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Festival Programme

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Children's Festival



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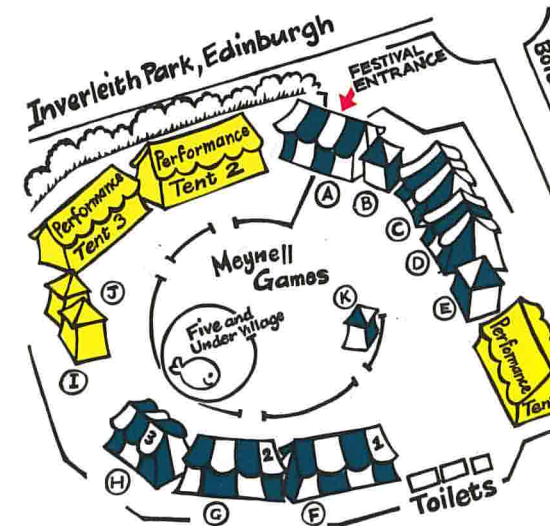
We hope you enjoy your visit to the UK's largest Festival for children. Bring your friends and make a day of it.

Duncan Low

Duncan Low
Festival Director



Hosting performers of the 1994 Festival



The Festival Site is fully wheelchair accessible.

Key to Map

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 (K) Face Painting

FESTIVAL OPENING TIMES

Monday to Friday	10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday	10.30 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Our postal address is:
The Scottish International Children's Festival,
22 Laurie Street, Edinburgh, EH6 7AB.
Phone: 031-554 6297 (Admin)
031-553 7700 (Box Office)

The Festival is grateful to Marks and Spencer for their sponsorship of the Teacher's Packs for the 1994 Festival

MARKS & SPENCER

Performances



Mr Boom FESTIVAL CONCERT

Scotland All Ages 60 mins

Mr Boom's back! He enjoys the Festival so much that he's written us a special song. Join him on his latest mission to Earth, learn our song, and sing the old favourites too.

TENT 1

DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Mon	1.30 pm	7
Mon	3.30 pm	10
Tues	3.30 pm	24
Wed	3.30 pm	40
Fri	3.30 pm	69
Sat	12.00 pm	78
Sun	12.00 pm	93
Sun	4.00 pm	100

Heather Bishop THE BELLY BUTTON SHOW

Canada All Ages 50 mins



When Heather Bishop takes the stage, she electrifies her audience with a powerful mix of fantasy and fun. One of North America's most popular singer/songwriters, she takes her fans on a rollercoaster ride from folk to rap, from the Belly Button Song to the Alligator Waltz. Learn some of the songs before you come. Limited number of free tapes available to groups. Please indicate if required when booking.

TENT 1

DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Thurs	3.30 pm	54
Sat	4.00 pm	86
Sun	10.30 am	90
Sun	2.00 pm	98

Performances

This mad mix of fun, fact and fiction is guaranteed to make sure you never look at museums – or history – in quite the same way again.

History is all around us – from dinosaur bones to daggers, from medieval castles to museums. In this exciting drama, stories from the past leap into life as Stuarts mix with Saxons, Vikings mingle with Victorians – and even the odd dinosaur puts in an appearance.

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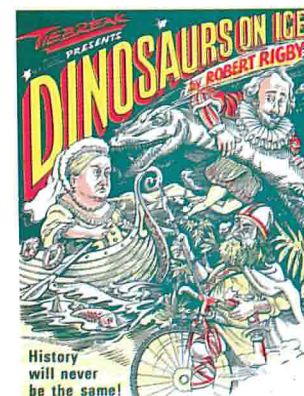
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DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Fri	12.00 pm	63
Fri	1.30 pm	66
Sat	10.30 am	75
Sat	3.00 pm	84*
Sun	1.30 pm	96*

*Tent 2

Tiebreak Theatre DINOSAURS ON ICE

England 7yrs-11yrs 45 mins



The Royal National Theatre THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW

UK 5yrs-9yrs 60 mins



Rebellious Jenny and her sister Alice live in a armchair. Not as strange as it sounds – their armchair is as big as a house! They must rescue their baby brother from the far-off Land of Music. Fairies are wicked, witches are good... *does everyone live happily ever after?*

"A rich, rewarding production... my five year old wants to see it again." Time Out

teachers' pack

TENT 1

DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Mon	10.00 am	1
Tues	10.00 am	15
Tues	12.00 pm	18
Wed	10.00 am	30
Wed	12.00 pm	33
Thurs	10.00 am	45
Thurs	12.00 pm	48
Sat	2.00 pm	83
Sat	6.30 pm	87

