

Folk singer to perform down on the farm

AWARD-WINNING folk singer John Kirkpatrick will perform a new music project all about Shropshire for the first time next weekend.

Mr Kirkpatrick will take to the stage at Fordhall Organic Farm in Market Drayton on Sunday at 7.30pm.

The singer has lived in Shropshire since 1973 and has always listened out for tunes and lyrics emanating from the county.

He will dedicate music gems like Shropshire Quarry, The Shropshire Militia Hornpipe, The Shropshire Rakes, A Shropshire Lad, and The Shropshire Lassies – the theme tune to Percy Thrower's television gardening club.

Delighted

Chris Eldon Lee, chairman of the board of the Fordhall Community Land Initiative, said: "We are delighted to be hosting a unique concert to launch John's new album of Shropshire songs."

"John pioneered music in our new venue last September before a capacity audience. At the end of the evening there was a unanimous vote to invite him back again."

Mr Kirkpatrick is a former winner of the BBC 2 Folk Musician of the Year award and tickets for the evening are £20, including a hot supper from Arthur's Restaurant during the interval.

They are available on a first-come, first-served basis on (01630) 638696.



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