



Burns an' a' that! Festival

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Wed 30th May -
Sun 3rd June 2012



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Welcome to the eleventh anniversary of the Burns an' a' that! Festival - a five day tribute to Scotland's internationally acclaimed poet Robert Burns.

Burns an' a' that! is now recognised as the largest arts and cultural festival in South West Scotland attracting audiences from throughout the UK and beyond. The 2012 programme boasts an unmissable line-up of live music, film, drama, comedy, arts & culture, literature, food & drink and family entertainment that the bard himself would be proud of!

Visit us, stay with us and join in with us for the 2012 Burns an' a' that! Festival...



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Ticket Information

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South Harbour Street
Ayr KA7 1JB

01292 269793

www.ticketweb.co.uk

Live Music Earlybird Tickets and Loudoun Proud Tickets available from Ayr Tourist Information Centre 01292 290300



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Festival Highlights



James Grant and Friends

Exclusive gig specially created for this year's Burns an' a' that! Festival invites James Grant and Friends to the stage to show off some of Scotland's best musical talent.

Our unique bill features master songsmith and guitarist James Grant of Love and Money who will be joined by long term sidekick, harmonica God Fraser Speirs, Chris Thomson of Friends Again and The Bathers, Grahame Skinner of Hipsway and Monica Queen, who collaborated, most notably, with Belle And Sebastian ...

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Community Events

photo Jackson Frater

A broad ranging community and fringe events programme throughout Ayrshire ...

Throughout programme



The Complete Stone Roses

Playing a pivotal role in the history of the indie music scene, The Completes play to rival even the original Stone Roses ...

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Picnic in the Square

Bring your picnic blanket and enjoy a fabulous free family finale in the square! ...

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Loudoun Proud

A series of intimate performances of music, comedy, drama and Burns events in Ayr's historic Loudoun Hall ...

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Roofless Burns Brightly

A programme of creative workshops, exhibitions and public participation ...

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'Scottish Songbird'
Jill Jackson



Tensheds and Jill Jackson

Fresh from Celtic Connections 2012 and with a cluster of awards to his name. Tensheds is 'Exceptional' ...

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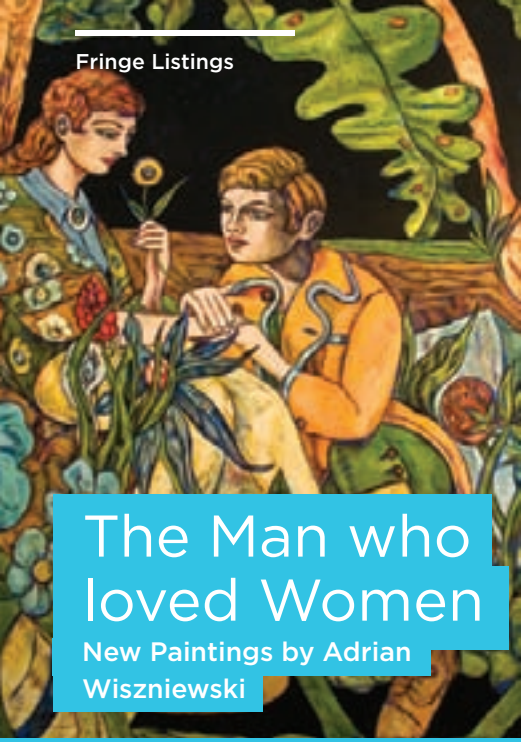


Birthplace of Burns

A series of events in the world renowned Robert Burns Birthplace Museum and Burns Cottage Pavillion, Alloway ...

Throughout programme

and much much more! ...



The Man who loved Women

New Paintings by Adrian Wiszniewski

Date: Sat 05 May - Mon 27 Aug
Time: 10am - 5.30pm
Venue: Robert Burns Birthplace Museum
Location: Alloway
Price: FREE
www.burnsmuseum.org

An interpretation of Robert Burns' life by Glasgow painter and printmaker Adrian Wiszniewski in a solo exhibition of new paintings.

Boswell Book Festival

Date: 11 - 13 May 2012
Venue: Auchinleck House
Price: Varies

See www.boswellbookfestival.co.uk for full programme.

Burns by Bonnie Doon

Date: 25 May 2012 **Time:** 10am - 2.30pm
Venue: Doon Valley Museum, Dalmellington
Price: FREE
www.burnsfestival.com

Come along to Doon Valley Museum and listen to the pupils of Doon Academy as they tell stories about the life and works of Robert Burns. Also, a chance to watch Doon Valley artist Geoff Forrest work with pupils as they make 18th century willow platters.

Auchincruive 2012 Documentary

Date: 28 May 2012 **Time:** Doors open 7.30pm for 8pm start
Venue: Music Room, Oswald Hall, Auchincruive
Price: FREE from 0798 3984488/01292 265618

"There were very few men, who, having made the gift and having had the gift turned down, would again come forward and make the offer with additional benefits. Together they were there to try and benefit agriculturists in the West of Scotland and to do some good, not only for the present generation, but for generations yet to come"

5th December 1927 - Mr J. Harling Turner, Chairman of the Governing Board

Dirty Rhymes and Revolting Beasts

Date: 4 June 2012 **Time:** 2pm - 3pm & 7.30pm - 8.30pm
Venue: Ayr College Studio Theatre
Price: FREE l.thorburn@ayrcoll.ac.uk

Ayr College's Access to Creative Industries students present a multidisciplinary approach inspired by Roald Dahl's famous collection of humorous poems for children, 'Dirty Beasts' and 'Revolting Rhymes' including animation, live and recorded music and performance.

