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8 November 5.30pm to 7.30pm

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PLEASE STAND UP: McIntyre's O2 gigs were part of 71-date UK tour

McIntyre uncovered

ARE popularity and edginess two sides of an impossible symbiosis? Can cool ever hitch a ride on popular culture like a pilot fish on the gnarled skin of a corporate shark?

The exceptions to the rule are countable on one hand – the Fab Four did it, but few others. Michael McIntyre is the biggest of comedy fish, and he certainly isn't hip. While he may be mainstream, even for the most hardened of cynics there is undeniable craft in his act.

By the time he'd finished his 10-night residency at The O2, McIntyre had been on stage for a staggering 20 hours. He's brilliant at judging his audience, cynical perhaps, but his timing is impeccable. He softened up the audience with a healthy dose of hegemonic patriotism, before indulging in charade-style Olympic enactments. It's a given that no comedian's stories are actually true, but McIntyre spins the most unlikely of domestic situations into the most compelling vignettes.

In this populist niche he is peerless.

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WOOLWICH'S answer to Gareth Malone is hoping to hit all the high notes after setting up a community choir all of her own.

BBC TV star Gareth shot to fame three years ago with his prime-time show, The Choir, and now Wendy Young has set up her own weekly sing-along.

Wendy was inspired by the work Gareth did when he went into some of the country's most troubled communities and brought the people together through song.

Early music to our ears

FANCY being part of one of the world's biggest music fairs? If so, the Royal Greenwich International Early Music Festival and Exhibition is coming to the borough this November.

The three-day festival, now in its eleventh year, runs from Thursday, November 8 to Saturday, November 10 and will include some of the most prestigious classical musicians the country has to offer. Festival activities will be hosted in both the Old Royal Naval College and St Alfege's Church. Scores will be performed by The Sixteen, European Union Baroque Orchestra (EUBO), His Majesty's Sagbutts and Cornets, Marta Ramirez, Dan Laurin and members of Trinity Laban's Vocal Ensemble and Orchestra and many more. Masterclasses are also on the bill with teachings from Alison Crum and Adrian Chandler, as well as an Early Music Shop's kit instrument demonstration giving advice and support to build early music kit instruments from scratch.

There's an exhibition in the Painted Hall of the Naval College with instruments on sale including recorders, flutes, crumhorns, racketts, fiddles and more. BBC Radio 3 will also present a live edition of its early music programme.

Performance programme and tickets available from the Early Music Shop on 01274 288 100 or emssales@earlymusicshop.com. Day tickets will be available on the door on day of attendance.

WHAT

MORDEN ARMS

Live Music: Pete Jagger. Sun Oct 21

Eclectic blend of folk and country sounds at the Greenwich pub. 4pm. FREE. 020 8858 2189

ARTHUR GALLERY, CREEKSIDE

Places Apart - an exhibition. Sat Oct 20 - Sun Oct 28. Greenwich artists paintings on display. Thurs-Sun 12pm-6pm. FREE. 020 8858 7829

UP THE CREEK

The One to Watch Competition. Every Thurs 15 acts have five minutes to make the crowd laugh. 8.15pm. £4. 020 8858 4581

DISCOVER GREENWICH

The Big Draw: Taking a line for a walk. Sat Oct 27. Artist Caroline Dorset helps visitors get creative in a drawing workshop for all ages. 12pm-3pm. FREE. 020 8269 4799

PELTON ARMS

Live Music: The Duplicates. Sun Oct 21

Mellow acoustic sounds at the borough's music central. 5pm. FREE. 020 8858 0572



HITTING THE RIGHT NOTES: the Woolwich Singers in rehearsal

SCENE

Singing to The Choir!

The Woolwich singing group to rival BBC's Gareth

She told *Scene*: "I love that show, there was the one about the military wives which really made me want to set up something of my own."

"Then there was the show about the naughty boys – singing in the choir is so empowering, I was actually watching lives change. I thought the show was wonderful."

Wendy's group, the Woolwich Singers meet every Wednesday at the Clockhouse Community Centre on Woolwich Dockyard.

