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### Renowned actor Michael Crawford CBE set to visit The Guildhall Cambridge in exclusive event for The Sick Children's Trust

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National charity The Sick Children's Trust is excited to announce an exclusive event with renowned actor Michael Crawford CBE hosted by broadcaster Alice Beer at The Guildhall in Cambridge next month.

'An Audience with Michael Crawford' will take place at 7:30pm on Wednesday 11 April at The Guildhall to raise money for The Sick Children's Trust – a charity which supports families with free 'Home from Home' accommodation when their children require lifesaving treatment in hospital.

The event, organised by The Sick Children's Trust's Cambridge Fundraising Committee, will see the charity's President, Michael Crawford, in conversation with ITV's This Morning Consumer Rights Champion Alice Beer, followed by an audience Q&A. The evening will also feature performances from Irish Soprano Margaret Keys.

The Sick Children's Trust has two 'Homes from Home' in Cambridge, supporting families with critically ill children being treated at Addenbrooke's Hospital and The Rosie Hospital in Cambridge.

Tickets to 'An Audience with Michael Crawford' cost £27.50 per person and will go towards running The Sick Children's Trust's 'Homes from Home', which rely entirely on voluntary donations to support families 365 days a year. Acorn and Chestnut Houses, located at Addenbrooke's and The Rosie, support around 800 families every year.

## Patsy Glazebrook, Vice President of The Sick Children's Trust's Cambridge Fundraising Committee, says:

"We're delighted to introduce this exclusive evening as part of our events programme to raise money for The Sick Children's Trust. 'An Audience with Michael Crawford' at The Guildhall is guaranteed to be a wonderful occasion celebrating Michael's illustrious career as one of Britain's best-loved actors and his commitment to The Sick Children's Trust for more than 30 years. Guests will also have a chance to ask him their own questions as he regales us with tales and experiences which are sure to delight and amuse.

"Alongside Michael's appearance, we are thrilled to add a musical element to the evening by opening the event with beautiful classical and contemporary performances from Margaret Keys, a celebrated Irish Soprano who is also an ambassador for The Sick Children's Trust.

"The entire evening will be punctuated by charity Vice President Alice Beer's wit as she hosts what will be an unforgettable evening.

"We're very much looking forward to the event and urge anyone who would like to come along to buy their tickets soon, as they are selling quickly!"

The Sick Children's Trust supports around 4,000 families with children in hospital, providing free, high quality 'Home from Home' accommodation. Although, this is free of charge to families, it costs the charity £30 to support a family for one night in a 'Home from Home'. **President Michael Crawford says:** 

"I am delighted to be hosting an evening in Cambridge, which is home to the dedicated Cambridge Fundraising Committee and so many wonderful supporters of The Sick Children's Trust. The Sick Children's Trust is a remarkable charity and makes such a crucial difference to so many seriously ill children and their families.

"The funds raised from this evening will provide a 'Home from Home' for so many families from Cambridgeshire and beyond, keeping them together by their sick child's bedside so they can offer the vital love and comfort every child needs.

"Thank you to everyone who will take the time to come along to the event at The Guildhall and support this charity which is so very close to my heart."

For further information about 'An Audience with Michael Crawford', please

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