

BRISTOL OLD VIC

COLOUR IN KING STREET: ELEANOR RIGBY



The Beatles' song 'Eleanor Rigby' was a big hit in 1966. It is claimed that Paul McCartney saw the sign for Rigby & Evens wine merchants on their warehouse at 22 King Street and that this inspired to pick the surname 'Rigby'. McCartney, wrapped in a large scarf so that fans would not recognise him, was waiting to meet his girlfriend Jane Asher when he spotted it. She was appearing in 'The Happiest Days of Your Life' at the Theatre Royal at the time.