

BIF Buxton International Festival

9-26 JULY 2026

**A SUMMER CELEBRATION OF OPERA,
MUSIC, BOOKS & JAZZ**

**GROUP BOOKING
INFORMATION**



Welcome



Welcome to Buxton International Festival, a summer celebration of opera, music, jazz and books, taking place annually in the Peak District spa town of Buxton.

Join us with your group and take advantage of 10% discount on ticket prices and advanced reserved seating. Whether you are part of a tour group, planning a corporate outing with colleagues, or gathering friends for an unforgettable time, our group bookings offer 10% discount for all parties of 10+ across our full programme of events.

Our seamless booking process offers dedicated support prior to and during your time here at the festival. With a reputation for presenting seldom performed operas and hosting globally acclaimed singers, musicians, and literary luminaries, join us for a memorable visit to a festival like no other.

BIF 2025: REVIEWED



Hamlet ★★★★★

"Flamboyantly melodramatic"
The Times



Shorts ★★★★★

"Funny, sad and Brilliant." The Stage



Double Bill ★★★★★

"Outstanding." The Arts Desk



Orphée

"Charpentier's Orphée is a charmer."
The Opera Critic



The Impresario ★★★★★

"Funny, very well sung and at times very moving." Music OMH

La Traviata

BIF Opera Programme 2026

A Buxton International Festival and Norwich Theatre production, featuring the Buxton International Festival Orchestra

📅 11, 15, 18, 22, 25 July
🕒 All at 7.15pm except for 2pm matinee 15 July
📍 Buxton Opera House

Building on a proud tradition of mounting Verdi operas at the festival – including our triumphant *Macbeth* in 2017, the rarely-staged *Alzira* in 2018, and the powerful *Ernani* in 2024 – the Buxton International Festival is delighted to present a new production of *La traviata*, continuing our celebration of Italy's most celebrated composer.

Love, desire, and society's expectations collide in *La traviata*. Follow Violetta and Alfredo through a passionate romance that defies convention and is a timeless tale of devotion and heartbreak.

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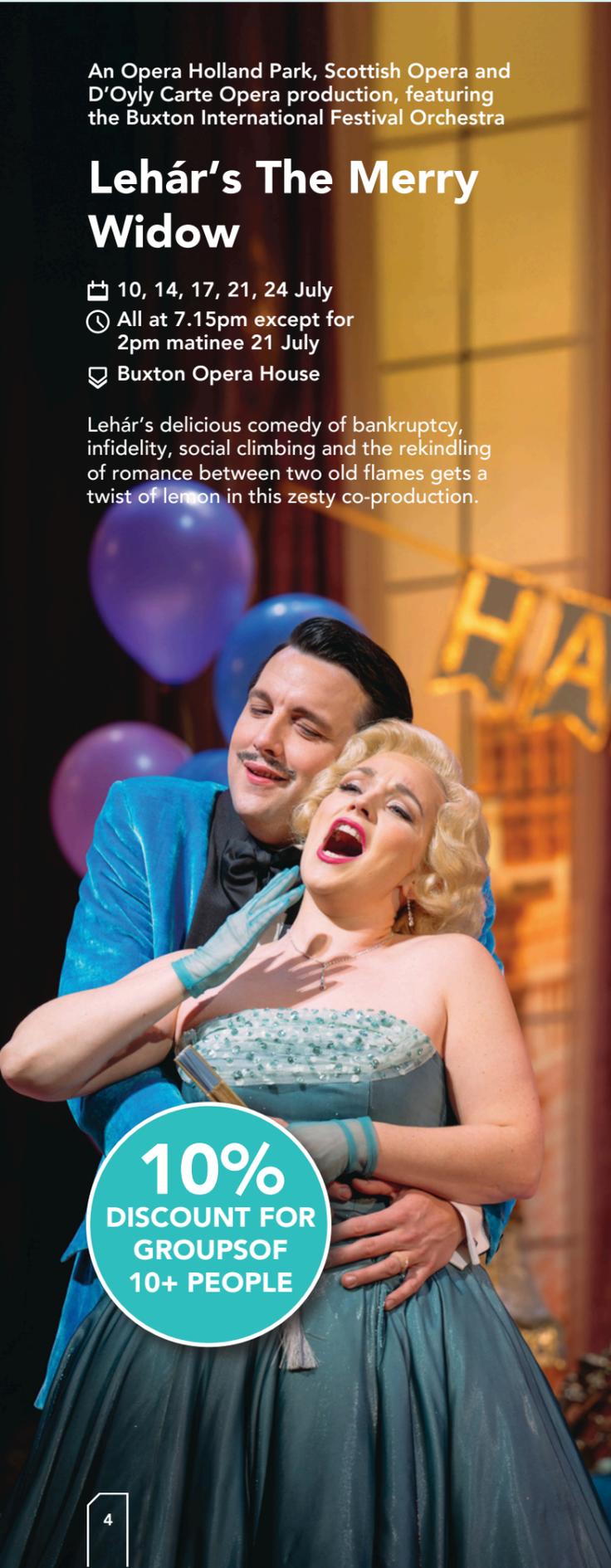
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An Opera Holland Park, Scottish Opera and D'Oyly Carte Opera production, featuring the Buxton International Festival Orchestra

