



WADDESDON



# Waddesdon Manor Goes Pop!

## Historic country house set to host a series of Nostalgia-laden summer concerts

**11-14 July 2024**

Get ready for the ultimate musical trip down memory lane with *Music at the Manor*, a series of live outdoor concerts, featuring some of the world's very best tribute acts, taking place throughout July.

Grab your friends and get ready to dance through the decades, with a medley of classic tunes inspired by some of the biggest names in pop, including *The Beatles*, *ABBA*, *Queen*, *Take That* and *Coldplay*.

Held in the beautiful grounds of Waddesdon, with the French Renaissance-style chateau forming the most spectacular backdrop, *Music at the Manor* promises four extraordinary evenings of entertainment from 11-14 July.

The full line-up includes:

Waddesdon – A Rothschild House & Gardens, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP18 0JH England [www.waddesdon.org.uk](http://www.waddesdon.org.uk)

- **Thursday 11 July** – *Bootleg Beatles*, supported by *Le Freak*
- **Friday 12 July** – *Radio Gaga*, supported by *Wild Boys*
- **Saturday 13 July** – *Thank you for the Music*, supported by *Cher: Strong Enough*
- **Sunday 14 July** – *Take That Experience*, supported by *Ultimate Coldplay*

Formed in 1979, the **Bootleg Beatles** are today regarded as the world's premier *Beatles* tribute band and will take you on a journey through the iconic band's back catalogue, from *Love Me Do* to *Hey Jude* and all their greatest hits in between.

They'll be supported by **Le Freak**, who pay tribute to the unmistakable sounds and songs of *Chic*, *Nile Rogers* and the very best of disco.

Prepare yourself for a night like no other, as **Radio GaGa** bring you the ultimate celebration of one of the biggest bands to have ever graced the stage. Celebrating the magic, fun and showmanship of the band's touring days, hear all your favourite hits, from *Don't Stop Me Now* to *Bohemian Rhapsody*. Beforehand, **Wild Boys** will get you shaking your hips to chart-topping 80s classics by the likes of *Human League*, *ABC*, *Erasure*, *Go West*, *Kajagoogoo* and many more.

Dancing queens will absolutely adore **Thank You for the Music**, who bring their international smash-hit tribute show, featuring all the Swedish legends' number one hits, to the. Combining *ABBA*'s trademark harmonies, colourful costumes, and dazzling performances, we assure every ardent fan that you can dance, you can jive, and have the time of your life, as *Thank You for the Music* perform smash hits, including *Waterloo*, *Dancing Queen*, *Super Trouper*, *Mamma Mia*, *The Winner Takes It All* and many, many more! After all, without a song or a dance, what are we?

Making this an extra-special night, in which you can turn back time, **Cher: Strong Enough** brings you the sheer joy of the original Goddess of Pop's back catalogue.

The series of concerts concludes in grand style with an evening devoted to one of the greatest boy bands ever assembled. As their name suggests, **The Take That Experience** will totally immerse you in an incredible career spanning three decades.

With uncanny vocal performances, stunning replica costumes and the iconic dance routines, *The Take That Experience* will make you ask 'could it be magic?' as they take you on a 'Greatest Hits Tour'. This incredible show features *Take That*'s classic 90s hits through to their most recent triumphs. Highlights of the night include *Pray*, *Relight My Fire*, *Patience*, *Shine*, *These Days*, *Rule the World* and more. There's also a very special solo performance by "*Robbie Williams*", who performs fan favourites, from *Rock DJ* to the truly iconic, *Angels*.

Fans of stadium rockers *Coldplay* are also in for a treat, as their namesakes **Ultimate Coldplay** do exactly that, and produce a performance of pure hits. They not only sound like the real thing, they really look it too!

*Music at the Manor* is a fabulous way for music lovers to make the most of the long summer evenings, while enjoying a festival-like atmosphere, made all the more complete by a variety of pop-up vendors providing delicious takeaway food and drinks.

Don't miss out on what promises to be four truly memorable summer nights. I would urge you to reserve your tickets now and get ready to sing and dance along with the very best cover bands in the business!"

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [www.waddesdon.org.uk/music-at-the-manor](http://www.waddesdon.org.uk/music-at-the-manor).

## **ADMISSION**

Gates open at 6pm. Music starts from 7.30pm

Standard admission £35 per person (over-12s only)

Full details of prices and online booking information, here: [www.waddesdon.org.uk/music-at-the-manor](http://www.waddesdon.org.uk/music-at-the-manor)

## **NOTES FOR EDITORS**

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**Waddesdon Manor** was built at the end of the 19th century by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild in the style of a French early 16th-century château. Baron Ferdinand was an inspired collector, and the house was designed to showcase his exceptional collection of English and Dutch paintings, French 18th-century furniture, Sèvres porcelain, and other decorative arts. When Ferdinand died in 1898, he left Waddesdon to his sister, Alice, who also was a great collector. Upon her death the house passed to her great-nephew, James de Rothschild, who inherited a substantial part of his father Baron Edmond's great collection. In 1957, to ensure its future in perpetuity, Waddesdon was bequeathed to the National Trust. The Rothschild family continues to run Waddesdon through a family charitable trust, the Rothschild Foundation. Until February 2024, it was under the chairmanship of Jacob, 4<sup>th</sup> Lord Rothschild. His eldest daughter, Hannah Rothschild, is now the chair. More at <https://waddesdon.org.uk/about-us/press/notes-for-editors/>

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