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THURSDAY 7 MAY | DYDD IAU 7 MAI










	THE PARISH	LLWYN ISAF	ST GILES' CHURCH	THE ROCKIN' CHAIR Room 1	THE ROCKIN' CHAIR Room 2	PENNY BLACK Room 1 (Upstairs aka: XS)	PENNY BLACK Room 2 (ground floor)	TY PAWB Performance Space	TY PAWB Flexible Space
3AM				^ New Colossus presents		Planetary Group presents *			*In association with CNM France
2AM					DAN*EDS 130am - 230am				Your French Music Partner
1AM					lowform 1230am				
12AM					Sunflowers (PT) 1200am				
11PM				Deerhoof (USA) 1115pm					
10PM				HMS Morris 1015pm	Modern Woman (England) 1045pm	Bucket (Ireland) 1040pm	Afternoon Bike Ride (QC, Canada) 1045pm	LuxJury (Austria) 1040pm	CLT DRP 1015pm
9PM			Tristwch Y Fenywod 900pm	Two Man Giant Squid (USA) ^ 915pm	Telgate 945pm	EYE 945pm	Boutique Feelings (QC, Canada) 1000pm	Papaya Noon 945pm	VOYA 915pm
8PM	HUGO - DIM OND DAWNS 830pm until late	Fat Dog 845pm	Gwenifer Raymond 805pm	Bitterfly (SK, Canada) 815pm	CELAVI 845pm	Teenage Joans (Australia) * 850pm	Hawa B (QC, Canada) 830pm	OGUN 845pm	Quinquis (France) * 815pm
7PM		Lime Garden 740pm	Esther Swift (Scotland) 715pm	Mechanical Owl 715pm	Otto Aday 745pm	Bonnie Trash (ON, Canada) * 755pm	M for Montreal Reception 800pm	Su San (Malaysia) 745pm	NASTYJOE (France) * 715pm
6PM	Fat Boar BBQ 630pm	Mellt * 645pm	Oskar Haag (Austria) 625pm		Sustinere 645pm	WRKHOUSE * 605pm		Sage Todz 645pm	SERVO (France) * 615pm
5PM		Factory Set 600pm							CNM France Mixer 530pm
4PM		+ Angel Mel Selector							
3PM									
2PM									
1PM									
12PM									
11AM									

THE LEVANT
Bad Blood Reunion
730pm & 830pm

MAGIC DRAGON BREWERY TAP
Open mic! Meic agored
2pm - 7pm

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	THE PARISH	OLD NO.7 BAR	WYNNSTAY HOTEL	HOPE ST CHURCH	THE FAT BOAR	HWB	THE ROYAL OAK	SAITH SEREN	GLYNDWR TV	BANK ST SOCIAL
3 ^{AM}		* = LARYNX presents 		* = MISFIT X Victory Pool presents 		Trawsnewid yn cyflwyno : presents * TRAWSNEWID : TRANSFORM		MVT Music Venue Trust		
2 ^{AM}		^ = TAN Cerdd presents 		^ = TRAC yn cyflwyno : presents 						
1 ^{AM}				# = Pro Weekend Spain presents 						
12 ^{AM}	Wax Head (England) ~ 12:00am									
11 ^{PM}	Vona Vella (England) > 11:05pm		GROOM THE GIANT 10:45 pm							
10 ^{PM}	Why Horses? + 10:10pm									
9 ^{PM}	Waterpistol ^ 9:15pm	LUVLY ^ 9:30pm	Her Picture (Scotland) 9:50pm	Kawak (Spain) # 9:45pm			Andy Hickie 9:20pm			
8 ^{PM}	His His (ON, Canada) 8:20pm	Miss Faithee ^ 8:40pm	Dream Creeps (MB, Canada) 8:55pm	Mari Mathias ^ 8:50pm	Olivia Rebel 8:30pm	PWSI 8:00pm *	Arthur Coates & Kerran Cotterell (Scotland) 8:30pm Hannah Green (NL, Canada) 7:40pm			
7 ^{PM}	Alanna Matty (Nova Scotia) 7:25pm	Lily Beau ^ 7:50pm	PINCO: Pony Girl (ON, Canada) 8:00pm	Angharad Jenkins & Patrick Rimes ^ 7:55pm	Eleanor Dunsdon & Gregor Black (SCT) 7:40pm	Tokomololo 7:10pm *	TBA 7pm - 8pm			Live Podcast: Revived Records in discussion with... Eye 6:45pm - 7:30pm
6 ^{PM}	Brain Leak ^ 6:30pm	Bruna Garcia ^ 7:00pm	PINCO: KyoYoko (China) 7:05pm	Aneirin Jones ^ 7:00pm	Daniel James McFadyen (Nova Scotia) 6:50pm	Malgola, No 6:20pm *	Ceitidh Mac 6:50			Voicebox presents: Holly Thorpe 6:15pm Tamia Leigh 6:00pm
5 ^{PM}	+ CWRW Studios presents 	Dynesti (ON, Canada) * 5:30pm		TRAC reception 6:30pm	Something Sleeps (England) 6:00pm		Skinny Dyck (AB, Canada) 6:00			
5 ^{PM}		Elina Lee * 5:00pm	PINCO: Eliots Graveyard 5:15pm			Andy Hickie 5:30pm *	Daniel James McFadyen (NS, Canada) 5:10			Live Podcast: Radio Wigwam in discussion with... HMS Morris 5pm - 5:45pm
4 ^{PM}	^ God Is in The TV Zine 	Mr Phormula * 4:30pm		Skippy Dyck (AB, Canada) * 4:15pm			Kip 4:45			
4 ^{PM}		ValleyBoyZero * 4:00pm		Kaia Kater (ON, Canada) * 3:25pm						
3 ^{PM}	> Under The Radar presents 			His His (ON, Canada) * 2:35pm						
2 ^{PM}	~ Louder Than War presents 			Kimmortal (BC, Canada) * 1:45pm						
1 ^{PM}				MISFIT X Victory Pool Reception 1:00pm						Dill The Giant (MB, Canada) 1pm
12 ^{PM}						Dysgu Cymraeg : Learn Welsh 12pm				Alanna Matty (NS, Canada) 12pm
11 ^{AM}										Dream Creeps (SK, Canada) 11am

