

# Henderson's Food Festival launched today



*Henderson's 50/50 Food Festival – A 50 Day Celebration of 50 Years in Edinburgh*

Scotland's newest food festival is to be a 50 day celebration of vegetarian institution, Henderson's of Edinburgh. Running from May 26th to July 14th the festival programme is filled with fun, food events, including an ethical wine fair, a Hawaii Five-0 themed pop-up restaurant and family friendly activities. The Henderson's 50/50 Food Festival captures the spirit of founder and healthy eating trailblazer Janet Henderson who would have been 100 this year. Founded in 1963, Henderson's revolutionised healthy eating in Scotland, and what started as small shop selling fresh produce from Janet and Mac Henderson's farm in 1963 expanded to include an onsite bakery, a bistro and two restaurants that has served over a million customers.

Festival highlights include: Back to '63 – the Festival Launch Party, a fun fancy dress feast of 60s food and drink; Henderson's Goes to Hawaii at a secret beach-front location featuring brilliant food with a tropical touch, live music, bonfires, bright colours and a whole lot of hula and Vegetarian Speed Dining which has diners enjoy a 5 course menu changing seats every course getting to meet new people as well as discovering delicious dishes. These are just the tip of the iceberg lettuce however, with the full programme featuring guest chefs, barbecues, exhibitions, fun run frolics and much more.

Speaking at the launch of the festival, restaurant partners Catherine and Oliver Henderson said:- 'When she first threw open the door to Henderson's Salad Table in Spring 1963, our mother Janet could hardly have dreamt that millions of people would walk through that door over the next five decades. Back then, Henderson's were pioneers in championing healthy, local, seasonal food so in that respect we haven't changed at all.

This year also marks the centenary of her birth so we've plenty to celebrate. Our motto 'Eat Better Live Better' is all about good food, spending time with the family and having fun so we're proud to mark our half century with a 50-day festival that has something delicious and enjoyable for everyone.'

## Listings Information

Henderson's 50/50 Food Festival

May 26 – July 14

Various locations across Edinburgh

Full details and ticket information at [www.hendersons50.com](http://www.hendersons50.com)  
from Wednesday 27th March



Henderson's Restaurant launched its 50th anniversary food festival today with an impromptu picnic on the bonnet of a sexy bright orange 1960s Reliant Scimitar. Festival Director Simon Preston dons a Hawaiian shirt in a nod to festival event Henderson's goes to Hawaii and is joined by a Henderson's staff member Rosalind Main in 60's running gear limbering up for the Nifty at Fifty fun run.

