

SOUTHPORT JAZZ FESTIVAL

A man in a fedora and checkered jacket is shown in profile, playing a golden saxophone. The saxophone is the central focus, with its keys and body clearly visible. Colorful musical notes in various colors (red, yellow, green, blue, purple) are floating around the saxophone, creating a dynamic and musical atmosphere. The background is dark and out of focus, emphasizing the musician and the instrument.

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Introducing

The Southport Jazz Festival

May 8th - 10th

Join us for three days as we welcome many accomplished and respected jazz musicians to the town for the 15th annual Southport Jazz Festival.

Throughout the town bars, restaurants, venues and hotels will host different styles of jazz gigs, and with most of them being FREE there is something to suit all tastes.

Southport has a fantastic atmosphere over the weekend and this festival is not to be missed!

For general enquiries about the Southport Jazz Festival and programme changes, log on to visitsouthport.com or call 01704 533333.

Booking Fees

Please see individual venues for details.

Venue Access Information

Please contact the venue direct for any special requirements.

Venue Seating

Please note that some venues have limited seating and this will be available on a first come first served basis.

- No flash photography please
- The end time for each performance is a guide only and can be subject to slight change.
- Whilst every care has been taken in the compilation of the publication, Sefton Council cannot be held responsible for the accuracy of any statement contained within.
- Information is correct at time of going to print, see the website for any programme changes.



Artist	Time	Venue	Price	Style
Friday 8th May				
Rioghnaigh Connolly & Ellis Davies	7.45pm–9.30pm	R Italian Diner	FREE to diners/£5 for drinkers	World/Folk/Jazz
James Morton Quartet ft Pee Wee Ellis	8pm–10pm	The Atkinson Studio	£12*	Jazz/Funk/Blues
Nicola Farnon Trio	8pm–9.45pm	Bold Hotel	FREE	Vocals/Swing
Vernon Fuller	8pm–9.45pm	Pizzeria Mamma Mia	FREE to diners	Popular/Jazz
Mike Jackson Duo	8pm–9.45pm	El Rincon Bodega	FREE	Mainstream/Melodic
Free Parking	8.30pm–10.15pm	The Sandgrunder	FREE	Funk/Groove/Jazz/Rock
Gary Boyles Bruze Band	8.30pm–10.15pm	The Victoria	FREE	Mellow Blues
Nicki Allan Quartet	9pm–10.45pm	The Coronation	FREE	Blues/Popular/Funk
Saturday 9th May				
Western Valley Hot Club	11am–12 noon	Kings Gardens	FREE	Western Swing
White Canvas	12 noon–1.45pm	Bold Hotel	FREE	Melodic/Mellow Jazz
Ormskirk Ukulele Club	12.15pm–1.15pm	Kings Gardens	FREE	Ukulele Band
Sefton Youth Jazz Orchestra	1.30pm–2.30pm	Kings Gardens	FREE	Big Band
Jazz Improvisation Clinic	2pm–4pm	Voice+ Academy	£15	Improvisation Clinic
Perfectly Frank	2pm–3.45pm	Wayfarers Arcade	FREE	Swing
Peter Edwards	2pm–3.30pm	Christ Church	FREE	Melodic/Upbeat
Top Cats Jazz Band	2pm–3.45pm	Bold Hotel	FREE	Trad/Dixie/New Orleans
Modjango	3pm–4.45pm	A Great Little Place	FREE	Gypsy Jazz
Alex Hutton Trio	4pm–5.30pm	Christ Church	FREE	World/Classical Jazz
George Galway	4.30pm–6.15pm	Bold Hotel	FREE	Melodic Mainstream/Bop
Kate Peters Septet	8pm–9.45pm	Bold Hotel	FREE	Melodic/Jazz/Funk/Pop
Andy Gleave & Trefor Owen	8pm–9.45pm	Lords Café Bar	FREE	Melodic/Smooth
Riot Jazz Brass Band	8pm–10pm	The Atkinson	£10/12*	Funk/Soul/Hip-Hop
Dread Supreme	8.30pm–10.15pm	The Sandgrunder	FREE	Jazz/Ska/Soul
The Woo Hoos	9pm–10.45pm	The Coronation	FREE	Pop/R&B/Jazz/Latin&Blues
Sunday 10th May				
Hugo Corbin Quartet	12 noon–1.15pm	Masonic Hall	FREE	Emerging Jazz
John Ellis Trio	12.15–2pm	Bold Hotel	FREE	Jazz/Popular
Swingology	1pm – 2.45pm	Wayfarers Arcade	FREE	Gypsy Jazz
Marek Dorcik Quartet ft Lukas Oravec	1.35pm – 2.50pm	Masonic Hall	FREE	Emerging Contemporary Jazz
The Northern Jazz Orchestra	2.30pm – 4.15pm	Ramada Plaza	FREE	Big Band
Modjango	3pm–4.45pm	Inn Beer Shop	FREE	Gypsy Jazz
Piccalilli Jam	3pm–4.45pm	Tap and Bottles	FREE	Ukulele Trio
The Angry Men	3pm–4.45pm	Bold Hotel	FREE	Upbeat Melodic Jazz/Funk
Digby Fairweather & Craig Milverton	3pm–5.30pm	The Atkinson	£17*	Popular/Trad
Andrzej Baranek Trio	3.10pm–4.25pm	Masonic Hall	FREE	The music of Horace Silver
Zeitgeist	4.45pm–6pm	Masonic Hall	FREE	Emerging Contemporary Jazz
Joshua Cavanagh-Brierley Band	7.30pm–9.30pm	The Atkinson	£6*	Contemporary Young Jazz
The Cal Tjader Project	7.30pm–9.15pm	Bold Hotel	FREE	Vibrant/Cool/Latin Jazz
Hugo Corbin Duo	8pm–9.45pm	El Rincon Bodega	FREE	Melodic/Smooth
Swingology	8.30pm–10.15pm	The Victoria	FREE	Gypsy Jazz

