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About Manchester

Manchester is a thriving city based in the Northwest of England which boasts one of the most vibrant digital communities in Europe. It is world-famous for it's links to music, football and culture.

EATING OUT

China Town: Pretty much in the city centre, we recommend that you go just to take some beautiful photos or try out your chopstick techniques.

Curry Mile: In Rusholme, less than a ten-minute drive from the city centre. The main street is lined with Indian and Middle Eastern restaurants, take-aways and shisha cafes.

Spinningfields: An upmarket area of town. Full of 'suits', a place for fancy shopping. Food, wine and cocktails aplenty.

Castlefield: An inner city conservation area. A relaxed and classy area with a range of: waterside pubs, bars, barges and beautiful scenery.

Deansgate: One of the cities oldest thoroughfares, runs from the South of the city centre to the north. High-street

bars, pubs, restaurants and shops of every style. There are also the locks if you fancy some waterside drinking, usually pretty lively.

Northern Quarter: Hipster chic, vintage shopping, real ales and quirky cocktails, relaxed and cool. If you like your music this is the place to get those rare vinyls.

Fancy something classy?

The French – 2 AA rosette fine-dining restaurant.

Mr Coopers House and Garden Restaurant – (modern British)

Fancy a dirty burger?

Red's BBQ – Near the Town Hall, Central

SoLita – Northern Quarter

Home Sweet Home – Great Northern, Deansgate

Croma Pizza – Near the Town Hall, Central

Almost Famous – Great Northern, Deansgate

DRINKING AND BARS

Independent, traditional, innovative and quirky drinking holes to pick from. The locals and bar staff are friendly so you can always ask for a tip of the next best place to go to.

A rough guide would be as follows: If you like your wine, then you might want to swing by the **Bakerie** which offers a wide range of wines and even some freshly baked bread and soups to keep your appetite sated. You could search out the discreet **Corbieres Wine Cavern**, which really is a cavern. To be honest, nowadays I think they serve less wine and more beer but it is a gem and has, reputedly, the oldest juke box in Europe. You could also pop by **Rosylee** for a glass of the red, white or pink stuff.

If you fancy something a little more tropical, then you can scintillate your taste buds at the **Liar's Club**? Beware, this is not for the faint hearted or the hard to hear but their zombie packs a punch! You could be on top of the world, almost literally at **Cloud 23**. They offer 'cocktails with a view' at the top of the Beetham Tower. Or perhaps the cheekily named **Dusk Til Pawn**, which offers innovative house infusions, a bar so disguised many walk straight past.

Ale lovers out there you'll want to stay clear of **Port Street Beer House** (Northern Quarter), just in case you drink them dry. You could pop into the small but perfectly

formed **57 Thomas Street** (Northern Quarter), which offers not only their own brews (the local Marble Beers) but also a delicious range from around the world. You could even try 57's older sibling, a little further out but worth the wander, **The Marble Arch**. Last but by all means not least and there's definitely more around, we have the **Knott Bar**. Right on the edge of Deansgate and with Castlefield right behind it, the Knott offers a wide range of cask ales and a fridge full of craft beers.

Not a fan of alcohol? Don't ya worry; there is **Rosylee**, which also serves a range of teas and soft drinks. You could pop by **Home Sweet Home** for a coffee, soft drink or glass of sheer indulgent nostalgia in the shape of a milk shake. For coffees (they also serve teas etc.) you can't really get better than the new developer/writer/designer's hangout, **Takk**. Only open during office hours, they offer a fantastic place to sip and work. You may have heard of the crafty Mancunian DJ Mr Scruff, either way, he has a little (rather large) teahouse in the Northern Quarter aptly named **Teacup**, which serves up a range of infusions.

FOR AN EXTENSIVE LIST OF PLACES TO GO VISIT -

www.manchesterconfidential.co.uk



Travel

TRAIN

Manchester is easily accessible from all over the UK with direct services between Manchester and London every 20 minutes and connections between Manchester Airport and the city centre.

The four main stations in Manchester are Piccadilly, Deansgate, Oxford Road and Victoria. Deansgate is a 2 minute walk to the Comedy Store, the venue of Mage Titans.

AIR

Manchester Airport is located at Junction 5 of the M56, which provides direct links to the M6 and M60.

METROLINK

The tram system in Manchester is very accessible and easy to use. It connects all of the main railway stations and tourist attractions and runs every few minutes. All you need to do is purchase your ticket from the machine on the platform before you board.

Download the [Metrolink Map](#) to help plan your journey.

