

Edinburgh has a new brass band



Edinburgh has a new addition to its already colourful music scene.

Edinburgh Brass Band is a newly formed community band based right in the heart of the capital. Its first practice will be from 7pm to 9pm on Friday 13 April 2012 in St John's Church Hall (West End of Princes Street), and welcomes brass players of all abilities.

The purpose of Edinburgh Brass Band is to provide a fun, vibrant and sociable atmosphere, where players of all standards can come together and play brass music, without a strong emphasis on competing. Instead, Edinburgh Brass Band hope to undertake frequent performances in a range of settings, from charity and community events to full concerts.

The Edinburgh Brass Band committee is made up of members of local bands from a range of sections (Championship to non-contesting), all of whom felt that there was both space and desire for a brass band in central Edinburgh. The new band will follow in the footsteps of the once great City of Edinburgh Band which has long since disbanded, leaving the closest brass band for many well outside the city limits.

Band President Thomas Henderson says: "Edinburgh has had a proud history of brass music, which can be seen today in the number and quality of bands surrounding Edinburgh. Our aim in setting up Edinburgh Brass band was not to compete with these bands, but to offer brass players another opportunity to get together and play music in a sociable environment right in the heart of the city."

The band will be conducted by Mark Bell and will rehearse on Friday evenings from 7-9pm in St John's Church Hall, on the corner of Lothian Road and Princes Street with our first

practice on Friday 13th April 2012. We welcome all brass and percussion players to come along and join us.

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