Beltane Fire Festival getting ready for the big night



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On Saturday afternoon, performers from the Beltane Fire Society held a busk in Hunter Square giving a preview of what's to come at the Beltane Fire Festival this Thursday 30 April.

The Beltane Fire Festival itself will take place on Calton Hill. Gates open at 8pm and the performance begins as the sun sets.



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The event involves more than 200 volunteers, enacting a modern take on the ancient Celtic festival welcoming the start of summer, with drums, fire dancing, costumes, physical theatre and the ceremonial lighting of a bonfire.

Tickets and more information available from http://www.beltane.org.

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