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# WHAT'S ON

A MONTHLY GUIDE TO WHAT'S ON  
AT THE BARREL HOUSE BALLROOM  
& THE TOTNES BREWING COMPANY



APR/MAY 2026

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WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL

JAM IN THE BARREL

Find out more at [jaminthebarrel.org](http://jaminthebarrel.org)  
DOORS 8PM-11PM | FREE ENTRY



FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup>-5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

VOX THEATRE PRESENTS... PRIDE & PREJUDICE

Following on from the success of their sell out production of A Christmas Carol here at The Barrel House Ballroom Totnes we are excited to welcome back VOX theatre for an evening of magic as we journey with ALL the Bennet sisters to a world of wit, charm, romance and rivalry. A family friendly performance of the Austen's classic. Fun, laughter, and sparkling dialogue.

FRI 3RD - DOORS 12 NOON / SHOW 12:30 - 1:4PM) / SAT 4TH & SUN 5TH - DOORS 12:30PM SHOW 1PM - 2:15PM) SEE WEBSITE FOR TICKET DETAILS

FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL

CABARET VOLTAIRE PRESENTS... JAH WOBBLE & THE INVADERS OF THE HEART

Jah Wobble is a legendary bassist and founding member of Public Image Ltd (PIL), whose hypnotic, dub-heavy style helped define post-punk classics Metal Box and "Death Disco." Now leading Invaders of the Heart, he continues to push boundaries with a genre-blending sound spanning reggae, dub, fusion and punk, and has collaborated with artists including Primal Scream and Sinéad O'Connor. DOORS 7:30PM/START 8PM | TICKETS £25 CABARETVOLTAIREEVENTS.COM

SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

CRAB & CLAW

The Crab and Claw are back at The Barrel House for another legendary lock in. Local lads, DJ Hammer and NinetyNine are stepping back into the ballroom for a night of their trademark pub and club sound. This is a bank holiday treat you cannot miss, so bring your chums on Saturday the 4th of April and avoid the FOMO! Tickets are available online and on the door, from 20:00. Don't hesitate to grab yours now, this one's sure to be a shell out! DOORS 8PM | TICKETS £7 ADV £10 OTD

SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

SUNDAY SOUL SESSION WITH LUKE MARZEC

Join Luke Marzec and his band for an intimate Sunday Soul Session - a cosy, candlelit evening in the downstairs Library Bar. Expect a mix of new and classic material, spontaneous improvisations. DOORS 7PM-10PM | FREE EVENT



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MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

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TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

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FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

SEAMUS FOGARTY

London-based alt-folk artist Seamus Fogarty makes his Totnes debut at the Barrel House Ballroom, touring his acclaimed new album Ships (Lost Map Records / Sing A Song Fighter). Blending darkly funny storytelling with electronics, drones, and field recordings, Ships is his most expansive and uplifting release yet. Fogarty has received BBC Radio 6 Music and Radio 2 airplay, opened for Beth Gibbons, and played festivals including Green Man and End of the Road. Expect an immersive, inventive, and quietly powerful live show. DOORS 7:30PM | TICKETS £14

SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

SEAS OF MIRTH + SUPPORT THE SHRED

After tearing up our beer garden and blowing the roof off the Ballroom, Seas of Mirth return to do it all again. This Nottingham-based, genre-bending festival band deliver a high-energy, immersive spectacle of disco-funk, psych-folk and global dance beats, complete with UV visuals, wild costumes and LED sea creatures. Veterans of Glastonbury, Boomtown and more - expect a euphoric, unforgettable night. Disclaimer: enter at your own risk - giant jellyfish may be involved. DOORS 8PM | TICKETS £10, £12, £14

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Queer social/grassroots/scratch space. DOORS 4PM-7PM | FREE ENTRY



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ANNA ANISE & JON FAZAL DOUBLE HEADLINE BAND SHOW

Rising UK alt-folk artists Anna Anise and Jon Fazal join forces for a special double headline show. Blending Anna's earthy, contemporary folk with Jon's nostalgic baroque-pop, expect warm harmonies, poetic storytelling, and songs that linger long after the final note. DOORS 7PM | TICKETS £10, £12, £14



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# Seamus Fogarty

Offbeat, unfiltered...

