

### PRESS RELEASE

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WTM is delighted to welcome audiences back behind the scenes of its venues with the hotly anticipated Backstage Tours of the Connaught Theatre.

After ongoing public demand, WTM's Venue Backstage Tours are back. Learn how a working cinema and theatre is run, and hear the history of the venue with expert insights. This is a complete tour of the Theatre, Cinema and Studio, taking place on Tuesday 12 July & Tuesday 20 September 2022.

WTM's Backstage Tours are a local institution which have been an important part of the organisation's offering for many years. They provide a first-hand look at the spaces and places around Worthing Theatres and Museum, and are an opportunity to learn how the buildings came to be and in what direction they're going.

Opened in 1916, the Connaught Theatre is an iconic Worthing venue which has seen the likes of Templeton Peck and Christopher Lee through its doors. Indeed, many classic actors, performers and celebrities have visited the Connaught, including reported ghostly appearances over the years, so expect a few supernatural stories thrown in for good measure!

These tours were previously managed by WTM Volunteer, Sam McCarthy-Fox who sadly passed away in 2021. He was a much-loved member of the team, and his wit and charm are remembered by many. His stories live on through these tours and his extensive research is an incredibly valuable part of WTM's archive.

More tour dates will be made available in the autumn with the release of a new brochure of events. WTM is excited that there is such a wealth of enthusiasm for seeing behind the scenes of our working venues, and we truly value the support from local community members for whom the Connaught Theatre is a key part of local history.

**Venue Backstage Tours** of the **Connaught Theatre** are taking place on Tuesday 12 July & Tuesday 20 September 2022. Tickets are available from £10.



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For more information on this or any of the events, visit <u>www.wtam.uk</u> or call the WTM Box Office on 01903 206 206.

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#### **EVENT LISTING**

Venue Backstage Tour: Connaught Theatre

Date: Tuesday 12 July & Tuesday 20 September 2022

Time: 10am

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

Tickets: From £10

Link: wtm.uk/events/venue-backstage-tour-connaught-theatre/

Connaught Theatre History: <a href="https://www.uk/visit/wtmstory/history-of-the-connaught/">wtm.uk/visit/wtmstory/history-of-the-connaught/</a>

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## **IMAGE DOWNLOADS**

WTM Venues

Venue Backstage Tour: Connaught Theatre

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