

Festival Guide

10 Days of Entertainment

20th -29th Jan 2017

Across Dumfries



BIG BURNS SUPPER

The Home of Burns Night

WELCOME

Welcome to Big Burns Supper, Edition number 6. The year is 2017. We know we tell you this every year, and to be honest we were beginning to doubt it ourselves, but this year really is our most epic Festival to date. Somehow we have managed to cram even more ideas, artists, communities and magic into ten of the coolest days and nights on the planet.

Fresh for 2017 are two new ideas that we think will encourage more of you to come out and party. Our 'Kids Go Free' at selected shows is our attempt to make this the most family friendly festival in the world. There are limited free tickets for children to come out and see some of our wonderful shows throughout the programme. We have selected them as we think they are suitable for children to try. Look out for the 'Kids Go Free' badge at selected shows.

We are also introducing free student tickets at selected shows, to encourage the next generation to party with us. Have a look out for the 'Free for Student' icon throughout the programme. These tickets are only available at our Box Office and we have limited numbers.

Our Box Office has moved to the Theatre Royal and opens from 10.00 – 4.00, Monday to Saturday. You can get everything you need from us by calling us on 01387 271820 or online at www.bigburnssupper.com

Big Burns Supper is not defined by one of our projects, or shows, or venues. Big Burns Supper is Dumfries at its very best – and we all play a part in that. So dust down your dancing shoes. Call up the family down South and get out the camp bed. We're having a party, and the whole blooming world is invited.

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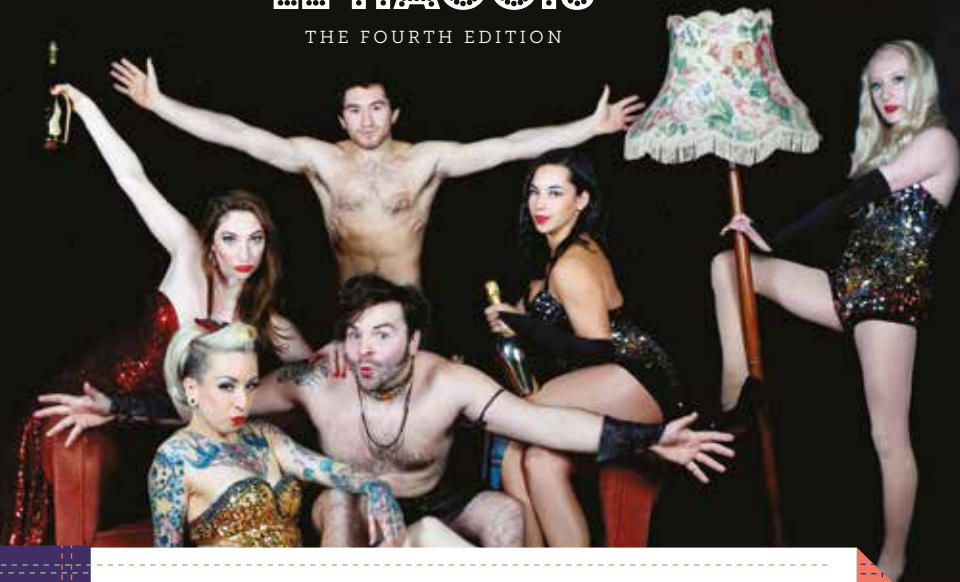


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LE HAGGIS

THE FOURTH EDITION



Le Haggis

Easterbrook Hall

20th – 28th January: 7pm & 11pm

£22.50

The five star award-winning show is the best way to celebrate Burns Night on the planet and it makes a triumphant return to its brand new venue at the Easterbrook Hall. Audiences have helped to sell it out for two years in a row – so if you do one thing this year, take someone to Le Haggis. It's unforgettable.

'SPIRIT OF THE FRINGE WINNER' Edinburgh Fringe 2015

★★★★★ Broadway Baby

★★★★★ This is Cabaret

★★★★ Daily Record

★★★★ The Scotsman

★★★★ ScotsGay

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BAIRNS DAY OOT

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Theatre Royal
Saturday 28th January: 1pm – 4pm
£7.50 (Adults go free)

The whole of the Theatre Royal will open, becoming a giant playground for children to discover three whole hours of performance and music as every space in the house will be full of little surprises.

Children will make their own discovery around the theatre and as they open every nook and cranny they are sure to be spell bound.

No day out would be complete without our special festival mascot, Hamish the Haggis who will be around to show the kids how to do the Highland Fling properly.

This event has been created by mums who wanted us to make sure that we were making events that were suitable for children.

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**HIGH
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High Tea

Easterbrook Hall

23rd, 25th, 28th January: 12pm - 1.30pm

£9.50 (includes afternoon tea)

"Delightful ladies indeed, we love the Tea Dance - it was one of our favourites last year. Super, feel good fun at The Big Burns Supper."
Music Room

"Unhurried and gentle"
DG Life Magazine

High Tea is our romantic stroll through nostalgia and the project is created by the Ladies and Gentleman of Distinction who will waltz the audience to their seats and slowly work their way through a programme of classics - including a live band, some old-time dancing and time to talk to each other in a very gentle setting.

Our focus is on connecting everyone with the Festival and making sure that the experience is something that they will cherish. The setting is the past, and our volunteer army will help get everyone settled for an afternoon tea which is carefully made to sumptuous perfection by the Easterbrook.

This year we will also have a 25th January Burns Special.



