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31 JULY - 9 AUGUST 2026

NORTH BERWICK

2026

PROGRAMME

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Whether you're joining us for the music, comedy, conversation, food, family fun or simply to soak up the atmosphere, we want you to have the best possible time at Fringe by the Sea. Below you'll find useful information to help you plan your visit and make the most of your time on site. For full FAQs and the latest updates, visit fringebythesea.com/faqs

Booking Info

Tickets are available online, at the festival Box Office and from our pop-up Box Office at North Berwick Library. **We strongly recommend booking online in advance, as many events sell out quickly.** All listed prices include booking fees unless stated.

Online: fringebythesea.com

In-person: FBTS @ North Berwick Library (13 School Rd, EH39 4JU), 1 June-30 July during library hours.

Festival Box Office: Lodge Grounds, 10.00AM-10.00PM daily, 31 July-9 August.

- Tickets are e-tickets – show them on your phone or print at home
- Programme details correct at time of print. Events may be subject to change or cancellation
- Tickets are non-refundable unless an event is cancelled
- Stay up to date via our website and social channels

Venues and Entry

- The festival site at the Lodge Grounds is open daily from 10.00AM–11.00PM
- Fringe by the Sea is an outdoor festival - evenings can get chilly and some areas of the site are on uneven ground, so please dress appropriately and wear suitable footwear
- Smoking and vaping are not permitted inside festival venues
- Please follow all signage and steward instructions for queuing, entry and exit
- Entry and exit points may differ at each venue
- Our staff will assist with seating where relevant
- Events start promptly and latecomers may not be admitted once a performance has begun

Essentials

- Lost property will be stored at the Box Offices during the festival and at our office afterwards. Any items not collected within a fortnight of the festival from The Lighthouse will be disposed of
- Lost children will be taken to our Crew Hut (behind the Box Office)
- Well-behaved dogs on leads are welcome on site and at most shows, with the exception of evening standing gigs in the Big Top. Look out for the Dog Water Station, kindly provided by Barker and Bone
- A First Aid team is on site throughout the festival. Please speak to a member of staff if you require assistance

Food and Drink

Food is available to purchase at our Street Food Village. Hot and cold beverages, including alcoholic drinks, are available across the festival site. As our venues are licensed premises, alcohol cannot be brought onto the festival site.

Accessibility

We're committed to making Fringe by the Sea as welcoming, inclusive and accessible as possible. All festival venues are wheelchair accessible, with accessible seating platforms/areas available in the Big Top, Lodge and Dome venues for selected events (advance booking recommended).

- Blue Badge parking and accessible drop-off point: St Baldred's Crescent
- Festival buggies available to assist visitors between key venues
- Complimentary Personal Assistant tickets available

For full accessibility information, download our Accessibility Guide at fringebythesea.com/accessibility-2 or scan here.



Travel

Parking in North Berwick is extremely limited, with new parking restrictions in place across parts of the town from June 2026. We strongly encourage festivalgoers to travel by train, bus or our late-night Happy Bus services where possible.

For those who do need to drive, free FBTS parking is available at North Berwick High School, around a 5-minute walk from the Lodge Grounds. Please be considerate of our neighbours and avoid parking on surrounding residential streets.

For full travel information, download our Travel Guide at fringebythesea.com/getting-here or scan here.



Concessions and Age Guidance

Fringe by the Sea is a family-friendly festival and we encourage audiences of all ages to enjoy the programme together. Concession tickets for children are available for selected events. Please check age guidance where stated, and note that under 16s must be accompanied by an adult. Babies in arms go free.

For full details on family activities, download our Family Guide at fringebythesea.com/faqs or scan here.



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Welcome

"What is the secret ingredient to Fringe by the Sea's success?" is a question the team is asked repeatedly by journalists, industry insiders and friends. The answer is straightforward:

our community.

The creativity, pride and passion shown by people throughout East Lothian to make connections with each other and their environment and bring it to life in the Lodge Grounds every August is a true inspiration to us all.

So much so that for the next three years, Fringe by the Sea will be driven by a simple sentiment, **LOVE OF LIFE**.

And how do we showcase this fabulous philosophy that explores our innate connection to the natural world and to one another? Through a hugely exciting programme that heralds the best of our local community alongside brilliant creatives from around the world.

Thanks to critical funding from Creative Scotland, this year's blooming flower is the debuting of composer **Erland Cooper's** take on Love of Life, inspired by nature recordings from the Bass Rock. The roots of the programme is very much our community's awesome Project Plant that's seen hundreds grow their personal wild flower meadow for display.

Our headline shows in the Big Top are proving HOT tickets once more.

There will be celebration aplenty when funk and disco pioneers **Kool & the Gang** take to the stage - there's no excuse not to get down on it.

We can expect another epic electronic set this year as **Maribou State** brings their majestic, melodic sound to North Berwick. The duo's most recent, critically acclaimed album *Hallucinating Love* is a cathartic celebration of hope, resilience and community. This is one Scottish-exclusive live performance not to miss.

Alex James's Britpop Classical sees the best of the era blasted out by the former Blur bassist, a 30-piece orchestra and guest singers including Phil Daniels of the PARKLIFE track fame. We feel one helluva a singalong coming on...

From closer to home, **Belle & Sebastian** will be performing the exceptional album *If You're Feeling Sinister* while folk band **Capercaillie** will be bringing a touch of Gaelic to the first Sunday night.

The whole party will be started with an epic DJ set from **RUDIMENTAL** and to close the festival, we have lined up a

very special performance from Contemporary Pianist of the Year, Levi Schectmann. The classically-trained German has been selling out concert halls across the globe and setting the world wide web alight with his astonishing blend of classical and hip-hop genres.

The big names in the Big Top don't stop at the music acts. With Jane & Fi returning, Louis Theroux, Ian Hislop, Ben Fogle, comedians Russell Howard and Lou Sanders and David Olusoga all set to offer pearls of wisdom, fascinating insights and bellyfuls of laughs.

Following a much appreciated debut year, our music film festival **Wavelength** returns with incredible guests, plenty for cinema-goers of all ages and a huge screen experience in the Big Top: MASSAOKE Sing the Movies!

The arrival of Scotland's favourite whisky, sees The Famous Grouse Lodge host many of Scotland's favourite artists including the Bay City Rollers, Fred MacAulay and Maggie O'Farrell.

Central to the festival vibe is our free-to-access **North Berwick Trust Hub**. Here you can explore Love of Life including delving into Brian d'Souza's **Plants Can Dance**, **Lighthouse Live** stage and **The Times Lounge** hosting a wide array of masterclasses, children's activities and local bands. Be sure to meet and chat with some of the 20 charities and community organisations popping-up at our encounter space.

The much-loved **Coulters Makers Market** and streetfood village has plenty of new additions to explore. One must-have dining experience appearing this year is Cómhla by the Sea, where Love of Life is brought to life from field to fork.

As ever, our heartfelt thanks goes to phenomenal community organisations, committed volunteers, skilled artists, generous patrons, supportive partners from the business world and public sector and, most importantly, you, for continuing to keep the spirit of Fringe by the Sea alive and well.

Have an amazing, fulfilling time with us.

Rory Steel, Jackie Shuttleworth, Ali Wales, Debbie Shinton and Annabel Mill-Irving

Team FBTS

Social

Share your festival experience:



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Our front cover was designed by the talented Poppy Lister, P6, Law Primary School. Look out for the display of other shortlisted entries on site.

Programme design by Shaw Marketing and Design. Illustrations by Eilidh Muldoon.

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Partners

Fringe by the Sea is made possible by the incredible support of our partners. Thank you for continuing to support creativity, community and culture by the sea.



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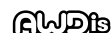


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We're hugely grateful to the organisations, businesses and individuals whose support, generosity and hard work help make Fringe by the Sea possible year after year:

FBTS founders John Shaw, Jane Thomson and Eric Wales, Amanda Farnese Heath, Anna Raper, Barker & Bone, Cargo Bars, Caroline Bysh, Citizen Ticket, Dave Berry, Duff Publicity, East Lothian Courier, Eilidh Muldoon, Fairground Communications, Lewis Houghton, Lewis Gourlay, Cagoule TV, Linsey Shields, Mr Smith Aerial, No12 Hotel & Bistro, North Berwick Community Council, North Berwick Library, North Berwick Youth Project, Sandra Nicol, Sarah Clarkson, ScotRail, Stepping Out Mental Health Charity, Sustaining NB, Tantallon Caravan Park, Yarn Cafe.

A special thank you to our brilliant volunteers and hardworking crew whose energy, dedication and enthusiasm help power Fringe by the Sea every year.

Love your festival

As part of our ongoing commitment to sustainability, we encourage everyone to travel greener and help care for the beautiful coastal town we call home.

NEW for 2026

Happy Bus late-night services connecting the festival with Haddington, Dunbar, Edinburgh and Glasgow. Leave the car at home and enjoy the night, with reliable direct services running after some of our biggest events. Book tickets in advance.



- Regular ScotRail services including late-night festival train service (00:01) from North Berwick to Edinburgh, stopping at all stations.
- East Coast Buses services throughout the festival
- Bike racks available on site
- Additional festival parking at North Berwick High School

Parking in North Berwick is extremely limited, with new parking restrictions now in place across parts of the town. We strongly encourage visitors to travel by public transport, bike or on foot where possible. Visit fringebythesea.com/getting-here for full details and download our Travel Guide.



Reusable cups return



Our reusable cup scheme is back for 2026 - now including coffee cups too

1.

Buy your first drink
Pay £1 for your reusable cup

2.

Swap and refill
When you come back for another drink, hand over your used cup and get a fresh one – no extra charge.

3.

Done for the day?
Pop your cup into a Reusable Cup Bin before you leave (Note: The £1 is non-refundable.)



Over £7,000 raised
for Scottish Coastal Clean Up through the scheme in 2025

Bonus: Selected traders may give you a discount if you bring your own cup | BYO water bottle and fill up on site.

"It's not waste, it's resource!"

That's the rallying call from Tommy Dale at Caledonian Horticulture who help us manage our waste. In 2025, festival waste was sorted by hand and 99% was diverted from landfill thanks to our Green Team.



Look out for clearly marked recycling points and a fishy looking new can recycling station on site. Our Green Team will be on hand to help festivalgoers recycle correctly.

Rubbish Chats Return

BIN AREA BESIDE THE FOOD VILLAGE
DAILY, 11.00AM-12.00PM

Think it's just waste? Think again! Join our Green Team for **Rubbish Chat**, a daily drop-in where you'll discover what really happens to what you put in the bins at Fringe by the Sea. From composting to clever reuse, nothing goes to waste - because around here, it's all seen as resource.



We also:

✓ Reuse site materials

✓ Require traders to manage waste responsibly

✓ Deliver over 40 events exploring climate, nature and sustainability themes.





Feel more, feel good and feel your way forwards with some of Scotland's most innovative creatives through LOVE OF LIFE. Original takes on 'biophilia' - our innate desire to connect to nature - are open for exploration at this year's festival. We invite you to delve in, and deepen your connection for our shared future.

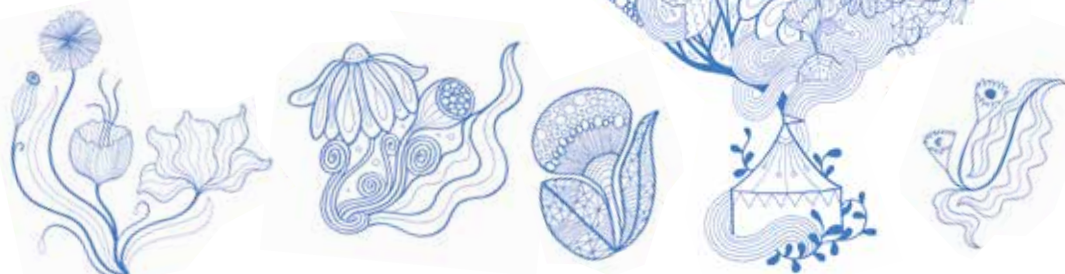
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Erland Cooper has composed a very special piece of music for LOVE OF LIFE, rooted in the joy of slowing down and taking time to notice what's around us. Orkney-born Erland is an Emmy-nominated composer, producer and multi-instrumentalist who as a solo artist, has released five critically acclaimed studio albums, including a trilogy of work inspired by his childhood home, as well as themes of nature, people, place and time. His work often combines field recordings with traditional orchestration and contemporary electronic elements.

Working with Erland is artist **Naomi McIntosh** who creates sculptural objects and immersive installations which examine relationships between body, space and landscape. With the brilliant team from **Old School Fabrications**, they have together created a multi-layered take on LOVE OF LIFE which you can discover in our festival hub.

Our LOVE OF LIFE Launch event on 31st July celebrates the beginning of the project with Erland's sonic exploration and stunning visuals from **Cagoule TV** (see event listings for more information).



James Glossop



The Flock - also on our opening day, a flock of handmade gannets will weave from the Harbourside, through the town and to our hub, led by a stunning giant bird puppet, arriving in the Big Top for the launch.

Come and join The Flock! This is a chance to make your own puppet to carry in the parade, under the expert guidance of puppeteers Vision Mechanics, who brought the incredible 10-metre STORM to us in 2021. We'd love your help in making this a truly eye-catching spectacle, highlighting the incredible nature all around us and the plight of seabirds. The Northern Gannets who make Bass Rock their home are, like many seabirds, facing significant threats.

We ask that each puppet maker commits to coming along to two workshops in North Berwick, to make and finish their puppet, and to being part of the parade on the afternoon of 31st July. Puppet workshops will take place from 25th July onwards (see online event listing for more information).

Scottish Seabird Centre Exhibition - we present in partnership with SSC, a specially curated exhibition on LOVE OF LIFE and its connection to the wildlife on our coastline. Featuring a closer look at the new work by Erland Cooper and an exhibition of images taken as part of the 'making of' his composition. Open from 10.00AM-5.00PM daily (31 July - 9 August). Last entry 5.00PM. Free to visit with a suggested £5 donation to the charity. www.seabird.org

Also in our hub, you'll find **Plants Can Dance** (and Mushrooms Sing) - artist Brian d'Souza's musical collaboration with nature. Living organisms, like plants and fungi, produce unique electronic signals and data that, when connected to synthesizers and other equipment, can be converted into sound and music: a process called biosonification.

Plants Can Dance will be open to explore each day of Fringe by the Sea. You can also book into a workshop to experience more. Each session will start with an introduction to the process, dig into the science and have a play with a variety of easy-to-use tools that create music from nature. Then you get into a Deep Listening experience where you're encouraged to immerse yourselves in the realtime audio-visual plant soundscape, leaving your phones aside. A wondrous treat for all!

Brian runs the A State Of Flo label and substack blog, focusing on the biological basis for music, new ecosystems and the creation of novel acoustic ecologies which bridge the gap between the natural world and the electronic music one. His nature-based music has been featured on the BBC World Service, 6Music, V&A, UN Oceans Conference, Discovery Channel, Tate Modern, Glastonbury, National Trust and more. He has just compiled the first Plants Can Dance compilation album, featuring artists from around the world who also collaborate with nature in their music.

