

# A Season in Music

Classics, chart toppers and the freshest new artists... hear it right here!

## MOBO Awards 2010

**October 20**

**Echo Arena Liverpool**

**Monarch's Quay**

The MOBO Awards will celebrate its 15th birthday by holding its internationally renowned, star-studded annual ceremony... right here in Liverpool!

Over the last 15 years, MOBO have showcased and honoured some of the music industry's finest talent with performances from diverse UK and international artists including Rihanna, Amy Winehouse, Tina Turner, Jay Z, Destiny's Child and Sade.

Last year's event, which saw the MOBO Awards transfer out of London for the first time, featured appearances from among others JLS, N-Dubz, Alexandra Burke, Kelly Rowland and Jermaine & La Toya Jackson.

Now the city of Liverpool is being passed the MOBO baton for the first time and gearing up for a sensational awards ceremony in October.

MOBO Ambassador Leona Lewis said, "I'm the proud owner of two MOBO Awards and am delighted to be here in Liverpool to help commemorate their 15th year. I think Liverpool is the perfect choice for this year's MOBO Awards."

For more information visit [www.mobo.com](http://www.mobo.com) or [www.echoarena.com](http://www.echoarena.com)



# Liverpool Philharmonic Hall

Hope Street

## Russian Masters

September 25

Vasily Petrenko's recordings of the Shostakovich symphonies with the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra have won unanimous critical acclaim. Now, he turns to the last and most personal of all: the extraordinary Fifteenth.

Written the year after the Beatles broke up, it's one of the great 20th Century symphonies, by turns playful, profound and deeply moving.

Rodion Shchedrin, Russia's greatest living composer, has written a new oboe concerto, commissioned by the Phil, receiving its UK premiere and played by Principal Oboe Jonathan Small. A new work by Shchedrin is always a special occasion, so expect hints of Shostakovich, lyrical melodies, and generous dashes of Shchedrin's famously deadpan humour.

Petrenko, the Phil, and three Russian masters at the top of their game - this should be a night to remember.

Concert features Rimsky Korsakov, Capriccio Espagnol; Shchedrin, Oboe Concerto (UK Premiere, jointly commissioned by the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic); Shostakovich, Symphony No. 15.

July 9

### Mohamed Mounir

Mounir is an iconic Egyptian singer and film star. His pop-oriented music has its roots in traditional Nubian music, from south Egypt and Sudan and African reggae. He is widely considered a living legend in Egypt and regularly performs to crowds of tens of thousands at outdoor venues in Cairo. 7.30pm

July 18

### Award-Winning Manfred

Vasily Petrenko and the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic reprise their ClassicFM/Gramophone Award-winning performance of Tchaikovsky's passionate Manfred Symphony, with pianist Sa Chen. The concert features Schumann, Overture, Manfred; Chopin, Piano Concerto No.1; Tchaikovsky, Manfred Symphony. 2.30pm.

September 2

### Bluegrass Night

An evening of foot-tappin' high lonesome sounds by two of the finest bluegrass bands from the US. Grammy award winning Peter Rowan and Grammy nominee Claire Lynch.

September 15 & 17

### New World Symphony

Everyone loves Dvořák's 'New World' symphony. With its epic drama, aching nostalgia and unforgettable tunes (just don't mention the Hovis advert), it's been a hit everywhere it's been played for over a century. Libor Pešek KBE conducts the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, with violinist Pavel Šporcl. Concert features Suk, Scherzo Fantastique; Korngold, Violin Concerto; Dvořák, Symphony No.9 'From the New World'. 7.30pm

September 19

### Open Day at the Phil

Drop in throughout the day at Liverpool Philharmonic Hall for music and fun for all ages, with performances by the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, chamber music, roots, jazz, films, talks and tours. 11am - 4pm

## Mahler Edition

The Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra is celebrating popular Austrian composer Gustav Mahler by performing all of his symphonies throughout 2010/11, plus Mahler's own editions of pieces by Schumann, Beethoven, Schubert and Bach.

Every performance is a special occasion - and with conductor Vasily Petrenko - winner of the Classical BRIT Awards Male Artist of the Year - at the helm of a massed force of over 100 musicians, the Phil's ongoing Mahler Edition concert series promises to be a landmark.



