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# Warrington 2025 mela

## Festival Programme

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### Sunday 31st August

Golden Square / Queens Gardens / Time Square / 10.30am - 6pm



NUTKHUT'S GIANTS  
DOLLY & ROCKY

TEABREAK

# Programme of Events – Parade and Queens Gardens

Queens Gardens, hosted by Marcus Nisar.

10:30	<b>Warrington Mela Parade leaves Warrington Town Hall, led by Rhythm of Warrington and featuring Dolly and Rocky.</b>	
11:00	<b>Arrival in Queens Gardens, Welcome and Opening of Warrington Mela 2025.</b>	
11:30	<b>Desipride Dhol Players</b>	a high energy performance with a hint of tradition.
12:00	<b>Dolly and Rocky make their second appearance in Queens Gardens.</b>	
12:20	<b>Fiera Naach</b>	bring a high energy performance to your favourite Bollywood songs.
12:30	<b>Samiksha</b>	an exceptionally talented young dancer presents Indian classical dance.
12:45	<b>Hung Gar Kung Fu School</b>	presents Lion Dance.
13:15	<b>Fiera</b>	Part 2 of this vibrant dance performance.
13:30	<b>Taras Shalaiev &amp; Sonya Kladko</b>	Ukrainian instrumentalist and singer perform a traditional medley.
14:00	<b>Keiko Tanaka</b>	presents Japanese popular music and traditional songs.
14:30	<b>Punjabi Mascots</b>	Warrington Mela favourites return!
14:45	<b>Warrington's Malayali Association</b>	presents traditional dances from South India
15:30	<b>Movema presents Taking Flight</b>	Sankofa, Phoenix and Peacock birds perform a mesmerising dance.
15:45	<b>SonAash</b>	bring a fusion of classical, Bollywood, Street Dance and Bhangra.
16:00	<b>Ranbir Daskai</b>	this Warrington Mela favourite brings popular Punjabi, Bhangra songs to dance along to.
16:30	<b>Batida Rio</b>	will lead a procession over to Time Square for the Warrington Mela 2025 Grand Finale.

# Programme of Events – Time Square

Time Square hosted by Ben Foster

12.00	<b>Trigger presents Teabreak</b>	Relax with a cup of tea for half an hour and listen as the story of tea unfolds alongside an original composition from Rakae Jamil.
12.30	<b>Sikh Martial Art Gatka Group</b>	demonstrate their skills.
13.15	<b>Punjabi Mascots</b>	Warrington Mela favourites return!
13.30	<b>Dolly &amp; Rocky make their final appearance.</b>	
14.00	<b>Trigger presents Teabreak</b>	settle down with freshly brewed tea for their second performance.
14.30	<b>Movema presents Taking Flight</b>	Sankofa, Phoenix and Peacock birds perform a mesmerising dance.
14.45	<b>Capoeira at Mela!</b>	Movema presents a vibrant Capoeira demo and workshop for all!
15.30	<b>Trigger presents Teabreak</b>	final performance of the day.
16.00	<b>Hung Gar Kung Fu School</b>	presents Lion Dance.
16.45	<b>Batida Rio</b>	Warrington's own Samba Band brings you Afro-Brazilian inspired rhythms mixed with contemporary new styles.
<b>FINALE</b>		
17.00	<b>Radist</b>	a Ukrainian Folk Ensemble invite the audience to take part in a traditional Circle Dance
17.30	<b>SonAash</b>	bring a fusion of classical, Bollywood, Street Dance and Bhangra and invite the audience to join in an exuberant mass 'dance off'!

# Golden Square (outside TJ Hughes)

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14:15	<b>Hung Gar Kung Fu School</b>	presents Lion Dance.
14:45	<b>Sikh Martial Art Gatka Group</b>	demonstrate their skills.
15:30	<b>Radist</b>	a Ukrainian Folk Ensemble Performance of a mix of Contemporary and Folk dances from the Central Ukraine and Karpathian region with stunning costumes.

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