* Transaction fee applies, see separate listing for more detail

Friday 8th

James Morton Quartet featuring special guest Pee Wee Ellis

Style – Jazz/Funk/Blues

- 8th May
- The Atkinson Studio, Lord Street, Southport PR8 1DB
- 8pm – Doors 7.30pm
- Tickets £12 plus transaction fee

For tickets call 01704 533333 / book online at www.theatkinson.co.uk / over the counter during The Atkinson opening hours

James Morton is one of the most exciting saxophonists in the UK today and The Ambassador of Music for Bristol. Pee Wee has been a major influence for James' music and development over the last 15 years. Expect some serious groove, soul and lyrical playing with this sparky sax led outfit.

Vernon Fuller

Style – Popular/Jazz

- 8th May
- Pizzeria Mamma Mia
- 120 Lord Street, Southport PR8 1AA
- 8pm – 9.45pm
- FREE to diners

Tel: 01704 540259

Vernon Fuller on guitar and vocals, started out playing with reggae and funk bands in London, playing upstairs at Ronnie Scott's jazz club. Since moving to the North West, he has played regularly in several bands; Afro Blue, Twin Frets, So What Now, Funkus Monkus, T-razz and as a solo artist, and has been a featured artist for Jazz FM.

Mike Jackson Duo

Style – Mainstream/Melodic

- 8th May
- El Rincon Bodega, Eastbank Square, Lord Street, Southport PR8 1NY
- 8pm – 9.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 530002 - Menu available

Mike, a classically trained clarinetist, played in Fritz Spiegl's chamber groups and in various classical recitals. His first love is jazz and he is a great admirer of Stan Getz and Artie Shaw, among others. Merseyside's foremost jazz guitarist, Tony won awards from an early age. He has established a national reputation as a remarkably fluent soloist and has played with many of Britain's top musicians.

Mike Jackson - sax & clarinet, Anthony Ormesher - guitar

Free Parking

Style – Funk/Groove/Jazz/Rock

- 8th May
- The Sandgrunder, 137 - 141 Lord Street, Southport PR8 1PU
- 8.30pm – 10.15pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 549271 - Pub menu available

A hard driving fusion band bringing together jazz and rock influences in a compelling and coherent fashion, producing music played with skill and imagination, blending complex arranged passages with highly charged improvisations. This is a quartet of superlative musicians whose enjoyment in playing together is highly infectious.

