## The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo begins

## On Thursday night The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo began the run of this year's Show, *Journeys*.

Now every night except Sundays there will be a short burst of fireworks just before 11pm as the show on the Castle Esplanade ends.

With performers from all over the world there is also a triservice band created especially for the Tattoo this year.

In a burst of energy and colour, Teamwork Arts India showcase The Rajasthani Bagpiper, The Bhangra Queens, and the Bollywood Ensemble, and Majesticks Drum Corps from Switzerland will dazzle with a display of precision drill.

As Lead Service, the Royal Navy will take centre stage alongside the Royal Marines as The Massed Bands of His Majesty's Royal Marines perform the National Anthem in a grand finale suitable for one of the greatest shows on earth.

And the <u>@EdinburghTattoo</u> began its run last night with Jason Barrett in charge The show is Journeys and the audience will total around 220,000 by 25 August <u>pic.twitter.com/MMANsIVaXR</u>

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Michael Braithwaite, Creative Director at The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, said: "Journeys is a vibrant celebration of connection between peoples and cultures. As the Tattoo continues to evolve, so do the performers who light up the stage in August. I can't wait for audiences to see the results of the hard work put in over the last year from everyone involved in the show. Audiences are in for a night to remember.

"Journeys merges the traditional military elements that the Tattoo is known and loved for, along with modern touches through creative projection, technology, costume design and music inspirations to create a truly impactful performance."

The full line-up for 2024 includes: The Massed Bands of His Majesty's Royal Marines Pipes and Drums of 1st Battalion Scots Guards, 1st Battalion Irish Guards Drums and Pipes, Pipes and Drums of the Royal Gurkha Rifles, Combined Pipes and Drums of The Royal Tank Regiment and Scottish and North Irish Yeomanry, The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Pipes and Drums, The Citadel Pipes and Drums, Australian Federal Police Pipes and Drums, Brisbane Boys' College, Royal Canadian Mounted Police Pipes and Drums, The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Dancers, The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Fiddlers, The Citadel Regimental Band and Pipes, Majesticks Drum Corps, United States Sea Service Band, United States Navy Ceremonial Guard and Teamwork Arts India.

Tickets are still available and can be purchased at <u>edintattoo.co.uk/tickets</u>or on the phone, 0131 225 1188. The Show will run from 2-24 August 2024, with Presenting Partner, Innis & Gunn, offering a bar service at the event.

All aerial shots Craig Duncan.







