

ATHENA



THE GREATEST  
**CIRCUS**

CHRISTMAS PARTY WORLD 2026

ATHENA, LEICESER

“

WOW! An amazing night... I book our xmas party every year and found on the night everything exceeded mine and my colleagues expectations. Thank you!"

**TRACY LYSONS - BARCLAYS**





VIVID

## INCREDIBLE CHRISTMAS PARTIES

We are Vivid

Vivid Experience is one of the UK's leading event management companies. We specialise in producing superb Christmas parties at flagship events venues across the country, including Athena, Leicester - transforming the venues into fully themed, immersive party destinations.

Our events are fast, fun and deliver unparalleled experiences for our guests year after year. From as little as a table of 8 guests, up to whole venue hire, we offer exciting options and a variety of dates and prices.

I hope you will choose to join us this year for an evening to remember - delicious food, incredible entertainment and memories that will last a lifetime!

I look forward to seeing you there!

Hayley Alton  
Managing Director

BIRMINGHAM   MANCHESTER   LEICESTER   MILTON KEYNES





“

Amazing Experience! Amazing music, food, drinks in an awesome setting. Just what everyone needs to get into the Christmas spirit. See you next year!”

DAVID HICKMAN - CURRYS

# ATHENA



## THE VENUE: ATHENA, LEICESTER

WIDELY RECOGNISED AS LEICESTER'S FLAGSHIP CHRISTMAS PARTY VENUE, ATHENA PROVIDES A WORLD CLASS DESTINATION FOR WORLD CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTIES!

Christmas Party World, built within Leicester's Athena, plays host to a range of Christmas parties that rock the world! Our parties have become the stuff of legend.

Award-winning catering, mesmerising entertainment, electrifying production and enchanting Christmas theming on a staggering scale. We work with the very best production and lighting companies, set designers, choreographers and chefs to produce awesome Christmas parties now recognised as the very best in the country.

- Conveniently located
- Car parking next to the venue
- Several hotels within walking distance to suit all budgets
- Taxi rank directly outside the venue
- 2 minute walk from the train station

Simply the ultimate Christmas party venue.

## THE 2026 THEME; THE GREATEST CIRCUS

Our new immersive party theme; 'The Greatest Circus' comes to Athena this Christmas. Where energy surges through the air and every moment promises amazement. It's time to step inside a magical world...

And of course, you'll be treated to brand new incredible cirque entertainment throughout the evening...

### FEATURING

- Hair-raising entertainment and European Cirque acts throughout the evening
- Spectacular 'The Greatest Circus' immersive venue theming
- Delicious canapé reception, 3-course dinner and midnight breakfast
- Fortune teller and 360 camera
- Disco, DJ, fun casino and more
- Beautifully themed main bars, professional cocktail bar, champagne bar and shots & shooters bar



### PARTY ITINERARY

18:30	20:00	20:25	22:00	00:00	00:45	01:00
Venue opens / delicious canapé reception	Call to dinner	Dinner is served	Disco, fairground attractions & after dinner entertainment	Midnight breakfast	Bar closes	Carriages



## A PARTY FOR EVERYONE!

From Premium Nights to All-inclusive Nights to Retail & 999 Nights - Our different types of party night explained...

And remember - the party itinerary, entertainment and dinner menu remains the same no matter which party date you choose.

### PREMIUM PARTY NIGHTS

If a prime Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday evening is a must then one of our Premium Party Nights may be right for you. These dates are amongst the first to sell out!

### ALL INCLUSIVE PARTY NIGHTS

Our 'All-Inclusive Drinks Nights' are usually on a mid-week date and offer superb value for money. A selection of house wine, premium beers, ciders, alcopops and soft drinks are included in the ticket price all evening

### RETAIL & 999 NIGHTS

Great value mid-week nights reserved exclusively for guests in the emergency services or retail industry

## 2026 DATES & PRICES

A range of ticket prices and packages running throughout the festive period to suit all budgets...

