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OPERA SENSATION HEADING FOR LEEDS

Welsh opera sensation Katherine Jenkins and the BBC Philharmonic Orchestra will be the headline acts performing at Temple Newsam this summer following the announcement of ticket details for Opera in the Park and Party in the Park by organisers Leeds City Council.

Twenty-four-year-old Katherine, who is the fastest-selling female opera singer since Maria Callas and is a regular performer at major sporting events, is to appear at Opera in the Park on Saturday July 16.

The music for the evening will be provided by the prestigious BBC Philharmonic Orchestra and the Leeds Philharmonic Chorus.

The following day Temple Newsam will also play host to the annual Party in the Park sponsored by 96.3 Radio Aire and the Yorkshire Evening Post, with a range of artists following on from Girls Aloud, McFly and Natasha Bedingfield who appeared last year.

Both of these hugely popular events are free, with the ticket launches taking place at Leeds Town Hall on Bank Holiday Monday May 30th from 11am-4pm, with tickets limited to four per applicant.

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Executive Member for Leisure Councillor John Procter said:

“Opera in the Park and Party in the Park are two of the biggest events in the city with thousands of people taking in superb entertainment for free.

“Leeds City Council are very proud to again be hosting these wonderful shows and we are absolutely delighted with the line-ups for this year.

“Managing to attract performers of the calibre of Katherine Jenkins and the BBC Philharmonic Orchestra is a fantastic coup, and I am sure both events will prove hugely enjoyable and live long in the memory for everyone who attends.”

Following the official launch day, tickets will then also be available for Opera in the Park from the City Centre Box Office in the Central Library, Leeds Town Hall, Gateway Yorkshire, and from Magic 828. They will also be available throughout the city at the libraries at Cross Gates, Garforth, Morley, Wetherby, Halton, Hunslet, Boston Spa, Kippax, Otley and Moor Allerton.

Tickets for Party in the Park can also be picked up after the launch day from Leeds Town Hall reception, the reception at 96.3 Radio Aire off Burley Road and from the City Centre Box Office in the Central Library.

Disabled applicants should apply to Voluntary Action Leeds, Stringer House, 34 Lupton Street, Leeds LS10 2QW enclosing a stamped-addressed envelope.

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