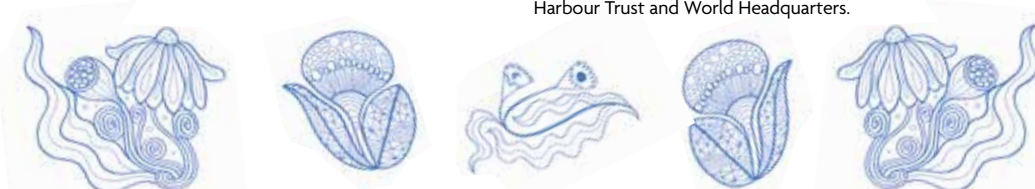
We invite you to explore LOVE OF LIFE! Find out more on our event listings pages or at www.fringebythesea.com/loveoflife

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Around Site



North Berwick Trust Hub



The North Berwick Trust Hub sits at the heart of Fringe by the Sea - a free-to-enter, open-air space at the centre of the site, made for gathering, wandering and soaking it all in.

Supported by North Berwick Trust, it's a place to try great food from local traders, catch live music from a packed line-up of homegrown talent on The Lighthouse Live Stage, explore the Kids Zone and The Times Lounge, and browse the Coulters Makers Market. For 2026, our Love of Life theme weaves through the Hub with a burst of nature-led moments and creative touches, celebrating our connection to the natural world and each other. Expect a few surprises along the way - and as always, everyone's welcome.

Open daily from 10.00AM to 11.00PM.

Meet You at the Bar



Our bar line-up is back and better than ever for 2026, mixing exciting new arrivals with much-loved favourites.

The Famous Grouse leads the way as sponsor of The Famous Grouse Lodge, with a dedicated bar and serves across the site. Cocktail lovers can dive into the vibrant De Kuyper pop-up, while Drambuie blends with Steampunk Coffee for surprising delights. Monkey Shoulder brings the DJ vibes to Lighthouse Live, Magners delivers the summer cider energy, and Lind & Lime returns to the Hub with its signature serves alongside the Frozen Margarita Pit-Stop and Spritz bars. Expect great drinks, good vibes and fast, card-only service across the festival site.

Encounter



Drop into Encounter - a space within the Hub where you can meet the people from charitable organisations doing brilliant work across our community.

Discover local groups, get inspired, and find out how to get involved. For 2026, Encounter comes into its own as part of our Love of Life theme celebrating care, kindness and the power of community. Expect creative, interactive and genuinely fun ways to join in. Designed and handcrafted by students from the Edinburgh School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture with support from Michael Lewis, it's a space built for connection.

Daily from 10.00AM to 1.00PM and 2.00PM to 5.00PM

The Lighthouse Live



The Lighthouse Live Stage brings a packed programme of free live music to the heart of the Hub, with DJs, emerging artists and local favourites creating a vibrant festival atmosphere from day into night.

Presented by The Lighthouse North Berwick - the town's co-working hub and home to a thriving community of local businesses, creatives and entrepreneurs - it's the perfect place to discover new talent and soak up the buzz of Fringe by the Sea.

Just a five-minute walk from the festival site, The Lighthouse offers flexible co-working desks, offices and meeting rooms, from an hour to a full day or more throughout the festival and all year round. Email info@lighthouseenb.co.uk for more information.



Created as part of our 2026 Love of Life theme, Project Plant brings together hundreds of pots of wildflowers grown by local people, schools, families and community groups to create a shared meadow installation within the festival site.

Developed with support from North Berwick in Bloom, Herbspace and Seilich, the project celebrates small acts of care growing into something bigger together - adding colour, creativity and a little bit of the magic of nature to FBTS 2026.



theSpace Dunbar joins us onsite this year with a programme of hands-on workshops, drop-in sessions and creative activities for all ages.

Learn how to service and optimise your bike with Boost Your Bike workshops, try your hand at DJing and live digital music making, or simply drop by for open music sessions and Dr Bike check-ups throughout the festival. Alongside sessions from North Berwick Youth Project including tie dye, seed bomb making and face painting, it's a welcoming space to learn new skills, get creative and connect with others.



The Times Lounge

Hosting a programme of masterclasses, talks and creative sessions throughout the festival, The Times Lounge is home to everything from gardening conversations to wellness workshops and book events. It's also a welcoming space to pause, recharge and catch up on the day's news courtesy of The Times and The Sunday Times Scotland. Drop by throughout the day.



Coulters Open Doors

Drop by Coulters' welcoming pop-up space beside the Coulters Makers Market to meet the team, enjoy a range of family-friendly activities and explore some of the stunning homes currently on the market across East Lothian. As one of the region's leading estate agents and solicitor firms, Coulters combines local knowledge with expert guidance to help make every move feel a little easier.



Lynn Hill Garden

Returning for 2026, the beautiful Lynn Hill Garden once again offers a vibrant oasis within the festival - a place to pause, recharge and reconnect with nature. Inspired by biophilic design, this calming retreat brings greenery, texture and tranquility to the heart of the festival.

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Pop-Up Art

Discover creative displays across the festival site, from shortlisted entries in this year's programme cover competition, to Little Artists' "Favourite Things" exhibition showcasing colourful young creativity, alongside the return of Steven Butcher's illustrated map highlighting the work of North Berwick Trust, a nature photography display from Sustaining North Berwick, and a Wildlife Trail designed by local artist Lorraine Miller.



COULTERS[©] Makers Market



Celebrating our Love of Life theme, this year's Coulters Makers Market brings together a range of talented makers, many working with natural materials - from basket weaving and woodwork to botanical plant pressings and skincare, alongside animal illustrations and more. Pop by daily, 10.00AM to 6.00PM.



1. Grain & Groove and Jilly Greig

Grain and Groove are a collective of three woodworkers and artists, creating collaborative functional art, sharing the stand with local basket maker Jilly Greig who creates beautiful willow baskets and teaches basketry, passing on traditional skills.



2. Lark Botanical

Lark Botanical creates contemporary plant pressings, drawings and paintings, using traditional techniques. Artist and lavender grower Johanna Dollerson works with the seasons, inspired by local flora and coastal countryside. Find botanical stationery, original artwork, and locally grown lavender at Lark.



3. Dukes of West Barns

Located in West Barns, Dunbar, Dukes of West Barns celebrates exceptional local talent through quirky handmade ceramics, hand-printed textiles and striking contemporary fine art in a vibrant gallery setting, representing talented artists and makers including Claire MacLellan, Celia Wood and Martha Duncan.



4. Fidra Studios

North Berwick based Fidra Studio creates bespoke homeware - drawing from the rhythms of coastal life. Their practical pieces are designed to blend artistic detail with the simplest of items to bring personality and playfulness into your home.



5. Bonzo Art

Local, professional artist Rachel Marshall captures life by the sea in original paintings, giftware, cards and prints. Coastal inspired and often with humour, Rachel works from her studio in the middle of North Berwick High Street and her work is collected worldwide.



6. Between the Woods and Sea

Between the Woods and Sea by North Berwick artist Lainey Miller presents hand-painted wildlife inspired by the Scottish landscape. Defined by rich patterns, her collection brings Scotland into homes worldwide, with a sense of place and timeless appeal.

7. Support the Makers

A collective of local makers from the Support The Makers community all work together to bring you a gorgeous range of accessories, jewellery, homeware, textiles and much more from End of Terrace Trading, Made By Ruu and Solas Sea Glass.



8. Raven Botanicals and Òir Soap

East Lothian based Raven Botanicals creates luxury skincare in a rural-coastal solar studio in the foothills of the Lammermuirs. The award winning sister-led brand uses locally harvested botanicals and UK grown ingredients in nourishing, eco-conscious formulations.

Òir Soap creates natural, eco-friendly soaps and lip balms with a strong design-led approach. Beautiful formulas and bold packaging crafted in Scotland to elevate everyday rituals while keeping the environmental impact low.



10. Ella Fletcher

Ella Fletcher creates joyful, vibrant ceramics from her Midlothian studio - designed for everyday use and full of colour. Inspired by the Scottish landscape and coastline, her handmade pieces combine bold glazes with practical forms, each one wheel-thrown and hand-finished, making every piece unique.



THE MAKERY

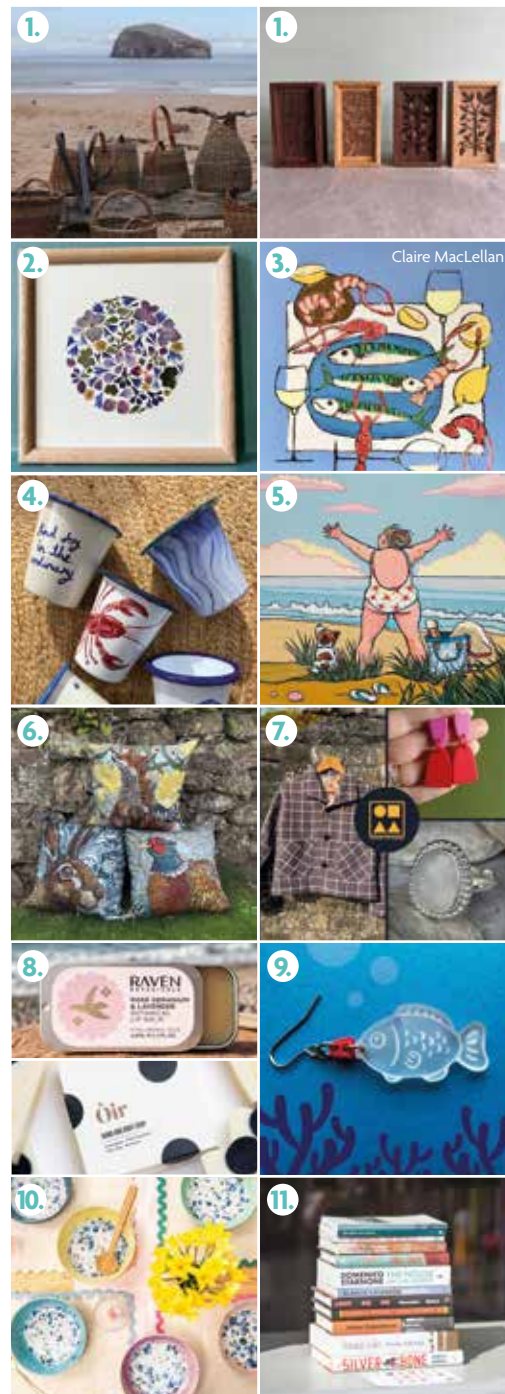
9. The Makery

Emma Westwater and Nem Sarton split their time in Dunbar, creating bright, colourful jewellery and homewares inspired by the natural world. Working across acrylic, wood and print, their weird and wonderful world of weather and wild animals is bursting with life. Pop by to pick up bugs, birds and butterflies to decorate and add to the Bloom Canopy in the central Hub.



11. Night Owl Books

Night Owl Books is an independent bookshop in East Linton, East Lothian, founded in April 2022. The bookshop will be popping up at Fringe by the Sea with a signing table at each author event, as well as in the Coulters Makers Market, where you'll find a carefully curated selection of books for both adults and children, including signed titles by authors appearing at the festival.



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Street Food Village

Fringe by the Sea's street food village returns with one of our strongest line-ups yet, including Scottish and British Street Food Award winners and a MasterChef: The Professionals Top 12 chef. Expect much-loved local favourites alongside some brand new exciting flavours to try.



Dumpling Mama

Enjoy award-winning Cantonese street food from Dumpling Mama, runners-up at the Scottish Street Food Awards. Their handmade dumplings are crafted with fresh ingredients and packed with bold flavour. Tuck into pan-fried dumplings, wonton soup, soba noodle salads and plenty of vegan options.



Truck Sri

Truck Sri brings the bold flavours of Sri Lanka to Fringe by the Sea, serving sizzling kottu for an authentic and unforgettable street food experience by the stunning seaside.



East Coast Lobsters

East Coast Lobsters return to FBTS with the freshest catch from the Forth. Enjoy grilled lobster, indulgent lobster rolls, and a host of seafood delights crafted to celebrate our coastline's finest flavours. Dive into the taste of summer.



Carb Club

Carb Club dishes up pure comfort - from fresh bruschettas to hearty, home-sized pasta bowls. Serving warm, carb-filled goodness to keep you going and fuel the party long into the night.



El Dorado

El Dorado, a proud Scottish Street Food Finalist, serves authentic Mexican street food inspired by family recipes from Michoacán. Expect fresh corn tortillas, slow-cooked fillings, vibrant salsas and bold, balanced flavours all served the traditional way and made to be eaten with your hands.



Planet G

PLANET G serves food that genuinely hits different; bold, indulgent and crafted entirely from scratch by a MasterChef: The Professionals Top 12 chef. Every dish is designed to win people over, one bite at a time, while keeping sustainability at the heart of what they do.



Big Blu

A North Berwick staple for over a decade, serving authentic stone-baked artisan pizzas straight from their iconic vans. Using premium ingredients and firing each pizza to order, they deliver fresh, flavour-packed magic in the Lodge Grounds. The ultimate festival fuel for an East Lothian summer.



Birdie's Smash Burgers

Birdie the Airstream offers delicious Smash Burgers and crispy Fries that are always a crowd favourite. Made with freshly ground rump and brisket, each burger is topped with mouthwatering ingredients like melted cheese, crispy bacon, tangy pickles or slow cooked meats.



Wild at Heart

North Berwick born and bred, Wild At Heart serve indulgent toasties and luxury loaded fries made with the finest Scottish produce. All fillings are homemade, they even slow-cook their own meats ensuring something delicious for the whole family. A true crowd favourite and a much-loved Fringe by the Sea fixture.



Smoked Tamago

Smoked Tamago, winners of the Scottish Street Food Award (and the Extra Mile Award at the British Street Food Awards), bring their contemporary Japanese-Korean street food to FBTS. A hit in Hong Kong for their modern take on tamagoyaki, they now serve their signature smoked tamago alongside an expanded menu of bold, authentic dishes.



J's Tiny Deli

J's Tiny Deli brings big flavour to North Berwick with quality coffee and fresh-from-the-oven morning rolls packed with homemade, locally sourced fillings. Straightforward, delicious food made daily, the perfect quick pit-stop.



Cherry on Top

A true Fringe by the Sea crowd favourite, Cherry on Top serves all your favourite ice creams alongside seasonal sorbets and sundaes, each finished with their signature sprinkles. Grab a cone, take a moment to chill, and enjoy a sweet taste of North Berwick.



Steampunk

A North Berwick institution, Steampunk has been roasting specialty coffee just down the hill from the festival site for 15 years and has been caffeinating FBTS for nearly a decade. They craft their coffees on an old school lever machine in their sunny yellow trailer at the heart of the street food village - serving both hot and iced coffee options and fresh baking to fuel festival goers.



Brew

Brew brings their sister-owned trailer to the Big Top, serving excellent coffee, matcha and classic homemade sweet treats. Simple, delicious and crafted with care, the perfect pick-me-up between shows.



CÒMHLA BY THE SEA

New for 2026, Còmhlà brings a beautifully curated restaurant to Fringe by the Sea - a relaxed dining experience celebrating exceptional local produce, thoughtful cooking and the joy of gathering together.

