

Music of the Redcoats – a Concert

Two hundred years ago, 40,000 British soldiers and an unknown number of campfollowers – the predecessors of today’s servicewomen – lost their lives in the Peninsular War, but, except in the pages of the Sharpe novels, their sacrifice is barely remembered. In honour of their memory, the leading folk-group ‘Strawhead’ - < cf. <http://www.strawhead.org.uk> > - and the band of The Rifles are producing a CD of military music, ballads and folksongs relating to the British army of the Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars in company with Professor Charles Esdaile of the School of History of the University of Liverpool. To launch this project, Strawhead (plus support) will be in concert in the Stanley Theatre of the University of Liverpool at 1930 on Monday 10 May. Tickets - £8 (£4 students/concessions) will be on sale in the School of History (in the period immediately before the concert only), in the Guild of Students and on the door, while they may also be obtained from Professor Charles Esdaile, School of History, University of Liverpool, Liverpool, L69 7WZ

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