

# SCOTTISH STORYTELLING CENTRE



FRINGE 2026

# Welcome to the Scottish Storytelling Centre

Join us this August to celebrate 20 years of the Scottish Storytelling Centre! As the world's first purpose-built centre for oral storytelling, the SSC is a welcoming space for locals, families and visitors to meet and enjoy the wonder of stories.

This specially-curated Edinburgh Festival Fringe programme showcases the best in storytelling, music, theatre, spoken word and family shows from home-grown and international performers. Through mythology, folklore, story and song the programme explores the connections and common ground we share across time, language and culture while celebrating 20 years of the cèilidh atmosphere at the heart of the Scottish Storytelling Centre.

There's food in the eating place, drink in the drinking place, and stories in the listening place - it's all there waiting to be enjoyed!



## Booking

Each ticket price listed includes a booking fee of £1.25 per ticket. This fee is capped at 4 tickets so the total booking fee will never exceed £5. No booking fee is applied to tickets purchased in person from the SSC Box Office.



Storytelling Centre Supporter prices



Particularly suitable for children & families

**SSC Supporters receive a discount of £2.50 off a full price ticket for all shows.**

## Families welcome

Baby changing facilities are available and we are a Breastfeeding Friendly venue.

## Accessibility

All performance spaces are accessible to wheelchair users. There is a full [Access Statement](#) available on our website with detailed information about getting here and the accessibility of our spaces, with an additional Fringe Access and Enhanced Performance Guide containing details about the content of each show.

Please see pg 19 or the individual show listings for information on our enhanced Fringe performances. If you have any access requirements our Visitor Services team will be happy to discuss how we can support you to enjoy our programme.

### Box Office

0131 556 9579

[scottishstorytellingcentre.com](http://scottishstorytellingcentre.com)

Open 10am-9pm

### Fringe Box Office

0131 226 0000

[edfringe.com](http://edfringe.com)

Open 9am - 9pm

## Calendar Key



preview



show



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## A Wolf Shall Devour the Sun



DOUGIE MACKAY & JEMIMA THEWES

Respected by ancient cultures but the archetypal villain in European fairy tales; a creative contemplation on our troubled relations with our oldest ally through storytelling, music, shadow puppetry and animation. Originally commissioned by the Scottish International Storytelling Festival 2024.

'Powerful and magical' ★★★★★ (LIST)

'Richly textured' ★★★★★ (CORRBLIMEY.UK)

Time 1pm (1hr)  
 Full price £17.25  
 Concessions £15.25 (£14.75 )  
 Child £11.25

2for1 Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug  
 BSL Sun 9 Aug   
 Ages 8+   
 Venue Netherbow Theatre

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## Address to a Haggis

HAGGIS BOX CAFE & SCOTTISH STORYTELLING CENTRE

'Fair fa' your honest, sonsie face...'

Where better to hear Robert Burns' famous poem than at the Haggis Box Café at SSC! Hear a different performer each day deliver a rousing rendition of Burns' ode to the Great Chieftain o' the Puddin'-race.



Time 12:30pm (10min)  
 Price Free (non-ticketed)

Ages 5+   
 Venue Storytelling Court

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## Aderyn/Bird

HAREBELL TELLERS


Atop a far-off mountain, birds are gathering, stories are stirring. Join Scottish and Welsh traditional storytellers Ailsa Dixon and Ffion Phillips as they weave folk music, language and story across these isles and between worlds.

'A captivating hour of bardic wonder'

★★★★★ (ALLEDINBURGHTHEATRE.COM)

**Time** 4:30pm (1hr)

**Full price** £15.25

**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )

**Ages** 12+

**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library

**Info** Contains brief references to violence, described not depicted.

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## An American Love Letter to Edinburgh

RICK CONTE

*Or: Benjamin Franklin's Scottish Enlightenment*

Exactly 250 years after the Declaration of Independence, Rick Conte retraces his countryman's steps in a warm, funny and historically grounded account of how Enlightenment Edinburgh influenced a nation... and how a native of that nation found a home here centuries later.