Founded in 2024, Còmhlà was born from a passion for connection: to food, to community and to the land and sea around us. Throughout the festival, enjoy a refined but informal menu showcasing East Lothian suppliers alongside expertly curated organic wines and cocktails from Slonk.



DAILY SET MENU

2 Courses £29 / 3 Courses £39

Served 12.00PM–10.00PM



STARTERS

Lamb carpaccio, Corra Linn, rocket, sea buckthorn (*df, gf*)

Tomato and lovage salad, crab vinaigrette, tempura samphire (*df*)

Beetroot tartare, blackberry, hazelnut, seaweed (*vg, gf*)

MAINS

Pork schnitzel, remoulade, mustard, apple

Mackerel, grilled lettuce, devilled butter sauce (*gf*)

Pasta, ricotta, summer greens (*vg*)

DESSERTS

Coffee jelly, miso mascarpone, cacao (*gf*)

Meadowsweet baba, summer berries, crème fraîche (*v*)

Damson and bay meringue pie (*vg*)

WEEKEND BRUNCH

Dishes priced individually

Served 10.00AM–12.00PM Sat & Sun only

Croque monsieur

Smoky beans and sardines on toast

Vegetable fritters, herb salad (*vg, gf*)

Granola, roasted summer fruits, yogurt (*v/vg, gf*)

DRINKS

Alongside the food menu, Còmhlà by the Sea will serve a carefully curated drinks list from Slonk Wine, featuring purpose-made wines, craft beers, and seasonal cocktails shining a light on Scottish spirits.

Designed for long, lazy lunches, relaxed dinners, and between-show reprieves, it's a place to sit back and enjoy thoughtful refreshments by the sea.

Walk-ins welcome subject to availability, but advance booking is strongly recommended. Tables are limited - book early to avoid disappointment.

TO BOOK: Visit comhlabythesea.resos.com or scan the QR code.



WAVE LENGTH

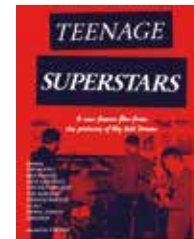
A MUSIC FILM FESTIVAL

Celebrating the stories, sounds and soul of Scottish music on screen. Dip into seaside screenings, director Q&As, film-chat-gigs in the Dome. We welcome guests Grant McPhee, Belle & Sebastian's Stuart Murdoch & Sarah Martin and Glasgow's Radhika. Plus it's all Action! with a mass movie sing-a-long, Moving Images Cinema Caravan, animation workshops and Film Club.



Recomposing Earth

31st July



Teenage Superstars

1st August



Yoyo and The Little Auk

3rd August



Sound & Seen

3rd August



Billy & Molly

4th August



Unforeseen

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The Calm

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God Help the Girl

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Rave Culture: A New Era

7th August



I Was A Teenage Sex Pistol

8th August



Pauline Black: A 2 Tone Story

8th August



The Herring Queen

9th August



Drexler

9th August

See the daily programme listings for full details. Subsidised tickets available for under 25s. Join our Wavelength Mailing list or become part of our Film Club - find out more at www.fringebythesea.com/wavelength

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Open Studios

Discover the work of some of North Berwick's most talented artists as Open Studios returns for 2026.

This free-to-access trail features a diverse mix of work including wood sculpture, ceramics, contemporary painting, still life, abstract art, atmospheric seascapes, monoprints, jewellery, threadwork and more. As well as opening up their own studios, a small number of artists will be exhibiting in spaces across the town creating a wider trail to discover.

Studios and venues are open 11.00AM to 5.00PM, 31st July-9th August (unless stated otherwise).

1. Michel Rullière

11 Quadrant, NB, EH39 4JZ

2. Mary Higgins

9 St Baldreds Road, NB, EH39 4QA

3. Alan & Alison Connell

14 Victoria Road, NB EH39 4JL

4. Mandy Little

30A St Andrew Street, NB, EH39 4NX

5. Fee Dickson Reid, Georgina Bown & Trinket Pixie Jewellery

The Masonic Hall, 8/10 Forth Street, NB, EH39 4HY

6. Holly Moore

17 St Andrew Street, NB, EH39 4NX

7. Roxy Russell

31st July, 1st, 2nd, 7th, 8th & 9th August | Steampunk, 49A Kirk Ports, NB, EH39 4HL

8. Lynn Rodgie

31st July, 1st, 2nd, 8th & 9th August
14 Marine Parade, NB, EH39 4LD

9. Astrid Trügg

1st, 2nd, 8th & 9th August
9 East Road, NB, EH39 4LG

10. Annie Green

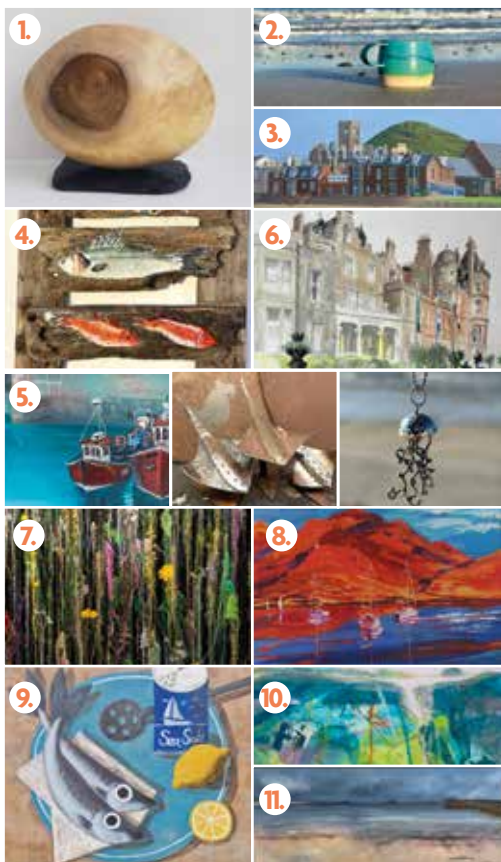
1st, 2nd, 8th & 9th August
1 Smileyknowes Court, NB, EH39 4RG

11. Jennifer Mole

2nd, 8th & 9th August
9 Victoria Rd, NB, EH39 4JL



For more information about all of our artists along with accessibility information, please visit www.fringebythesea/openstudios



Around Town



Pat Christie: Dawn to Dusk

Popular local photographer Pat Christie returns to Chandlers at 65 High Street with her seasonal North Berwick: Dawn to Dusk exhibition series, celebrating summer. Featuring a stunning selection of sunrises and sunsets, the exhibition will run throughout FBTS 2026. Enter a free prize draw to win a print during the festival.



Harbour Beach Huts

Explore local makers at the Harbourside beach huts including artists Rosie Oberlander, Lynn Hanley and Andrina Wright, ceramics by Echo Beach Designs, the popular Love Rocks, jewellery by Daynan Designs and North Berwick Candles. Times vary. NB Harbour.



Leuchie Lighthouse Trail

Discover 15, giant 8ft lighthouses across North Berwick in the spectacular Leuchie Lighthouse Trail! Meet Leuchie, the national respite charity behind the event, alongside the artists and sponsors supporting each sculpture. Together, we're raising funds for people living with neurological conditions and their family carers. leuchie.org.uk/lighthouse-trail



Sound, Story & Sauna

Sound, Story & Sauna brings together Sound Bath Studio's Paul Speers and storyteller Sarah MacGillivray for an immersive evening of folklore, soundscapes and spoken word inspired by East Lothian's land, sea and sky. Afterwards, unwind in the warmth of the sauna. Shows: 31st July and 7th August. Book via www.hotandbothysauna.co.uk



North Berwick Pipe Band

North Berwick Pipe Band, with Highland dancers from Dunedin Dance Academy, perform a free show in the Lodge Grounds (Quality Street gates) at 7.30PM every Wednesday during July and August.



Clare Blatherwick Jewellery

An exhibition celebrating contemporary jewellery and painting, showing during Fringe by the Sea. Clare Blatherwick Jewellery collaborates with The Scottish Gallery to present work by Malcolm Appleby and Pascale Rentsch, with Pascale in residence at selected times - visit www.clareblatherwick.co.uk/events for details. 31st Jul-9th Aug, 12.00PM-5.00PM, 27 Station Hill, North Berwick.



Art & Craft Sale for ELYC

Three local artists - Wendy Portway, Pam McKenzie and Julie Otter - host their annual art and craft sale at St Andrew Blackadder Church in support of East Lothian Young Carers. Browse paintings, cards and handmade crafts in a range of media, including wool and wood. Open Wed 29th July-Sat 1st August, 10.00AM-5.00PM daily.



Land, Sea, People, Stories

The Coastal Communities Museum presents a new exhibition exploring East Lothian's agricultural heritage through local stories, historic objects and hands-on displays. Open Wed-Sat, 11.00AM-4.00PM. School Road, NB. Free entry (donations welcome).



Views of the Past

Dive into North Berwick's past with this vibrant heritage exhibition. Bursting with rare photographs from archives and personal collections bringing the town's stories to life - from the changing High Street to everyday moments across the decades. Whether a long-time resident or first-time visitor, come explore, reminisce, and celebrate the spirit of North Berwick. 1st-23rd August Hope Rooms, Forth Street, NB Admission free, 11.30AM-4.30PM daily. www.viewsofthepast26.org



The Beach Hut: Holger Mohaupt

North Berwick artist and filmmaker Holger Mohaupt presents The Beach Hut. Featuring a life-size beach hut model based on a sketch by local craftsman Stewart Auld, the installation includes an accompanying sound work accessed by QR code onsite. Rhodes Park Farm, 31st July-9th August, 10.00AM-4.00PM. Free entry.



Drifting North

Author Dominic Hinde discusses landscape, identity and our changing environment. Free/donations. St Columba's Hospice Care, North Berwick Bookstore, 41 Westgate, 4th August, 6.00PM-7.30PM, stcolumbahospice.org.uk

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3.30PM	Love of Life Launch	●	25
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4.00PM	FLOP! The Best Songs From The Worst Musicals	●	33
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Summer Reset Yoga



Summer Reset: A Seasonal Renewal Experience. Feel stronger, calmer, and more energised this summer in an uplifting hour of movement, breathwork, and deep reset with Erin Taylor, author of Move, Rest, Recover. This yoga-inspired session blends mobility, functional strength, core stability, nervous system recovery, and guided relaxation to help you release tension, restore energy, and reconnect with yourself.

All levels welcome! Please bring a yoga mat.

THE DOME
10.10AM (60 MIN)

£14

North Berwick's Horrid History



Join your guide Kevin for a humorous look at the history, people and nature of the Forth and North Berwick. With volcanic explosions, gannets, goddesses, saintly pilgrims and satanic witches we have plenty to talk about as we walk in their wake. There are ups and downs to cover so be sure to wear appropriate shoes.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (120 MIN)

£12 |
£10 (U16s)

Founders Networking



Join this refreshing morning of networking at a founder and senior-leader Networking meet-up, hosted by Feli Betzl of Serps Invaders. A relaxed coastal walk, followed by coffee and casual networking at Fringe by the Sea. A great chance to connect with like-minded leaders, share ideas and build your network. For every participant, Serps Invaders will donate £10 to the Beach Wheelchair Charity. MEET AT THE WATCHER STATUE
9.30AM (90 MIN)

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Circus Skills Drop-In



Acrobatics, plate spinning, diablo and silk scarf juggling! All ages welcome. Children must be accompanied by and supervised by an adult.

KIDS ZONE
10.00AM-1.00PM

FREE/
DROP-IN



Intro to Seaweeds & Seaweed Pressing



Discover the wonders of seaweeds in this introductory session – learn more about what they are, how to identify the different types and turn them into beautiful art! Fold out seaweed identification chart included with ticket.

Ages 16+

MEET AT LEARNING HUB, AT THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (120 MIN)

£18

Kids Printmaking Workshop



Join East Coast Print Club to learn about different relief printmaking techniques. Combining delicate textures and bold image to create a beautiful print (or two!) to take home. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Suitable for ages 6-10.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.30AM (90 MIN)

£9





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Formed in 1974 to support and benefit local residents, North Berwick Trust is now a well-established grant-maker. Over £4.3 million has been awarded to support 252 North Berwick community projects.

- ✓ Supports community life through grants to local organisations and individuals in need
- ✓ Consults and engages with local people to shape our plans and priorities
- ✓ Manages assets and land for the benefit of local people
- ✓ Works with partners to create a positive vision for the town's future

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

FOREVER FUND

Grants of up to £32,000 are available for North Berwick organisations, charities and individuals whose projects deliver against the Trust's funding themes.

YOUNG PERSON'S SCHOLARSHIP

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to young people age 14-25 who live/study in North Berwick.

Plants Can Dance



Plants Can Dance (and Mushrooms Sing) is Brian d'Souza's musical collaboration with nature. Living organisms, like plants and fungi, produce unique electronic signals and data that, when connected to synthesizers and other equipment, can be converted into sound and music: a process called bioacoustics. With this immersive workshop, you can experiment with those sounds! Suitable for all ages. Supported by The Scottish Government's Expanded Festivals Fund through Creative Scotland.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM (60 MIN) £7 | £5 (U18s)

Joseph Coelho: Relic



Joseph Coelho takes us to the secret world of genie hunters with his adventure packed humorous new novel, Relic, where 12-year-old history buff Relic Hamilton accidentally unleashes a dangerous genie from an old lamp in his family's antique shop. Former Waterstones Children's Laureate Joseph is an award-winning performance poet, playwright and children's author.

LODGE STAGE
10.45AM (60 MIN) £7

Boost Your Bike Workshop



Learn how to look after and service your bike. Get it optimised in this small group workshop from theSpace.
All ages welcome, under 12s must be accompanied by an adult. Bring your bike!
Book at: bookwhen.com/fbts
theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) £20

Live Digital Music Making Workshop



Make live beats, tunes and voices in this small group workshop from theSpace.
For ages 12 to 18.
Book at: bookwhen.com/fbts
theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) £20

Dine with Còmhlà by the Sea



Còmhlà by the Sea is a relaxed pop-up restaurant celebrating exceptional local produce, thoughtful cooking and the joy of gathering together. Enjoy refined but informal dining alongside organic wines, seasonal cocktails and craft beers - perfect for long lunches and summer evenings by the sea.

For full details see page 14.
FRI, MON, TUES, WED,
THURS, FRI 12.00PM-10.00PM
SAT, SUN, SAT, SUN
10.00AM-10.00PM

Rubbish Chat



Think it's just waste? Think again! Rubbish Chat returns as a daily drop-in with our Green Team exploring what really happens to festival waste at Fringe by the Sea. Discover how the festival achieved an incredible 99% waste diversion from landfill in 2025, through careful sorting, composting and clever reuse - because around here, waste is seen as resource.
BIN AREA BESIDE THE FOOD VILLAGE
11.00AM (30 MIN) FREE/DROP-IN





Gardening Question Time



A panel of local gardening professionals talk about how to nurture wildlife in your garden and the benefits for nature and our wellbeing. On the panel: Susie Coupar, AKA The Lady Gardener, herbalist Liz Thomas and Kathy Duncan of Herbspace. Bring your questions! This session is run by charity Sustaining North Berwick.

