



Exeter
Cathedral

Summer
2025



What's On

At Exeter Cathedral



Discover More this Summer

Welcome to Exeter Cathedral's Summer What's On Guide. We invite you to explore a vibrant and diverse calendar of world-class events, live performances, thought-provoking exhibitions, engaging activities for all ages, and much more. Whether you're here to experience the awe-inspiring architecture, enjoy a memorable concert, take part in family-friendly workshops, or simply relax in the peaceful surroundings, there is something for everyone to enjoy. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing all that this extraordinary season has to offer.

How to Book...

Tickets for events can be booked online.

Online:

Go to <https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on/>
or scan the QR code below.



Summer Concert Series

Join us for our 2025 *Summer Concert Series*, celebrating exceptional organ music in Exeter Cathedral.

James McVinnie
Thursday 3 July

Jan Liebermann
Thursday 17 July

Timothy Noon
Thursday 31 July

Peter King
Thursday 14 August

Adam Field
Thursday 28 August

Michael Stephens-Jones
Thursday 11 September

Tickets from £4,
Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/events/summer-organ-recitals/
Concerts begin at 7pm



July



Photo by *Graham Lacdao*

Thursday 3 July
7pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Summer Concert Series: James McVinnie

Renowned for his dynamic performances and bold repertoire, McVinnie brings his signature flair to the Cathedral's magnificent organ in a powerful and moving programme. Expect an unforgettable experience that captures the instrument's grandeur and emotional depth.

Tickets from £4

Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on

Thursday 3 July - Saturday
5 July

Exeter Craft Festival

A mix of arts, crafts, food and entertainment, this event has been a highlight of Exeter's cultural calendar for 50 years. The perfect way to spend a summer's day on the Cathedral Green. *This is a free event; no booking required*

Saturday 5 July
7:30pm

ABBA By Candlelight

Featuring the UK's leading ABBA tribute act, Abba Reunion, expect an energetic sing-along concert featuring ABBA's greatest hits that will have you singing and dancing. *Interval drinks are available.*

Tickets from £10

Available via: boxoffice.concertsbycandlelight.com



Sunday 6 July
10:30am

Exeter Cathedral Event

Exeter Cathedral Choir: Haydn's Nelson Mass

Experience a full liturgical performance of Haydn's celebrated Nelson Mass, beautifully brought to life by the Cathedral Orchestra and featuring acclaimed soprano soloist Julia Featherstone. This iconic work, rich in drama and spiritual intensity, will be performed in its intended sacred context, offering a deeply moving musical experience. *No booking required.*



Tuesday 8 July
2pm-3:30pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Art of the Book: Illustration in Early Printed Books

Study beautiful treasures in the collections of Exeter Cathedral Library to discover how illustrations were produced from woodcuts to lithographs and explore how text and image come together to convey meaning. Find us at Exeter Cathedral Library.

Tickets: £20

Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on

Saturday 12 July
7pm

Exeter Festival Chorus: A New Creation

Exeter Festival Chorus presents a modern take on The Creation with Andrea Brown, supporting Devon Music Hub schoolchildren. *Interval drinks are available.*

Tickets from £15
Available via:
exeterfestivalchorus.org.uk

Sunday 13 July
6:30pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

In Conversation with Dr. Alison Perham

Learn about palliative care and assisted dying followed by compline. Find us in the Chapter House Refectory. *This is a free event; no booking needed.*



Photo by *Max Lautenschläger*

Thursday 17 July
7pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Summer Concert Series: Jan Liebermann

Hailed as one of Europe's most exciting young organ talents, Liebermann will showcase the full expressive power and rich tonal range of the Cathedral's magnificent organ in a wide-ranging and virtuosic programme that promises to captivate and inspire audiences.

Tickets from £4
Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on

Saturday 19 July
7:30pm

The Music of Taylor Swift by Candlelight

Enjoy a breathtaking live performance by candlelight of Taylor Swift's biggest hits. *Interval drinks are available.*

Tickets from £10
Available via: boxoffice.concertsbycandlelight.com

Thursday 24 July
7:30pm

Riddler in Residence Evening

Join Exeter's Riddler in Residence in the Chapter House to hear stories inspired by journeys, hope, joy and gratitude.

