

## Knights to remember by Janet Tansley, Liverpool Echo

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## The legend of King Arthur and his round table is brought to life at Speke Hall writes Janet Tansley

SPEKE Hall will step back into the realms of myth and legend this Saturday as the 16th century hall becomes the backdrop to the dazzling and mysterious tale of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table.

Anvil Theatre's colourful outdoor theatre family production, The Legends of King Arthur, explores the mystery of Merlin, the Sword in the Stone, Excalibur and the Lady of the Lake, Camelot and the Knights of the Round Table.

And daring deeds including the Quest for The Holy Grail and the romance between Guinevere and Lancelot are brought to life in a long lost world of dragons and magic.

The production, which has been specially written and produced by Anvil's artistic director Anne Jones, explores the legends and puts them into context in an entertaining and exciting way that will appeal to people of all ages.

There are special effects, music and spectacular costumes too.

Chosen to help Liverpool celebrate the 2007 Year of Heritage, actor Steve Bloor is Arthur and Libby Edwards is his Guinevere. Gerard Cooke joins the company to play Merlin.

For full details of all the Anvil Summer Tour visit their website at www.anvilproductions.co.uk

The Legends of King Arthur will be performed at Speke Hall this Saturday, July 14.

Doors open at 6pm for picnics, with the performance beginning at 7pm.

You are advised to take a picnic and something to sit on. Tickets can be purchased in advance, adults £10, children £8; and at the door (subject to availability) adult £12, child £10. To book, call 0151-427 7231.