

National Chamber Music Day Saturday 16th September 2017

Enterprise Music Scotland, the national body for chamber music, invites you to join them for National Chamber Music Day 2017. Saturday 16th of September will see chamber music ensembles performing free, impromptu concerts in public spaces across the country to celebrate chamber music in Scotland.

This year, National Chamber Music Day is going **Green** to explore themes of environment, conservation and carbon footprint. We'll be working in partnership with likeminded organisations to bring chamber music to green spaces in Scotland as well as finding environmentally friendly modes of transport for the musicians performing.

- **40 musicians** will fill Scottish towns and cities with the sound of chamber music.
- **30 performances** will take place in venues spanning from Peebles to Kirkwall.
- **Over 30 partner organisations** will work with EMS to promote environmental sustainability and celebrate chamber music.

Chamber Music and Chocolate

National Chamber Music Day 2017 has kindly been sponsored by **Mackie's of Scotland** who are famed for their lovely ice cream and crisps as well as their commitment to good environmental stewardship. We'll be celebrating the creation of their new chocolate factory with our **Chamber Music and Chocolate** event at Mackie's Farm in Aberdeenshire. Visitors can explore the farm, get a taste of the latest Mackie's products and enjoy a performance from the **Highland Collective**.

There are limited numbers for this event, so book your free tickets early at –

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/national-chamber-music-day-highland-collective-1-2-mackies-farm-tickets-37413319245>

Mackie's will also be sending out chocolate to all our National Chamber Music Day events. With a few different varieties to choose from, we'd recommend visiting as many performances as possible!

Discover Plant Life in Scotland

Learn more about the wild flowers at **Glen Tanar**, Aboyne and **Barnluasgan**, Mid Argyll by taking a tour with **Plantlife Scotland**. And what better way to end an afternoon's walk than taking in the stunning scenery whilst enjoying an outdoor chamber music concert from the **Them McOpera Bones** or the **Campbell Duo**.

Garden Music

You'll also be able to enjoy chamber music surrounded by beautiful plants and flowers with concerts taking place in community gardens and parks across the country. Visit **The Croft** on Glasgow's South Side where **South Seeds** will be celebrating NCMD with a BBQ and a performance from the **Agnew McAllister Duo** or have a wander around **Kelvingrove Park** where you'll find the **Maxwell Quartet** performing on the famous bandstand which will be open to the public as part of **Glasgow Doors Open Days Festival**.

Chamber Music on the Move

Jump on an **Edinburgh Tram** where you'll find the **Monzani Trio** playing for passengers. If you're planning to travel slightly further afield, catch the **McOpera Oboe Duo** on-board the **Borders Rail** train between Edinburgh and Galashiels or hop on a boat to the **Linlithgow Canal Centre** where **Trio Vocalise** will be performing.

Explore the Hidden Sounds of the Gardens

We've partnered up with **The Hidden Gardens** in Glasgow as well as **Glasgow Doors Open Days Festival**, **RSPB Wildfest** and **Glasgow Gurdwara** to bring you **Hidden Sounds of the Gardens**. Discover the minibeasts and other wildlife that live in the garden and bring along a picnic to our NCMD finale concert at 5pm which features performances from the **Agnew McAllister Duo**, **The Priests** as well as brand new NCMD commission from the **Matilda Brown Ensemble**.

Trainers, Trailers and Pedal Power

As well as events on **Saturday 16th of September**, this year will see some National Chamber Music Day performances taking place across the whole weekend. Keep an eye out for Jon Hodkin also known as **Inner Tuba** who will be touring **Orkney** on a tricycle with his tuba in tow.

Violin duo **Elsbeth Luke** and **Emily Carr-Martin** will also be embarking on a four-day tour of the Isle of Mull and its surrounding islands. Elspeth, an experienced endurance runner, will be pounding the streets of **Craigure, Ulva, Salen, Ballygown** and **Staffa** with Emily who will be cycling alongside carrying their violins ready to stop off for a few concerts along the way.

Remember all National Chamber Music Day Events are free to attend, just turn up on the day!

For further information on National Chamber Music Day or to find a performance in your area, please visit enterprisemusicscotland.com or contact Danielle Price. danielle@enterprisemusicscotland.com

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