Line up: Keith Ashcroft – Guitars, Harold Salisbury - Saxophones and Flute, Gary Culshaw - Bass guitar, Paul Burgess - Drums



Nicola Farnon Trio

Bold Hotel, 583 Lord Street, Southport PR9 0BE

8th May

8pm – 9.45pm in the Function Suite, Tel: 01704 532578

FREE

Style – Vocals/Swing

With Nicola's trio you get a lot of musical talent for such a small band. It comprises voice, tenor sax, piano, double bass and drums. Nicola "sings like one of the classic songbirds of the golden 50s/60s era" (Jazz Journal) and is an "outstandingly swinging and propulsive bass player" (Humphrey Lyttleton) and with Piero Tucci - "a jazzers' dream, as unpretentiously skilful on keys as he is on sax." (Sandman magazine) - and with the intense and propulsive drumming of Phil Johnson, these three musicians combine to give a performance that will startle you with its genuine love of music and melody.

Line up: Nicola Farnon - vocals/double bass, Piero Tucci - piano and tenor sax, Phil Johnson - drums.

Friday 8th

Gary Boyle's Bruze Band

Style – Vocals/Mellow Blues

- 8th May
- The Victoria, Promenade, Southport PR9 0DS
- 8.30pm - 10.15pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 544121

Respected guitarist Gary Boyle returns to Southport Jazz Festival but this time singing and playing some mellow Blues with his 'Bruze' trio featuring groove- laden solos from Ian Rose on organ and solid driving from Steve Tann on drums.

Nicki Allan Quartet

Style – Lively Jazz/Blues/Popular/Funk

- 8th May
- The Coronation, King Street, Southport PR8 1JZ
- 9pm – 10.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 530611

JazzYorkshire Vocalist of the year 2010, Nicki Allan will be making her debut at Southport Jazz Festival with some of the North's finest Jazz musicians - room darkener saxophonist Rod Mason, the one and only Caroline Boaden on Drums and Funk master Garry Jackson on Bass. Performing an eclectic mix of both original & mainstream Jazz, Blues & Funk in this lively new combo which features Nicki on both piano and vocals!

Line up: Nicki Allan - Vocals & Piano, Rod Mason – Saxophone, Garry Jackson - Bass Guitar, Caroline Boaden - Drums

Riognnach Connolly & Ellis Davies

Style – World/Folk/Jazz

- 8th May
- R Italian Diner, Ocean Plaza, Southport PR8 1SB
- 7.45pm – 9.30pm
- FREE to diners or £5

Tel: 01704 530077

Armagh born singer and flautist Riognnach's music has strong folk roots coming from a Sean-nós background and delivered with her resonant, powerful voice and stirring in elements of Appalachia Blues and Jazz, the overall performance is energizing, happy and upbeat.

Line up: Riognnach Connolly – Vocals/Flute, Ellis Davies – Guitar

Saturday 9th

White Canvas

Style: Melodic/Mellow Jazz

- 9th May
- Bold Hotel, Lord Street, Southport, PR9 0BE
- 12 noon – 1.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 532578

This exciting new quartet was formed in Liverpool 2012 by Liverpool pianist Barry Dallman as an outlet for his original compositions. His writing is influenced by artists such as EST, Michel Petrucciani, Bill Evans, Michel Legrand and Miles Davis

Line up: Barry Dallman - piano, Tony Ormesher - guitar, Grant Russell - bass, Adam Goldberg – drums

Saturday 9th

Western Valley Hot Club

Style – Western/Swing

- 9th May
- The Community Gardens, Kings Gardens, Promenade, Southport PR8 1QX
- 11am – 12 noon
- FREE
- Limited seating available

Western Swing, a foot tapping combination of Country and Jazz fused together. With harmonies and instrument changes and polished and musical virtuosity the band also use their vibrant and entertaining personalities to create a memorable occasion.

