## Films about Edinburgh

We have just discovered the wonderful Panamint website where you can buy really old films about Edinburgh on DVD, and some of them are even in Blu-Ray format.

- Remembering Edinburgh's Cinemas, narrated by one Neil Connery (shurely not?) The DVD includes: Curtain Up the history of the Playhouse from 1929 to 2004, including a film of Laurel and Hardy's visit to Edinburgh in 1932; Edinburgh's Silver Screens a revised version of the video release; and Matinee Memories a trip down memory lane for those who remember the Saturday matinee, based on an exhibition in the Museum of Childhood.
- Steps beside The Balmoral Hotel. And would you believe there is a film named after the steps themselves? Waverley Steps, John Eldridge's classic view of Edinburgh in 1948 produced for the first Edinburgh International Film Festival, makes its DVD debut. Centered around a day in the life of a railway fireman and other residents of Edinburgh. Recorded using location sound it offers a fly-on-the-wall view of Edinburgh life in a more leisurely era long gone. One of the classic documentaries. You can see a clip from the film here on The Scottish Screen Archive pages....

You can buy these on the <u>Panamint</u> website and if you spend over £20 by 9 January you will get a discount!