BUS

There are plenty of buses in Manchester that provide a great way to travel around the city. The city centre has a

free Metroshuttle service which provides links to all of the main train stations and shopping areas. National Express also runs services from all major UK cities to Manchester.

ROAD

Manchester has excellent motorway links; the main ring road connects to motorways north, south, east and west. There are plenty of places to park, the nearest are -

NCP Car Park Manchester Bridgewater Hall, Little Peter St, Manchester M15 4PS

NCP Car Park Manchester Gt Northern Warehouse 1, Gt Northern Warehouse, 1 Watson St, Manchester M3 4EE

You can view them at www.ncp.co.uk

CYCLING

If you fancy hiring a bike to get around for the weekend, Manchester is bike-friendly with cycle lanes and dedicated routes. You can hire bikes at any of the following places:

www.manchesterbikehire.co.uk

www.bromptondock.co.uk (available at Piccadilly Station)

Accommodation

We know our Titans fly in from all over the world so we want to ensure you have a restful nights sleep after your journey and busy days of fun-packed Magento talks!

Finding a hotel in a City you're not familiar with can sometimes be a bit of a challenge so we've found a few which we hope will narrow the search for you.

We've provided a range of hotels to suit all budgets, all are located within walking distance of the The Comedy Store (Mage Titans venue). We've included how far they are from here and how long it takes to walk there. Please note that the hotels in close proximity of the venue will soon book up as the date of Mage Titans approaches, so be sure to book a room as soon as possible. Failing that, you might want to bring some taxi fare if your hotel is located a bit further out. Or pack a good pair of shoes for the extra walk! And that's no bad thing; a morning walk through Manchester city centre will certainly awaken the senses.

All hotels are close by to tram stops, Deansgate Rail Station and Manchester Airport. Piccadilly train station, which is located in the heart of Manchester, is approximately 1 mile away. Hey, we've thought of everything Titans!

HOTELS UNDER £100 PER NIGHT:

If you're after something that doesn't exceed the £100 per night mark, check out these hotels. They're all comfortable, clean and modern hotels that are perfect for your short stay in Manchester.

REM Hotel

- from £90 per night
- 0.5 miles
- 10 mins walk

Stay Inn Manchester

- from £92 per night
- 0.5 miles
- 10 mins walk

HOTELS OVER £100 PER NIGHT:

If you're planning on pushing the boat out and want to stay in slightly more luxurious accommodation (and why not?!), these are a selection of great hotels near to the venue. If you want some amazing views of Manchester by night, we recommend The Hilton. Oh, and the cocktails at Cloud 23 are a must too!

Britannia Hotel

- from £115 per night
- 0.5 miles
- 10 mins walk

The Portland Hotel - Manchester

- from £119 per night
- 0.6 miles
- 12 mins walk

Jurys Inn Manchester City Centre

- from £129 per night
- 0.4 miles
- 8 mins walk

Mercure Manchester Piccadilly Hotel

- from £149 per night
- 0.5 miles
- 10 mins walk

Innside by Melia Manchester

- from £169 per night
- 0.2 miles
- 4 mins walk

Hilton Manchester

- from £294 per night
- 0.1 miles
- 3 mins walk



Agenda

09.00 - 09.30	REGISTRATION
09.30 - 09.50	WELCOME REMARKS <i>Jon Woodall and Jonathan Bowers</i>
09:40 - 09:50	BEN MARKS <i>Guest Host</i>
09:50 - 10:20	FABIAN SCHMENGLER <i>Porting a Complex Extension to Magento 2</i>
10:20 - 10:50	VINAI KOPP <i>Stories From the Other Side</i>
10.50 - 11.10	COFFEE BREAK
11:10 - 11:40	TONY BROWN <i>An Optimisation Story</i>
11:40 - 12:10	MAX BUCKNELL <i>Present & Future of Front-End Development Magento 2</i>
12:10 - 12:40	JAMES COWIE <i>Object(ively) Thinking</i>
12:40 - 13:40	LUNCH
13.40 - 14.10	VITALIY KOROTUN <i>ReBuilding complex forms with Magento 2 UI Components</i>
14:10 - 14:40	FABRIZIO BRANCA <i>Redundancy Rocks. Redundancy Rocks.</i>
14:40 - 15:10	ANNA VÖLKL <i>Secure Input and Output Handling</i>
15:10 - 15:30	COFFEE BREAK
15:30 - 16:30	LIGHTNING TALKS <i>(Max Pronko, Tadhg Bowe, Rebecca Troth & Nils Preuß)</i>
16:30 - 17:00	JASON WOOSLEY <i>Community Engagement 2.0</i>
17.00 - 17.10	CLOSING REMARKS
18:00 - LATE	AFTER PARTY @ BLACK DOG BALLROOM NQ

Event Details

Mage Titans 2016 will take place on Sat 12 Nov at The Comedy Store, Deansgate.