Lehár's The Merry Widow

- 📅 10, 14, 17, 21, 24 July
- 🕒 All at 7.15pm except for 2pm matinee 21 July
- 📍 Buxton Opera House

Lehár's delicious comedy of bankruptcy, infidelity, social climbing and the rekindling of romance between two old flames gets a twist of lemon in this zesty co-production.



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A Buxton International Festival production, featuring the English Concert orchestra

Handel's Amadigi di Gaula

- 📅 12, 16, 20 July
- 🕒 All at 7.15pm except for 2pm matinee 12 July
- 📍 Buxton Opera House

Handel's fifth opera is an exuberantly inventive work with brilliant musical ideas full of youth, love and magic. From lyrical laments to dazzling vocal fireworks, every note serves to amplify the raw human drama at the heart of this opera.



A Buxton International Festival production, featuring musicians from the Buxton International Festival Orchestra

Viardot's Le dernier sorcier

- 📅 13, 16, 20, 25 July
- 🕒 All at 7.15pm except for 1.30pm matinee 25 July
- 📍 Pavilion Arts Centre

Pauline Viardot's enchanting *Le dernier sorcier* (The Last Sorcerer), written in 1867, is a magical tale that combines lyrical beauty, humour and romance.



Plus, a concert performance of Mozart's final opera seria *La clemenza di Tito*

- 📅 19 July at 3pm
- 🕒 23 July at 7.15pm
- 📍 at Buxton Opera House

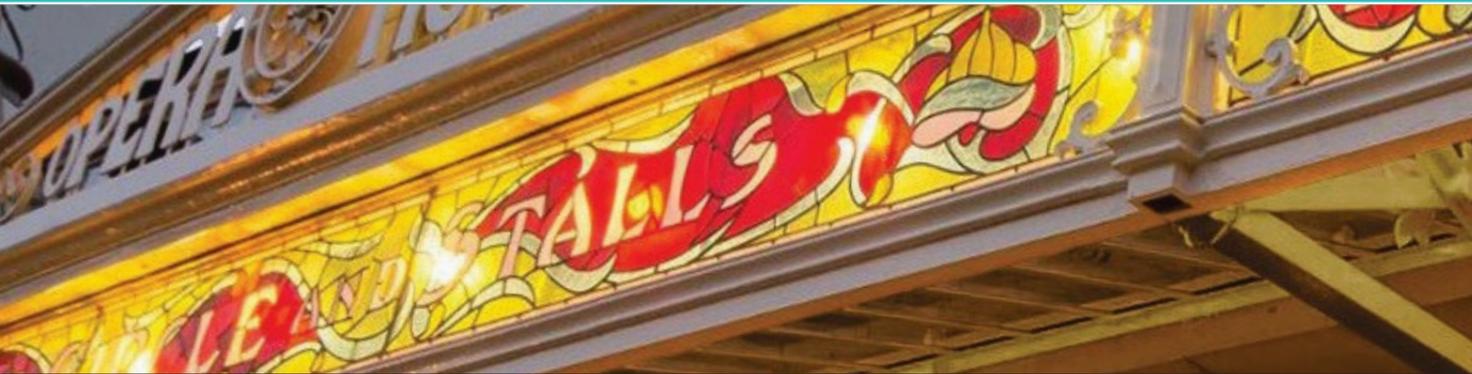
A Buxton International Festival Production

Caccini's La Liberazione di Ruggiero

- 📅 15, 17, 19, 21 July
- 🕒 All at 7.15pm except for 2pm matinee 19 July
- 📍 Pavilion Arts Centre

Francesca Caccini's *La Liberazione di Ruggiero* is a story of magic, temptation, and the struggle between virtue, desire and reason. First staged in Florence and based on a famous epic poem by Orlando Furioso in 1625, it is the earliest surviving opera by a woman and a landmark of early Baroque music and theatre.