THE DOME
12.00PM (60 MIN) £5



Kids Lego Printmaking Workshop



Kids Lego Printmaking (ages 9+) with East Coast Print Club. Come and have fun creating a bold and colourful print using LEGO!

Suitable for ages 9 -16 years. Under 12s must be accompanied by an adult.
THE TIMES LOUNGE
1.00PM (90 MIN) £9 | FREE
(Accompanying adult)



Black Blues Brothers: Let's Twist Again



The Black Blues Brothers return with 'Let's Twist Again' - a high-energy acrobatic musical comedy packed with 1950s style, breathtaking stunts and irresistible rock'n'roll. Five trench-coated performers turn a chaotic train-station wait into a whirlwind of human pyramids, backflips, fire routines and slapstick mayhem. A global hit of the Edinburgh Fringe and beyond, this world-touring Kenyan troupe deliver pure joy, skill and showmanship. Fun for all!

BIG TOP
1.00PM (60 MIN) £15 | £9.50 (U18s)



Doodle Session



Doodle away to your heart's content - make your mark and add to our Love of Life artscape. We'll be joined by a special guest, the best 'doodler' we know - Eilidh Muldoon! Children must be accompanied by and supervised by an adult.

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM (120 MIN) FREE/
DROP-IN



Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions



Bring your bike to this drop-in session and get it checked over - we'll repair where possible or refer on. Spare parts available. You can also head into theSpace Box Trailer and try out a drop-in music session - DJ Skills and digital music making tasters. Donations welcome to theSpace for these sessions (card and cash welcome).

All welcome! Under 12s must be accompanied by an over 18.
theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN) FREE/
DONATIONS
WELCOME



Hannah Lavery & Michael Pedersen



Join award-winning poet and playwright Hannah Lavery and Edinburgh Makar Michael Pedersen for a rich conversation about friendship, connection and the communities that shape us. Presented in partnership with Coastal Community Connections, a local charity dedicated to turning loneliness and isolation into connection.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
2.00PM (60 MIN) £10

Invite you to join us in North Berwick during Fringe By The Sea for

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Clare Blatherwick



The Flock



James Glossop

Come and join The Flock! To celebrate the launch of LOVE OF LIFE at Fringe by the Sea, we're inviting you to be part of a special community parade. A flock of handmade gannets will weave from the Harbourside through the town to the festival site, led by a stunning giant bird puppet. This is a chance to make your own puppet to carry in the parade (see online listing for details). Supported by The Scottish Government's Expanded Festivals Fund through Creative Scotland. In Partnership with Scottish Seabird Centre, North Berwick Trust & North Berwick Harbour Trust.

THE HARBOUR
2.30PM (90 MIN) FREE/TICKETED



Love of Life Launch



Musician Erland Cooper has composed a very special piece for LOVE OF LIFE, rooted in the joy of slowing down and taking time to notice what's around us. This is the official launch of this new piece of work and of the multi-layered project as a whole. Orkney-born Erland is an Emmy-nominated composer, producer and multi-instrumentalist whose work is inspired by nature, people, place and time. Supported by The Scottish Government's Expanded Festivals Fund through Creative Scotland.

BIG TOP
3.30PM (30 MIN) FREE/TICKETED



Imagine Hopeful Futures



How can the creative arts help create and tell a different future? Join a local storyteller, illustrator and East Lothian Climate Hub to hear an uplifting nature based story and have a chance to have a go at creating your own story or illustration to reimagine a different future.

All ages welcome.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
3.30PM (90 MIN)

FREE/
TICKETED



Wavelength: Recomposing Earth



Under two feet of peaty soil in Orkney, lies the only recording of Scottish composer Erland Cooper's unheard album. In an entirely unique attempt to collaborate with the natural world, it would be an experiment on patience, art and value. Will the tape emerge silent, and does it matter if it does? Dir. Christian Cargill, UK, 2024, 28 mins.

THE DOME
4.30PM (30 MIN) £7 | £5 (U25)



Drambuie Shaken Espresso



Stop by the Drambuie Stand at 17:45 daily for a complimentary Drambuie Shaken Espresso tasting. Crafted since 1745, Drambuie's blend of Scotch whisky, heather honey, herbs and spices meets contemporary coffee culture in this smooth, modern serve.

Over 18s only.

DRAMBUIE SHAKEN
ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN



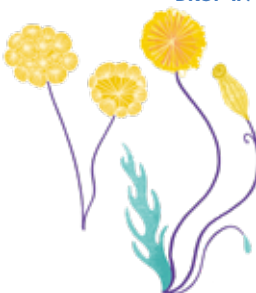
Love of Life 360°



Drop in for an immersive experience inspired by Love of Life.

THE DOME
7.30PM (60 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN



Rudimental (DJ Set)



Rudimental's emotive, high-energy sound has made them a hugely influential dance act and taken them to chart-topping success with hits 'Feel The Love', 'Not Giving In' and 'Waiting All Night'. Blending driving breakbeats with powerful, expressive vocals, their instinct for collaboration and melody helped them connect with audiences far beyond the club scene, creating anthems that resonate just as strongly on festival stages.

BIG TOP
8.00PM (180 MIN)

£32.50



Bay City Rollers



Journey back to the carefree days of the 70s with Scotland's well loved, original boy band - reigniting the global 'Rollermania' phenomenon that captured the hearts of fans of all ages. With over 300 million albums sold worldwide, Bay City Rollers were among the most iconic bands of their generation, winning fans over with classic hits like 'Bye Bye Baby' and 'I Only Want to Be With You', while cementing their place in pop history.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
8.00PM (120 MIN)

£27

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Face Painting



North Berwick Youth Project are on hand offering to give you a festival glow-up! Children must be accompanied by and supervised by an adult.

KIDS ZONE
10.00AM-1.00PM

**DROP-IN
& PAY**



Pick 'n' Press



Blooming Creative Pick 'n' Press booth offers the chance to put your own design on a FBTS memento! Pick your item (cap/zipper pouch/luxury tote bag) and layout your design.

Drop in and make your selection. Prices vary.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15AM-3.15PM

**DROP-IN/
PAY ON
THE DAY**

Sit Me Doon Wie Mr Boom



Mr Boom – the children's one man band from the moon – was asked by some wee Scottish Earthlings to send this message to big Earthlings, like their mums and dads, grannies and grandads: Just sit me doon wie Mr Boom, so I can stand, and then turn round and be a planet going round the sun or a Boomdy Bouncer having fun wie Auntie G in the 'Lunar' Dome and a pixie-dancing round wie a gnome. Please sit me doon up on the moon. So I can sing 'n dance before the afternoon. A 'weel kent' fantasy character with inter-generational and inter-galactic appeal.

THE DOME
10.15AM (60 MIN)

£7

Ben Fogle: In Conversation



Ben Fogle first arrived in our world on the BBC's groundbreaking millennium project Castaway, spending a year on the remote island of Taransay. Since then, he has become one of Britain's best-known adventurers and storytellers, leading teams of would be explorers through Extreme Dreams and Extreme Andes and presenting programmes including Countryfile and Animal Park as well as documentaries filmed in Botswana and Antarctica.

BIG TOP
11.00AM (75 MIN)

£20 | £12 (U16s)

Dine with Còmhla by the Sea

For full details see page 14.

SATURDAY: 10.00AM-10.00PM

North Berwick's Horrid History

For full details see page 21.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (120 MIN) **£12 | £10 (U16s)**

Plants Can Dance

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM (60 MIN) **£7 | £5 (U18s)**

Live Digital Music Making Workshop

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) **£20**

Maggie O'Farrell: Land



North Berwick-raised Maggie O'Farrell returns to town where she went to high school, for a special conversation about Land, her 10th and most ambitious novel to date. This sweeping, multi-generational epic opens on a windswept peninsula in the west of Ireland and follows a mapmaker, Tomás, and his young son as they chart a country devastated by the Great Hunger. When they discover an unrecorded scrap of ancient woodland, a strange encounter sends them on an odyssey that will reshape their lives and echo through generations.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
12.30PM (60 MIN)

£15

Live Science Show: Trees and Seas



What does rewilding mean and how could it help nature recovery? From beavers to butterflies, this fun interactive science show will introduce some of the amazing animals and plants being reintroduced here in Scotland and around the world.

DISCOVERY EXPERIENCE THEATRE, SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (60 MIN) **£5**

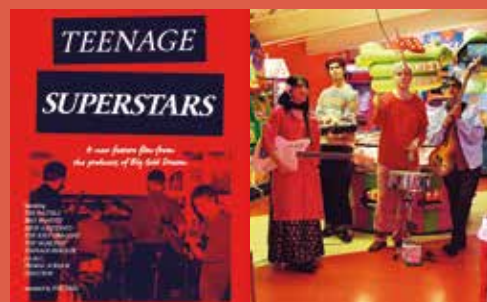
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Teenage Superstars/Grant McPhee/Radhika


A 3-part Wavelength film/chat/gig event. Enjoy a screening of 'Teenage Superstars (1hr 32, 2017)' - director Grant McPhee delves into the pre-Britpop Scottish music scene, a fertile time that produced bands such as The Jesus and Mary Chain, The Pastels, Primal Scream and Teenage Fanclub. McPhee teases out revealing interviews with the likes of Alan McGee and Sonic Youth's Thurston Moore to celebrate the raw and vital energy of this influential period for pop. Grant then joins host Vic Galloway for a discussion after the film. Followed by a performance from Glasgow dream-pop outfit Radhika.

THE DOME
1.00PM (180 MIN) **£10 | £5 (U25)**



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Seahorse is Furious: Storytime with Morag Hood


Join bestselling picture book creator Morag Hood for a storytime session sharing her brand-new book, Seahorse is Furious! Come and listen as Morag brings this funny and reassuring tale of bad days and big feelings to life. There will be drawing activities and a collage craft to design your very own Seahorse character to take home. Packed with imagination and seaside silliness, this is the perfect event for young readers and their grown-ups.

Ages 3+
KIDS ZONE
2.00PM & 3.15PM (45 MIN) **£5**

Walk The Toun


Dave Berry is back with his popular walking tours around scenic North Berwick for festival goers who want to find out a bit more about the town and see its sights. Descended from a family of fishermen, Dave has been a local councillor, a historian and a guide.

Proceeds go towards the RNLI and Leuchie House.

MEET OUTSIDE THE
SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (120 MIN) **£8**

Rubbish Chat

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE
FOOD VILLAGE
11.00AM (30 MIN) **FREE/
DROP-IN**

Boost Your Bike Workshop

For full details see page X23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) **£20**

**Drop into theSpace:
Open Bike Sessions &
Open Music Sessions**

For full details see page 25.

theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN) **FREE**

Nature Day!



Wildlife by the Waves

Pop over to the Scottish Seabird Centre anytime between 10.00AM and 4.00PM for bookable events and drop-in activities inspired by Scotland's wonderful marine wildlife. We'll be birdwatching, whale and dolphin spotting, plant plotting, and lending out all sorts of equipment to help you to explore the coastline.

Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

What's on

Coastal Plant Plod

Discover coastal wildflowers and learn about why they are important for people and wildlife in this outdoor session for beginners. Ages 16+.

SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE 10.00AM (45 MIN) **£5**
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Mini Rockpool Ramble

Discover the amazing wildlife that can be found in the rockpools of North Berwick in this interactive guided ramble. Family friendly (ages 5+).

SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE 11.00AM (45 MIN) **£5**
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Birds for Beginners

Join us for a relaxing 45-minute bird-watching tour to find out more about the birds that share our coast. Ages 16+.

SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE 12.00PM (45 MIN) **£5**
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Seaside Scavenger Hunt

Explore the shoreline for natural treasures revealed by the waves and uncover what they are and where they came from. Family friendly (ages 5+).

SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE 1.00PM (45 MIN) **£5**
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Whale and Dolphin Watch

Learn about some of the amazing whale and dolphin species found around Scotland and how you can protect them. Family friendly (ages 5+).

SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE 2.00PM (45 MIN) **£5**
BOOKING ESSENTIAL





Tinderbox Orchestra with special guest Kathryn Joseph



Tinderbox Orchestra brings together rappers, singers, soaring strings, heavy brass, woodwind and thundering bass and drums to completely reimagine what an orchestra can be. With a set full of original music, movement and unexpected collaborations, this is a live experience that hits with colour, energy and invention. Joining the Orchestra on stage for part of the show is very special guest Kathryn Joseph, known for her fearless storytelling, raw emotional depth, and unflinching honesty.

BIG TOP
3.00PM (60 MIN)

£10 | £6 (U18s)

Flower Crown Workshop (Ages 16+)



Craft a beautiful flower crown with Fay Gourlay of North Berwick Flower Co. Using blooms straight from their Archerfield Estate flower field, learn to create your own wearable floral masterpiece.

Ages 16+

THE TIMES LOUNGE
4.00PM (60 MIN)

£16

Drambuie Shaken Espresso

For full details see page 26.

DRAMBUIE SHAKEN ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN)

FREE

Love of Life 360°

For full details see page 26.

THE DOME
7.30PM (60 MIN)

**FREE/
DROP-IN**



Seabass Vinyl Listening Party

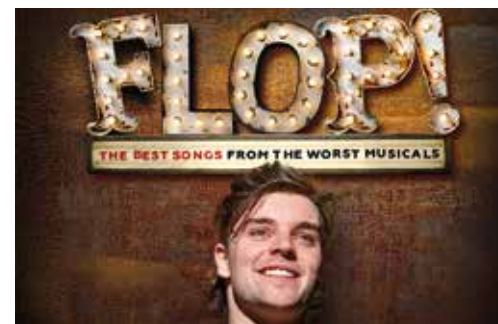


Seabass Vinyl invite you to a special vinyl listening party dedicated to the favourite pressings of a panel of artists they have worked with. Guests to be announced. Check online listing for details. Seabass Vinyl is an independent sustainable pressing plant in East Lothian dedicated to creating premium quality vinyl records.

THE DOME
5.00PM (60 MIN)

£6

FLOP! The Best Songs From The Worst Musicals



Virtuosic performer Arthur Hull brings FLOP! a fast, funny musical cabaret celebrating Broadway's biggest misfires. Featuring standout songs from famously failed shows, this award-winning hit arrives fresh from acclaimed runs at Adelaide Fringe, Melbourne Comedy Festival and Edinburgh Fringe, led by Australia's National Busking Champion and The Voice finalist. ***** The List, The Daily Telegraph and Adelaide Theatre Diaries

LODGE STAGE
4.00PM (60 MIN)

£20 | £9 (U16s)

Rianne Downey



Rianne Downey is a Scottish singer-songwriter who began her musical journey at just 16. While attending Cardinal Newman High School, she was awarded the prestigious James McAvoy Scholarship to study at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow. Now a true Scottish sensation, Downey has captured national attention through her collaboration with Paul Heaton of The Beautiful South, providing stunning vocals on his recent tour and winning over audiences across the UK.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
7.30PM (120 MIN)

£16

Alex James Britpop Classical



Britpop classics brought to life by Blur's Alex James, full orchestra and special guests Phil Daniels, Saffron (Republica) and Gary Stringer (Reef). Alex James' Britpop Classical brings the unforgettable anthems of the 90s to life, fusing the raw energy of the era's biggest hits, with the breathtaking power of a full orchestra. From the infectious energy of Blur and Oasis to the rebellious spirit of Pulp and Supergrass, every track is elevated to soaring new heights.