'A beguiling show' ★★★★★ (SCOTSMAN)


'Delightful' ★★★★★ (NORTHWESTEND.COM)


'Storytelling at its best!'

★★★★★ (SCOTSGAYARTS.COM)

**Time** 1pm (1hr)

**Full price** £17.25

**Concessions** £15.25 (£14.75 )

**Captioned** Mon 24 Aug 

**Ages** 14+

**Venue** Netherbow Theatre

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## Common Tongue

JGPRODUCING

*A play about imperfect Scots.*


Bonnie's life has been defined by words; the right ones, the wrong ones, and the ones used against her. Now, Bonnie has a chance to speak about it. But she's not really sure what she's going to say, or how she's going to say it. A fast-paced, riotous one-person show exploring the impact of language, identity and their intersections in Scotland.

'quick-witted, damning, and gorgeous'

★★★★★ (CORRBLIMEY.UK)

Time 2:45pm (1hr 10min)

Full price £17.25

Concessions £15.25 (£14.75 )

2for1 Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug

Ages 12+

Venue Netherbow Theatre

Info Contains strong language/swearing.

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## Exhibition: The Craigmillar Tapestry

CRAIGMILLAR TAPESTRY PROJECT

The Craigmillar Tapestry Project is a community initiative creating a series of tapestry panels representing the rich history of Craigmillar, designed and stitched by local people with artwork and guidance from artist Andrew Crummy. There are now twenty panels stitched by over five hundred contributors, including elements of their own lived experience and cultures.

Time 10am-8:30pm

Price Free (non-ticketed)

Venue Storytelling Court



\*Displayed ticket price is inclusive of a £1.25 per ticket booking fee, capped at 4 tickets


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## Forge

TOM OAKES

Multi-instrumentalist Tom Oakes returns with a new work building on the award-nominated *The Hearth* (2024). Traditional music is set against live composition and improvisation, threaded with archive broadcast and new writing by Kolbrún Björt Sigfúsdóttir. Stories of resistance surface in sound and speech, carried in music that changes from night to night.

**Time** 8pm (1hr)  
**Full price** £15.25  
**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )

**2for1** Mon 10 Aug  
**Ages** 12+  
**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library

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## Hamlet (an experience)

BRITE THEATER

*Hamlet has the questions. Do you have the answers?*

A prince of Denmark needs your help. Take on the roles, journey through the play and resolve the great questions of life together, immersed in the story as never before. From multi award-winning Brite Theater, creators of *Richard III* (a one-person show) and *Deliverance*. Starring Emily Carding, directed by Kolbrún Björt Sigfúsdóttir.

'Sigfusdottir's adaptation and Carding's sensitive interpretation provide a shortcut to the empathy that many Hamlets crave but seldom achieve' ★★★★★ (STAGE)

**Time** 4:30pm (1hr)  
**Full price** £15.25  
**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )  
**2for1** Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug

**Ages** 12+  
**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library  
**Info** Contains audience participation and strong language/swearing.


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## Iliad: The Song of Thetis

RACCONTAMIUNASTORIA STORYTELLING COMPANY

An incendiary retelling of Homer's Iliad, sung through the voice of Achilles' mother. Two performers fluidly shifting: god/mortal, mother/warrior, goddess/lover, masculine/feminine, collapsing the boundaries of gender, power and fate. Developed through international residencies and informed by artistic exchange with Lebanese and Palestinian artists working amid ongoing conflict, the production refuses nostalgia. Olympus is not distant; it is political, volatile, human.

**Time** 8:30pm (except 12 Aug)  
 4:45pm (12 Aug only) (1hr 30min)  
**Full price** £17.25  
**Concessions** £15.25 (£14.75 )  
**Preview** £11.25

**2for1** Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug  
**Ages** 16+  
**Venue** Netherbow Theatre  
**Info** Contains distressing or triggering themes and scenes of a sexual nature.

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


## Irrational

RACCONTAMIUNASTORIA STORYTELLING COMPANY

*'The diagonal of the square is incommensurable with its side.'*

Few words, but with unexpected implications. A number like this – neither whole nor fraction, thinkable but unknowable, wild, irrational – is a chaos element threatening the very order of things. The step from mathematics to heresy is short, and in Pythagoras' time, mathematics could cost you your life.