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FRIDAY 8 MAY | DYDD GWENER 8 MAI

	WYNNSTAY HOTEL	HOPE ST CHURCH	THE FAT BOAR	HWB	THE ROYAL OAK	SAITH SEREN	GLYNDWR TV	BANK ST SOCIAL	THE LAB
3 ^{AM}		AXEAN Festival presents * AXEAN FESTIVAL		Sound Roots yn cyflwyno * SOUND ROOTS					
2 ^{AM}		Showcase Scotland Expo presents ^ Show CASE ScotLAND EXPO		Llangollen Fringe yn cyflwyno ^ LLANGOLLEN FRINGE FESTIVAL					
1 ^{AM}		CWRW Studios presents + CWRW STUDIOS							
12 ^{AM}									
11 ^{PM}									
10 ^{PM}	Roscoe 10:45pm								
9 ^{PM}	His His (ON, Canada) 9:50pm	DEWIN + 9:45pm			Toria Wooff 9:20pm	Megan Lee a firindiau : and friends 8pm - 9:30pm (featuring Kaia Kater, Tomos Newman, Lily Rae Grant, His His + more)			
8 ^{PM}	Two Man Giant Squid (USA) 8:55pm	Tom Campbell Trio (Scotland) ^ 8:50pm	Pony Girl (ON, Canada) 8:30pm		Matthew Frederick 8:30pm				
7 ^{PM}	Off Axis: Wynona Bleach (Ireland) 8:00pm	Esther Swift (Scotland) ^ 7:55pm	Hannah Green (NL, Canada) 7:40pm	Wrexham All Voices Choir 7:55pm	Kaia Kater (ON, Canada) 7:40pm				
6 ^{PM}	Off Axis: Tom Collins 7:05pm	Ryan Young (Scotland) ^ 7:00pm		Panedeni ^ 7:05pm					
5 ^{PM}	Off Axis: FAEDA (Scotland) 6:10pm	Tŷ Cerdd & FOCUS Wales Reception 6:30pm	Alanna Matty (NS, Canada) 6:50pm	Carreg Lafar 6:15pm	Lily Rae Grant (England) 6:50pm			Live Podcast: Revibed Records in discussion with... WRKHOUSE 6:45pm - 7:30pm	
4 ^{PM}	Slowblinker 5:15pm	Bonnie Trash (ON, Canada) 5:25pm	Martha O'Brien 6:00pm	British Council Cymru Mixer 5:30pm	His His (ON, Canada) 6:00pm			Voicebox presents: Sophia McIntyre 6:15pm	
3 ^{PM}		Logic Lost (Indonesia) * 4:30pm			Alanna Matty (NS, Canada) 5:10pm			Lisa O'Hare 6:00pm	
2 ^{PM}		Muri (The Philippines) * 3:35pm			Kip 4:45pm			Live Podcast: Radio Wigwam in discussion with... Half Happy 5pm - 5:45pm	
1 ^{PM}		Xandega (Indonesia) * 2:40pm		Something Sleeps (ENG) * 3:15pm				Su San (Malaysia) 4:00pm	Neo-Soul Jam Session with TAN Cerdd 3:30pm - 5pm
12 ^{PM}				Eleanor Dunsdon & Gregor Black (Scotland) * 2:30pm				Kimmortal (BC, Canada) 3:00pm	
11 ^{AM}		Su San (Malaysia) * 1:45pm		Arthur Coates & Kerran Cotterell (Scotland) * 1:45pm				Logic Lost (Indonesia) 2:00pm	
10 ^{AM}		AXEAN Festival Reception 1:00pm		Ceitidh Mac * 1:00pm				Boutique Feelings (QC, Canada) 1:00pm	
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11 ^{AM}				Gweithgaredd 'Messy Play' Miri Mawr 11am				Bitterfly (SK, Canada) 12:00pm	
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11 ^{AM}								His His (ON, Canada) 11:00pm	

