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Performances

Friday 16th Oct	7.30pm	St Giles Church, Lamb Gardens
Saturday 17th Oct	7.30pm	Holy Cross Church, Skellingthorpe Road
Sunday 18th Oct	2.30pm	Mary Magdalene's Church, Bailgate
Sunday 18th Oct	6pm	Lincoln Cathedral

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Coming this October! a chance to see four atmospheric medieval Mystery Plays, loosely based on bible stories, performed by the Lincoln Mystery Plays Trust. These four plays tell of God's creation of the world, Adam and Eve's fall from grace, Cain and Abel's story and Noah and his family's role in saving life from the flood. In addition, we will be including the words of The Banns/ Proclamations. These were originally used 600 years ago to herald the Mystery Plays in each place the medieval travelling players were to perform and have not been included in performance for many years.

In these medieval plays, we see Lucifer up to his devilish tricks - trying to challenge God's authority and causing trouble for humans wherever he can; Adam and Eve devastated by their own stupidity; Cain as a petulant boy, resenting his brother's piety; and Noah as an aged man (500 years old no less!) who questions his ability to build a ship but nonetheless proceeds with it. Over it all, God looks on in joy, dismay, frustration and anger, using his mighty power to create and destroy and, finally, offering an olive branch of hope to mankind.

Accompanied by our fabulous musicians on their medieval instruments, come along for a slice of medieval life with relatable characters, some humour, but also some violence. We hope you will be mesmerised by the spectacle of Creation, appalled at the poor moral choices made by some characters and impressed by the stoicism of others. An opportunity not to be missed!

We know that Mystery Plays were performed in and around Lincoln throughout the medieval period and so have been part of Lincoln's heritage for the last 600 years. We will be collecting donations at each performance to ensure our charity continues to be able to show you these medieval gems from the past.

- Our 4 short plays run in succession and last for 50 minutes
- No booking or tickets required
- Some violent scenes

Lincoln Mystery Plays – reviving the past