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What's On

Autumn / Winter 2025/26



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Empire Cinema

Catch the latest blockbusters on the big screen with prices from just £5 (excluding special screenings and events) with further savings to be had when purchasing five tickets for £20 (min, two under 16s).

Love Never Dies

Thursday 2 October, 7pm | £15 (£13 concession)

Coming to our big screen, *Love Never Dies* continues the story of *The Phantom of the Opera*. Featuring one of Andrew Lloyd Webber's finest musical scores performed by a 21-piece orchestra, a stunning cast of 36 including Ben Lewis and Anna O'Byrne, over 300 incredible costumes and a magnificent set illuminated by over 5000 dazzling light bulbs.

Bat Out of Hell - The Musical

Thursday 6 November, 7pm | £15 (£13 concession)

Promising a spectacle that will leave you breathless, get ready for the ultimate rock experience as *Bat Out of Hell* roars into our cinema! The cast of the West End production will bring Jim Steinman and Meat Loaf's iconic anthems to life, including *I'd Do Anything For Love (But I Won't Do That)*, *Paradise By The Dashboard Light*, *Two Out of Three Ain't Bad*, *Dead Ringer For Love*, and, of course, *Bat Out of Hell*.



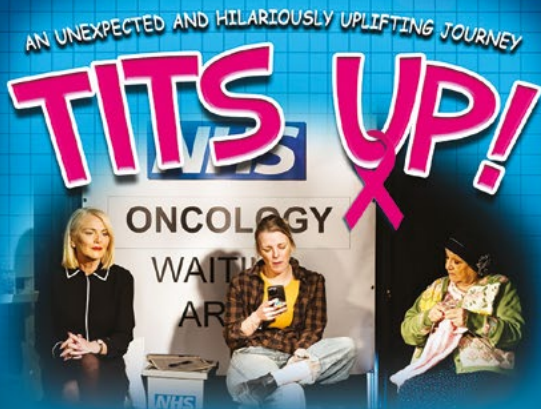
Tits Up

Thursday 4 September, 7.30pm | £15

Three women. Three lives. One fight!

Tina is a devoted mother, Rachel, a career driven businesswoman and Rosie a rebellious young spirit. They couldn't be more different. But when breast cancer brings them together, they find strength, laughter and resilience in the most unlikely place – Oncology Outpatients!

Starring Leah Bell, Alison Stanley and Becky Clayburn, *Tits Up* is a powerful, funny and deeply moving play about life, choices and the bonds that get us through bringing waves of every emotion possible for anyone who has travelled this road.



Uptown Girl: The Billy Joel Collection

Friday 5 September, 7.30pm | £26.50
(£24.50 concession)

Relive an illustrious career as *Uptown Girl – The Billy Joel Collection* takes you through hit after hit, recreating in great detail landmark performances such as *The Old Grey Whistle Test*, his barnstorming 1984 Wembley Concert and the seminal 1982 Live in Long Island show culminating in an electrifying finale that is guaranteed to bring the house down.

This two-hour staged concert features non-stop hits including *My Life*, *Just the Way You Are*, *New York State of Mind*, *She's Always a Woman*, *Piano Man*, *We Didn't Start the Fire* and, of course, *Uptown Girl*.

For fans who experienced these incredible performances before and younger generations alike, audiences are in for an unforgettable night of ballads, rock and roll, timeless tunes and the biggest sing-along choruses of all time.



Thank You For The Music

**Saturday 6 September, 7.30pm |
Tickets from £26**

Calling all Dancing Queens...this is your night to say, *Thank You For The Music!*

This international smash-hit tribute show brings all ABBA's number one hits to the stage in a production like no other. The hugely popular show, now in its 21st year, with a brand-new show for 2025 combines the unmistakable harmonies, colourful costumes, and dazzling performances by our all-star cast.

Join us for the party of the year where you can dance, you can jive, and have the time of your life as we bring you all the hits, including *Waterloo*, *Dancing Queen*, *Super Trouper*, *Mamma Mia*, *Knowing Me, Knowing You*, *Gimme, Gimme, Gimme*, *The Winner Takes It All* and many more!