Line up: Gaynor Sutcliffe - lead & Harmony Vocal/Violin/Piano & Accordion, Simon Brady - Lead & Harmony Vocal/ Guitar/ Mandolin/ Lap Steel, Ray Walmsley - Double Bass

Ormskirk Ukulele Band

Style – Ukulele Band

- 9th May
- The Community Gardens, Kings Gardens, Promenade, Southport PR8 1QX
- 12.15pm – 1.15pm
- FREE
- Limited seating available

The Ormskirk Ukulele Band was formed as a community club approximately 3 years ago to promote singing and the playing of ukulele music in the Ormskirk and surrounding areas.

Sefton Youth Jazz Orchestra

Style – Big Band

- 9th May
- The Community Gardens, Kings Gardens, Promenade, Southport PR8 1QX
- 1.30pm – 2.30pm
- FREE
- Limited seating available

The Sefton Youth Jazz Orchestra is the senior Jazz ensemble of the Music Service and aims to develop the student's interest in Jazz and actively encourages improvisation – an essential element of Jazz. They play a wide variety of styles from the swinging days of the big band era right up to the present day with music by Gordon Goodwin. The band focuses mainly on instrumental pieces but also features some excellent young vocalists performing well known big band standards.

Jazz Improvisation Clinic, with local Yanagisawa saxophone artist Mike Smith

- 9th May
- Voice+ Academy of Arts, 44 Bedford Road, Southport PR8 4HJ.
- 2pm-4pm
- Tickets: £15.

As part of the Southport Jazz Festival, Mike will be leading an improvisation Workshop, ideal for players of any level who want to develop their improvisational skills. Contact Mike for more details – info@mikesax.co.uk

Perfectly Frank

Style - Swing

- 9th May
- Wayfarers Arcade, Lord Street Southport PR8 1NT
- 2pm – 3.45pm
- FREE
- Limited seating available

Tel: 01704 539077

This year celebrates the 100th anniversary of the birth of Frank Sinatra. Perfectly Frank are Merseyside's answer to Ol' Blue Eyes capturing the ambience and excitement of a late 50's swingin' Sinatra show.



Peter Edwards Trio

Christ Church, Lord Street, Southport PR8 1AA

9th May

2pm – 3.30pm

Tel: 01704 531756

FREE

Style – Piano Led/Melodic/Upbeat Mainstream Jazz

Peter Edwards is a pianist, composer and bandleader whose guileless, soulful music is full of emphatic chording, Latin grooves and romantic, cinematic themes. He is a 2014 MOBO Best Jazz Act nominee and his debut album 'Safe and Sound' is among MOJO's top 10 jazz albums of 2014.

Peter graduated with a Masters in Jazz from Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance in 2009. Participation in the Tomorrow's Warriors young artist development programme gave him the opportunity to sharpen his performance and compositional skills under the guidance of Gary Crosby OBE. Peter began recording and touring with the Abram Wilson Quartet and has gone on to work with Rhythmica, Nicola Emmanuelle and Zara McFarlane.

Peter is the recipient of the 2015 Jazz Newcomer Award from the All Party Parliamentary Jazz Appreciation Society (APPJAG) for his debut album release 'Safe and Sound'. He is also Musical Director of the Nu Civilisation Orchestra.

Line up: Peter Edwards – Piano, Max Luthert – Bass, Eddie Hick - Drums

Modjango

Style – Gypsy Jazz

- 9th May
- A Great Little Place, 11c Hoghton Street, Southport PR9 0NS
- 3pm – 4.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 532066

Modjango are rated as, and have played with, some of the best musicians in the world. Blending the Jazz Manouche Guitar style of Django Reinhardt with Contemporary Jazz Guitar, Latin/Spanish Guitar and many others.

Alex Hutton Trio

Style – Melodic Jazz with World/Classical Influences

- 9th May
- Christ Church, Lord Street, Southport PR8 1AA
- 4pm – 5.30pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 531756

Alex has recently performed a 'history of jazz piano' duet with Ronnie Scott's house pianist at this year's Steinway Festival. It is the different styles of the piano that has always been an attraction for him and has led to him performing music as diverse as Stride, Salsa, modern Jazz, classical and pop.

