

# Darren Poyzer & Trisha Plant

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## Darren & Trish

acoustic music duo (dynamic accessible original songs)

'Spirit Of The Fringe' Award Winners + 'Best Music Show' Top 4 nominated

- Buxton Festival Fringe



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## Darren & Trish: Introduction

Based in Stockport, near Manchester UK, Darren Poyzer & Trisha Plant are an award winning, down to earth live music duo, playing original, accessible, dynamic songs.

**Darren** has been writing and performing for over 40 years, a career during which he has performed at many festivals including Glastonbury Festival, Edinburgh International Festival, Belladrum Tartan Heart, Acoustic Festival Of Britain, Oktoberfest and Bearded Theory, he has literally performed at thousands of events across a wide range of occasions and celebrations, in tents, theatres, clubs, cafes and community centres.

He has either toured with or supported artistes such as John Cooper Clarke, The Men They Couldn't Hang, The Zombies, Eddi Reader, Hawkwind, Roy Harper, Wishbone Ash, Fisherman's Friends, Glenn Tilbrook, Steve Coogan & many more!

**Trish** teamed up with Darren in 2025 and within 3 months the duo became award winners for their performances and contributions to Buxton Festival Fringe. Together they won the 'Spirit Of The Fringe' award, and were nominated for 'Best Music Show'. She is a keen crafter, community events team leader, and former care work manager.



As a creative and enterprising, spontaneous duo they continually strive to respond to current global and domestic events, the back catalogue bringing to any table, live music that has received amazing and heart-warming receptions at across the UK and beyond.

### Live Streaming

Darren & Trish deliver regular live streamed performances from their own home.

For 'Our Living Room Sessions' they host live streamed performances by special guest songwriters and bands.

For 'Piano and Chat' live streams, Darren plays piano arrangements of songs that regular followers of the duo have come to love, otherwise played on acoustic guitar.

### Community Music & Events

Trish often supports Darren's work delivering music and singalongs in care homes, running a youth music project and a local community events team.

## Darren & Trish: Reviews

"memorable ... rabble rousing ... excellent"

- **Acoustic Magazine (Acoustic Festival of Britain)**

"an immediate, and richly deserved, standing ovation ...passionate about peace and social justice ... an excellent sense of humour and engaging stage presence."

- **Buxton Festival Fringe**

"a truly unique energy and gift for orchestrating live performance ... a seemingly endless delivery of uplifting stories and images of passion, conflict, and the human condition"

- **Raise Your Banners Festival**

" ... an absolute treat! A truly gifted songwriter, an amazing entertainer and one of the most approachable artists around the scene today"

- **Jonti Willis (Sine FM / Cubley Hall)**

"Darren is one of the most infectiously good natured performers I've seen in 35 years in the business"

- **Henry Normal (Baby Cow Productions / Bafta Award winning writer and producer**

"one of the Manchester scene's best loved music personalities"

- **Manchester Evening News**

"The final song was beautiful and touching, with Trish really shining with her newfound harmonica skills .. a standing ovation ... we need to hear songs like these"

- **Matt Hill (songwriter, community music leader)**

"I can say with 100% honesty that Darren Poyzer is one of my favourite ever singer/songwriters. Whenever I've seen him perform, I've watched the audience step right into the palm of his hand"

- **Laura Taylor (Wigan Diggers Festival / Poet)**

"Darren's songs are heartfelt with poignant lyrics, and a beautiful, sensitive touch. We really enjoy it when he appears on the same stage as us."

- **Andy Powell (Wishbone Ash)**

"A live performance that captivated a festival; I became a fan. 10 years on I'm still a fan."

- **Ian Haughey (Audlem Music Festival)**

"Great gig Darren, well done, you did a mighty job and they loved ya, fair play!"

- **Leo Moran (The Saw Doctors)**

"a genuine highlight of the festival as a whole ... fabulous stuff!!"

- **Damon Horrill, Middlewich Folk and Boat Festival**



## Darren & Trish: Tech Spec

If you are providing the sound system, our preferred and most realistic tech spec is:

### Darren:

Acoustic Guitar (di / line to desk)

Vocal Mic (sm58 pls)

### Trish:

Harmonica (vocal / instrument mic)

Cajon Percussion (mic)

One stage monitor each if available  
please, but if needs be we can share 😊



Depending on the event we can play:

1. A 'quick n easy' set consisting of:  
Acoustic Guitar and Harmonica  
(two vocal mics and one line to desk or di)
2. A more diverse set adding to all the above:  
Yamaha P60 piano (line to desk or di)  
Ukelele (line to desk or di)

To assist and provide flexibility, we can provide the following:

Our own 2k PA system for small to medium size venues (not loud rooms)

Our own mics, stands and leads

### Outdoor Events

Like every other performing artiste and ensemble, if playing outdoors we require the highest standard of legal, health and safety provision please. We will therefore enquire before the event with regards to stage and wet weather planning, and provisions for cancellation / re-staging the event.

### Sound Checks

Like all professional artistes we require ample time to sound check our instruments and levels, appreciative always. Please note however we are friendly, respectful and accommodating of stage changeovers and the pressures of live event production. 😊

## Darren Poyzer: Special Event Classic Covers

For very special events, celebrations and often by special request, Darren plays classic cover songs, happy to take requests in advance for special songs to be included 😊

He can be seen UK touring with Oktoberfest and similar food and drink shows, specialising in singalongs and delivering a set to suit the occasion.

Please note in all honesty, Darren doesn't play recent and up to date modern pop music, and this is reflected in the song list and eras covered.

Darren's 'classic covers' go from 2000's back to the 1960's, artistes and bands such as The Killers, Johnny Cash, Stereophonics, Deacon Blue, Radiohead, Bruce Springsteen, Bryan Adams, Snow Patrol, Oasis, Elbow, REM, The Monkees, James, Joy Division, The Beatles, Tears For Fears and The Proclaimers, including:

500 Miles  
Dakota  
Blowin' In The Wind  
Summer Of '69  
Dancing In The Dark  
Worried Man's Blues  
Dignity  
Human  
Daydream Believer  
Mad World  
Love Will Tear Us Apart  
Whisky In The Jar  
Don't Look Back In Anger  
Wellerman  
Chasing Cars  
Creep  
Something In The Air  
One Day Like This  
Sit Down  
It's The End Of The World As We Know It  
Take Me Home Country Roads  
Angels  
The Scientist  
All You Need Is Love  
'a rock'n'roll medley'  
Bring Me Sunshine & more!



## Community Singing

*"Where Darren Poyzer appears, unusual things happen and people enjoy themselves ... natural acoustic sound with trademark warmth, firmness and tenderness from his guitar and seemingly effortless projection of the distinctive voice that shares those same qualities" - Leeds Music Scene*

Darren & Trish run at least one weekly dementia friendly community singing session, whilst Darren is often out and about delivering sessions for The Alzheimer's Society singing in care homes, supporting the work of local groups and community projects.

Fees for this work are always negotiable and subject to travel distances involved. As sessions take part usually in small spaces, the delivery is acoustic and requiring no specific technical electrical equipment.

Song books with lyrics can be provided to encourage singalongs, and song lists include:

Que Sera Sera

Leaving On A Jet Plane

How Much Is That Doggy In The Window

He's Got The Whole World In His Hands

Amarillo

Any Dream Will Do

Let's Twist Again

Amazing Grace

Oh What A Beautiful Morning

If I Had A Hammer

Morning Has Broken

Can's Help Falling In Love With You

Those Were The Days

Blue Moon

Moon River

Yellow Submarine

Take Me Home Country Roads

Bring Me Sunshine ... and many more 😊