"There are so many benefits to singing," she said. "It brings communities together, improves confidence and people

have a great time while they're doing it." By day, the choirmaster is a teacher of English as a second language, which helped her meet the group's Hungarian musical director, Rita Monori, and the Lithuanian pianist who accompanies the singers, Sandra.

"We're trying to attract all backgrounds and reflect the diversity of the area," Wendy said. "The dream is that we'll bring many different communities together."

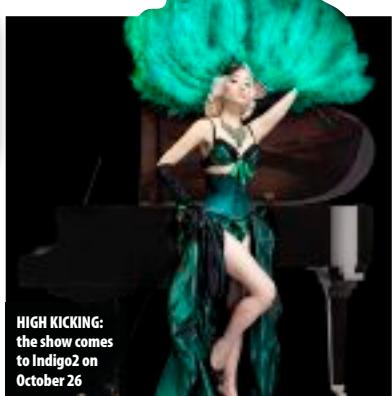
The group meet every week in term time, and began in May before the summer break.

The first Autumn leaves were falling

as the group reconvened at the end of September. So far the choir has 29 members. But ambitious Wendy hopes to attract many more.

"We'd like to get it to at least 100 members," she said. "But the possibilities are infinite – it could go on growing and growing. Our main goals are to of course be a choir that is of a very high standard, but also to build community spirit through song." RK

Woolwich Singers meet every Wednesday at Clockhouse Community Centre, Defiance Walk Woolwich Dockyard from 6-8pm. Each session is £1. More info call Wendy on 07812 477775



HIGH KICKING:
the show comes
to Indigo2 on
October 26

WIN WIN! Tickets to burlesque

THE art of burlesque has been wowing and titillating audiences across the globe for many centuries, becoming prevalent in 17th century France and Italy.

Originally perceived throughout Europe as parody and the grotesque and becoming particularly ripe in Victorian times, the discipline has evolved into the 21st century with sophistication and allure featuring a sense of glamour, striptease, seduction, choreography, musical theatre, comedy and sparkling couture costumes.

Famous performers of the burlesque include Dita Von Teese, and pop star Pink has demonstrated athleticism and gymnastic style in her concerts with homage to the theatre of the burlesque. Not to mention the catapulting popularity of 2001 movie Moulin Rouge which helped make the image of burlesque into a household name.

It comes closer to home later this month when Evening of Burlesque makes a stop to the Indigo2 on October 26 as part of its nationwide tour. Performers include Amber Topaz and the Folly Mixtures.

TO win tickets to the show answer this question:

IN WHICH FRENCH CITY IS THE MOULIN ROUGE FOUND?

Send the answer to: 'Burlesque Comp', Greenwich Time, Third Floor, Woolwich Centre, Woolwich SE18 6HQ or email answers to gnlipski@hotmail.co.uk. Competition closes on October 21

An Evening of Burlesque is at the Indigo2 on Friday October 26 at 8pm. Tickets are from £23 on 0844 844 0002 or at www.indigo2.com



BLACKHEATH HALLS
Fred MacAulay, Legally Bald.
Sat Oct 20

SCOTTISH comedian Fred MacAulay makes a stop at Blackheath Halls to demonstrate his wit to Greenwich audiences with his show Legally Bald. The 55-year-old is famous for his appearances on Have I Got News For You, QI, Mock The Week and he also can boast being a panelist on BBC Radio 4's News Quiz, The Unbelievable Truth, It's Your Round and Just A Minute. Fred came on to the comedy circuit at the age of 31 and has become something of a

regular performer at the Edinburgh Fringe and comedy festivals across the world. He has been presenting MacAulay and Co on BBC Radio Scotland since 1997 and began hosting his own panel game on BBC Radio 4 entitled I Guess That's Why They Call It The News in 2009. Fred has also competed in reality shows like Comic Relief Does Fame Academy in 2007, coming seventh place in the competition. **Fred MacAulay, Legally Bald is at Blackheath Halls on Saturday October 20, 8pm. Tickets are £16/£14 concs, 020 8305 9300, www.trinitylaban.ac.uk**

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