

A hundred Scots awarded an honour in the Queen's New Year Honours list

Congratulations to more than a hundred Scots who have been honoured in the Queen's New Year Honours list and among them many have links to Edinburgh.



There are knighthoods for the Very Rev Professor Iain Torrance for services to Higher Education and Theology and Professor John Curtice for services to the Social Sciences and Politics. Lady Susan Rice CBE receives a Damehood for services to Business, the Arts and Charity in Scotland.

Among those to become Commanders of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) are Ben Thomson, for services to Arts and Culture in Scotland, James Martin for services to the Scottish Public Sector and Lesley McAra, for services to Criminology.

Mr Thomson was Chair of the National Galleries until recently.

Those receiving an OBE include Lesley Sawers, for services to Business and Equality, and Derek Bell for services to Unscheduled Care and Quality Improvement.

From Edinburgh, those honoured include Irene Adams who is Adviser to the Chair of the Green Investment Bank, Mrs Patricia Armstrong who is CEO of the Association of Chief Officers of Scottish Voluntary Organisations, Dr Fiona Bradley who is Director of the Fruitmarket Gallery and Ms Caroline Doherty who is the Deputy Keeper of the Signet.

Geraldine Doherty receives an honour for services to Public Safety and Social Care and former Scotland cap Ian McLachlan has been recognised for services to rugby and charity.

Dr Angela Thomas Consultant Paediatric Haematologist at the Sick Kids is honoured for services to Public Health and Professor Kathryn Whaler who is Chair of Geophysics at the University of Edinburgh.

Craig Graham who is Chairman, The Spartans Community Football Academy is recognised for his services to football and the community.

Scots receiving an MBE include James Copeland (Cosmo) for services to Drama and the longstanding Scotland National Rugby Team Doctor, James Robson for services to Rugby.

Chief Superintendent, Barry McEwan and Superintendent, Lesley Clark have been awarded the Queen's Police Medal. Scottish Fire and Rescue Service firefighter, Gordon Brown, will accept the Queen's Fire Service Medal. Mark Treherne, Manager with East of Scotland Special Operations Response Team, at the Scottish Ambulance Service, will receive the Queen's Ambulance Service Medal.

The First Minister the Rt Hon Nicola Sturgeon congratulated all the Scots mentioned in the honours list published today and said: "The Queen's New Year Honours list illustrates the achievements of many exceptional people from across Scotland who have shown outstanding service and dedication. From those who work in the field of education and business, medicine and mental health, to those who promote our country on the world's sporting stage and on screen, the Honours are a fitting way of celebrating their work.

"I also want to extend my congratulations to emergency service personnel who have been awarded The Queen's Fire, Police or Ambulance Service Medals. Our emergency services deserve our continued gratitude for helping to keep people and communities across Scotland safe, every day of the year."