The Comedy Store

**Friday 12 September, Friday 14
November and Friday 23 January,
7.30pm | £12 (£10 concession)**

The Comedy Store is back and showcasing the best and brightest comedy talent at Empire Consett.

The London club offers a night out like no other – and you don't even have to leave Consett to experience it!

Each show will provide two hours of laughter featuring four of the best stand-up comedians currently working in the UK.

Expect adult themes and proper grown-up comedy. Not for the feint-hearted and not to be missed!

Age guidance: 18+



Ireland The Show

Thursday 18 September, 7.30pm | £27.50

Now seen by a live audience of over 250,000 to nightly standing ovations and rave reviews, join an all-star Irish cast of highly talented singers and performers accompanied by the fabulous Keltic Storm band and world champion Gael Force Irish dancers.

As well as songs from iconic artists like the Dubliners, the Pogue's, Makem and Clancy, Luke Kelly and Christy Moore, there'll also be a string of hilarious stories and jokes from our award winning comedian Gary Gamble and his surreal impressions of Daniel O'Donnell, topped off with energetic reels and jigs from our fiddling maestro and the talented Keltic voice of Donegal singer Elaine Boyle.

If it's all things Irish you like, then this is the one stop show for you that's guaranteed to take you to Ireland and back in one night!



Joe McElderry: Live 2025

Friday 19 September, 7.30pm | £32

Fifteen years in the music industry, five studio albums, thirteen single releases, twelve stage roles, ten tours, one man – Joe McElderry.

Joe's recent releases include upbeat positivity filled country-pop hit *Baby Had Your Fun*, *I Am An Army* and high energy pop anthem *LOVE!*. Joe hit the streaming platforms by storm in 2024, when he released his debut podcast *That's Ridiculous* with the iconic Grandma Hilda.

Joe is bringing his signature style back to Empire Consett with *Live 2025* where he'll intertwine operatic classics and modern-day masterpieces.



Bon Jovi Forever One Wild Night Tour

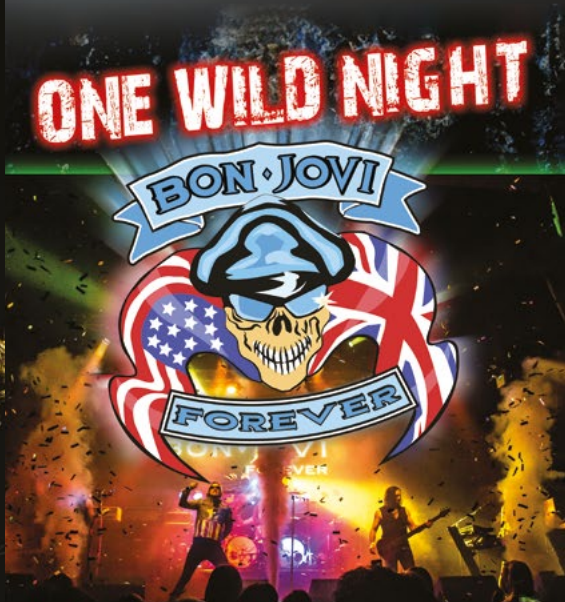
Friday 26 September, 7.30pm | £26

The only Bon Jovi tribute show you need to see!

A high energy, electric packed show guaranteed to raise your hands, Bon Jovi Forever are committed to reviving the 80/90s style show, receiving rave reviews from fans and venues all over the UK.

Every performance is action packed and delivered with the artistry, energy and passion of the real thing. A stunning stage show that will make you believe you're watching the Real Bon Jovi from back in their heyday.

This show is guaranteed to give any fan of Bon Jovi 'One Wild Night'!



The Haunting of Blaine Manor

Winner of The Salford Star Best Play of the Year Award

Written and directed by Joe O'Byrne

Saturday 27 September, 7.30pm | £20

England, 1953. Renowned American parapsychologist Doctor Roy Earle, famous for discrediting hauntings and exposing fake mediums, is invited to attend a séance in Blaine Manor, said to be the most haunted building in England.

However, Earle's arrival awakes something horrific within the manor's walls. As a raging storm closes them off from the outside world, Earle and his companions find that what is waiting within the manor is not nearly as horrific as what has entered with them.