BIG TOP
8.30PM (150 MIN)

£48.50 | £32.50 (U18s)

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**North Berwick Jogging Tour**

Jog the iconic Law Race route at an easy, scenic pace a relaxed 5k with plenty of time to take in the views and hear fascinating stories about North Berwick along the way.

Led by a local guide, this friendly run is suitable for ages 16+; just wear your usual jogging gear and enjoy the journey.

MEET AT THE
ROCKETEER RESTAURANT
10.00AM (60 MIN)

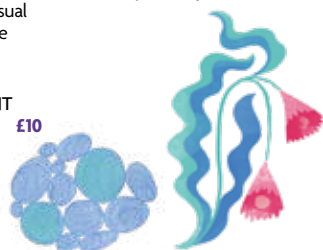
£10

Barre(less) Barre Sculpt

Katy from North Berwick's Move Yoga studio leads an upbeat, feel-good class that blends Pilates, dance, yoga and sculpt into one addictive workout. Bring a mat/towel.

THE DOME
10.10AM (45 MIN)

£15

**Botanical Print Workshop**

In this creative botanical print class students how to use foraged plants, natural fibres and flowers to create beautiful artworks with a variety of printmaking skills such as monoprint, pigment transfer, watercolour leaf art and cyanotype (sun print).

Ages 12+

THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15AM (105 MIN)

£24

**Bad Art**

Get creative with zero pressure! No rules, no standards - just a relaxed, friendly drop-in session for all ages to make art for the fun of it. From Creative Soup, connecting North Berwick creatives.

Children must be accompanied by and supervised by an adult.

KIDS ZONE
10.30AM-1.00PM

FREE/
DROP-IN**Dine with Còmhlà by the Sea**

For full details see page 14.
SUNDAY: 10.00AM-10.00PM

**North Berwick's Horrid History**

For full details see page 21.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH
SEABIRD CENTRE £12 |
10.30AM (120 MIN) £10 (U16s)

**Plants Can Dance**

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM & 12.00PM
(60 MIN) £7 | £5 (U18s)

**Live Digital Music Making Workshop**

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) £20

**Rubbish Chat**

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE
FOOD VILLAGE FREE/
11.00AM (30 MIN) DROP-IN

**Boost Your Bike Workshop**

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) £20

**Live Science Show: Trees and Seas**

For full details see page 29.

DISCOVERY EXPERIENCE
THEATRE, SCOTTISH
SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (60 MIN) £5

**Fischy Music**

Fischy Music bring their much-loved, hopeful and fun-filled songs to this all-age family sing-along, featuring favourites like Build Up and Stronger. For nearly three decades, this Scottish charity has created music that supports children's wellbeing, with thousands singing their songs every day.

LODGE STAGE
12.15PM (60 MIN)

£7

**Jenni Fagan: The Delusions**

Join acclaimed Scottish novelist and poet Jenni Fagan for an in-depth conversation about her electrifying fifth novel, *The Delusions*. Winner of the Gordon Burn Prize and named one of Granta's Best Young British Novelists, Fagan is celebrated for her fierce originality and visionary, lyrical storytelling. Praised by writers including Ali Smith, Jackie Kay and Douglas Stuart, she continues to push the boundaries of contemporary fiction.

THE DOME
1.15PM (60 MIN)

£10

**Little Artists Create with Nature**

Using garden flowers, hedgerow leaves and coastal grasses, make your own natural sculpture with a salt dough base. Perfect to entice fairies to your garden or to admire as a table centre at mealtimes. All natural abundant resources supplied. Suitable for primary school age.

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM-4.00PM

FREE/
DROP-IN



Nature Workshop



Free wildflower seeds! Come along and find out about creating a wildlife-friendly garden, the benefits and beauty of wildflowers and why they're crucial for pollinators. Make sure you check out the Fringe's Project Plant and be part of it next year! You can also build your own mini Bug Hotel to take home! A free session run by Sustaining North Berwick, a local charity.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
1.00PM-4.00PM

**FREE/
DROP-IN**



Sandcastle Competition



Buckets and spades at the ready! Families are invited along to West Beach to take part in a sandcastle competition run by Bass Rock Community Group.

Each group must include one child 12 or under. Bring your buckets and spades and enter on the day.

Look out for the registration table and designated area on the West Beach in front of Elcho Green.

MEET AT WEST BEACH
2.00PM-4.00PM

**DROP-IN
& PAY £5**

Colonel Mustard & The Dijon 5



Crowned the best live act by the Scottish Alternative Music Awards, Colonel Mustard & The Dijon 5 deliver uplifting, joyful tunes guaranteed to get the whole family dancing. Renowned for throwing the finest festival shindigs around, Colonel Mustard bring an irresistible party with their own genre-hopping feel-good unique sound, perfect for getting your feel moving and spirits soaring. The impressive 11-piece band, hit the stage decked out in vibrant sunshine-yellow, creating happy, sunshine feels, leaving you beaming and full of love.

BIG TOP
2.30PM (60 MIN)

£10 | £6 (U16s)



Barbara left school at 15. started as a hairdresser.
And became the first woman to
fly Concorde commercially.



Walk The Toun

For full details see page 30.

**MEET OUTSIDE THE
SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE**
2.00PM (120 MIN)

£8



Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions

For full details see page 25.

theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN)

FREE



Drambuie Shaken Espresso

For full details see page 26.

**DRAMBUIE SHAKEN
ESPRESSO STAND**
5.45PM (30 MIN)

FREE



Love of Life 360°

For full details see page 26.

THE DOME
7.30PM (60 MIN)

**FREE/
DROP-IN**



Sunday Papers

**THE TIMES
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SCOTLAND**

The team from The Sunday Times Scotland return for another lively and thought-provoking session. Join them as they delve into the biggest stories making headlines. With a panel of sharp and informed guests (check online listing for confirmed guests), the discussion will cover the latest in Scottish news, politics, and culture, alongside in-depth analysis of the issues shaping the nation today.

**THE FAMOUS GROUSE
LODGE STAGE**
3.30PM (60 MIN)

**FREE/
TICKETED**



Auntie Flo (A State of Flo) + DJ Set



Brian d'Souza's Auntie Flo live band brings a global lineup of outstanding musicians together for a thrilling fusion of electronic, percussive and world-inspired sounds. Performing tracks from five acclaimed albums, the band moves effortlessly from club-energy to deep musical storytelling, the same versatility that's seen them close major festival stages and sell out iconic venues like London's Jazz Café.

THE DOME
4.30PM (120 MIN)

£20 | £12 (U18s)



Tarot Card Readings



Rachael from Feathers & Stars Tarot offers 20 minute readings.

Book a slot in advance and pay
£15 cash on the day.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
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Songwriters Showcase



Now in their third year together, the North Berwick Songwriters return with a lively showcase as they continue their quest to write the perfect 'banger'. Through original songs and playful insight into their creative process, they explore what makes great music memorable an entertaining, interactive performance full of curiosity, craft and community spirit.

**THE FAMOUS GROUSE
LODGE STAGE**
7.30PM (60 MIN)

£8



Capercaillie



Having recently celebrated 40 years at the forefront of traditional music, Celtic music trailblazers Capercaillie continue to bring their unique blend of Gaelic roots and contemporary sounds to audiences across the world. The story of Capercaillie is an incredible journey that mirrors Scotland's renaissance and elevation of cultural identity through traditional music. "The most vibrant and exciting band in the field of Celtic music" - Billboard.

BIG TOP
8.00PM (120 MIN)

£24 | £14 (U16s)



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theSpace



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The Lighthouse Live Stage

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Entrance/Exit



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Toilets

Big Top Exit

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Big Top Bar



Lind & Lime Gin Garden

Garden Bar



Big Top

Big Top Accessible Entrance B

Spritz Bar

Entrance/Exit

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The Lodge Grounds

The Lodge Grounds is one of North Berwick's best-loved green spaces. Tucked away in the heart of the town, just a 10-minute walk from the train station, it's enjoyed year-round for dog walks, picnics and scavenger hunts. Home to a beautiful aviary, mature trees, open green spaces, a lavender garden, views of North Berwick Law and the Bass Rock, and a children's play area, it provides a special setting for Fringe by the Sea. We work hard to care for the site and ask everybody visiting to treat it with respect and leave quietly after late-night events.



North Berwick Running Tour



Join a small, friendly group for a relaxed 4-mile run along North Berwick's west and east beaches, looping back through the town. Enjoy fascinating local insights along the way, plus a few running tips to keep things fun and easy. Just wear your normal running gear and enjoy the coastal views.

Ages 16+

MEET OUTSIDE
THE MARINE HOTEL
10.00AM (75 MIN)

£12

Silent Disco Tour - Family Fitness Fun



A silent disco adventure for the whole family! Join Kari Spence from K-Fitness & Wellbeing for a fun-filled wander around beautiful North Berwick. Expect family favourite tunes, singing, dancing, lots of laughter, fun PE-style games and a little friendly family competition thrown in too! Suitable for school age upwards.

Under 16s must be accompanied by over 18.

MEET AT FBTS BOX OFFICE
10.15AM (60 MIN)

£9 | £7.50 (U16s)



Circus Skills Drop-In

For full details see page 21.

KIDS ZONE
10.00AM-1.00PM

FREE/
DROP-IN



North Berwick's Horrid History

For full details see page 21.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH
SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (120 MIN)

£12 |
£10 (U16s)



Plants Can Dance

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM
(60 MIN)

£7 | £5 (U18s)



Boost Your Bike Workshop

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN)

£20



Baby Massage Taster Workshop



Join us for a gentle taster session of baby massage, designed for little ones from 6 weeks until they are crawling. This relaxed class offers a lovely introduction to baby massage, followed by the chance to create a sweet footprint keepsake to celebrate your baby's first Fringe by the Sea!

THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15AM (45 MIN)

£5

Rubbish Chat

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE
FOOD VILLAGE
11.00AM (30 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN



Dine with Còmhla by the Sea

For full details see page 14.

MONDAY: 12.00PM-10.00PM



Yoyo & The Little Auk



A musical adventure awaits. Bring the family along to join musician Aimee Toshney for a fun session filled with song, before enjoying a special screening of the Royal Scottish National Orchestra's animation, Yoyo & The Little Auk. Created in partnership with Visible Fictions, Yoyo & The Little Auk is the perfect introduction to classical music and storytelling for children aged 3-6.

THE DOME
10.15AM (120 MIN)

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MEET OUTSIDE THE
SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (60 MIN)

FREE/
TICKETED



DJ Workshop



Learn how to DJ in this small group workshop from theSpace.

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theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN)

£20



Tie Dye Workshop



North Berwick Youth Project are on hand for this creative session.

Suited for ages P7+

theSpace
12.00PM (120 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN



The Art of Biophilic Garden Design



Join award-winning garden designer Lynn Hill MSGLD for an inspiring talk on Biophilic Garden Design. Discover how thoughtfully designed gardens can help ease stress, promote health and well-being, and even enhance creativity.

For ages 16+. Proceeds to Growing Matters.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
12.00PM (60 MIN)

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Broadway Melodies: Philip Contini and the Be Happy Band



Philip Contini and his six-piece Be Happy Band return to Fringe by the Sea with a vibrant celebration of Broadway's greatest hits. Expect a joyful sweep through classics from Anything Goes to West Side Story and beyond.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
12.15PM (70 MIN)

£16.50

The Beach Hut



Artist and filmmaker Holger Mohaupt presents a new work inspired by North Berwick's seaside heritage, featuring a life-size recreation of the beach huts once common on the shore until the 1970s. Developed from conversations with local craftsman Stuart Auld, whose family has built huts, deckchairs and windbreaks since 1876, the installation includes a special on-site audio piece and a new 360° immersive film.

THE DOME
2.00PM (60 MIN)

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Circobello is a visually striking contemporary circus-theatre performance inspired by Scottish tales, the sea, fire and the drama of the coastline. Blending aerial arts, movement, storytelling, fire performance and live visual imagery, brought to you by Aerial Art House in Portobello.

BIG TOP
1.00PM (60 MIN)

£15 | £9 (U16s)

Bare Beauty Facial Workshop



A workshop to introduce a natural way to wake up your facial muscles, increase your circulation, promote lymphatic drainage, to tone, sculpt and tighten facial muscles as well as relaxing tension in your face and neck with some facial yoga exercises, facial massage, facial cupping, gua sha, rose quartz rollers and facial ice globes.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
2.00PM (60 MIN)

£25

East Lothian Reads Storytime



East Lothian Library offer up a free, drop-in storytime for children and their adults.

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM (20 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN

East Lothian Reads Drop-In Book Swap



The team from North Berwick Library join us to remind you to 'read for pleasure', and are on hand with suggestions and a book swap - bring and take!

THE TIMES LOUNGE
2.30PM (30 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN

An Introduction to Ayurveda Workshop



Come and find out how the world of Ayurveda can help you find balance in our fast paced life. In this 1 hour workshop you will learn about your natural body type and how you can live according to your body type. You will find out what your natural body type is and given information and hints and tips on how to incorporate the five holistic approaches into your life. Include goody bag.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
4.00PM (60 MIN)

£20



The Mill Youth Theatre Presents The Murder Mystery That Goes Wrong!



The Mill Youth Theatre presents The Murder Mystery That Goes Wrong, a fast, chaotic comedy where nothing behaves. An unconscious leading lady, a corpse who won't stay dead and a hopelessly flustered cast battle forgotten lines, technical mishaps and collapsing scenery as they try to reach the final curtain in one piece. A joyful spoof packed with laughs.

LODGE STAGE
3.00PM (80 MIN)

£10

Sounds of Scotland



North Berwick Pipe Band are back at the Lodge this year with renewed puff to showcase the diversity and vibrancy of Scotland's musical heritage. Special guests include local Scottish traditional music band Fidra Collective, award-winning Dunedin Dance Academy and acclaimed East Lothian singer/songwriter Alex Hodgson, making this a must-see seaside show. Donations to East Lothian Food Bank

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
6.00PM (120 MIN)

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Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions

For full details see page 25.

theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN)

FREE

Doodle Session

For full details see page 25.

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM (120 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN

Drambuie Shaken Espresso

For full details see page 26.

DRAMBUIE SHAKEN
ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN)

FREE

Sound & Seen



Discover the future of East Lothian's music scene at this special Wavelength showcase, where original music videos created by young local bands through the Sound & Seen project will premiere on the big screen. From concept to cut, these under-25 acts have shaped every part of the creative journey, supported by Queen Margaret University and East Lothian Council Arts Service.

THE DOME
8.00PM (45 MIN)

FREE/
TICKETED

Big Summer Sing with Voices & Sister Sister Choirs



Voices and Sister Sister Choirs are back for a Big Summer Sing bursting with energy, harmony, and community spirit!

From rousing anthems to soulful favourites, these choirs will have you smiling, singing along, and caught up in the feel-good of the evening.

