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### WHAT'S ON

**THE SPIN JAZZ CLUB**  
 129 High St, OX1 4DF  
**THU 21 OCT: ADAM WALDMANN**  
 with THE SPIN TRIO  
 'luxurious tenor sound...poised phrasing' *The Guardian*  
**8.15pm - 12am BOOKINGS & INFO: 07711 671647**  
 £9 / £7 OAP / £6 student [WWW.SPINJAZZ.COM](http://WWW.SPINJAZZ.COM)

**The Oxford Lieder Festival**  
 (until 30th October)  
**Thursday 21st October** 1.10pm, 8pm  
**Lunch with Schumann II - in association with the Royal Northern College of Music**  
 Elizabeth Skinner (soprano), Joshua Friend (tenor) and Yasmin Rowe (piano).  
 1.10pm (ends 2pm), Holywell Music Room.  
 TICKETS: £16 / £13  
**Schumann, Quilter and Barber. World Premieres of Rorem & Hough**  
 The Prince Consort: Anna Leese (soprano), Jennifer Johnston (mezzo), Andrew Staples (tenor), Jacques Imbrailo (baritone) and Alisdair Hogarth (piano).  
 8pm, Holywell Music Room.  
 TICKETS: £16 / £13  
**Friday 22nd** 1.10pm, 8pm  
**Lunch with Schumann III - in association with the Guildhall School of Music and Drama**  
 Schumann's Myrthen, performed by Inés Simoes (soprano), Piran Legg (baritone), and Jean-Yves Cornet (piano).  
 1.10pm (ends 2pm), Holywell Music Room.  
 TICKETS: All £5

**Oxfam Book Fair**  
 Including a range of academic books, fiction, children's and non-fiction.  
**Saturday 23rd October, 9.30am-5.00pm**  
**Wesley Memorial Hall, New Inn Hall St., Oxford**  
 Registered charity no. 202918

**Celia Green**  
 COFFEE MEETINGS  
 Tuesdays, 4.30pm; [cgoxfordforum@gmail.com](mailto:cgoxfordforum@gmail.com)  
[www.celiagreen.com](http://www.celiagreen.com)

### MEETINGS AND LECTURES

**Thu 21st**  
**Hugo Wolf - Complete Märke Lieder, part 1**  
 Sophie Daneman (soprano), Anna Grevelius (mezzo-soprano), James Gilchrist (tenor), Stephen Loges (baritone / bass), and Sholto Kynoch (piano).  
 8pm, Holywell Music Room.  
**Free pre-concert talk (Natasha Loges) at 7pm**  
 TICKETS: £20 / £17 (students £5 on the door only)  
**Saturday 23rd** 11.30am, 8pm  
**Bringing Sing**  
 Amateur singers and pianists are encouraged to perform 5 - 10 minutes of songs; to reserve a place, email or call us on 07790 201941 / [info@oxfordlieder.co.uk](mailto:info@oxfordlieder.co.uk).  
 11.30am, Holywell Music Room.  
 TICKETS: Free entry to observers / £5 participation fee.  
**Hugo Wolf - Complete Märke Lieder, part 2**  
 Sophie Daneman (soprano), Anna Grevelius (mezzo-soprano), James Gilchrist (tenor), Stephen Loges (baritone / bass), and Sholto Kynoch (piano).  
 8pm, Holywell Music Room.  
**Free pre-concert talk (John Warren) at 7pm**  
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[www.ticketsoxford.co.uk](http://www.ticketsoxford.co.uk) / 01865 305305  
[www.oxfordlieder.co.uk](http://www.oxfordlieder.co.uk)

PERUVIAN PEASANT LEADER Hugo Blanco, 'Ecosocialist Alternative'. 7pm Town Hall, 28th October. Hosts Socialist Resistance, Green Left.