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PERFORMANCE SPACE

10am - 10:50am

**SAMARITANS CYMRU PRESENTS:
WHAT DOES WELLBEING MEAN IN 2026?**



MODERATOR:
Neil Ingham
(Samaritans Cymru)



Eve Horne
(We Are The Unheard)



Gethin Pearson
(Artist/Producer)



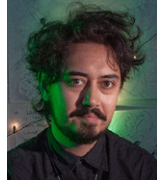
Kate Pearson
(Stronger Minds in Music)

11am - 11:50am

**ROOTS IN FOCUS: RESPONSE TO DEMAND
FOR TRADITIONAL MUSIC**



MODERATOR:
Katch Holmes



Wairehu Grant
(Half/Time, Aotearoa)



Py Muenprasertdee
(Fungjai Co, Ltd, Thailand)



Yasmine Latkowski
(Composer/Artist)



Cee Tepania-McLean
(Half/Time, Aotearoa)

1pm - 1:50pm

**FAIR PLAY: HOW TO PLACE THE RIGHT VALUE
ON YOURSELF AND YOUR MUSIC**



MODERATOR:
Danny Keir
(Enki Music)



Julz Baldwin
(I Eat Music)



Aly Gillani
(Bandcamp)



Michael Lambert
(Wide Events CIC / Aimless Play)



Ruth Barlow
(Beggars Group / Association of
Independent Music)

2pm - 2:50pm

**PPL PRESENTS: CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT
101 - HOW TO DEVELOP YOUR SOUND AND
YOUR NETWORK.**



MODERATOR:
Sarah Wall
(PPL)



Nick Duncan
(Sub Pop Records, USA)



Aly Gillani
(Bandcamp)



Rob Cannell
(Beggars Group)



Elan Evans
(Grwndi Records / Beacons
Cymru)

USEFUL ARTS SPACE

11am - 12pm **SPEED MEETINGS**

1:30pm - 2:30pm **SPEED MEETINGS**

3:30pm - 4:30pm **MUSICIANS' UNION MIXER (RSVP Only)**

FLEXIBLE SPACE

12pm - 1pm **IRELAND IN WALES MIXER (RSVP Only)**

16:30 **BREAKOUT WEST MIXER (RSVP Only)**

**MARSHALL
ARTIST AREA
@ LLWYN ISAF"
MUSICIANS' UNION
COFFEE DROP-IN**
from 10am
- 11:30am

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PERFORMANCE SPACE

10am - 10:50am **MEET LIVE TRUST & HELP SHAPE GRASSROOTS LIVE MUSIC FUNDING**
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Jon Collins (LIVE Trust)



Antonia Lines (LIVE Trust)

11am - 11:50am **MARSHALL PRESENTS - GRASSROOTS ECOSYSTEM: What is the current landscape for venues, festivals, artists, rehearsal spaces - what can we do to support them?**



MODERATOR:
Megan Devereaux (Marhsall)



Sam Dabb (Le Pub)



Gigi Gold (Artist, USA)



Megan Evans (Deer Shed Festival)



