#### **About the Prescot Festival**

The Prescot Festival of Music & the Arts was founded in 2005 by local composer, musician and teacher Dr Robert Howard. It now runs to 10 days, with an audience of 1,300 in 2013, featuring an unrivalled mix of professional and amateur talent,



both local and national. The Prescot Festival aims to be:

- Accessible—open and welcoming to all
- Affordable—our concerts are among the lowest price you'll find, and many events are free
- All-embracing—encompassing a diversity of art and culture

#### Our Patron—performing on Sunday 22 June

The Prescot Festival is delighted to have as its patron the esteemed musician Professor Dr Ian Tracey, Organist Titulaire of Liverpool Cathedral, and Chorus Master to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Choir. Ian is affectionately referred to as an "honorary Prescotian",



having spent his formative years as the parish organist.



Arts in Prescot is a not-for-profit, volunteer-run community group organising & promoting arts & cultural events in Prescot & the surrounding area.

#### How You Can Get Involved

- \* Are you a soprano, alto, tenor or bass? 'Come & Sing' excerpts from Handel's *Messiah*
- \* Participate in 'Poetry @ Poco'
- \* Sing along & flag-wave at our Proms-style finale
- \* Volunteer as a 'Friend of the Festival'
- \*Become a personal or business sponsor Find out more at www.prescotfestival.co.uk

#### **2014 Short Story Competition**

Do you have an urge to put pen to paper? This year's theme is JOURNEY.

A £100 prize is on offer. Full entry details are online at www.prescotfestival.co.uk.



#### Any Questions?

Email **prescotfestival@gmail.com** or see the website at **www.prescotfestival.co.uk** for more information.



#### **How to Find Prescot**

From the M57—Junction 2 From the M62—Junction 6 (then M57 to Junction 2) A58 from St Helens, A57 from Warrington or Liverpool



#### **Key to Venues**

- 1 Prescot Parish Church, Church Street, L34 1LA
- 2 Poco Coffee Shop, 30 Eccleston Street, L34 5QI
- 3 Prescot Library & Museum, Prescot Centre, Eccleston Street, L34 5TE
- $4\ Prescot\ Methodist\ Centre,\ Atherton\ Street,\ L34\ 5QN$
- 5 Evelyn CP School, Evelyn Avenue, L34 2SP
- 6 St Mary & St Paul's C of E Primary School, & St Paul's Church, Bryer Road, L35 5DN
- 7 Knowsley Park Centre for Learning, Knowsley Park Lane, L34 3NB
- 8 Brown's Field, Wood Lane, L34 1NU



Maps: Google Maps



## FULL FESTIVAL PROGRAMME 20-29 JUNE 2014

Fri 20 7.30pm (doors open 7.00pm) Prescot Methodist Centre . £6

## 100 YEARS OF CLASSIC LIGHT MUSIC WITH PHOENIX CONCERT OR CHESTRA

Celebrate our opening night in style with a whistle-stop tour of favourite themes from TV, radio, films & musicals. Conducted by Rob Howard & Jill Hyde.

**Sat 21** 

7.00pm . Prescot Parish Church . £4\*

#### CHORAL SPECTACULAR

A very special celebration of our finest local singers. Prescot Festival Chorus (100-strong in 2013) perform highlights

from Handel's *Messiah*, followed by an eclectic mix of styles – barbershop (Grand National Chorus), popular (Voices in Harmony) & sacred (Choir of St Bartholomew's, Rainhill — one of our finest church choirs). See website to 'Come & Sing' *Messiah*.

**Sun 22** 

12 noon-4.00pm . Brown's Field . Free

## PRESCOT CARNIVAL

Opened by the arrival of the Mayor's Parade from Eccleston Street (11.30am) via Market Place, Sewell Street,

Manchester Road, South Avenue & Wood Lane. Stalls, funfair, arena entertainment & more for all the family.

**Sun 22** 

3.00pm . Prescot Parish Church . £5\*

## IAN TRACEY: ORGAN RECITAL

Prof. Dr Ian Tracey of

Liverpool Cathedral performs a delightful mixed programme on one of the region's finest church organs, including anecdotes from his highly distinguished career. Includes cheese & wine.

**Mon 23** 

6.30pm . St Mary & St Paul's School . Free

## SCHOOLS VERSE SPEAKING FESTIVAL

Primary schools recite poetry & prose in this eagerly awaited annual competition.

**Tue 24** 

7.00pm . Poco Coffee Shop . £2 POETRY @ POCO

This relaxed poetry evening is a festival first. Visit our website for details on how you can participate, or simply come & listen. The

winning entry in the 2014 Short Story Competition will be announced & recited. Refreshments available to buy.

**Wed 25** 

6.30pm . Evelyn CP School . Free YOUNG INSTRUMENTALIST OF PRESCOT

Local primary and secondary pupils show off their extraordinary musical prowess in

pursuit of this year's coveted Revd David Rose Trophy.

**Thu 26** 

7.00pm . St Paul's Church . £8 DINNER WITH DR JAZZ

Enjoy a delicious three-course meal, followed by the toe-tapping sounds of professional big band Dr Jazz & the Cheshire Cats. Expect a

wide range of jazz standards, with a hint of war-time nostalgia. Soft bar — bring your own alcohol.

Fri **27** 

7.30pm (doors open 7.00pm) Prescot Methodist Centre . £6

# SONGS FROM THE SHOWS WITH CENTENARY THEATRE COMPANY

One of the North West's most popular musical theatre groups brings its multi-award-winning talent to Prescot for the first time with the very best tunes from West End & Broadway musicals.

**Sat 28** 

11.00am . Prescot Methodist Centre (New Room) . £1

## PRESCOT CABLES GREATS

Local Cables historian Dr Glyn Williams gives an interactive talk about sporting icons from

the glorious past of the town's football team.



Advance Tickets on Sale 1 May 2014

The Wool Shop, 32 Eccleston St, L34 5QJ Phone Ticketweb on 08444 771 000

Purchase online at www.prescotfestival.co.uk (Booking fee applies to online & phone sales)

\* Under-16s free if with an adult at asterisked events

**Sat 28** 

7.00pm . Prescot Parish Church . £10 BRASS & BUFFET: 10TH FESTIVAL GALA CONCERT WITH FODEN'S BAND

This major Festival highlight is not to be missed. A *Brassed Off*-themed concert from the world-renowned, award-winning Foden's Brass Band. Our professional caterers will serve a delicious buffet during an extended interval (included in ticket price).



**Sun 29** 

6.00pm . Prescot Parish Church . Free FESTIVAL CHOR AL EVENSONG

A traditional setting of evening prayer, sung by Prescot Parish Church Choir, directed by Edna Weaver, with Tim Hall

at the organ. Refreshments follow.

**Sun 29** 

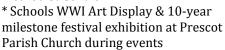
7.30pm . Prescot Parish Church . £5\* FESTIVAL FINALE WITH MAGHULL WIND ORCHESTRA

Bring your flags or buy one on the night, & join in patriotic favourites such as

Jerusalem & Rule Britannia in this Proms-style conclusion to the Prescot Festival. An all-British programme from this outstanding community ensemble marks the centenary of the start of WWI.

## PLUS...

\* Festival Coffee Mornings, Fri & Sat, Tue-Sat, 9.30am- 11.30am, Prescot Methodist Centre



\* 'Local Heroes, Distant Voices' — WWI Centenary exhibitions at Prescot Museum & Knowsley Park Centre for Learning (see website for opening times)

