

Tattoo reintroduces a narrator for this year's show

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo has reintroduced a narrator at all performances during the August run to take audiences through the history of the 75 year old event.

The Creative Director Alan Lane has appointed Terence Rae to perform the role of Storyteller during this season providing a commentary thread to explain to the 220,000 members of the audience what is happening beneath them. The role of narrator was performed by Alasdair Hutton from 1992, but has been much missed in recent years.

Mr Rae said: "It is an immense honour to be the Storyteller for the 75th Anniversary Show of The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo – *The Heroes Who Made Us*. I'm excited to play my part in a show which celebrates all those who have shaped the Tattoo's history over the past 75 years.

"I am deeply grateful to be part of this iconic spectacle, and to work with the outstanding creative and production teams that are here. Preparations have begun, and the excitement for the August Show is building every day. It will be a privilege to step onto the Edinburgh Castle Esplanade with my fellow castmates and play our small part in the mighty Edinburgh Tattoo."

Mr Lane said: "We are delighted that Terence will join this year's Show as the Storyteller. The role is an exciting way for us to weave together the history of the last 75 years of

the Tattoo, celebrating the past and looking to the future. It marks the start of a new storytelling chapter that I am hoping will deepen the audience's enjoyment of the Tattoo.

“Having worked with Terence on many other productions across the years, I know the power and presence he will bring to the role. The audiences are in for such a treat, I am sure they will be moved and delighted by Terence.”

After training at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, Terence has showcased his talents across a diverse array of mediums, performing on television and film, and taking on lead roles in theatre productions. His extensive experience of large-scale storytelling, and love of traditional Scottish music, along with a keen musical ear, equip him with the essential tools to take his place at the centre of this year's Tattoo. Taking to the Edinburgh Castle Esplanade itself, Terence will lead the audience through the Show with tales of heroism, heritage and history.

This year's Show, *The Heroes Who Made Us*, will celebrate the individuals who have shaped and supported the iconic performances over the past 75 years, as well as spotlighting the local heroes that are working to make a difference to the community they serve. The military is at the heart of the showcase, with the British Army confirmed as the Lead Service.

Tickets for The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo's 75th anniversary Show are now on sale and can be purchased at edintattoo.co.uk/tickets or on the phone, 0131 225 1188. The Show will run from 1-23 August 2025.

