## The Henley Partnership: Press Release

## THE HENLEY LIVING ADVENT CALENDAR 2012 : PERFORMERS & VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

The Henley Living Advent Calendar is already looking for local performers for this year's event. Individuals or groups of all sizes and types are invited to contact the Chair, Julie Perigo, on <a href="mailto:julie.perigo@thehenleypartnership.co.uk">julie.perigo@thehenleypartnership.co.uk</a> to find out more and put themselves forward.

"We've already had a large number of enquiries and are just starting the process of matching up dates and performers with the right size of Venue for them" says Kim Agostino, Event Manager for the Living Advent Calendar 2012. "We are always on the look-out for more! We are looking for local talent in all forms: singers, dancers, poets, novelty acts etc. Anything that will engage and intrigue the audience."

Each evening's performance last for no more than 15 minutes, between 6.15-6.30 pm. In keeping with it being an Advent Calendar, the venues are publicised widely, but each performance is a surprise until the door or windows open to reveal it. Last year average audience sizes reached between 60-100 each evening.

"There is so much excellent local talent around that we are aiming to have 24 new acts this year, so as many local performers as possible have a chance to shine." adds Ms Agostino.

Pete Moody, who performed with Jess & the Gents last year encourages artists to get involved. "We had a great time playing last December. There was a really special spirit to the whole thing."

The list of each night's Venues can be found on the Living Advent Calendar website <a href="www.livingadventcalendar.co.uk">www.livingadventcalendar.co.uk</a>., and all monies collected will go to three selected charities: Sue Ryder Care, The Chiltern Centre and Camp Mohawk.