Begin your adventure with Burns

Discover the man, his work and his life at the Robert Burns Birthplace Museum Alloway, Ayr KA7 4PQ
Call 0844 493 2601 www.burnsmuseum.org.uk



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Spring Festival Raceday



Land o' Burns 10k Race

Date: 30 May 2012 **Time:** 7.30pm
Venue: Ayr
Price: £9 pp - £7 concession
www.ayrseaforth.co.uk

An event suitable for runners of all fitness levels. Starting on the seafront, the course follows a scenic route around the Doonfoot and Alloway areas of Ayr, passing by the historic Burns Cottage and finishing on the Old Racecourse Playing Fields.

Date: 30 May 2012
Time: Gates open 12.10pm
Venue: Ayr Racecourse
Location: Ayr
Price: From £14 (under 16s Free)
www.ayr-racecourse.co.uk

The opening meeting of the flat season at Ayr. Seven races featuring some of the North's top jockeys and trainers. After a good mix of races, a disco plays in the bar.

While you are visiting why not pop into ...

Shooze with Sole
 Carrick Street, Ayr

10% discount during Festival period (Wed 30 May - Sun 3 June) on production of this programme.



The Frame Shop
 Alloway Street, Ayr

Great savings during Festival period (Wed 30 May - Sun 3 June) on paintings of Burns and Burns Country. Items from under £10 upwards with massive savings to be made!



McArthurs
 Arthur Street, Ayr

10% discount on food sales during Festival period (Wed 30 May - Sun 3 June) on production of this programme.



Boswells
 Boswell Park, Ayr

10% discount on food sales during Festival period (Wed 30 May - Sun 3 June) on production of this programme.



Taste
 Prestwick Road, Ayr

10% discount on food sales during Festival period (Wed 30 May - Sun 3 June) on production of this programme.



The Great Tartan Turnout

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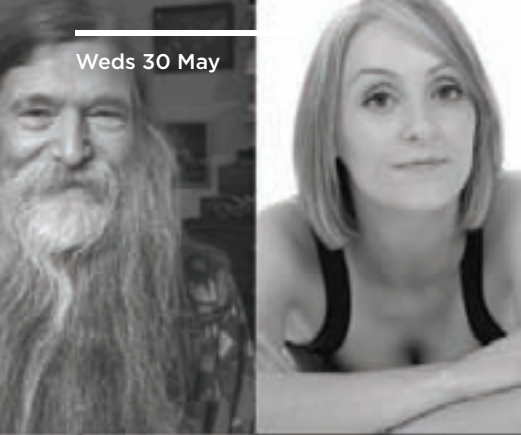
Come and join in The Great Tartan Turnout 2012!

Ayr's favourite unique, quirky and seriously Scottish event is back for 2012 to launch the Burns an' a' that! Festival. Don yer kilt and enjoy an entertaining tour led by kilted musical warriors, Clan Wallace, with some Special Edition Burns entertainment on the way! Take in some tartantastic venues with a wheen o' Scottish treats on offer and conclude with a live band! There's sure to be jigging, there's bound to be laughter and you can guarantee there's gonna be many a kilt swinging! Ye canny shove yer granny off a bus but YOU CAN get yourself along to The Great Tartan Turnout 2012!

Date: 30 May 2012
Time: 8pm - 11pm
Venue: Starts Wellingtons Bar
Location: Ayr
Price: FREE
www.thegreartartanturnout.com

- 8pm Wellingtons Bar**
Pick up and put on your FREE TGTT T-Shirt or St. Andrews Flag!
- 8.35pm - 9.05pm The Courtyard Bar**
Enjoy a special Open Mic Night at this courtyard venue!
- 9.10pm - 9.40pm Bridges Bar**
Enjoy a short Burns performance from guest performer Cameron Bell!
- 9.45pm - 10.15pm Tam o'Shanter**
The famous Tam o'Shanter as you've never heard it before!
- 10.20pm The Firehouse**
Grand Finale with live band! It's time to throw some shapes and rock some reels!

Weds 30 May



As Others See Us

Date: 30 May 2012
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Council Chamber, Town Hall
Location: Ayr
Price: £10 pp
Tickets: Citadel Box Office
01292 269793 www.aag.org.uk

Enjoy an evening with Quernstance, whose programme is carefully researched and brings to life 18th century Scotland at the heart of Burns. They will perform songs and music of the period with readings from contemporary letters, journals and newspapers.

Robert Burns NOT IN MY NAME

Date: 30 May 2012 **Time:** 6pm - 7pm
Venue: Burns Cottage Pavillion Gallery
Price: £5 pp - **£3.50** concession

As part of launch night and making his debut in Burns Cottage Pavillion will be Robert Burns - Not in my Name. Fresh from the Edinburgh Festival 2011, poet, iconoclast and counter-culture legend, Kevin Williamson performs the radical subversive poetry of Robert Burns. Linked together by 12 beautiful short specially commissioned films by Alastair Cook, this is Scotland's bard as you've never heard him before. From vicious political satire to little known anti war, erotic and revolutionary classics this is the dangerous stuff he couldn't put his name to.

