

Jane McDonald: *Living the Dream* Tour
8th September 2026

What a night! Our Theatre Group headed to the Motorpoint Arena in Nottingham for an evening with Jane McDonald, and from the moment she stepped onto the stage, she had the audience firmly in the palm of her hand.

For a full two hours, Jane entertained us with that winning combination of a powerhouse voice, quick wit, warmth and wonderfully down-to-earth humour. The audience seemed to span the generations, from around 18 to 80 and quite possibly beyond, proving that her appeal reaches far and wide.

One particularly poignant part of the evening was Jane's tribute to the late Dolly Parton. Jane performed *I Will Always Love You*, a song that played an important part in her own career during the 1990s. Her time spent in Nashville also inspired her love of country music and influenced a number of songs on her latest album, which Jane proudly told us had reached No. 5 in the main UK Albums Chart and No. 1 in the Independent Albums Chart.

There was plenty of sparkle, plenty of laughter and, above all, some tremendous singing. Jane knows exactly how to connect with an audience, moving effortlessly between heartfelt songs and stories that had the arena laughing.

A thoroughly entertaining evening was had by all and another great night out for the Theatre Group.

Our programme certainly doesn't stop here. We have a busy winter season ahead, with more theatre trips already planned as we move into spring and summer 2027.

Whether you enjoy musicals, drama, comedy, concerts or something a little different, take a look at what's coming up:

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