

# plymouth prideevent 2008

## Media Release

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### **Billiam head Pride 08 entertainment bill**

Boyband Billiam head an impressive line-up of entertainment at Saturday's (June 7) plymouth prideevent 2008 (CORRECT).

Billiam, who are the official support act for the Girls Aloud Tangled Up Tour, will be appearing during the free-entry, one-day Pride event in Plymouth Guildhall.

The band, who were formed after a nationwide search to find the boyband of 2007, were also asked to perform on last year's Westlife Arena Tour.

They will perform a free gig in the Guildhall to wrap up an afternoon of entertainment which starts with comedy drag cabaret artiste Lizzy Drip and also includes Madonna tribute singer Sarah Devonshire and British vocalist Louise Parker, who appears regularly on Radio 2's Best of Jazz.

During the day there will also be performances by Devon samba band Crooked Tempo as well as belly dancers and an opportunity to join in with some line dancing.

The Pride event will be officially opened at 11 am by the city's Lord Mayor and Mayoress, Councillor Brian Vincent and Pauline Murphy, and Billiam are due on stage at 3 pm.

The day also features an LGBT communities' history exhibition, including Holocaust Memorial Day and a play based on the memories of older lesbians and gay men, a public question forum with police, health, and city council representatives, an international speaker relating the experiences of being a gay Muslim in Iraq, and sexual health workshops for women and men.

Plymouth prideevent 2008 is a registered charity raising funds in support of the city's LGBT organisations and working in partnership with Plymouth City Council, Devon and Cornwall Constabulary, Plymouth Primary Care Trust, Out Youth Group, Plymouth Pride Forum, Plymouth Sound Radio, The Swallow public house, Zeros Nightclub, Eddystone Trust, Intercom Trust, Fyne Times, In Other Words Books, She Bang, University of Plymouth, and the TUC South West.

More information about the 2008 Pride event is available by visiting the website [www.plymouthprideevent.co.uk](http://www.plymouthprideevent.co.uk) or emailing [info@plymouthprideevent.co.uk](mailto:info@plymouthprideevent.co.uk) or telephoning 07753 339965.

- Our photographs show 1) Billiam (left to right) Zen, Jordan, Jazz, and George; and 2) Louise Parker; 3) Samba band Crooked Tempo.

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**Notes for Editor:**

- The phrase 'trans' should be used as it is a particular term covering transsexual, transgender, transvestite
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