Call 0151 709 3789 or visit [www.liverpoolphil.com](http://www.liverpoolphil.com) to book.

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# Summer Pops

**July 2 - 31**  
**Echo Arena Liverpool**  
**Monarch's Quay**

Celebrating its tenth anniversary this year, the 2010 Liverpool Summer Pops Festival will once again bring some of the top names in music to the city, along with a few sporting stars...

The festival will also be hosting fringe events throughout July, bringing together different venues in the city and putting on shows of different genres, so there will be plenty of grass roots acts, new homegrown and international talent to choose from.

With over 3 million tickets sold worldwide, The Australian Pink Floyd Show returns to the Summer Pops on

July 3 & 31, while folk-rock supergroup Crosby, Stills and Nash perform all their hits on July 7.

Status Quo return to Liverpool on July 9. Francis Rossi and Rick Parfitt are the original members, with the remaining Quo line up including keyboard player Andrew Brown, John 'Rhino' Edwards on bass and Matt Letley on drums.

Says singer Rick Parfitt: "We always love playing Liverpool because the audience is always so fantastic; we're really looking forward to playing the Summer Pops."

Actor and comedian Ricky Tomlinson

returns as honorary host of Beatles Day - The Concert on July 10 along with a special performance of the Sgt. Peppers Lonely Hearts Club Show, with all proceeds to The Beatles Day Foundation.

Jools Holland and his Rhythm & Blues Orchestra will be in town to entertain you on July 16, joined by acclaimed British singer-songwriter Alison Moyet, and followed on July 21 by music icon Rod Stewart as part of his summer tour.

**For a full line up, more information and to book, call 0844 8000 400 or visit [www.echoarena.com](http://www.echoarena.com)**

# John Lennon Tribute Season

October 9 - December 9

## Venues across Liverpool city centre

This year Liverpool marks the 70th birthday of John Lennon with a host of special events to pay tribute to one of Liverpool's most famous sons. There will be music, art, magical mystery tours, literature, theatre and much more from friends, family and all those who have been inspired by the genius of John Lennon. Highlights include:

October 9 - December 9

### Bed-In at the Bluecoat 62 Days - 62 Occupiers of the Bed

Bed-In at the Bluecoat will pay homage to one of the protests that Lennon and Yoko Ono carried out in 1969 immediately after they were married. Their week long bed-ins for peace, staged first in Amsterdam then in Montreal, were expressions of non-violent protest against war.

the Bluecoat  
School Lane, Liverpool L1 3BX  
0151 702 5324  
[www.thebluecoat.org.uk](http://www.thebluecoat.org.uk)

October 9

### John Lennon Song Book 70th Birthday

Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra  
Join the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra for a very special evening of songs - a rare opportunity to hear classics including Imagine, Woman, Norwegian Wood, Jealous Guy and I am the Walrus sung by some of the UK's top vocalists.

Liverpool Philharmonic Hall  
Hope Street, Liverpool L1 9BP  
0151 709 3789  
[www.liverpoolphil.com](http://www.liverpoolphil.com)

October 15 - November 13

### Lennon by Bob Eaton

This musical tells the story of John Lennon's life through his words and music - from Woolton Church Fete to New York, stopping off in Hamburg and at The Cavern along the way.

Royal Court Liverpool  
1 Roe Street, Liverpool L1 1HL  
0870 787 1866  
[www.royalcourtLiverpool.co.uk](http://www.royalcourtLiverpool.co.uk)

Until November 6

### John Lennon International Poetry Competition

Poet Laureate Carol Ann Duffy will judge a new competition to find Liverpool Lennon Poet 2010. Poets are encouraged to enter unpublished verses which celebrate the life of the music legend.

Entry deadline: September 10.  
Performance Poetry Slam Final: November 6.  
See The Beatles Story above for contact details  
0151 709 1963 [www.beatlesstory.com](http://www.beatlesstory.com)

See our special John Lennon Tribute  
Season events guide in November.

## Mathew Street Festival

August 29 - 30  
Liverpool city centre

### Free entry

Music fans can hear every song on every Beatles album played live, back to back for the first time in history this August Bank Holiday.