### to Fri 22 Oct

**Vue Cinema (08712 240 240)**  
**DESPICABLE ME (3D) [U]** Thu: 12.30, 3.00, 5.30, 8.00, 10.20pm; Fri: 11.45am, 2.00, 4.30, 6.45, 9.00pm  
 Criminal mastermind is adopted by three orphans.  
**DESPICABLE ME (2D) [U]** Thu: 11.30am, 2.00, 4.30, 7.00pm  
 Flat criminal mastermind is adopted by three orphans.  
**TEEN SCREENING: INCEPTION [12A]** Thu: 1.00, 3.15, 5.30pm  
 Leonardo DiCaprio runs rampant through your dreams.  
**MADE IN DAGENHAM [15]** Thu: 4.20, 9.50pm  
 The 1968 strike at the Ford Dagenham car plant, with Miranda Richardson.  
**AFRICA UNITED [12A]** Thu: 2.30, 5.00, 8.00, 10.45pm  
 Three Rwandan kids walk 3000 miles across Africa to see the World Cup.  
**MR NICE [18]** Thu: 4.10, 4.40, 7.40pm  
 Ryan Reynolds in story of infamous drug trafficker, spy and cult hero Howard Marks.  
**LIFE AS WE KNOW IT [12A]** Thu: 12.40, 3.10, 5.50, 8.30pm  
 Katherine Heigl baby 'n' boys comedy.  
**THE DEATH AND LIFE OF CHARLIE ST CLOUD [12A]** Thu: 1.20, 7.10pm  
 Zac Efron struggles to give up younger brother's ghost.  
**WALL STREET: MONEY NEVER SLEEPS [12A]** Thu: 8.15pm  
 A Wall Street trader gets after his wife.  
**VAMPIRES SUCK [12A]** Thu: 1.30, 2.40, 6.00, 8.20pm  
 Spoof of the teen fang bang genre.  
**THE SOCIAL NETWORK [12A]** Thu: 2.45, 4.45, 7.00, 9.30, 11.30pm  
 The Facebook story.  
**EAT PRAY LOVE [PG]** Thu: 1.00pm  
 Julia Roberts gives up home, family and career for sex, ice cream and travel.  
**THE OTHER GUYS [12A]** Thu: 1.10, 3.50, 9.30pm; Fri: 11.10pm  
 Comedy action crime film about two mismatched detectives.  
**PARANORMAL ACTIVITY 2 [15]** Thu: 6.50, 8.40, 10.30pm  
 A family are the target of mortal bargains.  
**ALPHA AND OMEGA (3D) [U]** Thu: 12.45, 3.00pm  
 Lady and the Tramp is retold - this time with wolves.  
**TEEN SCREENING: SCOTT PILGRIM VS THE WORLD [12A]** Thu: 5.15pm  
 Scott Pilgrim battles his evil exes.  
**RAMONA AND BEZUEZ [U]** Thu: 12.30, 5.45pm  
 Roy King plays the heroine of Beverly Cleary's children's series.  
**RED [12A]** Fri: 12.25, 2.55, 5.40, 8.15, 11.15pm  
 Bruce Willis in 'a last ditch effort to survive'.  
**LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS [PG]** Fri: 1.30, 4.00, 6.20, 8.45pm  
 Owl's of owls!  
**MARMADUCE [U]** Fri: 12.15pm  
 A film based on 1980s comic strip and cartoon about a talking Great Dane.

**Odeon Magdalen St (0871 2244 007)**  
**THE SOCIAL NETWORK [12A]** Thu: 2.45, 5.45, 8.45pm  
 The founders of Facebook.  
**WALL STREET: MONEY NEVER SLEEPS [12A]** Thu: 8.15pm  
 Following life of Wall Street trader after prison.  
**MADE IN DAGENHAM [15]** Thu: 1.30, 6.45pm  
 Story of the 1968 strike at the Ford Dagenham plant. Stars Miranda Richardson.  
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 Katherine Heigl comedy. Two people adopt recently orphaned child of their friend.

**Ultimate Picture Palace (245288)**  
**EAT PRAY LOVE [PG]** Thu: 6.45pm  
 Julia Roberts gives up home, family and career for sex, ice cream and travel.  
**THE KID [15]** Thu: 9.30pm  
 Rupert Friend in true story of abused child and underworld king Kevin Lewis.  
**SECRET IN THEIR EYES [18]** Fri: 9.15pm  
 A retired legal counselor hopes to find closure for an old homicide case.  
**CERTIFIED COPIE [12A]** Fri: 7.00pm  
 Philipino has a romance with middle-aged English writer in Tuscany.

**Phoenix Picturehouse (0871 704 2062)**  
**A TOWN CALLED PANIC [PG]** Thu: 12.45, 2.30, 6.50pm  
 Bizarre Banned Animation involving plastic toys, French with English subtitles.  
**MADE IN DAGENHAM [15]** Thu: 4.15, 8.40pm  
 1968 women's rights strike with Miranda Richardson.  
**THE SOCIAL NETWORK [12A]** Thu: 1.30, 3.40, 6.20, 9.00pm  
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 Criminal mastermind meets orphans. With voices of Julie Andrews and Brad Pitt.  
**PARANORMAL ACTIVITY 2 [15]** Fri: 6.45, 9.00pm  
 A family are targeted by no mortal bargains.  
**THE TOWN [15]** Fri: 9.15pm  
 Ben Affleck in semi-serious heist thriller.  
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 Wall Street trader, following life of Wall Street trader after prison.  
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 Owl's of owls!  
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 Bruce Willis in 'a last ditch effort to survive'.  
**EASY A [15]** Fri: 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30pm  
 High school comedy. Emma Stone waves a tangled web of rumours about herself.  
**ALPHA AND OMEGA (3D) [U]** Fri: 12.30pm  
 Lady and the Tramp is retold - this time with wolves.