The Southport Jazz Festival audience will be amongst the first to hear music from the much anticipated fourth album from the Alex Hutton Trio entitled "The Magna-Carta Suite" to be released in May.

Line up: Alex Hutton – piano, Yuri Goloubev – double bass, Nic France – drums

Top Cats Jazz Band

Style – Trad/Dixie/New Orleans

- 9th May
- Bold Hotel, Lord Street, Southport PR9 0BE
- 2pm – 3.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 532578

Manchester-based Top Cats Jazz Band features five outstanding musicians from the Royal Northern College of Music. RNCM students receive world-class training for professional careers in music and will be playing a wide range of music from the golden age of jazz and New Orleans providing a lively, period, sound.

Line up: Jamie Stockbridge – Saxophone, Roland Parsons – Trumpet, Ali Roocroft – Piano, Alasdair Simpson - Double Bass, Oli Cox – Drums

George Galway

Style – Melodic Mainstream/Bop

- 9th May
- Bold Hotel, Lord Street, Southport PR9 0BE
- 4.30pm – 6.15pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 532578

It was a happy day for the NW jazz scene when reedman George Galway made his home in Manchester. This superb musician enthralled with his melodic and lilting tone on tenor saxophone, clarinet, flute and even penny whistle as he and his quartet entertain through the mainstream jazz repertoire from 30s and 40s swing to popular bebop jazz standards.

Kate Peters Septet

Style – Melodic/Jazz/Funk/Pop

- 9th May
- Bold Hotel, Lord Street, Southport PR9 0BE
- 8pm – 9.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 532578

The Kate Peters Septet was formed in 2011 by bassist John Marley as a vehicle to showcase the outstanding vocals of Kate Peters. Featuring some of the most talented young jazz musicians in the North, the band play a mix of classic standards, original compositions and their own interpretations of popular songs. The band's self titled debut album received excellent reviews and regular airplay from Jazz FM. They will be releasing their second album in 2015.

Line up: Kate Peters – Vocals, Matt Anderson - Tenor Sax, Ian Chalk – Trumpet, Jon Brown – Guitar, Martin Longhawn – Piano, John Marley – Bass, Tim Carter - Drums

Andy Gleave & Trefor Owen

Style – Melodic/Smooth

- 9th May
- Lords Café Bar, 659 Lord Street, Southport PR9 0AW
- 8pm – 9.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 543814

To guarantee a seat book in advance for £5. Price includes a glass of wine or beer and a trio of bruschetta - call 01704 543814 or email: order@lordscafebar.co.uk to book.

Andy Gleave, a versatile vocalist and keyboard player from the North West, has been a featured performer in many jazz venues and festivals across the country in both small jazz combos and big bands. At Southport he will be joined by premier Welsh guitarist Trefor Owen, who besides following his passion to encourage and develop the growth of jazz guitar with his own jazz guitar society, regularly performs with artists of international recognition. On a recent visit to the USA he performed with George Benson.

Dread Supreme

Style – Jazz/Ska/Soul

- 9th May
- The Sandgrounder, 137 - 141 Lord Street, Southport PR8 1PU
- 8.30pm – 10.15pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 549271 - Pub menu available

Dread Supreme channels the inspirational compositions of John Coltrane and the rare grooves of 70s Jamaican studio bands such as the Roots Radics, Soul Syndicate and the Revolutionaries: less an exercise in eclecticism than a sincere homage from one genre to another, Dread Supreme takes to the stage with bounce, verve, melodic invention and one of the finest rhythm sections this side of Kingston, JA.

Line up: Richard Ormrod - reeds, flute, melodica, Chris Campbell – guitar, Bob Birch - Hammond, synths, Kenny Higgins – bass, Sam Hobbs – drums, Spear - percussion

Riot Jazz Brass Band

Style – Funk/Soul/Hip-Hop

- 9th May
- The Atkinson, Lord Street, Southport PR8 1DB
- 8pm – Doors 7.30pm
- Tickets £10 standing / £12 seated plus transaction fee.

For tickets call 01704 533333 / book online at www.theatkinson.co.uk / over the counter during The Atkinson opening hours

Riot Jazz Brass Band is a 9-piece brass band made up of trumpets, trombones, a sousaphone, drums and an MC. They play a uniquely twisted mix of funk, soul, hip-hop and aggressive jazz.

