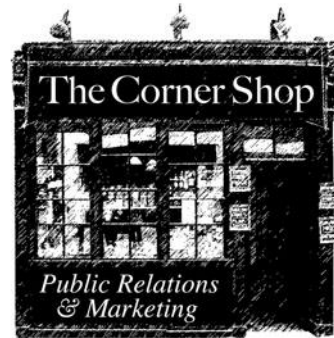


Press Release

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The Night of 1000 Voices



- Performers announced for The Night of 1000 Voices include Kerry Ellis, Peter Polycarpou & Bonnie Langford plus special VIP Guests
- The concert returns to raise money for Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research on Sunday May 6, 2012 - 8.00pm at the Royal Albert Hall, London
- Hosted by Christopher Biggins (*I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here*)

The Night of 1000 Voices, the annual, star-studded event celebrating musical theatre at the Royal Albert Hall, is to take place on Spring Bank Holiday Sunday May 6, 2012 and will fundraise for blood cancer charity Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research.

The first line-up of star performers for this year's **The Night of 1000 Voices** is being announced today.

Stars confirmed from London's West End include **Ricardo Afonso, Daniel Boys, Kerry Ellis, Bonnie Langford, Peter Polycarpou, Clive Rowe, Caroline Sheen** and **Sally Ann Triplett**. From Europe, Germany's leading man, **Yngve Gasoy Romdal**, and perennial favourite, **David Michael Johnson**. The Producers also promise Special VIP Guests.

The Night of 1000 Voices has delighted capacity audiences at the Royal Albert Hall since 1999 and has raised nearly half a million pounds for UK-based charities. On Spring Bank Holiday Sunday May 6, 2012, the star performers, the 1000 Voices Massed Choir, Stephen Disley (organ) and The City of London Philharmonic will again perform a musical night to remember.

For this Olympic and Diamond Jubilee Year **The Night of 1000 Voices** will be celebrating the Best of British including some of the most requested songs from *Evita*, *The Lion King*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Les Misérables* and, new for 2012, *Miss Saigon*.

In 2012, **The Night of 1000 Voices** again be for the benefit of Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research. Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research is dedicated to saving lives through leading UK research into better treatments and cures for all blood cancers including leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma. The charity receives no government funding and relies entirely on people coming together to fundraise.

Cathy Gilman, Chief Executive, says: "Since 1960, Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research has invested in world-class research and survival rates have increased dramatically for patients with leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma. However, there's still a long way to go and money raised from this evening will help us get closer to a cure. In 2010, **The Night of 1000 Voices** raised for us in excess of £140,000.00 - a phenomenal sum."

The West End's distinguished maestros, Stuart Morley and David Firman, will once again supervise the massed musical forces and director Hugh Wooldridge says "This evening is a must for all who love musicals. Come along and hear the best performers in the world performing some of the greatest songs. Come and join in the fun; come and raise funds for this most splendid charity whilst raising the roof of the Royal Albert Hall."

The Night of 1000 Voices takes place on Sunday May 6, 2012 at 8.00pm
Tickets start at £17.50 and are available from the Royal Albert Hall box office on 020 7589 8212
or by visiting www.royalalberthall.com

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For more information about the event please visit
<http://www.thenightof1000voices.com/>

NOTES TO EDITORS

The Night of 1000 Voices

The Night of 1000 Voices has thrilled audiences at the Royal Albert Hall since 1999 when it was originally produced as the Centenary Celebration for The National Opera and Dramatic Association (NODA) with 1000 members of NODA singing songs from the shows with Cy Coleman, Howard Keel, Michael Crawford and Elaine Paige.

Since then, audiences have thrilled to the sight and sound of massed choirs from around the British Isles, and The City of London Philharmonic accompanying the greatest stars from London, New York and Europe in an extraordinary and unforgettable musical night.

Special guests who have previously performed in The Night of 1000 Voices include Michael Ball, Glenn Close, Michael Crawford, Kerry Ellis, David Essex, James Galway, Joel Grey, Josh Groban, Gloria Hunniford, Brian May, Roger Moore, Elaine Paige, Adam Pascal, Philip Quast, Tim Rice, Cliff Richard, Claire Sweeney and Riverdance.

For a full list please see Past Performers on www.thenightof1000voices.com

Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research

Over the next five years, Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research urgently needs to raise over £100 million to commit to leading research across the UK. From basic laboratory research to clinical trials with patients, Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research is committed to saving lives by funding high quality, carefully selected research throughout the UK.

Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research is the only UK charity devoted exclusively to improving treatments, finding cures and learning how to prevent leukaemia, Hodgkin's lymphoma and other lymphomas, myeloma and the other related blood disorders, diagnosed in 24,500 people in the UK every year.

Further information, including patient information booklets, is available from
<http://leukaemialymphomaresearch.org.uk/> or call Claire Hoyle on 020 7405 0101