

STAGE SCHEDULES

*Program subject to change; check the menu boards posted outside each theatre for that day's schedule.
More details at dickensfair.com including ASL interpretation schedule.*

THE STREETS OF LONDON ~ The bustling, colourful London of Charles Dickens comes to life in the streets he chronicled so well. Watch for Mr Dickens & characters from his novels throughout the streets ~ scenes from "A Christmas Carol" and his other works may emerge at any time!

Characters You Will Meet ~ Multitudes of characters from the imagination of Mr. Charles Dickens are brought vividly to life in our Victorian London ~ Ebenezer Scrooge, Bob Cratchit & Tiny Tim, the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and Yet-to-Come; David Copperfield, Nicholas Nickleby and his Family; Oliver Twist & Nancy, mingling with chimney sweeps, musicians, carolers, music hall performers, saucy sailors and more. Hundreds of costumed players create living history all around you ~ and you are heartily welcome to join in!

Parades ~ 11:50 ~ Father Christmas Parade to Father Christmas Stage
Towards the end of the day, be on the lookout for the festive and traditional Boar's Head Procession!

Fezziwig's Dance Party

Mr. & Mrs. Fezziwig, young Scrooge's employers, invite you to their holiday party ~ and you are most welcome to join in the fun! Be entertained by shows, scenes from 'A Christmas Carol', and special guest acts! Throughout the day, Greenwich Mean Time provides lively ballroom & English country dance music, with reels, jigs, polkas and waltzes for the public to enjoy, each set commencing with a special exhibition of Victorian dance.

- 9:45am ~ Opening Tableau
- 10:00 ~ Dancing to Greenwich Mean Time
- 10:15 ~ Mister Scrooge is Visited by the Ghost of Jacob Marley (A Christmas Carol)
- 10:30 ~ Dancing to Greenwich Mean Time
- 11:15 ~ The Fezziwig Family Prepares for their Holiday Party
- 11:30 ~ Blame the Whiskey
- 12:00 ~ Dancing to Greenwich Mean Time
- 12:45 ~ Young Scrooge and Belle Part Ways (A Christmas Carol)
- 1:00 ~ A Lively Presentation by the Paddy West School of Seamanship
- 1:30 ~ Dancing Lesson with the Fezziwig Dancers
- 2:00 ~ Dancing to Greenwich Mean Time
- 2:45 ~ The Merrytarts
- 3:15 ~ The Fezziwig Family Celebrates the Season
- 3:30 ~ Coventry Carolers sing Carols of the Season
- 4:00 ~ Holiday Merriment with the Fezziwig Family's Parlour Games

- 4:30 ~ Dancing to Greenwich Mean Time
- 5:15 ~ Scrooge and Bob Cratchit Celebrate Boxing Day (A Christmas Carol)
- 5:30 ~ Dancing to Greenwich Mean Time
- 5:45 ~ Sing-A-Long Hallelujah Chorus

The Green Man Inn

The beating heart of London, where locals gather to celebrate the season, raise a glass, plan adventures, and share the news of the day! At any moment a lively round of song might erupt, or merry capers suddenly liven the parlour. You are welcome to sit down with a glass of refreshment and enjoy the bustle!

- 10:30 ~ Coventry Carolers Sing Festive Songs (Saturdays Only)
- 11:30 ~ A Meeting of the Temperance Union
- 12:15 ~ Mr. Dickens Reads From His New Work
- 12:30 ~ Brass Farthing & The Merrytarts Sing for their Supper
- 1:30 ~ Harry Proposes to Rose (A Scene from "Oliver Twist")
- 2:15 ~ A Performance by Dotter's Knot
- 3:30 ~ Mr. Dickens Reads from His New Work
- 4:00 ~ Musical Open Session

The **Port and Chocolate Experience** is now held in the Royal Libation Society at 11:30, 1:30, 3:30, and 5:15 ~ tickets are available on a very limited basis (check online first, then ask at the door of the RLS). \$30.00 per person.

