

I am proud to have been involved with the Mela Festival since its inception and this year we will celebrate our 11th anniversary. This is a proud achievement and we believe that the Mela Festival on July 17 in Calverley Grounds will be another exciting one for the community to enjoy with exciting performances from around the world. Bhangra Superstar Jassi Sidhu will be performing this year along with local acts Sean Fennessey, Paul Dunton as well as Phase 5 Steel Band and Uzambezi African Ensemble. We have again had to work hard to raise funds and are grateful for the support provided by local community partners and Arts Council England. We hope the local community will come out and support the Mela Festival as in previous years.

Gurvinder Sandher (Festival Director)



STAGE PROGRAMME (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

- 12.30pm Sean Fennessey and Friends**
Exciting local talent who will have the audience at the Mela Festival up and dancing with a popular set of chart toppers.
- 1.25pm Kitka**
Local Bulgarian Folk Dance Troupe back performing at the Mela Festival due to public demand.
- 1.45pm Anaconda**
Award Winning belly dance troupe specialising in Egyptian, Bolly, Romany, Tribal and Fusion.
- 2.15pm Phase 5 Steel Band**
Energetic Kent based steel band bringing the sounds of the Caribbean to Tunbridge Wells.
- 3.00pm Uzambezi**
Popular performing arts ensemble that specialises in songs and dances from Southern Africa.
- 4.00pm Paul Dunton Orchestra**
Popular locally based act The Tunbridge Wells based performer has firmly made his mark on the musical landscape with his captivating fusion of alternative, pop and classical music.
- 4.45pm Jassi Sidhu**
Global bhangra superstar Jassi Sidhu will be performing his unique fusion of eastern and western sounds and will have everyone up and dancing with his catalogue of hit songs.
- 5.30pm Stevie One as Stevie Wonder**
Leading tribute act singing the songs of Stevie Wonder live at the Mela Festival.
- 6.30pm Finish**