



## What's On in Musselburgh & Haddington September 2024 – January 2025

**Welcome to our autumn programme of entertainment at venues in Musselburgh and Haddington!**

I would firstly like to say a warm “hello!” as I have just joined the team as the new manager of The Brunton having taken over from Lesley Smith following her retirement earlier this year. Lesley leaves an incredible legacy and I want to thank her for all she has done for the arts in East Lothian. I'm excited to build on these strong foundations, to meet you in our spaces, and to continue to bring a wealth of exciting work to the stage.

This autumn **the Corn Exchange in Haddington** is buzzing with live music and comedy with tributes to **The Eagles, Bruce Springsteen and Elton John** sure to raise the roof, while **Janey Godley and Mark Cox & Jane McCarry (aka Tam & Isa from Still Game)** will have you laughing out loud!

Our summer school cast of talented young performers, supported by our professional production team, delighted audiences in August with School of Rock so make sure you catch us again at Loretto Theatre this October with the comical feast, **The Addams Family!** We

are also thrilled to be producing **Rikki and Me**, in association with David Ross. Our adult community cast tell the story of one of Scotland's most treasured comedians, Rikki Fulton.

We're looking forward to producing our annual pantomime again – oh yes we are! This year, **A Christmas Carol**, is in association with **Wonder Fools** and we are delighted to be working with this exciting young theatre company having really enjoyed sharing their previous works, 549 Scots / McNeill of Tranent with our audiences. Enjoy our much-loved panto in Haddington or Musselburgh...or both!

Then why not start your 2025 with us as we whirl you away to a world of elegant waltzes and playful polkas with the **Royal Scottish National Orchestra** as they bring their **spectacular Viennese New Year Concert** to the beautiful St Mary's Church, Haddington.

At this point, I'm afraid we do not have an update regarding the length of time we will be out of our main home at The Brunton, but we will of course update you as soon as we have news. In the meantime, we look forward to welcoming you through the doors of our new venues across East Lothian.

**Kirsty Somerville, General Manager & all The Brunton Team**

## **BOOK TICKETS**

Online: [thebrunton.co.uk](http://thebrunton.co.uk)

Phone: 0131 653 5245 (Mon – Sat, 11am – 3pm)

In person: Box Office, The Brunton, Ladywell Way, Musselburgh EH21

6AF, Monday – Friday, 11am – 3pm and

Musselburgh Library, Bridge Street EH21 6AG – Saturday, 11am –

3pm.

## **SAVE MONEY**

Friends of The Brunton receive discounts where stated, on selected events. Friends discounts cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer.