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**Thu 21st**  
**The Creative Space** / Come along and try painting, writing, stories...or just get inspired. / 8.30am - 12noon. Free / 07854 727540 / Community Centre, 31 Wren Rd, Cotteslowe, OX5 7XJ / 311172  
**Introducing the Museum** / Discover the Museum of the History of Science in introductory tour. / 2.15pm & 3pm. Free. / Museum of the History of Science, Old Ashmolean Building, Broad St / 217280  
**CERTIFICATION AND SUSTAINABILITY - WHAT'S NEXT?** / Seminar: Enacting the Ethical Consumer - Dr Clive Barnett. How do consumers know when they are acting responsibly? / Free. 3.30-5pm. / [oxfordmartin.ox.ac.uk/event/804](http://oxfordmartin.ox.ac.uk/event/804) / 1st Indian Institute Building, 34 Broad St (corner of Holywell St and Gate St)  
**MARRIAGE AS SACRAMENT** / An Anthropological Understanding - Dr Renee Hirschon / 12.30pm. Free. / [st-giles-church.org](http://st-giles-church.org) / 510460 / St Giles' Church, St Giles, Oxford OX2 6HT / 311198  
**MARRIAGE AS SACRAMENT** / An Anthropological Understanding - Dr Renee Hirschon / 12.30pm. Free. / [st-giles-church.org](http://st-giles-church.org) / 510460 / St Giles' Church, St Giles, Oxford OX2 6HT / 311198  
**CRAT WORKSHOP** / Just drop in / 'Ber-bedo Kelo Lomoy' United Women Organisation / 11am-4pm / [bk-lwuo.org.uk](http://bk-lwuo.org.uk) / 07906 220550 / East Oxford Community Centre, 44B Princes St (corner of Cowley Rd), OX4 1DD / 792168  
**FREE TASTING NIGHT** / Free samples of O'Neill's winter menu, live music, an Irish welcome. / 6pm-8pm. Free. / O'Neill's, 37 George St, OX1 2AV / 812931  
**OXFORD'S WILDLIFE (TALK)** / 48 Years of research into Swifts. / 7.30pm. 5.00 / [science.oxfordlive.com](http://science.oxfordlive.com) / 7-15 London Place, St Clements, OX4 1BD / 810000  
**PUPPY SOCIALISATION COURSE** / Teach your puppy basic obedience. / 6.45pm / [fairweatherdogtrainingclub.co.uk](http://fairweatherdogtrainingclub.co.uk) / Village Hall, Amcotts near Biesterley  
**NATURAL HAZARDS: DANGEROUS EARTH** / Lecture by Professor John Dewey / Oxford Geology Group / 7pm. £1 non-members / michael.thorpe@ox.ac.uk / 513063 / Earth Sciences Dept., South Parks Rd  
**HISTORIC TOWNS FORUM: 'CLIMATE CHANGE: MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION IN HISTORIC TOWNS'** / For Local Authority members; community leaders; civic and amenity societies and planning, conservation, tourism and traffic management professionals. / Booking info on website: [historictownsforum.org/oxford10](http://historictownsforum.org/oxford10) / Oxford Spire Four Pillars Hotel, Abingdon Rd, OX1 4PS / 324324

### Fri 22nd

**ABINGDON WARGAMES CLUB** / Wargames, boardgames and card games. / 6.30-10pm £3/£1 (first 2 visits free) / Conservative Club, Ock St, Abingdon  
**FOREST HILL BABY / TODDLER GROUP** / For all bored local parents! / 10.30-11.30am / 07834 725206 / Forest Hill Village Hall, Main St, Forest Hill