For all bookings and enquires, please contact operations@buxtonfestival.co.uk with your specific request and we will do our very best to accommodate your group. We will endeavour to fulfil specific seating requests; however, if capacity is full we will offer the best alternative.

REQUEST A BROCHURE (A5)

Our printed A5 brochure is available at the end of February 2026. If your group would like copies of our brochure, please email operations@buxtonfestival.co.uk and we can send copies out to you or arrange collection locally.

Ticket prices for 2026 Opera series

DON'T MISS OUT 10% DISCOUNT FOR GROUPS OF 10+ PEOPLE

The Merry Widow (Léhar),
Amadigi di Gaula (Handel), La traviata (Verdi),
La clemenza di Tito (Mozart) (Prices in purple)

Stalls.....A - C	£64 / £41
Stalls.....D - N	£76 / £49
Stalls.....O - Q.....	£50 / £33
Dress Circleside	£92 / £59
Dress Circlecentre	£98 / £64
Dress Circleboxes.....	£92 / £59
Upper Dress Circle.....side	£27 / £22
Upper Dress Circle.....centre	£59 / £39
Upper Dress Circle.....boxes.....	£27 / £22
Gallery	£27 / £22

Le dernier sorcier (Viardot) and La liberazione di Ruggiero (Caccini)

General admission.... all tickets£56

Book now, Pay Later

Once we receive your provisional booking, we will hold seats until the end of February 2026 when a 30% deposit will be required in order to confirm the reservation. The full payment will then be requested by 31 May 2026. If an event is cancelled, the box office will issue a full refund.

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Jazz

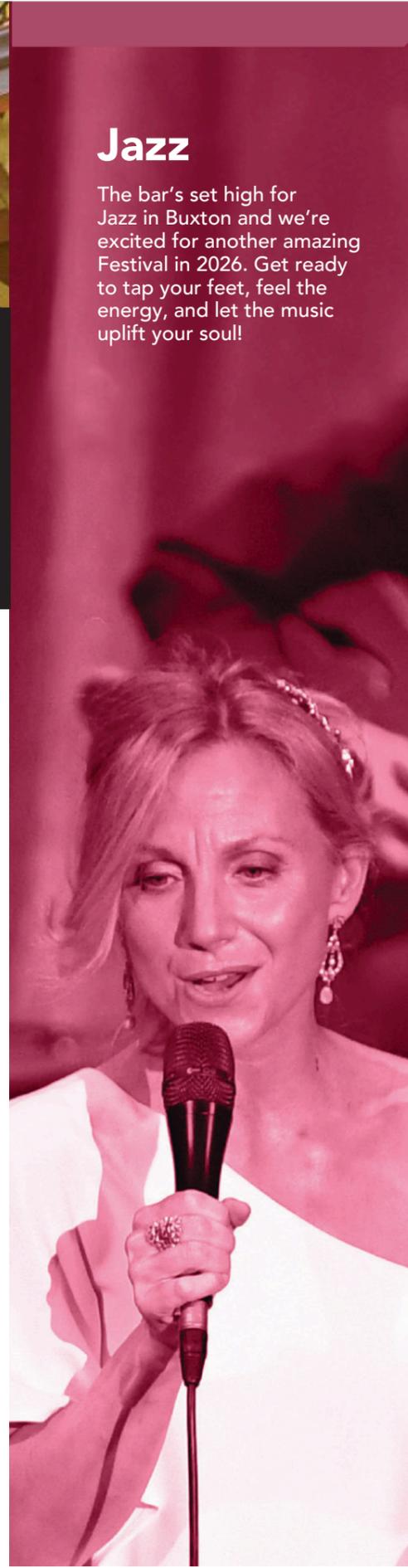
The bar's set high for Jazz in Buxton and we're excited for another amazing Festival in 2026. Get ready to tap your feet, feel the energy, and let the music uplift your soul!

Music

The Music series offers a rich and diverse program of world-class performances, featuring renowned artists and ensembles in stunning historic settings.

Books

Our Book series brings together acclaimed authors and experts for engaging discussions, offering fresh perspectives on current affairs, history, and contemporary issues.