## **AT A GLANCE**

### **VENUE KEY**

CE - Corn Exchange, Haddington

LT - Loretto Theatre, Musselburgh

NPC - Northesk Parish Church

## **SEPTEMBER**

Tue 10 Sep 6.30pm / LT

Screening: Royal Ballet & Opera – The Marriage of Figaro

Wed 11 Sep 7.30pm / LT

Film: It Ends With Us

Wed 18 Sep 7pm / LT

Screening: NT Live – Prima Facie

Fri 20 Sep 7.30pm / LT

Que Sera Sera

Wed 25 Sep 7pm / LT

Film: NT Live – Present Laughter

Fri 27 Sep 7.30pm / CE

Toad On the Road

## **OCTOBER**

Wed 2 Oct 7.30pm / LT

Film: Sing Sing

Wed 9 Oct 7.30pm / LT

Film: Firebrand

Wed 9 Oct 7.30pm / NPC

Soloists of the RSNO: The Virtuoso Flute – Katherine Bryan

Fri 11 – Sat 12 Oct 7.30pm / CE

Janey Godley

Tue 15 Oct 7.15pm / LT

Screening: Royal Ballet & Opera – Alice's Adventures In Wonderland

Wed 16 Oct 7.30pm / LT

Film: Lee

Sat 19 Oct 7.30pm / CE

Talon Best of Eagles

Wed 23 Oct 7.30pm / LT

Film: Beetlejuice Beetlejuice

Thu 24 Oct 7.30pm / NPC

A Night At The Opera

Thu 24 Oct 7.30pm (6pm meet & greet) / CE

Jenny Ryan – Out Of The Box

Fri 25 Oct 7.30pm / CE

The Springsteen Sessions

Thu 31 Oct – Fri 1 Nov 7.30pm / LT

The Brunton & David Ross: The Addams Family

## **NOVEMBER**

Fri 1 Nov 7.30pm (6pm meet & greet) / CE

An Evening with Mark Cox & Jane McCarry

Sat 2 Nov 7.30pm / CE

A Vision of Elvis

Tue 5 Nov 12noon/1pm / NPC

Bite-Sized Concerts at Lunchtime: Romantic Piano Masterpieces -

Ariel Lanyi

Wed 6 Nov 7.30pm / LT

Film: Joker: Folie A Deux

Sat 9 Nov 11am / LT

Artie's Singing Kettle – Halloween Show

Wed 13 Nov 7.30pm / LT

Film: The Outrun

Wed 20 Nov 7.30pm / LT

Film: The Critic

Wed 20 Nov 7.30pm / NPC

Soloists of the RSNO: The Virtuoso Clarinet – Timothy Orpen

Sat 23 Nov 7.30pm / LT

Hambledon Productions: Hancock's Half Hour - The Lost TV Episodes

Wed 27 Nov 7.30pm / LT

Film: Timestalker

## **DECEMBER**

Sun 1 Dec 7pm / NPC

Christmas by Candlelight with Royal Northern Sinfonia

Fri 6 Dec 7.30pm / NPC

Alasdair Fraser and Natalie Haas

Fri 6 – Sat 14 Dec / CE

Pantomime: A Christmas Carol

Sat 7 Dec 7pm / LT

Screening: Andre Rieu Christmas Concert

Tue 10 Dec 12noon/1pm / NPC

Bite-Sized Concerts at Lunchtime: Glorious Piano Music - Ignas  
Maknickas

Tue 10 Dec / LT

Screening: Royal Ballet & Opera – Cinderella

Wed 11 Dec 7.30pm / LT

Film: Small Things Like These

Wed 18 Dec 7.30pm / CE

Buddy Holly & The Crickets

Wed 18 Dec – Sat 4 Jan / LT

Pantomime: A Christmas Carol



## **JANUARY 2025**

Sun 5 Jan 7.30pm / St Mary's Church

RSNO A Viennese Gala

Fri 10 Jan 7.30pm / CE

The Rocket Man

Sun 19 Jan 2pm / LT

Screening: Royal Ballet & Opera – The Tales of Hoffman

Thu 23 – Sat 25 Jan 7.30pm (2pm Sat mat) / LT

The Brunton & David Ross: Rikki and Me

Sun 26 Jan 7.30pm / CE

Legends of American Country

## **PANTOMIME IN HADDINGTON & MUSSELBURGH**

The Brunton in association with Wonder Fools

presents

### **A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

*A panto twist on the traditional tale*

This exciting new pantomime is set in East Lothian, inspired by Charles Dickens' classic Christmas story. An entertaining, warm-hearted show filled with laughter, original songs, adventure, and festive fun for all ages.

**Corn Exchange, Court Street, Haddington EH41 3DS**

*\*Off peak £22 (£18), family of 4 £78\**

Peak: Front section £24 (£21), family of 4 £88

Rear section £22 (£18), family of 4 £78

*Fri 6 Dec 7pm\**

Sat 7 Dec 1.30pm & 5pm

*Wed 11 Dec 7pm\**

Thu 12 Dec 7pm

Fri 13 Dec 7pm

Sat 14 Dec 1.30pm & 5pm

**Loretto Theatre, Millhill, Musselburgh EH21 7RG**

*Off peak £22 (£18), family of 4 £78\**

Peak £24 (£21), family of 4 £88

Relaxed performance: £18 all tickets

*Wed 18 Dec 7pm\**

Thu 19 Dec 7pm

Fri 20 Dec 5pm

Sat 21 Dec 1.30pm & 7pm

Mon 23 Dec 1.30pm & 7pm

Tue 24 Dec 1.30pm & 5pm

Fri 27 Dec 1.30pm & 7pm

Sat 28 Dec 1.30pm & 5pm

Mon 30 Dec 1.30pm & 7pm

Tue 31 Dec 1.30pm & 5pm

Fri 3 Jan 1.30pm & 7pm

Sat 4 Jan 1.30pm & 5pm

**BSL interpretation: Friday 27 December 7pm**

**Relaxed performance: Saturday 28 December 5pm**

**Audio description: Tuesday 31 December 1.30pm**

For schools dates and information, please email

[info@thebrunton.co.uk](mailto:info@thebrunton.co.uk)

**NEW YEAR CONCERT AT ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH, HADDINGTON**

**ROYAL SCOTTISH NATIONAL ORCHESTRA: VIENNESE GALA**

Jamie MacDougall, tenor

Derrick Morgan, conductor

Vienna – the city where the concert halls are golden, and the music simply sparkles!

It simply wouldn't be New Year without the music of Vienna's most famous son Johann Strauss and his friends. Let us whirl you away to a world of elegant waltzes, playful polkas, and good old-fashioned operetta romance from a real RSN0 favourite – tenor Jamie MacDougall.

Scotland's National Orchestra and Assistant Conductor Derrick Morgan will sweep you off your feet with favourites including the *Radetzky March* and *On The Beautiful Blue Danube*.

**SUN 5 JAN 7.30PM / £25 (£23) / ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH,  
SIDEGATE, HADDINGTON, EH41 4BZ**

Friends Of The Brunton save 10%

## **LORETTO THEATRE, MUSSELBURGH**

### **QUE SERA SERA: THE GREATEST HITS OF DORIS DAY**

Join us for a '*Sentimental Journey*' through Doris Day's amazing career in music and film from the early big band days to the Hollywood movies that made her a legend.

