

Information for artists and agents looking for bookings

Holmfirth is a small community festival run by volunteers and takes place in various small venues around the town. Please note that we receive dozens of requests to perform and though we do try to look at all applications as volunteers we simply do not have time to individually reply to all requests.

It may be useful to consider the following if you are thinking of applying to perform.

The festival committee organises just 3 ticketed concerts, Friday and Saturday night, about 90 tickets each and a late Sunday afternoon finale concert in the civic hall that can seat up to 300, plus a Saturday night ceilidh with about 200 tickets.

There are also daily folk club events with a “headliner” (usually somebody already booked for the festival). These are free or have a nominal charge.

In addition many of the pubs and bars around the town have bands and performers playing throughout the weekend. The festival arranges these acts & the pubs make a financial contribution to the festival but entry is free.

We are sure that you can appreciate from the above that opportunities to perform are fairly limited and our budget is also strictly limited as we aim to make each event self funding. Please bear this in mind when submitting your request. It would be very helpful to have an idea of the fee you are looking for. Also links to any video or audio clips or websites help us greatly when deciding who to consider. If you are interested in doing one of the pub gigs please note you would normally need to provide your own PA.

Finally Holmfirth Picturedrome organises big name folk acts across the weekend to complement the Festival of Folk but these are arranged directly by the Picturedrome and it's booking agents, **not** by the festival.

Thanks for taking the time to read this and we hope it was useful.
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