



Enrolment Form

Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Email _____

Tel _____

Which series of six workshops do you wish to enrol for? Please tick.

Petersfield

Brighton

Worthing

Brighton (11 Feb)

Please tick your age group:

under 25 25-45

45-65 over 65

Male Female

Have you had any previous singing experience

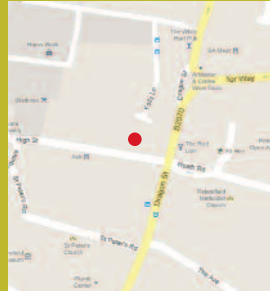
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How did you hear about this website?

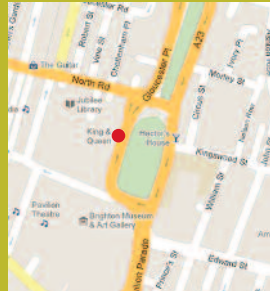
Book online or send this form to:

South Downs Songs Project
South Downs Society,
2 Swan Court, Station Road,
Pulborough, West Sussex
RH20 1RL

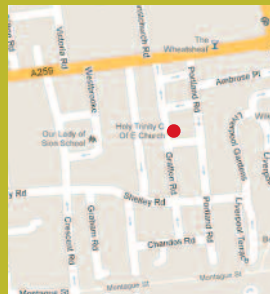
Petersfield Physic
Garden
High Street
Petersfield
GU32 3JL



King and Queen
13-17 Marlborough Place
Brighton
BN1 1UB



Christ Church
Grafton Road
Worthing
BN11 1QY



South Downs Songs

WORKSHOPS

with *Emily and the Hares*

A unique opportunity to learn the traditional songs of the South Downs.

See inside for details of these **FREE** courses of six workshops



Songs that rouse the spirits and feed the soul

Come and learn the traditional songs of the South Downs in our free, all day, monthly series of workshops. All voices are welcome. This project is funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, run by the South Downs Society, and led by the folk group *Emily and the Hares*. In a very relaxed and friendly environment, you will learn a collection of songs, as well as finding out about the history, folklore, culture and literature of the South Downs.

The South Downs Songs Project

Leading the project are Chris Hare, his wife Ann, and Emily Longhurst – together they are Emily and the Hares. Chris is a professional historian, with a specialist knowledge of the South Downs. He has been singing the songs for over 30 years and in recent years has been joined by Ann and Emily.

The workshops, which will take place once a month, are free. However, it is important that participants attend all six dates. The workshops will explore different themes e.g. love, work, drinking, celebrations, Christmas and newsworthy events. Chris will be setting the songs in their historical context and will be joined, from time to time, by guest speakers on the different themes.

The writings of Arthur Beckett, founding president of the Society of Sussex Downsmen, will form a key part of the course, along with other South

Downs writers, such as Rudyard Kipling, Hilaire Belloc and Margaret Fairless-Barber,

At the end of each series of workshops, we aim to put on a performance of the songs to friends and family and to record a cd of the songs. The project will continue the centuries-old, oral tradition of unaccompanied singing that was so important to past generations so that these beautiful, rousing and joyful songs are kept alive for future generations.

Free Workshops

The workshops will take place in Brighton and Petersfield, with informal practice sessions being held at Worthing on an ad hoc basis. We will also be running special themed one-off workshops during the year. The South Downs Songs Project runs until May 2013, so please keep checking the website for updates.

Dates & times

The Physic Garden, Petersfield

Sat	31 March	10.30–16.30
Sat	28th April	10.30–16.30
Sat	26th May	10.30–16.30
Sat	30th June	10.30–16.30
Sat	28th July	10.30–16.30
Sat	25th August	10.30–16.30

The King and Queen, Brighton

Sun	15 April	10.30–16.30
Sun	20 May	10.30–16.30
Sun	1 July	10.30–16.30
Sun	15 July	10.30–16.30
Sun	12 August	10.30–16.30
Sun	9 September	10.30–16.30

Special Workshops

Winter Songs and Carols

Christ Church, Worthing,		
Sun	11 Dec 2011	13.00–18.00

Love Songs – wistful, erotic and bawdy!

King and Queen, Brighton		
Sat	11 Feb 2012	10.30–16.30

The South Downs Society and HLF Funding

The South Downs Songs Project is run by the South Downs Society and is financed by a £49,800 grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF). The South Downs Society was founded in 1923 as the Society of Sussex Downsmen and is today the recognised National Park Society for the South Downs. Made up of 2,000 members, we work to protect the beauty of the National Park and its cultural heritage, and to keep its footpaths, bridleways and access areas open for all to enjoy. We organise over 200 walks every year, as well as visits and lectures to help our members enjoy this beautiful landscape, and to understand the issues facing the South Downs today.

For further details about the South Downs Society look at www.southdownssociety.org.uk or Tel: 01798 875073, Fax: 01798 873108, email: info@southdownssociety.org.uk

If you want to know more about the South Downs Songs Project, contact manager Chris Hare at chris.hare@southdownssociety.org.uk or call him on 07794 600639.