

13.00-17.00 **The Garibaldi**, 61 Albert St, St Albans AL1 1RT

Sessions and singarounds - a chance to join in

12.30-14.30 **The Goat Inn**, 37 Sopwell Lane, St Albans AL1 1RN
Traditional music session. An informal session of English, Irish and other folk and acoustic music. All welcome to listen or to play

14.00-17.00 **The Hare and Hounds**, 104 Sopwell Lane, St Albans AL1 1RL
Singaround for the Earth* This will be a friendly singaround with a focus on the environment and sustainability. Please bring your songs, poems and stories on such themes. All are welcome to listen or to perform and it will be an entirely 'acoustic' event - so no microphones, no amplification. Collection in aid of Earthworks, a local charity that provides social and therapeutic horticulture and nature-based opportunities for people of all abilities in 3.5 acres of eco-gardens in St Albans

15.00-17.00 **The Goat Inn**, 37 Sopwell Lane, St Albans AL1 1RN
Old timey music session with Nigel Moorcroft and friends

Festival concert

19.30 St Saviour's Church, 25 Sandpit Lane, St Albans AL1 4DF
with **Jess and Richard Arrowsmith**
plus Watford Folk Club songwriting competition winner
Matt Davis
and New Roots 2023 finalist
John Cooper Clarke

Tickets for the festival concert, price £20, students and other concessions £15 can be bought by booking online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/stalbansfolkmusic, by phone on 0333 666 3366, or on the door.

Sunday June 18

10.15-11.00 **Bernard's Heath**, St Albans, or St Saviour's Church Hall if wet
Join in and dance with Young Miscellany and NYFTE. For children and families.

13.30-15.30 **St Saviour's Church**, 25 Sandpit Lane, St Albans AL1 4DF
National Youth Folklore Troup for England (NYFTE)

Concert with support from **Young Miscellany**. Admission free with collection

16.00-18.00 **St Saviour's Church**, 25 Sandpit Lane, St Albans AL1 4DF
Songs and tunes for Earthworks* An informal session. Representatives from local charity Earthworks will be manning an information stall, where you can learn about its work and opportunities to get involved. Alongside this, Earthworks will be offering a small growing activity for people of all ages to get involved with. Collection in aid of Earthworks.

20.30 **The Robin Hood**, 126 Victoria Street, St Albans, AL1 3TG
Traditional music session to round off the festival

* These events are also part of St Albans Sustainability Festival