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Warrington 2025 mela

Festival Programme

PUPPETS & PARADE • DANCE & PERFORMANCE • MUSIC
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Sunday 31st August

Golden Square / Queens Gardens / Time Square / 10.30am - 6pm



NUTKHUT'S GIANTS
DOLLY & ROCKY

TEABREAK

Programme of Events – Parade and Queens Gardens

Queens Gardens, hosted by Marcus Nisar.

10:30	Warrington Mela Parade leaves Warrington Town Hall, led by Rhythm of Warrington and featuring Dolly and Rocky.	
11:00	Arrival in Queens Gardens, Welcome and Opening of Warrington Mela 2025.	
11:30	Desipride Dhol Players	a high energy performance with a hint of tradition.
12:00	Dolly and Rocky make their second appearance in Queens Gardens.	
12:20	Fiera Naach	bring a high energy performance to your favourite Bollywood songs.
12:30	Samiksha	an exceptionally talented young dancer presents Indian classical dance.
12:45	Hung Gar Kung Fu School	presents Lion Dance.
13:15	Fiera	Part 2 of this vibrant dance performance.
13:30	Taras Shalaiev & Sonya Kladko	Ukrainian instrumentalist and singer perform a traditional medley.
14:00	Keiko Tanaka	presents Japanese popular music and traditional songs.
14:30	Punjabi Mascots	Warrington Mela favourites return!
14:45	Warrington's Malayali Association	presents traditional dances from South India
15:30	Movema presents Taking Flight	Sankofa, Phoenix and Peacock birds perform a mesmerising dance.
15:45	SonAash	bring a fusion of classical, Bollywood, Street Dance and Bhangra.
16:00	Ranbir Daskai	this Warrington Mela favourite brings popular Punjabi, Bhangra songs to dance along to.
16:30	Batida Rio	will lead a procession over to Time Square for the Warrington Mela 2025 Grand Finale.

Programme of Events – Time Square

Time Square hosted by Ben Foster

12.00	Trigger presents Teabreak	Relax with a cup of tea for half an hour and listen as the story of tea unfolds alongside an original composition from Rakae Jamil.
12.30	Sikh Martial Art Gatka Group	demonstrate their skills.
13.15	Punjabi Mascots	Warrington Mela favourites return!
13.30	Dolly & Rocky make their final appearance.	
14.00	Trigger presents Teabreak	settle down with freshly brewed tea for their second performance.
14.30	Movema presents Taking Flight	Sankofa, Phoenix and Peacock birds perform a mesmerising dance.
14.45	Capoeira at Mela!	Movema presents a vibrant Capoeira demo and workshop for all!
15.30	Trigger presents Teabreak	final performance of the day.
16.00	Hung Gar Kung Fu School	presents Lion Dance.
16.45	Batida Rio	Warrington's own Samba Band brings you Afro-Brazilian inspired rhythms mixed with contemporary new styles.
FINALE		
17.00	Radist	a Ukrainian Folk Ensemble invite the audience to take part in a traditional Circle Dance
17.30	SonAash	bring a fusion of classical, Bollywood, Street Dance and Bhangra and invite the audience to join in an exuberant mass 'dance off'!

Golden Square (outside TJ Hughes)

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