

Edinburgh Festival Fringe – ready for August



The Edinburgh Festival Fringe is back with an innovative, international and adventurous festival, bound to provide many unforgettable moments for festival goers travelling to Scotland's capital city from all around the world. With theatre, dance, circus, physical theatre, comedy, music, musicals, opera, cabaret and variety, children's shows, free shows, exhibitions, events and spoken word on offer, there truly is something for everyone. And something new for everyone to experience.

2015 will include 50,459 performances of 3,314 shows from 49 countries in 313 venues across Edinburgh. The number of shows reflects a 3.8% increase on last year's programme, with 14 new venues becoming involved in the Fringe from across the city.



Kath M Mainland, Chief Executive of The Edinburgh Festival Fringe Society said: "It's great to be launching the 2015 Edinburgh Festival Fringe programme.

"The Edinburgh Festival Fringe is the largest, oldest, most well renowned festival in the world.

"Every year we think we know what it's going to deliver, but every year it surprises, delights, amazes and inspires. The Fringe is a festival like no other. Completely open access – where artists don't need to wait for an invitation, where anyone with a story to tell is welcome. Where there's no curator, no vetting, no barriers. Just incredible talent from almost fifty countries all over the world.

"It's also an incredibly important festival for Scotland, the

UK and our performing artists. A vital platform to showcase the range and diversity of creative skills on offer. A profoundly international market place which can have transformative effects on careers. An explosion of culture which can be life changing for the audience. And lots and lots of fun.

“I can’t wait for the 2015 Edinburgh Festival Fringe to start and look forward to welcoming the participants and audiences to this great festival city in August.”

Here is the full programme below. Get a cup of coffee first though! It will take you a while to read it. And remember there is a Fringe App which makes life a little easier during August.



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