

What's on in Edinburgh on St Andrew's Day?



Visitors to Camera Obscura & World of Illusions in Edinburgh were seeing double as twins Max and Oscar Lithgow (age 2) took to the roof of Camera Obscura to check out some of the different events and activities taking place in Edinburgh for St Andrew's Day.

In addition to Camera Obscura & World of Illusions, which is offering free child entry until 30 November, there are 47 other offers across Edinburgh and the Lothians Day including 2 for 1 on surf lessons at Coast2Coast Surf School and free child entry at The Royal Yacht Britannia.

As well as the offers available, Edinburgh will be holding its own St Andrew's Day celebrations in St Andrew Square today as part of Scotland's Winter Festivals. The free event will feature the best Scottish music, poetry and dance with performances from The Whisky Hearts, Blazin' Fiddles and Liz Lochhead.



Twins Max and Oscar Lithgow (3) help to promote St Andrews Day activities at Camera Obscura,
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As part of Scotland's Winter Festivals celebrations, the Virgin Money Street of Light will give people the opportunity to enjoy a major new free event for the Edinburgh Christmas Season. Launching on St Andrew's Day itself tomorrow, the Virgin Money Street of Light is an architectural installation of over 60,000 lights stretching along the Royal Mile, set to music from Edinburgh choirs.

Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Europe and External Affairs, Fiona Hyslop, said: “St Andrew’s Day is going to be bigger than ever before with a huge range of events taking place in the lead up to our national day. I’d encourage people across Edinburgh, The Lothians and beyond to get together to celebrate and get involved in the programme.

“The celebrations are part of the Scottish Government’s Winter Festivals programme which this year has been provided with a record £390,000 of funding to support 21 key cultural events in 15 local authority areas across the country.”

Andrew Johnson, Director and Manager of Camera Obscura and World of Illusions added: “There are lots of great things to do in Scotland over the winter. Here at Camera Obscura & World of Illusions, it’s a great time to visit, with beautiful winter light for our Periscope Show, and prime location for seeing the city’s Christmas lights from our rooftop chamber. We’re also opening an hour later Friday to Sunday this winter – till 7pm – to accommodate growing numbers taking advantage of our kids go free St Andrews Day offer. “

Scotland’s Winter Festivals is a programme of events which will run across Scotland in the lead up to St Andrew’s Day, through Christmas and Hogmanay, to Burns Night to promote and showcase Scotland as a modern and creative nation with a rich heritage. The programme will provide an opportunity to celebrate the best in Scottish music, arts, food and drink.

To find out what’s going on in your area and download vouchers for your St Andrew’s Day out visit www.scotland.org/standrewsday