Pan African Life Stories Documentary & Live Music

Date: 30 May 2012 **Time:** 2pm - 4pm
Venue: Burns Cottage Pavillion Gallery
Price: FREE

'Our Life Stories' captures inspiring stories of struggles, resilience, determination and excellence. It records the history of our future as it occurs before us. Also includes Ghanaian Director Gameli Tordzro screening and discussion and live music by The Ghana Scotland fusion band HESU.



Thurs 31 May



Dean Park Variety Show

Date: 31 May 2012 **Time:** 7.30pm
Venue: Ayr Town Hall
Price: £10 from 01292 478328 / 671233 / 261506 or 0787 9964 279

Starring your host Malky, accordionist Iain Muir, Gordon Cree, illusionist Andrew Van Buren and Aileen Robertson Highland Dancers. **Proceeds to local charities.**

'Once A Catholic' BY MARY O'MALLEY

Date: 31 May 2012 **Time:** 1.30pm - 4pm & 7pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Harbour Arts Centre, Irvine
Price: £6 pp - **£4** concession

A rip-roaring comedy about the rebellious pupils from the Convent of Our Lady of Fatima in London as they experience the trials and tribulations of sexual awakening, coming to terms with their religion and living in the era of the rock 'n' roll 50s.

Date: 31 May 2012
Time: 5.30pm
Venue: RBBM
Location: Alloway
Price: £15 pp
Tickets: Burns Birthplace Museum
0844 493 2601 www.burnsmuseum.org.uk

Live classical music. An evening of collaboration to accompany the exhibition, The Man who loved Women - featuring artist Adrian Wiszniewski and composer Gordon Rigby's reimagination of the Italian folklore legend, La Befana as well as several other short pieces - presented by performers from the Scottish Philharmonic Orchestra.

Blue Square Raceday

Date: 31 May 2012 **Time:** Gates open 12.10pm
Venue: Ayr Racecourse
Price: From £14 (**under 16s Free**)
www.ayr-racecourse.co.uk

The second day of the May meeting and again there are seven races with a 6 furlong sprint handicap the feature race of the afternoon. A good mix of racing with top jockeys present. A disco will play after racing for three hours in the Horseshoe Bar.

Take Me Drunk Am Hame!

Date: 31 May 2012 - 01 June 2012
Time: 7pm - 10pm
Venue: The Courtyard Bar
Price: FREE

A free mini festival in the Queens Court area with a variety of small plays, comedy sketches, music, Scottish rap and traditional food focusing on the comedy side of Robert Burns' casanova drink filled lifestyle.

Thurs 31 May



pictured Eilidh Grant

Loudoun Proud

Loudoun Proud is a brand new element to the Burns an' a' that! Festival 2012 and features a series of intimate performances in Ayr's historic Loudoun Hall ...

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£5 pp - £3.50 concession

Please note we regret Loudoun Hall does not have disabled access

12pm



The Twa Robs BURNS AND TANNAHILL

A show based upon their Edinburgh Festival Fringe sellout concerts and Freeman's internationally acclaimed Linn Records series 'THE COMPLETE SONGS OF ROBERT BURNS' and his 'THE COMPLETE SONGS OF ROBERT TANNAHILL'. Great songs full of rhythm, verve and passion - jigs, reels, caricatures and love songs - by two song-writers who defied the critics and gave us a veritable Scottish-International tradition.

1pm

The Twa Ayrshire Laddies BOZZY AND RABBIE

William Zachs considers the locality and legacy of two of Ayrshire's greatest literary sons, James Boswell and Robert Burns ...

They lived within miles of each other and shared similar worlds of country and city. Different in many essentials, yet alike in others, they left a remarkable record of their unique brands of creative genius. Their writings and their life stories continue to intrigue & inspire.



Thurs 31 May

2pm

Robert Burns Marries His Jean

Although Robert Burns' brother Gilbert said of him that "Robert was constantly the victim of some fair enslaver!" the love of his life was undoubtedly Jean Armour, an Ayrshire lass from Mauchline, whom he eventually married. This presentation is the story of that love and their eventual marriage.

www.walkaboutayr.com

3pm

The Scots Language IN WORD AND SONG

Morran and Freeman share their passion for Scots as they take us through a light, entertaining musical tour of the language's history, development and quintessential excellence. A must for anybody interested in Scots - you will walk away with a greater appreciation of oor ain Scots leed. And you will find yourself diddling the songs.

4pm

An Ode to John Rodie

Hipshot Theatre Company present an Ode to John Rodie, poet, author and Burns enthusiast.

5pm

Eilidh Grant

Eilidh is recognised as one of the most up and coming young vocalists in Scotland. With a love for traditional and contemporary folk alike, underpinned by a passion for Burns. Eilidh Grant won Folk / Traditional recording of the year for her CD Masks and Smiles at the new Scottish Music Awards last September.



Book online with the Ayrshire Bed & Breakfast Association www.ayrshirebandb.com

6pm & 8pm

Tom Oakes Trio

Multi award winning, Edinburgh based flautist and guitarist Tom Oakes presents his new solo project showcasing the diverse compositions that have become the heart of his many projects. From the genre defying Nu-Nordic pioneers 'Auvo Quartet' to the stage melting, powerhouse duo 'Ross Couper and Tom Oakes'.

Tom is joined tonight by an all star line-up of Andy May (Baltic Crossing, Bad Pennies) on Piano and Uilleann/Northumbrian Pipes and Adam Sutherland (Session A9, Treacherous Orchestra) on Fiddle. Expect the unexpected!

