

Proposal Kettering King Charles III Coronation Swinging 1950's Programme

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1950's Children's Activities and Workshops

1950's Inflate-A-Bells - Pop Up Balloon Boutique

This is a fabulous balloon makeover-station where the guests become the stars of the event and are adorned in balloon creations, from extravagant headdresses to fabulous fascinators.

We provide: A minimum of 2 Inflate-a-Belles, an illuminated portable Hollywood style mirror(s), balloons, accessories and extraordinary entertainment.

Performance times: Up to 3 hours



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Children's 1950's Make and Take Home and Coronation Workshop

A colourful approach to children's entertainment. Children's workshops are available for the 1950's to keep children amused for hours. Workshops include making crowns and tiaras, Union Jack flags, Union Jack hats, cherubs and hearts, horses, unicorns, celebration hats, flags and masks and all manner of other 1950's styled makes!

The workshops can deal with up to 240 children per day, each one making something to take home.



Children's 1950's Make and Take Home and Coronation Workshop

Professor Patel's 1950's Traditional Punch & Judy

This classic puppet show is a tale of family life that climaxes in a battle between good and evil. Punch and Judy are joined by a host of characters as the story progresses. As Punch

dispatches the members of the cast one by one, he finally meets his match... The Devil. Will Punch break the habit of his lifetime and do the right thing... or will he be banished to the depths of hell for all eternity....only the audience will decide!

With plenty of topical references and sharp satire, celebrity appearances from popular culture and politics, this traditional Punch & Judy is bang up to date. Suitable for all ages. 3 x 30minute shows in a 6hr period.



Professor Patel's 1950's Traditional Punch & Judy

1950's Style Face Painting

Come and meet our face painter as they paint children's faces to 1950's styles with Union Jacks and various other period motifs. Children love having their face painted with various designs and colours and this is a fabulous way to add excitement and enjoyment into the event. Children can also have their faces painted with more conventional styles

1950's Period Street Market

1950's Cooking

Learn about cooking using herbs, vegetables and ingredients available to post-war families. The day will include simple workshops for members of the public to explore recipes and ideas to explore at home.

1950's Butter Making

1950's butter will be made in a simple way that can be used at home in this interactive workshop. Children can also participate in mixing the butter and learn more about the process of production. Includes all materials.

School Life and Period Games

Discover about school life in 1950 with our period headmistress/master. Learn about lessons being taught during the school day? Life of a child at school? Period games played in the school ground and at home. A great experience for children. These workshops are also available in schools.

Toy Soldier Pewter Casting

Come and find out about toy casting (formally lead casting) of Toy soldiers. A fascinating demonstration that captures the spirit of the period. A brazier will be used to cast the soldiers. Lead free pewter will be used in the casting. This is featured as part of the National Curriculum for history at Key Stage I and II and helps children to understand more about childhood during the period.

1950's Liquorice Making (Children's Have a Go Activity)

Come and discover about the fascinating process of Liquorice making. Liquorice was extremely popular during the period and children will be able to help the Liquorice making in grinding and preparing the ingredients. The Liquorice is not for public sale or consumption. Includes all materials.

1950's Hairdressing

Come and discover about 1950's hair styles and get your hair cut/styled and designed to the period. Great for getting in role and enjoying the day is this unique activity.

Soap Making

Discover about soap making using a variety of ingredients used during the 1950's. This display will use traditional methods of working, which will allow members of the public to find out more of this cottage craft post-war time.

1950's Craft Working (1)

Discover about French knitting with cotton reel dollies and cutting out and colouring paper fashion dolls. These were popular pastimes that would be undertaken in the home and also outside in the streets of Britain during the 1950's.

1950's Craft Working (2)

(i). Pottery Making Penny Coins and Face Pots:

Come and Make a Penny Coin with the head King Charles III or of our beloved late Queen (who ruled during the 1950's). You could also make a face pot with a Crown on or sculpture your pot to look like Charles III.

(ii). Micky Mouse Head:

As an alternative you could make a pottery face or head out of clay of Micky Mouse.