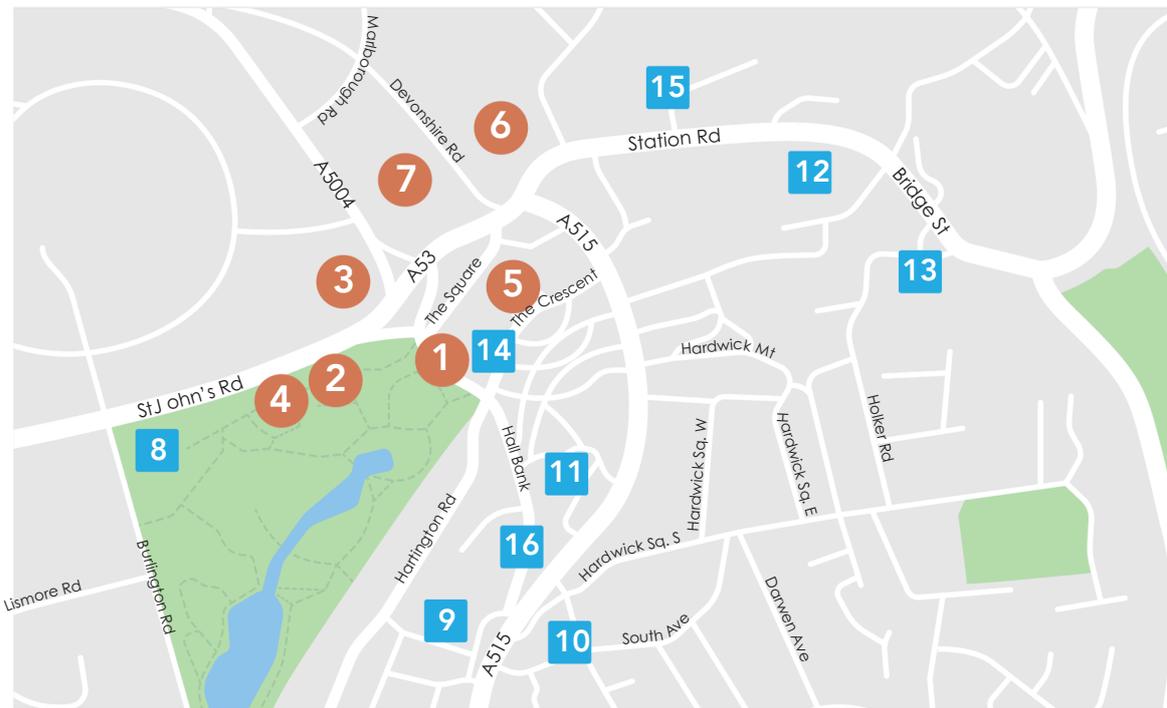


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VENUES AND CAR PARKS

- 1 Buxton Opera House
- 2 Pavilion Arts Centre
- 3 St John's Church
- 4 The Octagon at Pavilion Gardens
- 5 Assembly Room at Buxton Crescent Hotel
- 6 The Palace Hotel
- 7 Devonshire Dome

- 8 Pavilion Gardens Car Park
- 9 Market Place Car Park
- 10 South St Car Park
- 11 The Slopes Car Park
- 12 Spring Gardens & Wye St Car Park
- 13 Sylvan Car Park
- 14 BOH Car Park
- 15 Railway Station Car Park
- 16 Market Place Car Park



BY CAR

Buxton is 1.5 hour's drive from the M1, M6, Manchester, Sheffield, Nottingham and Derby. If you are using Sat Nav, please use the postcode SK17 6XN for Buxton Opera House and SK17 6BE for the Pavilion Arts Centre.

There is pay and display parking outside Buxton Opera House with two disabled parking spaces on The Square (Water Street) and it is possible to offload adjacent to the forecourt.

Pay and Display parking is also available at Pavilion Gardens car park, off Burlington Road, with 8 disabled car parking bays. The car park is approximately 320 metres from the Opera House and 160 metres from the Pavilion Arts Centre.

A little further away from our venues are the car parks behind the Spring Gardens Shopping Centre, with 26 disabled parking spaces, and Sylvan Car Park with 4 disabled car parking bays.

There is an electric car charging point at Morrisons, Bakewell Road, SK17 9TB and Sylvan Car Park at the end of Spring Gardens, SK17 6BY.

Please allow extra time for travel on Carnival Day, Saturday 11 July 2026.



BY RAIL

Avanti West Coast runs direct trains from Euston to Macclesfield in less than 2 hours, plus a 20 minute taxi ride, or change at Stockport for trains to Buxton.

Direct services from Manchester Piccadilly and Stockport by Northern Rail.



BY BUS

Direct services from Manchester Airport, Stockport, Macclesfield, Derby, Glossop, Sheffield, Stoke-on-Trent, Ashbourne and Leek. traveline.info



BY AIR

Regular national and international flights to Manchester and Nottingham East Midlands airports.

Manchester Airport is approximately 40 minutes away by Taxi/Car.

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