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BURNS NIGHT CARNIVAL



Burns Night Carnival

Dumfries Town Centre
Sunday 22nd January: 5pm
Free

Burns Night Carnival is the biggest show at the Festival and the whole thing is created by a community cast of thousands.

This year there are participating schools from all over Dumfries, and for the first time communities in Dumfries will also create their own part of the Carnival story. We retell the story of Tam O'Shanter, and his bleary ride home, meeting the wayward characters that helped to make this, one of the bard's most celebrated works.

The Burns Night Carnival will return to its original route in the High Street, and it will run from George Street, past Burns Statue down the High Street. Check out the community hub pages 32 to 39 for details on where you can make your lantern around Dumfries.

Check out our video on our website showing you how you can make lanterns out of ordinary household waste from the comfort of your own home.

If you want to join the lantern procession, join us in George Street Car Park at 4pm.

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Lulu

Easterbrook Hall
Friday 20th January: 9pm
£28.50

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Following an international music career spanning almost six decades, and countless collaborations with other artists, including Take That, Lulu makes her Big Burns Supper debut at The Easterbrook Hall. She is internationally identified, with the song "To Sir with Love" from the film of the same name and with the title song to the James Bond film *The Man with the Golden Gun*. She is also widely known for her Eurovision Song Contest winning entry "Boom Bang-a-Bang", and in the UK for her 1964 hit "Shout", which was performed at the closing ceremony of the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow. In 2000 she was awarded an OBE by The Queen for her services to music.

Standing but with some seating in the balcony.

Washing Line Project

Dumfries Town Centre
18th – 30th January
All day

Flying high above Dumfries High Street for the duration of the Festival will be the Washing Line. Every piece of clothing holds a secret to our past. All we need to do is look up, pause for a while, and listen. Each of the t-shirts on the line represents a story from the past, relating to the way the town centre used to be.

Wander up one of the many closes and hear how the stories will be brought to life through soundscapes which have recorded over 300 contributing pieces of living history for us to remember forever. Log onto our website and meet the stars of Washing Line and hear the recordings on our special digital archive.

Look out for our team who will be out recording your feedback. Waiting to catch your reactions and include them in our joint history. We want this to try and help us understand how we reinvent the town centre and the Washing Line tries to capture the living heritage of it's past through the people who used to be there.

If you would like to book an educational tour of this project contact us on 01387 271820.

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The Sunday Session

Easterbrook Hall
Sunday 29th January: 2pm
£35.00

PEATBOG FAERIES
SKERRYVORE
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KESTON COBBLERS
DANGLEBERRIES
SKAYAMAN

For the very first time in our six years we will be throwing a massive party on the Sunday which will feature over sixteen bands for the same price ticket.

The show starts at 2pm and will run until late, and you can come and go all day. Exact timings will be published nearer the time.

Standing but with some seating in the balcony.

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Burns Night Live

Easterbrook Hall

Wednesday 25th January: 6pm

£12.50 / £7.50 (Includes Burns Supper)

EMILY SMITH
WHAT THE FOLK
MICHAEL GRANT
CLAIRE HASTINGS
13 CROWES
THE ABSTRACTS
DUMFRIES COMMUNITY CHOIR

It has taken us six years to work out that there is only one place anyone in the world would want to celebrate Burns Night. We are presenting our most mammoth Burns Night Celebration featuring the best of Dumfries & Galloway, complete with a bit of haggis on the side.

Our hosts for the evening are award winning artists Emily Smith, and Robbie Huxtable who will be taking us through our most eclectic Burns Night programme yet. And did we say we will be broadcasting it live as well? Wherever you are in the world, you will be tune into Big Burns Supper for a night you will never forget. The early time of 6pm means that the boys and girls who live in Dumfries can come and celebrate with us.

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Seth Lakeman

Easterbrook Hall
Friday 27th January: 9.30pm
£22.50

★★★★ Evening Standard

"A measured, soulful, wholesome, eighth album" Mojo

'SINGER OF THE YEAR' BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards

'BEST ALBUM' BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards

Affirming his stellar status in contemporary roots music, Seth Lakeman enlisted legendary producer Ethan Johns – who's worked with the likes of Ryan Adams, Kings of Leon, Paul McCartney, Tom Jones and Laura Marling – for his eighth studio album, 2016's *Ballads of the Broken Few*. By turns epic and stripped-down, earthy and spiritual, its songs are a mix of Lakeman originals and reworked traditional broadsides, adding bluesy Americana touches to his old/new English palette.

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Haggis Hunt

Dumfries Town Centre
20th – 28th January: All day
Free

Sixteen mini Hamish the Haggis's have been hidden across Dumfries town centre and your job is to hunt them all down. You can do it in teams or you can do it on your own, but your job is to do it in the shortest time possible. We will be keeping a scoreboard live on our website of all the times, so no matter how long it takes you, we will acknowledge your brilliant accomplishment.

To take part log onto our website to register and download the Haggis Hunt map.

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Sean Hughes Poetry Slam

Easterbrook Hall
Saturday 28th January: 4pm
£12.50

★ ★ ★ ★ The Herald Scotland

"One of the best stand-ups of his generation"
The Telegraph

Two series' of Sean's show were aired on channel four in the 90's. It was nominated for a comedy award but got beaten by Desmond's. He appeared in the music video for Tequila by Terrorvision. He once kissed Kylie Minogue on MTV. There is much more to Sean than that – and he has a great lust for spoken word which is why we have got him to present this year's Poetry Slam.