Three international vocalists supported by a team of professional dancers will leave you feeling *'Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered'* and full of nostalgia for the good old days. Wonderful music and great costumes are complimented by stunning choreography and video footage of a bygone era.

This show is a fan's tribute to the fantastic songs and memories that Doris Day and her music gave every generation. You'll hear all these classic songs including *Que Sera Sera, Ready, Willing & Able, Teachers Pet, Pillow Talk, Tea for Two* and *Secret Love*.

**FRI 20 SEP 7.30PM / £19 (£17)**

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The Brunton in association with David Ross

### **THE ADDAMS FAMILY**

The Addams Family, a comical feast that embraces the wackiness in every family, features an original story and it's every father's nightmare: Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family— a man her parents have never met. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday's "normal" boyfriend and his parents.

Our talented community cast are supported by a professional production team.

Recommended for ages 8+

Book By Marshall Brickman and Rick Elice

Music And Lyrics By Andrew Lippa

Based On Characters Created By Charles Addams

The Addams Family is presented through special arrangement with and all authorised performance materials are supplied by Theatrical Rights Worldwide (TRW).

[www.theatricalrights.co.uk](http://www.theatricalrights.co.uk)

**THU 31 OCT – SAT 2 NOV 7.30PM / £12 (£10)**

**ARTIE'S SINGING KETTLE – HALLOWEEN PARTY**

**SOLD OUT!**

Join Artie's Singing Kettle Halloween Party for a spooktacular celebration! Bring your festive spirit and don your best Halloween costume for a show packed full of enchantment. Explore clues hidden within the original Singing Kettles, and singalong with *Bunny Fou Fou*, *The Ghost Hunt* and *Ye Cannae Shove Yer Granny Aff the Bus*.

Fun for all ages.

**SAT 9 NOV 11AM / £12**

Hambledon Productions in association with Tessa Le Bars  
Management

**HANCOCK'S HALF HOUR - THE LOST TV EPISODES**

Commemorating 100 years of Tony Hancock, and 70 years of *Hancock's Half Hour*, take a trip to *23 Railway Cuttings, East Cheam* and join Kenneth Williams, Hattie Jacques, Sid James and 'The Lad Himself' for three classic TV episodes of this ground-breaking, timeless comedy.

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson, *Hancock's Half Hour* redefined comedy and continues to entertain audiences to this very day.

Hambledon Productions are delighted to recreate three, lost episodes from the original television series. Missing from the BBC archives, this UK Tour marks the first time these hilarious scripts have been brought to life since their original broadcast.

*"A real time capsule"* Broadway World

*"John Hewer gives a masterful impersonation"* Suffolk Theatre

**SAT 23 NOV 7.30PM / £18 (£16)**

Friends save 10%

The Brunton in association with David Ross

**RIKKI AND ME**

Written by Phillip Differ and Tony Roper

Rikki and Me tells the story of one of Scotland's most treasured comedians, Rikki Fulton. Written by Phillip Differ and Tony Roper, the story gives an insight into Rikki's early life, his battle with Alzheimer's, as well as his many years spent as an actor. Expect to see some of Rikki's most loved characters such as Francie and Josie, Supercop, The Rev I. M. Jolly and more.

Our talented community cast are supported by a professional production team.

Recommended for ages 12+

Licensed by arrangement with The Agency, 24 Pottery Lane, Holland Park, London W11 4LZ

**THU 23 – SAT 25 JAN 7.30PM (2PM SAT MAT) / £16 (£14)**



## **MIDWEEK MOVIES AT LORETTO THEATRE**

£8.50 (£7.50), Friends save 50p

### **IT ENDS WITH US**

Adapted from the Colleen Hoover novel, Lily overcomes a traumatic childhood to embark on a new life. A chance meeting with a neurosurgeon sparks a connection but Lily begins to see sides of him that remind her of her parents' relationship.

Director: Justin Baldony

Cast: Blake Lively, Justin Baldony, Jenny Slate

2024 / 2h 10m

**WED 11 SEP 7.30PM**

### **SING SING (15)**

Divine G (Colman Domingo), imprisoned at Sing Sing for a crime he didn't commit, finds purpose by acting in a theatre group alongside other incarcerated men, including wary newcomer (Clarence Maclin), in this stirring true story of resilience, humanity, and the transformative power of art, starring an unforgettable ensemble cast of formerly incarcerated actors.

Director: Greg Kwedar

Cast: Colman Domingo, Clarence Maclin, Sean San Jose

2023 / 1h 47m

**WED 2 OCT 7.30PM**

**FIREBRAND (15)**

Katherine Parr, the sixth wife of King Henry VIII, is named regent while the tyrant battles abroad. When the king returns, increasingly ill and paranoid, Katherine finds herself fighting for her own survival.

Director: Karim Aïnouz

Cast: Alicia Vikander, Junia Rees, Ruby Bentall, Jude Law

2023 / 2h 1m

**WED 9 OCT 7.30PM**

**LEE (15)**

The story of photographer Elizabeth 'Lee' Miller, a fashion model who became an acclaimed war correspondent for Vogue magazine during World War II.