In the spirit of M R James, England's most accomplished ghost story writer (*Casting the Runes, Whistle and I'll Come To You My Lad, The Haunted Doll's House*) and with a nod to the classic black and white film classics of Columbia Pictures, Metro Goldwyn Mayor, Universal Pictures and 20th Century Fox.

O'Byrne's award-winning production is a love letter to both the Golden Age of Hollywood and the Hammer Horror era. An appreciation of the fabulous characters played by the likes of Vincent Price, Peter Cushing, Bette Davis, Peter Lorre and more. It's a thrilling haunted house chiller set in a manor with a twisted history of madness, witchcraft, tragedy and death, it's the new *The Woman in Black*.

Age guidance: 10+ (under 16s must be accompanied by an adult)

"A horror masterclass from one of our very best and busiest writers" **The Salford Star**



Lipstick On Your Collar

Friday 3 October, 7.30pm | Tickets from £23

Step back in time to the golden era of music where the jukebox roared and feet didn't touch the floor with an evening of back to back hits from the 1950s and 60s!

From the birth of Rock n Roll through to the Beat Group sounds of the British Invasion and beyond, the show is packed with over forty hits from the likes of Connie Francis, Brenda Lee, Buddy Holly, Chuck Berry, The Beatles, The Ronettes, Cliff Richard, Cilla Black and many more.

Performed by a full live band, featuring some of the country's top musicians, this incredible show features excellent vocals, tight harmonies and an infectious sense of fun.



Barry Steele's Roy Orbison Story

Friday 10 October, 7.30pm | £28.50

Join Barry Steele's *Roy Orbison Story* for an unforgettable evening celebrating the legendary Roy Orbison and the iconic Traveling Wilburys!

Experience captivating performances that brings the timeless hits and heartfelt stories to life. Enjoy classic hits like *Oh, Pretty Woman*, *Crying*, and *Only the Lonely*, performed with passion and authenticity and relive the magic of the Travelling Wilburys with favourites such as *Handle with Care* and *End of the Line* with a sprinkling of selected songs from Johnny Cash, ELO, and Tom Petty.

Not only is this production perfect for fans of all ages, this show also promises to take you on a nostalgic journey through some of the greatest songs in music history.



Emma Kenny: Killer Couples

Friday 17 October, 7.30pm | £27.50

Emma Kenny returns with an enthralling new show that plunges into the depths of love twisted into terror.

After her triumphant *The Serial Killer Next Door* tour, Emma captivates yet again, solidifying her status as one of the UK's foremost crime presenters. This time, she invites you to delve into the dark world of *Killer Couples*.

Killer Couples is not just another true crime show; it's a riveting exploration of romance gone horrifically awry. Emma unravels the complex psychology of couples who commit the unthinkable, transforming their intimate bond into a pact of death and destruction. This show offers a chilling glimpse into the lives of duos who embarked on deadly paths, from the infamous Brady and Hindley to the modern-day equivalents whose stories shock and bewilder.

Emma's compelling narrative dissects how these relationships evolve from love to something entirely malevolent, providing an intense, thought-provoking experience. The show dares to ask: What drives these couples to cross the line together? How does love become an accessory to murder? *Killer Couples* seeks to understand the dynamics at play in these lethal liaisons, making it a must-attend for anyone fascinated by the darker aspects of human nature and relationships.

Age guidance: 16+



Most Haunted: The Stage Show

Thursday 23 October, 7.30pm | Tickets from £22

The acclaimed world number one paranormal show, multi-award winning *Most Haunted* is the original and most successful worldwide paranormal investigation television series ever made and its spine-chilling theatre show now comes to Consett.

Theatre audiences will be shaking in their seats as Yvette Fielding and the team take you on a terrifying journey through *Most Haunted*'s all-time top 10 scares complete with some unseen video footage from their investigations.

As well as an interactive Q&A, *Most Haunted: The Stage Show*'s thrilling finale will see audience members invited to join in a séance and Ouija board on stage with the team, as well as conducting their very own ghostly investigation.

Age restriction: 14+



Walk Like A Man

Friday 24 October, 7.30pm | £26.50

Walk Like A Man is the ultimate celebration of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons, recreating the iconic powerful falsetto with perfection with incredible vocals, slick moves, infectious charm and timeless hits.