To be in with a chance to have your poetry slammed you will need to register with us on 01387 271820 or online at www.bigburnssupper.com – you will bag yourself a free ticket to this show and a ticket to another show just for getting up and doing it.

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Nicola Benedetti Plays Beethoven

Easterbrook Hall
Saturday 21st January: 7.30pm
£17.50 / £15.50

BEETHOVEN – Composer
JOSEPH SWENSEN – Conductor
NICOLA BENEDETTI – Violin – Soloist

Beethoven: Leonore Overture No 1 (10')
Beethoven: Symphony No 4 (34')
Beethoven: Violin Concerto (42')

"Tender, and sensitive, and intimate... I'm just so unbelievably moved by his music", is how Scottish violinist Nicola Benedetti describes Beethoven's Violin Concerto, the centrepiece of this brilliant all-Beethoven programme.

Thomas Edison once said, *"genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration"*. This certainly applies to tonight's Overture. Leonore No 1 was one of Beethoven's four attempts at writing an overture to Fidelio. The Fourth is the most Classical of Beethoven's mature symphonies – in form if not in content. But, within the classical frame lurks something wonderfully subversive and original.

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Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain

Easterbrook Hall
Sunday 22nd January: 2pm
£22.50

A concert by the Ukulele Orchestra is a funny, virtuosic, twanging, awesome, foot-stomping obituary of rock-n-roll and melodious light entertainment featuring only the "bonsai guitar" and a menagerie of voices in a collision of post-punk performance and toe-tapping oldies. There are no drums, pianos, backing tracks or banjos, no pitch shifters or electronic trickery. Only an astonishing revelation of the rich palette of orchestration afforded by ukuleles and singing (and a bit of whistling).

Audiences have a good time with the Ukulele Orchestra. Going from Tchaikovsky to Nirvana via Otis Redding and Spaghetti Western soundtracks, the Orchestra takes us on "a world tour with only hand luggage" and gives the listener "One Plucking Thing After Another".

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Queer Haggis

Queer Haggis (Winter Pride Edition)

Easterbrook Hall

Thursday 26th January: 9pm

£22.50 (includes entry to Club Tropicana After Party)

Grab your handbags and slap on that lipstick as we are going to be giving Le Haggis a splash of some rainbow colours in one of the most confident projections of rural LGBTQ identity ever.

It's Queer Night and we cordially invite you to dress for the occasion – so grab that old 80's dress from the wardrobe and come out as a reinvented version of the most liberated version of yourself. At Queer Haggis – you can be anything you want to be.

This is the party night for the freaks and the dreamers in this one-off special edition of Le Haggis. If you have never been to a Gay Pride event before don't be scared. It's not exclusive.

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King Creosote

Easterbrook Hall
Thursday 26th January: 7pm
£18.50

★★★★ The Independent

★★★★ The Guardian

★★★★ Evening Standard

The Mercury-nominated musician is still upsetting apple-carts and dealing with the fallout, still appraising love and life, the moon, the stars; tide tables, bagpipe scores, zeros and ones; mathematics, ticking clocks and the beat of our hearts.

Equal parts geometry, self-deprecation, cosmic wonder and seafaring poetry, King Creosote is back with new album *Astronaut Meets Appleman*.

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Illuminations

Theatre Royal
Monday 23rd January: 8.00pm
£14.50

★★★★ Broadway Baby

★★★★ Three Weeks

★★★★ Edinburgh Evening News

Kevin Quantum is special. In a good way. He makes objects float above your head, creates rainbows on stage, projects your thoughts into reality. Comedy magic shows have twice been nominated at the Scottish Comedy Awards, his sell out show, Quantum Magic, premiered last year at the Edinburgh International Science Festival. Shows have received multiple five star awards, resulted in a Radio 4 commission and received multiple awards. We can't reveal all the secrets but having spent the first ten years of his adult life completely immersed in physics and the next ten in magic, member of the Magic Circle and 2x Master of Science, Kevin is most likely the only person on the planet who's reached the magic 10,000 hours needed to make you an 'expert' – in both areas. Combine that with tutorship from the best magicians in the world (Vegas legends Penn and Teller), award winning comedy and the result is a spellbinding experience, guaranteed to blow your mind.

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Charlie Landsborough

Easterbrook Hall
Friday 27th January: 7.00pm
£22.50

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"Charlie Landsborough is that rare phenomenon - an authentically good country musician who is also an Englishman through and through."

The Echo

"Charlie's like good wine, he matures over a long period of time, when the cork was popped it was well worth the wait."

BBC TV

A remarkable singer-songwriter, Charlie Landsborough has played all over the world, becoming one of the all-time biggest selling artists in Irish music history. He has won just about every award possible in the Irish and UK country scene but country music accounts for only a small part of his repertoire. He is also known for beautiful ballads and folk to blues, country, rock 'n' roll, pop, gospel and anthems.

His talent for spinning a yarn offers a fine compliment to his music and gives a sense of intimacy to his concerts, showing that, in spite of his fame and achievements, he remains the same warm, down to earth and compassionate person.



