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Press Release – for immediate release

Barbara Dickson OBE is joined by pianist Nick Holland for a very special acoustic performance in Worthing this October, exploring her multi-million selling records at an intimate level.

Olivier Award-winning star of Willy Russell stage shows, major TV roles in Taggart and Band of Gold, and a music career spanning over 50 years with hits like 'Answer Me', 'Caravan' and the number one single, 'I Know Him So Well'. The brilliant Barbara Dickson will be playing her songs - accompanied by Nick Holland and with support from Anthony Toner - at the Pavillion Theatre on Sunday 10 October 2021, 7:30pm.

Dickson's interpretation of traditional music, married with new writing and theatre material, is simply sublime and unique. She emerged in the Scottish folk scene of the late 1960s, playing with legends like comedian Billy Connolly, and achieving mainstream chart success with 'Another Suitcase in Another Hall' from her iconic Evita concept album, amongst many others. In the 1970s, she was recruited by playwright Willy Russel to appear in award-winning roles in both his long-running musical, Blood Brothers and as Viv Nicholson in Spend Spend Spend. These affirmed her as one of Britain's best-loved performers.

Dickson has earned 6 platinum, 11 gold and 7 silver albums, making her Scotland's best-selling female album artist. Here she is accompanied by Holland who joined her touring band in the mid-2000s and the pair now play as a duo with piano, guitar and wonderful vocal harmonies. They have performed in Cathedrals, at festivals and everywhere in between, forging an intimate rapport with each other and the audience. As Dickson puts it, "it's a different experience to working with the bigger band but just as enjoyable and gives the music breathing space". This show sees them delve into Dickson's folk roots and contemporary greats, and the pair let the words and melodies lead.

Why see a Barbara Dickson show? Not only is her songwriting pedigree internationally recognised as first-class, but her acting career makes her an engaging and warm performer, promising a night of superior entertainment. Indeed, she was awarded an O.B.E. by Her Majesty the Queen in the 2002 New Year's Honours for her services to music and drama, and she continues to record and to play to sold-out audiences.

Support is provided by Anthony Toner - one of Belfast's most revered songwriters and, 'a musician who knows his trade. His storytelling songs are



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wry and lyrical... it's no wonder Toner's reputation is growing' (Daily Telegraph Music).

**Barbara Dickson with Nick Holland** will play at the Pavilion Theatre on Sunday 10 October 2021, 7:30pm. Tickets are available from £24. For more information on this or any of the events, visit <a href="www.wtam.uk">www.wtam.uk</a> or call the WTM Box Office on 01903 206 206.

"From the very first time I heard her, her voice just nailed me to the wall. She's just a one-off" - Billy Connolly

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## **EVENT LISTING**

#### Barbara Dickson with Nick Holland

Date: Sunday 10 October 2021

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: Pavilion Theatre, Marine Parade, Worthing BN11 3PX

Tickets: £24

Link: wtam.uk/events/barbara-dickson-with-nick-holland

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Barbara Dickson with Nick Holland

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