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Come enjoy some of the UK's best brass bands live at Morley Town Hall.

**SAT 22 OCTOBER 2022**

## CARLTON MAIN FRICKLEY COLLIERY BAND

Formed originally in 1884 in the village of South Elmsall, the band adopted the name of the local colliery in 1923. During the band's long and successful history, it has won virtually every honour possible including being crowned French Open Champion in 2018. With Yorkshireman Ian McElligott as Musical Director, the band is fortunate to have many talented musicians in its ranks including the recently signed award-winning young trombone star, Joe Heartfield.

**SAT 12 NOVEMBER 2022**

## LEYLAND BAND

Founded in 1946 in the heart of industrial Lancashire, Leyland Band celebrated its 75th anniversary in 2021. The band recently took second place at the North West Regional Championships, earning a spot to perform at the National Brass Band Championships of Great Britain in October. Under the guidance of Musical Director Thomas Wyss, the band has rightly earned its reputation as an unrivalled concert entertainer by producing dynamic and unique performances both at home and abroad.

**SAT 10 DECEMBER 2022**

## REG VARDY BAND

Formed in 1910 as the Craghead Colliery Band in County Durham, Reg Vardy Band has cemented a formidable reputation in competitions having featured in the prizes at the National and British Open and World Championships on numerous occasions. The band took second prize in the Scottish Open Brass Band Championships in the magnificent Perth Concert Hall last November. Reg Vardy recently appointed Chris Shanks as its Resident Conductor who brings a wealth of experience to the band.

**SAT 14 JANUARY 2023**

## BLACK DYKE BAND

Formed in Queensbury, West Yorkshire in 1855, Black Dyke Band is the most successful contesting band in the world. With Musical Director Nicholas Childs at the helm and renowned musicians in its ranks including Principal Trombone player Dr Brett Baker, Black Dyke is the current Yorkshire Regional Champion. The band remains at the forefront of brass band activity with over 350 recordings to its name. In October 2020 Black Dyke's recording of music by John Rutter became the first by a brass band to reach Number 1 in the classical music chart.

**SAT 4 FEBRUARY 2023**

## **GRIMETHORPE COLLIERY BAND**

Formed in 1917 as a leisure activity for the workmen of the South Yorkshire colliery, Grimethorpe is a British institution. National and British Open Champions on numerous occasions, the band's contest successes remain legendary. Grimethorpe's diverse noted concert performances include those at the FIFA World Cup, BAFTA Awards, BBC Proms and *Eurovision*. The band received two gold discs as well as a BAFTA nomination for its contributions to the global hit movie *Brassed Off*. Its Musical Director, Dr David Thornton, is regarded as one of the foremost euphonium players and teachers of his generation.

**SAT 4 MARCH 2023**

## **FODEN'S BAND**

Current North West Area Champion for the sixth consecutive year, Foden's Band was formed in 1900 in the Cheshire village of Sandbach. With Michael Fowles as Musical Director, the band maintains a world-class reputation for providing quality entertainment in the field of brass music with a traditional and unique style. The band has many first class musicians in its ranks including the renowned Principal Cornet player, Mark Wilkinson. In 2021 the band was crowned winner of the National Brass Band Championships of Great Britain.

**SAT 1 APRIL 2023**

## **BRIGHOUSE & RASTRICK BAND**

Formed over 140 years ago, Brighouse & Rastrick Band is regarded by many as the best and most consistent 'public subscription band' in the world. The band has attracted a formidable reputation for highly entertaining concerts and many notable triumphs in the highly competitive contesting field. Brighouse & Rastrick is known for its famous 1977 hit parade success *The Floral Dance* for which it won both silver and gold discs for massive record sales. In 2020 the band welcomed the acclaimed Tom Smith to the position of Principal Cornet.

**SAT 29 APRIL 2023**

## **ROTHWELL TEMPERANCE BAND**

Rothwell Temperance Band, formed in 1984, recently qualified to represent Yorkshire at the 2022 National Brass Band Championships of Great Britain. The band made a name for itself at major contests and since formation has continued to win significant titles. Under the guidance of Musical Director David Roberts, the band is proud to field so many talented musicians in its ranks including the recently signed Neil Johnson on Solo Euphonium.



## TICKET PRICES & BOOKING INFORMATION

TICKET PRICES	Full price	Discounts
Black Dyke Brighouse & Rastrick Grimethorpe	£15.50	£13.50
All other concerts	£13.50	£11.50
Under 26	£10 to all concerts	

### DISCOUNTS

Discounts available for the over 60s, full-time students, unwaged and LeedsCard Extra holders.



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Leeds Ticket Hub

Carriageworks Theatre, The Electric Press,  
3 Millennium Square, Leeds, LS2 3AD

Email: [boxoffice@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:boxoffice@leeds.gov.uk)

The Box Office is open two hours before any show at Carriageworks Theatre. Cheques should be made payable to *Leeds City Council*. Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope if you would like your tickets sent to you.

Tickets can also be obtained from our local ticket agent:

#### Morley Community Hub and Library

Commercial Street, Morley, LS27 8HZ

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### LEEDS CATHEDRAL

Cathedral Chambers, Great George Street, Leeds LS2 8BE

From 1.15pm • Free admission

Mon 12 December 2022

### ROYAL NORTHERN COLLEGE OF MUSIC BRASS ENSEMBLE

Mon 6 February 2023

### DARIUS BATTIWALLA

City Organist

### RICHARD MARSHALL

Principal Cornet of the Black Dyke Band

### & BRETT BAKER

Principal Trombone of the Black Dyke Band

*And don't forget...*

## THE 2022 LORD MAYOR'S CAROL CONCERTS

### LEEDS MINSTER

2–6 Kirkgate, Leeds LS2 7DJ

Thursday 15 December 6.30pm & 8.30pm

### ROTHWELL TEMPERANCE BAND & LEEDS PHILHARMONIC CHORUS

Tickets: £6.50 (discounts £3.50)

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