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Be part of the 50th festival!

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Everyone is invited to come along to the East Finchley Festival in Cherry Tree Wood on Sunday 23 June and to join the anniversary High Road parade beforehand to mark the event's very special 50th year. The 1970s-themed pavement parade will set off from Martin Primary School in Plane Tree Walk, N2, at 11.30am and the festival itself runs from 12pm to 6pm. Entry is free.

The day will feature 24 acts across two stages, alongside north London's largest makers' market with stalls representing local craftspeople, businesses and organisations.

All the family

There'll be a full timetable for kids in the storytelling tent, plus lego tent and a return of the popular laser tag. There'll also be free sports activities and

demos for all ages. The festival bar will be serving locally brewed beers from Muswell Hillbilly Brewers, along with wine, gins and cocktails and there will be an even bigger selection of food than ever, with plenty of vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options.

Climate aware

Not only is this community celebration 50 this year, it is now carbon-neutral, plastic-free and powered with clean fuel. This year the festival will be part of Barnet Climate Action Month and London Climate Awareness Week, so expect lots of sustainable activities.and stalls, from upcycling workshops to free bicycle repairs.

Be lucky

Help to fund future festivals by buying your raffle tickets at the park entrances. The draw takes place at 5pm on the main stage. For a full list of prizes see eastfinchleyfestival.org/raffle

Join in the fun

If you would like to be involved with the festival by giving an hour to sell raffle tickets or to help with stewarding, the organising team would love to hear from you. Please visit eastfinchleyfestival.org/ volunteer

Full details of the 50th East Finchley Festival can be found at eastfinchleyfestival. org or follow their socials @East FinchleyFestival

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Get Together: Crowds enjoy the 2021 festival under blue skies.

EAST FINCHLEY FESTIVAL: WHAT'S ON

Sunday 23 June, 12-6pm, Cherry Tree Wood

Main Stage

Hosts: Kate Galston & Pat 'Have Host: Nick Allan

Mercy' Leacock

- **12:00** Festival opening with Michelle Collins
- 12:15 The Mighty Heartaches
- 12:40 Luke Carey
- 13:05 Simi's Band
- **13:35** Natsuma
- **14:00** Wesley D
- **14:20** Special Guest
- 14:40 Mantis Defeats Jaguar
- **15:10** Pat 'Have Mercy's' Summer Sounds
- **15:40** Nifty Fifty '50-50' Quiz with Kate Galston
- **15:55** Maisy Fox
- 16:05 Mash-up Quiz
- **16:20** Jem
- **16:45** Pat 'Have Mercy's'
- **17:00** Raffle with Harriet Thorpe **17:20** Counterpoint Dance
- **17:30** Neon Lights

Sports:

Free sports coaching, trials and demos with Lemon Pickleball, FG Tennis, East Finchley Womens and Girls Football Club. and Finchley Rugby Club

Community stage

- **12:05** Archer Academy Jazz Band
- 12:30 Highgate Primary School Choir
- 12:55 Fortitude Dance Co.
- 13:25 Martin Primary School Choir
- **13:50** Madhuriya School of Classical Indian Dance
- **14:15** EFGT: Reuben Freeman and Eila Zecevic
- 14:40 Fixation Academy of Performing Arts
- 15:10 Patrick's Jazz Class 15:40 - Brookland School Choir
- **16:05** Ned Ashcroft 16:30 - Christ's College
- Finchley Reggae Summer Sounds 16:55 - Sing Mama Sing
 - 17:40 R Voices

Storytelling Tent

12:30 - Debutots - Interactive, multi-sensory stories and songs, with a parachute and bubbles, for under 7s

13:25 - Story telling, stone painting and arts and craft with Pink Patsy

14:05 - Ilana Banana - Sing along session for under 5s with shakers, rainbows, parachute and bubbles

15:00 - Story time with Sonia Beldom reading from her Granny Franny stories

15:40 - Story time with children's author Jason Korsner **16:20** - Spinning Top activities featuring interactive story telling with Bailey the Bear 17:00 - The Magic Wagon

puppet show - quirky original stories featuring puppets

Children's activities (All day):

Lego tent, Toddler soft play, Laser Tag in the Woods, Treasure hunt, Eco-arts and dress-up photo booth, Face painting, Arts and crafts







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