7pm

Pauline Alexander

Pauline Alexander's extraordinary vocals have echoes of Eva Cassidy. As one of Scotland's fine emerging artists, join Pauline for a mix of original songs and interpretation.

9pm



About Tam O'Shanter ADULT ONLY PERFORMANCE

An hilarious background to Robert Burns' famous narrative topped off with a wonderful performance of the classic poem!

Bruce Fummey combines his crass but self-effacing style of comedy with his love of Robert Burns - About Tam O'Shanter received popular and critical acclaim, selling out at the Edinburgh Fringe. **Strictly adults only** www.brucefummey.co.uk

Fri 1 June



Crab Apple Arts Fair

Date: 1 June 2012
Time: 10am - 4pm
Venue: Ayr Town Hall
Location: Ayr
Price: FREE
www.crabapplearts.org.wordpress.com

Crab Apple Arts presents an Art and Design Fair where visitors will be treated to a selection of some of the finest artists and designers that Scotland has to offer. There will be demonstrations and workshops for adults and children, offered free as part of the Burns an' a' That! Festival.

Hipshot Big Burns Comp!

Date: 1 June 2012 **Time:** 10am - 12pm
Venue: Ayr Town Hall Council Chambers
Price: FREE
www.burnsfestival.com

For talent of a younger generation don't miss Hipshot Theatre's Kids Burns competition. You will be amazed at the passion and drive amongst our youngsters when it comes to Burns. It's a junior battle of the bards to be crowned Burns champion. A treat for everyone!



A Conversation with Tony Black

Date: 1 June 2012 **Time:** 12.30pm - 1.30pm
Venue: Ayr Town Hall Council Chambers
Price: FREE
www.tonyblack.net

Tony Black is Irvine Welsh's favourite British crime writer. The author of six critically-acclaimed crime novels he was a national newspaper journalist before turning to the novel. His fourth book, LONG TIME DEAD will be filmed for the cinema in 2012 by Richard Jobson. Tony's latest work, MURDER MILE, is available from Random House UK. His first Ayr-set novel, THE STORM WITHOUT, is currently serialised in The Ayrshire Post and will be published in May 2012.

Fri 1 June



Crumbling Jack and Friends

Date: 1 June 2012
Time: 2pm - 4pm
Venue: Ayr Town Hall Council Chambers
Location: Ayr
Price: £5 pp - £3.50 concession
Tickets: Ayr Tourist Information Centre
01292 290300 www.burnsfestival.com

Songwriter Alan Reid grew up in Ayr and is a direct descendant of Robert Burns' plough guide at Mossgiel Farm, William Sloan, who tilled the soil with the Bard while he prepared the famous Kilmarnock Edition of his work.

Re-uniting after a highly successful appearance last year at Edinburgh's Queen's Hall, Reid is joined on stage for a captivating two hour set by acclaimed singers Ian Robertson and Verona Chard and star bass-man Bill Craib.

'Once A Catholic' BY MARY O'MALLEY

Date: 1 June 2012 **Time:** 1.30pm - 4pm & 7pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Harbour Arts Centre, Irvine
Price: £6 pp - £4 concession

See Thurs listings for details.

International Burns Festival

Date: 1 June 2012 **Time:** 6.30pm - Midnight
Venue: The Lauriston Hotel, Ardrossan
Price: £5
Tickets: from 01294 469959

In most countries people sing and integrate at Burns' own "Auld Lang Syne" at New Year but never know who wrote it. The International Agency brings this altogether and makes aware Robert Burns.

Take Me Drunk I'm Hame!

Date: 31 May 2012 - 01 June 2012
Time: 7pm - 10pm
Venue: The Courtyard Bar
Price: FREE

See Thurs listings for details.

A Night of Burns

Date: 01 June 2012 **Time:** 8pm - 11pm
Venue: Tam O'Shanter Inn
Price: FREE

An evening of entertainment celebrating the life of Robert Burns with songs and poems including the recitation of "Tam o' Shanter" in the pub where it all began.



Ceilidh Capers

Date: 1 June 2012
Time: 7pm - Midnight
Venue: Savoy Park Hotel
Location: Ayr
Price: £25 pp
Tickets: ACS 01563 538008
www.ayrshirecs.org

Fundraising ceilidh to celebrate Ayrshire Cancer Support's 30th anniversary. Guests will be served drinks on arrival, enjoy a 2 course meal and dance the night away to musical entertainment from 'Aeir' Ceilidh Band.



Contemporary Film FROM THE LAND OF BURNS

Date: 1 June 2012 **Time:** 7pm
Venue: UWS, Ayr
Price: £2 available from UWS reception
www.uws.ac.uk

This is a collection of short films created by Contemporary Screen Acting students from the University of the West of Scotland as part of their final year creative projects. The students are the first ever honours graduates from the innovative new programme and the Burns Festival will be their chance to showcase their work to the local community.

The Sweetest Hours

Date: 1 June 2012 **Time:** 7pm - Midnight
Venue: RBBM, Alloway
Price: £30
Tickets: Robert Burns Birthplace Museum
0844 493 2601 www.burnsmuseum.org.uk

Dine in style with an evening of the best Ayrshire cuisine and the freshest sounds in Scottish traditional music with 6 award-winning artists - Robert Cassani, Yvonne Lyon, Fiona Mackenzie, Alex Hodgson, Claire Lee and Lisa Rigby - together forming Scotland's newest folk supergroup, the Kilmarnock Edition.



Late Night Music Special with Tensheds and Jill Jackson

If you have never experienced the piano bashing, guitar swinging Tensheds then you are in for a rare musical treat.

