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RELEASE YOUR INNER BEAST!

Under The Hill Fest have announced the line-up for their exciting second year, taking place from **25 – 27 May 2018** in **Ashton Under Hill, near Evesham, Worcestershire**.

Last year saw the first of this new, exciting festival, created by a small team of music and creative enthusiasts, who were determined to create a unique experience, with a personal touch, and above all, amazing music. The success of 2017 is evident, as the festival has now announced that it will be coming back **bigger and better for 2018**.

This year Under The Hill Fest will be open from Friday and has capacity for more festival goers to enjoy this new boutique event. You can arrive on Friday 25 May, for a chilled out evening of music, film, and meeting new faces. The main music will take place on Saturday 26 May, with even more diversity including Brass, Ska, Balkan, Electroswing, Hip Hop, and Gypsy Punk. This will be topped off by another rave in the woods, with top DJs in Drum & Bass, Electro, and Funk, an absolute highlight from last year.

Our 2017 festival goers said:

'To have an event as professional as Glastonbury and as family friendly as a village fete on our doorstep...loved it.'

'Truly beautiful festival with lots of love and smiley happy people! Bring on the next - well done to all the people who helped make it unforgettable'

'Run by a really great and enthusiastic crew of people! Awesome line up too.'

Under The Hill have just released their headline act, the legendary DJ, **A.Skillz**. A.Skillz is a magician behind the turntables, captivating crowds with his ability to embrace all aspects of music that he takes inspiration from and mashing them up into a unique cocktail, infused with his own signature flavour of funk. He mixes a wide range of beats across genres such as hip hop, soul, funk, and rock with dubstep, drum and bass, and electro. A.Skillz has sold out tours across the globe, been voted best 'mini mix' by BBC Radio 1 listeners, clocked up over six million plays on his Soundcloud page, and was awarded with the title 'Best DJ' in February 2012 at the Breakspoll International Breakbeat Awards.

Under The Hill continues to support the **local community** and to that end held their first **Battle of the Band Competition** on Friday 11 May, at Amber Bar in Evesham. Six local artists, from Worcestershire, Herefordshire or Gloucestershire, battled it out to gain a slot on the Under The Hill Fest line up! After a great night of music, hosted by UK Beatbox Champion, PieMan, two acts were selected to play the festival.

Jeremy Johnson, born locally to the festival, will be added to the acoustic set on the Friday night. Jeremy Johnson is an emerging, independent British singer-songwriter with a passion for connecting with people and sharing his music live. Jeremy's songs are rooted in story-telling and are glimpses from a life less ordinary.

Speaking of the win, Jeremy Johnson said: *I'm thrilled to have been selected to play Under the Hill Festival by winning the battle of the bands competition. It was a special night for me as I grew up and went to high school in Evesham, but built my music career outside of the UK, so I had never actually played a gig in the town! It almost felt like a homecoming to play at Amber bar and I was really touched to win. The festival will be really special too as I went to Aston Under Hill first school as a kid, just down the road from the festival site. The festival will become the first date on my European tour this summer, through the West country, France, Spain and Portugal, and I can't think of a better way to kick it all off.*

Liar, Liar will be joining the line-up on Saturday. Liar, Liar are a British indie pop duo from Evesham, composed of twin brothers Benji and Thom Parry, with punchy beats and pop anthem hooks, they're sure to get festival goers on their feet!

In addition the festival held a **DJ competition**, giving emerging DJs the opportunity to play a set at Under The Hill Fest. Submissions were made via MixCloud and festival organisers are excited to announce that **DJ RobWhy?** will be performing a 1 hour set.

RobWhy? You'll know why after hearing him shimmy a dance floor more than a flapper girls tassels. Expect mashups, remixes, heavy basslines and high energy presence with ghetto funk, electro-swing, breaks, drum & bass, jungle and bassline all part of Rob's audio artillery!

This is a music festival for all ages and Under The Hill welcomes families who can not only enjoy the music, but also take part in crafts, join the fancy dress theme, watch live circus performers, and get their faces painted!

So if you are looking for a small, eclectic, intimate festival, with diverse music, make sure you are part of this new festival on the block. Join us on this wild adventure and be warned, come prepared to skank til your feet drop off!

Mista Trick, DJ and Artist Director of Under The Hill Fest said:

"Last year we were blown away by the support and feedback from those that took part in the first ever Under The Hill! We can't wait to welcome more people to the event, with more incredible acts, representing a huge spectrum of musical diversity. It can be tough to find a festival that balances top music, with intimacy and personality, but that's exactly what we want to achieve with under The Hill Fest."