Audiences will not be able to resist classics such as *Can't Take My Eyes Off You*, *Walk Like a Man*, *Sherry*, *Big Girls Don't Cry*, *Oh, What a Night* and many more.

Putting their own spin on timeless classics with incredible harmonies and a genuine admiration for the music, this show is a powerhouse not to be missed.

WALK LIKE A MAN



featuring music from

*Frankie Valli
& The Four Seasons*

The Magic of Motown

Friday 7 November, 7.30pm | Tickets from £26

Come celebrate as we *Reach Out* and show you *There Ain't No Mountain High Enough* with the biggest Motown party of the year.

Get ready for all the hits, glittering costumes, dazzling dance routines and outstanding musicianship in this breath-taking live concert spectacular.

You will be going Loco down in Acapulco as we take you back down memory lane with all the Motown classics from artists such as Marvin Gaye, Diana Ross, Stevie Wonder, The Temptations, The Supremes, The Four Tops, Martha Reeves, The Jackson 5, Smokey Robinson, and many more.

Celebrate the sound of a generation with one very special night of *The Magic of Motown*.



The EverReady Band

**Saturday 8 November, 7.30pm | £15
(£13 concession)**

Based in the North East England, The EverReady Band has been nationally graded as a Championship Section band and have since won the North of England Brass Band Championships a record 36 times since 1958.

Originally formed in 1910 to provide recreational activity for the miners in the village of Craghead, County Durham, The EverReady Band became known locally and nationally, ranking for many years in the top ten brass bands in the world.



An Evening With Kevin Keegan

**Thursday 13 November, 7.30pm |
£37.50 (£85 VIP Meet & Greet)**

Join the two-time Ballon d'Or winner as football legend Kevin Keegan comes to Empire Consett.

Hosted by Sky Sports presenter Pete Graves, join Kevin for an evening of chat about his spectacular career.

From a playing career that included time at Liverpool, Hamburg, Southampton and Newcastle, to captaining England for six years and a successful managerial career until his retirement.

Grab your tickets now for what is sure to be a fascinating night of entertainment!

Limited VIP Meet and Greet tickets also available including meet and greet, prime seating and a promotional photo with Kevin.



Crown Ballet: Swan Lake

Saturday 15 November, 2.30pm | £31 (£28 concession), £23 under 16s

Widely regarded as the most iconic ballet of all time, *Swan Lake* is a masterpiece of Tchaikovsky's genius. Featuring some of the most memorable music and breathtaking choreography, this production brings to life a timeless tale of love, betrayal, and redemption.

Swan Lake tells the captivating story of Odette, a beautiful princess cursed to live as a swan by day and a woman by night. When Prince Siegfried encounters a flock of swans while hunting, he is enchanted as one of them transforms into the lovely Odette. However, their love is tested when the devious Odile, who resembles Odette, threatens to destroy their bond. Will Siegfried's love for Odette be powerful enough to break the curse?

Filled with mystery, romance, and emotional depth, *Swan Lake* has captivated the hearts of audiences for generations and continues to be celebrated worldwide.





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The Pantomime of Your Dreams

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PERFORMANCE DATES

Fri	28/11/2025	10.00am	
Sat	29/11/2025	3.00pm	
Sun	30/11/2025	3.00pm	
Tues	02/12/2025	10.00am	
Wed	03/12/2025	10.00am	
Thurs	04/12/2025	10.00am	
Fri	05/12/2025	1.30pm	6.00pm
Sat	06/12/2025	11.00am	3.00pm
Sun	07/12/2025	3.00pm	
Tues	09/12/2025	10.00am	
Wed	10/12/2025	10.00am	
Thurs	11/12/2025	10.00am	
Fri	12/12/2025	10.00am	
Sat	13/12/2025	11.00am	3.00pm
Sun	14/12/2025	3.00pm	
Tues	16/12/2025	10.00am	
Wed	17/12/2025	10.00am	
Thurs	18/12/2025	10.00am	1.30pm
Fri	19/12/2025	6.30pm	
Sat	20/12/2025	11.00am	3.00pm
Sun	21/12/2025	3.00pm	
Tues	23/12/2025	12.30pm	4.30pm
Wed	24/12/2025	11.00am	3.00pm
Fri	26/12/2025	3.00pm	
Sat	27/12/2025	11.00am*	3.00pm
Sun	28/12/2025	3.00pm	
Mon	29/12/2025	3.00pm	
Tues	30/12/2025	11.00am**	3.00pm
Wed	31/12/2025	1.30pm	
*Sat 27 Dec		11.00am	Relaxed Performance
**Tues 30 Dec		11.00am	BSL Performance

