

# Edinburgh Jazz & Blues Festival – tickets on sale now



Tickets go on sale this morning for perhaps the coolest Festival of all those which take place each year in Edinburgh.

Headline acts include: Jools Holland, Eric Burdon, Pharoah Sanders, Tia Fuller, Champion Fulton, Snarky Puppy, Mud Morganfield, Ghostpoet, Duke Ellington's Sacred Concert, The Three Bs (Chris Barber, Acker Bilk and Keith Ball) and many more.

The Edinburgh Jazz & Blues Festival has announced a world-class line-up for [the 2013 Festival](#), held from 19th-28th July at venues across the city. All tickets go on sale today, with special offers for early bird purchases.

Expect unique artistic collaborations, cutting edge performers, funk and dance-fused sounds, timeless jazz favourites, intense art, total relaxation and a good time for all! There'll be fun-packed nights at Festival Theatre, a party atmosphere at the Spiegel tent and show-stopping performances at the Queen's Hall. The Festival will be setting up a cool, new modern jazz club at 3 Bristo Place.

Brand new Festival elements this year include Cross the Tracks, a new strand that throws the spotlight on contemporary, underground music influenced by jazz. Participating artists include Hidden Orchestra, Submotion Orchestra and Ghostpoet. Plus the Tron Kirk will transform into a new 'Festival hub' – a club that will open at 10am and run through to late evening with a grand array of performers from contemporary jazz via Edinburgh heroes to vintage jazz.

The Festival also gets the summer 'Festival Season' started in a blaze of colour and beats, taking the music to the streets and parks of Edinburgh with the Mardi Gras on Saturday 20th July and the second ever Edinburgh Festival Carnival on Sunday 21st July.

Brian Fallon, Chair of the Edinburgh Jazz and Blues Festival says, "We're bringing back the energy and feeling of a real festival, concentrated and fun."

Featuring 146 concerts, performers from six continents and live music over 10 days, the Jazz and Blues Festival asks audiences to come along and start their Edinburgh Festival party in style!

### 2013 Festival Highlights

- The Edinburgh Jazz Festival Orchestra presents the inspirational Sacred Concert by Duke Ellington.
- Great American singer Champion Fulton makes her festival debut, headlining a programme of young musicians playing older styles of jazz.
- The Festival celebrates Muddy Water's Centenary with a special concert featuring his eldest son, Mud Morganfield.
- The Three Bs, with Chris Barber, Acker Bilk and Keith Ball, perform in the year when the legendary Kenny Ball passed away.

### 2013 Ticket Information

Tickets are available from:

- [www.edinburghjazzfestival.com](http://www.edinburghjazzfestival.com)
- The Hub: 0131 473 2000 or in person from Castlehill, Edinburgh, EH1 2NE.

Photo of Tia Fuller by Kieran Dodds