### GIGS & COMEDY

**Thu 21st**  
**THE OXFORD LIEDER FESTIVAL** / see box above  
**CATWAZZLE CLUB** / Open mic performance space / 8-11pm, £5/£4 / East Oxford Community Centre, 44B Princes St, 792168  
**MATT PALMER'S MILLENNIUM EAGLE JAZZ BAND** / Live jazz band / 8pm. £8 / Lans Barn, Grove Park Drive, Nr Ardington, 1 mile east of Wantage, off A417  
**ROOTS AND BRANCHES OF AMERICAN MUSIC** / Lecture/rectireal by guitarist Duck Baker. / 7.30pm. £1 / Harris Manchester College, Mansfield Rd  
**LIVE LOUNGE CAPE** / Homegrown Oxfordshire acoustic goodness. / 8.30pm. Free entry / The Cape of Good Hope, 1 Ifley Rd / 262291  
**CHRIS WHILE AND JULIE MATTHEWS** / Folk duo, with mixing of blues and country. / 8pm. £14, £12.50 conc, £11.50 mem / 01235 515144 / Cornerstone Arts Centre, 25 Station Rd, Didcot  
**PETE FIRMAN - JOKES AND TRICKS** / Live stand-up comedy. / 7.30pm. £12.50 / 0871 472 0400 / The Glebe Club, 3 Hythe Bridge St / 0871 472 0400  
**SPARKY'S FLYING CIRCUS** / Weekly open mic, poetry and song session / 9pm / Free / The Half Moon, 18 St Clements / 247808  
**FOR THOSE ABOUT TO ROCK, LIVREURE ACQUÉ, LIMHOUSE LIZZY** / Tributes to AC/DC and Thin Lizzy / Gig Cartel Presents / 7pm. £16 / O2 Academy, 190 Cowley Rd / 0844 477 2000 / 0905 020 3999  
**ADAM WALDMANN with THE SPIN TRIO** / Jazz saxophonist with his wife and band / 8.15pm - 12am. £9, £7 conc, £6 (student) [spinjazz.com](http://spinjazz.com) / 07716 671647 / The Wheatsheaf, 129 High St, OX1 4DF / 721156  
**DINO** / Blues-pop / 8.30pm. Free. / The Living Room, 1 Oxford Castle, New Rd, Oxford OX1 2AV / 08701 662223  
**Berlin Socratic Night** / An evening of performance, music and film. / 7pm. £3. Booking essential. / Modern Art Oxford, 30 Pembroke St / 722733  
**COMEDY NIGHT** / 3 hilarious comedians, tickets include dinner. / £15 - 7pm dinner. 8pm comedy / Trinity, Chapel St, Biesterley OX26 6BD / 01869 609117  
**NIKKI LOY** / Local singer-songwriter / 8pm / Joe's Bar & Grill, 260 Banbury Rd  
**BROTHERS WELSH** / Plus Bits and Pieces Disco. / 8pm. Jam. £4 / The Cellar, Freewin Court, off Cornmarket St / 244761 / 07769 690177  
**AS GODS, APPARITIONS OF THE END, MOTHER CORONA, 13 GUAUGE / Metal** / The Bullington Arms, 162 Cowley Rd, OX4 1UE / 244516  
**METAL AT THE BULLINGTON** / As Gods + Apparitions Of The End + Mother Corona + 13Gauge / 7.30pm - 1.00am / The Bullington Arms, 162 Cowley Rd / 244516

### Fri 22nd

**THE OXFORD LIEDER FESTIVAL** / see box above  
**GAVIN & PETER** / Covers / 8.30pm. Free / Living Room, 1 Oxford Castle, New Rd  
**ELLINGTON SINGS ELLINGTON** / Lance Ellington sings songs made famous by his father. Ray, Rng, £5, £13.50 conc, £12.50 mem. / Cornerstone Arts Centre, 25 Station Rd, Didcot / 01235 515144  
**BENEFIT GIG** / Featuring Vixens, Gunning For Tamar and Mundane Sands / 7.30pm. 6/£5 online / The Bullington Arms, 162 Cowley Rd / 244516  
**LIVE STAND-UP COMEDY** / Live stand-up comedy with Sean Walsh, John Warburton & guests / 7pm. £10.50 / Glebe Club, 3 Hythe Bridge St  
**LIVE JAZZ** / With John Pearce (piano) and Tim Davies (double bass) / 8pm / The Old Paragonage, 1 Banbury Rd / 310210  
**TOY MUSIC** / Minimal music created from pocket trumpet and mecano. £12.50 / Peter Sauters / 8pm / North Wall Arts Centre, South Parks Rd / 219450  
**LES CLOCHARDS** / Gallic-based pop / 8pm. Free. / Chester Arms, 19 Chester St  
**BENJAMIN FRANKS LEFTWING** / Acoustic folk-pop / 8pm. £5 / The Jericho Tavern, 56 Walton St / 311775  
**A LITTLE DARKER** / An hour of 'dark, disturbing & funny' (OXStu) sketches / 9.30pm. £6 (£5) Burton Taylor Studio, Gloucester St / 305305  
**BEEZLEBOOZ** / RISEN IN BLACK, AGE OF MISRULE, MODERN KITCHES / 8pm / The Wheatsheaf, 129 High St / 721156  
**MAGAZINE GAP, GLASGOW KISS** / Folk rock musings, pop sensibilities, r'n'b, hip-hop and blues / 6.30pm. £5 / O2 Academy, 190 Cowley Rd  
**ANDY TURNER** / Oxford Folk Club / 8.30pm. £3 / [oxfordfolkclub.com](http://oxfordfolkclub.com) / Folly Bridge Inn, 38 Abingdon Rd / 790106

