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Sense of Sound and the Black-E present

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The Black-E is delighted to announce **VOICES**: a three day celebration of a cappella singing, at Liverpool's Black-E and Bluecoat arts centres from **Friday 16 - Sunday 18 March**.

From hip hop to barbershop and contemporary jazz to choral, Voices a cappella festival will offer the full range of a cappella singing styles, giving plenty of opportunity for everyone to interact, get involved and get singing!



Two showcase a cappella concerts will take place at The Black-E. On the evening of Friday 16 March renowned **Sense of Sound Singers** and special guest star **Connie Lush** will pay homage to **Joni Mitchell**, with support from acclaimed group **Barbieshop**. Described as one of the most influential recording artists of the 20th Century, Joni Mitchell's music has touched millions of people the world over. This poignant concert performance will offer an opportunity to see why, as Mitchell's unforgettable songs including 'Big Yellow Taxi,' 'Both Sides Now' and 'A Case of You' are performed in unique a cappella arrangements.



On the evening of Saturday 17 March ground-breaking **Shlomo**, the most heard beat-boxer in history and **Southbank Centre Artist in Residence**, is set to play The Black-E. Shlomo pushes the boundaries of beat-boxing as an art form, using his incredible vocal skills to make music with people from all kinds of musical backgrounds, including Björk, Martha Wainwright, Damon

Albarn and Jarvis Cocker. He comes to Liverpool to show off his huge range of original songs and well-loved classics.

Booking information for performances at The Black-E:-

Friday 16 March, 8pm

The Sense of Sound Singers & Connie Lush perform a collection of songs by Joni Mitchell

Tickets: £12.50/ £10.00 concessions

Saturday 17 March, 8pm

Shlomo in Concert

Tickets: TBC

How to Book: You can book in person at the Bluecoat Tickets and Information, School Lane, Liverpool. Alternatively, book by calling 0151 702 5324 or click www.senseofsound.net

At the Bluecoat Arts Centre

on **Friday 16 March**, Sense of Sound will open the festival with a **national conference for Singing and Health**.

Through presentations from top vocal experts, the one-day event will provide an opportunity to share best practice and discover the latest breakthroughs. Perfect for health educators and researchers, speech therapists, vocal coaches, singers and anyone with an interest in singing or health, the conference will feature presentations from **Nordoff Robbins** - Speech Therapist; **Phoene Cave; Victoria Hume** - Arts Manager at **Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Foundation Trust; Dane Chalfin** - a Director of the British Voice Association and one of the UK's leading professional vocal coaches and voice rehabilitation experts ; and **Trish Vella-Burrows**, Assistant Director of the **Sidney De Haan Research Centre for Music, Arts & Health**.

Saphena Aziz, Director at Sense of Sound said: "I'm delighted to present this ground-breaking conference as part of Liverpool's decade of health and well-being. A great number of discoveries have occurred in the past few years, showing that singing has a fantastic, positive effect on health. This conference will allow practitioners to come together to share ideas, allowing us all to learn and keep this exciting field of health and well-being moving forward. "

On Saturday 17 March, Choirs from around the region will have the chance to perform in the Bluecoat Hub. This free day of music offers an opportunity to enjoy the musical diversity of a cappella singing. Members of the public are welcome to come along, enjoy the music and take part. More details on how choirs can get involved in this will be announced shortly.

On Sunday 18 March a FREE day of family fun will take place at the Bluecoat. With interactive activities for all ages taking place throughout the day, this is any budding singer's opportunity to take part in workshops covering many musical genres, with an a cappella twist.

The festival's family fun day will end with a massive 'Big Sing', in the Bluecoat Hub. Everyone is invited to come along and join in the fun!

The Voices Festival is produced by Sense of Sound and the Black-E, more information can be found at www.senseofsound.net.

BOOKING INFORMATION for the programme at the Bluecoat Arts Centre

Singing and Health - A National Conference

Friday 16 March : 10am – 5pm

Tickets: Individuals: £40 Organisations: £55

EARLY BIRD OFFER :- book before 20th February for a discount on delegate price

Individuals: £30 Organisations: £45

Choirs at the Bluecoat

Saturday 17 March : 10am-4pm

FREE

Family Fun Day with the Sense of Sound Singers

Sunday 18 March

FREE

Voices Festival Big Sing

Sunday 18 March : 4-5pm

FREE

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