

LondonTown.com: Spectacular theatre in Cutty Sark hold unveils autumn line-up



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Actress Diana Rigg and presenter Nicholas Parsons among those due to perform.

LONDON, September 16, 2014 -- /[EPR NETWORK](#)/ -- The Cutty Sark, the world's sole remaining tea clipper and a major London landmark, has announced a new season of performances for autumn 2014 to be held within the ship. The Cutty Sark is located in Greenwich, close to numerous London attractions such as the National Maritime Museum and Royal Observatory, as well as a wide range of hotels, bars and [cheap London restaurants](#). For more on the attractions of Greenwich, see LondonTown.com.

The Cutty Sark's lower hold, where precious cargoes of tea and wool were stacked over a century ago, now features a studio theatre and this is where the performances will be staged. During the daytime, the hold contains displays of tea chests and other artefacts relating to the ship's extraordinary history. In the evening, the central section is transformed into a 92-seat studio theatre, offering cabaret, comedy, music, special lectures and small scale-drama. The Michael Edwards Studio Theatre is now set to welcome a series of renowned performers and personalities for its autumn season.

Among those due to perform at the studio are the actor Diana Rigg, who will discuss her remarkable life in film, TV and theatre on 17th October, and veteran comedian and presenter Nicholas Parsons, who will talk about some of the highlights from his long career on 18th October. On 26th October, the writer Charles Connelly will talk about

his recent book, of Attention All Shipping: a Journey Round the Shipping Forecast, in which he explored the history and locations mentioned in radio's shipping forecast.

Other performers include broadcaster Andy Kershaw, musical duo Anna Noakes and Gabriella Dall O'Lio, comedians Quincy and Dane Baptiste, and magician Matthew Stirling. "The opening fortnight was a huge success with every show a complete sell-out" says Yvette Griffith, Cutty Sark Studio Theatre programmer. "We're really excited to welcome another host of famous performers and fresh talent to the ship for the new season, and further developing the Cutty Sark's reputation as a unique arts venue as well as a renowned historic landmark."

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