	EX VAT	INC VAT	
Friday 13th November	SOLD OUT		Premium Party Night
Friday 20th November	SOLD OUT		Premium Party Night
Wednesday 25th November	SOLD OUT		Premium Party Night
Thursday 26th November	SOLD OUT		Premium Party Night
Friday 27th November	SOLD OUT		Premium Party Night
Saturday 28th November	£66.67	£80.00	Premium Party Night
Wednesday 2nd December	SOLD OUT		Premium Party Night
Thursday 3rd December	SOLD OUT		Premium Party Night
Friday 4th December	£72.50	£87.00	Premium Party Night
Saturday 5th December	£72.50	£87.00	Premium Party Night
Sunday 6th December	£65.00	£78.00	Premium Party Night
Wednesday 9th December	£68.33	£82.00	All Inclusive Drinks Night*
Thursday 10th December	£49.17	£59.00	Retail & 999 Night
Friday 11th December	£72.50	£87.00	Premium Party Night
Saturday 12th December	£72.50	£87.00	Premium Party Night
Sunday 13th December	£66.67	£80.00	All Inclusive Drinks Night*
Wednesday 16th December	£68.33	£82.00	Premium Party Night
Thursday 17th December	£72.50	£87.00	All Inclusive Drinks Night*
Friday 18th December	£70.00	£84.00	Premium Party Night
Saturday 19th December	£68.33	£82.00	Premium Party Night

All Inclusive Drinks Night\* - All guests must be 18 or over  
We promote responsible drinking at all times.

#### Upgrade your Premium Party Night!

Make your night even more memorable by adding a drinks package to your booking. These offer great value and are available to pre book only. See page 20 for more details.



Our team of in-house chefs have built a superb reputation for delivering culinary excellence that clients have come to expect from leading venues. We have provided bespoke menus for some of the world's most prestigious events and are looking forward to an exciting 2026 party season!

## 2026 MENU

Freshly prepared each day on site

### CANAPÉS

Mini Aberdeen angus beef burger, sweet red onion marmalade relish  
 Mac 'n' cheese in a Japanese bread crumb v  
 Hummus chip, sundried tomato, caramelised onion, basil GF/V/DF/VG  
 Cajun seasoned king prawns GF/DF

### STARTER

Roasted red pepper & vine ripened tomato soup, toasted paprika seeds, sun blushed tomato  
 oil V/GFA/DF/VG  
 OR  
 Baked sweet chilli salmon fillet glazed, fresh lime, fine rice noodles, oriental vegetables, fresh  
 coriander (served cold) GF/DF

### MAIN COURSE

Pan-fried chicken, festive stuffing, pig in blanket, dauphinoise potatoes, roasted cardamom &  
 honey carrot, maple glazed parsnip, buttered wilted greens, pan jus GFA/DFA/Halal available  
 OR  
 Breaded cauliflower steak, roasted new potatoes, green beans, buttered wilted greens, cumin  
 carrot puree, lemon, garlic and herb sauce V/DF/GF/VG

### DESSERT

Apple crumble pudding, crème anglaise v  
 OR  
 Belgian chocolate delice, chocolate soil, raspberry sorbet V/GFA/DFA/VGA  
 OR  
 A selection of cheese, biscuits & homemade chutney V/GFA

### COFFEE & CHOCOLATES

Freshly ground coffee, teas and chocolate truffles

### MIDNIGHT BREAKFAST

Crispy bacon in a floured roll V/GFA  
 Vegan sausage in a floured roll V/GFA/DF/VG

### SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

If you or a guest have a special dietary requirement please mention this when placing  
 your menu order. Full allergen details are available on request.

V - Vegetarian GF - Gluten free available GFA - Gluten free available DF - Dairy free DFA - Dairy free available

VG - Vegan VGA - Vegan available



**SUPERCHARGE YOUR PARTY!**

Once you have bought your tickets, we offer a number of high quality drinks packages, fairground package and VIP drinks reception options to enhance your evening (Available for pre-order only)



**DRINKS PACKAGE PRICES**

DRINKS VOUCHERS	£6	Exchange these at the bar for a drink of your choice
BOTTLE BUCKET	£53	10 chilled bottles of premium beers or ciders
SOFT BUCKET	£26	10 chilled bottles of premium soft drinks
SILVER TABLE PACKAGE	£120	Includes house wine, bottle bucket and water
GOLD TABLE PACKAGE	£210	Includes champagne, wine, premium beers/ciders and water
PROSECCO PACKAGE	£89	Add some fizz to your table!
FAIRGROUND PACKAGE	£8	Pre-purchase some Fairground tokens
DRINKS PACKAGE 1 (Wristband)	£53	Inclusive wines, beers, ciders and soft drinks
DRINKS PACKAGE 2 (Wristband)	£65	Inclusive wines, beers, ciders, prosecco, spirits and soft drinks

Full details of all of our packages and wine lists are available on the website



**BOOKING YOUR TICKETS**

IT'S EASY TO BOOK ONLINE OR YOU CAN CALL OUR BOOKING OFFICE ON 01455 557829

- 1 Book online at [leicesterchristmasparties.co.uk](http://leicesterchristmasparties.co.uk) or call our head office on 01455 557829 and reserve tickets for 10 days with no financial commitment
- 2 Within 10 days pay your £15 per person deposit
- 3 8 weeks prior to your party pay your balance, choose your menu and pre-order your drinks

**OUR OTHER CHRISTMAS VENUES...**

As well as hosting our Christmas parties at Athena, we also operate 3 other venues. Each of our party venues are class-leading in their respective city - and they are by some distance the most popular party destinations to celebrate with friends, family and colleagues.