**Time** 6:15pm (1hr)  
**Full price** £15.25  
**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )  
**Preview** £11.25

**2for1** Mon 10 Aug  
**Ages** 12+  
**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library

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## Loud Poets


I AM LOUD

Loud Poets have been bringing the very best live poetry to the Fringe for over a decade, thrilling poetry lovers and turning sceptics into fans. This August, catch the Loud Poets themselves – Katie Ailes, Mark Gallie and Kevin Mclean – with musical accompaniment from Jack Hinks and a different guest poet every show.

'Joyous smorgasbord of words' ★★★★★  
 (ALLEDINBURGHTHEATRE.COM)

'Funny, fierce and finely-tuned' ★★★★★  
 (CORRBLIMEY.UK)

Time 8:30pm (1hr 20min)  
 Full price £17.25  
 Concessions £15.25 (£14.75 )  
 Ages 14+

BSL 27 Aug   
 Venue Netherbow Theatre  
 Info Contains strong language/swearing.

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## Marjolein Robertson: Shetland Folklore

MARJOLEIN ROBERTSON

The Shetland storyteller and comedian takes us across the sea to the UK's most northerly isles for an hour of immersive tales – beautiful, sad, funny and magical – told with Marjolein's signature mix of Shetlandic and English.

'Robertson is simply outstanding'  
 ★★★★★ (QUINTESSENTIAL REVIEW)

'Hauntingly lyrical storytelling'  
 ★★★★★ (LIST)

Time 8:30pm (1hr)  
 Full price £17.25  
 Concessions £15.25 (£14.75 )

Ages 14+  
 Venue Netherbow Theatre

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## Our Martin in the Background

MARK KYDD


England, 1945. The lives of two strangers are changed forever by a chance meeting at a railway station. But this isn't *Brief Encounter*... it's the queer love story Noël Coward didn't write.

★★★★★ (SCOTSMAN)

★★★★★ (QUEERGURU.COM)

**Time** 4:30pm (1hr)

**Full price** £15.25

**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )

**Ages** 14+

**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library

**Info** Contains sex references.

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## Queer Folks' Tales

TURAN ALI & SCOTTISH STORYTELLING CENTRE

The award-winning 5-star hit LGBTQ+ storytelling show returns for its fourth Fringe: camper, fruitier and queerer than ever! Host Turan Ali scours the Fringe for a fresh queer line-up every show to share hilarious, surprising, sobering tales, songs and epic poems.

'Edinburgh's most vibrant, authentic and exciting storytelling event'


★★★★★ (THEWEEREVIEW.COM)

'Utterly fabulous' ★★★★★ (THEQR.CO.UK)

★★★★★ (BROADWAYBABY.COM)

**Time** 8:30pm (2hrs)

**Full price** £17.25

**Concessions** £15.25 (£14.75 )

**Ages** 18+

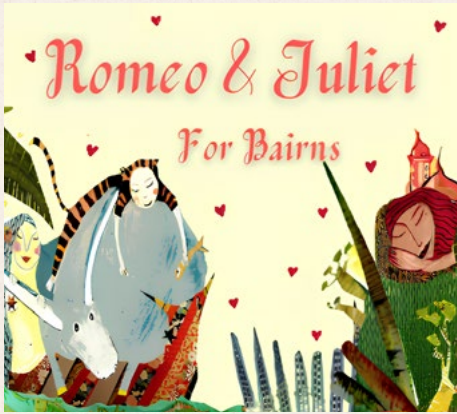
**Venue** Netherbow Theatre

**Info** Contains strong language/swearing.

May contain references to sex, sexual violence, distressing or potentially triggering themes.

