

VISITING ARTISTES

John Paul Cormier and Company
A larger than life fiddler with a very sweet style of playing and a background in country music which is evident yet never detracts from his Cape Breton roots. He is equally at home on the banjo and the guitar, and will be accompanied by his wife Hilda on piano, who has been credited with being one of the first Celtic artistes to stepdance and play piano simultaneously, and his cousin Gervais on bass.

Abdul Tee - Jay's Rokoto

Originally from Sierra Leone, now based in London have been described as "the best exponents of African music in town" by the Guardian. Abdul Tee - Jay welds a 7 string electric guitar going for groove and melody instead of the usual notes-per-minute of similar bands. There's plenty of Horns and Keyboards, fat rhythmic Bass, Drums and Percussion galore. Recommended for dancing!

Tim and Mollie O'Brian and The O'Boys

Tim O'Brian is one of THE names on the American acoustic music scene. He is a singer, multi-instrumentalist and songwriter of unlimited talent. Recently he has written two of top country star Katy Mattea's biggest hits, in 1994 he was named Male Vocalist of the year by the International Bluegrass Association, and a quote from Mary Chapin Carpenter "Tim is the groove king on Mandolin, a boss on guitar and a passionate singer. I adore this man and his music!"

Mollie is a terrific vocalist who honed her skills in various jazz, blues and rock bands. The O'Boys are Mark Schatz on bass and banjo and Appalachian Clog Dancer (previously visited Shetland with the Fiddle Puppet Dancers), with Scott Nygard completing the line up on guitar and vocals, and rated as one of America's finest jazz/bluegrass flat pickers.

Briega Murphy and Martin McAllister

Briega hails from South Armagh, Ireland. A singer songwriter she recently released a new C.D. and of the 11 songs on the album she wrote 9 of them. Briega will be accompanied by Martin McAllister on guitar, who is rapidly gaining a reputation as one of Ireland's leading guitar players.

ARTISTES

The Kitchen Girls

The Kitchen Girls take the basic ingredients of Appalachian, Old-Timey, Cajun and Texas Swing, add various seasonings and cook them up to produce a rich feast of American dance music.

Loyko

A Russian Gypsy Band founded in 1991 by two violinists who belong to one of Russia's oldest Gypsy clans of musicians-singers and dancers whose legendary ancestor, Loyko Zabar and his violin used to travel around Russia. The band were joined in 1992 by a guitar player, and they are now based in Dublin. They play and sing their own arrangements of traditional Gypsy music and songs and their musicianship and emotive performance is a must for any lover of music.

Shine

A swinging Jazz trio from the West County in England, with two Guitars and a Double Bass, drawing their influences from the likes of Django Reinhardt and Billie Holiday.

Deaf Shepherd

Since their first appearance at Stirling Folk Club in 1993 this young Scottish band are making a powerful impression on the music scene. Musically the emphasis is on the Scottish tradition with a wide repertoire including high energy wild reels and crackin' jigs through to passionate ballads.

Aready

Since their inception in 1989 Aready have been regarded as one of the leading lights in Irish traditional music. Although the original line up has changed, the five musicians who now make up Aready have forged a sound that combines the famous, propulsive Galway style of Western Ireland.

Maire Ni Chathasaigh and Chris Newman

Making a welcome return after their last visit in 1989. We think the quote from the Belfast Telegraph best sums up these two: "The celebrated harp/guitar duo took the place by storm. Stately Carolan tunes, jazzy Django-ish numbers, dazzling Doc Watson style flat picking fliers, driving Irish dance tunes, this pair can do the lot."

Richard Wood

What can you say about a 17 year old fiddler from Cape Breton who has already recorded 3 albums and written over 300 tunes. As if this wasn't enough he's also a champion Step Dancer and if you think Natalie McMaster is nimble well Richard is amazing. He will be accompanied by Daria Chasson on piano and Gordon Belsher playing various instruments including guitar, banjo and bodhran.

Same Train Different Teapot

A family band that finds the English roots of Appalachian music with a style that has been described as "more authentic than some American players". Mike Preston is primarily a clawhammer banjo player but also plays guitar. His wife, Andrea plays mountain dulcimer and occasionally autoharp. Their daughter Nellie provides the rhythmic foundation on acoustic bass.

Compering our shows this year will be:

The Urgent Live Turkeys (T.U.L.T.)
Make-up comedy, fire, music, juggling, balloon sculpting

The Splott Brothers
Street theatre, comedy music with a few surprises!