Director: Ellen Kuras

Cast: Alexander Skarsgård, Kate Winslet, Andy Samberg

2023 / 1h 56m

**WED 16 OCT 7.30PM**

**BEETLEJUICE BEETLEJUICE (12A)**

After a family tragedy, three generations of the Deetz family return home to Winter River. Still haunted by Beetlejuice, Lydia's life is turned upside down when her teenage daughter, Astrid, accidentally opens the portal to the Afterlife.

Director: Tim Burton

Cast: Jenna Ortega, Monica Bellucci, Winona Ryder

2024 / 1h 44m

**WED 23 OCT 7.30PM**

### **JOKER: FOLIE A DEUX (TBC)**

Failed comedian Arthur Fleck meets the love of his life, Harley Quinn, while in Arkham State Hospital. Upon release, the pair embark on a doomed romantic misadventure.

Director: Todd Phillips

Cast: Zazie Beetz, Joaquin Phoenix, Catherine Keener, Lady Gaga,  
Steve Coogan

2024 / 2h 18m

**WED 6 NOV 7.30PM**

### **THE OUTRUN (15)**

After living life on the edge in London, Rona attempts to come to terms with her troubled past. She returns to the wild beauty of Scotland's Orkney Islands - where she grew up - hoping to heal. Adapted from the bestselling memoir by Amy Liptrot.

Director: Nora Fingscheidt

Cast: Saoirse Ronan, Stephen Dillane, Saskia Reeves

2024 / 1h 58m

**WED 13 NOV 7.30PM**

### **THE CRITIC**

Set in 1930s London, revolving around a feared theatre critic, his loyal assistant, a newspaper owner and an actress, devastated by the scathing reviews. The critic's determination to survive ensures that the other characters are caught in a web of blackmail, deceit and murder.

Director: Anand Tucker

Cast: Gemma Arterton, Ian McKellen, Mark Strong

2023 / 1h 35m

**WED 20 NOV 7.30PM**

### **TIMESTALKER**

A karmic journey that sees hapless heroine Agnes is reincarnated every time she makes the same mistake: falling in love with the wrong man.

Director: Alice Lowe

Cast: Jacob Anderson, Nick Frost, Tanya Reynolds

2024 / 1h 36m

**WED 27 NOV 7.30PM**

### **SMALL THINGS LIKE THESE**

In 1985 devoted father Bill Furlong discovers disturbing secrets kept by the local convent and uncovers shocking truths of his own.

Director: Tim Mielants

Cast: Cillian Murphy, Ciarán Hinds, Michelle Fairley

2024 / 1h 36m

**WED 11 DEC 7.30PM**

### **EVENT SCREENINGS**

#### **ANDRÉ RIEU'S 2024 CHRISTMAS CONCERT: GOLD AND SILVER**

This season bring some sparkle to your screens and join André and his Johann Strauss Orchestra for their Christmas extravaganza. An unforgettable evening full of music, laughter and festive joy.

**SAT 7 DEC 7PM / £13.50 (£11.50)**

Friends save 50p

National Theatre Live Encore

**PRIMA FACIE**

Jodie Comer's (Killing Eve) Olivier and Tony Award-winning performance in Suzie Miller's gripping one-woman play returns to cinemas.

Tessa is a young, brilliant barrister. She has worked her way up from working class origins to be at the top of her game; defending; cross examining and winning. An unexpected event forces her to confront the lines where the patriarchal power of the law, burden of proof and morals diverge.

Prima Facie takes us to the heart of where emotion and experience collide with the rules of the game.

Written by Suzie Miller, Justin Martin directs this solo tour de force, captured live in 2022 during a sold out run at the Harold Pinter Theatre in London's West End.

**WED 18 SEP 7PM / £13.50 (£11.50)**

Friends save 50p

National Theatre Live Encore

## **PRESENT LAUGHTER**

The multi award-winning production of Noël Coward's provocative comedy featuring Andrew Scott (*Vanya, Fleabag*) returns to the big screen.

As he prepares to embark on an overseas tour, star actor Garry Essendine's colourful life is in danger of spiralling out of control. Engulfed by an escalating identity crisis as his many and various relationships compete for his attention, Garry's few remaining days at home are a chaotic whirlwind of love, sex, panic and soul-searching. Filmed live from The Old Vic in London during a sold out run in 2019, Matthew Warchus (*Matilda The Musical*) directs this giddy and surprisingly modern reflection on fame, desire and loneliness.

**WED 25 SEP 7PM / £13.50 (£11.50)**

Friends save 50p

## **ROYAL BALLET & OPERA**

The Royal Opera screening

### **THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO**

It's Figaro's wedding, and you're invited to join the Almaviva household for an uproarious day of revelation and scandal. Mozart's comic opera is packed with plot twists, forbidden desires and

unforgettable melodies, combining laugh-out-loud comedy with moments of breathtaking beauty.