Tickets: pay what you can
Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on



Friday 25 July
7pm

Amadeus Orchestra: Mahler Symphony No. 5

Hailed by BBC Radio 4 as "one of the finest orchestras of its kind," the Amadeus Orchestra returns to Exeter Cathedral. Enjoy an evening of orchestral masterpieces performed with passion and precision in the stunning Cathedral setting for an unforgettable experience. *Interval drinks are available.*

Tickets from £16.55
Available via:
amadeusorchestra.co.uk/concerts



Saturday 26 July -
Monday 1 September

Exeter Cathedral Event

Family Friendly Summer Holiday Activities

Discover a fantastic range of family-friendly activities at Exeter Cathedral this summer holiday. Children can enjoy our fun-filled Explorer Backpacks, follow the playful Cathedral Cat Trail through the historic building, and get creative with hands-on Brass Rubbing. With something for kids of all ages, it's the perfect way to combine learning, adventure, and fun. *Available during Cathedral opening hours.*



Saturday 26 July
11am-4pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Independent Market

Soak up the unique atmosphere of Cathedral Green with live music from local performers, while discovering a rich variety of our region's finest makers and traders. Whether you are looking for handmade crafts, clothes and accessories, locally produced food and drink or vintage treasures, the Independent Market offers a unique one-stop shop in the heart of the city.

This is a free event; no booking required.



Thursday 31 July
1pm-3pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Library & Archives In Focus: St Sidwell

Join us for a special celebration of Exeter's own 8th-century saint, Sidwell, and the historic area of the city that bears her name. Hear about the life and legends surrounding this local saint and explore some of the older history of the St Sidwell area, brought to life through unique documents from the Cathedral Archives. Find us in the Library and Archives. *This is a free drop in event; no booking required.*



Thursday 31 July
7pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Summer Concert Series: Timothy Noon

Entitled 'The King of Instruments,' the programme takes its name from a 1970 LP that first inspired a young Timothy Noon to take up the organ 40 years ago. In a full-circle moment, he now returns to this collection of works in a concert proudly billed as "an introduction to the enjoyment of organ music."

Tickets from £4
Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on

August

Friday 1 & Saturday 2
August
7:30pm

The Music of Coldplay by Candlelight

Enjoy a Coldplay tribute in
Exeter Cathedral's nave.
Interval drinks are available.

Tickets from £10
Available via: [boxoffice.
concertsbycandlelight.com](http://boxoffice.concertsbycandlelight.com)

Wednesday 6 August
2pm-4pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Young Historians Summer Sessions: Anglo-Saxons and Normans

Learn how Anglo-Saxon and
Norman records shaped the
southwest. *For ages 14-18.*

Tickets: £5
Available via: [exeter-
cathedral.org.uk/whats-on](http://exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on)



Saturday 9 August
7:30pm

The Music of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons by Candlelight

Experience the timeless
hits of Frankie Valli and the
Four Seasons with a top
UK tribute act. Featuring
a fantastic live band, this
performance will take place
within the stunning Exeter
Cathedral, all illuminated by
candlelight. *Interval drinks
are available.*

Tickets from £10
Available via: [boxoffice.
concertsbycandlelight.com](http://boxoffice.concertsbycandlelight.com)



Wednesday 13 August
2pm-4pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Young Historians Summer Sessions: Tudors and Elizabethans

A hands-on session
exploring original Tudor
and Elizabethan documents,
including royal charters and
wills. Go behind the scenes
with rare archives and
discover the stories they
reveal. *For ages 14-18.*

Tickets: £5
Available: [via exeter-
cathedral.org.uk/whats-on](http://via exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on)



Thursday 14 August
7pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Summer Concert Series: Peter King

Join us for an unforgettable evening of music with Dr Peter King. Organist Emeritus of Bath Abbey and its Director of Music for over 30 years, Dr King is renowned for his thrilling interpretations, virtuosic flair, and deeply expressive musicianship, promising a performance that will both captivate and inspire.