3 Caballeros

Based on the trio of violin, guitar and ukulele they effortlessly combine dazzling instrumental virtuosity with close harmony and a good sense of humour, guaranteed to get you smiling!

Peter Lynch

Making a welcome return once more our large Irish friend from Norway.

James Malcolm

Edinburgh based singer songwriter.

LOCAL ARTISTES this year include:

Sheila Henderson Band, Fred's Band, Shetland Folkdance, Hom Bru, Bongshang, Shobils, The Red Vans, Leonard & Amanda, Sheep Dip, Hubblesku, May & Mackie, Bryan Gear, Strings & Things, Shetland Fiddlers Society, Shetland's Young Heritage, Fiddlers' Bid, Filska, Volunteers, Square Da Mizzen, Peter Wood, Brian Golbey, Inaustrechan, The Wishart Family, The Shining Pool, Shetland Clarsach Group, The Cullivoe Dance Band, Alan Nicolson's Dance Band, Graham Edwardson's Dance Band, Northmavine Fiddle & Accordion Club, West Side Accordion & Fiddle Club and The Lerwick Pipe Band.

TICKET PRICES

	Adults	Students, Senior Citizens, Children & 116405
Members		
Concert	£5.00	£3.00
Festival Club Concert	£5.00	£3.00
Concert and Dance	£6.00	£4.00
Fiddle Fever Concert	£7.00	£4.00
Family Concert	£4.00	£4.00
The Clackinn Concert	£8.00	£4.00
Sunday Afternoon	£5.00	£3.00
Festival Fay	£9.00	£4.00
Non-Members		
Concert	£8.00	£4.00
Concert and Dance	£9.00	£5.00
Fiddle Fever Concert	£10.00	£5.00
Family Concert	£5.00	£5.00
The Clackinn Concert	£11.00	£5.00
Sunday Afternoon	£7.00	£4.00
Festival Fay	£13.00	£6.00

Tickets are available from the Festival Shop and at local shops. Access and Visa are accepted at the Festival Shop.
Note: Tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable.

FESTIVAL MEMBERSHIP

Available from the Festival Shop or by post.

Family (£2 adults & 2 children under 16)	£20.00
Adult	£10.00
Child/under 16)	£5.00

RAFFLE & MERCHANDISE

The main raffle prize is a £1,000 Holiday Voucher, other big prizes this year include a £300 gift voucher and a Goldstar 20" remote control television. Tickets on sale at all venues, Festival Shop and local shops. Merchandise, including T-shirts, baseball caps, badges and plectrums are also available at the Festival Shop and most concerts.

CRAFT FAIR

This year's Festival Craft Fair is open to Festival members and non-members alike and will take place between Friday 4th and Sunday 6th April in Islesburgh House from 11.30am to 5pm.

All information was correct at the time of going to press. The Shetland Folk Festival Society reserves the right to alter times and artistes as conditions and circumstances demand.

The Committee wish to thank John Leask & Son, Westside Pine, Robertson & Peterson Ltd., Islesburgh Community Centre, P&O Ferries, Helen Mount and Forbes Hogg for their generosity, and all the locals who have helped in any way towards the success of the festival.



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3rd to 6th April 1997

FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

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The Festival shop is open:

From 11th March to 1st April

at 5 Burns Lane, Lerwick on the following days:
Tuesdays & Thursdays 6pm - 8pm
Saturdays 11am - 3pm

and from 3rd April to 6th April

at the Festival Club, Islesburgh 11am-4pm

Thursday, 3rd April

OFFICIAL OPENING 1.00pm
by Mr Arthur Watt at
FESTIVAL CLUB
First chance to see the visiting artistes.
Lerwick Pipe Band playing from 12.30 - 1.00pm.

Concert at
FESTIVAL CLUB 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Deaf Shepherd
Shine
Sheila Henderson Band
Shetland Folkdance
Filska
Volunteers
Peter Lynch

Concert at
BRESSAY HALL 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Abdul Tee Jay's Rokoto
The Kitchen Girls
Brian Golbey
May & Mackie
The Red Vans
Sheep Dip
The Urgent Live Turkeys

Concert at
SANDWICK SOCIAL CLUB 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Loyko
Briega Murphy & Martin McAllister
Same Train Different Teapot
Shobils
Hubbelsku
The Splott Brothers

Concert at
SCALLOWAY HALL 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Jean Paul Cormier & Company
Arcady
Fred's Band
Byran Gear
Shetland Fiddlers' Society
James Malcolm

Concert at
SHETLAND HOTEL 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Richard Wood
Tim & Mollie O'Brien and The O'Boys
Maire Ni Chathasaigh & Chris Newman
Leonard & Armanda
The Wishart Family
3 Caballeros