Laviea Thomas (Journalist)

2pm - 2:50pm **IQ PRESENTS: NEW LEADERS, NEW RULES - turning fairness into action**



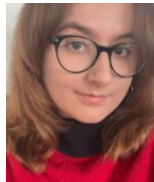
MODERATOR:
Sophie Asquith (MVT)



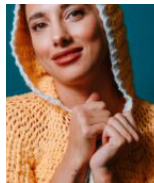
Antonia Sulley (Scruff of The Neck)



Quirina Geijsen (Podium De Vorstin, Netherlands)



Sophie Williams (Billboard)



Hayz Harland (Queer Ass Folk)



Mirain Iwerydd (BBC Radio Cymru)

3:15pm - 4:15pm **SIAN ELERI in Conversation**



MODERATOR:
Sophie Williams (Billboard UK)



Sian Eleri

USEFUL ARTS SPACE

11am - 12pm **SPEED MEETINGS**

1:30pm - 2:30pm **SPEED MEETINGS**

3:30pm - 4:30pm **MUSICIANS' UNION MIXER (RSVP Only)**

FLEXIBLE SPACE

12pm - 1pm **GREATER MANCHESTER MUSIC COMMISSION MIXER (RSVP Only)**

16:30 **BREAKOUT WEST MIXER (RSVP Only)**

WORKSHOP ROOM

2pm - 3pm **PPL & PRS FOR MUSIC WORKSHOP**

1pm - 3pm **SYNC SESSION**

MARSHALL ARTIST AREA @ LLWYN ISAF" MUSICIANS' UNION COFFEE DROP-IN
from 10am - 11:30am

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SATURDAY 9 MAY | DYDD SADWRN 9 MAI

PERFORMANCE SPACE

10am - 10:50am **BRITISH COUNCIL PRESENTS: GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES** - Seeing the world through a cultural lens

11am - 11:50am **ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING PRESENTS: ACCESS IN ACTION: Practical Solutions from Welsh Events & Festivals**

1pm - 1:50pm **BLACMEX PRESENTS: BLACK MUSIC EXPORT IN WALES**

2pm - 2:50pm **PRS Foundation in conversation with ANI GLASS**



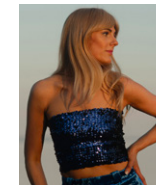
MODERATOR:
Elena Schmitz
(British Council)



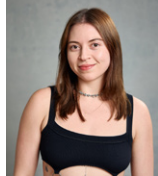
Andrew Lansley
(Attitude is Everything)



MODERATOR:
Bablu Shikdar



Ani Glass
(Artist)



Valeria Ramos
(MusicMex, Mexico)



Professor Uzo Iwobi CBE
(Race Council Cymru)



John Hendrickse
(PRS Foundation)



Gugai MacNamara
(Galway International Arts Festival)



Oskar Strajn
(ESNS, Netherlands)



Py Muenprasertdee
(Fungjai Co, Ltd, Thailand)



Kwame Safo (BLACMEX)



Dom Alessio
(Sounds Australia)



Tumi Williams
(Starving Artists)

MARSHALL ARTIST AREA @ LLWYN ISAF"
MUSICIANS' UNION COFFEE DROP-IN
from 10am - 11:30am

USEFUL ARTS SPACE

11am - 12pm **SPEED MEETINGS**

1:30pm - 2:30pm **SPEED MEETINGS**

FLEXIBLE SPACE

12pm - 1pm **PRS FOUNDATION MIXER** (RSVP Only)

17:00 **MUSIC NOVA SCOTIA MIXER** (RSVP Only)