Fresh from Celtic Connections 2012 and with a cluster of awards to his name including 'best blues track of 2011' and 'Celtic Connections Danny Award 2011' Tensheds' new album 'Crazy Beautiful' has gained critical acclaim across the board with MOJO describing him as 'exceptional'.

Tensheds will be supported by the 'Scottish Songbird' Jill Jackson (ex Speedway) making a welcome return to the festival. Jill's solo work sees her bring her own unique Rock/Americana style whilst remaining very much alternative.

Date: 1 June 2012
Time: Doors open 9pm
Venue: Ayr Town Hall
Location: Ayr
Price: £10
Tickets: Citadel Box Office
01292 269793 www.ticketweb.co.uk

Inspired by legends such as Dolly Parton, Gram Parsons, Emmylou Harris and Shawn Colvin, Jackson has developed a musical style that is very much her own.

www.tensheds.com
www.jilljackson.co.uk



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Sat 2 June



Scots on the Streets

Date: 2 June 2012 **Time:** 12pm - 3pm
Venue: Ayr Town Centre
Price: FREE
www.burnsfestival.com

Look out for some weel kent faces around Ayr Town Centre as famous Scots take to the streets in the Burns an' a' that! Festival!

Mauchline Holy Fair

Date: 2 June 2012 **Time:** 11am - 5pm
Venue: Village Centre, Mauchline
Price: FREE
www.mauchlineburnsclub.com

This 18th century street festival dates back to the life and times of Burns in Mauchline and pays tribute to his poem The Holy Fair, written in the village where Burns lived with Jean Armour. Craft and other stalls plus outdoor and indoor entertainment including headline act Capercaillie.

Don't Miss ...

Ayr's Holy Fair and The Pipes in the Park
Sat 16 June at Rozelle Park
www.visitayrshire.co.uk

Ayrshire Farmers Market

Date: 2 June 2012 **Time:** 9am - 1pm
Venue: Kyle Centre carpark courtyard (vehicle entrance via Dalblair Road)
Price: FREE
www.burnsfestival.com

Prestwick Promenade Celebrations

Sat 2nd June 2012
12.15 pm till 5 pm

IT'S ALL HAPPENING DOWN ON THE BEACH
Entertainment on the stage
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Games • Stalls • Food • Crafts
Magician Andrew Van Garen • Vintage Cars • Climbing Wall and much more.....

Prestwick Promenade

Date: 2 June 2012 **Time:** 12.15pm (Boydfield Gardens) 12.30pm (Prestwick Promenade)
Venue: Promenade, Prestwick
Price: FREE
www.prestwickprom.co.uk

Prestwick promenade celebrated its centenary in 2010 with a day out attracting thousands back to the nostalgic days of the seaside. Since then it has become an annual family event celebrating the golden days of the promenade. Take a stroll along the sand, a paddle in the waves and explore the wealth of family fun attractions on offer.



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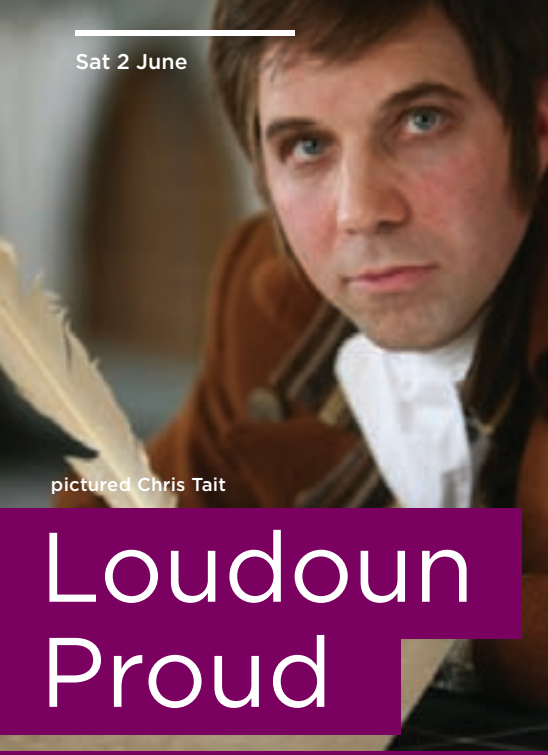
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pictured Chris Tait

Loudoun Proud

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10am - 11.30am

Absolute Improv! FREE COMEDY WORKSHOPS

Price: FREE 25 places available

Free comedy workshops are available for up to 25 participants as part of the Burns an' a' that! Festival. Workshops are offered by 'To Be Continued ...' comedy group, smash hit performers at the Edinburgh Festival.

12pm

Robert Burns Live

Imagine watching Robert Burns perform his latest works! Now you can. Scotland's leading Burns performer, Christopher Tait, brings his unique one man show to Ayr. See Burns perform 'To a Mouse', 'Tam O'Shanter' and more! Robert Burns Live is suitable for all ages.

1pm

Songs from the Musicals

FIB Musical theatre group present a mixture of musical theatre songs and dances.

2pm



Rory Malone

Rory Malone is lead singer of the top New Zealand teen band A Kiss Goodbye and plays around 80 live gigs a year in Australasia and Europe. He has opened at stadium gigs for Panic at the Disco, All American Rejects and Fall Out Boy and has performed main stage at Sydney Olympic Stadium City music festival.