Hackney Colliery Band

Easterbrook Hall

Saturday 28th January: 2.00pm

£18.50

★★★★★ Huddersfield Daily Examiner

★★★★★ Buzz Magazine Wales

"Clever, and enormous fun" The Guardian

"One of the greatest live bands we have in this country" BBC Radio 2

A tour de force of trumpets, trombones, saxes, sousaphone, marching percussion and electronics, the band are as inspired by contemporary rock and electronica as they are New Orleans marching bands and the traditional British brass bands to which their name pays homage. Formed in 2008 out of a desire to play music that appealed to the feet as much as to the ears, the band has rapidly gained an army of loyal supporters, including radio support from Lauren Laverne, Gilles Peterson, Craig Charles, Huey Morgan, Jamie Cullum, Rob Da Bank and John Kennedy. Since the release of their eponymous debut in 2011, the 9-piece have blown their way into the public consciousness with their energetic and passionate live shows, amassing fans worldwide and reinventing the brass band sound for the modern age.

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Dervish

Easterbrook Hall

Sunday 22nd January: 9.00pm

£18.50

★★★★ BBC RADIO 3

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Dervish are one of the premier line-ups in Irish traditional music. Fronted as ever by singer Cathy Jordan, regarded by many as the most distinctive voice and finest frontwoman in Irish music today, the line-up of fiddle, flute, bouzouki, mandola, bodhran & accordion draw from seemingly limitless depths of finesse, subtlety and talent. Playing together onstage, Dervish create one of the most distinctive, yet expertly balanced sounds anywhere in traditional music, combining the fiery energy and mature complexity that have become their hallmarks.

It is not without good reason that they have become one of Ireland's most enduring bands - whether representing Celtic music at major festivals, playing at The Great Wall of China or setting the room ablaze in the US on St Patrick's Day, Dervish are as complete a band as are to be found anywhere within the tradition, as they continue to travel the globe, flying the flag for great Irish music wherever they go.

THE ZOO PROJECT



Zoo Project

Browns Salon
Tuesday 24th January: 7.00pm
£7.50

The search is on for eight talented artist designers of the future, under our new regional talent development programme which has been created by Browns in collaboration with Electric Theatre Workshop.

Each of the eight hair designs will be realised alongside one of the award-winning stylists, which will be presented under one flagship event combining costume, hair and make-up.

Zoo Project will be aired to the world live from the Salon at 7pm – so tune into see what happens when the stylists meet the young people.

You can follow the project's progress online at our website. Submissions will run until 23rd December and the lucky young people will start their training in January.

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#designsforthefuture

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TRIBUTE ACT



FEATURING
JOHN O'CONNELL
FORMERLY OF GROUNDPIG

Simply Dylan

Easterbrook Hall
Saturday 28th January: 7.30pm
£14.50

No frills, no gimmicks, no pretence Simply Dylan is John O'Connell's personal exploration and celebration of the rich and diverse work of Bob Dylan. John O'Connell, a rare talent who has had his name indelibly written in to the tapestry of Liverpool's music scene, has collaborated with other highly reputable musicians from the city to form his Dylan band.

It is their precise playing and high energy renditions of Dylan's work from the 1970s onwards which has gathered momentum and generated incredible interest. From a modest project recognising Dylan's 70th Birthday in 2011 Simply Dylan has gone from selling out the Cavern Club 6 times.

This show will feature performers from Dumfries & Galloway throughout the set as they play their own special Dylan favourites.

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Useful Information

Venues

Theatre Royal / Box Office
Easterbrook
The Stove
Brigend Theatre
Robert Burns Centre Film Theatre
The Globe
Coach & Horses
Queen Of The South Bar

Town Centre Restaurants

Primo Piano	Truffles Bistro
Cavens	Urban Grill
Station Hotel	N'dulge
Daksh	Royal India
Hullabaloo	Pearl Palace
Home	New Dragon
La Dolce Vita	Reivers Restaurant

Box Office

Theatre Royal: 1st Dec - 28th Jan
In Person: Mon – Sat 10am until 4pm
Telephone: 01387 271820
Online: www.bigburnssupper.com

Festival Bar

Right at the heart of the Easterbrook will be our favourite bar which will run day and night throughout the Festival and serving its usual cocktail of cheeky fun.

Neuros Restaurant Bar

Neuros will be open all day every day throughout the Festival with a selection of food. There will also be food outside the Easterbrook for you to grab before the show if you are in a hurry!

Our Programme Icons



Sold out previous year(s)



