## Da Vinci Code screenings — on location

Tickets have gone on sale for two special outdoor screenings of The Da Vinci Code, taking place later this year beside Rosslyn Chapel. The Chapel was one of the film's locations and the screenings mark the 10th anniversary of its release.

Two outdoor screenings will be held on Friday 23 September and Saturday 24 September in the grounds of Collegehill House, adjacent to Rosslyn Chapel. They are sponsored by Quilter Cheviot and supported by Film Mobile.

Based on the best-selling novel by Dan Brown, The Da Vinci Code was released on 19 May 2006, and featured Tom Hanks and Audrey Tautou as the main characters. Filming took place at Rosslyn Chapel, in Midlothian, in September 2005 and brought the 15th century Chapel to worldwide prominence. Following the filming at Rosslyn Chapel, Tom Hanks wrote: 'Few locations on a film are more delightful and few destinations live up to their billing, so to speak, but Rosslyn was all that one could imagine or hope for.'

Ian Gardner, Director of Rosslyn Chapel Trust, said: 'The Da Vinci Code has had a profound impact on the profile of Rosslyn Chapel. Visitor numbers grew from around 35,000 to over 176,000 per year at their peak, with income from these visitors helping the Trust to complete a major conservation project at the 15th-century Chapel. Our visitor research shows that the book and film are still very influential, with 46% of visitors saying that The Da Vinci Code was one of the factors which encouraged them to visit.'

Tickets for the screenings are limited and are available from the Chapel website — <a href="http://www.rosslynchapel.com">http://www.rosslynchapel.com</a>.

Attendees will be invited to bring picnics, rugs or garden

chairs; no seating will be provided.

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