Irish songwriter Seamus Fogarty has built a reputation for crafting songs that feel both intimate and quietly adventurous, blending folk roots with experimental textures and sharp storytelling. Originally from County Mayo and now long based in London, Fogarty's music moves between the personal and the political, pairing warm melodies with a curious, inventive spirit. Ahead of his upcoming performance, we caught up with him to talk about the stories behind his songs, the creative process that shapes his distinctive sound, and what audiences can expect from the live show.

**Take us back to the start, how did your musical journey begin?**

Probably in the back of my parents car listening to Neil Diamond and Simon & Garfunkel tapes and really terrible country music on the radio...and also the death notices every evening around 7 pm on local radio announcing who had died... and the weather forecast.

**Who or what would you say are your biggest musical/creative influences?**

The Irish countryside.

**If you could conjure up a dream collaboration on stage or in the studio, whom would it be with?**

Neil Diamond and Simon & Garfunkel.

**What's your creative process when you sit down to write music?**

Start with a phrase or an image and see where I can take it.

**Is there one track out there that you wish had your name on it?**

I dunno, anything by The Beatles?

**What is guaranteed to get you up on the dance floor making shapes?**

The Hokey Cokey.

**Highlight of your career so far?**

Hmmmm, Main stage of Greenman?

**Any big regrets to date?**

Not really.

**If you could choose a quote to go on your headstone, what would it be?**

Mind the gap.

**What's in store for you over the next year and what are you most looking forward to?**

Lots of shows and that is also what I am most looking forward to... a total dream.

## GETTING TO KNOW... SEAMUS FOGARTY

**TEA OR COFFEE?**  
BOTH

**WHISKEY OR WINE?**  
BOTH

**FAVOURITE FILM?**  
2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY

**GIGGING OR STUDIO?**  
GIGGING

**FAVOURITE ALBUM OF ALL TIME?**  
AMERICAN WATER BY SILVER JEWS

**CATS OR DOGS?**  
NEITHER

**FAVOURITE BOOK?**  
BUTCHER BOY BY PATRICK McCABE

**VENUES OR FESTIVALS?**  
IMPOSSIBLE CHOICE

**WHAT SCARES YOU?**  
THE STATE OF THE WORLD

Catch Seamus at The Barrel House Ballroom on Friday 10th April - Tickets available now from universe.com

UNPLUGGED WITH...

MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
**TOTNES UKULELE KOLLECTIVE**  
 Jam - Ballroom - 7:30PM-9:30PM  
 FURTHER INFO: WWW.TOTNESUG.ROCKS

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**POETS & PINTS OPEN MIC**  
 Sign up to read your poem or just relax with a drink from the bar for a fun evening of poetry. Book your place at the mic by emailing Hosts/MC's ione 'n' Geoff poetsnpints@gmail.com Or turn up and take potluck. This month's featured poet is Johnny Dobbyn.  
 DOORS 7PM/START 7:30PM | FREE ENTRY

TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
**THE TOTNES BOARD GAME CLUB**  
 DOORS 6:30PM | FREE ENTRY

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**JAM IN THE BARREL**  
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 DOORS 8PM-11PM | FREE ENTRY

THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
**THE BE WATER HOUSE BAND FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY**  
 A little birdie told us that drummer Pete Micek is going away on an adventure for who knows how long? So for one night only The Be Water Jam House Band is back with the man himself behind the kit for a special night of improvisation and musical adventure. No open jam this time. Just the band diving deep, stretching out, and seeing where the music flows. Expect grooves, surprises, and a few joyful sonic detours along the way. Come down, settle in, and enjoy the musical mischief.  
 DOORS 8PM-11PM | FREE ENTRY

FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
**BILLIE MAREE - FULL LIVE BAND EP LAUNCH GIG**  
 To celebrate the release of their second EP - The Listening Body, Billie Maree will be performing with a five-piece band to give their songs the full impact they deserve. Combining arpeggiated electric guitar, synths, percussion and experimental drums with rich, complex vocals. Making the set simultaneously uplifting and emotive.  
 DOORS 7PM | TICKETS £9, £10, £12, £14

SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
**PAPRIKA RETURNS**  
 After a line of sold-out events last year... Paprika is back! You can expect the usual wondrous combination of impeccable decor, music, people and atmosphere. Can you handle the spice?  
 DOORS 8PM-1AM | TICKETS £7 ADV £10 OTD



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 DOORS 12:30PM/SHOW 1PM-2:15PM  
 TICKETS FROM £9 - TICKETTAILOR.COM

SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
**CABARET VOLTAIRE PRESENTS... JOHN SMITH**  
 Pioneering British folk and roots singer-songwriter John Smith celebrates 20 years in music with songs from his acclaimed new release Gatherings, reimagining highlights from his first three albums. With over 125 million Spotify streams, Smith has toured worldwide, opened for John Martyn, and collaborated with artists including Joan Baez, Sarah Jarosz, Jackson Browne and Lisa Hannigan.  
 This event is a mix of standing and seated.  
 DOORS 7PM | TICKETS £22  
 CABARETVOLTAIREEVENTS.COM

MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
**TOTNES UKULELE KOLLECTIVE**  
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WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL  
**BASKERY + SUPPORT ELLIE FINNERTY**  
 The queens of banjopunk, three Swedish sisters by the name of Baskery, who've played music since they were old enough to hold an instrument. Baskery play a combination of classic 'roots music and Americana' with a twist of rule breaking punk turn this much loved style of music on it's head. Their sound oozes style and playfulness and has helped them accrue a number of plaudits and accolades.  
 DOORS 7:30PM | TICKETS £18.50

WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL  
**QUIZTRAVAGANZA SEASON FIVE: ROUND SEVEN**  
 Quiz like you have never quizzed before with the 'No Wrong Answers Quiz'. General knowledge is not a requirement. Pursuits may be trivial, but not necessarily factual. Get your creative pants on and prepare for low level shenanigans and chaos. Maximum team of 6.  
 DOORS 7:30PM/START 8PM | £2 PER PERSON

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# BILLIE MAREE

## FULL BAND LIVE EP LAUNCH GIG



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POETIC LYRICS AND UNCONVENTIONAL STYLE.  
THERE'S JUST SOMETHING WONDERFULLY  
INVENTIVE ABOUT IT ALL"**

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THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL

### THE TOTNES HOTNESS #10

Totnes Hotness a regular MONTHLY celebration of rhythm, rhyme, and raw talent. Showcasing rappers, singers, beatmakers, DJs, and dancers.

DOORS 8PM | FREE ENTRY

FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

### BOB'S BIRTHDAY #11

Bob bounces into a new decade after a sell-out Christmas show in the Ballroom. As ever, expect the finest in house-driven genre spanning dance music, guest djs and the friendliest house party vibes.

DOORS 8PM | TICKETS £8 EB £10 ADV

SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

### RAMBUNCTIOUS SOCIAL CLUB'S...

#### FOOT-LOOSE FREVO!

The Rambunctious Social club return with their unique frenetic flavours of Collective Joy! With your hosts DJ Hodguez and DJ Griff taking you on a musical odyssey to far off lands of colour and carnival!

DOORS 8PM-1AM | TICKETS £10 ADV £12 OTD

WEGOTTICKETS.COM

MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

### TOTNES UKULELE KOLLECTIVE

Lessons - Library bar - 6:30PM-7:15PM

Jam - Ballroom - 7:30PM-9:30PM

FURTHER INFO: WWW.TOTNESUG.ROCKS



TUESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

### THE TOTNES BOARD GAME CLUB

DOORS 6:30PM | FREE ENTRY



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### JAM IN THE BARREL

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DOORS 8PM-11PM | FREE ENTRY

WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

### CABARET VOLTAIRE PRESENTS... ANNA PHOEBE

Anna Phoebe is a composer and multi-instrumentalist blending violin and electronics into immersive live performances. Championed by BBC Radio 6 Music and KEXP

DOORS 7PM/START 7:30PM | TICKETS £17.50

CABARETVOLTAIREEVENTS.COM

THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

### QUEER ANGELS

Queer Angels - is a social evening on the last Thurs of each month. It's a social, trans inclusive gathering, designed for the queer community, a place connecting people in a relaxed atmosphere.