While each venue differs slightly in layout, they share a number of things in common; superb catering, incredible entertainment and an electric atmosphere; the ingredients for a great Christmas party!

Each venue has its own dedicated website where you will find information about this year's party, including dates and prices.

**CENTRALLY CONNECTED**

Our venues are class-leading in all respects. Manchester and Leicester are located in their respective city centres allowing easy access and superb public transport options. While our venues in Birmingham and Milton Keynes sit outside the centre but next to main travel networks and offer free parking.

**EXCLUSIVE VENUE HIRE**

You can join one of our shared party nights with a group as small as 8 guests. However for larger companies (or awards dinners) we can offer the venue on an exclusive use basis, giving you private use of the incredible space and the ability to tailor the event to your requirements.

For more information on exclusive hire, please email [gill@vividexperience.co.uk](mailto:gill@vividexperience.co.uk) or call our head office on 01455 557829



Manchester	Birmingham	Leicester	Milton Keynes
Seated: 2,200 guests Standing: 4,000 guests	Seated: 2,400 guests Standing: 4,500 guests	Seated: 800 guests Standing: 1,500 guests	Seated: 1,200 guests Standing: 3,000 guests

## FAQs

### WHAT IS THE MINIMUM BOOKING?

As we never mix groups, we have a minimum booking requirement of 8 guests.

### HOW DO I RECEIVE CONFIRMATION OF PAYMENTS AND BOOKINGS FROM YOU?

All of our correspondence is now via email so you receive everything from us in the most efficient way possible.

### WHAT ARE ALL INCLUSIVE NIGHTS?

All Inclusive party nights include inclusive house wine, beer, alcopops, cider, bitter and soft drinks all night. It excludes spirits, cocktails, champagne and fairground attractions and fun casino, however these can be purchased separately on the night.

### WHAT DOES THE TICKET PRICE INCLUDE?

The ticket price includes entry to the party, canapé reception, 3-course dinner, midnight breakfast, spectacular entertainment and disco. Small charges apply for the fun casino, fairground attractions.

### HOW DO I PAY FOR MY PARTY BOOKING?

Our preferred method of payment is via an Electronic Bank Transfer. We also accept cheques made payable to Athena Events Ltd and debit or credit cards.

### IS THERE AN AGE RESTRICTION?

Guests aged 16+ are welcome at the venue, however all-inclusive nights are restricted to guests aged 18+ only. We operate 'Challenge 25' on all evenings, so you may be asked to present ID when purchasing alcohol.

### I'VE PRE-ORDERED WINE HOW DO I COLLECT IT ON THE NIGHT?

Your wine will be waiting for you (chilled if suitable) on your table as you take your seat. Any alcohol purchased before or during the event cannot be removed from the venue.

### CAN WE ADD PEOPLE TO OUR PARTY?

Unless we are completely sold out, we'll always do our best to squeeze them in!

### HOW DO I USE THE DRINKS VOUCHERS?

Drinks vouchers save you money but must be pre-ordered from the office or online

- 1 voucher = 1 standard drink\*
- 1 voucher = 2 soft drinks\*\*
- 2 vouchers = 1 cocktail or glass of prosecco
- 3 vouchers = 1 glass of Moët Champagne

\*spirit & mixer, beer or glass of house wine

\*\*excludes Red Bull

### DO YOU DO WRISTBAND DRINKS PACKAGES?

We've designed two drinks packages for those wanting to enjoy inclusive drinks on the night.

- Drinks package 1 - Includes beers, alcopops, house wines and soft drinks
- Drinks package 2 - Includes beers, alcopops, house wines, prosecco, soft drinks plus single measure spirits

You can only order drinks packages as a whole party group not individually. The same package must be bought for the whole group. Packages cannot be mixed.