Sung in Italian with subtitles

Running time: 4h, one interval

**TUE 10 SEP 6.30PM / £16 (£13) £10 UNDER 18**

Friends save 50p

The Royal Ballet screening

### **ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND**

Tumble down the rabbit hole in this ballet adaptation of Lewis Carroll's famous family story. Journey through Wonderland with Alice and encounter a host of curious characters in Christopher Wheeldon's unique theatrical interpretation.

Running time: 3h 25m, two intervals

**TUE 15 OCT 7.15PM / £16 (£13) £10 UNDER 18**

Friends save 50p

The Royal Ballet Screening

### **CINDERELLA**

This Christmas, be transported into an ethereal world where a sprinkling of fairy dust makes dreams come true. This enchanting



ballet by The Royal Ballet's Founding Choreographer Frederick Ashton is a theatrical experience for all the family.

Running time: 3h 15m, two intervals

**TUE 10 DEC 7.15PM / £16 (£13) £10 UNDER 18**

Friends save 50p

The Royal Opera screening

**THE TALES OF HOFFMAN (*ENCORE*)**

Through the haze of the years, a poet remembers the women he loved. But when it comes to matters of the heart, nothing is as it seems. Particularly when the devil himself is involved.

Four women: four curious love stories. Juan Diego Flórez leads a fantastic cast in Offenbach's dream-like opera.

Sung in French with subtitles.

Running time: 4h 5m, two intervals

**SUN 19 JAN 2PM / £16 (£13) £10 UNDER 18**

Friends save 50p

**NORTHESK PARISH CHURCH**

**North Bridge Street, Musselburgh EH21 6AG**

Situated across the road from The Brunton and handy for buses and parking. The church has a lovely acoustic for classical and trad music with an adjoining hall for interval refreshments.

### **ROYAL SCOTTISH NATIONAL ORCHESTRA SERIES**

A fabulous new series of recitals by the amazingly talented, principal players from the wonderful Royal Scottish National Orchestra.

Recitals last 75 minutes with no interval.

### **THE VIRTUOSO FLUTE - Katherine Bryan, flute & Scott Mitchell, piano**

Programme includes music by Debussy, Tchaikovsky and Richard Strauss.

Katherine Bryan has an international reputation as a soloist in addition to her work with the RSNO. Her programme is full of gorgeous melodies including an arrangement of Lensky's famous aria from Eugene Onegin

*'She gave a mesmerising, focused performance that grabbed the attention and never let go, every note'. Scotsman*

**WED 9 OCT 7.30PM / £17**

**THE VIRTUOSO CLARINET - Timothy Orpen clarinet & Scott Mitchell,  
piano**

Debussy: Première Rhapsody

Mozart: Sonata in Bb Major K378

Jörg Widmann - Fantasie for Clarinet Solo

Brahms - Clarinet Sonata in Eb Op.120 No. 2

Alamiro Giampieri: Il Carnevale di Venezia for clarinet and piano

This fabulous programme includes classical Mozart, romantic Brahms, impressionistic Debussy, and concludes with some fireworks by Giampieri.

*'Orpen is an enormously gifted player'* Bachtrack

**WED 20 NOV 7.30PM / £17**

Classical Musicians Scotland Orchestra

**A NIGHT AT THE OPERA**

Arias, duets, trios and quartets by Verdi, Puccini, Bizet, Mozart and many more,

from the world of opera and operetta with maybe even a smidgen of Gilbert and Sullivan!

A programme of favourite operatic melodies to delight both the musical connoisseur and the less operatically minded. A surprise or two may also be in store!

Soprano: Emily Mitchell

Mezzo soprano: Sarah Shorter

Tenor: Christian Schneeberger

Baritone: Douglas Nairne

Musical Director: Derek Clark

**THU 24 OCT 7.30PM / £23 (£21) UNDER 18 £5**

## **CHRISTMAS BY CANDLELIGHT WITH ROYAL NORTHERN SINFONIA**

Maria Włoszczowska – Director/Violin

There's nothing Royal Northern Sinfonia enjoy more than lighting up beautiful buildings with glorious classical music, on dark winter nights. We welcome them back to their regular festive slot at Northesk Parish Church, and their traditional winter concert. A selection of beautiful, atmospheric pieces carefully chosen to make you feel warm from the inside out.

Expect to hear the orchestra's signature blend of classical chart-toppers and lesser-known gems, brimming with energy and excitement.

**SUN 1 DEC 7PM / £23 (£21) £23 (£21) UNDER 18 £5**

### **BITE-SIZED CONCERTS AT LUNCHTIME**

Our lunchtime recitals include established and emerging, prizewinning performers with sparkling programmes of music, specially selected for you to enjoy. Relax at lunchtime in the beautiful North Esk Parish Church, Musselburgh. A light lunch of soup and a sandwich is served in the Church Hall adjacent to the church.

Classical music is for everyone to enjoy, no previous knowledge is needed to enjoy our concerts. If you can't make it for lunch, you are welcome to book for the concert only.