Tickets from £4

Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on



Tuesday 19 August
1pm-3pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Library & Archives In Focus: Scrapbooks

Celebrate the joy and historical value of scrapbooking in the Cathedral Library and Archives. The scrapbooks in the Exeter Cathedral Library & Archives are a treasure-trove of cuttings, cartoons, letters, autographs, photographs, postcards and memorabilia all collected by Cathedral staff, volunteers and admirers.

This is a free drop in event; no booking required.



Wednesday 20 August
2pm-4pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Young Historians Summer Sessions: The First and Second World Wars

Discover local experiences of the First and Second World Wars through rare archives, documents, postcards, and letters that reveal stories of the Cathedral and local people.
For ages 14-18.

Tickets: £5

Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on



Thursday 21 August
4pm-5:10pm

The Princess Proms

Calling all princesses and princes! Step into a fairytale world and enjoy an enchanting concert filled with songs from your favourite princess movies. Sing along to melodies from *Frozen*, *Cinderella*, *The Little Mermaid*, and more Disney classics, brought to life by talented live performers in a setting fit for royalty. *Interval drinks are available.*

Tickets from £10.50
Available via: eventbrite.co.uk/o/enchanted-voices-90589547803



Thursday 28 August
7pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Summer Concert Series: Adam Field

Exeter Cathedral's Summer Concert Series continues with a special performance by organist Adam Field. This will be Adam's final recital at Exeter Cathedral before he takes up the position of Assistant Director of Music at Bath Abbey this autumn. Join us for this memorable evening as we celebrate his time in Exeter.

Tickets from £4
Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on

Saturday 30 August
11am-4pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Independent Market

Explore the region's finest crafts, delicious food, unique vintage finds, and more on Cathedral Green. *This is a free event; no booking required.*

Friday 5 September
7:30pm

London Concertante: Four Seasons and The Lark Ascending by Candlelight

Presenting Four Seasons & The Lark Ascending in an evening of Baroque music. *Interval drinks are available.*

Tickets from £22.38
Available via: londonconcertante.com/whats-on

September

Saturday 6 September
7:30pm

The Music of Elvis by Candlelight

Enjoy classic Elvis hits at Exeter Cathedral. *Interval drinks are available.*

Tickets from £10 Available via: boxoffice.concertsbycandlelight.com

Wednesday 9 September
6pm-7:30pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

In the Library with ... Shakespeare's Second Folio (1632)

Explore the rare 1632 Shakespeare Folio with the Cathedral Librarian.

Tickets: £20
Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on



Thursday 11 September
7pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Sumer Concert Series: Michael Stephens-Jones

This final recital of the season offers a vibrant mix of transcriptions – from grand and celebratory to intimate and reflective. With nods to the Victorian tradition and beyond, it spans a variety of styles and eras. Don't miss the chance to hear one of the Cathedral's own musicians on its historic organ.

Tickets from £4
Available via: exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on



Sunday 14 September
6:30pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

In Conversation With Ned Remington

Exeter Cathedral proudly supported 19-year-old Devonian, Ned Remington, as an Official Observer at the COP29 Climate Summit in Baku last November. Ned will share his experience of the conference and what to expect from COP30 this November. He'll also discuss how religion inspires his activism and the power of faith to drive meaningful change. Find us in the Chapter House. *This is a free event; no booking required.*



Thursday 18 September
1pm-3pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Library & Archives In Focus: Women and The Book

Join the Cathedral Librarian for a rare chance to experience the magnificent 1632 Shakespeare Second Folio - the first major edited collection of his plays. It remains a living monument to one of the world's greatest playwrights. This small-group workshop takes place in the Cathedral's Library and Archives and has limited capacity. *This is a free event; no booking required.*

Thursday 18 September
6:15pm-7:30pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

The Old Document Reading Group

Love puzzles and old texts? Join our monthly group at the Cathedral Library & Archives to explore and transcribe archives from the 16th-20th centuries. *This is a free event; no booking required.*