The festival is being supported by Green Trak Productions.

TICKET INFORMATION

Limited earlybird tickets and glamping tents have now sold out. Standard tickets are just £35, one of the cheapest festivals around, which includes access to the festival from Friday – Sunday and camping.

Standard ticket are £45 (+BF)

All tickets include standard camping space for the nights of Friday 25 and Saturday 26 May.

Car parking tickets can be purchased at £5 per vehicle.

Campervan tickets can be purchased at £15.

The event will take place in Ashton Under Hill, near Evesham, Worcestershire. A free shuttle service from the two nearby train stations will be provided.

Tickets are available here: www.underthehillfest.co.uk

FULL LINE UP

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TANKUS THE HENGE

The world Tankus the Henge inhabit may be one that they have created for themselves, but it is one with an open invitation. It's a wild, twisted and joyful rollercoaster ride that tears at your heartstrings and pushes you off the cliff at the same time. A six piece powerhouse of a band drawing visual and musical influences from old time fairgrounds to modern day circus; The Beatles to Tom Waits and Gogol Bordello to Radiohead, they embody a look and a sound that lies somewhere between their South East London home and the carnival town of New Orleans.

THE UNDERCOVER HIPPY

Drum and Bass MC turned singer songwriter Billy Rowan, aka The Undercover Hippy, is definitely not your average singer songwriter. His music brings together soulful vocals, infectious reggae rhythms, and the lyrical delivery of a skilled mc. Starting out as a solo act in 2007, he has since teamed up with some fantastic musicians and performs as a four piece, mixing guitars, keys, drums, bass, and backing vocals to create a high energy, interactive and highly entertaining live show. Combining intelligent, provocative lyrics with dangerously catchy hooks and a feel good groove, this is music for the thinking man to shake his arse to. Think Natty meets Eminem...on a protest march...at the Edinburgh Fringe.

BUFFO'S WAKE

Buffo's Wake are a twelve-legged beast hatched in the murky backwater of Brighton, UK. Armed with accordions, violins and a bucket full of gusto they waltz, tango, mosh and kolo their way through various influences from Eastern European, Balkan and Russian folk, to punk rock and cabaret, telling tales of debauchery, deformity, zombies, incest and anatomy and making the audience dance into the night in the process.

MISTA TRICK LIVE

Mista Trick is a producer and DJ of all things Swing n Bass. He has performed at festivals including Glastonbury, Boomtown, Nozstock, Swingamajig and Shambala, releasing tracks on Ragtime Records, Pashmount Music, Breakbeat Paradise and Sony.

In 2017 Mista Trick took Swing n Bass to the next level, introducing a live 6-piece band with vocals from Elle & The Pocket Belles and rapper Gambit Ace. This exciting new fusion brings together traditional swing, bass, old school hip-hop and electric guitar. Mista Trick Live is set to crowd fund their debut album this February.

KING PUNCH

King Punch are a lively 7-piece ska-punk band hailing from London, England. Known for their energetic live shows, they are equally at home smashing together a blend of ska, punk, hard rock and swing in crushed London clubs or up on big festival stages. Either way, everyone's going to be going home sweaty and smiling.

MEX.FS

mex.fS is an acoustic lap tap/percussive guitarist originally from England. He has taken his show all around the world, street performing and gigging in 4 different continents, as well as composing and performing music for theatre in both Australia and the UK. mex.fS will be setting the scene for the new Friday night of Under The Hill Fest, so make sure you get there early to catch this special performance.

HEAVY BEAT BRASS BAND

Heavy Beat Brass Band are the UK's newest and most authentic New Orleans style brass band. Remixing Modern Jazz, Pop and Funk with the sounds of a roaring Mardi Gras Band. Inspired by the

heavy drum beats of modern day second line brass music, Heavy Beat aims to bring the sound of New Orleans to the UK. Inspired by The Hot 8 Brass Band, Rebirth Brass Band, New Birth Brass Band, Youngblood Brass Band, New York Brass Band and many more. Expect an eclectic mix of original music, New Orleans style covers and lots of brass!

THE SWINGHOPPERS

A brand new live act that take the feel-good vibes of classic Swing music and combine it with the energy and attitude of Golden Era Hip Hop. The result is something that is familiar enough for crowds to immediately connect with, whilst original enough to thrill them with its freshness! Comprising a rapper, beatboxer, singer and DJ, The Swinghoppers put on a captivating show with enough variation to keep even the most seasoned partygoer enthralled.