Arches 3 and 4 , Deansgate Locks

Whitworth Street West

Manchester, M1 5LH

Registration starts at **9am** and will close promptly at 9:30am. Please don't arrive before 8:45am as we'll still be setting up! We'll have your name badge for you at registration but PLEASE ALSO BRING YOUR TICKET, either on your phone or a printed version. It doesn't matter if the ticket is in a colleagues name, still bring it along

There will be two coffee breaks throughout the day and lunch will be provided. The full schedule of the day can be seen opposite.

Hosted by Vitaliy Korotun, a Leading Architect at Magento, the **workshop** will take place at The Shed, MMU, Chester Street, M1 5GD on Fri 11th Nov 2016 at 18:00-21:00. It is a ticketed event, so make sure you have your ticket.

Big thanks to our workshop sponsor **CTI Digital**.



Code of Conduct

Mage Titans, the first Magento Developer conference in the North provides affordable and highly valuable learning opportunities from International Magento experts.

As we want to protect the interests of the community, we have a few rules. We want to encourage attendees rather than scare them off by providing a harassment-free conference experience for everyone.

We want to help to build the Magento community in the North of England and by doing so, retain the fantastic talent that we have here, whilst spreading the knowledge further afield.

Mage Titans is not for the pitchers and the poachers. We don't want developers or anyone else thinking that this is a recruitment drive. We want to create a relaxed atmosphere that allows for learning, sharing, nurture and encouragement rather than a high-pressured, business interview environment.

We also discourage mentions of recruitment in our speakers talks, to ensure that all agencies involved are treated fairly. As such, we have developed a Code of Conduct to ensure that attendees don't feel hassled or harassed.

All attendees, speakers and sponsors at Mage Titans are required to agree with the following code of conduct. Organisers will enforce this code throughout the event to ensure an enjoyable experience for ALL. Regardless of gender, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, race, or religion. The same rule applies to place of work and employment history, as the attendees of this conference will be around their peers, friends, and competitors.

We do not tolerate harassment of conference participants in any form. All communication should be appropriate for a professional audience including people of many different backgrounds. Be kind to others. Be polite. Do not insult or put down other attendees. Behave professionally. Remember that harassment and sexist, racist, or exclusionary jokes are not appropriate for Mage Titans.

We ask all delegates and attendees to report any acts that violate this code of conduct. If we hear that someone has been hassling or poaching developers, then we shall ask them to leave the building.

Thank you for helping make Mage Titans a welcoming, friendly event for all.

After Party

We are excited to finally confirm that the after party is being held at uber cool bar **Black Dog Ballroom NQ** in the heart of Manchester's Northern Quarter from 18:00.

**Basement Affleck's Palace,
Corner Tib St / Church St,
Manchester, M4 1PW**

The venue is a 20 minute walk from The Comedy Store with your fellow Titans. But to save your feet for dancing we've got 2 coaches leaving from outside The Comedy Store at 5:45. So see you on the dance floor!

Please take the time to mingle with other delegates, speakers and sponsors over a chilled beer or game of pool. There will be free pizzas, fries and nibbles on tap to fill those hungry stomachs too. We couldn't think of a better way to finish off an awesome day!

The after party is kindly being sponsored by the wonderful **MageMojo** and **Space 48** - thanks guys!



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Let's paint the town orange! Your support for Mage Titans means a lot to us and sharing your photos and tweets from the event allows us to spread the word far and wide.

Last year, #MageTitans was trending in Manchester, let's see if we can do it again this year with the **#MageTitansMCR**.

If you have attended all 3 Mage Titans and have T-shirts from each conference – we want to hear from you! Tweet us photos of your Mage Titans Tee collection. Or perhaps your T-Shirt has been to an exotic or exciting place – we want to see photo evidence of your Mage Titans Tees on their travels. Be creative, Titans.

JOIND.IN

After the event please give us your feedback on the talks and overall event via Joind.in - <https://joind.in/event/mage-titans-mcr>

GOT A QUESTION?

If you have a question then please feel free to contact us - mcr@magetitans.co.uk



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