



CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

Sidmouth Folk Festival means time for a wonderful week of fun, workshops, activities, new experiences and super evening family shows!

There are lots of daily workshop activities targeted at specific ages. Some are progressive culminating in Showcase opportunities.

Under 8's can join The Minims Junior Band or join well-known Jackie Oates in the Sidmouth Mini Singers. For those who like to make and do there are the daily morning Crazy Craft fun times, which this year, have the theme of The Herring is the King of the Sea.

Active over 8's have a bit more choice and can really broaden their skills by learning Appalachian Step Dancing and Cotswold Morris Dancing. There is the wonderful daily Craft Carousel where children can make something different everyday plus, brand new for 2019, an opportunity to make a Jack-In-The-Green-Jig Doll. For the musical over 8's along with learning the ukulele, there is a superb choir – The Sidmouth Songswell plus The Sidmouth Seaside Stomper's Ceilidh Band Workshop. This workshop is for young musicians of grade 2 and above. A series of daily workshops leads to being the ceilidh band for the Thursday evening ceilidh in the main festival dance marquee – how cool is that then!

There are many other events and activities for all ages – including the under 4's, along with some dedicated family activities. Every afternoon families can work together to create a Musical Processional Extraordinaire for the Friday evening torchlight procession. Participants will be able to create a fantastical illuminated headdress and a simple costume to wear in the parade plus learning some great noisy percussive rhythms to play their way along the route.

More information will be available soon, with the Family Festival flier plus the Children's Festival Programme, which will be available to buy from Sidmouth TIC or to download from www.sidmouthfolkfestival.co.uk

For children the most cost effective way to enjoy the Festival is with a Child's Week Season ticket (£56.00). With one of these children can enjoy events everyday for just £8.00 per day (space permitting). Most events can also be accessed by paying on the door (£5.00 for 6ys+ & £3.00 for others). Residents within Sidmouth Town Council area can claim (only from Sidmouth TIC) £10.00 discounts on children's season ticket.

If adults also want to enjoy events at the festival why not take up the Festival family ticket offer, where with one adult ticket you pay for one youth or one child ticket and the next child ticket is then free.

We do hope that East Devon children join in the fun at the Sidmouth Folk Festival.

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Children's Festival Producers