

# Fringe by the Sea 2017



**Get down to the seaside and enjoy the coolest festival in Scotland!**

The full programme for Fringe by the Sea 2017 is on the website [www.fringebythesea.com](http://www.fringebythesea.com)

Copies of the printed programme are now in tourist information points and libraries all round the county,

**Tickets are now on sale.**

Ticket times for the hut are published on the website and Facebook, but will normally be 6pm to 7pm all week, plus 12 noon to 1pm on weekends.

.....And why the fuss?

Well only the biggest and best line up the festival has ever had! Music of all genres, comedy, film, theatre, authors and exhibitions – plus a great children's programme and various 'one-off' bits of nonsense!

The star-turns this year are undoubtedly KT Tunstall, Chris Barber, Steve Harley, Eric Bibb, Zoe Lyons, Barry Cryer, Richard Herring and Jan Ravens. Add to that Michaela Strachan, The Honeycutters, Aly & Phil, Lucy Porter, The Rezillos, Tiff Stevenson, Bombskare and Tommy Smith & Brian Kellock – and you can see why the organisers are so pleased with the line-up.

Organiser Eric Wales said : 'We've come up with a festival that I'd love to have the time to go and see every single act!'

NB Movies have helped mount a mini International Festival of film – with offerings from Germany to France to Spain to Iran

– and a real highlight of a special showing of Tommy's Honour, telling the Tom Morris story and with lots of East Lothian backdrops.

Asked for favourites in the programme, John Shaw picks out the guided walks by both Dave Berry and the East Lothian Countryside Ranger Service, 'but I think the Hickory Shaft Long Driving Competition at the Glen and the Victorian Tennis Competition at North Berwick Tennis Club will be a real laugh. Luckily I have my long whites, cravat and wooden tennis racket to hand!'

Many of last year's major sponsors are continuing to support – notably Simpson & Marwick, ESPC, Shaw Marketing & Design, Eastern Exhibition & Display and Belhaven – joined by Edinburgh Carpet & Flooring Warehouse and The Ship Inn in North Berwick. 'We really couldn't do a festival at all if it wasn't for these companies giving us such invaluable support', said Jane Thomson. 'And in particular, East Lothian Council have again been very supportive with both grant funding and in-kind support. But perhaps it is the volunteers who we couldn't do without most – tireless, good humoured and well meaning – honestly!'

So all seems set for another fantastic week – bring on the sun and get down to a donkey near you!

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