Live event coming up at Fort Kinnaird — performers wanted

Talented performers are invited to sign up for a live event next month.

Fort Kinnaird, is staging its inaugural Summer Live event and is on the lookout for local performers to step into the spotlight.

Taking place every Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 2 August – 18 August between 12-5pm, the centre is giving all type of performers from musicians, dancers and actors, to uplifting choirs, spoken word poets and solo singers the chance to showcase their talents to hundreds of local people.

The Summer Live stage will be set up near Hotel Chocolat, with a seating area for visitors to enjoy acts, and performers will be allocated a 30-minute time slot.

Fort Kinnaird is also partnering with East Lothian Arts Service — a council run programme supporting the arts — to host a series of workshops and performances from local community groups across the three weekends.

This will include sessions from The Brunton's Performing Arts Network, East Lothian Youth Music Forum (ELJam), Sistema and Tinderbox Collective. Separately there will also be a variety of performances from The Theatre School of Scotland.

And as part of the centre's commitment to supporting the arts, Fort Kinnaird will also be donating £1,000 to Tinderbox Collection to support an ongoing initiative to get musical instruments into public libraries, so people can borrow them

for free — just like taking out a book — which is currently operated locally within Craigmillar and Moredun libraries.

Liam Smith, centre director at Fort Kinnaird, said: "With a series of city-centre events hosting Edinburgh's talent across the summer, we wanted to get involved to support even more local performers and groups to share their talent with the local community. We also hope our donation to Tinderbox Collective will help more people discover or continue to pursue their musical talents.

"We're incredibly excited for our first ever Summer Live event. If you would like to take part, or even just find out more information, we'd encourage you to get in touch as soon as possible as we expect the line-up to fill up pretty quickly."

Fancy taking part? All you need to do is contact info@fortkinnaird.com with the following:

- Your stage name and type of performance
- How many people are in your group (maximum is 30)
- What times/days you are available and how long your set is
- Details on if an electrical supply is required
- The equipment you would like to bring*

For more information visit: <u>Got talent? Take part in Summer</u>
<u>Live | Fort Kinnaird Shopping in Edinburgh</u>

To plan your day out and find the full list of stores and restaurants at Fort Kinnaird, please visit www.fortkinnaird.com

*Please note that all electrical equipment must be PAT tested.