The **Champagne Experience** is held in the Royal Libation Society at 12:30 and 2:30. Tickets are \$75.00, for a limited seating ~ please check at the door of the RLS.

Victoria & Albert Bijou Music Hall

A dazzling panoply of the finest entertainment in London, presented by the finest performers in the West End!

- 10:00 ~ Coventry Carolers Sing Festive Songs
- 10:15 ~ The Albertopolis Opera Company presents "The Merry Wives of Dickens' Windsor" (Saturdays Only)
- 10:55 ~ "Puss in Boots & The Pearl of Love": The Great Christmas Pantomime
- 11:35 ~ Trickish Matters with Jeremiah Johnston
- 12:15 ~ Sherlock Holmes & The Giant Rat of Sumatra
- 12:55 ~ The Naming of Uranus
- 1:35 ~ Blades & Bravery with Cyrus Pynn
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Dickens' Study at Tavistock House

This is where you may find the great novelist at work on his latest novel, visited frequently by his illustrious friends (including Edgar Allan Poe), his family, and a host of his characters.

Mr. Dickens will read from A Christmas Carol at 11:30, 1:30, 2:45, and 4:30.

Father Christmas Stage

Sweet caroling rings out and Father Christmas himself magically appears! Young folks may join him for a holiday photo memento (no family portraits please). Family fare continues as children are chosen to participate in delightful shows and sing-a-longs. Across the way you'll find the Traveling Piccolo Puppet Players with illuminating antics from Mr. Punch and his mischievous friends.

- 10:15 ~ Dotter's Knot
- 10:45 ~ Jim Chiminey (audience participation)
- 11:15 ~ Punch & Judy Puppet Show
- 12:00 ~ Father Christmas Parade arrives; visits with children
- 12:30 ~ A Fairy's Tale
- 1:00 ~ Punch & Judy Puppet Show
- 1:30 ~ Jim Chiminey (audience participation)
- 2:15 ~ Trickish Matters with Jeremiah Johnston

- 3:00 ~ A Fairy's Tale
- 3:30 ~ Punch & Judy Puppet Show
- 4:00 ~ Father Christmas visits with children
- 5:00 ~ Rats in the Haggis

Paddy West Stage at the London Docks

Welcome to the London Docks, Thameside home to the Paddy West School of Seamanship and other nautical ruffraff.

- 11:00 ~ Paddy West Nautical Music & Songs
- 12:00 ~ Sing-A-Long Sea Shanty Session
- 1:00 ~ Coventry Carolers
- 2:30 ~ Congress of Wonders & Atrocities
- 3:00 ~ Paddy West Nautical Entertainment
- 5:00 ~ Paddy West Closing Songs

Entertainment throughout the day: Yet more music and seafaring songs; navigation lessons with model ships; knot tying, games and sailing skills; traveling tattoo parlour

Mermaid Tavern Stage

The sounds of spirited music and lively dance ring out all through the day. Grab a pint & enjoy the fun!

- 10:15 ~ Thruppenny Uprights
- 11:30 ~ Brass Farthing
- 12:15 ~ Rats in the Haggis
- 1:00 ~ Silk Road Caravan
- 2:15 ~ Blame the Whiskey
- 3:00 ~ Thruppenny Uprights
- 4:00 ~ Silk Road Caravan
- 5:15 ~ Road to Inis Mor

The Athenaeum Club

Where the leading lights of the literary, artistic, scientific, and business worlds assemble to discuss their projects and to share them with the public in a variety of presentations and activities.

