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Hannah James & Toby Kuhn are a remarkable musical pairing; an award-winning musician and dancer from the UK, with an acclaimed French cellist. Don't miss their intuitive partnership in Worthing this November.

The Worthing Pavilion Theatre Atrium is fast becoming a local favourite for intimate folk gigs, perfectly exemplified by this innovative duo who are bringing their inventive rhythms and soulful arrangements to its stage on Tuesday 02 November, 7:30pm.

James and Kuhn met by chance at Floating Castle festival in Slovenia in the summer of 2018. Kuhn was so moved by James' set that he sought her out and asked if she needed a cellist accompanist. As they say, the rest is history! They joined forces and began to create together, both sharing a common approach to music-making and a real artistic chemistry.

James is an award-winning folk musician, dancer and composer. Known for her work with groups Lady Maisery, Maddy Prior, Sam Sweeney, Seasick Steve and Songs of Separation (with Eliza Carthy and Karina Polwart and more), she is a central figure in the modern UK folk scene. Her style is rooted in the English Tradition but enriched by collaborations with artists all over Europe. Her signature is a striking blend of accordion, vocals and clog dancing, which is an incredibly special and rare form of percussive dance.

Kuhn is a post-classical musician with a taste for improvisation and folk music of all persuasions, which he cherry picks on his travels. Always on the lookout for new ways to play his instrument, his unorthodox approach has won admiration and acclaim from Japan to Canada, and makes him the ideal foil to James.

Together, their music is original and conversational. Their combination of accordion and cello creates a wide palette of sounds and textures which lift James' pure voice and deeply honest songwriting. They shift between soft soulfulness to, in the very next breath, choppy and joyful interplay. This duo delivers a diverse, playful performance, and one which is rarely seen in Worthing, making it a must for fans of new music.

**Hannah James & Toby Kuhn** are playing at the Pavilion Theatre Atrium on Tuesday 02 November 2021, 7:30pm. Tickets are available from £13.50. For more information on this or any of the events, visit <a href="www.wtam.uk">www.wtam.uk</a> or call the WTM Box Office on 01903 206 206.



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'A true original' - The Guardian on Hannah James

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Trailer: youtu.be/ZLZhTFvLKbl

Hannah James & Toby Kuhn - Three Ravens: <a href="youtu.be/Tgt1jKDy5bc">youtu.be/Tgt1jKDy5bc</a>

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# **EVENT LISTING**

## Hannah James & Toby Kuhn

Date: Tuesday 02 November 2021

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: Pavilion Theatre Atrium, Marine Parade, Worthing BN11 3PX

Tickets: £13.50

Link: wtam.uk/events/hannah-james-toby-kuhn/

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Hannah James & Toby Kuhn

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