Must be 18 or over



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Food served at this venue



Bar open at this venue



Tea & Coffee available



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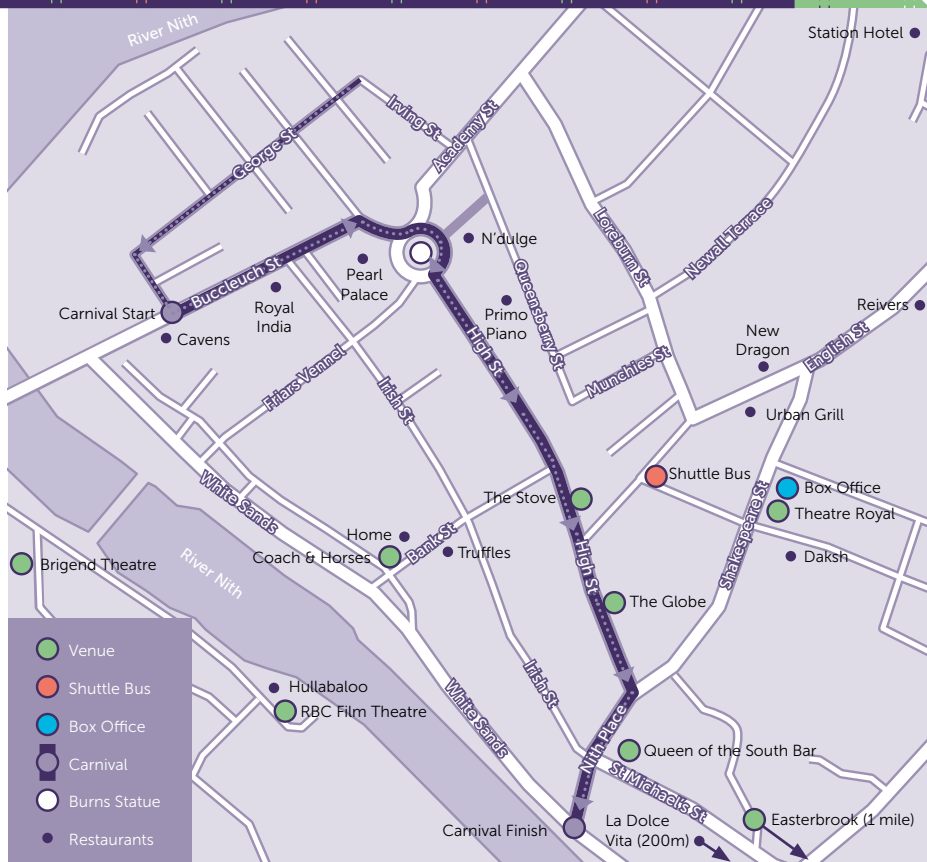
Free tickets offers are only available in person at our Box Office at Theatre Royal, and are limited to 2 per customer transaction. Student free tickets must be accompanied by a valid student ID issued by the institution only. U26 cards will not be accepted as an alternative.

Wrist Band System

Wrist band system will be in operation at the Easterbrook to identify which show you are at.

T&C's

Standard terms and conditions apply – tickets to events are non-refundable and non-transferrable. Electric Theatre Workshop is a registered charity in Scotland SCO42786.



The Festival Shuttle Service

To make life easier for our audiences, we want all our venues to connect. Look out for the free shuttle services which will be running at the following times in a constant loop.

There will also be a temporary taxi pick up spot at Easterbrook Hall to make it easier for you to find a cab.

The route will be a one stop loop going to the top of English Street, right outside the Queensberry Hotel.

The shuttle will be running on the following dates, from 6pm until late (except Sunday 22nd due to road closures services will operate slightly later).

Friday 20th Jan
 Saturday 21st Jan
 Sunday 22nd Jan
 Thursday 26th Jan
 Friday 27th Jan
 Saturday 28th Jan



Paul Foot

Theatre Royal
Tuesday 24th January: 8.00pm
£14.50

★★★★ Time Out

★★★★ EdfestMag

★★★★ Nouse

Paul Foot began stand-up whilst at university. He has since become known for his original style of anti-comedy, challenging comedic convention at every turn. He does not have fans, he has connoisseurs. Described as a "rare exotic bird" of comedy (Daily Express), he first won the BBC New Comedy Award in 1997, and has since received a slew of other nominations. He has had notable success in Australia, winning Best of the Festival and Best International Act at the Sydney Comedy Festival and Perth International Comedy Festival respectively.

Foot's UK television appearances include Never Mind The Buzzcocks, Russell Howard's Good News Extra and 8 Out Of 10 Cats.

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Liz Lochhead & Steve Kettley

Easterbrook Hall
Saturday 21st January: 2pm
£12.50

★★★★★ Broadway Baby

From the bittersweet to the rude and raunchy, Scotland's former Makar Liz Lochhead weaves a spellbinding and beguiling show, mixing poems, monologues and music.

Ranging from the bittersweet to the rude and raunchy, Scotland's former national poet and recent recipient of the Queen's Gold Medal for Poetry weaves a spellbinding and beguiling show, mixing poems and monologues and accompanied by the witty, soulful saxophone of Steve Kettley.

"An inspirational force in British poetry. Funny, feisty, full of feeling, a fantastic performer" Carol Ann Duffy, Poet Laureate

"Brilliant, raucous and scabrously funny" Sunday Times

"Funny, frank and frisky" Scotsman

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Around The World In 80 Drinks

Easterbrook Hall
Saturday 21st January: 9.30pm
£14.50

★★★★

"The best value for money in town"
Scotsman

★★★★

"Hugely funny and genuinely fascinating... they illuminated, educated and intoxicated the crowd"
Edinburgh Evening News

★★★★

"Two brilliantly funny guys with a love of liquor"
The Argus

Laughter and learning abound in a new show from award-winning alcohol aficionados The Thinking Drinkers. Enjoy five delicious free drinks as you embark upon a euphoric, elbow-bending exploration, from hooch-laden Hindus to intrepid imbibing Arctic adventurers. As seen on Channel 4. Did we mention the free drinks? 'A terrific show.

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What Are They Like?

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Theatre Royal
26th – 28th January: 6pm
£6.50

"A sometimes, agonising depiction of the preoccupations-come-neuroses of middle-aged parents struggling to reconcile their offspring's approaching adulthood – like pros."

The Stage

Adolescence is a rough ride. You've got existential angst, mood swings, fashion fiascos, terrifying physical changes, never enough money... And that's just the parents. How well do you know yours? Dumfries Youth Theatre present this short, 35-minute piece of studio theatre as their contribution to the Festival.

