

1549

*The Story of
Kett's
Rebellion*

SING WITH US!

INFORMATION FOR WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS

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Thank you for your interest in singing with us on our Norfolk tour of 1549. Before saying yes please read this document. If you then want to take part, please complete and return the simple application at the end.

The story you are helping us to tell:

It's 1549 and people find themselves struggling, starving and destitute as the land that supports them is being enclosed by rich landowners for profit. For years working people have been exploited for the private gain of a privileged ruling class, that pay little heed to their calls for equality and social justice.

Led by Wymondham man Robert Kett, a huge number of men and women from across Norfolk marched on the Norwich to make their case. They set up camp on Mousehold Heath, took control of the city and called for the king himself to hear their plight.

The Show

Our show tells the story of what happened to those men and women over six weeks of summer; from the establishment of their own system of fair representation and justice to their brutal repression by a hired army.

Five professional actors will tell the story through a blend of pathos, comedy and song in a style that we have dubbed "Panto-documentary", so the audience have a role to play too.

This is where you come in....

The Singing

We want members of each community we visit to sing with us. Under the expert guidance of our musical director, Charlie Cane we will teach participants three songs from the show in an evening or afternoon workshop [see timetable below]

We then encourage you to help us sing these in the show itself.

You do not need to have previous musical experience, there is no age limit and there are no auditions!

We also don't expect you to learn the songs by heart – we will provide sheets.

If you do choose to perform you won't be asked to do any acting but you *will* be visible to audience.

It is not essential for you to perform in the show – if you just want to sing, that's fine. Those that do perform with us will receive a free ticket for the show in the evening.

The workshops

All singers are invited to attend the first singing workshop and dress rehearsal on at 12 pm on **Saturday 12th May at Norwich Arts Centre.**

For those that will sing with us in Norwich, this workshop is essential. For those from Aylsham, Wymondham or Tasburgh it is not essential to attend, but it is desirable as it gives you an opportunity to get familiar with the songs, meet the cast and to see the show before it comes to your venue.

Dates and Times in May

Norwich Arts Centre

Workshop /dress rehearsal	Saturday 12th, 12 to 4 pm
show	Monday 14th, 8pm
show	Tuesday 15th, 8 pm

Aylsham Town Hall

workshop	Thurs 17th, 2 to 5 pm
show	Thurs 17th, 8 pm

Wymondham Fairland Hall

workshop	Friday 18th, 2 to 5 pm
show	Friday 18th, 8 pm

Tasburgh Village Hall

workshop	Sat 19th, 2 to 5 pm
show	Sat 19th, 8 pm

YES! I want to be a part of the singing for 1549 ...

All you need to do now is fill in your details in the Word file you can download and return them to Simon Floyd.

Apart from the larger workshop and dress rehearsal on Saturday 12th May form there are 12 spaces on each workshop, so please reply promptly to secure one.

Further information can be found by going to www.simonfloyd.co.uk/kett or by calling Simon on 0789 678 1574.