### THEATRE to Sat 23 Oct

**North Wall Arts Centre (319450)**  
**TOY MUSIC** Fri 22nd: 8.00pm  
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**Oxford Playhouse (305305)**  
**MAKING HISTORY: A HISTORY OF THE WORLD IN 100 OBJECTS** / 10 film offers a behind-the-scenes look at the Radio 4 series. £5. Fri 22nd: 5.00pm  
**THE BIG FELLAH** Fri 21st & Fri 22nd: 8pm; Sat 23rd: 2.30pm, 7.30pm  
 Richard Bean's play of 3 decades among Irish Americans in New York. £11.50 - £24.50  
**Pegasus Theatre (722851)**  
**FINDING BEULAH** Thu 21st & Fri 22nd: 8pm  
 Drama - a woman searches for her soul mate. £10/£8  
**New Theatre (08448 471585)**  
**HAIRSPRAY THE MUSICAL** Thu 21st & Fri 22nd: 7.30pm; Wed 20th: 2.30pm, 7.30pm  
 With Brian Conley as Edna Turnblad. £18.50-£35.50 Sat 23rd: 2.30pm, 7.30pm  
**Burton Taylor Studio (305305)**  
**THE LESSON** Thu 21st - Sat 23rd: 7.30pm  
 Absurdist theatre. The speaker's relationship with her tutor becomes ever more odd. £6/£5  
**A LITTLE DARKER** Thu 21st - Sat 23rd: 9.30pm  
 Comedy troupe Little Dark present a new hour of comic noir sketches. £6/£5

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**THEATRE REVIEW**  
**The Big Fella** by Richard Bean  
 The Oxford Playhouse, Fri - Sat: 7.30pm

As well as being superficially synonymous with cupcakes at the Magnolia Bakery, high-fashion frolicking at the SJP/Carrie Bradshaw and über-scumptious weekend brunch dates, New York has, of course, the far more serious associations of tremendous tragedy and astounding bravery. Since 9/11 the concept - or indeed many concepts - of terrorism has influenced our lives in the West to a frightening extent. So thank God (or Allah/Buddha/Simon Cowell/Thor - delete as appropriate) Richard Bean's *The Big Fella* injects a big fat dollop of humour into the grim, unending, relentlessly troublesome subject.

Set in the Big Apple itself, though casting the jihadists temporarily to the sidelines, Bean's play explores the happenings at an IRA safe house. Spanning four decades, starting in 1972, and featuring a trim and likable cast who suitably and convincingly mature, develop, and suffer along the way, the production has a satisfying depth to it. We see our Irish 'hero' Ruairi O'Driscoll navigate his way amongst his Irish-American IRA comrades, paradoxically appearing somewhat less comfortable with the concept of 'killing for a cause' than they do. His unwitting American (with 'Irish ancestry') roommate Michael Doyle soon slips into the IRA camaraderie, and stereotypical NYPD cop gone bad Tom Billy Coyle is a gem of an overbearing, grotesque ignoramus. Finbar Lynch smoothly plays the 'Big Fella' himself; a typically cool masochist you find yourself eerily attracted to.

It's a thorny subject and Bean's characters are suitably complex. However, under Max Stafford-Clark's direction and performed by his company Out of Joint, the play is lifted, at points, into an unusual realm where regardless of your political or personal standing, or even if indeed you have no idea what's going on, you can't help but be entertained (and as the lady sitting behind me did with ear-piercing gusto, laugh out loud). The script is dazzling, in parts, and takes full advantage of Irish wit and the New York vernacular.

Humour is an effective vehicle for perspective; it's immensely liberating to be able to laugh at such a present problem. However, there is something a little incongruous, and uncomfortable in the themes and their associated presentation in *The Big Fella* especially considering the recent apparent resurgence in activity in Northern Ireland. Still, this production manages to strip out the silliness at the right moments, and the play's touching conclusion is testament to the fact that Bean has a serious agenda.

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