Whilst drink packages enable inclusive drinks, we operate a responsible drinking policy and therefore allow up to two drinks from the bar at any one time.

### CAN EACH MEMBER OF OUR PARTY PAY SEPERATELY?

Unfortunately not - payment is only accepted from the party organiser - multiple cheques / payments will not be accepted.

### IS THERE A CLOAKROOM?

There will be a fully staffed cloakroom for all guests to leave belongings free of charge. Please note we cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to items left in the cloakroom.

### CAN WE DO A TABLE PLAN FOR OUR PARTY?

Yes of course, we seat parties in groups, but you are welcome to come and add your own name places to the table on the night.

### WHAT HAPPENS IF MY NUMBER OF GUESTS FALLS BELOW THE MINIMUM NUMBER?

We would require full payment for the minimum requirement.

### WHEN IS THE LATEST I CAN SEND MY MENU CHOICES OVER?

Menu choices for every member of your party must be submitted no later than 3 weeks before the event as we are unable to issue e-tickets without this submitted.

### WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY TICKETS?

Assuming we have received your final balance payment and your guest list has been completed along with your menu choices, your tickets will be sent out via email around 2 weeks before your party. Tickets will need to be presented to security on the night.

### I HAVE A FOOD ALLERGY - DO I NEED TO TELL YOU?

That's not a problem - please inform a member of our events team when placing your menu choices. We hold full allergen information in the office which can be sent to you upon request and our menu can be adapted accordingly.

### IS THERE A CASH BAR ON THE NIGHT?

We will be operating cashless bars. You will be able to make payments faster by using your smart phone or by contactless card. There will be no cash tills on site.

### HOW WILL OUR GROUP BE SEATED?

Our round tables seat between 8-12 people. Larger numbers are split over tables located directly next to each other. You will only ever be seated with people in your party, we do not mix groups.

Due to the amount of changes we receive from customers, table plans are not completed until the day of the party and therefore we are unable to provide guests with table numbers prior to the event.

### HOW DO THE FAIRGROUND ATTRACTIONS WORK?

Tokens can be exchanged for the fairground games and the fun money to play on the casino tables. Tokens can be purchased in advance or on the night. Profits support our chosen charities for 2026.

### IS THERE CAR PARKING?

Car parking located onsite on Queen Street (LE1 1QD). Additional spaces are available in the car park on Rutland Street (LE1 1TQ), located directly opposite the venue, and tickets for this car park can be validated within the venue for a discounted rate for 24hrs of parking.

### WHAT DO I WEAR?

Our guests love getting dressed up and it really adds that extra special feeling to the night, so get those glad rags out and smarten up! Strictly no jeans (inc black jeans), trainers (inc designer), t-shirts or sportswear.

#### HIRING THE VENUE EXCLUSIVELY

As well as offering mixed parties for groups of 8 upwards, Athena is available for exclusive hire. During late November and December the venue has a high specification of lighting, sound, staging and theming pre-installed, offering great cost savings. Athena can be tailored to accommodate a variety of event styles.

For more information on exclusive hire, please email [gill@vividexperience.co.uk](mailto:gill@vividexperience.co.uk) or call our head office on 01455 557829



I'm always very impressed with the organisation and running of this event, also the high standard of the food for such a large amount of people - I'll be back in December!"

**ROLLS ROYCE**

Our party night was outstanding from start to finish. The food was excellent and the entertainment was exceptional. The DJ read the room perfectly, and the staff were consistently friendly and accommodating. We would highly recommend this venue and company, we look forward to returning next year."

**NICOLA ANSTEE - CADENT GAS**

Couldn't have asked for more... Guests who came with us were asking for details for their parties next year"

**VIRGIN MEDIA**

What an incredible evening! Amazing venue, attention to detail was fabulous and the food was delicious. Good news spreads fast and we are doubling our numbers for next year"

**NFU MUTUAL**

Another Vivid Christmas party. Unreal vibes, top entertainment & zero stress. 10/10 would recommend."

**JACQUELINE - ADEVA HAIRDRESSING**

Where the best dressed meets the most fun! Superb event!

**RACHEL WRYNNE - BENTLEY MOTORS LTD**

Just a quick note to say a huge thanks for another great Christmas Party – our staff loved it! They seem to get better each year!

**JEANETTE COOPER-HUDSON - NEXT PLC**

I cannot fault the staff at the event, they did everything they could to ensure we had a hassle free evening. A big thanks to everyone for a great event!!

**ALISON LUCAS - BRITVIC SOFT DRINKS**



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