The band has featured at festivals around the world over the past 5 years. Recent performances include West Holts Stage at Glastonbury, The Big Red Tent at Womad, Soundwave Festival (Croatia), Kendal Calling, London Jazz Festival, Manchester Jazz Festival as well as being invited to play on Channel 4's Sunday Brunch and at Ted X talks in Salford.

Saturday 9th

The Woo Hoos

Style – Pop/R&B/Jazz/Latin & Blues

- 9th May
- The Coronation, King Street, Southport PR8 1JZ
- 9pm – 10.45pm
- FREE

Tel 01704 530611

The Woo Hoos are an all singing, all playing, all female musical trio, with an emphasis on fun, camaraderie and sweet vocal harmony. Sassy, no messing Scot Julie also provides the beats on Cajon. Irish born Rioghnach brings mischief and mayhem with a collection of flutes & whistles and Anglo/Greek Zoe pours fiery Mediterranean passion into the Guitar. Their song list covers Pop, R&B, Jazz, Latin and Blues arranged in a quirky and completely unique way designed to surprise and delight audiences.

Line up: Zoe – vocals / guitar, Julie - vocals / percussion, Rioghnach - vocals / flutes & whistles

Sunday 10th

Hugo Corbin Quartet

Style – Emerging Contemporary Jazz

- 10th May
- Masonic Hall, Duke Street, Southport PR8 1LS
- 12 noon – 1.15pm, doors 11.30am
- FREE
- Light snacks available

Tel: 01704 534347

The Southport Jazz Festival are proud to welcome guitarist Hugo Corbin from Paris. The influences of the Quartet are a mix of ECM style sounds, New York Jazz, French pop music and soundtracks. One of the strengths of the quartet is the combination of guitar with the sax of Kyran Matthews and dynamic improvisations by all members of the band.

Line up: Hugo Corbin – Guitar, Johnny Hunter – Drums, Gavin Barras - Double Bass, Kyran Matthews - Tenor Saxophone

John Ellis Trio

Style – Jazz/Popular

- 10th May
- Bold Hotel, Lord Street, Southport PR9 0BE
- 12.15 – 2pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 532578

John Ellis is a pianist/singer from the north of England. His musicianship has been utilised by well known artists such as Tom Jones, Corinne Bailey Rae, Lily Allen, John Squire (Stone Roses) and others as well as being a founder member of The Cinematic Orchestra and contributing heavily to the albums "Everyday" and "Man With The Movie Camera".

His recent performances have centred around the piano trio working with a collection of songs ranging from Jazz standards to Irish folk, Prince, The Stone Roses and Johns originals - all with a unique jazz/blues/soul idiosyncratic improvised twist akin to Nina Simone.

Line up: John Ellis – piano & vocals, Gavin Barras – bass, Rob Turner – drums

Swingology

Style – Gypsy Jazz

- 10th May
- Wayfarers Arcade, Lord Street Southport PR8 1NT
- 1pm – 2.45pm
- FREE

Swingology were formed in 2005 by 5 musicians based in Crosby, Liverpool, to play the toe-tapping music known as Gypsy Jazz. This style became famous in the 1930s and 1940s, popularised by the great Django Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli. The band not only plays all the Gypsy Jazz standards, but a range of popular Jazz classics and some modern songs in the classic Swing Manouche style (the original term used for Gypsy Jazz).

Line-up: Brian Vance – guitar & vocals, Kirsten Sothmann – violin, Kevin Power – guitar, Steve Renshall – bass, Tony Dolman – drums & vocals

Marek Dorcik Quartet featuring Lukas Oravec

Style – Emerging Contemporary Jazz

- 10th May
- Masonic Hall, Duke Street, Southport PR8 1LS
- 1.35pm - 2.50pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 534347

Slovakian jazz trumpeter Lucas Oravec returns to the UK following his successful tour in 2013 which culminated in the recoding of Lukas' debut award winning album in August 2013. For the Southport Jazz Festival concert drummer Marek Dorcik and Lukas will be joined by two elite members of North West Jazz scene - Jamil Sherriff on piano and Pete Turner on bass.