Liverpool's unique tribute to the fab four across two outdoor stages on Monday, August 30 will mark 50 years since the band first played under the name of The Beatles and is just one of several highlights for the 18th Mathew Street Music Festival.

Europe's biggest free annual music festival, funded by the City Council and featuring over 80 hours of live outdoor music, will boast a record seven new themed stages with one paying homage

to the 25th anniversary of Live Aid with a special guest performance by The Boomtown Rats, who scored a worldwide hit with I Don't like Mondays.

There's a stage to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the MOBO awards, which will be staged in Liverpool this October 20.

New themes for 2010 also include a Modfest stage featuring a headline performance by legendary bass guitarist Bruce Foxton, formerly of The Jam.

For more information call  
0151 233 2008 or visit  
[www.mathewstreetfestival.com](http://www.mathewstreetfestival.com)

### August 28 - 30

### Mathew Street Music Festival Fringe

#### Venues across the city centre

Launched in 2008 the MSMF Fringe has grown to cover three days (Saturday-Monday) with more than 40 indoor venues hosting more than 100 of Liverpool's hottest new bands.

We give you the bands that people are whispering about, breaking boundaries and playing the kind of music that NME has to employ a think tank to come up with a genre title for.

## July

July 8

### Farida and the Iraqi Maqam Ensemble

A rare opportunity to hear one of the few female Maqam singers in the world. Born in Karbala in southern Iraq where a tradition of female singing has been allowed to flourish, Farida formed the ensemble to celebrate the Iraqi Maqam tradition. 10pm  
**the Bluecoat**  
 School Lane, Liverpool L1 3BX  
 0151 702 5324  
[www.thebluecoat.org.uk](http://www.thebluecoat.org.uk)

July 9 & 10

### The Tansads

The Tansads mark their 20th anniversary as one of the best remembered and most loved folk rock bands.  
**The Citadel Arts Centre**  
 Waterloo Street, St. Helens WA10 1PX  
 01744 735436.  
[www.citadel.org.uk](http://www.citadel.org.uk)

July 9

### Status Quo

Legendary rock band Status Quo perform in Liverpool for one night only. Original members Francis Rossi and Rick Parfitt will be knocking out their hits.  
**Echo Arena Liverpool**  
 Kings Dock, Liverpool L3 4FP  
 0844 8000 400  
[www.echoarena.com](http://www.echoarena.com)

July 10

### Beatles Day - The Concert

Homegrown actor/comedian, Ricky Tomlinson returns to the Echo Arena as honorary host of Beatles Day - The Concert. All proceeds from the annual Beatles Day event will go to The Beatles Day Foundation.  
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 Kings Dock, Liverpool L3 4FP  
 0844 8000 400  
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July 13

### The Gathering

A regular monthly space for musicians to meet and improvise together. 7.30pm - 9.30pm.  
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 0151 702 5324  
[www.thebluecoat.org.uk](http://www.thebluecoat.org.uk)

July 16

### The Tunnel Of Love 'Balearic Sunshine Euphoria' at The Williamson Tunnels

The Tunnel of Love with The Superimposers, Tea Street Band, DJ's Moonboots and The Wonderful Sound Libraries at the 200 year old Williamson Tunnels, the most unique venue in the country.  
**The Williamson Tunnels**  
 The Old Stableyard,  
 Smithdown Lane, Liverpool L7 3EE  
 0151 709 6868  
[www.williamsontunnels.co.uk](http://www.williamsontunnels.co.uk)

July 17

### Haydock Park Music Night: Simply Red

With a career spanning more than 25 years in the music industry, Simply Red, fronted by legendary British soul singer, Mick 'Red' Hucknall, will be performing hit after hit; from Money's Too Tight (To Mention), through to Holding Back The Years, If You Don't Know Me By Now, Stars and Fairground.  
**Haydock Park Racecourse**  
 Newton-le-Willows WA12 0HQ  
 0844 579 3006.  
[www.haydock-park.co.uk](http://www.haydock-park.co.uk)

July 18

### Manfred

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 Schumann Overture, Manfred;  
 Chopin Piano Concerto No.1;  
 Tchaikovsky Manfred Symphony.  
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 0151 709 3789  
[www.liverpoolphil.com](http://www.liverpoolphil.com)