**Lunch & concert £19 / Concert only £10.75**

**Lunch at 12 noon / Concerts at 1pm**

### **TRIO CHIARA: BEAUTIFUL BRAHMS**

Debussy: Piano Trio

Bronius Kutavičius: 8 miniatures of Stasys

Brahms: Piano Trio No 3 in C minor Op 101

Both Brahms and Debussy's piano trios are distinguished by the sheer beauty of their melodies. Brahms often saved his most intimate musical thoughts for his chamber music. The late C minor trio has a dark autumnal beauty. In contrast the Debussy sparkles with varying light and shade. A short work by Lithuanian composer Bronius Kutavičius completes the programme.

**TUE 8 OCT**

**ARIEL LANYI, PIANO - ROMANTIC PIANO MASTERPIECES**

Schubert: Piano Sonata in G major D894

Mendelssohn Fantasy in F-sharp minor, Op. 28

Now developing a major international career Ariel Lanyi returns with a programme built around 2 romantic masterpieces. Mendelssohn was a virtuoso pianist as well as a great composer and conductor. Schubert's piano sonatas transport the listener to another world outside daily life.

*"It was an evening of strong contrasts – drama and delicacy in almost equal proportions."* Craven Herald

**TUE 5 NOV**

## **GLORIOUS PIANO MUSIC - IGNAS MAKNICKAS, PIANO**

Schubert: Sonata in A major D664

Carl Vine: Five Bagatelles

Bortkiewicz: 5 Preludes Op. 33

Chopin: Polonaise-Fantasie, Op.61

Fabulous pieces of romantic music frame this programme.

Schubert's piano sonatas take the listener on timeless musical journeys and Chopin's Polonaise-Fantasie is one of his last and greatest piano works making huge demands on the player and rewarding the audience with a spectacular conclusion to this concert.

**TUE 10 DEC**

## **FOLK / TRAD MUSIC**

**ALASDAIR FRASER AND NATALIE HAAS**

The musical partnership between world-renowned Scottish fiddler Alasdair Fraser and brilliant Californian cellist Natalie Haas spans the full spectrum between intimate chamber music and ecstatic dance energy. They have truly set the standard for fiddle and cello in

traditional music and continue to thrill audiences internationally with their virtuosic playing and joyful spontaneity.

A 2011 inductee into the Scottish Traditional Music Hall of Fame, Fraser has a concert and recording career spanning over 30 years, with a long list of awards, accolades, radio, television and movie credits. Haas, a graduate of the Juilliard School of Music, is one of the most sought-after cellists in traditional music today and has performed and recorded with a who's who of the fiddle world.

**FRI 6 DEC 7.30PM / £18 (£16)**

## **CORN EXCHANGE, HADDINGTON**

### **TOAD ON THE ROAD**

An Evening with Neighbours' star Ryan Moloney

From multiple weddings, a huge extended family, a controversial baby lie, the full monty and more - Toadie has been at the heart of some of the Australian soaps biggest stories since 1995. Now you can reminisce alongside Ryan as he looks back on Toadie's biggest stories, reveals behind the scenes secrets, and shares his vision for some of the plots he always wanted the lovable lawyer to be involved in.



This must-see event for any Neighbours fan past and present, includes a Q&A with Ryan.

VIPs sit in the best seats and meet Ryan Moloney at 6pm.

**FRI 27 SEP 7.30PM (6PM VIP) / £65 VIP, £32**

### **JANEY GODLEY – WHY IS SHE STILL HERE?**

Controversy, cancellation, and cancer don't always make the best comedy but in Janey's hands this will be a dynamite of a gig.

The funny Scottish woman behind the voiceovers of Nicola Sturgeon during covid, is back on tour celebrating winning The Billy Connolly, Spirit of Glasgow Comedy Award.

Her feet are numb, and she has a lumpy hernia because of the cancer treatment, but she keeps going!

Voiceovers, comedy, and outrageous stories are on the menu. Don't miss it. Book now!

**FRI 11 & SAT 12 OCT 7.30PM / £28.50**

## **TALON – THE BEST OF EAGLES**

To The Limit 2024

Talon have risen from humble beginnings to become one of the most successful theatre touring shows in the UK. *To The Limit 2024* features the Eagles timeless back catalogue including *Hotel California*, *Take It Easy*, *One Of These Nights*, *Take It To The Limit*, *Desperado*, *Lyin' Eyes*, *Life In The Fast Lane* and many more.

Revered by their peers and loved by their fans, this world class seven-piece band are a phenomenon. They have, over the last quarter of a century, truly transcended the tag of 'tribute'.

*"Talon perform the songs of the Eagles with reverence and super talent"* (Jack Tempchin, Eagles Hit Songwriter)

**SAT 19 OCT 7.30PM / £29 (£27)**

## **JENNY RYAN – OUT OF THE BOX**

Jenny Ryan – better known as the dream-crushing brainbox *The Vixen* on the hit ITV quiz *The Chase*, breaks away from teatime telly and

invites you to an evening of song, storytelling and even some showbiz secrets.

