

18th July 2013

Fine Dining and Flypasts on the Menu

27th – 28th July 2013

10am – 5pm

Fine dining demonstrations from one of the region's most accredited restaurants and a flypast from the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight Dakota are top of the menu for visitors at the Cosford Food Festival. Packed with plenty of food and drink, brought to you by local suppliers from across the Midlands and heaps of entertainment for families to enjoy, the food festival is kick starting the summer holidays.

For the Cosford Food Festival's inaugural year, the Museum is thrilled to have renowned Wolverhampton Michelin Star restaurant the Bilash on board. Adding some local flavour to the event, this family owned Indian and Bangladeshi restaurant has enjoyed a loyal following from across the region for more than 30 years and is well known for its modern and innovative food. The Bilash is the only Michelin rated restaurant in the West Midlands to have continuously been listed in the AA Food Guide, the Hardens Top UK Restaurant Guide, the Michelin Food Guide and Which? Good Food Guide.

The team behind the Bilash will be giving a live demonstration on the Museum's Talk and Demonstration Stage, both days at the festival. Chef Mohammed Khan will demonstrate delights including how to prepare Biryani pilau and Murgi Diya Doniya, a spectacular dish that made him the winner of Wolverhampton and Central region's 'Curry Chef of the Year' competition and the runner up of the national finals.

In addition to the fabulous food on offer, there are lots of added extras making a visit to the Festival perfect for everyone and not just food lovers. Crowds will be wowed by a flypast on both days courtesy of the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight's Dakota at 2:30pm (Saturday) and 2:00pm (Sunday). One of the world's most famous military transport aircraft, the Dakota saw widespread use during World War Two and will be flying overhead at the show. Plus, there will be a real buzz about the festival with live musical performances from the Cosford RAF Voluntary Band and acoustic performances from local musician Anthony Doyle.

Visitors to the Cosford Food Festival will have access to the RAF Museum which is home to the mighty Vulcan bomber and the last surviving Dornier 17 recently salvaged from the bottom of the English Channel, to name but a few of the Museum's aircraft – with the Museum's mighty Hercules acting as a backdrop for the food market.

The Cosford Food Festival will run from 10am to 5pm and admission is just £5 per adult which includes a free Cosford Food Festival programme. Family tickets for two adults and up to four children cost just £12. Concessions are £4, children aged 5-16 are £2 with free entry to children under the age of 5. For more information, please call the Museum on 01902 376200 or visit www.rafmuseum.org

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Notes to Editors:

- Royal Air Force Museum Cosford, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 8UP
- Open daily from 10am
- Admission to the Royal Air Force Museum is free of charge.
- RAF Museum Cosford images & logo available at:
<http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/research/media-vault.aspx>
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