

## **Thornbury Jazz Festival 2018**

The inaugural Thornbury Jazz Festival will take place on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

The evening promises a range of exciting, exhilarating and varied jazz which will appeal to a wide variety of tastes, something for all jazz fans.

The Festival will start with an early evening concert by The Thornbury Swing Band which plays jazz instrumental and vocal numbers from the 1930s right up to modern times with a line up of saxophones, trombones, trumpets, and male and female vocalists, all supported by a rhythm section of bass, guitar, keyboard and drums. Great music to entertain and delight

Later in the evening, acts booked to appear are The Mark Randall Six, much admired singer Jessica Radcliffe and The Class Act Trio, all happening in a jazz café setting in the Armstrong Hall.

Jessica has been described as a swinging, singing sensation. It is her sixth visit to Thornbury, this time as one of the performers in the Jazz Festival. She will be accompanied by The Park Row Five with Gareth Williams on saxophone and flute, Rob Bartlett on trumpet, Stuart Potter on keyboard and piano, Ray Loadman on double bass and James Heming on drums.

Tickets for the whole evening of jazz starting with the Thornbury Swing Band at 6pm are £18; tickets for the Swing Band alone cost £6, or you can start your evening's jazz appreciation for £15 at 7.30pm with the Mark Randall Six, followed by Jessica and the Park Row Five, then finishing the evening with The Class Act Trio.

Nibbles will be served, there will be a bar available and hot food will be served all evening at a cost of £5.

The Festival is a fund raiser for the Armstrong Hall Redevelopment Project (Phase 1). Tickets will be available from mid January at Thornbury Town Hall or by calling 01454 412272