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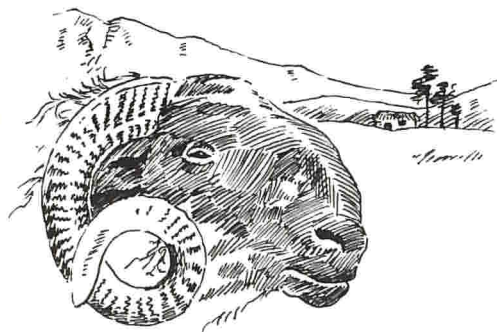
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Baldy Bane Theatre Company ISLAND EARTH.NO MORE

Scotland 7yrs-11yrs 50 mins



Where will they go? How will they survive?

Ruaraidh McDonald's family have lived on Skye for generations. Now they're being cleared off the land by their landlord. To make way for sheep.

Poetry, music and song recreate the atmosphere of life in the highlands and islands during the Highland Clearances.

teachers' pack

TENT 1		
DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Mon	12.00 pm	4
Tues	1.30 pm	21
Wed	1.30 pm	36
Thurs	1.30 pm	51
Fri	10.00 am	60

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SCOTTISH TELEVISION

WORLD PREMIERE This multimedia show looks at the issue of drug and solvent abuse among young people; the highs and lows, peer pressure and the law. The play has been written in co-operation with the Community Development Team of Lothian & Borders Police and the Lothian Health Board. CATCH Theatre Company are supported by the Scottish Office to tour social and health issue based projects.

WINNER OF THE 1994 MACKINTOSH COMMISSION an award funded by the Mackintosh Foundation which enables the Festival to commission a new Scottish production each year.

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TENT 2		
DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Wed	1.30 pm	37*
Thurs	1.30 pm	52*
Fri	12.00 pm	64
Fri	1.30 pm	67

*includes post-performance discussion (½ hr.)

CATCH Theatre Company OUT OF YOUR FACE

Scotland 9yrs-13yrs 60 mins



Turak Theatre THE THEATRE OF OBJECTS

France 6yrs-11yrs 50 mins

Step into a new world, and eavesdrop on the secret life of domestic appliances – where vacuum cleaners talk to broomsticks and car headlights. Don't miss this rare opportunity to see truly extraordinary theatre for young people. Limited number of performances so book early!

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TENT 2		
DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Mon	10.00 am	2
Mon	12.00 pm	5
Tues	10.00 am	16
Tues	12.00 pm	19



Shipwrecked on a desert island! How would you survive? Could you share your island with someone else? The story of Robinson and Friday is retold using drums, xylophones and a giant pendulum. What happens when master and servant swap roles: does chaos reign or is there a compromise?

teachers' pack

TENT 2		
DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Wed	10.00 am	31
Wed	12.00 pm	34
Thurs	10.00 am	46
Thurs	12.00 pm	49
Fri	3.30 pm	70
Sat	10.30 am	76
Sat	12.00 pm	79
Sun	10.30 am	91

TAM Teatromusica ROBINSON CRUSOE

Italy 7yrs-11yrs 55 mins



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The Reds and the Blues are separated by a wall built to stop their constant fighting. By accident Simp (a red) meets Bluey (a blue), and they strike up a friendship. But they are soon discovered, and the wall they had begun to dismantle is rebuilt. How will the story end? Peacemaker, by David Holman, is one of the most successful plays ever written for young people. Celebrating its tenth anniversary, the play's powerful message about breaking down barriers remains extremely relevant.

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TENT 2		
DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Mon	1.30 pm	8
Tues	1.30 pm	22
Fri	10.00 am	61
Sat	1.30 pm	81
Sun	12.00 pm	94

Visible Fictions PEACEMAKER

Scotland 5yrs-8yrs 50 mins



"I can draw pictures. I can't draw that. I can't draw... I'm hopeless".

In Feeling Fine, Pop-Up tackle the theme of self esteem with style. Using imaginative sets, original music and a physical style of performance they create a fast-moving, entertaining drama.

Innovation and visual sparkle are the hallmark of this respected theatre company.

"This is a rare treat for young ones, a combination of stylishness with sensitivity in a show that is bursting with gentle messages" Times Educational Supplement

teachers' pack

TENT 3		
DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Mon	3.30 pm	11
Tues	10.00 am	17
Tues	12.00 pm	20
Thurs	12.00 pm	50
Thurs	1.30 pm	53
Fri	1.30 pm	68

Pop-Up Theatre FEELING FINE

England 3yrs-7yrs 50 mins



Smala et Cie THE LITTLE BEAR THAT FELL IN LOVE WITH THE MOON

France 3yrs-6yrs 40 mins

Brrrr! It's been a long cold snowy winter, and the little bear has been asleep for ages. Spring comes along, and his mother wakes him up. Off they go to play their favourite game – hide and seek with the moon. Find out how the little bear makes the moon laugh, and discover where stars come from.



