

Five things you need to know today



- **Paolo Nutini to headline Edinburgh's Hogmanay**
- **Community Council elections**
- **A Play, A Pie and a Pint at Traverse Theatre**
- **Flash Fiction competition**
- **FashionABLE event taking place at Waverley Station**

It is only 10 years since his iconic album *These Streets* was released, and now in his one and only festival appearance of 2016 he will appear at the Concert in the Gardens at Edinburgh's Hogmanay.

The team at Unique Events have pulled off a minor coup in bringing such a high value Scottish star to Edinburgh to finish off the year, but the three day festival has much more to offer than just music.

There will be dancing in Parliament Square with two open air live stages featuring traditional Scottish music, ceilidh performances from Kilter and HotScotch with 'Ceilidh Makers' ensuring that everyone knows the moves. There will be singing at the Candlelit Concert in St Giles.

Nothing stops at midnight on Hogmanay, but there will be a huge fireworks display at the Midnight Moment as the sky is lit up above Edinburgh Castle.

The party in the street starts from 7:00pm and once it is over the free Hogmanay NightBus services will take you home again. The bus services are provided by Lothian Buses and supported by Diageo. Last year over 18,000 people used the bus to get home.

All celebrations will end with The Final Fling on 1 January at

5.30pm at the National Museum of Scotland.

The new thing this year will be Sprogmanay which is all sorts of fun for children over the three days. It will mainly be held in the Museum.

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Remember that the deadline for nominations for the community council elections is 25 September 2016. Why would you want to become a community councillor? We spoke to Andrew Brough the secretary of Tollcross Community Council and he explained how he thinks it makes a difference.

What does a community councillor do? We spoke to Andrew Brough of [@TollcrossCC](#) to find out! Nominations close 26 Sept. pic.twitter.com/OWuDzHENep

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A Play, A Pie and a Pint is coming to the Traverse Theatre at the beginning of October.

A ticket costs £12.50 and literally gets you all three ingredients! Beginning on 4 October with Breaking the Ice by Kieran Lynn there is a selection of five plays to keep you amused at lunchtime and on the Friday evening of each week at

7pm for the whole month.

[Breaking the Ice](#) By Kieran Lynn

Director Tony Cownie

Tue 4 – Sat 8 Oct, 1pm; Fri 7 Oct, 1pm & 7pm

The Arctic is in danger and the only thing that can save it is bureaucracy – but the man with the speech to do it has spilt yogurt on his suit, left his speech at the breakfast buffet and been kidnapped by militant activists. Can he make it back to the podium before it's too late?

[Mischief](#) By Ellie Stewart

Director Gerda Stevenson

Tue 11 – Sat 15 Oct, 1pm; Fri 14 Oct, 1pm & 7pm

Ronnat and Brigid live alone on a tiny island where they trade with the monastery across the water. The delicate equilibrium of their lives is threatened when a man washes up on the beach seeking work and shelter.

[Walking On Walls](#) By Morna Pearson

Director Rosie Kellagher

Tue 18 – Sat 22 Oct, 1pm; Fri 21 Oct, 1pm & 7pm

When Claire was little she'd pretend she was Superman. Now she's an adult who hates the litter, graffiti and drugs in her town and is on a mission to clean up. Tonight, however, she might find more than she bargained for.

[One Thinks Of It All As A Dream](#) By Alan Bissett

Director Sacha Kyle

Tue 25 – Sat 29 Oct, 1pm; Fri 28 Oct, 1pm & 7pm

London, 1967. Pink Floyd have just released their debut album. But the behaviour of frontman Syd Barrett has become increasingly erratic. Is he having a drug-induced breakdown? Or is it all an elaborate joke?

A co-production with Scottish Mental Health Arts and Film

Festival. Presented in association with Traverse Theatre and Aberdeen Performing Arts.

[Dr Johnson Goes To Scotland](#) By James Runcie

Director Marilyn Imrie

Tue 1 – Sat 5 Nov, 1pm; Fri 4 Nov, 1pm & 7pm

Told with wit, whisky and song, this sequel to last year's sell-out A Word with Dr Johnson is a literary adventure that asks, 'Who owns language?'

Click [here](#) for more information.



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This Autumn in conjunction with Models of Diversity and LocalMotive Markets – the first fashionABLE event is being held in Waverley Station this Friday 23 September 2016.



The first **“fashionABLE”** event on **23 September 2016** will have a range of models from all walks of life and showcasing Asian, African and Scottish designers on a specially created “3D chalk” catwalk at Platform 2 in Waverley Station in Edinburgh. The staging will have a distinct “jungle” theme with bold colours, lively floral decoration and with sounds of Scottish pipes and African drum music to capture the lively mood.

Global Founder of Models of Diversity, Angel Sinclair who has championed diversity in fashion for many years will be

attending the fashionABLE event and is giving her backing with a chance for one person to win and attend a photo-shoot in London with a top stylist*

Founder, Angel Sinclair said: “It’s important that people with disabilities see themselves represented in fashion. The UK are so far behind other countries who use disabled models – most recently Tommy Hilfiger has brought out adaptive clothing for children with disabilities.

“Models of Diversity calls on all High Street fashion brands and retail outlets to employ models with disabilities.”

AUTUMN FASHION SHOWCASE “fashionABLE” AT WAVERLEY STATION on the CATWALK AT PLATFORM 2

Events run at 12.00 and 2.00pm on 23 September 2016



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