

# The Weybridge Society

Presents

## The D'Oyly Carte Island Music Festival



### PURPOSE

- ✓ In the late 1800's Richard D'Oyly Carte, or D'Oyly as he was known, built the magnificent 13 x bedroom house, complete with ballroom and pet crocodile, on his exclusive D'Oyly Carte Island in Weybridge.
- ✓ D'Oyly also owned the Savoy Hotel, the Savoy Theatre, Clarridges, Simpsons and the Conaught, all a short boat trip up the Thames to the island weekend party venue for drink, hospitality, and entertainment.
- ✓ Visitors to this exclusive venue included the great, good and talented from the time. Celebrity guests included Gilbert & Sullivan, the most talented musicians of their time, Oscar Wilde, one of the most popular playwrights in London and JM Barrie the creator of Peter Pan, who was inspired by D'Oyly Carte's pet crocodile.
- ✓ The D'Oyly Carte Music Festival will recreate the history, culture, and entertainment, originally intended for this exclusive private island, for the local community and visitors from around the world to enjoy.
- ✓ A flotilla of boats will surround the island, the riverbanks will be packed with onlookers and a vibrant and pulsating island will be re-created, for what is hoped will be an annual event.

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## VISION

- ✓ Open D'Oyly Carte Island for a three-day festival of arts, entertainment and hospitality to re-create the reason Richard & Helen D'Oyly Carte built the venue in 1890.



## MUSIC

- ✓ Limited to 1,000 people a day on 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- ✓ Live music performances from the stage on the East Garden terrace
- ✓ Viewing/listening from picnic areas on both East & West Gardens.
- ✓ Listen to live performances from D'OYLY's the islands exclusive café, bar, creperie.
- ✓ Live Radio from the island providing music between performances.

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## HOSPITALITY

- ✓ Food and drink will be available including a hog roast, a Pimm's bar, strawberries and cream, cocktails, beers all provided by D'Oyly's, the islands exclusive café, bar, creperie.
- ✓ Browse from over thirty arts & crafts stalls around the East and West Gardens
- ✓ Private Dinner for organisers and contributors on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June at D'Oyly's. when a "Blue Plaque"
- ✓ Pre-dinner unveiling of a "Blue Plaque" to recognise the Queen of the Savoy, the extraordinary life of Helen D'Oyly Carte (1852-1913) who lived at Eyot House on D'Oyly Carte Island.



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MUSIC PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE - ISLAND CLOSES AT 11PM

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June:                    2pm  
   5pm  
   8pm

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June                    2pm  
   5pm  
   8pm

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June                    2pm  
   5pm  
   8pm



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