Join Jenny on a journey through her life and times via some of her favourite tunes, sung live with the powerful voice which blew the judges away on X Factor Celebrity:

*"Extraordinary... A diva voice"* Nicole Scherzinger

*"Jenny – like... What?!?"* will.i.am

*"A singing tour de force"* Metro

Meet & Greet tickets include a signed poster, photo opportunity on stage with Jenny Ryan as well as the best seats in the house.

**THU 24 OCT 7.30PM (6PM MEET & GREET) / £52, £27**

## **THE SPRINGSTEEN SESSIONS**

Sit back and be taken on a never-ending journey of the music of the man from New Jersey.

Led by singer Dougie Robertson, with some of the best experienced musicians around - these guys are all huge fans of The Boss and their devotion to replicating the authentic sounds of the Main Man and the E-Street Band is obvious.

Enjoy all the hits in the Springsteen Sessions extended set including: *Born In The USA, The River, Darlington County, Born To Run, Rosalita, Dancing In The Dark, Hungry Heart, Thunder Road, Glory Days, Tougher Than The Rest, Atlantic City, Darkness On The Edge Of Town, Jungleland, Independence Day* and more. Even some of Bruce's latest material is on the list.

**FRI 25 OCT 7.30PM / £18 (£16)**

### **AN EVENING WITH MARK COX & JANE MCCARRY**

*Still Game's Tam & Isa*

The evening promises to be filled with fun and laughter - a unique opportunity to delve into the lives of these beloved TV characters. Having entertained audiences for 62 episodes and an incredible 21 years, Mark Cox and Jane McCarry regale you with delightful stories from their time on *Still Game* and provide insights into their individual careers.

The characters Tam and Isa have touched the hearts of many, and now you can get up close and personal with the actors behind these Craighlang legends. You will also have the opportunity to ask the stars anything you've ever wanted to know about their careers.

VIPs sit in the best seats, meet with Mark and Jane for a photo opportunity, plus merchandise signing opportunities.

**FRI 1 NOV 7.30PM (6PM VIP) / £49.50 VIP, £29.50**

## **A VISION OF ELVIS**

Put on your blue suede shoes and come to celebrate the music of the King of rock 'n' Roll with the UK's supreme Elvis - Rob Kingsley - and his talented cast.

This breath-taking recreation of a live Elvis Presley concert takes you on an epic audio-visual journey through time like you've never seen before - including hits *Stuck on You*, *It's Now or Never*, *Return to Sender*, *GI Blues*, *Suspicious Minds*, *The Wonder Of You*, *American Trilogy* and many, many more.

Rob will take you on an emotional roller coaster, with an engaging, truly authentic Elvis musical spectacular!

*"The King is Back"* Rolling Stone Magazine

**SAT 2 NOV 7.30PM / £27 (£25)**

## **BUDDY HOLLY & THE CRICKETERS - HOLLY AT CHRISTMAS 2024**

Buddy Holly and the Crickets once again herald in the Yuletide festivities with Holly at Christmas, the show that is now as traditional as mulled wine and mince pies!

Holly's hits, other contemporary classics and some Christmas crackers are all wrapped up in a fast, furious and funny feast of entertainment to make the perfect gift for all the family.

Whatever the season, whatever the excuse to party, make your Heartbeat a little faster with the show that has thousands of fans the world over saying: "I can't believe it's not Buddy!"

*"The audience were dancing in the aisles and roaring for more"* The Stage

*"Buddy brilliant!"* Graham Norton, BBC One

**WED 18 DEC 7.30PM / £25 (£23)**

## **THE ROCKET MAN – A CELEBRATION OF SIR ELTON JOHN**

Pack your bags, strap yourself in, zero hour 7.30pm, for a night like no other, to celebrate Sir Elton John! No one else recreates the flamboyant megastar with as much vigour and brilliance.

Let The Rocket Man with an amazing live band, take you down the *Yellow Brick Road* with two hours of glorious Elton hits, including, *Saturday Night's Alright, Crocodile Rock, I Guess That's Why They Call it the Blues, Daniel, I'm Still Standing, Philadelphia Freedom, Your Song* and many, many more.

With dazzling costumes, stunning vocals and sensational piano solos, take a journey through Elton's life and career, the highs and the lows, with many a laugh brought to life live on stage. This show has it all!

**FRI 10 JAN 7.30PM / £29**

## **LEGENDS OF AMERICAN COUNTRY**

A fantastic night of toe tapping Country nostalgia with highly acclaimed tributes to Dolly Parton, Johnny Cash, Don Williams, Patsy Cline, Charley Pride, Tammy Wynette, Kenny Rogers, Hank Williams, Alan Jackson, Glen Campbell, Garth Brooks and Jim Reeves. Enjoy countless well-known singalong hit songs in this must-see musical extravaganza.

The show features superb singers - Kelan Browne, Tracey McAuley and Antony McBrien, accompanied by a live band of musicians with that authentic Tennessee sound, guaranteed to transport you all the

way hand clapping and toe tapping to Nashville and back in one night!