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## Romeo and Juliet for Bairns

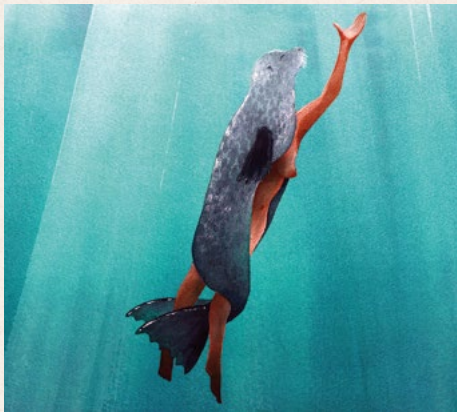
LITTLE SUPERNOVAS

Join award-winning storyteller Brooke Dunbar for an immersive, theatrical, comical version of the love story of Romeo and Juliet. Bringing another of the Bard's plays to the bairns – there's nothing tragic about this story! Back by popular demand after sell-out shows of Macbeth For Bairns at Fringe 2024 and 2025. Get ready to hit the dance floor at the House of Capulet and get down with the Montagues! Featuring level 2 BSL at both performances 21-23 Aug.

**Time** 10:15am (Fri 7- Tue 11 Aug); 10:15am & 11:45am (Thu 13-Sun 23 Aug) (50min)  
**Full price** £15.25  
**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )

**Children** £11.25  
**2for1** Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug  
**Ages** 0+   
**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library


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## Selkie: Past, Present, Future

NIALL MOORJANI & AILSA DIXON

Niall Moorjani and Ailsa Dixon present an evocative and moving exploration of what it is to be human as they lyrically synthesise storytelling with live music and Orcadian folk song. A deep exploration of trans experience in Scotland today through three queered and reimagined Selkie stories set in the past, present and future.

**Time** 6:40pm (1hr)  
**Full price** £17.25  
**Concessions** £15.25 (£14.75 )  
**Ages** 14+  
**BSL** Fri 21 Aug 

**Captioned** Sat 22 Aug   
**Venue** Netherbow Theatre  
**Info** Contains distressing or triggering themes.



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## Singing Willows and the Magical Bed


ALEXANDRA BORGHINO


When a young girl moves to a new home, her extraordinary bed comes alive and carries her through dreamy worlds of music, play and imagination. Together they discover friendship, courage and the joys of growing up. With playful audience participation, original songs, enchanting visuals and multilingual storytelling with integrated BSL, the audience are invited to dream, laugh and explore in this wonderful musical adventure.

Time 11am (1hr)

Full price £17.25

Concessions £15.25 (£14.75 )

Children £11.25 

BSL Sat 22, Sun 23, Sat 29 & Sun 30 

Ages 5+

Venue Netherbow Theatre

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## Spinster


FRANKIE REGALIA

*Witch! Hag! Spinster!*

Words are powerful – even one can tell a whole story. Enter the spinster's cottage, but what will you find there? A financially independent woman with a honed skill and craft, or an evil-doing hag waiting to snatch your child? Journey through three Scottish folktales illustrating the change in the meaning of the word spinster, and thus the changing role of women in the Middle Ages.

Time 6:15pm (1hr)

Full price £15.25

Concessions £13.25 (£12.75 )

Ages 12+

Venue George Mackay Brown Library

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# Daily Planner

	WED 5	THU 6	FRI 7	SAT 8	SUN 9	MON 10	TUE 11	WED 12	THU 13	FRI 14	SAT 15
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Address to a Haggis			12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30	12:30
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An American Love Letter to Edinburgh											
Common Tongue			14:45	14:45	14:45	14:45	14:45		14:45	14:45	14:45
Exhibition: The Craigmillar Tapestry	10am–8:30pm daily										
Forge				20:00		20:00		20:00		20:00	
Hamlet (an experience)			16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30
Iliad: The Song of Thetis		20:30	20:30	20:30	20:30	20:30	20:30	16:45		20:30	20:30
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Loud Poets									20:30		
Marjolein Robertson: Shetland Folklore											
Our Martin in the Background											
Queer Folks' Tales								20:30			
Romeo & Juliet for Bairns			10:15	10:15	10:15	10:15	10:15		10:15 & 11:45 (2x daily)		
Selkie: Past, Present, Future											
Singing Willows and the Magical Bed											
Spinster											
Step One			14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00
Telling the Bees			11:45	11:45	11:45	11:45	11:45				
The Corpse Road											
The Dark Pool											
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Traditional Tales				13:10	13:10	13:10	13:10	13:10	13:10	13:10	13:10
Triptych for Our Times: Bonnie Fechters								14:45			
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Triptych for Our Times: SOMOV											
Troubled Waters			14:30	14:30	14:30	14:30	14:30		14:30	14:30	14:30
When Billy Met Alasdair											16:45

