



## FAUSTUS

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*Music* Power folk trio, English Folk, Traditional, some covers

*Line up* Paul Sartin (vocals, fiddle, oboe, cor anglais), Benji Kirkpatrick (vocals, guitar, bouzouki), Saul Rose (vocals, melodeon)

*Recent* Towersey, Beardy Folk, Swanage

*Press* 'So stunning live. Ridiculously great band.' (BBC Radio 6 Music)  
'One of Britain's outstanding folk bands' (The Guardian)  
With exquisite instrumentation and haunting harmonies to the fore, this is the quality we have come to expect from Faustus.' (Folk Radio)

*Socials* Facebook 3.8K followers

*About* Known for captivating audiences with their sheer room-shaking power, vocal precision, faultless close harmonies and instrumental mastery.

Three eminent musicians; together they create driving rhythms and arrangements that are intriguing and subtle, or boisterous and punchy.

BENJI KIRKPATRICK &  
THE EXCESS

*Music* Dynamic alt-Roots-rock trio, Original material, some covers

*Line up* Benji (vocals, guitar, bouzouki), Joelle Barker (drums, percussion), Pete Thomas (bass guitar, double bass).

*Recent* Shrewsbury, Beardy Folk, Purbeck Valley

*Press* 'Loaded with Musical Vigour' (Northern Sky), 'Persuasive and impressive...The glorious sound they make together is something rather special. (Folk Radio UK)

*Socials* Facebook just under 1K followers

*About* Master musician Benji Kirkpatrick's self-penned songs are brought to life with this vibrant trio. Original line-up was with fellow Bellowhead member Pete Flood. After touring in 2018-2019, the band released their debut album. This year, Joelle Barker takes the drum seat, bringing a new and exciting energy to the music.

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JACKIE OATES  
TRIO / DUO
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*Music* Traditional English Folk, Original material, some covers

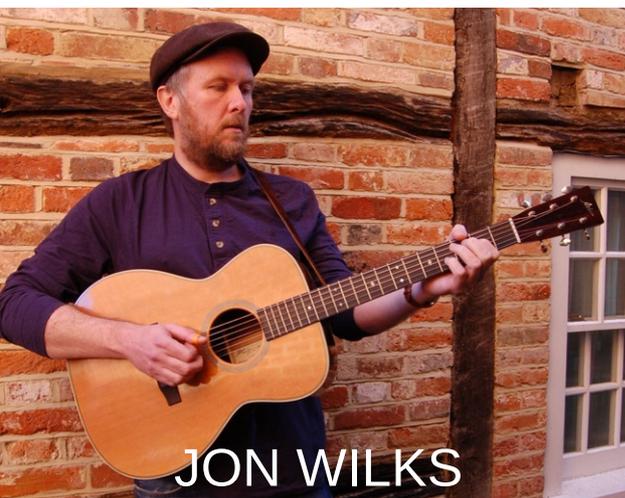
*Line up* Jackie (vocals, violin, shruti), John Parker (bass), Mike Cosgrave (guitar, accordion, piano).

*Recent* Dartmoor, Hartlepool, Fishguard, Upton, Folk Weekend Oxford

*Press* 'The soaring purity of Oates's vocals washes through the songs leaving them like clean streets after a bout of rain.' (The Arts Desk),  
'Utterly gorgeous... moving, depth-filled.' (The Guardian)

*Socials* Facebook 4.2K followers. Instagram 1.5K followers

*About* 'Gracious Wings', out in September 2022, will be Jackie's 8th solo album. Regarded as one of the country's best loved folk performers, Jackie collaborates with a diverse array of artists and commissions. Jackie continues to perform concerts and make the solo records that regularly rack up glowing broadsheet reviews, and in addition of late, is focused on her work as a collaborator and contributor; finding new and surprising artistic corners to illuminate with her voice, research and musicianship.



JON WILKS

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*Music* Traditional English folk, occasional original songs. Vocals & guitar.

*Recent* Sidmouth, Beardy Folk

*Press* Reviews for 'Up The Cut' (2020): 'Beautiful, delicate with love and loss.' (The Guardian). 'Up The Cut is a beautiful album. Affecting, simple guitar, exquisitely accompanied by Wilks' authentic, honest voice. A raw, but entirely seductive, performance. One for all lovers of traditional songs delivered with minimal frills.' (Folk Radio UK)

*Socials* Instagram 1.1K followers

*About* Jon's live show is a masterclass in folk song and story delivery. Jon is an acclaimed fingerpicking guitarist and singer of traditional folk songs and broadside ballads from the English repertoire. His background as a journalist (a former editor of Time Out magazine and contributor to The Guardian) means that he has a great eye and ear for a story, and this shows in his live shows; audiences are entertained with stories about the songs he has unearthed during substantial writing and podcasting research.



PAUL SARTIN

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*Music* Traditional English Folk, some poetry set to music. Vocals, violin, piano.

