

# Every era at The Stables

## THE STABLES

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**Britain's most successful international folk-rock band, Acoustic Strawbs, brings its electric, acoustic sound to The Stables tonight.**

David Cousins, Dave Lambert and Chas Cronk will perform all their crowd-pleasing tracks. Meanwhile, Stage Two offers newbies the chance to showcase their skills this evening with the Over2U open mic night. For professional panache, look no further than the sold-out show from The Big Chris Barber Band tomorrow. Lucky ticket-holders will be helping Chris celebrate his silver jubilee as band leader. The Karla Milton Collective is a nine-piece monster of a band and unsurprisingly, tickets for Friday's Stage 2 gig have flown (standing only remain). On Saturday, enjoy a whirlwind trip from the 1950s through to the best songs of

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today and pay tribute to over 80 classic songs with Forever in Blue Jeans. Experience an age of style and fashion that our 21st Century world has forgotten on Stage Two on Saturday with a proper vintage night out. Step back in time to the spectacle of a Cabaret show with Harry and Edna's Hednas team. Don your best vintage finery and style your barnet. Sarah's Doo-Wop Dos will assist in your transformation (call 07532 444394). Visit [www.harryandedna.co.uk](http://www.harryandedna.co.uk) for dress tips. Reinvention is key to musical development so the Steve Howe Trio will be attempting to raise the bar on Sunday with plenty of fresh new arrangements.

Queen of comedy Sarah Millican brings new show Home Bird on Monday and her infectious personality will win you over (but only if you've already got tickets as the show is sold out). On Tuesday the venue welcomes bona fide music legend Georgie Fame, while Leeds-based acoustic singer-songwriter Jon Gomm will inspire with his original material over on Stage 2. Grammy-nominated American jazz singer Stacey Kent sells out concert halls around the world. Make the most of the rare opportunity to experience Stacey performing tracks from her brand new album live on Wednesday. Finally, musicologist Brian Appleton – the latest creation of Graham Fellows – takes to Stage Two on Wednesday as 'the Forest Gump of Rock'. He considers himself pivotal to the last 30 years of development in popular music – unfortunately nobody seems to know who he is, so this comedy show will do all it can to rectify this major failing on your part... Call to book on MK 280800.



**ENTERTAINMENT BY THE STABLE-LOAD:** Hedna's Vintage Cabaret, The Strawbs and Stacey Kent, left

## Read this very carefully – we shall write it only once...

### CHRYSALIS THEATRE

Beloved British sitcom *Allo Allo* is being brought to the stage at The Chrysalis Theatre this week. Milton Keynes Theatre of Comedy have taken up residence at the venue with shows until Saturday, so get ready as we meet again at Cafe Rene for 'The Camembert Caper'. Unwilling hero Rene Artois is trying to remain impartial but being dragged into the Second World War by both sides. With the Germans threatening to shoot him if he does not hide stolen paintings and the Resistance using his cafe as a safe-house for shot-down British airmen, Rene has more than enough to deal with. Add some flirtatious waitresses to the mix – along with plenty of silly accents – and you have the perfect recipe for top-notch entertainment.



## Ghostly happenings at a potter's wheel

### MK THEATRE

Must-see musical *Ghost* continues at Milton Keynes Theatre this week. The timeless fantasy reminds audiences about the power of love – and features that iconic steamy love scene at the potter's wheel. Sam is trapped between this world and the next, frantically trying to communicate with girlfriend Molly through a phoney psychic in the hope of saving the love of his life from his murderer. Based on the phenomenal Oscar-winning movie starring Patrick Swayze and Demi Moore that captured the

hearts and imaginations of a whole generation back in the 90s, *Ghost* the Musical boasts amazing special effects and dazzling staging. Rock legends and Grammy award winners Dave Stewart (Eurythmics) and Glen Ballard are responsible for the sensational score. Inclusion of the unforgettable *Unchained Melody* by The Righteous Brothers makes this a smash-hit production guaranteed to thrill. *Ghost* runs at MK Theatre until Saturday 28 September. Tickets start at £10 and rise to £39.50 (subject to booking fee). Call 0844 8717652 to book.

