

Scottish actor Tommy Flanagan to lead Tartan Day Parade




The Scottish actor Tommy Flanagan who got his film acting break in Braveheart with Mel Gibson will lead the 19th annual New York Tartan Day Parade in New York City on Saturday 8 April 2017.

“It is an honor to celebrate my culture,” said Mr. Flanagan about his appointment to Grand Marshal. “I have great pride in my heritage. Although I now live in Malibu, I visit Scotland regularly with my family. I’ll have my daughter flying her flag forever.”

The parade steps off at 2:00 PM and marches up Sixth Avenue from 44th Street to 55th Street.

The Edinburgh Reporter plans to bring you coverage of the Tartan Day Parade from New York this year. If you would like to know more about getting involved with that then get in touch.

 The Parade is organized by The National Tartan Day New York Committee, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit registered charity. The NTDNYC is comprised of the St. Andrew’s Society of the State of New York, the New York Caledonian Club, the American-Scottish Foundation and Clan Campbell.

The New York Tartan Day Parade began 19 years ago with a handful of Scots and Scottish-Americans walking down a sidewalk, and now includes thousands marching through the heart of Manhattan. It is the culminating event of Tartan Week, the annual Scottish festival that has grown up around April 6, Tartan Day, the national holiday to recognize the contributions of Scots and Scottish-American to the United States.

Celebrations will run from April 2nd to 9th, and include a

diverse range of events throughout New York City, from concerts, business seminars, a Pre-Parade Ceilidh, and much more.

For further information regarding the New York Tartan Day Parade Events Calendar, go to nyctartanweek.org