



Press Release

2009 LIVERPOOL SUMMER POPS FESTIVAL
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SQUEEZE AND THE PRETENDERS LIVERPOOL SUMMER POPS FESTIVAL DOUBLE BILL

ALREADY CONFIRMED

Friday 3rd July 2009

THE AUSTRALIAN PINK FLOYD SHOW - THE WALL – Liverpool Echo Arena
£24.50, £28.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Thursday 2nd July 2009

JOHN MAYALL – Liverpool 02 Academy
£22.50

Tuesday 7th July 2009

JAMES MORRISON – Liverpool Echo Arena
£24.50, £28.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Friday 10th July 2009

BEATLES DAY – THE CONCERT – Liverpool Echo Arena
£19.50, £24.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Friday 10th July 2009

BUZZCOCKS, plus special guests, **THE DRELLAS** and **FRAKTURES** – Liverpool 02 Academy
£17.50

Saturday 11th July 2009

McFLY – Liverpool Echo Arena
£22.50, £27.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Thursday 30th July 2009

RHYDIAN and **ONLY MEN ALOUD!** – Liverpool Echo Arena
£27.50, £32.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Sunday 12th July 2009

SHARLEEN SPITERI – THE VOICE OF TEXAS – Liverpool Echo Arena
£23.50, £28.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Tuesday 14th July 2009

LEONARD COHEN - Liverpool Echo Arena
£55.00, £65.00 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Wednesday 15th July 2009

THE POGUES – Liverpool Echo Arena
£24.50, £29.50, VIP
(a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Friday 17th July 2009

Ne-Yo, plus special guests - Liverpool Echo Arena
£35.00

Tuesday 21st July 2009

SIMPLE MINDS – 30 YEARS LIVE, plus special guests - Liverpool Echo Arena £30.00, £35.00 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Friday 24th July 2009

JOOLS HOLLAND, plus special guests – Liverpool Echo Arena
£24.50, £29.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Saturday 25th July 2009

SIMPLY RED, 25th Anniversary Greatest Hits, plus special guests – Liverpool Echo Arena
£34.50, £38.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Saturday 25TH July 2009

THE LOTUS EATERS, plus special guests – Liverpool Philharmonic Hall
£22.50

Friday 31st July 2009
DEACON BLUE, plus special guests – Liverpool Echo Arena
£22.50, £26.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Saturday 1st August 2009
THE AUSTRALIAN PINK FLOYD SHOW - THE WALL – Liverpool Echo Arena
£24.50, £28.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

Thursday 16th July 2009
SQUEEZE and THE PRETENDERS – Liverpool Echo Arena
£23.50, £28.50 (a limited amount of Gold Circle tickets and VIP tickets available)

CMP ENTERTAINMENT, are proud to announce **SQUEEZE** and **THE PRETENDERS**, as the latest acts to sign up for this year's Liverpool Summer Pops Festival.

Tickets for the double headline show, at the Liverpool Echo Arena, on Thursday 16th July 2009, will go on sale 9am on Friday April 17th 2009.

Confirmed Summer Pops Festival shows include, McFly, Rhydian and Only men Aloud!, Buzzcocks, John Mayall, James Morrison, Sharleen Spiteri – the voice of Texas The Pogues, Leonard Cohen, Ne-Yo, The Australian Pink Floyd Show, Simple Minds, the charity Beatles Day Concert, Jools Holland, Simply Red, Deacon Blue and The Lotus Eaters. More acts will be announced over the coming weeks.

"We're delighted to bring two such hugely influential bands to the Summer Pops Festival" said Chas Cole from CMP.

Squeeze first came to prominence during the New Wave period of the late 1970's, and continued recording successfully in the 1980's and 1990's. With hit singles like 'Cool for Cats,' 'Black Coffee In Bed', 'Up the Junction', 'Pulling Mussels (From the Shell)' and 'Hourglass.'

With the perfect combination of Chris Difford's lyrics and Glenn Tilbrook's melodies Squeeze created some of the most memorable and most loved songs of any generation of songwriters, with their indecently adept ability for narrating a good domestic yarn over a suitably pithy couplet - their carefully crafted inventive songs are utterly timeless.

It should come as no surprise then, that many of today's young bands, ranging from The View to Razorlight to Fountains of Wayne to The Feeling and Kasabian have all cited them as a major influence.

The Pretenders will make their second Summer Pops appearance alongside Squeeze.

Since forming the Pretenders three decades ago, lead singer, Chrissie Hynde has proven to be a one-of-a-kind tough-minded, outspoken and an utterly uncompromising artist.

Hynde's girl group influenced vocals are also crucial to the band's success and with her trademark, black eyeliner and black jeans, she has always appealed to both genders.

With the charismatic, lead singer, Chrissie Hynde at the helm, The Pretenders have released such classics as 'Brass in Pocket', 'Back On the Chain Gang' and 'I'll Stand By You.' Hyde is also know for her collaborations with UB40, on the Sony

and Cher standard, 'I Got You Babe' and a cover of Dusty Springfield's 'Breakfast In Bed.'

Last year saw the release of their album 'Break Up The Concrete,' in which Rolling Stone magazine hailed as "The best Pretenders record in years."

In March of 2005, the Pretenders were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

FOR TICKETS AND THE VIP POPS EXPERIENCE CALL 0844 847 1616 and for VIP tables of 10 call Jan Owen on 0151 708 6050

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