Line up: Marek Dorcik- drums, Lukas Oravec – trumpet & flugelhorn, Jamil Sherif – piano, Pete Turner - double bass

The Northern Jazz Orchestra

Style – Big Band

- 10th May
- Ramada Plaza Southport - Marine Suite, Promenade, Southport PR9 0DZ
- 2.30pm – 4.15pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 516220

The Northern Jazz Orchestra was formed in 1989 by drummer and jazz educator Paul J Rigby. Working to develop their own unique sound, they combine the best of big band standards with more contemporary jazz using the top musicians in the North.

For the Southport Jazz Festival the NJO will be playing the music of Buddy Rich, Maynard Ferguson, Count Basie, Stan Kenton, Bob Mintzer etc. The Orchestra have previously appeared with such artists as Bobby Shew, Mark Nightingale, Elaine Delmar and Kenny Baker.

Modjango

Style – Gypsy Jazz

- 10th May
- Inn Beer Shop, 657 Lord Street, Southport PR9 0AW
- 3pm – 4.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 533054

Modjango consists of Paul and Roy Gregory who, individually and as a duo, are rated as, and have played with, some of the best musicians in the world. Blending the Jazz Manouche (Gypsy Jazz) Guitar style of Django Reinhardt with with contemporary Jazz Guitar, Latin/Spanish Guitar and many other styles, Modjango continue to improve the diversity, vibrance and ingenuity of their sets, whether as a duo or as part of a larger outfit.

They can regularly be seen as part of trios, quartets, quintets and even 18+ piece big bands on occasion, and have built a large and loyal following throughout the UK and Europe.

Piccalilli Jam

Style – Ukulele Trio

- 10th May
- The Tap and Bottles, 19 Cambridge Walks, Chapel Street, Southport PR8 1AS
- 3pm – 4.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 07908 040013

A Ukulele Trio playing 20's - 40's, country and swing music



The Cal Tjader Project

Bold Hotel, Lord Street, Southport PR9 0BE

10th May

7.30pm - 9.15pm

Tel: 01704 532578

FREE

Style – Vibrant/Cool/Latin Jazz

A collaboration between Vibraphonist Paul Sawtell and Flutist Casey Greene has created a fresh and exciting tribute to the music of the late Cal Tjader, who was one of the pioneers of Latin Jazz in California in the 1950s. There is no other band in the UK that is playing this wonderful music with such a high standard of musicianship. This band will add an element of excitement and variety to the festival programme.

Line up: Paul Sawtell – Vibraphone, Casey Greene – Flute, Andrzej Baranek – Piano, Ben Markland – Bass, Simon King – Drums, Eddie McGuire – Congas

The Angry Men

Style – Upbeat Melodic Jazz/Funk

- 10th May
- Bold Hotel, Lord Street, Southport PR9 0BE
- 3pm – 4.45pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 532578

Influenced by bands such as The Yellowjackets, Weather Report, The Pat Metheney Group, and Herbie Hancock, the Angry Men pride themselves on writing tight grooves, complex yet beautiful harmonies and tuneful melodies.

Line up: Patrick Hurley - Piano/Keyboards, Paul Cusick - Electric Guitar, Paul Robinson - Electric Bass, Jonathan Irving – Drums, Mike Smith – Saxophone.

Andrzej Baranek Trio

Style – The music of pianist Horace Silver

- Masonic Hall, Duke Street, Southport PR8 1LS
- 3.10pm - 4.25pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 534347

One of the NW's busiest and highly regarded jazz musicians is Chorley based pianist Andrzej Baranek. Known to all who attend local Jazz nights, he can play all styles of jazz and that has led him to be a key member in many bands, most notably The Magic Hat Ensemble. For the Southport Jazz Festival, he will remember the appealing music of Horace Silver who passed away last year. His trio will include Liverpool's favourite jazz guitarist, Anthony Ormesher and GoGo Penguin double bass player Nick Blacka. Andrzej will also be playing later on 10 May at The Bold Hotel in the tribute to the late Cal Tjader with some cool West Coast jazz with a distinct Latin groove

Line up: Andrzej Baranek - piano, Anthony Ormesher – guitar, Nick Blacka - double bass.