Saturday 20 September
7:30pm

The Sixteen: Choral Pilgrimage

This event offers inner peace, blending medieval music works to Pärt, Todd and Clyne. *Interval drinks are available.* Tickets from £15 Available via: thesixteen.com/whats-on

Tuesday 23 September
6:30pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

'We Believe' The Nicene Creed From The Fourth To The Twenty-First Century

Exploring 1,700 years of the Nicene Creed in the Chapter House with Morwenna Ludlow. *No booking needed.*

Saturday 26 September
7:30pm

A Night at The Opera

London Concertante presents opera highlights by Puccini, Verdi and Mozart. *Interval drinks are available.* Tickets from £22.38 Available via: londonconcertante.com/whats-on/

Saturday 27 September
7:30pm

The Music of Bowie by Candlelight

Join 'David Live' for a night
of incredible Bowie anthems.
Interval drinks are available.

Tickets from £10
Available via: boxoffice.
concertsbycandlelight.com

Saturday 30 September -
Friday 3 October
7:30pm

Exeter Cathedral Event

Cathedral Players: The Importance of Being Earnest

The Cathedral Players
present Oscar Wilde's
*The Importance of Being
Earnest.*

Tickets available soon
via: [exeter-
cathedral.org.uk/whats-on](http://exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on)



Services at Exeter Cathedral

Life at Exeter Cathedral is underpinned by
inclusive daily worship and prayer throughout
the year, often accompanied by our world-class
choir and organists. British Sign Language (BSL)
interpretation is available at our 10am Eucharist
service on the first Sunday of each month.

Morning Prayer: 8:15am Monday - Friday
Eucharist: 8:35am Monday - Friday
Morning Prayer (on Zoom): 9am Monday - Friday
Choral Evensong: 5:30pm Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday and Saturday
Wednesday: Evening Prayer, 5:30pm
Choral Eucharist: 10am Sunday
Choral Evensong: 4pm

For more information
about our daily
schedule of regular
services head to
bit.ly/exeter-worship,
or scan the QR code.





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Shop

Exeter's Best-Kept Secret:

Exeter Cathedral shop

All profits from the Exeter Cathedral Shop and Refectory are used to support the work and conservation of Exeter Cathedral. You can find us in the Cloister Garden.

Looking Ahead...

The Storytellers Sound and Light Show by Luxmuralis

Wednesday 7 - Saturday 10 January 2026

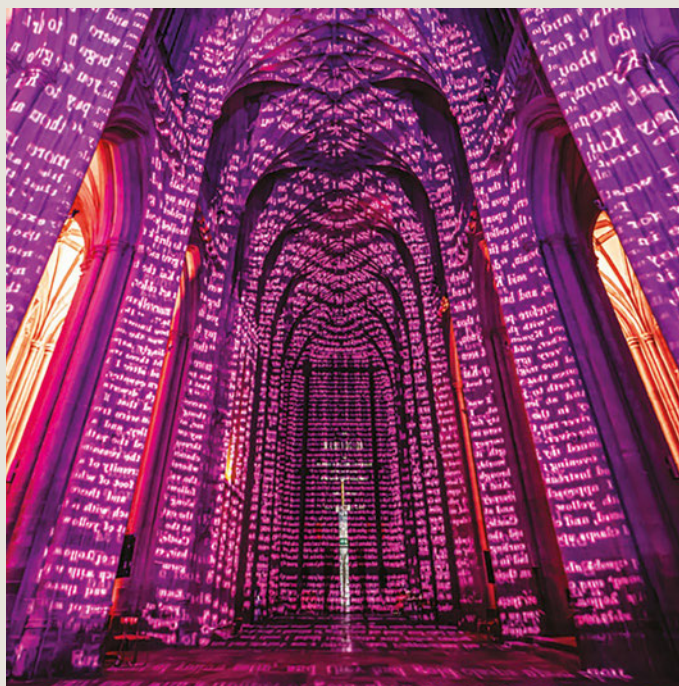


Photo: The Storytellers by Luxmuralis at Winchester Cathedral

Tickets: from £4, available via

<https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/whats-on/>

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