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5pm

Anna Sweeney - Singer

Anna Sweeney is a seventeen year old singer/songwriter from Ayr who performs mainly on guitar and piano. Her acoustic style is performed with a hint of country.

6pm

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9pm



Absolute Improv! OVER 18'S SHOW

Fast-paced hilarious improv that will tickle your funny bone. Smash hit at Edinburgh Fringe! International improvisers create witty sketches based on your suggestions. Arrive ready to shout ideas and see them transformed into fabulous scenes! **Over 18s only for this show as it may include adult content.**

Win a Support Slot with The Complete Stone Roses

This year The Burns an' a' That! Festival has created an exciting opportunity for local, emerging Scottish talent from Ayrshire and beyond with this new competition to win the support slot for the Complete Stone Roses on Saturday 2nd June. Whether you are an acoustic artist or in a band, the lucky winner(s) will play a 30 minute set in front of a packed festival crowd in Ayr Town Hall!

Submit bands and artists through www.facebook.com/pmmusicuk by sending a contact phone number, links to music and photos (MP3s, Facebook, Soundcloud, Reverbnation, etc) or video/youtube links (optional). If not already included on the links you send, also send a short 100 word biography on what you have been doing.

The competition is now open and will close on 1st May with the winners being announced on 14th May. Good Luck!



First Degree Burns

Date: 2 June 2012 **Time:** 7.30pm
Venue: RBBM, Alloway
Price: £5
www.burnsmuseum.org

Award winning singer songwriter Little Fire brings you a diverse and entertaining programme of live music and spoken word from some of Scotland's most talented artists and musicians.

Scotland's Greatest Album

Date: 2 June 2012 **Time:** 9pm - Midnight
Venue: The Courtyard Bar
Price: FREE

A night of great Scottish cover music from our house band (A Band Called Cadence) with music from artists such as The Proclaimers, Deacon Blue, Paolo Nutini, Stealers Wheel and Gerry Rafferty.

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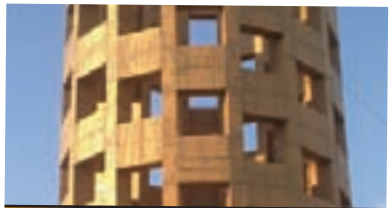
The Complete Stone Roses

Playing a pivotal role in the history of the indie music scene, The Completes, as they are known to their fans, play to rival even the original Stone Roses, recently reformed & enjoying a sell out tour.

Date: 2 June 2012
Time: Doors open 7.30pm
Venue: Ayr Town Hall
Location: Ayr
Price: £12.50 early bird 01292 290300
 £15 standing £18 seated 01292 269793
www.ticketweb.co.uk

Picnic in the Square

A very special Finale will take place on Sunday 3 June 1pm - 5pm in the outdoor arena of Wellington Square Gardens. There will be performance, entertainment and International artists, so bring your picnic blanket and enjoy a fabulous free family finale in the square!



Olivier Grossetête

Scottish Festival Exclusive! French artist Olivier Grossetête will be building Ayr a spectacular and unique work of art. With the help of local schoolchildren Olivier will assemble hundreds of cardboard bricks. In the past Olivier has used these bricks to make life size towers, bridges and even palaces. What has he got planned for Ayr?

You are invited to come and help Olivier build in Wellington Square Gardens by the seafront. The great thing is, once it's finished, you get to tear it all down.



Mischief La-Bas

Indulge yourself in Mischief La-Bas Festival of Fudge! An irreverent celebration of Fudge-related music, dance, literature and art. Featuring characters and artists currently spearheading the campaign for Fudge recognition, Festival of Fudge has delighted audiences old, young and toothless throughout the UK!



Big Rory and Ochie the Dog

Look out for Big Rory and Ochie the Dog who will be making a special visit to the Burns an' a' that! Festival. A giant Scotsman with his endearing giant dog Ochie, they're big characters too. People (and dogs) will fall in love with Ochie. They'll look adoringly into his eyes, give him a stroke and a cuddle. But watch out, he's a rascal and full of all sorts of surprises.



Fish Out of Water

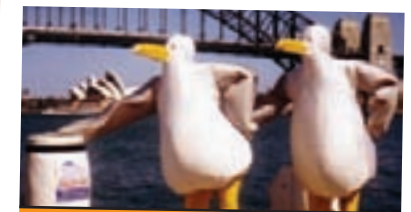
Conflux presents Fish Out Of Water at the Burns an' a' that! Festival 2012, a large-scale community project bringing up to 50 performers to our streets of Ayr to baffle, entertain and delight.

Spot the fantastical fish fandango, keep a look out for the Water Seekers in their quest for new species, discover the latest breakthroughs in the world of science from our inquisitive Aquasense scientists, get a glimpse of the rarely spotted Monkfish and Angelfish as they speed past, and make sure you stay clear of the Flipping Businessmen...



Musical Ruth

Musical Ruth and the amazing magical mobile piano is fun, daft and side splittingly funny. Musical Ruth uses comedy dance moves, facial contortions, crazy sound effects, many styles of music and hilarious banter making sure that nobody will forget the singing nun!



The Giant Seagulls

Totally surreal, with working beaks, they'll be rummaging in bags and pockets, stealing food from plates and picnic baskets, causing chaos as usual and squabbling amongst themselves. Shrieks of laughter follow them wherever they go.



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Lots more activity will be going on around the Picnic in the Square! Pop down to Place de Saint-Germain-en-Laye Gardens for performances, workshops and special appearances from the amazing Musichoir, check out the activity on Ayr's Low Green or pop into Wellingtons Bar for a cool drink & some live music!