The Glam Rock Show: Get It On!

Friday 30 January, 7.30pm | Tickets
from £26

Get ready to go wild, wild, wild!

Step into the ultimate glam rock experience as we transport you back to the golden age of glitter, guitars, and anthems that defined a generation!

With a sensational live band and powerhouse vocals, we're bringing you the biggest hits from T. Rex, Slade, Bowie, The Bay City Rollers, Sweet, Suzi Quatro, Wizzard, Mud, and more.

Dig out your platforms, turn up the volume, and *Get It On* for a night of non-stop glam rock nostalgia!



Celebrating Celine

Saturday 31 January, 7.30pm | Tickets
from £27

Celebrating Celine is the ultimate live concert experience honouring the legendary music of Celine Dion, bringing to life the passion, power, and unforgettable songs that have defined her extraordinary career.

Celebrating Celine delivers an immersive journey through her greatest hits from timeless ballads like *My Heart Will Go On* and *Because You Loved Me* to high-energy anthems like *River Deep*, *Mountain High*, this show is a heartfelt celebration of one of the world's most beloved voices.

Starring the phenomenal powerhouse vocals of Lisa Harter starring as Celine, and an incredible live band, prepare to be dazzled as we pay tribute to the voice, the legacy, and the magic of Celine Dion.



COMMUNITY

Robin Hood

Presented by CBS Theatre Group

**Monday 12 to Saturday 17 January, 7.15pm (+2.15pm Saturday 17 January) | £12
(£10 on Monday 12 January)**

A fun filled family panto which tells the tale of Robin Hood who stole from the rich to give to the poor through dance, song and comedy brought to you by your community CBS Theatre Group.

Come along and join in the frolics as we journey with Robin Hood and his band of merry men.

COMING SOON

The Illegal Eagles

Saturday 7 February, 7.30pm

Fleeting Rumours

Saturday 14 February, 7.30pm

The Fureys Farewell Tour

Thursday 19 March, 7.30pm

Hometown Glory Candlelit Concert

Saturday 21 March, 7.30pm

90s Live

Friday 27 March, 7.30pm

The Makings of a Murderer: The Undercover Detective

Saturday 28 March, 7.30pm

Beyond The Barricade

Saturday 16 May, 7.30pm

Phantoms of the Popera: Starring G4

Saturday 6 June, 7.30pm

Paul Young: Songs & Stories

Saturday 13 June, 7.30pm





Empire Lounge

Take a seat and relax in our café and lounge area, with light bites served from 11am to 3pm Wednesday to Saturday.

Whether you're popping in with friends for a cuppa or lunch during the day, or a glass of wine before a show, Empire Lounge is a great place to start.

Evening bar open for refreshments 30 minutes before film and 45 minutes before live shows. Please note the bar will close 15 minutes prior to show start times to enable the audience to be seated.

Empire Youth Theatre

Empire Youth Theatre provides young people aged 4 to 11 with a wide range of opportunities to improve confidence, develop performance and creative skills, and make new friends.

Working in a supportive group led by brilliant theatre practitioners, participants will learn about the process of theatre making whilst having fun.

For our Autumn term, weekly drama sessions will run on Saturday mornings and week commencing 27 September until the week commencing 6 December (excluding week commencing 27 October).

There will also be performance opportunities, visits from theatre specialists and trips to see shows throughout the term.

4 to 7 years - Saturdays, 10am - 11am

8 to 11 years - Saturdays, 11.15am - 12.45pm

Sessions can be booked individually at £7.

Book online at empireconsett.co.uk or by calling our Box Office on 03000 262 400.



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