

A Tribute To...

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As Manager of the Pavilion and a booker of entertainment I often get asked what I think of Tribute Bands. My thoughts are really quite straight forward; when they're good they're really good, but when they're bad, they're horrid!

Joking aside, there has to be a place for Tribute Bands. You see, everybody has their favourite band but unfortunately, not everybody will get the chance to see them play live, whether it be down to cost, distance or even that the original artiste is no longer with us.

Luckily though, most of us will at some point have the good fortune to be able to experience a live performance by a tribute band that exists to bring the music and atmosphere of the original band to the smaller stage - and these bands are usually formed out of a love for the music of the 'real deal' too.

Long gone are the days when Tribute Bands were seen as "cheap copies" cashing in on the success of the original. These days they're highly professional outfits that spend their spare time studying their chosen performer and rehearsing to get every sound as close to the original as possible - **Think Floyd** were with us recently and their production and laser show is astounding.

Although there will always be a hungry crowd for popular tributes to the likes of **Elvis** and **ABBA**, not all tribute acts and bands are 'look-alikeys'. Although there are bands that have worked hard to closely resemble the performers they're copying (**The FAB Beatles** for example), there are also those who are more concerned with maintaining the spirit of the music rather than looking like their chosen artist.

Here at Exmouth Pavilion we try to bring you a diverse range of shows and entertainment, so Tribute Bands have to form a part of our programme, and on Friday 6th March, one of rock's most successful hitmaking machines, **FLEETWOOD MAC** are brought to life tribute style by '**FLEETWOOD MAXED**'.

Bringing you favourites such as "**Go your own way**", "**Don't Stop**", "**Rhiannon**" and "**Tell Me Lies**", in a performance that in 2014 had the audience on their feet dancing throughout, we are delighted to have them back with us by popular demand, next Friday.

Tickets are only £12, and with their distinctive vocal harmonies and strong resemblance to the original Fleetwood Mac line up - fans of the original aren't going to be disappointed.

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