*“Fantastic show of nostalgic country at its best with superb vocalists and musicians”* Hot Country TV

**SUN 26 JAN 7.30PM / £26.50**

**BE CREATIVE – JOIN IN!**

**BRUNTON PERFORMING ARTS NETWORK**

### **Youth Theatre**

Weekly drama groups for ages 5 – 18, run by professional actors and drama tutors. Sessions are designed to nurture creativity through improvisation activities, drama games and much more. Have fun and meet new people! Sessions take place across East Lothian. Email [youththeatre@eastlothian.gov.uk](mailto:youththeatre@eastlothian.gov.uk) for more information.

### **Musical Theatre**

Weekly Musical Theatre groups for ages 8 – 18. Learn songs from well-known musicals, acting through song and vocal technique, led by professional and experienced tutors. Have fun, develop your voice and sing! Sessions take place on Tuesdays, at The Brunton. Email [youththeatre@eastlothian.gov.uk](mailto:youththeatre@eastlothian.gov.uk) for more information.



## **Move It!**

Fun, youth dance groups take place weekly across East Lothian for ages 3-21. To find out more email [moveit@eastlothian.gov.uk](mailto:moveit@eastlothian.gov.uk) .

## **Brunton Players**

Are you aged 18 plus, interested in acting, but have little, or no experience? Then this group is for you. Run by professional and experienced drama tutors, Brunton Players meet weekly and perform their finished work on stage at The Brunton. Sessions take place at The Brunton on Mondays 7pm – 9pm. Email [youththeatre@eastlothian.gov.uk](mailto:youththeatre@eastlothian.gov.uk) for more information.

## **BOOKING INFORMATION**

### **Booking fees: £2 per transaction.**

Promoters may also sell an allocation of tickets through external ticketing agencies that may levy booking fees. Customers are advised to check ticket agent websites for details.

**Concession prices apply to:** Over 66s, full time students, unwaged, under 18s, Young Scot, Access To Leisure, patrons with disabilities and companion. Proof of entitlement is required.

**Baby tickets:** £1 for under 18 months sat on carer's lap. Everyone attending a show must have a ticket for fire and safety regulations.

**School groups:** Available for selected productions, 1 adult free per 10 pupils.

**Please Note:** Tickets are not refundable.

Latecomers will only be admitted at a suitable break in the performance, which may be the interval.

Please visit our website [Booking information / terms and conditions](#), for more information.

## **OUR VENUES**

For up to date travel information visit [www.travelinescotland.com](http://www.travelinescotland.com)

### **Loretto School Theatre, Millhill, Musselburgh EH21 7RG**

- The entrance gate is opposite the turnstiles for Musselburgh Racecourse. Do not use the school's main post code as that will take you to a different street.
- There are 3 steps into the grounds of the school. Alternatively, we can arrange for you to enter through a different gate with level access and car drop off at the door.
- Ramped entrance to the theatre itself, with spaces for wheelchairs at the front of the auditorium.
- A level access toilet is adjacent to the theatre.

- Parking is on the street, with small, free, car parks a short walk away, at Kerr's Wynd or at the top of Millhill by the river.

### **Northesk Parish Church, North Bridge Street, EH21 6AG**

- The church hall is adjacent to the church, with level access.
- There are 2 steps into the church with a ramp that can be placed over the steps.
- Level access toilets are inside the church hall, accessed by going out of the church and into the adjoining hall.
- Spaces for wheelchairs are at the side, front of the church.
- Accessible parking is across the road, with designated parking bays on Ladywell Way.
- Gracefield car park is behind The Brunton and there is also a car park on Ladywell Way.

### **Corn Exchange, Court Street, Haddington, EH41 3DS**

- There is level access to the building and accessible toilets.
- Spaces for wheelchairs are to the side and front.
- There is a car park behind the building.

### **St Mary's Parish Church, Sidegate, Haddington EH41 4BZ**

- Wheelchair access is via the north door.
- There are 3 spaces for accessible parking, adjacent to the church.

- Free on street parking is nearby.

## **FRIENDS OF THE BRUNTON**

Become a Friend of The Brunton and receive ticket discounts and special offers.

Annual membership:

**Single: £15, £13 concessions**

**Double: £30, £26 concessions**

Membership benefits include up to 20% off or 2 for 1 discounts, on selected shows and advance information about events at The Brunton. You can join at [www.thebrunton.co.uk](http://www.thebrunton.co.uk) .

## **DATA PROTECTION POLICY**

By opting in to The Brunton marketing list you agree to receive updates from us about future events. We are committed to upholding the Data Protection Act. If you would prefer not to receive information from us or would like to change your address details please contact our Box Office [boxoffice@eastlothian.gov.uk](mailto:boxoffice@eastlothian.gov.uk) .

## **ABOUT THE BRUNTON**

Brunton Theatre and the artistic programming for The Brunton is managed by Brunton Theatre Trust. The Trust was established in

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