The Youth Theatre is based at the Theatre Royal, and works with young people from all over Dumfries & Galloway.



Jack Finlay's Town Hall Meeting

Theatre Royal
Tuesday 24th January: 5pm
£5

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The year is 2018. It is the night before the eve of destruction, or as the media have decided to call it - Brexit Eve. The country is in crisis. Minister for External Affairs Boris turned out to be having an affair with Donald Trump. They both ran off to Vegas to get married. Nicola Sturgeon got lost at sea in a speed boat incident which means the country is in chaos. Theresa May has one last chance to get things right before the countries exit from Europe. She decides to put all her faith in generation zero. Jack Finlay has been called on to develop a meeting of special minds. Eight young people will bravely fight out their case for a new manifesto for European independence. It's time for the next generation to step up to the plate and offer some solutions.

Filmed in Dolby surround for all our pleasures.

Described as a cross between Judge Judy and Poldark by Jacks mum. She is a very nice lady really. If a little misguided.

DANNY & the CHAMPIONS OF THE WORLD



Danny and The Champions of The World

Easterbrook Hall
Saturday 21st January: 7.30pm
£14.50

★★★★★ Renowned for Sound

Danny & The Champions of the World is a Folk Rock, Rock, Soul band that was formed in London during the summer of 2007 by Danny George Wilson. The band's name is an allusion to Danny, the Champion of the World by Roald Dahl.

Danny and the Champions of the World dominated the inaugural UK Americana Awards taking home the gongs for UK Artist of the year, UK Album of the year for What Kind of Love and UK Song of the year for Clear Water.

Danny George Wilson recorded 'Tougher Than The Rest' for a Limited-Edition Bruce Springsteen tribute 7" EP for Record Store Day 2011, alongside fellow contributors The Magic Numbers, Willie Nile and Billy Franks.

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TRANSFORM LOCHSIDE

Lifelong resident of Lochside, Angie Gilmour is keen to show that Lochside is a great wee place to stay and not near as bad as some would have you believe. The lads and lasses, Mums, Dads, Granny's and Papa's in Lochside have teamed up with St Ninians Primary, Max Play, and other organisations and agencies in Lochside to put together a programme of activity that looks likely to extend well beyond the festival. This is the power of people.

Tell me more

To volunteer or take part in this hub:
Call Angie on **01387 271820**
Or email her: angie@bigburnssupper.com

Living in Lochside

Upload pictures to **Big Burns Supper Facebook**
1st December – 23rd January
Free

A photography competition for kids, teens and young adults. Judges are residents and photography professionals. Winners categories to be announced. Each winner will receive a framed copy of their print. see website for more information and follow **#LIFT** Facebook page for regular updates.

Wild Walk

Meet at St Ninians School
Sunday 15th January: 12 noon
Free

Did you know Lochside has got foxes? And swans? Join us for a toured walk around the parks and green spaces to learn about the wild life on the urban rural boundary with Gary from the Cumberland Bird of Prey Centre (Wear warm clothing for this one).

The Pensioners Choir Session

Lochside Community Centre
Tuesday 24th January: 2pm
Free

Singing is great for the soul and Dumfries Community Choir will lead this session for older people who fancy having a bit of a singalong.

Lantern Making Sessions

Saturday 7th / 14th / 21st January:
1pm – 4pm
Lochside Community Centre

All ages and abilities. Mixed group, full facilities and access.



TRANSFORM TROQUEER

Pedro (Disco Shiva) is a DJ by trade and he loves his Troqueer community. For the last decade, he has been playing at events throughout the region, getting people on their feet to make people feel happy. Now he is taking the lead with his community trying to get everybody out their houses and connecting with each other.

Tell me more

To volunteer or take part in this hub:
Call Pedro on 01387 271820
Or email him: pedro@bigburnssupper.com

Hilsley Guitars Showcase

Troqueer Arms

Friday 27th January: 7.30pm

£5

Guitar enthusiast Kenny Hilsley presents a night of guitar making and music. Hear how Hilsley guitars are made. Talk to Kenny about the timber choices and body shapes. Listen to the different styles being expertly demonstrated. Take this chance to "pick and play" a Hilsley guitar. Enjoy a concert performed by the man himself!

Fae The Bedroom

Tae The Big Room

The Normandy

Saturday 21st January: 2pm – 4pm

Free

Informal DJ workshop with the guys from Disco Shiva. For people interested in DJ-ing: origins, set ups, or want to demonstrate or try out different styles and techniques.

Raw Guffaw Comedy Club

Troqueer Arms

Tuesday 24th January: 7.30pm

£4/£3

Creator and compare of Raw Guffaw, Rob Crosbie presents a hilarious comedy showcase. With some of the most talented comedians from around the UK, you will laugh from start to finish!

Lantern Making Sessions

Saturday 7th January: 4-8pm

The Normandy +

Saturday 14th/Thursday 19th January: 1-4pm

Troqueer Church Centre

All ages and abilities. Mixed group, full facilities and access.



TRANSFORM

GEORGETOWN
AND CALSIDE

Myra is a community champion not only at in her official capacity at Morrison's, but in the truest sense of the word. She is a very active volunteer who works tirelessly, in her efforts to support various community groups and charitable organisations all over D&G! Myra is a long fan of the festival and Georgetown & Calside is this Lady's Home turf, so she jumped at the chance to combine 3 of her loves. She has been chapping doors and enlisting the help of local businesses, and other community assets to offer this program throughout January.

