

Jazz at Imber Court  
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**July - November 2023**

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**Karen Sharp Quartet**

Jazz at Imber Court  
Sunday 23rd July  
6.30 pm  
£16

With her melodic, full-toned saxophone playing, Karen Sharp has been a prominent figure on the UK jazz scene since 2000, winning awards for best tenor and recognised also for her baritone playing. Karen toured with Humphrey Lyttelton's band and then, as an established soloist, worked with many of the top names in jazz. Runs her own groups, records albums as leader, enjoys working in big bands. Tonight we are pleased to welcome Karen on her first visit, performing in one of her regular quartets - Colin Oxley (guitar), Adam King (double bass) and Steve Brown (drums.)

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**Alex Clarke Quartet + Robert Fowler**

Jazz at Imber Court  
Sunday 13th August  
6.30 pm  
£17

Alex Clarke may be new on the scene but her saxophone skills, together with her versatility, are such that she is able to work with a stellar rhythm section, namely David Newton (keyboard), Dave Green (double bass) and Clark Tracey (drums), who are on her 2022 CD 'Only A Year'. Also playing at Imber Court for the first time is Robert Fowler, who started to make his name in the eighties with his broad-toned swinging tenor playing, his influences being Coleman Hawkins and Ben Webster.

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### **Five-Way Split**

Jazz at Imber Court

Sunday 24th September

6.30 pm

£17

During lockdown, five musicians got together one day and found that it worked so well that they formed a quintet as a vehicle for their own originals as well as some standards, with a nod towards hard bop. A few gigs later they released a fine CD 'All The Way' and tonight you will have the opportunity to hear for yourselves the impressive voicing, structure and swing of these accomplished musicians – Quentin Collins (trumpet and flugelhorn), Vasilis Xenopoulos (tenor saxophone), Rob Barron (keyboard), Matyas Hofecker (double bass) and Matt Home (drums).

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### **Art Themen Quartet**

Jazz at Imber Court

Sunday 29th October

3.00 pm

£16

Art Themen successfully combined his medical career as a consultant orthopaedic surgeon with being a highly popular, inventive and exciting tenor saxophonist for almost fifty years. He has a superlative and probably the best known trio backing him today, comprising David Newton (keyboard), Dave Green (double bass) and Steve Brown (drums).

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### **Quintet-a-tete**

Jazz at Imber Court

Sunday 26th November

3.00 pm

£17

This is another recently formed tight quintet, comprising James Davison (trumpet and flugelhorn), Callum Au (trombone), Sam Watts (keyboard), Misha Mullov-Abbado (bass) and Matt Skelton (drums). Heavily influenced by the classic 1960's Clark Terry/Bob Brookmeyer Quintet, the group's mission statement is to play lively, fun and exciting jazz with an emphasis on melody and groove. They have performed in top jazz clubs around the country to critical acclaim – now it's Imber Court's turn to host them!