TENT 3		
DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Mon	10.00 am	3
Mon	12.00 pm	6
Wed	10.00 am	32
Wed	12.00 pm	35
Fri	10.00 am	62
Fri	12.00 pm	65
Sat	10.30 am	77
Sat	12.00 pm	80
Sun	10.30 am	92
Sun	12.00 pm	95

Teater Pero ORJAN, THE EAGLE AFRAID OF HEIGHTS

Sweden 5yrs-9yrs 45 mins

Imagine an eagle afraid to fly! Orjan is full of dreams – fighting crocodiles in Africa, jumping with kangaroos in Australia – but he is too scared of heights to fly. Will he overcome his fear and soar through the air as all young eagles should? Acrobatics, music and comedy combine to produce a magical performance. Young audiences will sympathise with Orjan and will dare him on.



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TENT 3		
DAY	TIME	EVENT NO.
Mon	1.30 pm	9
Tues	1.30 pm	23
Wed	1.30 pm	38
Wed	3.30 pm	39
Thurs	10.00 am	47
Fri	3.30 pm	71
Sat	1.30 pm	82
Sat	3.00 pm	85
Sun	1.30 pm	97
Sun	3.00 pm	99

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performance tents



Introducing the new BP Performance Area. Over 100 performances for all ages – music, puppetry, mime, storytelling, acrobatics and theatre.

All Tickets £2.00

BP Tent 1 Africa Tent

All Ages
Mon - Fri 10.30, 11.30, 12.30, 1.30, 2.30
Sat & Sun 10.30, 11.30, 12.30, 1.30, 2.30, 3.30

Resounding with the rhythms of Africa, this tent will take you on an exploration of the continent. A myriad of stories and tales are brought to life by performers and musicians from The Project for African Arts and Culture, a group based in London aiming to develop knowledge and understanding of African Arts.



BP Tent 2 Eduardo Sanchez

All Ages
Mon - Sun 12.15 & 2.15

Exhilarating acrobatics and mystifying mime. The Peruvian performer Eduardo Sanchez is renowned for his effortless rapport with young audiences.

Magic Bob

All Ages Mon - Fri 11.15 & 1.15



Scotland's favourite magician makes his first appearance at the Festival. Crazy, colourful and comic, he appeals to children (and adults) of all ages and abilities.

Baldy Bane Theatre Company

THE NINE LIVES OF RODDY HOGG

Age 9 - 13 years
Mon - Thu 10.15 Fri 12.15

Roddy is witty, cool and feels that nothing can touch him. His fooling around has never got him into any real trouble. But dramatic events soon change Roddy's life for ever. In association with Scottish Road Safety Campaign.



Classic Buskers

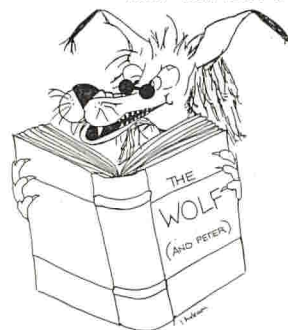
All Ages
Sat & Sun 1.15 & 3.15

Classical music without the boring bits! Flutes, piccolos, panpipes, a monstrous crumhorn, an electric saxophone and even a rubber chicken - all accompanied by a bright yellow accordion in a high speed assault on the classics.

BP Tent 3 The Wolf and Peter

THE MOVING GOALPOST JAZZ ORCHESTRA

All Ages
Mon - Sun 12.00 & 2.00



Commissioned by
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Find out why ducks practise the trombone in secret, and what wolves play on their walkman. Now you are old enough to be told the facts of jazz! As the title suggests, this is a fresh look at an old story, rewritten for Big Band and narrator. Starting with the premise that Jazz, Pop and Prokofiev all use the same musical language, it aims to introduce children to many of the "classic" jazz styles, while encouraging them to listen to music of every style and source.

CATCH theatre company workshops

10 - 13 years
Mon & Tue 10.00

"Out of Your Face", a play commissioned by the Festival, takes a frank look at the dangers and problems of drug and solvent abuse in teenagers. Developed in association with the play, these workshops encourage young people to examine the problem for themselves and to draw their own conclusions. NB Workshop places are available to all groups. It is not necessary, to have seen "Out of Your Face".