PIEMAN HOST

Pieman has been Beatboxing on stage for over 10 years. He mixes styles from Glitch to Hip Hop to DnB, with elements of story telling and theatre. Following his success at the UK Beatbox Championships in 2015, Pye has been developing his unique style in new and unusual directions. From head bopping to jaw dropping Pye's live show is something that has to be seen to be believed.

DANNY WAV

Danny Wav is a stone cold love machine! He's your wing man, he's a timelord, he's the person you'd want to tag if you were wrestling a moustachioed Mexican mean machine and were in some kind of hideous triple nelson neck hold about to lose all sensation in your face and hands. Born wild and once fully feral, he was hand reared by kung fu nuns who taught him a respect for the ladies and exquisite table manners. Danny's a DJ, who isn't these days? But Danny's different, he's mean and lean and cut his teeth (and teats) in his previous act Dutty Moonshine – bad boys! Danny is a one man party starter, wobbly bass, scratchy shenanigans, full on overloader of happy times, he starts parties like a boss, bingo halls to dancehalls, leisure centres to leather centres (sofas on 50% sale!) He's safe, he's sexy, his gun fingers are set to stun, but are filled with Fiyah!

EMIL PRIZE

Emil 'Boro' Borisov aka. Emil Prize started off way back when in 1999 and in the last 10 years he has taken the Bulgarian club scene by storm with his unique mixing style and happy personality. He has played in nearly every major club in Bulgaria and has entertained thousands of people. The greatest success of Emil Prize till now have been his Camp Sessions parties where he has single-handedly attracted thousands of Bulgarian party goers several times a year for the last two years. The beauty of camp sessions is the fact that Emil Prize has created an environment for the Bulgarian 'Camp' aka. The extreme lifestyle demographic to come together and enjoy life with positivity and creativity. Camp sessions has become a force to be reckoned with when it comes to the nightlife scene in Bulgaria, with a very talented local crew of DJ's and MC's which always know how to entertain a crowd along with Mr. Prize himself.

FIZZY GILLESPIE

Fizzy Gillespie is a 21 year old DJ & Producer who is best known for taking the Vintage sounds of 1930's Swing to 1960's Soul, as well as everything in between, and fusing them with the modern sounds of Drum'n'Bass, Jungle & Garage. Yet, his eclectic music collection can see him play for any occasion. His sets are all about having fun and losing yourself in the music.

EXTRA MEDIUM

Extra Medium is more than just your typical DJ from the U.K, with a moustache that can be groomed from ear to ear. He has an incredible talent for upcycling 1920's to 1950's classics into bass heavy

Electro Swing. And for the last year Extra Medium has produced music in his own 'extra'vert style, creating quite the rapport among talented musicians and DJ's alike.

DAN DE'LION

Straight from the jungle, this cat loves nothing more than a good ol' remix. From RnB to Hip-Hop, Swing to Rock n Roll, he'll find us e'ry phat rendition of classic crowd pleasers but with a floor-stomping side of BASS!

JEREMY JOHNSON

Winner of the local Battle of the Bands competition, Jeremy Johnson will be back playing at Under The Hill Fest, in his home town! An emerging, independent British singer-songwriter with a passion for connecting with people and sharing his music live, Jeremy's songs are routed in story-telling and are glimpses from a life less ordinary.

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2018 PROMO VIDEO

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e3Rc6JZQc5g>

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FOR LOCAL PRESS

The organiser is local to Evesham and as such we are keen to involve the local community in the festival, through the music, local food vendors and stalls, and festival goers. This year we are also holding both a band and DJ competition, giving local amateur musicians the opportunity to play at Under The Hill Fest. More details of these competitions will be announced soon.

Our Musical Director would be happy to provide an interview regarding vision of the festival and the line-up. He is known as [Mista Trick](#) a producer and DJ who has performed at many festivals including Glastonbury, Boomtown, Nozstock, Swingamajig and Shambala.

The main organiser is local to Evesham and would also be happy to interview.

PRESS PASSES

We will be offering a limited number of Press Passes, please email our Communications Manager if you are interested.

FESTIVAL FLYER

Please see festival line up poster attached.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Please see our website for a full list of rules and regulations.

www.underthehillfest.co.uk/rules-and-regulations