

# CHESTER MYSTERY PLAYS

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Please note: Only one of the discounts may be applied to each ticket.

## Ticket Prices

All performances: **£9.50, £15.00, £19.50**

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- A See both parts** and save 5%
- B Group Rates:** For any single performance a group of ten or more at **10%** discount
- C Concessions:** For UB40, OAP's, students with a valid student card and under 16s only - a **reduction of £2.00**
- D Corporate Hospitality:** is available, please contact the Administrator Felicity McNae on 01244 381553 for details.



Name .....

Address .....

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	No. of tickets	Date	Cost each	Discount code if applic.	Total
Part 1 The Prophecy			£		£
Part 2 The Fulfilment			£		£
Whole Cycle	No. sets of 2tkts	Dates		Price per set	£
		The Prophecy _____	_____		
				Total	£
				Please add 30p for postage	£0.30
				Final Total	£



I enclose cheque/po for £..... made payable to CSMF Limited

I would like to pay by credit card: Visa, Access/Mastercard, Amex (please delete as applicable).

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30th June - 19th July 2003  
on Chester Cathedral Green

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*From Creation to the Last Judgement*, this funny and moving series of plays drawn from the Bible has never ceased to move, astound and delight audiences throughout the centuries.

The Chester Mystery Plays are a spectacular festival, presented by an amateur cast and crew of hundreds drawn from the local community.

Staged every five years under professional direction, the Chester Mystery Plays are a treasured part of our 2000 year old city's cultural heritage, attracting people from all over the world.

With the audience in covered seating, the plays are performed outside in the beautiful setting of Chester's Cathedral grounds.

This cycle, The Chester Mystery Plays are in two parts; The Prophecy and The Fulfilment - each a memorable and complete evening of theatre in itself and ticketed separately. To see both is truly to see the greatest story ever told.

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## 2003 Dates

Monday 30 June to Saturday 19 July at 7.30pm, with matinee performances at 1.30pm.

### Part 1 The Prophecy

June 30, July 2, 4, 5 (at 1.30pm), 8, 10, 12 (at 1.30pm), 14, 16, 18, 19 (at 1.30pm).

### Part 2 The Fulfilment

July 1, 3, 5 (at 7.30pm), 7, 9, 11, 12 (at 7.30pm), 15, 17, 19 (at 7.30pm).

## Why are the plays so special?

These earthy, moving plays were first performed on open waggons by Chester guildsmen in the 1300s. Very few towns were able to stage mystery plays in medieval times and original texts have survived in only five English cities. Chester's original texts are the most complete in existence.

By defying an ecclesiastical ban in the

1500s, Chester also managed to stage its play for a much longer time than anywhere else - much to the fury of the Archbishop!

The plays were revived for the Festival of Britain in 1951. Chester Mystery Plays is a registered charity, which exists to promote and produce the plays every five years.

Chester Mystery Plays gratefully acknowledge the generous support of the Dean and Chapter of Chester Cathedral.



We positively encourage and welcome attendance by people with disabilities and are striving to make the venue fully accessible.

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