'Jazz in the Afternoon' with Digby Fairweather and Craig Milverton

Style – Popular/Trad

- 10th May
- The Atkinson, Gallery 3, Lord Street, Southport PR8 1DB
- 3pm-5.30pm, doors 2.30pm (theatre bar open from 2pm)
- Tickets £17 plus transaction fee (including afternoon tea)

In association with Southport Melodic Jazz Club. For tickets call 01704 533333 / book online at www.theatkinson.co.uk / over the counter during The Atkinson opening hours

Trumpet-legend Digby Fairweather and poll winning pianist Craig Milverton are currently celebrating twenty years of musical partnership in Digby Fairweather's Half Dozen which has won the British Jazz Award for 'Top Small Group' for nine out of the last ten years and is re-nominated for the award in 2015.

Their 2006 album Two Part Conversations was hailed as an 'outstanding contribution to jazz-duo discography' in The Times and their appearance at Southport will be a rare celebration of intimate music-making amid a nonstop UK tour celebrating the Half-Dozen's twentieth anniversary on the road!

Zeitgeist

Style – Emerging Contemporary Jazz

- 10th May
- Masonic Hall, Duke Street, Southport PR8 1LS
- 4.45pm – 6pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 534347

Zeitgeist are a contemporary jazz trio based in Leeds. The outfit combine jazz harmony with the rhythmic intensity of progressive rock and metal and perform an intricately arranged set of original material which showcases lengthy improvised sections, soaring melodies and intense grooves. Aleks, Sam and Tom met on the jazz course at Leeds College of Music in 2011, and since the band's inception Zeitgeist have firmly established themselves on the Leeds and UK music scene.

Line up: Aleks Podraza – Keyboards, Sam Quintana – Basses, Tom Higham – Drums

Joshua Cavanagh-Brierley Band

Style – Contemporary Young Jazz

- 10th May
- The Atkinson Studio, Lord Street, Southport PR8 1DB
- 7.30pm – Doors 7pm
- Tickets £6 plus transaction fee

For tickets call 01704 533333 / book online at www.theatkinson.co.uk / over the counter during The Atkinson opening hours.

The highly energetic and forward-thinking, Joshua Cavanagh-Brierley Band, perform original compositions that cover a wide range of styles and dynamics. From extremely complex arrangements to minimal, popish melodically-driven compositions, the Nonet draws on a broad spectrum of influences and is unfettered in its creativity. The group is bursting with exciting individuals, inspiring one another to push themselves further in each performance.

Line up: Joshua Cavanagh-Brierley, Alan Taylor, Craig Hanson, Danny Wellens, Jake Fletcher, Gavin Hibberd, Sam Healey, Kyran Matthews and Anthony Brown

Swingology

Style – Gypsy Jazz

- 10th May
- The Victoria, Promenade, Southport PR9 0DS
- 8.30pm-10.15pm
- FREE

Tel: 01704 544121

Swingology were formed in 2005 by 5 musicians based in Crosby, Liverpool, to play the toe-tapping music known as Gypsy Jazz. This style became famous in the 1930s and 1940s, popularised by the great Django Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli. The band not only plays all the Gypsy Jazz standards, but a range of popular Jazz classics and some modern songs in the classic Swing Manouche style (the original term used for Gypsy Jazz).

Line-up: Brian Vance – guitar & vocals, Kirsten Sothmann – violin, Kevin Power – guitar, Steve Renshall – bass, Tony Dolman – drums & vocals

Hugo Corbin Duo

Style – Melodic/Smooth

- 10th May
- El Rincon Bodega, Eastbank Square, Lord Street, Southport PR8 1NY
- 8pm – 9.45pm – menu available
- FREE

Tel: 01704 530002

In the tradition of Jim Hall and Ron Carter, the duo shares their passion for Jazz and improvisation and plays a carefully chosen selection of Jazz, pop and original tunes.

Hugo Corbin – guitar, Gavin Barras - double bass

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