Friday, 4th April

PLAYGROUP CONCERT 11.00am to 12noon
at **FESTIVAL CLUB**
The Kitchen Girls
Same Train Different Teapot
The Urgent Live Turkeys

Concert and Dance at
BALTASOUND HALL, UNST 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Richard Wood
Briega Murphy & Martin McAllister
Maire Ni Chathasaigh & Chris Newman
Peter Wood
Filska
Peter Lynch
Dance to: Da Fustra Dance Band

Fiddle Fever Concert at
CLICKIMIN CENTRE 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Jean Paul Cormier & Company
Loyko
The Kitchen Girls
Shetland's Young Heritage
Fiddlers' Bid
Bryan Gear
The Splott Brothers

Concert and Dance at
FESTIVAL CLUB 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Abdul Tee Jay's Rokoto
Jean Paul Cormier & Company
Brian Golbey
Strings & Things
Shetland Fiddlers' Society
James Malcolm
Dance to: Alan Nicolson's Dance Band

Concert and Dance at
OLLABERRY HALL 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Arcady
Tim & Mollie O'Brien and The O'Boys
Same Train Different Teapot
Hom Bru
Shetland Clarsach Group
The Urgent Live Turkeys
Dance to: Graham Edwarlson's Dance Band

Concert and Dance at
SOUTH NESTING HALL 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Loyko
Shine
Deaf Shepherd
May & Mackie
Volunteers
Inaustreehan
3 Caballeros
Dance to: Northmaine Fiddle & Accordion Club

Saturday, 5th April

WORKSHOPS
Fiddle 12.00pm
Harp 12.00pm
Guitar 1.00pm

Concert and Dance at
BRAE HALL 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Abdul Tee Jay's Rokoto
Maire Ni Chathasaigh & Chris Newman
Strings and Things
Sheep Dip
Square Da Mizzen
The Urgent Live Turkey
Dance to: Alan Nicolson's Dance Band

CLICKIMIN CONCERT 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Loyko
Tim & Mollie O'Brien and The O'Boys
Briega Murphy & Martin McAllister
Richard Wood
Bongshang
Sheila Henderson Band
James Malcolm

Concert and Dance at
FESTIVAL CLUB 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Arcady
Same Train Different Teapot
Fred's Band
Hubbelsku
Shobils
The Splott Brothers
Dance to: Graham Edwarlson's Dance Band

Concert and Dance at
MID YELL HALL, YELL 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Jean Paul Cormier & Company
Deaf Shepherd
Shetland's Young Heritage
Leonard & Armanda
Peter Wood
Shetland Clarsach Group
3 Caballeros
Dance to: Da Fustra Dance Band

Concert and Dance at
SKELD HALL 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
The Kitchen Girls
Shine
Brian Golbey
Hom Bru
Fiddlers' Bid
The Shing Pool
Peter Lynch
Dance to: West Side Fiddle & Accordion Club

Sunday, 6th April

WORKSHOP
Dance with The Kitchen Girls, 1.00pm
Same Train Different Teapot
and Shetland Folkdance

FAMILY CONCERT at 2.00pm to 4.00pm
GARRISON THEATRE 4.00pm
(Doors open 1.30pm)
Abdul Tee Jay's Rokoto
Loyko
Shine
Briega Murphy & Martin McAllister
Richard Wood
The Urgent Live Turkeys
3 Caballeros

SHETLAND HOTEL 2.00pm to 4.00pm
(Doors open 1.30pm)
Jean Paul Cormier & Company
Tim & Mollie O'Brien and The O'Boys
Arcady
Maire Ni Chathasaigh & Chris Newman
Deaf Shepherd
Peter Lynch

FESTIVAL FOYS 7.00pm
Last chance to see the visiting artistes (Doors open 6.30pm)
at:
CLICKIMIN CENTRE
ISLESBURGH COMMUNITY CENTRE
SHETLAND HOTEL

FESTIVAL CLUB

Islesburgh Community Centre
King Harald Street, Lerwick

ENTRY BY MEMBERSHIP ONLY
THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR ENTRY

Thursday and Friday
11am - 3am (upstairs)
5pm - 3am (downstairs)

Saturday 11am - 3am (both floors)

Sunday 11am - 4pm (both floors)

Club Closes 4pm Sunday

Note: Entry to the Club is restricted to 1997 members. Proof of membership required. Under 12's are not permitted in the Club after 1am. Workshops are for members only.

Bar & light meals available

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