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## Step One

SHORT SUPPLY

*One chair. One question. Sit with us for a moment.*

In this gentle one-to-one encounter, you're invited to share an idea you've always wanted to try, but haven't yet. Step One is a quiet participatory artwork by Short Supply, exploring the moment before something begins. Each meeting lasts a few minutes and unfolds differently depending on who sits down. In the middle of the Edinburgh Fringe, this piece offers a pause from the noise.

**Time** 2pm (2 hours)

**Price** Free (non-ticketed, drop-in)

**Ages** 12+

**Venue** Storytelling Court

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## Telling the Bees

HOGLETS THEATRE

On a blustery hilltop, a girl has a big secret to share. Following an ancient tradition, she must tell the bees that everything has changed. Step into a world of silver-saddled kelpies, mischievous brownies and the beautiful song of the selkie as award-winning Hoglets Theatre brings folk legend to life through gorgeous puppetry, original music and a hive full of interaction. This warm and witty show is ideal for 5-11 years but is open to all.


**Time** 11:45am (45min)

**Full price** £15.25

**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )

**Children** £11.25

**2for1** Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug

**Ages** 5+ 

**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library

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## The Corpse Road


DAN SERRIDGE & HEATHER CARTWRIGHT

Across northern England, roads wend their way through picturesque countryside. Ancient dry stone walls hold the stories of the dead that were carried past on these secret and haunted trails. Storyteller Daniel Serridge and musician Heather Cartwright weave together story and song in this evocative and unnerving folkloric journey to the grave.


'captivating storytelling' ★★★★★  
 (BINGEFRINGE.COM)

**Time** 8:30pm (1hr)

**Full price** £17.25

**Concessions** £15.25 (£14.75 )

**Ages** 14+

**Captioned** Sat 22 Aug 

**Venue** Netherbow Theatre

**Info** Contains distressing or potentially triggering themes.

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## The Dark Pool

CARA SILVERSMITH


Can a woman without hands reach into a pool of dark memories to reclaim her own future?

Based on the Grimm story of the Handless Maiden, this storytelling show explores disability and resilience in the face of trauma and societal expectations.



**Time** 4:30pm (1hr)

**Full price** £15.25

**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )

**Ages** 16+

**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library

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## The Elves and the Shoemaker

THEATRE OF WIDDERSHINS

Soft dancing slippers, swarthy pirate boots, silver buckles and silken soles; no-one makes shoes like an elf. This classic fable has been re-heeled and polished by Theatre of Widdershins in their own inimitable style. Beautifully crafted puppets, sublime music, a kaleidoscope of miniature shoes and a comic mouse make this show a magical must-see. Suitable for all ages and shoe sizes.

**Time** 11am (55min)  
**Full price** £17.25  
**Concessions** £15.25 (£14.75 )  
**Children** £11.25

**Previews** £11.25  
**2for1** Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug  
**Ages** 3+   
**Venue** Netherbow Theatre


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## The Flying

KIRSTY LAW

Enlightenment Edinburgh. Robert Burns and Walter Scott meet only once, at a salon in the Sciennes home of Adam Fergusson. Or so history tells us. In the School of Scottish Studies archives, a Scottish Traveller recounts another version – a fantastical gathering of 'all the great writers', locked in poetic flying – until tragedy strikes. Scots folksinger Kirsty Law weaves together fact, lore and memory into a meditation on truth, fiction and the ordinary people who quietly carry on Scotland's living tradition.

**Time** 8pm (1hr)  
**Full price** £15.25  
**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )

**2for1** Tue 11 Aug  
**Ages** 12+  
**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library

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## The Ostrich Principle


KIRSTEN MILLIKEN & DAVID HUGHES

The greatest stories have always opened our eyes, pricked our ears and loosened our tongues; not easy when the chaos makes us want to bury our heads.

