**GRAHAM GOULDMAN ANNOUNCES HEART FULL OF SONGS TOUR FOR 2023**

10cc founding member Graham Gouldman has announced a 16-date tour for March 2023 with his highly acclaimed semi-acoustic show Heart Full of Songs.

Graham will be joined on stage by 10cc live band members Iain Hornal and Keith Hayman, and Dave Cobby, performing songs from Graham’s celebrated back catalogue, including chart hits for 10cc, the Hollies, Herman’s Hermits, The Yardbirds and his time in Wax with Andrew Gold.

The tour will begin on 6th March in Bury St Edmunds and end on the 23rd March in Salford, including a date at London’s Cadogan Hall on 16th March.



Graham formed what became Heart Full of Songs nine years ago purely for the pleasure of playing his songs in their simplest form: acoustically.

The format’s popularity is such that Heart Full of Songs now tours the UK every two years, between 10cc’s sell-out UK tours.

Since Heart Full of Songs last toured the UK in September 2021, Graham has been busy taking 10cc to some of Europe’s most prestigious concert venues, along with four hugely successful arena events with Toto.

Looking ahead to the tour, Graham said, “I’m very much looking forward to taking Heart Full Of Songs on the road again where I get to play and talk about some of my old songs, and explain their origins, but also play some new material that I am very proud of.

“I'm also looking forward to working with multi instrumentalists/vocalists Iain Hornal and Keith Hayman, both of whom are my 10cc bandmates. On percussion we have Dave Cobby, who also happens to be 10cc's production manager.

“I hope you enjoy the gigs as much as we enjoy playing them."

Graham’s prestigious career took off in 1965 following what turned out to be a blessing in guise. Columbia rejected his first single composition for his band The Mockingbirds, which featured fellow 10cc founder Kevin Godley on drums. The song, *For Your Love*, became a huge hit for The Yardbirds.

Working by day in a men's outfitters shop and playing by night with his semi-professional band, Graham went on to write a string of hits, such as *Pamela, Pamela* for Wayne Fontana, *For Your Love*, *Evil Hearted You* and *Heart Full of Soul* (The Yardbirds), *Bus Stop* and *Look Through Any Window* (The Hollies), *No Milk Today* and *Listen People* (Herman's Hermits), and *Tallyman* for Jeff Beck.

In 1972, along with Eric Stewart, Kevin Godley and Lol Creme, he formed 10cc. The band enjoyed a string of Top 10 hits, including three No 1s - *Rubber Bullets, I’m Not In Love* and *Dreadlock Holiday* – along with *Donna* (No 2), *Art For Art’s Sake* and *Good Morning Judge* (both reaching No 5), *The Things We Do For Love* and *I’m Mandy Fly Me* (6), and *The Wall Street Shuffle* (10), selling more than 30 million albums worldwide.

It’s the enduring popularity of these tracks, along with others such as *Bridge To Your Heart* from Graham’s time in Wax with the late Andrew Gold and songs from film soundtracks including *Animalympics,* that led to the formation of Heart Full of Songs.



Heart Full of Songs shows also include tracks from Graham’s acclaimed solo albums*, And Another Thing, Love And Work,* *Play Nicely And Share* and 2020’s *Modesty Forbids*,*.*

Needless to say, for lovers of perfectly-crafted music performed by the composer, a Heart Full of Songs concert is truly an exquisite experience. As Graham always maintains, “a good song can always be performed acoustically”.

Graham’s more recent career highlights include being invited by Ringo Starr to join his All Starr Band for arena tours of Europe and the USA in 2018, during which the band played three 10cc songs at each performance. Graham described the experience as, “One of the most enjoyable things I’ve done”.

Meanwhile, the latest project to earn Graham a wealth of media coverage is his new song ‘Floating In Heaven’, which caught the attention of Queen’s Brian May, at a crucial time in the history of space exploration.