Ghana Tent

Date: 3 June 2012 **Time:** 1pm - 5pm
Venue: Place de Saint-Germain-en-Laye
Price: FREE
www.panafricanartsscotland.org.uk

Visit the Ghana Tent as part of the Picnic in the Square and try out some Adinkra fabric printing, drumming and storytelling.

Burns an' a' that! Theatre Workshops

Date: 3 June 2012 **Time:** 1.30pm - 3pm
Venue: Place de Saint-Germain-en-Laye
Price: FREE
Reserve your place 0141 440 2025
info@hopscotchtheatre.com
www.hopscotchtheatre.com

Join Hopscotch Theatre for a Burns an' a' that! Drama Workshop.

Suitable for all ages. Delve into the drama of Burns' life, poetry and song with this fun and exciting workshop led by two Hopscotch Actors! Ask the man himself about what life was like in Ayrshire in the 18th century and be transformed into the characters from his poems!



Somewhereto

Date: 3 June 2012 **Time:** 1pm - 5pm
Venue: Place de Saint-Germain-en-Laye
Price: FREE
www.somewhereto.com

Somewhereto is a movement to liberate underused, disused and empty spaces in the UK and get everyone thinking creatively about their communities. We've helped thousands of young people find Somewhereto, do the things they love and unlocked over 400,000 square feet of space. And that's not counting the space we've helped young people claim in the digital world.

Run by Livity, in media partnership with Channel 4 Education, Somewhereto, is funded by Legacy Trust UK, creating a lasting impact from the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games by funding ideas and local talent to inspire creativity across the UK.

The Paisley Singer Songwriters

Date: 3 June 2012 **Time:** All afternoon
Venue: Wellingtons Bar
Price: FREE

The highly talented Paisley Singer Songwriters will perform all afternoon in Wellingtons Bar as part of the Picnic in the Square Finale.

Scottish Classic Motorcycle Show

Date: 3 June 2012 **Time:** 10am - 4pm
Venue: Ayr Racecourse, Ayr
Price: £5 (Accompanied Under 14s Free)
www.ayrclassicmc.com

Vintage, classic, and competition motorcycles and scooters, an exhibition of classic racing motorcycles from the Scottish Classic Racing Motorcycle Club, bike-jumble, trade stands and more for a fantastic family day out. **Don't miss our special town centre parade on Sat 2 June!**



The Red Hot Chilli Pipers WITH SUPPORT FROM COUNSELLED OUT

Date: 3 June 2012 **Time:** Doors open 7pm
Venue: Grounds of Adamton House, Monkton
Price: £15
Tickets: Thorne Travel
01294 559949 www.redhotchillipipers.co.uk

Bagpipes with attitude. Drums with a Scottish accent. A blazing rock band and a show so hot it carries its own health warning. The Red Hot Chilli Pipers have been rocking the world from New York to Beijing with musicianship of the highest order and a passion for pipes that will leave you breathless. Come and see for yourself on this outdoor stage the show that the whole world is talking about. **They will, they will rock you!**



Poetry Picnic

Date: 3 June 2012 **Time:** 12pm - 2pm
Venue: The Walled Garden, Culzean
Price: Included in Culzean Admission Fee
www.makarpress.co.uk

If you have never visited the beautiful Culzean Castle and Country Park then this would be a great day to do it. We invite you to bring along your own picnic lunch and come and listen to a selection of poetry and spoken word outside in the beautiful Walled Garden.

The Lowland Gathering

Date: 3 June 2012
Venue: Victory Park, Girvan
Price: FREE
www.girvanattractions.yolasite.com

If you are looking for tartan there is no need to head to the highlands, simply make your way to Girvan's Lowland Gathering where an abundance of pipe bands and highland dancers await. Mix in some fairground attractions, a wide open space to play and you have a great family day out.

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Sun 3 June

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This one-off gig specially created for this year's Burns an' a' that! invites James Grant and Friends to the stage to show off some of Scotland's best musical talent.

Our unique bill features master songsmith and guitarist James Grant of Love and Money who will be joined by long term sidekick and harmonica God Fraser Speirs, Chris Thomson of Friends Again and The Bathers, Grahame Skinner of Hipsway and Monica Queen, who collaborated, most notably, with Belle And Sebastian. This is an evening not to be missed, featuring new tracks, old favourites and a few surprises! This acoustic 'superband' will round off the Burns an' a' that! Festival in style!

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Venue: Ayr Town Hall

Location: Ayr

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Burns Brightly presents a programme of creative workshops, exhibitions and public participation ...

UZ Arts, who specialise in creating innovative work in unconventional venues, is proud to announce the launch of **Roofless**, Scotland's biggest, most ambitious new street arts programme, and South Ayrshire Council is delighted to be a partner in this national event. The **Roofless** programme for South Ayrshire, Burns Brightly takes its inspiration from **The Enlightenment** with events taking place across Ayr.

If you'd like to get involved, please contact UZ Arts on info@uzevents.com



One Road Leads to Another

Date: 30 May 2012 - 03 June 2012
Venue: St. Johns Tower
Location: Ayr
Price: FREE

Everyone enjoys a good walk. A relay of fifty people will be walking from Ballantrae to Barassie and creating art as they go.



Olivier Grossetête

The Festival will culminate in a spectacular sculpture, created by **Olivier Grossetête** and the public.