(ii). Make Pottery Marbles, Jacks and Dice:

Or you could make games of the 50s, marbles, jacks and dice and play them on a pottery board games or play like nine mans morrris, noughts and crosses, horse shoe, dice, marbles and jacks.

1950's Entertainment

Sweet Life

Up to six performers weave intricate patterns with both dance and juggling in a charming



Sweet Life

and evocative celebration of summer inspired by Federico Fellini's *La Dolce Vita*. It premiered to great acclaim in Trafalgar Square where it was performed inside the running fountain. Perfect for courtyards, squares and fountains.

Mr Wippy and the Conettes

Mr Wippy and the Conettes is a piece of mobile, musical theatre based in an antique ice cream van. The styling is reminiscent of 1940's American 'Cheesecake' art and the saucy seaside postcard art of pre-war Britain, tailored to suit family audiences. The theme of the show is ice cream and it is 15mins long. The characters: Mr. Wippy - the compère and crooner, Knickerbocker Glory (AKA Strawberry Sauce) the leading lady and The Conettes- the two backing singers, all sing and dance familiar Hollywood musical numbers with rewritten lyrics. Between shows the cast offer short dance workshops to members of the audience, all ages are welcome.



Mr Wippy and the Conettes

The Royal Visit (Kings Charles III and His Beefeaters) – in development

Come and meet the King Charles on his 'Royal Visit' with a variety of characters that add pomp, ceremony and regal pageantry to any event. The King and Royal Beefeaters will meet and entertain members of the public with physical comedy and right royal humour. The mobile royal carriage will also be popping out regal tunes as the King visits your town, venue or attraction on her right royal walkabout.

Union Jack Stilt Walkers

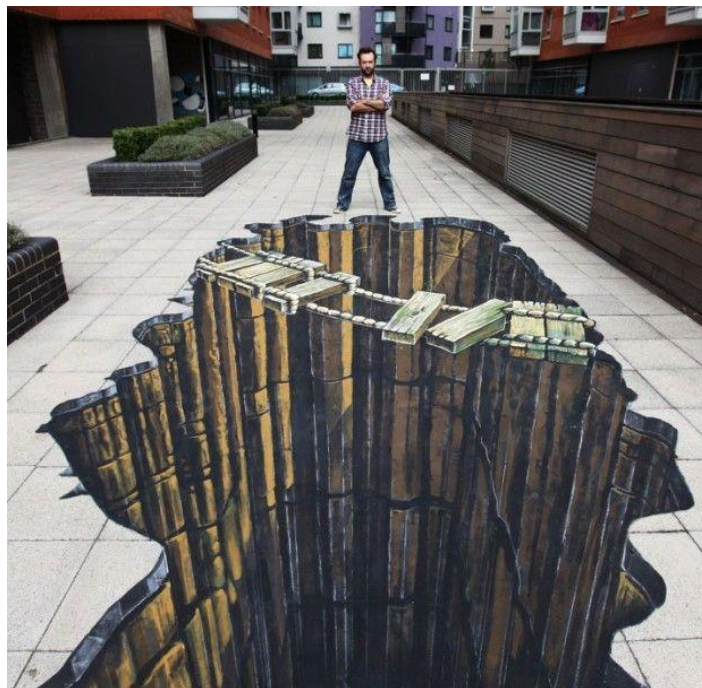
Mixing comedy and conversation, stilt walkers characters engage audiences in a novel way. Perfect for the Coronation of Charles III. 3 x 45 min performance sets



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2D or 3D Street Art

Various sculpture or street art based themes are possible and one of the most engaging and



3D Street Art

interactive is 3D Pavement art. For the event, we could look at producing a theme relevant to Kettering or this be based on a Royal or 1950's theme for the Coronation. We can also offer a public, interactive 3D art workshops; not just an art activity, but an educational insight into the world of illusionary art. Other themes and options are available, but this would certainly create a great deal of interest and promotion town and county wide.

A wide range of other 1950's acts, artistes, entertainers, demonstrations, displays, period vehicles, 1950's theming and children's activities and workshops are also available for the event

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