

*"Sensational – performing favourite classics in spectacular style!" The Times*

# Grimethorpe Colliery Band

*"The brass bands of this country are unique, and the Grimethorpe Band is unique amongst them" - Sir Harrison Birtwistle*

Formed in 1917, during the First World War, Grimethorpe Colliery Band is a British institution. National and British Open Champions on numerous occasions, the band's contest successes remain legendary. These include 16 Brass In Concert Championship titles, 11 times Yorkshire Regional Champions, two English National Championship victories, four times British Open Champions and four times National Champion Brass Band of Great Britain.

Grimethorpe's diverse noted concert performances include those at the FIFA World Cup, BAFTA Awards, BBC Proms, Eurovision and London 2012 Olympic Games Opening Ceremony, together with a wealth of national and international television / radio appearances and professional recordings. The band has been the recipient of two gold discs, as well as a BAFTA nomination for its contributions to the global hit movie "Brassed Off" for which Grimethorpe was the focal point.

*"Tompkinson, Postlethwaite and Carter are stand-outs in an impressive ensemble cast, but for many, the brass band music of Grimethorpe comes as the real revelation" - Time Out*

The Royal Albert Hall, Symphony Hall, Barbican, Westminster Abbey, European Parliament, Sydney Opera House and more, have all played host to Grimethorpe. With tours to Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, New Zealand, and concerts & festival appearances throughout Europe, the band's performance reputation remains unsurpassed.

*"A thoroughly entertaining show & a must for all music enthusiasts" - The Guardian*

In addition to continuing to delight audiences across the globe, Grimethorpe also continues to invest in and support its local community in Grimethorpe, Barnsley and South Yorkshire, particularly through its youth music initiatives and community performances, both locally and on a national scale.

*"Grimethorpe Colliery Band - the finest jewel in the world of brass bands, and a unique cultural asset" - Sir Peter Maxwell Davies*

For further information on Grimethorpe Colliery Band, visit [www.grimethorpeband.com](http://www.grimethorpeband.com)