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CROWN AND CORONATION: Sound and Light Show

Ely Cathedral to be one of the first UK venues to host new, large scale light show in 2024

CROWN AND CORONATION is a spectacular immersive light & sound show on tour in the UK. Following its highly acclaimed launch at the Tower of London in November 2023, Ely Cathedral will be one of the very first venues to host this spectacular show, which celebrates the spectacle, significance and inspiration of the Crown Jewels and the Coronation ceremony.

The project was created by Historic Royal Palaces in partnership with Luxmuralis, the artistic collaboration of artist Peter Walker and composer David Harper.

Joss Palmer, Event Manager at Ely Cathedral says "We feel very honoured to be one of the first venues in the UK to showcase this event. We have always admired Peter Walker's work, and his creativity and talent in producing large scale light productions is legendary. This particular project, in partnership with Historic Royal Palaces, promises to be an amazing experience using the Cathedral as the most stunning backdrop for his latest work, Crown & Coronation."

The entire Cathedral will be fully immersed in this dazzling light and sound exhibition. Visitors will experience a journey through history, from William the Conqueror to Queen Victoria, as large scale, colourful imagery of jewels and royalty are projected across the interior walls of Ely Cathedral.

CROWN AND CORONATION will run from 06 - 10 February 2024 between 6.15pm – 8.45pm.

Tickets are bookable in 15minute intervals and visitors are advised to book in advance online www.elycathedral.org.

It is anticipated the experience will take approximately 1 hour.

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About Ely Cathedral

Highly regarded by historians and architects from all over the world for its beauty and size, Ely Cathedral is widely acknowledged as 'one of the wonders of the Medieval world'. Visible for miles around, the

Cathedral is often referred to as 'The Ship of the Fens'.

The present building dates from 1081 and is a remarkable example of both Romanesque and Norman architecture. In addition to its unique Octagon Tower and magnificent Lady Chapel, Ely has the third longest nave of any UK Cathedral. The Cathedral's role today is not so far removed from its days as a Benedictine monastery and offers regular daily worship with a special emphasis on choral music.

As well as being a major visitor attraction, the Cathedral serves as a cultural focal point for East Anglia by providing a unique venue for the arts & music, for exhibitions, concerts and theatre. Most recently Ely has gained global recognition a prominent film location including *Elizabeth: The Golden Age*, *The Other Boleyn Girl*, *Macbeth*, *The King's Speech*, *The Crown* and, more recently, *Maestro*.