Brian, who has a passion for astronomy and a PhD in astrophysics, worked with Graham to release ‘Floating In Heaven’ as a single to mark the unveiling to the world of the first astonishing images from NASA’s James Webb Space Telescope on 12th July. The pair performed the song with a full orchestra at the sixth Starmus convention, held on 5th-10th September in Yerevan, Armenia.

‘Floating In Heaven’ is also the soundtrack for a YouTube video featuring the images, released by the Space Telescope Science Institute in the US.

The full list of Graham Gouldman’s Heart Full of Songs tour dates is as follows:

**March 2023**

6th Bury St Edmunds The Apex

7th Sunderland Fire Station

8th Glasgow Saint Luke’s

9th Buxton Floral Pavilion

10th Holmfirth The Civic

12th Stamford Corn Exchange

13th Lytham St Annes Lowther Pavilion

14th Southport The Atkinson

15th Shoreham Ropetackle

16th London Cadogan Hall

18th Basingstoke The Haymarket

19th Oswaldtwistle Civic Arts Centre & Theatre

20th Lincoln Drill Hall

21st Wavendon The Stables Theatre

22nd Shrewsbury Theatre Severn

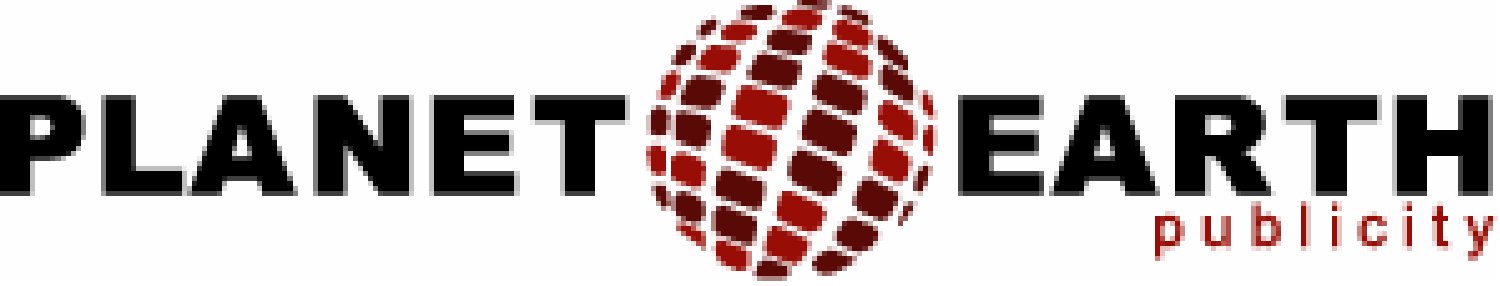
23rd Salford Quays Theatre

Tickets are on sale now, available from all venues and from [www.grahamgouldman.info](http://www.grahamgouldman.info/)

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**Notes.**

* *I’m Not In Love* (co-written by Graham) has been played over five million times on US radio.
* YouTube videos of *I’m Not In Love*, both old and with the current 10cc band, have been viewed more that 30 million times overall.
* *Things We Do For Love* (co-written by Graham) has been played over 3.5 million times on US radio.
* *Dreadlock Holiday* (co-written by Graham) is featured on the soundtrack of the 2010 film *The Social Network*, about the founding of Facebook.
* *I’m Not In Love* was part of the soundtrack of the film *Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason*.
* *Bus Stop* (written by Graham for The Hollies) has been played over four million times on US radio, while *For Your Love* (a hit for the Yardbirds) has been played more than two million times on US radio.
* Wax, featuring Graham and the late Andrew Gold, sold more than two million albums worldwide, helped by hit singles *Bridge To Your Heart* and *Right Between The Eyes*.
* *I’m Not In Love* is a lead track on the 2015 blockbuster Disney film *Guardians of the Galaxy,* which grossed $635 million (£512m) in its first two months in US cinemas and resulted in a No 1 album.