July 25

### Zappa Plays Zappa

Zappa Plays Zappa, a tribute to the legendary rock guitarist and composer Frank Zappa. Zappa Plays Zappa features Dweezil Zappa, Frank's eldest son, on lead guitar.  
**Echo Arena Liverpool**  
 Kings Dock, Liverpool L3 4FP  
 0844 8000 400  
[www.echoarena.com](http://www.echoarena.com)

July 30

### Ill Audio

Liverpool's best urban event for under 18s featuring DJs, dance and MC battles, top local acts and free giveaways, 6pm-10pm.  
**the Bluecoat**  
 School Lane, Liverpool L1 3BX  
 0151 702 5324  
[www.thebluecoat.org.uk](http://www.thebluecoat.org.uk)

## August

August 8

### Acoustic Air Raid

Acoustic Air Raid is a family oriented afternoon of acoustic music and spoken word at one of Liverpool's most iconic landmarks.  
**St. Luke's Church, AKA 'The Bombed Out Church'**  
 Berry Street, Liverpool L1 2TR  
 0151 709 7562  
[www.myspace.com/harvestsunpromotions](http://www.myspace.com/harvestsunpromotions)

August 14

### Above the Beaten Track

Showcasing the best in alternative homegrown musical talent, this celebrated festival fills the garden at the back of the Bluecoat with the sound of the city's acoustic underground. Expect to find 'rootsy' country blues. 2pm-10pm.  
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August 15



### Radio City LIVE

Radio City 96.7 is bringing top chart acts to Liverpool this Summer in a one off gig. The star studded line up includes The Saturdays, Alesha Dixon, Brit hip hop group N-Dubz, The Hoosiers, X Factor chart topper Diana Vickers and Gabriela Cilmi.  
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 0844 8000 400  
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August 28

### Reproheadz presents Ill Audio Fest featuring KOF and friends

Liverpool's only under 18s urban event, rolls back the roof for a summer special in the garden at the back of the Bluecoat. Featuring performers such as KOF, top dance troops and more, it's a flavour of summer with the best tunes in the city. 6pm-10pm.  
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August 29 & 30

### Mathew Street Fringe

This August the Bluecoat brings you a real alternative to the Mathew Street Festival. Spread across the garden, hub and courtyard we will be showcasing the best in exciting new music, performance, art and comedy for the whole family to enjoy.  
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## September

September 3

### Tom Doughty

Expect music rooted in Blues, Jazz, Folk and Americana embodied and enveloped in Doughty's unique style of acoustic lap slide guitar. 8pm - 9.30pm.

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September 4

### Mersey Harmony

Enjoy an afternoon of a cappella harmony singing with Mersey Harmony and guests in the front courtyard at the Bluecoat. Supported by the BBC Choral Ambition Fund, 2pm - 3.30pm.

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September 5

### The Eduardo Niebla Trio

Spanish guitarist and composer Eduardo Niebla is one of the most brilliant and emotive performers on the world circuit today, fusing flamenco gypsy jazz with Arabic, Indian, Latin and classical influences, to create a truly stunning and exhilarating musical experience full of hot, dark Mediterranean passion.

**Sefton Park Palm House**  
Sefton Park, Liverpool L17 1AP  
0151 726 2415  
[www.palmhouse.org.uk](http://www.palmhouse.org.uk)

Saturdays and Sundays until September 5

### Vale Park Summer Concerts

One of the region's most picturesque parks, situated on Tower Promenade, New Brighton, hosts a series of concerts on its bandstand. Watch the ships sail on the Mersey, grab a deckchair and soak up the sounds of many local brass bands and contemporary performers.

**Vale Park**  
New Brighton CH45 1LZ  
0151 639 5798  
[www.visitwirral.com](http://www.visitwirral.com)

September 11

### Masquerade Ball

The Isla Gladstone's first Masquerade Ball features a performance from the fantastic Classique Band and disco to follow. Tickets include a three course meal.

