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Talented young Looe musician invited to play his own song on main stage at Looe Live festival

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16 year old Tyler Seymour moved to Looe three years ago. Now the talented young musician has composed a song about the town he loves and is preparing to perform it on the main stage at this year's Looe Live 2019 festival.

Tyler's parents Garry and Zoe run the popular Jolly Sailor pub in Looe which was one of the venues hosting local acts at last year's Looe Saves the Day festival. Zoe went to school in Looe and the couple originally met in the town in the 1990's before moving away to live. However they always saw Looe as their home and moved back to take over the pub in 2016. Tyler shares their passion for the town and so wasted no time when Dad Garry suggested he should write a song about the town and this year's Looe Live! 2019 event .

"I really loved the idea of singing about the beautiful town I now live in " said Tyler. **"Once I sat down to think about the incredible people and places I see every day and the many things I enjoy doing, the ideas just flooded out and I wrote the song in just one day "**.

"I also wanted to showcase this year's festival and so the song celebrates the amazing local artists and community spirit which makes Looe Live! such a special event ".

Having listened to a recording of Tyler's song "Hometown" , festival organisers were so impressed they immediately offered the teenager a slot on the main stage.

"This is a dream come true " said an excited Tyler. **"Dad suggested I should write a song for Looe but I never thought I would be invited to perform it on the main stage at the festival"**.

Tyler will be sharing the spotlight with some of the very best entertainers in the country, including the likes of Level 42, the Fisherman's Friends, The Shires And Newton Faulkner as well as DJ Royalty Trevor Nelson.

This year's event, which runs from Friday 20 September to Sunday, 22 September, will be even bigger and better than last year – with 100 performances taking place on the main stages, on the streets and in venues across the whole town. There will be four stages, including one on the beach, with headliners and local acts and entertainers performing a variety of musical genres from jazz to funk, rock, blues and country and western; a classical music zone; dancing on the sea front, performances by local choirs and some incredible food and drink.

There will also be a new community zone offering crafts and music workshops and showcasing the best of Looe's groups and organisations – such as the Marine Conservation, Looe Film Society, Looe Sea Scouts, Elie's Haven, Talon's Raptor and Reptile Show, Looe Memory Cafe , Looe Marine Conservation, Plastic Free Looe and Looe Community Players . Proud Dad Garry can't wait to see his son perform at Looe Live!.

" When I suggested he write a song about Looe and the festival I never thought he would actually be asked to perform it on the main stage." he said. "It will be amazing to watch him walk out on to the stage in front of so many people and sing the song he composed especially for the occasion".

The person responsible for organising the programme for the main stages is Tim Vigus from Southwest Bars and Events who says he had no hesitation in adding Tyler to the list of performers.

"Tyler has written a great song about Looe and the festival and it seems only right for him to have the chance to perform it on the main stage " he said. "One of our festival's key aims is to showcase local talent and I am sure festival goers will be just as impressed with Tyler as we are".

Day tickets for the two ticketed main stages (at Buller Quay and on the beach) are available from £25 for adults (£12.50 for children) and weekend tickets are £65 (£32.50 for children). Entrance to all community venues are free, although there will be a small entrance charge for non-ticket holders at the Classical Zone.

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