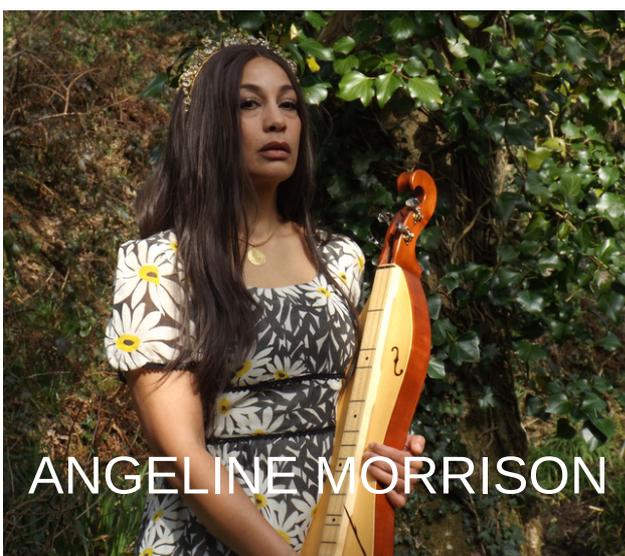
*Recent* Leigh Folk Festival, ALSO Festival, Folk East

*Press* 'Paul is a naturally entertaining raconteur'. (Oxford Mail)

*Socials* Facebook 4.5K followers

*About* A highly-regarded singer and traditional violinist, Paul was a founding member of award-winning folk ensembles Bellowhead, Faustus and Belshazzar's Feast.

Paul now brings his exceptional musicianship, humour and devotion to English trad folk, to his new show. Drawing on the legacy of over 100 songs collected from the female members of his family, this show brings together the many strands of Paul's successful career to date.



ANGELINE MORRISON

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*Music* Traditional English folk, Original songs, Alt-folk. Vocals, mountain dulcimer & autoharp.

*Recent* Cambridge, Sidmouth, Cornwall, Walton, Folk Weekend Oxford

*Press* Reviews for 'The Brown Girl and Other Folk Songs' (2022): 'Abundant with meaning and feeling' (The Guardian, 4 stars, Folk Album of the month). 'Morrison has stunning control over the emotional depths of these songs. Her musicianship is equally impressive. 'The Brown Girl' is one of those rare records that feels perfectly weighted, entirely free of anything extraneous...the whole thing feels lighter than air.' (Folk Radio UK)

*Socials* Instagram 1K followers

*About* Angeline Morrison is a vocalist, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and morris dancer based in Cornwall, who believes in the inherent beauty of sad songs. Angeline's homespun sonic aesthetic, deeply emotive writing and layered vocal harmonies are all stitched together to make small, tender, often dark stories in song.

New album "The Sorrow Songs: Folk Songs of Black British Experience" (October 2022). The UK's historic Black presence is evidenced but not well known, and difficult to find in the UK's existing body of folk songs. This album is the result of research into the historic Black population of these islands. It is a work of re-storying, of lives and of experiences, into songs in the folk style.



## JACKIE OATES & MEGAN HENWOOD

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*Music* Original songs, Traditional English Folk, some covers

*Line up* Jackie (vocals, viola), Megan (vocals, guitar)

*Recent* Wood Festival, Dorchester Festival

*Press* 'This is a heavenly combination' (FRoots)

'What's The Use Of Wings' written by Brian Bedford is quite simply a stunning piece of folk music that sends shivers up my spine.' (FATEA Records)

*Socials* Facebook 4.2K followers. Instagram 1.5K followers

*About* Multi award winning contemporary folk duo Jackie Oates and Megan Henwood meld together their love of storytelling, songwriting and melody. Jackie and Megan sparked a friendship at their local Folk Club in 2012 and soon discovered how effortlessly their vocals blended.



## JACKIE OATES & JOHN SPIERS

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*Music* Traditional English Folk, Original material, some covers

*Line up* Jackie (vocals, violin), John Spiers (vocals, melodeon)

*Recent* Sidmouth, Wickham

*Press* 'It's a treat to listen to, with joyful pieces like Congleton Bear and a brandy-based pair of slip jigs particularly full of sunshine. Oates and Spiers are a fine match, the tunes elegantly paced and played, while Oates remains one of our finest singers.' (Folk Witness)

*Socials* Facebook followers: Jackie 4.2K, John 2.2K

*About* Multi award-winning folk musicians Jackie Oates and John Spiers come together to create a fresh, uplifting and poignant sound.

Their album, 'Needle Pin, Needle Pin' is very much a homespun album, recorded as live during the first weeks of January 2020. Oates and Spiers first started playing together during spontaneous guest spots at Nettlebed Folk Club. They began playing extended sets and working on material from their native Oxfordshire, including the 'Lace Tells' that form Jackie's radio ballad 'The Lacemakers – the Lost Art Of Telling'. The album features tunes and songs from the Oxfordshire area, and comes as a limited edition, handstamped, hand made album.



## BELSHAZZAR'S FEAST

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*Music* Traditional English Folk, folk dance music, classical, some pop

*Line up* Paul Sartin (vocals, violin, oboe), Paul Hutchinson (accordion)

*Recent* Chippenham, Folk Weekend Oxford, Upton on Severn

*Press* 'They can do things with a squeeze-box and an oboe that can break your heart.' (Independent on Sunday)

*Socials* Facebook 2.5K followers

*About* **Now mostly retired from touring as this duo**, acclaimed musicians Paul and Paul are notorious for their superlative ability, wit, rapport and depth of experience, creating a concert to remember. Over the last 25+ years they have entertained audiences across the UK, Australia and beyond with their eclectic and eccentric mix of tunes, songs and humour that sends audiences home with a smile.

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