

16<sup>th</sup> May 2013

## Outdoor concert to hit the right note

6<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Gates open 5.00pm

**The Royal Air Force Museum Cosford will be staging a 'Proms in the Park' concert on 6th July to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of RAF Cosford. This spectacular outdoor party will not only feature classic and modern music but also two aerobatic displays and a fireworks pageant that will end the night on a climatic note.**

Taking place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July, this captivating evening of music and entertainment will be staged in the Museum's grounds under the wings of Cosford's Hercules aircraft. A giant stage will be erected to accommodate a variety of live musical performances that will include a full Orchestra, Soul band, local Military Wives Choir and an Electric Violinist. The Wessex Concert Orchestra with Soprano will perform a two hour concert for guests who are encouraged to join in the spirit of things and sing along to some well-known numbers including the ever popular 'Land of Hope and Glory'. Present for the whole evening will be a RAF hot air balloon that will loom large over the stage and provide the perfect backdrop to the evening events

One of the many highlights of the evening will be a full flying display from the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight's Spitfire (weather permitting). Visitors will also enjoy a parachute display from the RAF Falcons, which will see the squad's members jump from an aircraft to parachute in formation to the ground before attending the concert and meeting with the public. .

In addition to the night's musical performances and entertainment, there will be refreshments available all evening including a fully licensed bar, hot food and snacks. As this is an outdoor event, attendees are welcome to bring along their own picnic and refreshments. Camping chairs and blankets are highly recommended so guests can sit back and enjoy the show including a spectacular fireworks finale which will conclude the evening's events at 10.00pm.

The Prom will be raising money for the RAF Benevolent Fund - the RAF'S leading welfare charity and the RAF Museum. The RAF Benevolent Fund has been supporting the RAF family since 1919. The RAF Benevolent Fund is there, through thick and thin, to support RAF personnel and their families, whenever assistance is required no matter whether they are current or ex serving members of the Service. The RAF Benevolent Fund team will also be present on the night and will be happy to answer any questions that guests might have about the great work they do.

Anyone wishing to attend this spectacular evening can purchase tickets online via the Museum's website [www.rafmuseum.org](http://www.rafmuseum.org). Tickets are now on sale and are priced at just £20.00 for adults and children under 16 are free of charge when accompanied by an adult. Gates open at 5.00pm with music starting at 5.30pm and the fun continues late into the night.

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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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