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Over 100 events set to bring Scotland's cultural heritage to life

Next weekend (Friday 18 – Sunday 20 May) over 80 exciting attractions across Scotland will take part in the annual Festival of Museums, a three-day celebration of the nation's culture, history and creativity.

The Festival of Museums encourages museums to stage one-off events that will allow guests to experience their venues and collections in unique and hands-on ways. Now in its twelfth year, Festival of Museums includes a diverse range of day and night events from a Museum Marathon in Edinburgh, to drawing classes in Dumfries and an Ugly Bug Ball in the Borders.



Many venues will be transforming, for one weekend only, into after-hours entertainment venues: Aberdeen's Maritime Museum will become a concert hall, ahead of an evening of Scottish and Gaelic music; Glasgow's Tall Ship will turn comedy club for its Cargo Hold Comedy event, featuring stand-up from Stephen Halkett; and Perth Museum & Art Gallery will host 'Dino Night' a palaeontology themed evening of fun, featuring silent disco and circus performances.

The broad programme of events are the perfect opportunity for museumgoers to celebrate the European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018.

Sarah Burry-Hayes, Marketing Manager at Museums Galleries Scotland, said: “Next weekend, museums and galleries across Scotland will open their doors to host the most fun Festival of Museums ever. We have a bumper programme packed with events celebrating Scotland’s rich culture and incredible history, showing that our attractions are among the best in the world and that there’s something for everyone to enjoy in Scotland’s museums and galleries. Don’t miss out on the fun – make sure you check out what’s happening near you.”

To view the full Festival programme, visit: festivalofmuseums.com