

## Guitars: the exhibition

A celebration of design, craftsmanship and music, **Guitars, made in Britain, played the world over** is a multi sensory exhibition experience which explores a culture of craft and design that has disappeared from many aspects of our lives, and reveals the practice of the music industry's unsung hero – the guitar maker.

The guitar maker (or luthier) represents a valued and fabulous tradition of creating hand-made and exquisitely designed musical instruments. Born from a passion for music, and a desire to build the perfect guitar that makes the perfect sound, the luthier spends a life time refining building processes - choosing quality and perfection, over profit margins and turnover.

The exhibition will not only be an opportunity to see these stunning

instruments and learn more about how and why they are made, but also an opportunity to experience the 'sound' the hand-crafted guitar produces under the expertise of master musicians in our series of gallery concerts.

This exhibition was curated with the support of the acclaimed musician Gordon Giltrap

The **Hub National Centre for Craft & Design** has a rich mix of exhibitions, workshops and other events. Our mission is to be an advocate for crafts, design and popular culture in the 21st Century. More information at [www.thehubcentre.info](http://www.thehubcentre.info)

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# Guitars, made in Britain, played the world over 22 Nov - 18 Jan 2009

## Events programme

Remarkable guitars by remarkable makers played by remarkable musicians. All sorts of opportunities to know more about guitars.

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## Concerts programme

**Saturday 22 November 2008**

**OPENING CONCERT** by festival host and exhibition curator **GORDON GILTRAP**  
*The virtuoso electro acoustic guitarist £10 (£8 concessions)*

**Friday 28 November 2008**

**An evening of Classical Guitar with RAY BURLEY**

*Music from the classical guitar repertoire by an internationally respected master £10 (£8 concessions)*

**Saturday 5 December 2008**

**New aspects of the CLASSICAL REPERTOIRE**

*International star of 21st Century guitar music TOM KERSTENS shares the bill with his guitar maker GARY SOUTHWELL's duo ORPHIC £10 (£8 concessions)*

**Friday 12 December 2008**

**The TWO MARTINS**

*The worlds of jazz, blues and traditional music collide when MARTIN TAYLOR and MARTIN SIMPSON make a rare appearance together £12 (£10 concessions)*

**Friday 19 December 2008**

**NEWTON FAULKNER in concert**

*Acclaimed singer songwriter NEWTON FAULKNER, making a rare appearance in such an intimate setting £25 (front rows), £20*

**Saturday 3 January 2009**

**THE NEW YEAR... NEW GENERATION CONCERT** with **GARETH PEARSON, TRISTAN SEUME** and **ELLIOTT MORRIS**

*Tristan and Gareth have been wowing audiences at festivals throughout the UK and Elliott is Lincolnshire's own rising star £10 (£8 concessions)*

**Sunday 18 January 2009**

**FINAL CONCERT — BERT JANSCH** hosted by **GORDON GILTRAP**

*For our finale GORDON GILTRAP will PLAY host to the Godfather of the folk guitar, BERT JANSCH, a musician held in awe by a host of guitar giants for the past forty years £12 (front rows) £10*

**All concerts start at 7.30pm.**

Tickets can be purchased in advance from the Hub box office tel 01529 308710.

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Our thanks to Systems Workshop for providing PA support.

Concerts Director: Dave Groom artsNK



From left to right: Gordon Giltrap, Martin Taylor, Bert Jansch, Newton Faulkner & Tom Kerstens.  
Guitar images: front and back cover, Flyde Guitars (2007), right: Patrick James Eggle

**Sunday 14 December 10am-4pm Hub Christmas Craft Market**

Seasonal shopping at our annual Christmas Craft Market during your visit to the Hub.

## Other events

**Saturday 6 December, 11am-4pm**

**Guitar Makers Clinic - FREE**

Expert makers Adrian Lucas and Susan Johnson will provide expert advice on repairs and maintenance of your guitar.

**Sunday 7 December, 11am-2.30pm**

**The craft of guitar making - FREE**

Adrian and Susan will demonstrate techniques from the carving of the iconic curves of the guitar's body to inlaying the rosette around the sound hole.

**Tuesday 9 December 5.30-7.30pm**

**Late night guitar shopping**

A special evening for those interested in purchasing one of the guitars. An opportunity to hold and play the instruments with expert advice on hand. Advance booking is required. Please contact [melanie.kidd@thehubcentre.info](mailto:melanie.kidd@thehubcentre.info)

PS. The Hub Shop will also be open for Christmas present buying!

**Monday 19 January, 10am-7:30pm**

**Last chance to buy**

An extra day at the close of exhibition for potential buyers. Advice from an expert luthier. Advance booking is required. Please contact [melanie.kidd@thehubcentre.info](mailto:melanie.kidd@thehubcentre.info). Purchased instruments can be taken away on the day.

**Saturday 13 December**

**Buskers Day**

Wander Sleaford and listen to impromptu performances or join in yourself.

**Make a performance**

No point in having an empty stage in-between performances. Book a spot for yourself and/or friends during the week or weekends. Email [susanne.sklepek@thehubcentre.info](mailto:susanne.sklepek@thehubcentre.info) for more information.

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