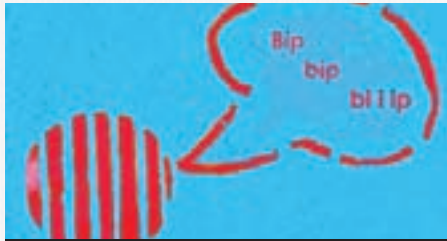
Olivier is renowned for his life size bridges, cathedrals and towers, all constructed from cardboard. UZ Arts are delighted that, with help from In-Situ and Creative Scotland, Ayr will have the opportunity to participate in Olivier's unique art form and make the launch of Roofless an unforgettable event.

This is part of a larger international project, which includes building a cardboard city in Marseille, the City of Culture in 2013.

Date: 3 June 2012
Time: 1pm - 5pm
Venue: Wellington Square Gardens
Location: Ayr
Price: FREE



Roofless Burns Brightly



Ayrbourne

Date: 03 June 2012

Venue: Wellington Square Gardens

Price: FREE

Ayrbourne, with artist **Jane Pitt**, harnesses sound in its fundamental acoustic form. Vibrations resound via ear, brain and mouth to conjure and compose potent, funny and uncanny reinventions of our everyday audio-scape.



Presence

Date: 3 June 2012

Venue: Wellington Square Gardens

Price: FREE

Musician and sound designer **Guy Veale** invites you to cross the threshold into a space transformed by sound, where familiar noises travel to unfamiliar places and return, woven into a beautiful soundscape reflecting elements of Ayrshire's rich natural and cultural heritage. This immersive environment will transport you "outside-in and inside-out" to different times and spaces, where boundaries gently dissolve and unite past with present, rural with urban, real with artificial.



Satellite Songs

Venue: See www.burnsfestival.com

Price: FREE

Burns was a prolific songwriter. He wanted his songs to bring people together, to enrich their community. **Paul Brunton** and **Findlay Napier** will workshop together with local singers to create a new work which will be performed across Ayrshire in a wave of song.



Poker Stoker

Venue: See www.burnsfestival.com

Price: FREE

Documentary film-maker **Ruth Carlaw** and artist / set designer **Gordon Rogers** will work with the local community to create a sculptural projection work: Poker Stoker.

This work refers to the debating clubs of the Enlightenment, forums for friendly but intense discussion, where many of the period's key philosophical and scientific figures met socially.

The work will take the form of a hearth in which fragmented imagery and the sound of debate is turned into flickering fire.

Roofless Burns Brightly



Café Talks

Date: Fri 1 June & Sun 3 June

Time: 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Venue: Su Casa

Price: FREE Reserve tickets via info@uzarts.com

Join in Café Talks at this lively town centre venue with speakers **Alistair Ogilvy** and **Alan Bissett**.

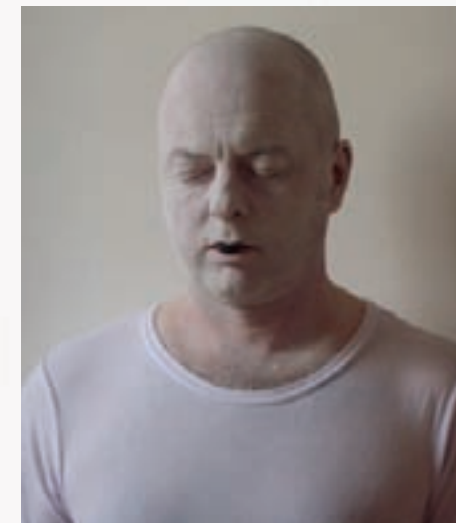
Alistair's roots are in song. He has been a finalist in the BBC Radio Scotland 'Young Traditional Musician Of The Year' Award in both 2011 and 2012 and last year won the Traditional Music And Song Association's 'Young Singer Of Merit'. Now his music is played worldwide. Through song **Alistair** loves to reflect on history, whilst making it relevant to the present day. **Alistair's** highly acclaimed debut album is 'Leaves sae green'.

Alan Bissett is a novelist, playwright and performer. In 2011 he was named Glenfiddich Spirit of Scotland Writer of the Year. His 'one-woman show', The Moira Monologues, which toured Scotland to great acclaim, is now in development with the BBC. Novels include Boyracers (2001), The Incredible Adam Spark (2005), Death of a Ladies' Man (2009) and most recently, Pack Men (2011) which Irvine Welsh called a 'landmark in Scottish fiction'. **Alan's** short film 'The Shutdown', has won awards at several major international film festivals and been shortlisted for a Scottish BAFTA.

Diane Torr is a performance artist working in dance, drag king performance, installation, film and video.

Originally from Aberdeen, Scotland, after graduating from Dartington College of Arts, England, **Diane** moved to New York in 1976. Over 30 years, **Diane Torr** developed her artistic career as an integral part of New York's lively downtown art scene. **Diane** now lives and works in Glasgow where she has a studio and continues her performance art practice. She is a visiting lecturer at Glasgow School of Art.

Diane will deliver a lively and interesting talk - **one not to be missed.**



Project Postscript

Venue: See www.burnsfestival.com

Price: FREE

These days there are so many ways for us all to keep in touch. Email, text or the good old fashioned letter.

Artist and writer **Jim Colquhoun** will, over a course of workshops, be encouraging people to express their feelings and experiences on a wide range of topics, from the personal to the political. The results will be compiled by **Jim** and displayed as part of the Burns Festival.

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