## What's on in Edinburgh? Christmas events in the Grassmarket

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Edinburgh's Greater Grassmarket Business Improvement District (BID) has told us about its programme of family-friendly festive events which will take place this weekend.

The entertainment will include a live brass band, acoustic musicians and fire theatre shows in addition to its Christmas market. The events take place on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 12pm – 6pm.

The Greater Grassmarket Christmas Community Stage will welcome family-friendly performances from Ashlee Elf, Brass Gumbo, Rug Tom Cat Show and an acoustic musician showcase from Totally Sound Youth Music Project.













The Grassmarket will be lit up by show-stopping fire performances by Pyro Celtica(4.30pm) followed by rousing and 'gloriously loud' performances by the Harbingers Drum Crew as well as Winter Fire Group featuring 'flame-taming, glitter-soaked team fire monsters', part of the Beltane Fire Society (5pm – 6pm) on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

The Greater Grassmarket's Christmas market will run Friday – Sunday from 10am – 6pm, selling Christmas trees, festive Scottish produce, gifts and locally-made arts and crafts. There will also be a 'foodie haven' where guests can enjoy street food.

Norrie Stewart, Grassmarket BID Project Manager, says: "Christmas in the Greater Grassmarket is a fun-filled day out for the whole family. It's the perfect place to do your Christmas shopping with the wide-range of independent boutique shops for that unique gift. As well as the fantastic events, families can enjoy delicious food from the market and various cafes and restaurants, and adults can even soak up the festive atmosphere with a glass of mulled wine."