

Auditorium

10.00am – 11.00am

Women in Folk Song

Lose yourself in the harmonies and enjoy the stories of great and strong women in folk songs. All genders welcome.

11.00am – 11.15am

Her Story

A short introduction to our work for International Women's Day.

3.00pm – 5.00pm

Ceilidh

Dance away the afternoon with music from Wren Musicians and friends. All comers welcome. Additional needs accommodated. No experience necessary. Includes a short performance from Devon Inclusive Folk Ensemble – our music making group for young people with special education needs or disability and their families.

7.00pm – 10.00pm

Celebration Concert

Enjoy performances from Wren Music's community groups and team of professional musicians.

With an overture from the new Folk Sinfonietta, awards to recognise special efforts by members of the community, more than 100 singers and players performing together, and ending the night with a dance – a proper celebration to mark 40 years of Wren Music.

Includes 30 minute interval

Bar and Foyer

Bar and kitchen open all day

9.30am – 10.30pm

Information displays about our work since 1983, including the **Wren Music Top 40** the best 40 tracks from our back catalogue.

1.30pm – 2.30pm

Lunch time sing

An informal sharing of folk songs. Enjoy, while you get lunch and visit the bar. Co-hosted by MenSing, our choir for anyone who identifies as male.

5.30pm – 6.30pm

Learn the bones!

Have a go with these ancient percussion instruments and join in with the tunes. Bones kindly supplied by Royal Albert Memorial Museum.

10.00pm – 11.00pm

Farewell session

Listen or join in with songs and tunes in an informal setting.

Studio 1

10.00am – 11.00am

Instrument Picnic (all ages)

Come and get hands on with an array of acoustic instruments. No experience necessary.

11.00am – 11.15am

All Together Now

A short introduction to our work in schools for children with special education needs or disability.

11.30am – 12.30pm

Folk Tune in an Hour

All instruments welcome, or use one of ours. Learn a traditional Devon tune. Taught by ear and sheet music available.

12.30pm – 1.00pm

Devon Tunebook Launch

Hear the history and celebrate the launch of the second edition of the William Andrews Tunebook.

Stay on after your workshop: each participatory workshop is followed by a short event to share with you about our charitable work.

Studio 2

10.00am – 11.00am

Sing & Play

Children under 5 and their adults exploring music together.

11.30am – 12.30pm

Singing for the terrified

A safe and welcoming space to try group singing for the first time. No solos, no pressure, no such thing as a wrong note.

12.30pm – 12.45pm

Singing for Wellness

A short introduction to our work with people living with respiratory conditions.

1.45pm – 2.45pm

'English as an additional music'

Special guests join us for a panel discussion on English music in the context of world music, and ever changing definitions of Englishness.

Workshop

9.30am – 1.00pm

Craft activities

Drop in at any time to contribute to Wren Music's commemorative 'make'. No experience necessary, all resources provided, takes around 10 minutes (or longer if you want!), and enjoy a short film (10min) about our spring time community procession Okehampton Lanterns.

Cinema

3.00pm – 5.00pm

Pre-Film: For The Record

A short film about our work creating new music with schools and care homes.

Film: Songcatcher

A lyrical tale set in the early 1900s. A musicologist discovers a harmonic culture of folk songs while visiting the Appalachians, and falls for a local musician.

5.00pm – 5.45pm

Discussion: folk song collecting

Special guests join us for a panel discussion exploring the topics of Songcatcher.

40 YEARS