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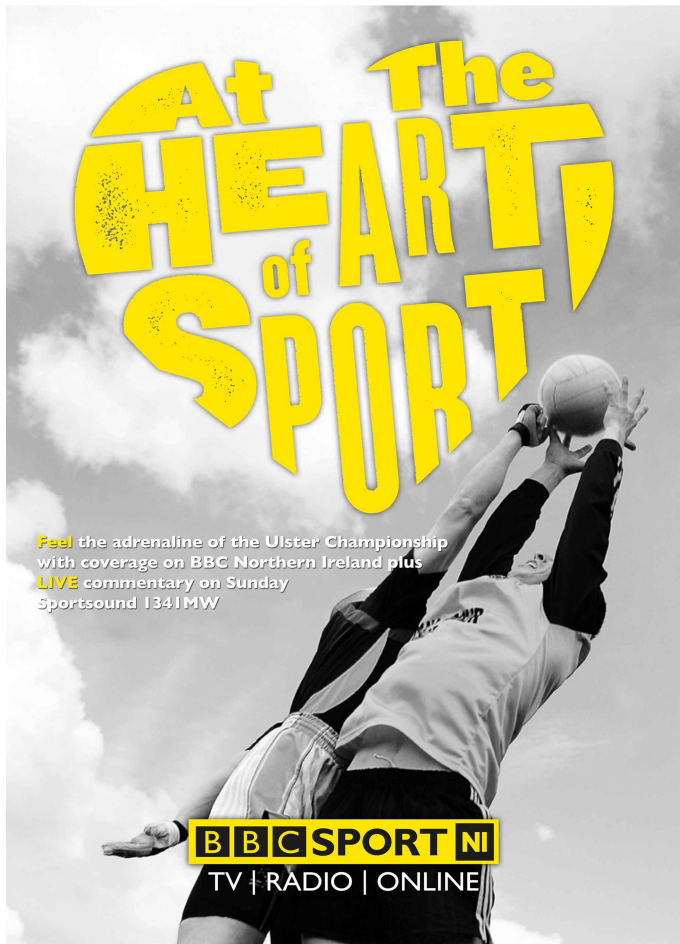
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# BBC Proms In The Park comes to Bangor

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**BBC Proms In The Park**, Saturday, September 10, Castle Park, Bangor

**BBC Proms In The Park** will be staged in the grounds of **Castle Park, Bangor** on **Saturday, 10 September**, as local audiences join the **UK-wide celebrations** of the world famous **Last Night of the Proms**.

BBC Proms In The Park in Northern Ireland is now in its 10th year. It provides outdoor music-making on a grand scale, bringing together local and international artists in BBC Northern Ireland's biggest outside broadcast event of the year. The concert in Bangor will feature the Ulster Orchestra and guest artists in a programme of classical and contemporary music.

Last Night of the Proms celebrations also take place in England, Scotland and Wales, as music lovers across the UK come together to mark the conclusion of the world's largest classical music festival, the BBC Proms.

BBC Proms in the Park in Northern Ireland will include all the traditional elements of the Last Night of the Proms – a big screen, great music and a party atmosphere. Further details of this year's event will be announced soon.



Striking up a tune to launch this year's BBC Proms in the Park being held in the grounds of Castle Park, Bangor on Saturday, September 10 are BBC Northern Ireland's Noel Thompson and Mayor of North Down, Councillor James McKerrrow

The concert will be introduced and presented by Noel Thompson and Claire McCollum and broadcast to a wider audience on BBC television, radio and online.

Peter Johnston, Director BBC Northern Ireland, said: "Proms in the Park in Northern Ireland is one of the most prestigious and large-scale events we undertake each year. We are looking forward to bringing it for the first time to the grounds of Castle Park, Bangor. Music lovers can be assured of a very special evening of musical entertainment from a mix of talented local and international artists - all set against the stunning backdrop of Bangor Castle."

North Down Borough Council has supported the event.

Mayor of North Down, Councillor James McKerrow, commented: "We are absolutely delighted to host the 'BBC Proms in the Park' this year and I believe the beautiful grounds of Castle Park, with the backdrop of the Edwardian Bangor Castle building, will make a very special setting for this prestigious event.

"Thanks to the success of recent outdoor concerts in Bangor, the town is recognised as an excellent venue for large scale events



offering superb facilities and transport links. Concerts don't come much bigger than the Last Night of the Proms and we are pleased that Bangor will represent Northern Ireland at this acclaimed event."

Tickets to BBC Northern Ireland's Proms in the Park event are complimentary and will be allocated on the basis of a random draw.

You can apply for tickets at any time from today (Thursday, June 2) until 5pm on Friday, June 17, 2011.

No applications will be accepted after this closing date. A maximum of four tickets will be allocated per household address. Duplicate applications will not be considered.

You can apply for tickets online at: [bbc.co.uk/tickets](http://bbc.co.uk/tickets), by telephone on: 0370 901 1227 and textphone: 0370 903 0304

We are unable to accept postal applications for tickets.

UK-wide rate charged at no more than 01/02 geographic numbers. Calls may be recorded for training.

For more information visit the BBC Proms in the Park website at: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/proms/2010/promsinthepark/>



# Swing Back To The 60s

BBC Radio Ulster gets its groove on with new 60s-theme series

**Swing Back To The 60s**, BBC Radio Ulster, Saturday, June 11 at 2pm

**BBC Radio Ulster is twisting and shouting its way down memory lane for some psychedelic, swinging '60s nostalgia as it celebrates the decade of the Beatles, flower power, free love and getting groovy.**

For eight weeks from Saturday, June 11, BBC Radio Ulster listeners can join Linley Hamilton every Saturday at 2pm for a jam-packed, kaleidoscopic hour of non-stop hits and fun titbits as he relives those days of pirate radio in *Swing Back To The 60s*.

As well as playing countless classic hits from the decade, by everyone from the Beatles and the Byrds to Dusty Springfield and the Beach Boys, each week Linley will also pick a specific year from the 1960s and give a Top 10 countdown of its biggest hits and relive some of the main news, events and entertainments from that year. And to ensure listeners get a real feeling of stepping back in time, the programme uses the original PAMS (Production, Advertising, Merchandising Services) jingles from the 1960s, specially re-recorded for BBC Radio Ulster.

Linley says: "Working on this show has been great fun. In many ways it has been a re-launch of radio the way we used to hear it...glitzy, fast, big production sound-bites and as much music as can be packed in to an hour! The thing that surprised me when



Linley Hamilton presents *Swing Back To The '60s*

we were making the show was just how much great music there was in the 1960s. When we featured the chart countdown for a particular week I would know every song because they were all hits.

"This show is an entertaining and respectful nod to the greatest time to be alive. From a listener's point of view, there is nostalgia in bucket-loads for those who fondly remember the '60s, and for those that don't remember that far back...well this will take you pleasantly by surprise.

"There's the tongue-in-cheek of the Radio Caroline presentation, hits from start to finish, big orchestrations of the crooners

to full on Beatles, Monkees and everything that comes in between - the golden decade of music!," he says.

*Swing Back To The 60s*, BBC Radio Ulster, starts Saturday, June 11 at 2pm. Linley can also be heard on *After Midnight* with Linley Hamilton every Sunday Night on BBC Radio Ulster from 00.05am.

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