DOORS 7PM | FREE ENTRY



FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY

### GRASS ROOTS BANDS FUNDRAISING FOR MVT (MUSIC VENUE TRUST)

Grassroots music venues are essential part of our cultural backdrop. All proceeds from this gig will go to MVT to help them continue in their charitable endeavours supporting venues like The Barrel House. We ask you to join us for one of the best parties we can give - live original music performed at what we think is one of the best grassroots music venues in the country. Our amazing artists for the evening are: Wild Oceans / 3 Days of Wonder / Vanity Project / Rat Trap & Amélie Trineman.

DOORS 7PM | TICKETS £8, £10, £12, £15 | AGE 16+

SATURDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY

### FLEX - AN EVENING OF ALL THINGS

#### DANCE MUSIC

Flex returns to The Ballroom with its resident DJs and founders, Chris and Neal at the helm. Alongside their selections of the usual top draw dance floor weapons, they are joined by two of the finest local DJs, Eratik and DJ Hibiscus. This is not one to be missed!

Get your tickets early and we will see you on the dance floor.

DOORS 8PM-1AM | TICKETS £8 ADV £10 OTD

SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY

### SUNDAY SOUL SESSION

#### WITH LUKE MARZEC

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DOORS 7PM-10PM | FREE EVENT



SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY

### SUNTOU SUSSO - THE FUTURE IS ANCESTRAL SOLO TOUR - AN INTIMATE EVENING WITH THE KORA

Step into an unforgettable evening with Suntou Susso, a captivating singer, performer and master of the kora - the 22-string West African harp whose sounds have enchanted listeners and carried the soul of Mandinka culture for over seven centuries.

This solo gig is seated and will sell out very quickly. Book your tickets now before it's too late!

DOORS 7PM | TICKETS £12, £15, £18

MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY

### TOTNES UKULELE KOLLECTIVE

#### SING-ALONG IN THE BEER GARDEN

DOORS 7:30-9:30PM | FREE ENTRY



WHAT'S ON - APRIL/MAY

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# PRIDE & PREJUDICE AT THE BAZZA

We are so excited to announce that we now have some resident thespians here at The Barrel House Ballroom, in the shape of the glorious VOX Theatre. You will see them featuring every few months in our programming throughout the year.

VOX Theatre returns to The Ballroom with its latest show: a fast-paced, two-hander adaptation of *Pride & Prejudice*, playing matinees over the Easter weekend and returning on 19th April.

Anyone who caught the duo's last sold-out show, *A Christmas Carol*, will already know their trademark style: an anarchic mix of comedy, music and lightning-fast character changes that somehow still manages to honour the spirit of the original. Expect wit, romance and a whirlwind dash through the Bennet family, with two actors taking on every beloved character. From Lizzy and Darcy to Mrs Bennet and, of course, the formidable Lady Catherine de Bourgh.

Co-creators Piers and Zannah Hampton have been meticulous in their research - reading the book (obvs) but also binge-watching the BBC adaptation and the 2005 film (Matthew Macfadyen... swoon) more times than may be strictly healthy, to create a fresh take that pays homage to all the best bits.

And like many of the best cover versions, this one comes with a twist. VOX Theatre's *Pride & Prejudice* has more than a dash of the 1980s mixtape, blending Austen's razor-sharp social comedy with the irresistible energy of a classic pop-rock soundtrack.

Co-creator Suzannah Hampton says:  
"Performing at The Ballroom is especially meaningful for us. Without the generosity of the Barrel House, our little company simply could not exist. Returning here with a new show already feels like coming home."

Expect big laughs, bold storytelling and a fresh, high-energy take on one of the greatest love stories ever written performed in the home of VOX Theatre.

## Dates & Times

- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Doors 12pm/Start: 12:30pm-1:45pm
- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April - Doors 12:30pm/Start: 1pm-2:15pm
- Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April - Doors 12:30pm/Start: 1pm-2:15pm
- Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April - Doors 12:30pm/Start: 1pm-2:15pm

Family friendly / Tickets from £9 / Early booking advisable/ [tickettailor.com](http://tickettailor.com)

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# WEDNESDAY the 22ND of APRIL

## THE QUEENS OF BANJO PUNK...

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#### PICTISH TAIL

Pictish Trail, AKA Johnny Lynch, has just completed work on a brand-new album — LIFE SLIME — a sticky, shimmering swirl of sound and ooze (both metaphorical and literal). To celebrate, he returns to the stage in 2026 accompanied by his full live band. These shows bring the new songs to life in bold, expansive form.