BIG TOP
8.00PM (105 MIN)

£10 | £8 (U16s)



North Berwick Jogging Tour



Join a small, friendly group for a relaxed 5k along North Berwick's coastline which will be a leisurely jog with plenty of time to enjoy the views and hear fascinating snippets about the town. The route follows the beach before looping back through the town, making it a scenic and social start to the day. Meet outside the Marine Hotel at 10AM.

Ages 16+. Just wear your normal jogging gear and enjoy the run.

MEET OUTSIDE THE MARINE HOTEL
10.00AM (60 MIN)

£10

Flow and Glow



A seasonal yoga session with Wild Tide Yoga's Aimée, blending gentle flow, breathwork and meditation to balance the Heart meridian and connect with the vibrant Fire energy of Summer leaving you feeling open, uplifted and restored.

Bring a mat/towel.

THE DOME
10.10AM (60 MIN) £12.50

Bird ID Introduction Family Friendly Talk



Get to know North Berwick's seabird neighbours with the Scottish Seabird Centre's Conservation team. Learn some handy hints and tips that will help you tell a gull from a gannet or a guillemot from a puffin.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15AM (60 MIN)

£5

Festival Sketching Workshop



Join professional artist Heather McFarlane for a fun, all-abilities sketching adventure around the festival grounds, learning playful mark-making, drawing styles and creative ways to capture what you see on paper.

Ages 14+

THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15AM (105 MIN) £22

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Bookbug



Join North Berwick Library staff for a special festival Bookbug session. Rhymes and stories are intended for under 5s, but older siblings are very welcome to come along (one adult must stay with child/children).

KIDS ZONE
10.30AM (30 MIN) FREE/TICKETED

Botanical Living



Join interior expert Emma Cross and florist Victoria McArdle from Secret Garden Events for a creative conversation inspired by flowers, gardens and botanical design.

VIP LOUNGE
10.30AM (60 MIN) £5

Lego Club



The team from North Berwick Library welcome families and kids to a story and LEGO drop-in session.

KIDS ZONE
11.00AM-1.00PM

FREE/
DROP-IN



Plants Can Dance

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM
(60 MIN) £7 | £5 (U18s)

North Berwick's Horrid History

For full details see page 21.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (120 MIN) £12 | £10 (U16s)

Artie's Singing Kettle - Live!



Join Artie for a sing-along spectacular as he takes you on a musical journey through the magical world of The Singing Kettle! Sing along to your favourite classics: 'Tattie Soup', 'Little Bunny Fou Fou' and the legendary 'Shove Yer Granny Aff a Bus!'. All the clues are hidden in the original Singing Kettles, so get ready to shout, sing, and laugh along with Artie in this feel-good family show that's kettle-full of memories! Dress up in something sparkly, it's showtime. All ages welcome.

BIG TOP
11.00AM (60 MIN)

£9

Boost Your Bike Workshop

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) £20

DJ Workshop

For full details see page 41.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) £20

Rubbish Chat

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE FOOD VILLAGE
11.00AM (30 MIN) FREE/DROP-IN

Dine with Còmhlà by the Sea

For full details see page 14.
TUESDAY: 12.00PM-10.00PM

The Lifesaver Lounge



Step into the Lifesaver Lounge and become a CPR HERO. Whether it's your first time or you're refreshing your skills, our friendly team will coach you through the basics of hands-only CPR and how to use a defibrillator. Learn to save a life!

All ages welcome - quick and simple sessions.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
12.00PM-5.00PM FREE/DROP-IN

Walk The Toun

For full details see page 30.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (120 MIN) £8

East Lothian Reads Storytime

For full details see page 43.

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM (20 MIN) FREE/DROP-IN

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Hansel & Gretel



A brand-new family mini-opera starring Scotland's own Jamie MacDougall and the acclaimed East Lothian ensemble Quorum Arts Collective, bringing the classic tale of Hansel and Gretel to life with music, magic and plenty of heart. Lost in the enchanted forest, the siblings discover a gingerbread cottage and a kindly old woman who may not be quite what she seems. With wonderful songs, brave adventures and a little secret help along the way, they journey toward home and safety. Packed with gorgeous tunes, this 50-minute show is a festive treat for children and grown-ups alike.

LODGE STAGE
12.30PM (50 MIN)

£15 | £8 (U16s)

North Berwick Trust



North Berwick Trust works to help make North Berwick a great place to be – more sustainable, resilient, vibrant, inclusive and equitable. Come along to hear the latest news from the Trust, meet some of those that have benefitted from their support and to ask questions about the work of the Trust at this informal and welcoming event.

THE DOME
1.30PM (60 MIN)

FREE/
TICKETED

Story Play Tray



Fenton Barns Nursery presents an interactive storytelling session where children use natural materials and playdough to help bring the story to life!

KIDS ZONE
2.30PM-4.30PM

FREE/
DROP-IN



Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions

For full details see page 25.

theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN)

FREE

East Lothian Reads Drop-In Book Swap

For full details see page 43.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
2.30PM (30 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN

Drambuie Shaken Espresso

For full details see page 26.

DRAMBUIE SHAKEN
ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN)

FREE

Festival Zumba



Get your groove on with your pals/family/the neighbour! Everyone's welcome to join this joyous session of easy to-follow dance moves with a Latin vibe and some seriously funky steps - with the groovy Ruth Hunter Pepper leading the way. Low-impact moves.

Ages 6+

LODGE STAGE
3.00PM (60 MIN)

£7

Summer Bird ID for Beginners



Join the Scottish Seabird Centre Conservation Officers for an indoor session identifying the wonderful wild coastal birds that can be spotted on Scotland's shores over summer.

LEARNING HUB,
SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
3.00PM (60 MIN)

£10

Lind & Lime Cocktail Masterclass



Join Lind & Lime in the VIP Bar for a cocktail masterclass. You'll shake and stir your way through two classic cocktails elevated with Lind & Lime. A perfect masterclass for the budding home mixologist.

Alcohol served. Over 18s only.

THE VIP TENT
3.00PM (60 MIN)

£24

Musical Mill presents 'Annie Jr' Haddington & Dunbar



East Lothian's Musical Mill presents Annie Jr., performed by two casts of 60 talented local students from Haddington and Dunbar. Follow little orphan Annie on her heartwarming quest for family, featuring beloved songs like It's a Hard-Knock Life, Easy Street, Tomorrow and Little Girls. A joyful celebration of hope and resilience that will leave audiences smiling.

BIG TOP
4.00PM (75 MIN)

£12 | £8 (U16s)

Wavelength - Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story



A heart-warming story of love between a wild otter and a man set in the remote Scottish islands of Shetland. The documentary follows Billy, a salt-of-the-earth philosopher and Molly, a half-drowned, starving young female otter that Billy stumbles on one rainy evening in the Scottish subarctic. From there, an unlikely relationship begins that eventually saves them both. Featuring a score by Erland Cooper. Dir. Charlie Hamilton James, 2025, 1hr 17, G.

THE DOME
6.00PM (90 MIN)

£7 | £5 (U25)

Ali Affleck and The Queens of Swing



Award-winning jazz vocalist and historian Ali Affleck celebrates the great jazz singers of the late 1920s to the 1950s in this much-loved show. More than a nostalgic tribute, Ali brings authenticity, deep knowledge and irresistible warmth as she shines a light on both iconic legends and the extraordinary and often overlooked women who helped shape jazz history.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
7.00PM (90 MIN)

£15

Comedy Club with Russell Howard



One of the UK's top stand-ups, Russell Howard brings his razor-sharp comedy to Fringe by the Sea, fresh from a global tour and a record-breaking Palladium run. He headlines the Comedy Club, joined by a lineup of high-energy acts throughout the night.

Recommended age 14+

BIG TOP
8.45PM (120 MIN)

£32



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Waste to Wildflowers



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THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.00AM (60 MIN) **FREE/ TICKETED**

North Berwick's Horrid History

For full details see page 21.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (120 MIN) **£12 | £10 (U16s)**

Plants Can Dance

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM (60 MIN) **£7 | £5 (U18s)**

Boost Your Bike Workshop

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) **£20**

Rubbish Chat

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE FOOD VILLAGE
11.00AM (30 MIN) **FREE/ DROP-IN**

DJ Workshop

For full details see page 41.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) **£20**

Dine with Còmhlha by the Sea

For full details see page 14.

WEDNESDAY: 12.00PM-10.00PM

Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions

For full details see page 25.

theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN) **FREE**




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Yoga Fusion



Enjoy a nourishing 1-hour Yoga Fusion session with Sally from Kinship.Studio, blending author Alastair Chisholm (Inch and Grub, One Hungry Dragon) for his latest picture book adventure, STICKY MILDRED, hilariously illustrated by the brilliant Rikin Parekh! Featuring Mildred, one VERY sticky child, and all the sticky, gloopy, gooey things she can find. But what will happen when Mildred gets too sticky...? A storytelling and drawing session for ages 3+.

THE DOME
10.10AM (60 MIN) **£15**

Sticky Mildred



"Mildred Honeyfur is the stickiest creature who ever lived..." Join award-winning author Alastair Chisholm (Inch and Grub, One Hungry Dragon) for his latest picture book adventure, STICKY MILDRED, hilariously illustrated by the brilliant Rikin Parekh! Featuring Mildred, one VERY sticky child, and all the sticky, gloopy, gooey things she can find. But what will happen when Mildred gets too sticky...? A storytelling and drawing session for ages 3+.

KIDS ZONE
10.15AM (45 MIN) **FREE/ TICKETED**

Clay Decoration Workshop



A fun, interactive workshop for children aged 8+ creating nature-inspired hand-cut and pressed air-drying clay decorations using naturally foraged foliage and flowers.

Each child will be able to create four hanging decorations of their choice. Eco Conscious goodie bag will also be included.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
12.00PM (60 MIN) **£24**

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Michelle Ogundehin: 'Interiors Guru' Supported by Coulters



Described by The Sunday Times as "the interiors guru", Michelle Ogundehin is a leading voice on home and wellbeing. Former Editor-in-Chief of ELLE Decoration, she champions her Home Therapy Method and is the bestselling author of Happy Inside, with a new book on toxin-free living coming in 2027. A judge on BBC's Interior Design Masters and an architect by training, she brings sharp insight, warmth and clarity to how our homes can help us thrive.

BIG TOP
11.00AM (60 MIN)

£14

Sarra Hoy: in conversation with Kylie Reid



Join solicitor, counsellor, and advocate Sarra Hoy as she shares her remarkable journey, from litigation lawyer to national voice for neonatal families and cancer awareness. Following her husband Sir Chris Hoy's stage 4 prostate cancer diagnosis and her own MS diagnosis, she co-founded Tour de 4, the charity cycling event that raised over £3 million in 2025, with its second edition this September. An inspiring exploration of resilience, lived experience, and the drive to create meaningful change. Sarra will be in discussion with Kylie Reid, founder and director of egg, Scotland's largest network for women.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
12.30PM (60 MIN)

£15

Battle of the Blitzers



The Blitzers are here! Join award-winning author Alastair Chisholm (Orion Lost, Reek, I Am Wolf) for his new action adventure book BLITZERS. Blitzers are virtual fighting creatures designed for combat, but Danny's Blitzter doesn't want to fight... It's a tale of virtual battles, shady companies, killer robots, and about how the way we treat others affects us all. Come along and find out if you've got what it takes to survive THE BLITZER ARENA! Suitable for ages 8+.

THE DOME
1.30PM (60 MIN)

£6

Doug Johnstone: 20 Years, 20 Novels



Join bestselling author Doug Johnstone for an engaging session exploring his prolific career across fiction, music and the arts. Celebrating the publication of twenty novels over a 20 year span, Johnstone has seen multiple titles become bestsellers, with The Space Between Us featured on BBC Two's Between the Covers and several books shortlisted or longlisted for both the Theakston Crime Novel of the Year and the McIlvanney Prize.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
2.30PM (60 MIN)

£10



Make A Zine with Rock & Bird



Make a Zine! Dive into a hands-on creative session where we provide the paper, pens, collage materials and know-how, and you bring the ideas (or borrow a few from us). Put it all together and craft your own unique fanzine a mini booklet capturing your thoughts, interests, stories or whatever vibe inspires you.

Suitable for age 10+. Under 16 must be accompanied by 18+

THE TIMES LOUNGE
1.00PM (90 MIN) **£8.50** |
FREE (Accompanying adult)

Musical Mill presents 'Annie Jr.' North Berwick & Tranent



East Lothian's Musical Mill presents Annie Jr., performed by two casts of 60 talented local students from North Berwick and Tranent. Follow little orphan Annie on her heartwarming quest for family, featuring beloved songs like It's a Hard-Knock Life, Easy Street, Tomorrow and Little Girls. A joyful celebration of hope and resilience that will leave audiences smiling.

BIG TOP
4.00PM (75 MIN)

£12 | **£8** (U16s)

East Lothian Reads Storytime

For full details see page 43.

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM (20 MIN) **FREE/DROP-IN**

Walk The Toun

For full details see page 30.

MEET OUTSIDE THE
SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (120 MIN) **£8**

Story Play Tray

For full details see page 48.

KIDS ZONE
2.30PM-4.30PM **FREE/DROP-IN**

East Lothian Reads Drop-In Book Swap

For full details see page 43.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
2.30PM (30 MIN) **FREE/DROP-IN**



Wine-tasting Book Club



Join Catherine from Wine Wednesdays North Berwick and Rebecca from Night Owl Books for an Italian-themed wine tasting book club! We'll be enjoying three different wines from Italy while discussing The Eight Mountains, the epic internationally bestselling novel of friendship and self-discovery set in the Italian Alps. Tickets include a copy of the book, which can be collected from Night Owl Books in East Linton, and ideally read in advance of attending.

Strictly age 18+.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
6.30PM (60 MIN)

Wavelength: Boards of Canada



Allow yourself to be transported into the pioneering world of Boards of Canada as we delve into their music and visuals.

THE DOME
7.30PM (30 MIN)

FREE/TICKETED

Nature Workshop

For full details see page 36.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
3.00PM-5.00PM **FREE/DROP-IN**

Lind & Lime Cocktail Masterclass

For full details see page 49.

THE VIP TENT
3.00PM (60 MIN) **£24**

Drambuie Shaken Espresso

For full details see page 26.

DRAMBUIE SHAKEN
ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN) **FREE**



Fayne & The Cruisers



Following their 2025 sell-out, Fayne and the Cruisers return to Fringe by the Sea with the irresistible energy that's made them one of the most versatile bands around. Formed in 1963 and still going strong, they bring the spirit of the 60s and 70s to life with classics from Cliff Richard, Elvis, The Beatles, Stevie Wonder, Billy Joel, Elton John and more. Bring your requests and your dancing shoes for a feel-good show that keeps the party going.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
8.30PM (90 MIN)

£12

Comedy Club: Lou Sanders



Lou Sanders is one of Britain's most original comedians. She recently starred in Last One Laughing UK (Prime), co-hosted Mel Giedroyc's Unforgivable (Dave), and is a previous Taskmaster (Dave/C4) champion. She is regular face on TV, having performed stand up on The Late Late Show with James Corden (CBS) and Live at the Apollo (BBC). Lou is the headline act along with top notch support acts and Comedy Club host (to be announced).

