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Press Release – for immediate release

Celebrating one of the UK's finest jazz stars, A Salute to Humphrey Lyttelton will showcase the legend's life and music in Worthing this December

This is a jazz performance which marks the 100th Anniversary of one of our music icons, affectionately known as 'Humph'. It's performed by trumpeter and life-long fan Chris Hodgkins who created the show as a nostalgic tribute, taking audiences on a trip through Humph's work, as well as including new pieces composed for the tour. The show is being held at the Connaught Theatre on Saturday 4 December, 7:30pm.

Humphrey Lyttelton led the way for the jazz revival of the late 40s and 50s, and brought jazz to the mainstream with the first UK jazz record to reach the Top20, *Bad Penny Blues*. His career started when he taught himself how to play the trumpet, which later led to him becoming a professional musician. Humph was also just as well-known for his broadcasting work, as the host of Radio 2's *The Best of Jazz* and Radio 4's *I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue*.

Hodgkins and his talented ensemble capture the passion that fills Humph's music by performing many of his original compositions and arrangements. These distinctive and energetic tunes are sure to have the audience up in their seats and moving to the music! Hodgkins has also included new pieces of music especially for the tour which are in keeping with the rhythm and style of the original work. Reliving old classics and making new memories? It's simply a must for both Lyttelton fans and jazz aficionados alike.

To do justice to Humph's heritage, Hodgkins - himself a stalwart of the British jazz scene - has put together an impressive ten-piece band featuring top UK and US musicians which will be performing at the show; Chris Hodgkins – *trumpet*, Henry Lowther – *trumpet*, Charlotte Glasson – *sax*, Diane McLoughlin – *sax*, Mark Basseby – *trombone*, Alison Rayner – *double bass*, Buster Birch – *drums*, Alex Clarke – *sax*, Jinjoo Yoo – *piano* and Wayne Wilkinson – *guitar*. It's a veritable who's who of the modern jazz circuit.

In addition to the live show, a travelling exhibition on Humph's life and times accompanies the tour. This consists of a multimedia presentation and visual archive display based on the writings and journals of the jazz legend, all of which creates a thorough and loving tribute to an icon.



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A Salute to Humphrey Lyttelton is being performed at the Connaught Theatre on Saturday 4 December 2021 at 7:30pm. Tickets are available from £21. For more information on this or any of the events, visit www.wtam.uk or call the WTM Box Office on 01903 206 206.

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EVENT LISTING

A Salute to Humphrey Lyttelton

Date: Saturday 4 December 2021

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: Connaught Theatre, Union Pl, Worthing BN11 1LG

Tickets: From £21

Link: wtam.uk/events/a-salute-to-humphrey-lyttelton/

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