## Five things you need to know today



Photo of the ceiling at St John's Church at the West End

- Resonate 2018
- RSNO announce 2018 season
- Wedding bells
- Off to the races for free
- Edinburgh Airport's new app

The Resonate 2018 series of concerts takes place at The Queen's Hall this week. This allows Edinburgh schools to show off their musical dance and dramatic talent. This is the result of a partnership between The City of Edinburgh Instrumental Music Service and The Queen's Hall.

The Resonate series features bands, orchestras and ensembles as well as school groups. This gives the young people the chance of performing in a professional venue in front of a generally appreciative audience made up of their families. But there is nothing to stop the public joining the audience to see the up and coming talent.

## Ticket details here.

Programme here for the series :



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Thomas Søndergård

The RSNO has named its new conductor, Thomas Søndergård. He is the 36th person to be appointed to the post at Scotland's national orchestra following a vote by the RSNO musicians last year. He has announced details of the programme for the upcoming season which begins on 5 October 2018 with the Mahler Symphony No5 at The Usher Hall. But the season also includes new music and new artists.

The RSNO Chorus celebrates its 175th anniversary this year and the programme features Poulenc's Gloria. To mark the century since the end of the First World War there will be performances of Ken Johnston's cantata All Those Men Who Marched Away.

Booking details here.



Corinna Lehrke and her new husband Fabian Wegener

We interviewed the council's interior designer Lesley McMillan <u>in this article</u> published last month and in our newspaper. She is responsible for the fabulous interior at the new Registration Services office at the City Chambers.

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The council has moved out of Lothian Chambers on George IV Bridge where the Registrars office was entered through Parliament Square. This meant that a new marriage suite had to be fitted out in its new home entered from the quad at the City Chambers. And it is quite stunning.

Last week Edinburgh Napier University student Corinna Lehrke and her fiancé Fabian Wegener who had travelled from Germany were the first couple to be married in the new venue.

Read more in our News section



The new Marriage Suite at the City Chambers High Street

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If you are free this Friday then you should know that a day at the races is too. There is no entry fee to attend the extra fixture at Musselburgh Racecourse this Friday.

The first race is at 11.30 and the last at 4.30pm. They will be showing all the action from Cheltenham on the big screen, so if horse racing is your thing then you would be mad to miss it.

## More details here.

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www.iangeorgesonphotography.co.uk Pictured Gavin Neate, founder of Neatebox, Ken Reid (RNIB Case Study), Social Security Minister Jeane Freeman, Chief Executive of Edinburgh Airport, Gordon Dewar

Edinburgh Airport have announced a new app today which Edinburgh-based Neatebox have developed for their customers with reduced mobility or hidden disabilities.

The app is called Welcome and allows people to request help in advance from venues such as the airport by sending a signal to the airport to notify staff. The airport will then be able to offer a more bespoke and personal service to app users.

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