DOORS 7PM/STARTS 7:30PM | TICKETS £17.50  
EB £20 ADV - CABARETVOLTAIREEVENTS.COM

FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY

#### MABONMAN

##### FIRST GARDEN PARTY OF 2026

Garden party season is back, and we're kicking it off right. Resident alchemist Mabonman returns to turn our beer garden into the cosmic dancefloor you know and love. To launch the season, he's flying solo for a 4-hour journey through disco, house, garage, jungle and DnB, with a few cheeky curveballs along the way.

DOORS 8PM-12AM | FREE ENTRY

SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY

#### ONENESS - JASON SINGH

Oneness returns with the next instalment of its residency in collaboration with The Black Bird Collective. Curated by Jason Singh, the night explores unity, resistance and freedom through Black underground dance music. A deep-listening journey across jazz, Afro-spiritual house, disco, bruk, Detroit techno, acid, UKG, afrobeat, Latin and Eastern rhythms, grime and D&B. Tickets sell fast, so book early.

DOORS 7PM-11PM | TICKETS £10, £12, £15

SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY

#### QUILT BAG SUNDAY SOCIAL

Queer social/grassroots/scratch performance space. Use this space to network, relax, create & think outside the box, byo food welcome.

More info: TotnesQuiltbag@proton.me

DOORS 4PM-7PM | FREE ENTRY

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DOORS 8PM | FREE ENTRY

FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MAY

#### THE HEMPOLICS

The Hempolics bring their genre-blending sound to Totnes, mixing reggae, dub, hip-hop, soul and electro with huge hooks and deep Soundssystem bass. Led by producer Grippa Laybourne, the band's single Serious hit #1 in the UK Reggae Charts and their albums have earned strong support from BBC 6 Music.

DOORS 8PM | TICKETS £15

SATURDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY

#### TOWN OF CATS

Brighton's genre-hopping party starters Town of Cats return to Totnes for a night of seriously danceable chaos. Expect an explosive mix of Afrobeat, ska, Latin, jazz and hip-hop, powered by punchy brass, deep funk grooves and razor-sharp lyricism.

DOORS 8PM | TICKETS £13.50, £15, £17

SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY

#### ROMANTICS, MYSTICS & REVOLUTIONARIES -

##### A STORYTELLING STORM OF REBELLION

##### AND ENCHANTMENT - PETER BEARDER +

##### SUPPORT FROM GAIA HARVEY JACKSON

The Romantic movement rose in defiance of empire, industry, and the mechanisation of the soul. Blending scholarship, comedy, and poetry, Pete Bearder conjures a spellbinding history of mysticism, sedition, and psychedelic experiment - asking what these dreams of freedom might offer our age of despair.

"Pete's ability to connect with people is unique and intoxicating." — Lyra Bristol Poetry Festival

DOORS 7:30PM | TICKETS £10, £12, £14



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**RIVER ROOTS + SUPPORT**  
 Acoustic folk-roots duo blending rich vocal harmonies, soulful songwriting and uplifting rhythms.  
 DOORS 7:30PM | TICKETS £10, £12, £14

THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY  
**CABARET VOLTAIRE PRESENTS... WILLY MASON**  
 Fresh from opening for Wolf Alice, acclaimed songwriter Willy Mason brings his powerful live show to Barrel House. Known for music that feels both timeless and deeply rooted in the present, Mason's songs balance darkness and uplift with honesty, humour, and heart.  
 Expect an intimate, passionate set from an artist whose music continues to grow in depth and spirit.  
 DOORS 7PM/START 7:30PM | TICKETS £19  
 CABARETVOLTAIREEVENTS.COM

FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY  
**CABARET VOLTAIRE PRESENTS... BASSEKOU KOUYATE & AMY SACKO**  
 Legendary Malian musician and ngoni master Bassekou Kouyate tours the UK for the first time as a duo with revered griot singer and exceptional vocalist Amy Sacko, following the release of their debut album Djudjon, L'Oiseau de Garana (2024).  
 DOORS 7PM/START 7:30PM | TICKETS £20  
 CABARETVOLTAIREEVENTS.COM

SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MAY  
**SERETONIN GARDEN PARTY SPECIAL**  
 Paprika will be providing a night of great music and fun lighting! Expect a whole range of stuff, dub, rocksteady, disco, funk, classic 2000s bangers and maybe some Bollywood? Then we'll up it up a notch and do some garage, electro, breaks and probably some jungle!  
 DOORS 7PM-12AM | FREE ENTRY



MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
**TOTNES UKULELE KOLLECTIVE SING-ALONG IN THE BEER GARDEN**  
 DOORS 7:30-9:30PM | FREE ENTRY



TUESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
**THE TOTNES BOARD GAME CLUB**  
 DOORS 6:30PM | FREE ENTRY



TUESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
**JAM IN THE BARREL**  
 Find out more at [jaminthebarrel.org](http://jaminthebarrel.org)  
 DOORS 8PM-11PM | FREE ENTRY

THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
**QUEER ANGELS**  
 Queer Angels - is a social evening on the last Thurs of each month. It's a social, trans inclusive gathering, designed for the queer community, a place connecting people in a relaxed atmosphere.  
 DOORS 7PM | FREE ENTRY

FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
**THE LORDS OF VEG FUNK**  
 Enter the Church of Veg for a wild night of vegetable-themed funk, soul, disco and hip-hop. This high-energy 8-piece band delivers groove-filled musical sermons celebrating cabbage, spinach and all things veg.  
 DOORS 8PM | TICKETS £10, £12, £14

SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
**ATTON=RAON**  
 Multi-Instrumental performer/composer Sam Walker in collaboration with creative technologist Nathaniel Mason and sound engineer Ben Addicott bring a world of hope, fury and joy.  
 DOORS 7:30PM | TICKETS £8, £10, £12, £15

SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY  
**JAZZ AT THE BAZZA WITH MAMA TOKUS & FRIENDS**  
 Join us for a relaxed Sunday session of soulful vocals, spoken word, jazz grooves and good vibes, hosted by Mama Tokus. It's a friendly, informal gathering, perfect for coming solo or with friends. Expect joyful sounds, humour, storytelling and top-notch musicianship in a warm, welcoming atmosphere. Whether you're a lifelong jazz lover or brand new to jazz, simply come and enjoy great music and company.  
 Sharing plates of nibbles will be served at café tables, and you're welcome to bring food from nearby takeaway spots.  
 Grab a seat and help us launch a new Sunday tradition of music, wordplay and warm community vibes.  
 DOORS 3PM-6PM | TICKETS £6 EB £10 OTD  
 MAMA TOKUS JOYSEEKER MEMBERS FREE  
 TICKETS VIA: WEGOTTICKETS.COM

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As we head into April and May, I'm really excited about the fantastic mix of events we've got coming up at the Barrel House Ballroom and Totnes Brewing Co. We always aim to create a programme that reflects the creativity and spirit of Totnes and I think we certainly have over the next two months. Everything from theatre and live music to community gatherings and garden parties. One highlight for me is welcoming Vox Theatre back with their lively production of *Pride & Prejudice* (3rd, 4th, 5th & 19th April). After their sell-out *A Christmas Carol*, it's wonderful to have them return with this playful, family-friendly take on Jane Austen's classic.

Supporting grassroots music remains central to what we do, which makes our Music Venue Trust fundraiser on 1st May particularly special. A night celebrating the vital role independent venues play in supporting emerging artists. We'll round things off on 31st May by launching *Jazz at the Bazza*, hosted by the brilliant Mama Tokus. The ultimate relaxed Sunday afternoon of jazz, spoken word and soulful sounds that we hope will become a new Barrel House tradition.

I hope to see lots of familiar and new faces across the spring. Come down, grab a drink, and enjoy the music with us.

*Tracie Gillies*

TRACIE GILLIES - EVENTS & PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

## COMING SOON

13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

IAN PROWSE

19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

FIONN COX-DAVIES

25<sup>ST</sup> JUNE

THE BLUES ROCK ROADSHOW FT REMI HARRIS



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