

# The Archer

## Date confirmed for 2025 summer festival

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This year's East Finchley Festival will return to Cherry Tree Wood on Sunday 22 June. The muchloved festival will again have two stages, with live music and performances from top bands and local talent.

To celebrate, we've created a Spot the Difference puzzle using a scene taken by our photographer Mike Coles at the 50th outing of the festival last summer, see right / below.

As always this year, there will be an array of hot and cold food from local traders, offering a range of international cuisines, along with bars selling everything from local craft ales to wines and soft drinks.

Younger visitors will be able to enjoy the children's area, which will include arts and crafts and storytelling. Local sports teams and clubs will be on hand again to provider taster sessions.

Meanwhile, more than 80 local artists, crafters, makers and community groups will showcase their works in the stalls areas in the centre of the field.

#### Can you help?

Festival organisers are appealing for volunteers to help out in a range of areas both before the festival and on the day. Roles include assistant stage managers, parade coordination, children's activity coordinator, assistant booking coordinator, programme delivery, raffle ticket sales, site maintenance and stewarding.

Festival manager Mike Hughes said: "We're really pleased to confirm the date for this year's festival, we know how much the East Finchley community looks forward to it each year and our team is working hard on this year's event, which is run entirely by volunteers.

"We're looking for enthusi $astic \, volunteers \, to \, join \, our \, team$ both in the lead-up to the festival and on the big day. The festival has something for everyone and so do our volunteering roles. If you think you can offer your time and to the festival, we'd love to welcome you to our friendly team and help make the 2025 festival the best yet."

For more information about volunteering roles, visit www. EastFinchleyFestival.org/ Volunteer or email volunteers@eastfinchleyfestival.





#### **Spot the differences**

While we wait for the East Finchley Festival to come round again in June, try this picture puzzle for fun. Can you spot the 20 differences in these two versions of a photo by Mike Coles that we featured on our front page after the 50th festival last summer? We'll print the answers in our next edition.



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