**The Isla Gladstone**  
Stanley Park, Anfield Road, Liverpool L4 0TD  
0151 263 0363  
[www.theislagladstone.co.uk](http://www.theislagladstone.co.uk)

September 15

### Corinne West & Kelly Joe Phelps

Different Strings in association with Colin Hall present Corinne West who performs a unique blend of elegant, sexy, acoustic jazz-rock-folk, with gorgeous vocal infusions of honey and smoke. Joining Corinne is Kelly Joe Phelps with his smouldering, lonesome blues.

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Sefton Park, Liverpool L17 1AP  
0151 726 2415  
[www.palmhouse.org.uk](http://www.palmhouse.org.uk)

September 18

### The Tunnel Of Love

Psychedelic band The Soundcarriers, will be starring at the Tunnel of Love, with support from By The Sea and Eva Petersen at the 200 year old Williamson Tunnels, the most unique venue in the country.

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[www.williamsontunnels.co.uk](http://www.williamsontunnels.co.uk)

September 19

### City on Song

Just Midnight and the Capriccio Singers perform ballads, jazz and pop classics. Local tenor Nick Hardy will start off the concert and leave you with something to remember.

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September 25

### The Music of Howard Skempton

A practical workshop exploring the intimate, intricate and superbly crafted music of Howard Skempton, composer and self-proclaimed experimentalist, 11am - 4pm.

**the Bluecoat**  
School Lane, Liverpool L1 3BX  
0151 702 5324  
[www.thebluecoat.org.uk](http://www.thebluecoat.org.uk)

September 26

### City on Song

Mersey Harmony, Liverpool's ladies barbershop singers, Liverpool Voice and The Metropolitan Cathedral Cantata Choir, return to the Palm House.

**Sefton Park Palm House**  
Sefton Park, Liverpool L17 1AP  
[www.palmhouse.org.uk](http://www.palmhouse.org.uk)  
0151 726 2415

## October

October 9 - December 9 (daily)

### John Lennon Tribute Show

Enjoy the music of Lennon at the Cavern's daily tribute show.

**Cavern Club**  
10 Mathew Street, Liverpool L2 6RE  
0151 236 9091  
[www.cavernclub.org](http://www.cavernclub.org)

## October

October 8 - 9

### John Lennon's 70th Birthday Celebration Gig

Remember the music of Lennon at the most famous club in the world. Join other Lennon fans in celebrating John's 70th and soak up the atmosphere of this iconic live music venue.

**Cavern Club**  
10 Mathew Street, Liverpool L2 6RE  
0151 236 1965  
[www.cavernclub.org](http://www.cavernclub.org)

October 9

### John Lennon Song Book 70th Birthday

A sell-out in 2008, we've brought this concert back by popular demand on the 70th anniversary of John Lennon's birthday. Join us for a very special evening of songs - a rare opportunity to hear classics including Imagine, Woman, Norwegian Wood, Jealous Guy, and others. Accompanied by a full symphony orchestra and sung by some of the UK's top vocalists.

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October 10

### Opera at the Palm House

A evening concert with the best of opera in the stunning setting of Sefton Park Palm House. Expect superb performances from Catherine Cunningham (soprano), Kathryn Rudge (mezzo), Nick Hardy (tenor), Edward D'Arcy Hatton (bass), John Peace (pianoforte).

**Sefton Park Palm House**  
Sefton Park, Liverpool L17 1AP  
0151 726 2415  
[www.palmhouse.org.uk](http://www.palmhouse.org.uk)

October 16

### Kodo

For nearly thirty years, Kodo has explored the boundless potential of the ancient Japanese drum, the taiko. Inspired by the powerful natural beauty of their home on Sado Island in the Sea of Japan, Kodo infuses traditional forms with fresh global influences.

**Liverpool Philharmonic Hall**  
Hope Street, Liverpool L1 9BP  
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[www.liverpoolphil.com](http://www.liverpoolphil.com)

October 24

### Male Voice Choir Sunday Afternoon Concert

A concert to serenade you in unique surroundings.

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Sefton Park, Liverpool L17 1AP  
0151 726 2415  
[www.palmhouse.org.uk](http://www.palmhouse.org.uk)

October 29

### Halloween Ball

The Isla Gladstone's first Halloween Ball is due to be full of entertainment with a performance from the great party and soul band The Floorshakers. Fancy dress is optional. Tickets include a three course meal.

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