The Emperor's New Clothes

LOTHIAN REGION THEATRE IN EDUCATION TEAM
FROM DR BELL'S DRAMA CENTRE

5 - 8 years Mon - Fri 11.00

An action-packed production of the classic story where innocence and wisdom triumph over vanity and pride. Live actors and puppets combine to tell the tale.

Celtic Tales

IAN TURBITT'S PUPPET THEATRE

All Ages Mon & Tue 1.00
Wed - Fri 10.00 & 1.00 Sat & Sun 11.00 & 1.00



Giant McHooligan, a gentle dragon and a proud king are among the cast of characters brought alive by Ian Turbitt. Celtic Tales draws on Scotland's rich tradition of folk song and storytelling.



performance tents



exhibitions

Cabaret Mechanical Theatre

All Ages Admission Free

Come and see The Great Fish Tank in The Sky, The Goat at the Piano and a Ski-ing Dog! A selection of beautifully crafted and whacky interactive exhibits from the Cabaret Mechanical Theatre based in Covent Garden in London.



Treasure Island Tent

THE EDINBURGH CITY
MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Admission Free All Ages

Help us celebrate the centenary of Robert Louis Stevenson, the author of "Treasure Island", by creating an art exhibition in the Treasure Island Tent.

Paint a pirate, draw a treasure map, design a book cover or create an island. Try making your own pirate gear, or dress up as Long John Silver and have your friends paint your portrait.

Your work will be displayed and you have the chance to win a prize.



on-site events

Go monster mad

THE EDINBURGH CITY LIBRARIES

All Ages Admission Free
Monday to Saturday only

Beastly books and creepy characters, monster masks and blood curdling colouring ins. Visit the Horror Corner. Beware of the Slimy Buckets! Lots of terrifying goings-on in the Library Tent for large and small Monster lovers. Plus the "Books Go Everywhere in Scotland" display, presented by the Book Trust Scotland and the Edinburgh Book Festival.

Archipelago

10 months to 3 years
20 mins
Free

Pre-booking advised
10.30, 12.30 & 2.30
Sunday 29th May only

Informal theatre for the very young. This specially designed performance incorporating music and movement provides an amazing introduction to theatre.

Five and Under Village

Mon-Fri - Admission Free Sat & Sun - 50p

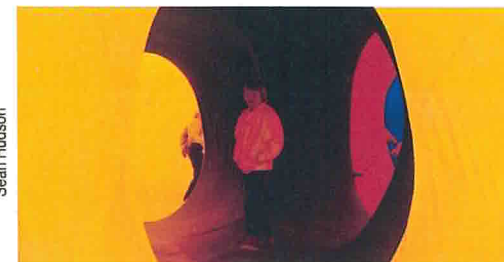
A friendly, safe environment for our younger visitors.

Waldo the Whale



He's back. Walk into Waldo, our 50ft long inflatable whale.

Colour Maze



Sean Hudson

Walk through a rainbow of colours in this specially designed maze.

Dragon Ballpond

Dive into our friendly dragon.

Bouncy Rainforest

Too much energy? Tire yourself out with a good bounce.

Sean Hudson

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Passports

Children should remember to pick up their Post Office Passport! These are available from the Box Office in advance, or at the Festival site. They contain space for personal details, interesting facts and figures, and a special competition. To enter the passport competition simply post your entry in the Post box on site.

The Paint Factory 50p

Face painting fun at the Festival.

Want to be Batman, a tiger, or a princess? You name it, you'll get it!



Sean Hudson

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Roll on a giant ball, bounce on a parachute ... go on, give it a try. High energy antics with Meynell Games and their professional playworkers.

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on-site events

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book now!

Performance Tickets £2.50 / £3.50
BP Tickets £2.00



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In Person:

7th - 21st May 1994

Waterstone's Bookshop
83 George Street, Edinburgh
Sun - Fri 11.30 am - 4.30 pm
Sat 9.30 am - 4.30 pm

22nd - 29th May 1994

Festival Site,
Inverleith Park, Edinburgh
Mon - Sun
9.30 am - 4.00 pm



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EARLY BOOKING OFFER (before 22nd May)

Book one show - All tickets £2.50

Book for two or more shows - All tickets £2.00

A PREVIEW PRICE OF £2.00 IS AVAILABLE FOR ALL MONDAY 10.00 am SHOWS

All shows are subject to change or cancellation. No refunds or exchanges on tickets. Photography, food, drinks, smoking and sound or video recording are not permitted in theatres. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes before the performance start time.

Festival Staff

Festival Director : Duncan Low
Administrator : Katie Stuart, Vina Oberlander
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mailing list

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