Two traditional storytellers rally myths, legends and folk songs in this rousing call-to-arms. Now is the time to pull our heads from the sand, look darkness in the eye and make a stand.

Time 6:15pm (1hr)

Full price £15.25

Concessions £13.25 (£12.75 )

2for1 Tue 11 Aug

Ages 16+

Venue George Mackay Brown Library

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## Through the Shortbread Tin

NATIONAL THEATRE OF SCOTLAND

The story of the greatest literary hoax of all time.

Join poet Martin O'Connor on an oral odyssey exploring Scottish culture, myths, history and identity. The sporrans, stags, and shortbread – do these gift-shop images hold us back or bring us forward?

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'Witty and provocative' ★★★★★ (GUARDIAN)

'A tartan-wrapped gift of a show'


★★★★ (HERALD)


Time 4:45pm (1hr 15min)

Full price £19.25


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Audio described Fri 14 &

Mon 24 Aug 

Ages 12+

Venue Netherbow Theatre



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## Thunderstruck

DAVID COLVIN

The tragic, comic, epic tale of the greatest bagpiper that ever lived, who rocked tradition, flew beyond the summit of his art and changed Scottish music forever. Whatever notions you have of bagpipes, leave them at the door.


'A stunning, staggering piece of modern Scottish folk theatre' ★★★★★ (BRITISHTHEATREGUIDE.INFO)

'Elucidating, charming and rip-roaringly inspirational' ★★★★★ (THEQR.CO.UK)

'Masterful' ★★★★★ (BROADWAYWORLD.COM) ★★★★★ (FEST)

**Time** 6:40pm (1hr 20min)

**Full price** £17.25

**Concessions** £15.25 (£14.75 )

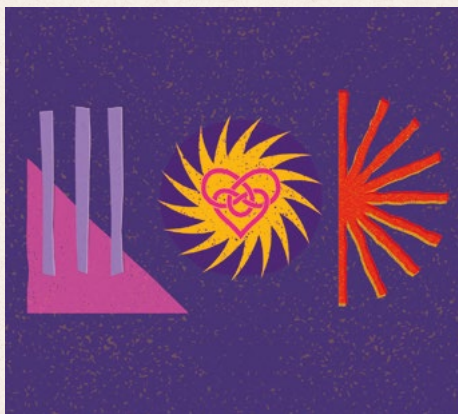
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**Ages** 12+

**Venue** Netherbow Theatre

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## Traditional Tales

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To celebrate 20 years of the Scottish Storytelling Centre, join some of our amazing tellers as they share their favourite traditional tales from around the world. Expect folk tales, fairie tales, myths and legends, stories which have been handed down to inspire and entertain across generations. A relaxed session with a different storyteller each day.

**Time** 1:10pm (45min)

**Full price** £15.25

**Concessions** £13.25 (£12.75 )

**2for1** Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug

**Ages** 12+

**Venue** George Mackay Brown Library

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## A Triptych for Our Times

MORNA BURDON

Following acclaimed performances and sell-out shows around the world, Morna brings home A Triptych for Our Times, a celebration marking ten years of her acclaimed one-woman Fringe shows.

12 Aug – Bonnie Fechtters

19 Aug – Gie's Peace


26 Aug – The Sound of My Own Voice

★★★★ (SCOTSGAYARTS.COM)

★★★★ (BROADWAYBABY.COM)

Time 2:45pm (1hr)

Full price £17.25

Concessions £15.25 (£14.75 )

Combined 3 shows £34.25 (SSC Box Office only)

Ages 14+

Venue Netherbow Theatre

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## Troubled Waters


CORINNE HARRAGIN

Leaping salmon, fishtail women, mythical raves and sacred springs; be transported into a world where ancient folklore intertwines with contemporary themes and explore what moves beneath the surface.