WORKSHOP ROOM

10am - 11am **PRS FOUNDATION ARTIST DROP IN**

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	GROVE PARK THEATRE	ODEON CINEMA	HWB		GROVE PARK THEATRE	ODEON CINEMA	HWB		GROVE PARK THEATRE
1 ^{AM}	BAFTA CYMRU-QUALIFYING SHORT FILM COMPETITION	BAFTA CYMRU-QUALIFYING FEATURE FILM COMPETITION	SILVER CIRCLE		BAFTA CYMRU-QUALIFYING SHORT FILM COMPETITION	BAFTA CYMRU-QUALIFYING FEATURE FILM COMPETITION	SILVER CIRCLE		AWENYDD SHORT FILM COMPETITION
12 ^{AM}									
11 ^{PM}									
10 ^{PM}			Thursday Filmmaker Party 10:00pm - 12:00am				Friday Filmmaker Party 10:00pm - 12:00am		
9 ^{PM}		Aisha Can't Fly Away FEATURE FILM 08:30pm - 10:40pm							
8 ^{PM}						Awards Ceremony 08:30 pm - 09:30 pm			
7 ^{PM}									
6 ^{PM}		Madfabulous FEATURE FILM + Q&A 06:00 PM - 08:30 PM				Effi o Blaenau FEATURE FILM + Q&A 06:00 pm - 08:30 pm			
5 ^{PM}		Red Carpet Reception 05:00pm - 06:00pm			MUSIC VIDEOS SHORT FILMS 05:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Red Carpet Reception 05:00 pm - 06:00 pm			AWENYDD AWARDS CEREMONY 05:00 PM - 06:00 PM
4 ^{PM}	DRAMA 2 SHORT FILMS 04:00pm - 05:00pm				ANIMATION 2 SHORT FILMS 04:00 PM - 05:00 PM				
3 ^{PM}	ANIMATION SHORT FILMS 03:00pm - 04:00pm				EXPERIMENTAL SHORT FILMS 03:00 PM - 04:00 PM				AWENYDD 3 03:00 PM - 05:00 PM
2 ^{PM}	TALENT TALK: We Made a £70,000 Welsh Short with Film4: "Flock" 02:00pm - 03:00pm				TALENT TALK: We Made Docs with Doc Society and The Uncertain Kingdom 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM				TALENT TALK: We Made a Wrexham Short Film with Welsh TV Legends 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM
1 ^{PM}	THRILLER SHORT FILMS 01:00pm - 02:00pm								
12 ^{PM}	DOCUMENTARY 1 SHORT FILMS 12:00pm - 01:00pm								
11 ^{AM}	COMEDY 1 SHORT FILMS 11:00am - 12:00pm								AWENYDD 2 12:00 AM - 01:30 PM
10 ^{AM}	DRAMA 1 SHORT FILMS 10:00am - 11:00am				DRAMA 3 SHORT FILMS 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM				
9 ^{AM}					OPEN CATEGORY SHORT FILMS 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM				AWENYDD 1 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM



- 1 LLWYN ISAF**
Wrexham LL13 8TJ
- 2 ST GILES' PARISH CHURCH**
College House/Temple Row, Wrexham LL13 8LY
- 3 THE ROCKIN' CHAIR**
17 Hill Street, Wrexham LL11 1SN
- 4 TŶ PAWB**
Market Street, Wrexham LL13 8BE
- 5 PENNY BLACK**
Abbot St, Wrexham LL11 1TA
- 6 BANK STREET SOCIAL**
5 Bank St, Wrexham LL11 1AH
- 7 WYNNSTAY ARMS HOTEL**
Yorke Street, Wrexham LL13 8LP
- 8 HWB @ QUEEN'S SQUARE**
Town Centre, Wrexham LL11 1AT
- 9 GLYNDWRTV @ CENTRE FOR THE CREATIVE INDUSTRIES**
Wrexham Uni, Mold Road, Wrexham LL11 2AW
- 10 THE PARISH**
21 Town Hill, Wrexham LL13 8NA
- 11 THE ROYAL OAK**
High Street, Wrexham LL13 8HY
- 12 OLD NO.7 BAR**
7 Town Hill, Wrexham LL13 8NA
- 13 THE FAT BOAR**
11 Yorke St, Wrexham LL13 8LW
- 14 GROVE PARK THEATRE**
Hill St, Wrexham LL11 1SN
- 15 LEVANT KITCHEN & BAR WREXHAM**
49-52 Chester St, Wrexham, LL13 8BA

- 16 MAGIC DRAGON BREWERY TAP**
13 Charles St, Wrexham LL13 8BT
- 17 WELLBEING HUB**
Library field, Wrexham LL13 8TJ
- 18 HOPE STREET CHURCH**
1 Hope St, Wrexham LL11 1BG
- 19 SAITH SEREN**
18 Chester St, Wrexham LL13 8BG
- 20 ODEON**
Eagles Meadow, Wrexham LL13 8DG
- 21 THE LAB**
Eagles Meadow, Wrexham LL13 8DG

- 22 REVIBED RECORDS**
North Arcade, Chester St, Wrexham LL13 8BB
- 23 THE DRUNK MONK**
8, Overton Arcade, 30 - 31 High St, Wrexham LL13 8HY

