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Welcome to Harpin' By The Sea 2024



On behalf of the production team, our instructors, sponsors and venue staff, a warm welcome to HBTS 2024. It's humbling to see so many guests crossing counties and time zones to be here this year. Together we once again share the magic our instrument creates, the barriers it demolishes and the friendships it brings.

At HBTS 2024, while our beginners work towards their first bends, our established players can not only enhance their skill sets but also discover their performance voices. It's going to be fabulous!

This weekend we urge everyone to support Wishing Well Music through our charity raffle. Incredible prizes have been donated by our sponsors and the proceeds will fund music therapy for children in ICUs.

Finally, we are delighted to convene our second Harmonica for Health Summit in association with Asthma + Lung UK and welcome presenters from the UK, Spain and Sweden. Benvingut and Välkommen!

HBTS - it's a breath of fresh air.

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Meet Our Guest Artists

Dennis Greaves & Mark Feltham

Dennis says 'with these shows we are really trying to go back to the stripped down simplicity of early blues being played in its rawest form on acoustic instruments. To see Mark perform in this environment is truly a masterclass and it's a little daunting for me to be playing acoustic guitar. No hiding behind the Marshall amp!'

www.ninebelowzero.com



Sweet Marta

Marta Suñé is from Salt, a village near Girona located in the North-East of Catalonia. She is one of the only female blues harmonica players in Spain. A passionate blues musician, Marta has gained a prominent position in the performance scene. Marta blows the harp and stomps the stage, delivering fearless, bold chops as she delights audiences throughout the Iberian Peninsula and across Europe.

www.sweetmarta.com

Eddie Martin

London-born, Eddie was weaned on a folk, electric blues and classic rock soup that left him as at home with acoustic as electric instruments and imbued him with deep respect for the music's Afro-American roots. A prolific songwriter, his albums have ranged from One-Man-Band to Big Band and Power-Rock trio as he wrings every drop of inspiration and technique out of the Blues tradition.

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Meet The Team



Richard Taylor - Producer

Richard has been managing our guest artists, workshop content and branding since HBTS began in 2011. Richard teaches harmonica professionally in school, privately and online. He is Managing Director of Harp Academy, Editor of the Harp Surgery website and fronts The Blackjacks blues band.

Stuart McKay - Co-Producer

Stuart's operational expertise has been critical to HBTS's success since 2011. A former researcher for TV documentaries, his attention to detail, keeping preparations on track and promoting our festival is why we're still here! Stuart also fronts his own blues combo The Southern Slamdoor Band.



Gene Myers - Production Support

Gene provides technical and commercial support for HBTS and this year has been Richard and Stuart's right hand man. Gene is also involved in his own commercial projects, not least Signature tuning software with John Cook, which has been demonstrated at our festival.

Russ Turner - Video Editor

Russ has captured our events on camera and you can check out the HBTS archives on his Oxharp YouTube Channel. At our virtual festival in 2021, Russ was the heartbeat of the online audio-visual experience. He's behind the tripod at the back of the room keeping an eagle eye on proceedings.



Ben Reese - Commercial Director

Ben looks after our event sponsors and our online raffle. Ben is the Managing director of Battle Plan Harmonicas, supplying harmonica mic and storage solutions to the world. On stage, Ben is singer and harp player in Bite The Bullet, his excellent rock band.

Trevor Yeo - Technical Director

Trevor is a wizard when it comes to technology and critical path analysis. A cool head in any storm, Trev's expertise was the universal joint in our 2021 online event. Trev is busy sound checking guest artists, intercepting technical issues and monitoring communications.





HARPIN' BY THE SEA 2024



FRI 2ND FEB 2024			
CORNERSTONE	VENUE	CELLAR BAR	TIME
			
SETUP AND SYSTEMS CHECK			12.00-1.00
HARMONICAS FOR HEALTH WORKSHOP 1 With Chris Startup (UK)			1.00-2.00
ASTHMA & LUNG UK			2.00-2.15
DAVY JONES - INTRODUCTION TO YOGA BREATHING			2.15-2.30
HARMONICAS FOR HEALTH WORKSHOP 2 With Quim Rocas (Spain)			2.30-3.30
WISHING WELL CHARITY			3.30-4.00
HARMONICAS FOR HEALTH WORKSHOP 3 With Mattias Bogefors (Sweden)			4.00-5.00
SOUND CHECKS			6.00-7.00
PRE-REGISTRATION			7.00-9.00
OPEN MIC			8.00-11.00

SAT 3RD FEB 2024			
CORNERSTONE	VENUE	CELLAR BAR	TIME
REGISTRATION			9.00-9.45
WELCOME			9.45-10.00
BEGINNER	INTERMEDIATE	ADVANCED	
ED HOPWOOD	MARTE SUÑÉ	EDDIE MARTIN	10.00-11.15
COFFEE BREAK			11.15-11.45
ED HOPWOOD	EDDIE MARTIN	MARTE SUÑÉ	11.45-1.00
LUNCH			1.00-2.00
ED HOPWOOD	VANESSA THOMAS	JOHN COOK	2.00-3.15
COFFEE BREAK			3.15-3.45
AN AUDIENCE WITH MARK FELTHAM & OUR GUEST ARTISTS			3.45-5.00
RAFFLE DRAW			5.00-5.15
SOUND CHECKS			5.30-7.00
DOORS			7.15-7.30
EDDIE MARTIN			7.30-8.30
SWEET MARTA with Blues Deluxe			8.45-9.45
MARK FELTHAM & DENNIS GREAVES			10.00-11.00

SUN 4TH FEB 2024			
CORNERSTONE	VENUE	CELLAR BAR	TIME
SETUP & SOUNDCHECK			9.00-9.30
REGISTRATION			9.30-10.00
CHILDRENS WORKSHOP			10.00-12.30
LUNCH & SOUNDCHECK			1.00-2.00
JAM DANG DOODLE ELECTRIC BLUES JAM			2.00-5.00
			

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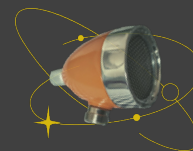
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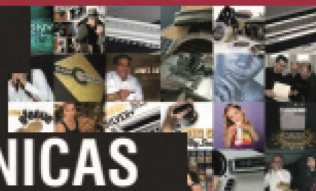


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Each year Harpin' By The Sea raises funds for Wishing Well Music, providing music for wellbeing in healthcare settings in the South of England.

An important part of Wishing Well's work involves music-making at the bedside of children in critical care, where recipients can be hospitalised for many months.

It is this particular aspect of Wishing Well's work that Harpin' By The Sea actively supports through its raffle.

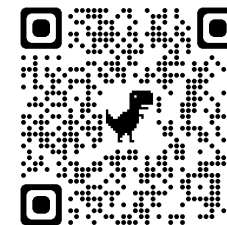
We hope you will help us support Wishing Well by entering our raffle. An incredible list of prizes has been generously supplied by the event sponsors featured in this booklet and on our website. You could be taking one of these home and also helping someone much less fortunate.



Raffle Draw:

5pm Saturday 3rd Feb, Brunswick Venue

Use the link here to enter online - it's quick, easy and user friendly. Alternatively have a chat with Jo White, CEO of Wishing Well, and she will be happy to help. You'll find Jo at the Wishing Well station in the Brunswick's bar area. Another option is to buy a paper raffle ticket from Jo or HBTS team member Ben Reese, and they will enter your unique number into our draw.



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