

PRESS RELEASE

Eclectic entertainment to light up East Gate area

7th June 2016 – A wide range of musicians, dancers, circus performers and more will take to Northampton town centre's streets this Saturday, with the next Northampton Town Centre BID 'Discover Northampton Live' day.

The main stage will be positioned on Abington Street opposite the East Gate pub, and street performances will take place to in 30 to 45-minute slots from 11am to 3pm.

Some favourite performers from past 'Discover Northampton town centre Live' events will be returning, including award-winning belly dancer Diana Mehira, delightful compere Dapper Dan, and circus performer Messy Moss, who is always happy to teach audience members a trick or two. They will be joined by acoustic duo Scribble Victory, who were Glastonbury Emerging Talent Longlisters, and talented violinist Louise Grattan.

'Discover Northampton town centre Live' has been organised by Northampton Town Centre BID to encourage more visitors into the town centre and celebrate the diverse areas that make it special. 'Discover Northampton town centre Live' will take place on the second Saturday of every month until October, and will focus on celebrating local talent too.

Jessica D'Aulerio, Chair of Northampton Town Centre BID, said: "Discover Northampton town centre Live has been a great success for the BID so far this year, encouraging visitors to explore new areas within the town centre and bringing diverse and vibrant entertainers to our streets. As ever, this Saturday's event will be fun for all the family – whether you are interested in music or dance, theatre or comedy, there truly is something for everyone."

Discover Northampton town centre Live, Saturday 11th June: line-up

Scribble Victory – acoustic duo

Glastonbury Emerging Talent Longlisters and featured in Louder Than War's 'Top 50 bands to look out for in 2015'.

Louise Grattan – violinist

Louise Grattan is an electric violinist performing classical standards with a contemporary twist.

Diana Mehira – belly dancing

Diana Mehira has been studying Middle Eastern dance since 1996 and is now a well-known teacher and performer. In 2013 she placed 3rd at Miss UK Bellydance.

Messy Moss – circus skills

Painter, decorator and juggler Messy Moss will be painting the town red, blue and yellow out and about on the streets of Northampton, and don't worry if it's raining, two coats guaranteed!

Dapper Dan – compere

For your delectation and delight, amusement and amazement, Dapper Dan, the best dressed compere in the business, brings his wit and wisdom to Northampton town centre. This host with the most, MC with the energy will be putting on his top hat, tying up his white tie and brushing off his tails!

Anyone interested in performing at a Discover Northampton town centre Live event, or local businesses, community and educational organisations looking to get involved should email info@northamptonbid.co.uk.

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