Ages 14+
BIG TOP
8.45PM (120 MIN)

£26



Lind & Lime Grand Voyage Masterclass



Join us as Lind & Lime brings the Grand Voyage to Fringe by the Sea. Discover the story behind our new range of citrus expressions, from the Calabrian coast to the groves of Valencia. Sip on a signature G&T before tasting a cocktail inspired by each destination.

Alcohol served. Over 18s only.

THE DOME
5.30PM (60 MIN)

£14





The Calm



Unwind with a deeply immersive cultural and musical experience led by composer Simon Heath, featuring the soulful sound of the Armenian duduk, followed by a nourishing treat and mint tea to leave you fully restored - bring a mat or blanket to relax into the moment.

THE DOME
10.10AM (60 MIN) **£10**



Generation T



Upcycle old festival T-shirts into totes or one-of-a-kind fashion pieces in this hands-on workshop. Learn simple sewing and customising techniques using provided T-shirts, tools and embellishments (or bring your own), and create fresh festival style with no experience needed.

Ages 12+
THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15AM (105 MIN) **£20**



The Art of Living Well (and Selling Better)



How we live in our homes - and how we present them - can shape both our everyday lives and their appeal to buyers. This inspiring panel event explores interiors, styling and design-led living with interior designers Emma Cross, Hannah Graham from Coulters Property and Grant Simpson from Elite Property Services.

VIP TENT
10.30AM (60 MIN) **£5**



North Berwick's Horrid History

For full details see page 21.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (120 MIN) **£12 | £10 (U16s)**



Plants Can Dance

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM
(60 MIN) **£7 | £5 (U18s)**



Bookbug

For full details see page 46.

KIDS ZONE
10.30AM (30 MIN) **FREE/ TICKETED**



DJ Workshop

For full details see page 41.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) **£20**



Facepaint Station



North Berwick Youth Project are on hand offering to give you a festival glow-up!

Ages P7+
theSpace
12.00PM-2.00PM **FREE/ DROP-IN**



Rubbish Chat

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE FOOD VILLAGE
11.00AM (30 MIN) **FREE/ DROP-IN**



Boost Your Bike Workshop

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) **£20**



Lego Club

For full details see page 47.

KIDS ZONE
11.00AM-1.00PM **FREE/ DROP-IN**



Dine with Còmhla by the Sea

For full details see page 14.
THURSDAY: 12.00PM-10.00PM



Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions

For full details see page 25.

theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN) **FREE**



East Lothian Reads Storytime

For full details see page 43.

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM (20 MIN) **FREE/ DROP-IN**



East Lothian Reads Drop-In Book Swap

For full details see page 43.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
2.30PM (30 MIN) **FREE/ DROP-IN**



Family Fun & Magic Moments



Award-winning interactive magic and a little acrobatics, suitable for all ages. Yelling children, laughter and bemusement encouraged!

LODGE STAGE
12.15PM (45 MIN) **£6**



Little Artists Lighthouses



Celebrate the Leuchie House Lighthouse trail around North Berwick by painting your own Lighthouse with watercolours and pens. Go for realistic with choppy seas, boats crashing on the rocks and a daring rescue helicopter flying by or imaginary with a beautiful rainbow or peaceful sunset and mermaids splashing nearby. All art supplies provided.

Best suited for primary school age.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
1.00PM (45 MIN) **£10**

David Olusoga: In Conversation



Join historian, writer and broadcaster David Olusoga OBE for a compelling conversation on how Britain's past shapes its present. Known for A House Through Time, Empire and Black and British, the BAFTA-winning author and Professor of Public History brings sharp insight and humanity to this wide-ranging discussion as well as the inside scoop from Celebrity Traitors. Find out more about David's family connection to East Lothian.

BIG TOP
11.00AM (75 MIN) **£15**



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THE DOME
1.00PM (50 MIN)

FREE/TICKETED

Underwater Drawing Workshop



Discover underwater drawing in this immersive and fully guided workshop at North Berwick's East Beach. Learn to snorkel, observe marine life and create experimental underwater sketches inspired by movement, texture and the rhythm of the sea. Guided by artist Kate Millbank, experienced snorkel instructor Laura Curtis-Moss and local herbalist Liz Thomas. Ages 16+. Participants must be able to swim 25m unaided. For more information/to book visit www.katemillbank.co.uk

MEET AT NORTH BERWICK EAST BEACH
1.30PM (180 MIN)

Story Play Tray

For full details see page 48.

KIDS ZONE
2.30PM-4.30PM

FREE/
DROP-IN

Lind & Lime Cocktail Masterclass

For full details see page 49.

THE VIP TENT
3.00PM (60 MIN)

£24

Waste to Wildflowers

For full details see page 51.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
4.15PM (60 MIN)

FREE/
TICKETED

Drambuie Shaken Espresso

For full details see page 26.

DRAMBUIE SHAKEN
ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN)

FREE

Rockpool Ramble



Discover the amazing wildlife that can be found in the rockpools of North Berwick. Enjoy a brief talk followed by a guided, family-friendly ramble along the nearby shoreline. You'll be amazed by the variety of life and the different adaptations of the creatures you meet.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE.
1.30PM (90 MIN)

£10
£7.50 (U18s)

Freedom & Form: Best of the Fest



Freedom & Form Dance Training return to the Big Top with Best of the Fest, a vibrant showcase celebrating the very best of East Lothian's dance talent across all ages. Inspired by festival favourites; sunshine, headliners, classic tracks and great vibes, this family-friendly, high-energy performance brings cracking choreography, toe-tapping tunes and big-smile attitude to kick-start your Fringe by the Sea afternoon.

BIG TOP
2.00PM (60 MIN)

£13 | £9 (U16s)

Children's Flower Crown Workshop (Age 8-16)



Join Fay Gourlay from North Berwick Flower Co. for a workshop where you can create your own flower crown. You will learn how to make a wearable crown using fresh flowers that are grown at their flower field on the Archerfield Estate.

Ages 8-16

THE TIMES LOUNGE
2.45PM (60 MIN)

£10 |
FREE (accompanying adult)

Fred MacAulay & Greig Laidlaw: Supported by The Famous Grouse



Greig Laidlaw is truly one of the biggest characters of Scottish sport. Fred MacAulay welcomes Greig for this featured conversation about his inspirational rugby career and much-lauded leadership style - with plenty of laughs thrown in for good measure! A proud Scotsman with a fierce work ethic, Greig knew early on where he wanted to be — on a rugby pitch. Even while completing an apprenticeship as a joiner, he kept pushing, training, and closing the gap between a childhood dream and a professional career.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
3.45PM (60 MIN)

£14

Unforeseen: Improvising Life and Music



A multimedia performance from cellist and sound artist Justyna Jablonska, exploring migration, memory and the art of improvising a life. Live cello, electronics, spoken word and film blend into a richly textured world drawn from early memories, field recordings and testimonies from Polish, Ukrainian and Roma migrants, an intimate, semi-improvised work full of emotional immediacy.

THE DOME
5.00PM (60 MIN)

£8 | £5 (U25)

Live Band Mass Karaoke with Side Hustle



Side Hustle return after three sell-out years with a fresh, high-energy set of nothing but bangers. Expect huge sing-along lyrics and a feel-good rush that keeps you buzzing long after the final note.

Suitable for ages 12+
THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
7.00PM (75 MIN)

£12

Belle and Sebastian perform If You're Feeling Sinister



Scotland's much loved indie-pop icons perform their early album 'If You're Feeling Sinister' in full, followed by a second set of classic tunes. Led by Stuart Murdoch, their unmistakable sound and timeless song-writing have earned them a worldwide audience and long standing place at the heart of Scotland's music scene. Forming in Glasgow in 1994, Belle and Sebastian have become one of the country's most enduring and influential indie-pop bands. With support from Fright Years.

BIG TOP
8.00PM (180 MIN)

£48 | £30 (U18s)



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Circus Skills Drop-In

For full details see page 21.

KIDS ZONE **FREE/**
10.00AM-1.00PM **DROP-IN**



North Berwick's Horrid History

For full details see page 21.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH
SEABIRD CENTRE **£12** |
10.30AM (120 MIN) **£10** (U16s)



Plants Can Dance

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM
(60 MIN) **£7** | **£5** (U18s)



The North Berwick Golf Club 1832 Club House History Tour



A tour of the club's history and evolution from the original Locker Room (1880) to the impressive trophy cabinet, and the story of how the West Links has shaped golf heritage around the world. Recently voted 25th in the world, the West Links is an iconic name drawing visitors from all corners of the globe

MEET AT NORTH BERWICK GOLF CLUB
10.00AM (60 MIN) **FREE/**
TICKETED



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What to bring: a mat, warm layers, water, and comfort items (e.g., blanket, pillow).

Please note: not suitable if pregnant, with a pacemaker/heart condition, or sound sensitivity (hearing aids must be removed).

THE DOME
10.10AM (60 MIN) **£22**

Rubbish Chat

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE
FOOD VILLAGE **FREE/**
11.00AM (30 MIN) **DROP-IN**

Boost Your Bike Workshop

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) **£20**

DJ Workshop

For full details see page 41.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN) **£20**

Animating with Nature (Ages 7-10)



Fun engaging workshop session, with D ie foe film, creating short animated sequences using natural materials. Master professional animation techniques and discover how anything can be brought to life through animation. Perfect for children that love digital but don't have enough contact with the outside world! Focus on creating beautiful sequences of animation to make lively patterns and tell stories about the world.

Ages 7-10
THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15PM & 1.30PM (60 MIN) **£8**

The Joy of Dressing



Join Emma Cross and stylist Sarah Thomson for a conversation exploring sustainable fashion, personal style and feel-good dressing. Expect Emma's signature love of colour and individuality alongside Sarah's expert styling advice, all set within the beautifully styled VIP space designed by Emma herself.

VIP LOUNGE
10.30AM (60 MIN) **£5**

"Off Air" with Jane & Fi and special guest Jan Ravens



The hugely popular and pioneering podcast from The Times and The Sunday Times is back. Join Jane Garvey and Fi Glover, the brilliant minds behind "Off-Air," for a live event where nothing is off the table! This special Fringe by the Sea appearance will see Jane and Fi welcome the incomparable Jan Ravens. Actress and impressionist Jan is a long running star of BBC Radio 4's Dead Ringers and her Theresa May impression achieved cult status, going viral on social media and with over 1 million views on YouTube.

BIG TOP
11.00AM (60 MIN) **£17.50**

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LODGE STAGE
11.30AM (55 MIN) **£7**

Silent Disco Tour



Join Kari Spence from K-Fitness & Wellbeing for a high-energy silent disco fitness class around beautiful North Berwick. Suitable for all fitness abilities, this session is all about moving your body, working hard, singing your heart out and having plenty of laughs along the way!

Ages 16+
MEET AT THE FBTS BOX OFFICE
11.30AM (60 MIN) **£12**



Dine with Còmhlà by the Sea

For full details see page 14.
FRIDAY: 12.00PM-10.00PM



Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions

For full details see page 25.
theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN)

FREE



Walk The Toun

For full details see page 30.
MEET OUTSIDE THE
SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (120 MIN)

£8



Drambuie Shaken Espresso

For full details see page 26.
DRAMBUIE SHAKEN
ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN)

FREE



Animating with Nature (Ages 10+)



Fun engaging workshop session, with D fìe foe film, creating short animated sequences using natural materials. Master professional animation techniques and discover how anything can be brought to life through animation. Focus on creating beautiful sequences of animation to make lively patterns and tell stories about the world.

Ages 10+

THE TIMES LOUNGE
12.00PM
& 3.00PM (60 MIN)

£9



Seed Bomb Making



North Berwick Youth Project are on hand for a seed bomb making workshop.

Ages P7+

theSpace
12.00PM (120 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN



Messy Play Under 5s



Make Mess Matter are on hand with messy play for under 5s in this mega mess session. Engage the senses and develop skills and coordination through play.

Under 5s must be accompanied by an adult with a free ticket. Beware - there WILL be mess!

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM (45 MIN)

£5



Fun Putting Experience/Challenge



North Berwick Golf Club invites the town and community to join our team of pros for a Fun Putting Challenge at the Putting Green alongside the 1st tee of the West Links.

MEET AT WEST LINKS
2.00PM-6.00PM

DROP-IN



Wavelength: God Help the Girl



A feel-good musical starring Olly Alexander (It's A Sin), Emily Browning (Summer In February), and Hannah Murray (Skins). Eve is a catastrophe, low on self-esteem but high on fantasy, especially when it comes to music. When she meets two similarly rootless souls: posh Cass and fastidious James, the trio begin to find their way by forming a pop group. Dir. Stuart Murdoch (Belle and Sebastian), UK, 2014, 1h 52m, rated 15.

THE DOME
12.30PM (120 MIN)

£7 | £5 (U25)



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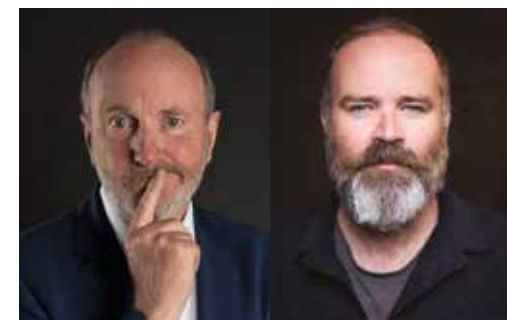
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Fred MacAulay in conversation with Greg Hemphill



Comedian, actor, writer and director Greg Hemphill, best known for his iconic roles in Chewin' The Fat and Still Game is also one half of 'Jules & Greg's Wild Swim' where the married couple share their passion for outdoor swimming in a hugely popular TV series and book. Host Fred welcomes Greg for a chat about comedy, cold water and much more.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
2.00PM (60 MIN)

£14



Wavelength - Belle & Sebastian On Film



Following their live performance of If You're Feeling Sinister at Fringe by the Sea, Belle & Sebastian's Stuart Murdoch and Sarah Martin join host Vic Galloway for an intimate Q&A exploring their longstanding love affair with film. From early band promos to the luminous visuals created with ISO Design for the group's 30th anniversary tour, the conversation traces a visual journey as rich as the music itself. Preceded by a screening of God Help the Girl, the musical feature written and directed by Stuart Murdoch, and featuring clips from the tour.

THE DOME
2.45PM (60 MIN)

£7 | £5 (U25) | £3 (Screening add on)



Big Top Ceilidh with The Jacobites



Scottish Ceilidh band The Jacobites are back in town with high-energy mass ceilidh in the Big Top! Get ready for a lively mix of traditional and contemporary Scottish tunes, sprinkled with familiar Scottish and Irish folk/pop/rock songs that will have everyone tapping their feet. As the founders of the Edinburgh Street Ceilidh, The Jacobites have taught thousands to dance. Expect toe-tapping and whirling for all ages - with a few surprises thrown in!

BIG TOP
3.00PM (60 MIN)

£7 | £5 (U18s)



Slime Making 5+



Make Mess Matter are on hand with slime making for ages 5+ in this mega mess session. Engage the senses and develop skills and coordination through play. Beware - there WILL be mess!