Tell me more

To volunteer or take part in this hub:
Call Myra on 01387 271820
Or email her: myra@bigburnssupper.com

Afternoon Tea Party

Georgetown Community Centre

Saturday 14th January: 1pm

Free

Family afternoon tea party, live music provided by SWing band.

Burns Supper with a Twist

The Jolly Harvester

Friday 20th January: 7.30pm

£19

Burns Supper with a twist at The Jolly Harvester. Tickets on sale from the bar, (Join us through the week special Burns theme menu in a relaxed friendly atmosphere).

Lantern Making Sessions

Tuesday 3rd January

11.00am – 2.00pm

Morrisons

All ages and abilities. Mixed group, full facilities and access.

Saturday 7th January

10.30am – 1.30pm

Georgetown Community Centre

All ages and abilities. Mixed group, full facilities and access.

Wednesday 11th January

9.30am – 11.00am

Georgetown Community Centre

Toddlers and young family, full facilities and access.



TRANSFORM LINCLUDEN

Karen runs Karen Little Dancing Academy. Her and her students are very familiar in the town, demonstrating their skill and grace whenever they present at shows, events and competitions. The girls may have performed in many locations and venues but never organized any. They plan to use the experience gained through Transform to gain additional certificates on their Saltire Awards and to raise funds for the coming semester. Help them achieve their goal by supporting their local events.

Tell me more

To volunteer or take part in this hub:
Call Karen on **01387 271820**
Or email her: karen@bigburnssupper.com

Mostly Ghostly Lincluden Abbey

Lincluden Abbey
Friday 20th January: 7pm
Free

An after dark tour of the 15th century Collegiate Church Walk. Join the team of Mostly Ghostly for Historical and Supernatural Investigation around Lincluden Abbey. Not suitable for wheelchairs. Dress warmly.

Community Burns Supper

Lincluden Community Centre
Saturday 21st January: 7pm
£3.50

A Burns Supper with Karen Little's Dancing Academy including singer compere, accordionist, Pipers and of course some Dancing from the Students too.

Lantern Making Sessions

Thursday 19th January
4.00pm – 8.00pm
North West Resource Centre

All ages and abilities. Mixed group, full facilities and access.



TRANSFORM THE STOVE

Emily Cooper is a member of blueprint100 which runs the town centre hub for this year's festival. blueprint100 is a diverse and evolving platform open to emerging artists under thirty. They aim to provide tangible benefits for creative people and to inspire the wider public. Offering an eclectic range of opportunities blueprint100 supports career advancement on an on-going basis by working in partnership with The Stove Network using creative practices to break down barriers and unlock hidden potential.

Tell me more

To volunteer or take part in this hub:
Call Emily on **01387 271820**
Or email her: emily@bigburnssupper.com

Being Made in Dumfries

The Stove

Wednesday 25th January: 7pm

Free

These days you can't move in town for falling over someone involved in making or planning a new artistic venture. This is a chance to get ahead of the curve by seeing local playwrights, writers, musicians and artists present an evening of 'work-in-progress'.

Orphans Screening

(and Q&A with actor Gary Lewis)

The Stove

Thursday 26th January: 7pm

£4

The Stove's monthly Reel to Real will feature this dark comedy from the late 90's directed by Peter Mullen. Four siblings try to deal with their mother's death in a variety of ways through the communities of Glasgow.

Brave New Words

The Stove

Wednesday 25th January: 7pm

Free

(BYOB)

The Stove's monthly open-mic night for words spoken or sung. Its where Rabbie wud be every month if he was still aboot the toon!

Lantern Making Sessions

Wednesday 3rd / 10th / 17th January

8pm – 10pm

The Stove

All ages and abilities. Children must be supervised, Mixed group, full facilities and access.



TRANSFORM

CHILDREN AND
YOUNG PEOPLE

Megan Milligan is an Associate Artist at Electric Theatre Workshop and will be leading her very own hub space for children and young people under the age of 21 who want to have their own space and be creative with her. Set in the Theatre Royal she is hoping to bring together lots of young people from different youth clubs. She has the space and all the resources. If you run a youth group – then this is the Hub for you.

Tell me more

To volunteer or take part in this hub:

Call Megan on 01387 271820

Or email her: megan@bigburnssupper.com

Acoustic Saturday

Theatre Royal

Saturday 14th January: 10am-4pm

Free

While everyone is making their lanterns, there is going to be some acoustic acts keeping everyone happy, there will be lots of talented young people keeping us going.

Family Saturday

Theatre Royal

Saturday 21st January: 10am-4pm

Free

This is the big one before the Festival so we are going to be having some DJ's spin some Scottish groove as the Theatre Royal becomes the pre-hub to Carnival 17. This is a good place to make your last-minute lanterns.

Lantern Making Sessions

Saturday 14th January

Sunday 15th January

Saturday 21st January

10am-4pm

Theatre Royal

All ages and abilities. Mixed group, full facilities and access.

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TRANSFORM

LOCHARBRIGGS
AND HEATH HALL

Maureen Houston runs the Locharbriggs Social Club and has done for many years. The club held lantern workshops last year and were excited about widening the reach of the BBS festival. There is a strong community in Locharbriggs. And the club, is at the heart of it.

