



One Planet Festival Music

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One Planet Festival 2008 is Proud to Present Eight World Class Music Acts Performing Oct. 10th – 12th all Powered Sustainably.

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT:

Kayla Kavanagh, Gerry Jablonski, The Convulsions, Matt O'Ree Band, Butch Ross, New Riverside Jazzband, Slovenian Men's Choir, and Sam Lay Cuban Jazz Quintet will perform over the One Planet Festival Weekend, Oct. 10th – 12th in venues in the historic city of Lancaster. The musicians will either be powered from sustainable tariffs, don't need electricity, receive power from sustainably charged batteries, and/or bicycle generators.

ABOUT THE ACTS:

Butch Ross of Chattanooga, Tennessee (<http://butchross.com/>) has been called "the Bela Fleck of the mountain dulcimer". String backwards and held like a guitar, he employs a variety of techniques borrowed from mandolin, guitar, banjo and even the South American quarteto to play everything from traditional folk and old-time music, to contemporary music, original compositions and even the occasional Bach piece. Butch performs at the **Park Hotel's Grand Re-Opening Night on Fri. Oct. 10th at 9pm.**

Matt O'Ree, of New Jersey (<http://mattoree.com/>) has been crowned "King of the Blues guitar" by bluesman B.B. King and with his band, has won four 2005 Asbury Music Awards at the Legendary Stone Pony for Best Blues Band, Best Guitarist, Best Local Release - "Shelf Life", Best Song of the Year - "Saints & Sinners", has been a finalist in the Jimi Hendrix Electric Guitar Competition, and has even been invited to Les Pauls' birthday bash. The band performs at the **Park Hotel's Grand Re-Opening Night on Fri. Oct. 10th at 10pm.**

Both Matt and Butch are part of another tour and have offset their transatlantic flight's carbon emission through Natwest's Carbon Offset program:
<http://www.natwest.com/personal/carbon.ashx>

Kayla Kavanagh (<http://www.kaylakavanagh.com/>) is a solo artist with a twist. The 29 year old Irish singer/songwriter performs live with an array of instruments, wires and technology, taking the audience on a journey from acoustic to full technology-led electronica. Renowned for her outdoor gigs powered from her VW Kampervan, Kayla's unique musical abilities allow her to become a 'one woman band'. Kayla performs at the **Sustainability Exposition, Ashton Hall, Sat. Oct. 11th about 11am.**

Slovenian Men's Choir comes from Lancaster's twin town in Slovenia, Zrece, and are composed of 13 firemen led by a woman director. They sing arrangements of traditional Slovene songs. The troupe always encourages sustainable travel in their events – including cycle use, trains, and liftshares. Some of our events - like the Singing Cyclists and Lakeland Songlines - use cycling and walking as a major part of the weekend. Their Settle Carlisle singing weekend involves singing on trains (and singing songs about trains). Being acapella, the choir won't be using electricity from the town hall's sustainable tariff! The choir will perform at the **Sustainability Exposition, Ashton Hall, Sat. Oct. 11th about 1pm.**



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Gerry Jablonski (<http://www.myspace.com/gerryjablonskimusic>) plays acoustic guitar in an extraordinary way to emulate the sound of a 4 or 5 piece band. His music is in a category of it's own, mixing blues, rock, ballads and folk, mostly his own compositions. but some great covers thrown in too. He's been the front man in several band line-ups over 25 years, even supporting Status Quo and Bryan Adams on the Scottish leg of their tours in the late 90's. In 2005 he was voted Best Solo Act by audiences at both the Dundee Blues Bonanza and the Orkney Blues Festival. Gerry plays alongside and with the Convulsions at the **Golden Lion Pub on Sat. Oct. 11th at 10pm as part of the Climate Change Film Festival Afterhours Party.**

The Convulsions (<http://convulsions.com/>) are a high energy riff based harmonica, guitar, organ based group that celebrates the harder edged music styles of US Garage Punk, 60's soul jazz, 70's ghetto funk, with a splash of Western Swing. The band have tours in the USA, South America, all over the UK and Eastern Europe. They run their bus on waste vegetable oil. The band play with Gerry Jablonski at the **Golden Lion, Sat. Oct. 11th at 10pm as part of the Climate Change Film Festival Afterhours Party.**

The New Riverside Jazz Band belie their name and have been delivering their footstomping catalogue (said to exceed 750 songs) of Dixieland Jazz for the past 35 years and form a finishing school for many up an coming jazz musicians now in the UK trad circuit. The band play at the **Robert Gillow Sunday from 12.30pm to 3pm.**

The Sam Lay Cuban Jazz Band features some of Lancaster's top funk and soul musicians. Fronted by guitarist and arranger Sam Lay whose influences include Grant Green, Herbie Hancock and Mungo Santamaria this tight jazz funk horn section driven band carry the torch lit by the New Riverside Band to make Sunday afternoons in Lancaster one of the hottest jazz sessions in the UK. The group play at the **Stonewell Tavern, Sunday Oct. 12th from 3pm to 7pm.**

PERFORMANCE TIMES AND LOCATIONS:

Friday Oct. 10th, 9pm – 1am: Butch Ross and the Matt O'Ree Band. The Park Hotel Grand Opening Night, St Oswald Street, Lancaster, LA1 3AS. 01524 64886.

Saturday Oct. 11th, 11am – 2pm: Kayla Kavanagh and the Slovenian Male Choir. The Sustainability Exposition, Ashton Hall, Lancaster Town Hall,

Saturday Oct. 11th, 10pm – 1am: Gerry Jablonski and The Convulsions. The Climate Change Film Festival Afterhours Party (all welcome), The Golden Lion Pub, 33 Moor Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1QD . 01524 842198

Sunday Oct. 12th, 12.30pm – 3pm: New Riverside Jazz Band. The Robert Gillow, The Robert Gillow, 64 Market St., Lancaster, LA1 1HP. 01524 36092

Sunday Oct. 12th, 3pm – 7pm: The Sam Lay Cuban Jazz Band. The Stonewell Tavern, 8 Lower Church Street, Lancaster, LA1 1NP. 01524 388474



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