KIDS ZONE
3.00PM (45 MIN)

£6



Silent Disco Tour - Pre Party



Join Kari Spence from K-Fitness & Wellbeing for a feel-good silent disco around beautiful North Berwick. Expect upbeat tunes from the 70, 80 and 90s, easy movement, big festival energy and plenty of laughs before heading off to dance the night away with Kool and the Gang! And don't worry — this isn't a fitness class! Come dressed for your evening — we'll finish at the FBTS bar ready to start the party!

MEET AT THE
FBTS BOX OFFICE
6.00PM (60 MIN)

£12



Wavelength - Rave Culture: A New Era



Rave Culture: A New Era is a 2026 documentary exploring the late-1980s British rave revolution, focusing on how warehouse parties and underground breakbeat music offered youth an escape from social oppression. Directed by Eduardo Cubillo Blasco, the film features archival footage, testimonies from pioneers like Orbital and The Prodigy. Dir. Eduardo Cubillo Blasco, Spain, 2026, 1h 26min, rated 18.

THE DOME
6.00PM (90 MIN) £7 | £5 (U25)



Return To Vinyl



Alastair Auld and Mr Mustgroove present a sonic journey of electronic music through house and techno. Your hosts will mix vinyl exclusively - no digital - no dance jockeying - but beat matching using their skills honed over thirty years of spinning tunes on Technics. This night will take you back in time to the vibe of the 90s - the golden decade of house and techno.

Over 18s only.

THE DOME
8.30PM (210 MIN)

£7



Synergy-Vinyasa Flow



Join Jen for an uplifting Synergy-Vinyasa Flow, a fun, creative and energising practice centred on spinal movement, breathwork and feel-good balance for body and mind. A brilliant way to tune in, tune out and start your weekend feeling fantastic.

THE DOME
10.10AM (60 MIN)

£16



Wear Your Story



A hands on textile customisation workshop where participants creatively transform garments using embellishment, patchwork and decorative textile techniques. Designed to encourage creativity, self-expression and sustainable making in a fun and accessible way.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15AM (60 MIN)

£8



Kevin Quantum: And For My Next Next Trick



Back with sharper tricks, bigger laughs, and even more delightful mayhem, Scotland's favourite magician-scientist-adventurer Kevin Quantum unleashes a fast, funny, high-impact sketch of magical chaos. ***** "Epic stunts, genuinely impressive magic" Broadway Baby.

LODGE STAGE
11.15AM (60 MIN)

£12



Biggar Big Band Swing Dance



It's a day of dance at Fringe by the Sea! Swing into the Lodge and get grooving on the dance floor as the Biggar Big Band bring their vibrant repertoire rooted in classic swing and big band favourites with added Latin American rhythms. A whole load of fun for all ages from this eclectic line up of musicians spanning the generations, who're always ready with energy, fun, and timeless sounds.

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
7.00PM (60 MIN)

£8 | £5 (U18s)



Kool & the Gang



Legendary R&B pioneers Kool & the Gang bring their iconic funk and soul to the stage. With global hits like Celebration and Jungle Boogie, two Grammys, 31 gold and platinum albums, and the most-sampled catalogue in hip-hop, they remain one of the world's most influential live acts.

BIG TOP
8.00PM (180 MIN)

£55 | £30 (U18s)



Underwater Drawing Workshop

For full details see page 59.

MEET AT NORTH BERWICK
EAST BEACH
10.00AM (180 MIN)

£70



Dine with Còmhla by the Sea

For full details see page 14.

SATURDAY: 10.00AM-10.00PM



Plants Can Dance

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM
(60 MIN)

£7 | £5 (U18s)



Boost Your Bike Workshop

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN)

£20



DJ Workshop

For full details see page 41.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN)

£20



Rubbish Chat

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE
FOOD VILLAGE
11.00AM (30 MIN)

FREE/
DROP-IN

Kate Adie: In Conversation



Kate Adie is one of the most respected and pioneering figures in broadcast journalism. With decades of experience reporting from the frontlines of history, from the Iranian Embassy Siege to the Gulf War, Kate will share her remarkable journey into the world of journalism, and the challenges of reporting in war zones. Kate presents From Our Own Correspondent on Radio 4. She became a household name as BBC Chief News Reporter, covering the Gulf War, the demise of the Soviet Union and the protests in Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

BIG TOP
11.45AM (75 MIN)

£15 | £10 (U18s)



Face Painting

For full details see page 28.

KIDS ZONE **DROP-IN & PAY**
2.00PM-5.00PM



Little Artists Create with Nature

For full details see page 35.

KIDS ZONE **FREE/ DROP-IN**
10.30AM-12.30PM



Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions

For full details see page 25.

theSpace **FREE**
2.00PM (120 MIN)



From Old to Loved



A creative upcycling workshop focused on reworking and revitalising textiles through playful repair and embellishment techniques, encouraging participants to rethink fashion waste through hands on making.

THE TIMES LOUNGE **£8**
1.00PM (120 MIN)



Walk The Toun

For full details see page 30.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (120 MIN) **£8**



Tarot Card Readings

For full details see page 37.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
BOOK A SLOT FROM 3.30PM-6.10PM **£15 CASH**



Drambuie Shaken Espresso

For full details see page 26.

DRAMBUIE SHAKEN ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN) **FREE**



Love of Life 360°

For full details see page 26.

THE DOME **FREE/ DROP-IN**
7.30PM (60 MIN)



Live Science Show: Animal Avengers



Taking inspiration from a whole host of superheroes, Egghead will show audiences how animals can defend themselves from attack in weird and wonderful ways. From exploding ants, squirting octopi to spitting birds, you can decide who is the best Animal Avenger! Fun, family-friendly science show.

DISCOVERY EXPERIENCE THEATRE, SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (60 MIN) **£5**



Wavelength - Pauline Black



Pauline Black: A 2-Tone Story is a documentary feature film that chronicles the trailblazing life, music career, and activism of The Selecter's lead singer, Pauline Black. Directed by Jane Mingay and based on Black's autobiography, the film explores her experiences with adoption, race, gender, and her defining role in the UK ska movement. 1hr 32mins, 15, 2024.

THE DOME
1.15PM (135 MIN) **£7 | £5 (U25)**



Marjolein Robertson



Shetland's award-winning performer Marjolein brings an unforgettable hour of stand-up and folktales, blending sharp comedy with spellbinding storytelling. Nominated for Channel 4's Sean Lock Comedy Award and The Sir Billy Connolly Spirit of Glasgow Award, Marjolein expertly weaves comedy and folklore to share her own personal stories. 'Phenomenal' ***** (The List)

THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
3.00PM (60 MIN) **£13**



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Dave Kelly & Paul Jones

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THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
7.30PM (100 MIN)

£27.50**Bombskare**

Bombskare: The bishops of bounce, the sorcerers of skank, the undisputed masters of Scottish death reggae are back with a set including music from their new album 'A Million Ways To Die'.

BIG TOP
4.00PM (60 MIN)

£12 | £7 (U18s)**Wavelength - I Was A Teenage Sex Pistol**

Experience the Sex Pistols' rise to global infamy with an honest, insightful account of a group of malcontents, determined to change the music business and to attack hypocrisy and stale conventions in society at large. Based off the novel written by Glen Matlock, one of the founding members of the Sex Pistols who co-wrote ten of twelve iconic songs on their only studio album, NEVER MIND THE BOLLOCKS. Dir. Nick Mead, Andre Relis, 2025, 15.

THE DOME
5.00PM (100 MIN)

£7 | £5 (U25)**Maribou State**

UK electronic duo Maribou State bring their soulful, genre-blurring sound with their stunning, immersive live show. Chris Davids and Liam Ivory have spent over a decade crafting a warm, organic style that blends laidback electronica with touches of soul, UK club music and rich atmospheric sounds. Their live shows combine live instrumentation, soaring vocals and deep, groove-led electronics to create an unforgettable atmosphere. Expect smooth grooves, expansive beats and a feel-good energy.

BIG TOP
8.00PM (180 MIN)

£54 | £35 (U18s)**Suitcase Stories: The Seven Ravens**

A tiny-world adventure inspired by the Brothers Grimm. When a Raven visits young Ada, she's drawn into a dreamlike landscape of quests, feathers and a Glass Mountain. Told through storytelling, puppetry and object theatre, this handcrafted miniature world invites audiences to explore the puppets up close after the show.

For ages 5+ (younger children welcome in family groups).

THE DOME
10.00AM (30 MIN)

£5**Wildflower Growing with Seilich**

Botanist and passionate nature conservationist Dr Sally Gouldstone is founder of Seilich, makers of award winning herbal teas and skincare made from ingredients hand-picked from their wildflower meadow in Pathhead. Sally's workshop focuses on wildflower meadow growing – ideal if you've been part of Project Plant and looking to do more!

THE TIMES LOUNGE
10.15AM (60 MIN)

£7**Doodle Session**

For full details see page 25.

KIDS ZONE
10.00AM (120 MIN)

FREE/ DROP-IN**Dine with Còmhlà by the Sea**

For full details see page 17.

SUNDAY: 10.00AM-10.00PM

North Berwick's Horrid History

For full details see page 21.

MEET OUTSIDE THE SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
10.30AM (120 MIN)

£12 | £10 (U16s)**Plants Can Dance**

For full details see page 23.

PLANTS CAN DANCE
10.30AM, 1.00PM & 3.00PM (60 MIN)

£7 | £5 (U18s)**Rubbish Chat**

For full details see page 23.

BIN AREA BESIDE THE FOOD VILLAGE
11.00AM (30 MIN)

FREE/ DROP-IN**Boost Your Bike Workshop**

For full details see page 23.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN)

£20**DJ Workshop**

For full details see page 41.

theSpace
11.00AM (120 MIN)

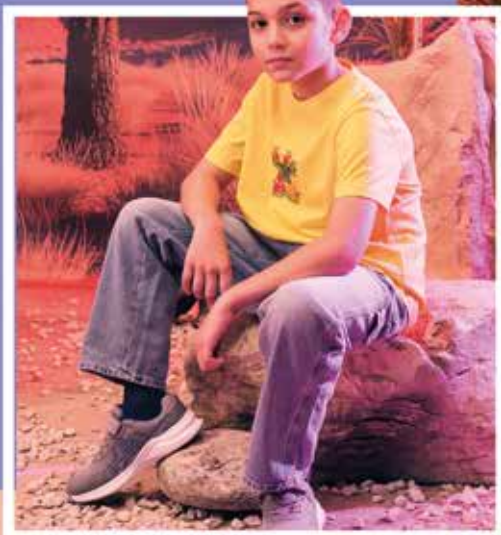
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THE FAMOUS GROUSE LODGE STAGE
11.45AM (75 MIN)

£23

Ian Hislop: In Conversation



Renowned comedian, author and broadcaster Ian Hislop is the iconic Editor of magazine 'Private Eye' and captain of long-standing TV series 'Have I Got News For You'. We're delighted to welcome Ian to Fringe by the Sea for an intimate conversation exploring the stories and insights from his remarkable career spanning more than 40 years.

BIG TOP
12.00PM (75 MIN)

£26

Flower Pounding



Have a go at the Japanese technique of Tataki Zomé (flower pounding) to transfer the beautiful natural pigments from plants onto paper or fabric by hammering them. Suitable for all ages and ability levels (under 14 must be accompanied by an adult). Led by Kirsten Milliken.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
12.00PM, 12.20PM, 12.40PM,
1.00PM, 1.20PM, 1.40PM,
2.00PM, 2.20PM, 2.40PM,
3.00PM (20 MIN)

£6

Wicker Weaving



Learn how to work with willow and create a beautiful circular platter from natural materials. Suitable for adults.

THE TIMES LOUNGE
12.30PM (120 MIN)

£15

Comedy Club 4 Kids



Since 2005, the Comedy Club 4 Kids has been getting the best stand-ups, sketch acts and cabaret stars from the international circuit to do their thing for an audience of children (aged 6+) and their families... but without the rude bits! Over twenty years later, the company has expanded from one London residency to being countrywide, running shows and workshops all over the UK from Peebles to Portsmouth, popping up at festivals like Glastonbury, End Of The Road and Camp Festival.

LODGE STAGE
2.15PM (60 MIN)

£8



Walk The Toun

For full details see page 30.

MEET OUTSIDE THE
SCOTTISH SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (120 MIN) £8



Drop into theSpace: Open Bike Sessions & Open Music Sessions

For full details see page 25.

theSpace
2.00PM (120 MIN) FREE



Live Science Show: Animal Avengers

For full details see page 68.

DISCOVERY EXPERIENCE
THEATRE, SCOTTISH
SEABIRD CENTRE
2.00PM (60 MIN) £5



Slime Making 5+

For full details see page 66.

KIDS ZONE
3.00PM (45 MIN) £6



Messy Play Under 5s

For full details see page 64.

KIDS ZONE
2.00PM (45 MIN) £5



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For full details see page 26.

DRAMBUIE SHAKEN
ESPRESSO STAND
5.45PM (30 MIN) FREE



MASSAOKE: Sing The Movies



Get ready for the ultimate feel-good, full-volume movie-music party for all ages. MASSAOKE® has toured the world and played to huge crowds at festivals including Glastonbury, Victorious, Latitude and Edinburgh Fringe. Sing the Movies brings your favourite big-screen moments to life in an upbeat, high-energy celebration of iconic film songs. With a brilliant live band, giant screens, on-screen lyrics and unforgettable movie clips, this multi-media extravaganza turns the whole audience into the star of the show.

BIG TOP
3.15PM (60 MIN) £15 | £8 (U18s)



Wavelength: The Herring Queen with guests Eilidh Munro & Adrian Leung



A screening of the film followed by discussion with director Eilidh Munro and composer Adrian Leung. For as long as people in Eyemouth, a small Scottish fishing town, can remember, boys became men who catch fish and a young girl is crowned as a queen. Now, there's no fish left to catch but year after year, a new 14 year old Herring Queen still takes her crown. Through the observational lens of a fishing festival, we feel the impacts of a global climate crisis, how it affects livelihoods, community and mental health. Dir. Eilidh Munro, UK, 2025, 12mins Composer. Adrian Leung.

THE DOME
5.45PM (60 MIN) £7 | £5 (U25)



Wavelength - Drexler



Drexler (Adrian Leung) delivers a powerful live, audio-visual performance of his new album Olympia-5. Written during his father's battle with lymphoma, the album blends intimate piano recordings with ambient textures, earning support from BBC Radio, NTS, KEXP, The Skinny & The List. Collaborating with filmmakers Mark Cousins, Hannah Papacek Harper and Kiran Acharya, Drexler combines live performance with immersive film to explore themes of care, distance and the search for calm. A deeply moving, cinematic experience from one of Scotland's most distinctive contemporary composers.

THE DOME
4.15PM (60 MIN) £12 | £8 (U25)



LEVI.SCT



LEVI.SCT is the electrifying German pianist tearing up the rulebook of classical music. Fusing the emotional fire of Ludwig van Beethoven and Frédéric Chopin with the driving pulse of hip-hop and house, he turns the piano into a cinematic, bass-thumping spectacle. This isn't a recital, it's a full-body experience. With over 1.7 million followers on Instagram, LEVI.SCT has sparked a global movement.

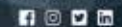
BIG TOP
7.00PM (75 MIN) £22 | £9 (U18s)

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8.30PM (90 MIN)

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