Tell me more

To volunteer or take part in this hub:
Call Maureen on 01387 271820
Or email her: maureen@bigburnssupper.com

Locharbriggs BIG Social

Locharbriggs Social Club
Tuesday 24th January: 6.30pm-9pm
£2

Soft drinks, tea and cake included. Music, dance and song with big John Caskie (compere), Willie McRoberts (Accordion), Rob Dorance (drummer and singer). Tickets at the bar or call 01387 710677.

Lantern Making Sessions

Locharbriggs Social Club
Friday 13th January: 1pm-7pm
All ages / abilities. Children to be supervised, Mixed group, full facilities and access.



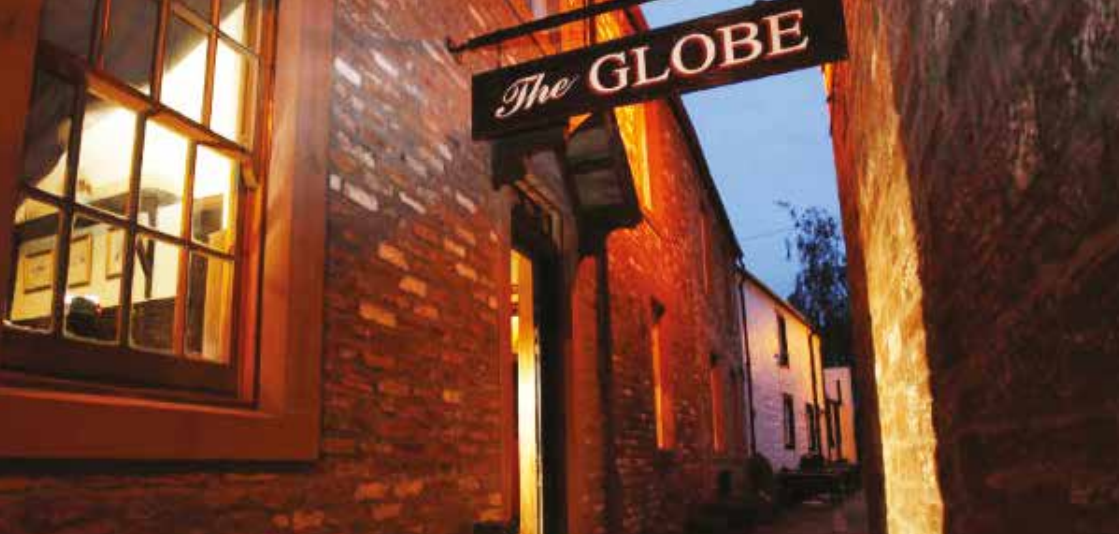
LANTERNS

CAERLAVEROCK
AND CRICHTON

Lantern Making Sessions

Saturday 7th January
WWT Caerlaverock Wetland Centre
2pm – 4pm
Free, Book through WWT Caerlaverock. This year we will be making dragonfly lanterns.

Thursday 8th & 15th December
So Sew Pretty, Solway House @ Crichton
11:30am - 2.30pm
All ages and abilities. Mixed group, full facilities and access.



The Globe

Wee Burns Factor Competition

(Under 16)

Friday 20th January: 6pm

FREE - Register in advance at the bar

Festival Club:

Singer/Songwriters

Friday 20th January: 10pm

FREE

Ceilidh Afternoon

Saturday 21st January: 3pm

FREE

Maidens of Music Night

Saturday 21st January: 8pm

£5

Festival Club:

Guest Host Kinky Boots

Saturday 21st January: 3pm

FREE

Bogle Mufty Open Folk Sessions

Monday 23rd January: 7:30pm

FREE

The Famous Globe Inn's

Wee Burns Supper

Tuesday 24th January: 7pm

£15

Festival Club:

Nashville Nights, Pure Country

Thursday 26th January: 10pm

FREE

Wee Burns Factor competition

16+

Friday 27th January: 6pm

FREE - Register in advance at the bar

Festival Club:

#Comedy lol

Friday 27th January: 10pm

FREE

Festival Club:

Celticly Swing

Saturday 28th January: 10pm

FREE



Brigend Theatre

Off Broadway - Take 2

Friday 20th January: 7.30pm
£14

Nought to Production Workshop Age 7-15

Saturday 21st January: 2pm
£10

Musical Theatre Workshop Age 16+

Saturday 21st January: 12pm
£10

Dumfries College Choir

Friday 27th January: 5pm
Free

Darcy De Silva

Friday 27th January: 7.15pm
£5

Sister Fox

Friday 27th January: 8pm
£5

Burns Factor Final

Saturday 28th January: 11am
Free

Music Room Students

Saturday 28th January: 12pm
Free

Drouthy Neibors

Saturday 28th January: 2pm
£5

Euan McRory & Friends

Saturday 28th January: 5pm
£3

Friends of Huntington Choir

Saturday 28th January: 6pm
Free

Brownlee and Blanter

Saturday 28th January: 7pm
£3

Kinky Boots

Saturday 28th January: 8.15pm
£3

Music Room: Live Lounge

Saturday 28th January: 9.15pm
£3



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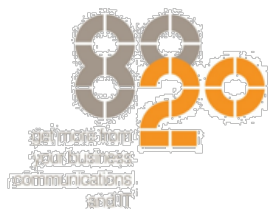
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8.15pm	Kinky Boots	Brigend Theatre	41
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