'Genuinely very funny... A masterful storyteller' (BACKSTAGEBRISTOL.COM)

Time 2:30pm (1hr 10min)

Full price £15.25

Concessions £13.25 (£12.75 )

2for1 Mon 10 & Tue 11 Aug

BSL Thu 13 Aug 

Ages 14+

Venue George Mackay Brown Library

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## When Billy Met Alasdair

ALAN BISSETT

*'Allow me to give you some advice, Billy...'*

Alan Bissett, award-winning creator of Fringe hit *The Moira Monologues*, performs as two Scottish cultural giants, asking what (might've!) happened when Billy Connolly attended the launch for Alasdair Gray's 1981 masterpiece, *Lanark*

★★★★★ (BRITISHTHEATREGUIDE.INFO)

★★★★★ (NATIONAL)


★★★★★ (NORTHWESTEND.CO.UK)

★★★★★ (HERALD)

**Time** Sat 15 Aug 4:45pm &

Sun 23 Aug 8:30pm (1hr)

**Full price** £17.25

**Concessions** £15.25 (£14.75 )

**Ages** 14+


**Venue** Netherbow Theatre

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## BSL Interpreted



Sun 9 Aug 1pm

**A Wolf Shall Devour the Sun**

Thu 13 Aug 2:30pm

**Troubled Waters**

Fri 21 Aug 6:40pm

**Selkie: Past, Present, Future**

Tue 25 & Sat 29 Aug 4:45pm

**Through the Shortbread Tin**

Thu 27 Aug 8:30pm

**Loud Poets**

Sat 22, Sun 23, Sat 29 &

Sun 30 Aug 11am

**Singing Willows and the Magical Bed**

All performances in BSL & English and suitable for d/Deaf audiences

## Audio Described



Fri 14 & Mon 24 Aug 4:45pm

**Through the Shortbread Tin**

## Captioned



Thu 13 & Sat 22 Aug 4:45pm

**Through the Shortbread Tin**

Sat 22 Aug 6:40pm

**Selkie: Past, Present, Future**

Sat 22 Aug 8:30pm

**The Corpse Road**

Mon 24 Aug 1pm

**An American Love Letter to Edinburgh**

## Chilled



Thu 20 & Sun 30 Aug 4:45pm

**Through the Shortbread Tin**

## Family Friendly



Fri 7 - Fri 28 Aug 1pm, 8+

**A Wolf Shall Devour the Sun**

Fri 7 - Sun 30 Aug 12.30pm, 5+

**Address to a Haggis**

Fri 7 - Tue 11 Aug 10.15am; Thu 13 - Sun

23 Aug 10.15am & 11.45am, 0+

**Romeo and Juliet for Bairns**

Sat 22, Sun 23, Sat 29 & Sun 30 Aug  
11am, 5+

**Singing Willows and the Magical Bed**

Fri 7 - Tue 11 Aug 11.45am, 5+

**Telling the Bees**

Wed 5 - Sun 16 Aug 11am, 3+

**The Elves and the Shoemaker**



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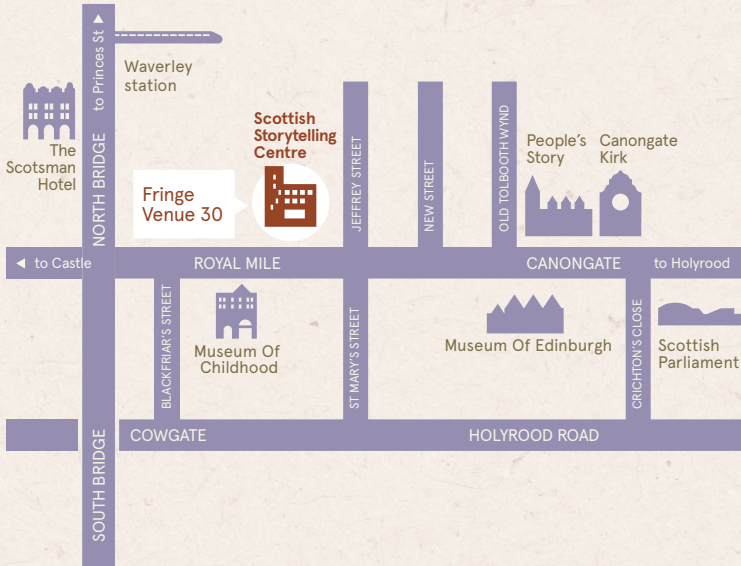
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