- 10:00 ~ Welcome to the Athenæum Club!
- 10:45 ~ Upstairs & Downstairs: Learn the British way to serve tea, set a table, or practice letters
- 11:30 ~ Pre-Raphaelite Artists Salon: Sketch live models from romanticized medieval and classical themes. Pencils and pads provided; all ages are welcome!
- 12:30 ~ Children's Christmas Revels
- 1:00 ~ British Association for the Advancement of Science
- 2:00 ~ Naval Technology and Life at Sea

- 3:00 ~ Naval Technology & Life At Sea
 3:30 ~ Telltale Theater with Edgar Allen Poe
 4:30 ~ Salon at the Athenæum Club
 5:00 ~ Christmas Carols: Join us as the finest voices
 in London raise their voices in celebration!
 5:30 ~ A Toast to the Season

Chancery Lane

Where Mr Dickens' characters and stories come to life in vibrant scenes interspersed with exuberant musical interludes! This is the location of Scrooge & Marley's Counting House, the Cratchits' humble home, and much more!

- 10:15 ~ The Crummles Troupe of Theatricals engage in thespianic activities, as well as scenes from Dickens' Works
 11:00 ~ Mister Scrooge in his Office, concluding with a visit by The Ghost of Jacob Marley (A Christmas Carol)
 12:15 ~ Coventry Carolers Sing Carols of the Season
 12:45 ~ The Crummles Theatrical Troupe conduct rehearsals, and Scenes from Dickens' Novels
 1:30 ~ The Ghost of Christmas Present Calls on Ebenezer Scrooge and Witnesses the Cratchit Family's Christmas Celebrations (A Christmas Carol)
 2:00 ~ Scenes from Dickens' Novels & Other Theatrical Endeavours
 2:30 ~ The Ghost of Christmas Present's Visit Concludes and Scrooge Meets the Ghost of Christmas Yet-to-Come (A Christmas Carol)

- 3:00 ~ Scrooge is Redeemed! (A Christmas Carol)
 3:15 ~ Scenes from Dickens' Works
 3:45 ~ Rats in the Haggis
 4:15 ~ The Temperance Union presents "Hamlet's Happy Home"
 4:45 ~ Music, Dickensian Stories, and an Occasional Visit from Oscar Wilde

Mad Sal's Dockside Ale House

Raucous merriment draws the venturesome soul down to "The Docks," wherein Mad Sal herself presides over a host of talented singers, dancers, and more than a few shifty sorts. Watch your pockets ~ and your propriety!

(Shockingly Scandalous; Not Recommended for Children)

- 10:30 ~ Blame the Whiskey
 11:00 ~ Merrytarts
 11:35 ~ Pipe & Bowl Morris Dancers
 12:10 ~ Cy The Sword Swallower
 12:45 ~ Cheapside Music Hall
 (featuring Le Cancan Bijou)
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 2:10 ~ Pipe & Bowl Morris Dancers
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 (featuring Le Cancan Bijou)
 3:35 ~ Paddy West
 4:10 ~ Blame the Whiskey
 4:35 ~ Brass Farthing
 5:00 ~ The East End H'After 'Ours 'Oliday H'Extravaganza!

SING-A-LONG

Let's All Go To The Music Hall

Let's all go to the music hall
 Where the show is gay and bright
 Let's all go to the music hall
 Where the Cancan kicks
 thrice a night

Whether you sit in the audience
 or stand at the bar,
 Whether you're a Sweep or a Star,
 When your busy day is done
 And you want to have some fun
 Let's all go to the music hall.

My Old Man

(said follow the Van)

My old man said follow the van
 And don't dilly-dally on the way
 Off went the cart
 with me home packed in it
 I walked behind
 with me old cock linnet
 But I dillied and dallied,
 Dallied and dillied
 Lost the van and don't know where to go
 Oh, I just stopped in for a spot of tea
 And I can't find my way,
 Who's going our way,
 We can't find our way home!

What I Want is a Proper Cup of Coffee

All I want is a proper cup of Coffee
 made in a proper copper coffee pot
 I may be off my dot
 but I want a proper coffee
 in a proper copper pot
 There are tin coffee pots,
 iron coffee pots,
 they're no use to me - OY
 If I can't have a
 proper cup of coffee in a
 Proper copper coffee pot,
 I'll have a cup of tea
 How's your father?!
 All right!