

## **FMT Meet Up Notes - 21.9.22 - Neuron, Tontine Street**

### **Julia Jones - Neuron**

New wellness hub going really well.

New book "F-Bomb" launched and LOTS of press attention

Been part of the Salt Festival - Sauna on the beach

New workshops starting regularly at Neuron

Gut testing and advice avail

Ideas for workshops welcome

### **Chris Smith - The Chambers**

The World is a funny place right now and struggling to get people out.

Bandstand music had to be cancelled for 2 weeks due to the death of QE2

Chris programmes ahead massively so always check schedules and get in touch if you want to organise something at The Chambers

New comedy night started - 1st Weds of every month (upstairs)

Controlled Voltage - electronic music night - 1st Weds of every month (downstairs)

11th Nov - Girls to the front event - all female

New folks programme "The Kimberleys" 3rd Weds of every month

Skabour was less busy than last year but had repeat tickets bought much quicker than normally so the quality of the punters seems better.

Don Letts coming to play on 10th Dec :)

### **Tim Smith & Sophia Stutchbury - Seaview Studio**

Around 2-4k unique visitors per month to the FMT website and growing

Public enquiries being made about events / gigs / bands etc

Businesses / venues getting in touch to find musicians / bands for paid gigs

We have secured a few paid gigs for local musicians

In addition to the window stickers - will be collecting some wall / door stickers to take to music venues / establishments

FMT event in planning and will be approaching all venues to get involved

Music should be the lifeblood of Folkestone with our status of being The World's First Music Town so it's important to all join forces and maintain this amazing status.

Music makes wonderful things happen and we are working alongside the council to try and bring more visitors to Folkestone and to support local venues and creatives :)

**Matt Shipton - Sounds Folkestone**

String Quartet - 15 years experience

Quartet in residence in Folkestone - Oct 8th - 9th

Idea to shake up presence of orchestral music

St Eanswythes Church - regular events

Beethoven on the beech

Beethoven in the dark - The Quarterhouse - locals get discounted tickets :)

Started a youth project and all apart from the Quarterhouse are free to attend

Anyone interested in writing - get in touch

Young Strings - weekly orchestra every Weds @4.30pm - block 67

**Colin Chambers - Musician/Singer**

Used to run an informal 'round the table' americana & folk acoustic session in London for 9 years

Would like to start something similar here

Get in touch if you'd like to collaborate or have a venue you'd like to put this

on. Contact : [colin.a.chambers@gmail.com](mailto:colin.a.chambers@gmail.com) Facebook: Folke Around

**Adam Jeanes**

Would like to get involved with surveys/ cross marketing

Find out local info - where are people going / want to go

Dig into what could work here in Folkestone.

**Thanks again for your continued support!**

**Next meet-up is Tuesday 8th Nov, 2023 - Eleto Chocolate Cafe - 7-9pm**