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# Thursday 7th to Sunday 24th May Ashwell Music Festival 2015



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# 62nd Ashwell Music Festival

## Thursday 7th May, 7.00pm; St Mary's Church *Young Musicians' Concert*

The young musicians and singers from Ashwell School, The Knight's Templar School and St. Mary's Junior Choir will perform a varied programme of instrumental and choral pieces. It is always a pleasure to attend this free concert and witness their enthusiasm and budding talent.

This is a non-ticket event. Donations on the door.

This will be followed by *Sung Compline*, an ancient plainsong service, sung by the gentlemen of St. Mary's Church Choir. A peaceful and moving end to the day.

## Sunday 10th May, from 11.00am to 5.00pm *Ashwell at Home – Village Open Day*

Visitors to the village will be able to wander around gardens and also see the work of local businesses and artisans. A music trail around the village, including Tudor music and dance demonstrations outside the Museum will culminate in the Big Sing in St. Mary's at 4.30pm. There will be talks on local archaeology and wildlife, dancing from Morris men and refreshments available.

Admission by programme, £6 (under 18's free) from the free car park, Museum or other venues on the day. Tickets may be purchased in advance from [www.ashwellathome.org.uk](http://www.ashwellathome.org.uk)

## Friday 15th May, 8.00pm; United Reform Church *Fawn*

Becks Johnstone was born on the Island of Islay, off the west coast of Scotland. She performs Gaelic and folk tunes and also rock and opera pieces. After graduating Becks formed the band Fawn and has released her first album. Becks has been dubbed as the next Anna Calvi. This concert will include music from her new album, co-written with Neil Pennycook (lead singer of Scottish band Meursault).

*Complimentary refreshments included in ticket price*

## Saturday 16th May, 8.00pm; St. Mary's Church *Re-Take That*

By popular demand the Tribute Band is back ...Hailing from all corners of the industry, the performers who make up Re-Take That each bring their own unique qualities to this band. Playing to sold out audiences, they have enjoyed phenomenal success to date, based on the famous group from Stoke.

The experience includes huge personalities, vocals, dance routines, costumes and a light show. Book early for this performance.

## Sunday 17th May, 7.30 pm; St.Mary's Church *From Opera to West End*

Katie and Emily Rowley Jones perform an evening of operatic arias and songs from the shows.

Sisters, Katie and Emily were born and brought up in Ashwell, sang in the church choir and now have successful careers as professional singers.

Katie trained in musical theatre at Guildford before she landed the lead role of Swallow in 'Whistle Down the Wind'. She has played principal parts in numerous musicals and currently plays Nessarose in 'Wicked' at the Apollo Victoria in the West End.

Emily (soprano) took a degree in music, a masters in performance and the acclaimed opera course at the Guildhall. She has sung numerous solo roles including Queen of Night, 'Magic Flute'; Norina, 'Don Pasquale' and Susannah, 'Marriage of Figaro'. She now sings full-time with English National Opera at the Coliseum.

**During the interval canapés will be served, courtesy of Capers Catering.**

## Thursday 21st May, 7.30pm; St. Mary's Church *An Evening with Ben Goldscheider*

Ben Goldscheider (16), Ashwell resident is an accomplished French Horn player – currently Principal Horn of the National Youth Orchestra. He is taught at the Royal College of Music Junior Department. He performs regularly throughout Hertfordshire, Essex and in London, having played in many festivals and competitions.

The concert will consist of a horn and piano recital followed by Brahms horn trio. Ben will be accompanied by Nicola Goldscheider (violin) and James Sherlock (pianist) both acclaimed professional musicians.

*Sung Compline to follow*

## Saturday 23rd May, 8.00pm; St. Mary's Church *Strictly – former military bandsmen perform with vocalist Marlene Hill*

This band has been specially formed from Royal Marines and Army musicians. An evening of high class music ranging in style from rhythm and blues to jazz classics, plus Glen Miller favourites and other well-known military classics. Not to be missed.

## Sunday 24th May, 6.30 pm; St. Mary's Church *Festal Evensong*

The close of the Festival is, as ever, marked by the traditional Choral Evensong. Sacred music will be performed by St Mary's Church Choir with guest conductor Michael Smedley BMus, ARCM, Founder and Conductor of the Oxford Pro Musica Singers and accompanied by guest organist Paul Bryan, Organist, Ely Cathedral Singers. The Guest Preacher this year will be Jeffrey John, the Dean of St Albans Cathedral.

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## BOOKING FORM

How to Book

**Tickets can be purchased online at the Festival website.**

Please go to

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Alternatively, please use the booking form below. Please return the form, with a cheque (payable to St.Mary's Ashwell) and SAE to: Box Office, 30 Angell's Meadow, Ashwell, Baldock SG7 5QS

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Thursday 7th May <i>Young Musicians' Concert</i>	No charge for this concert	
	Donations on the night	
Friday 15th May <i>Fawn</i> <i>Complimentary refreshments included</i>	Adults	£ 12.00
	Under 16	£ 8.00
Saturday 16th May <i>Re-Take That</i>	Adults	£ 20.00
	Under 16	£ 15.00
Sunday 17th May <i>From Opera to West End</i>	Adults	£ 15.00
	Under 16	£ 10.00
Thursday 21st May <i>An Evening with Ben Goldscheider</i>	Adults	£ 10.00
	Under 16	£ 7.00
Saturday 23rd May <i>Strictly – former military bandsmen with Marlene Hill</i>	Adults	£ 15.00
	Under 16	£ 12.00
Sunday 24th May <i>Festal Evensong</i>	Retiring Collection	
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