

# WHAT'S ON



## IN MUSSELBURGH & HADDINGTON

### MAY – AUGUST 2026

This spring we implement a new ticketing system called Spektrix, providing a smoother and more intuitive booking experience with enhanced customer service features. Please look out for messaging on our website and Facebook and Instagram channels to advise when this changeover takes place. Your booking information will transfer to the new system.

Northesk Church in Musselburgh offers a warm welcome to our Bite-sized Concerts at Lunchtime series. These hour-long concerts are performed by highly accomplished traditional and classical musicians.

Our packed programme of concerts, comedy and talk events takes place at the Corn Exchange in Haddington. This larger format space allows us to present bigger events with full professional staging, sounds and lights. Highlights include *Newton Faulkner*, *The Springsteen Sessions* and the *Haddstock Festival Headliner Concert with Alice Faye, Man of Moon and Sarah/Shaun*.

Families are also welcome, with lots to choose from: *The Ultimate Bubble Show*, *Children's Classic Concerts – Big Top Brass* and *Artie's Singing Kettle*.

We really appreciate the warm welcome the Haddington community has given us at the Corn Exchange as well as the support from you our bookers attending at alternative venues until we can all return to a new home in Musselburgh.

We look forward to welcoming you to our events in Musselburgh and Haddington.

Best wishes

Fiona O'Sullivan, General Manager

and all The Brunton Team

## **BOOK TICKETS**

**If your booking requires a wheelchair user space or you have any access requirements for your visit, please contact our box office: 0131 653 5245 / [boxoffice@eastlothian.gov.uk](mailto:boxoffice@eastlothian.gov.uk)**

Online: [www.thebrunton.co.uk](http://www.thebrunton.co.uk) (24 hours a day)

Phone: 0131 653 5245 (Mon to Fri, 11am to 3pm)

You can buy tickets on the door at our venues, subject to availability

## **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**

### **KEY**

**CE – Corn Exchange, Haddington**

**LT – Loretto Theatre, Musselburgh**

**NPC – Northesk Parish Church, Musselburgh**

### **MAY**

Thu 7 7.30pm / CE

Gordon Strachan: My Life In Football

Mon 11 6.30pm / CE

An Evening with Professor Sir Tom Devine

Tue 12 12pm/1pm / NPC

Bite-Sized Concert at Lunchtime: Stewart Hardy, Fiddle & Frank  
Mclaughlin, Guitar

Wed 13 7pm / LT

Film: The Drama

Fri 15 7.30pm / CE

Newton Faulkner: Feels Like Home Tour 4

Sat 16 3pm / CE

Children's Classic Concerts: Big Top Brass

Fri 22 7.30pm / CE

The Fabulous Cash and Carter Show

Tue 26 7.30pm / LT

Company of Wolves: The Bacchae

Wed 27 7pm / LT

Film: Glenrothan

Thu 28 7pm / LT

National Theatre Live: The Playboy of The Western World

Fri 29 7.30pm / CE

Craig Hill: Wait 'Til You See My Entrance

Sat 30 7pm / CE

Haddstock Headliner: Alice Faye, Man of Moon, Sarah/ Shaun

30 & 31 Sat & Sun / LT

Alpha Dance

## **JUNE**

Wed 3 7pm / LT

Film: Michael

Wed 3 7.30pm / NPC

Siobhan Miller

Thu 4 7.30pm / CE

Stuart Mitchell & Friends (sold out)

Sat 6 2pm / CE

Artie's Singing Kettle

Sun 7 11am & 3.30pm / LT

HB Arts

Fri 12 7.30pm / CE

This Flight Tonight: The Songs of Joni Mitchell

## **JULY**

Sat 25 6.30pm / CE

PWR Wrestling

## **AUGUST**

Thu 6 – Sat 8 / CE

The Brunton Performing Arts Network Summer Musical

Production

## **CORN EXCHANGE**

**Court Street, Haddington EH41 3DS**

The Corn Exchange is located in the heart of Haddington. We have equipped it with professional staging, sound and lighting infrastructure, especially for live performances.

A selection of interval refreshments is available, and the town has several restaurants and bars.

Located on Court Street, the main road through Haddington, there is parking at the rear of the building.

## **FAMILY**

### **Children's Classic Concerts: Big Top Brass**

Roll up, roll up...Children's Classic Concerts spectacularly presents a carnival of musical acrobatics and live magic! With bells, trills and circus skills, this is the Greatest Show.

Performed by Thistle Brass, Children's Classic Concerts' brass quintet and presented by Owen Gunnell alongside their astonishing Magic Circle magician.

This promises to be an unforgettable performance that will entertain the whole family.

**Sat 16 May 3pm / £13**

**Artie's Singing Kettle – Live!**

***Celebrating 10 years solo.***

Join Artie for a sing-along spectacular as he takes you on a musical journey through the magical world of The Singing Kettle. Packed with fun, laughter, and loads of audience participation, this is the show where everyone gets to join in the action!

Sing along to your favourite classics: *Tattie Soup*, *Buy Me A Banana*, *Little Bunny Fou Fou* and the legendary *Shove Yer Granny Aff a Bus*.

All the clues are hidden in the original Singing Kettles - so get ready to shout, sing, and laugh along with Artie in this feel-good family show that's kettle-full of memories!

Dress up in something sparkly – it's showtime.

**Sat 6 Jun 2pm / £14 (under 6 months free ticket when sat on carer's lap)**

## **Brunton Performing Arts Network**

### **Summer Musical Production**

Our musical theatre summer school brings together talented young performers to learn and stage a fun, popular musical in two weeks. They are supported by theatre professionals from The Brunton Performing Arts Network team and freelance director David Ross.

Past shows include Beauty and the Beast, Grease, School of Rock and The Addams Family.

This year's show will be announced soon, visit [www.thebrunton.co.uk](http://www.thebrunton.co.uk) to find out more!

**Thu 6 - Sat 8 Aug**

## **COMEDY**

**Craig Hill**

**What 'Til You See My Entrance!**

Craig's back. Craig's front. Craig's everywhere! Scotland's own hilariously cheeky, riotously effervescent comedian bounds on

stage for a kilt swingin' highland fling of an evening. Join Craig as he reveals what's behind the curtain!

Sir Billy Connolly Spirit of Glasgow Award nominee in 2025, 2024 and 2023.

*"Laugh-out-loud... Absolutely hilarious"* List

*"He is that rare thing, a naturally funny comedian"* Independent

*"He blew the roof off"* Chortle

*"I've not heard a room laugh so long and hard"* Mirror

*"A divine comic gift"* Stage

Ages 18 plus only, strong language and adult themes.

**Fri 29 May 7.30pm / £22**

**Stuart Mitchell & Friends: On The Road**

**SOLD OUT!**

The one-liners have been sharpened, the quick replies are flowing fast and this time - he's bringing his pals.

**Thu 4 Jun 7.30pm / £24.50**

## **TALKS**

### **Gordon Strachan: My Life In Football**

Gordon Strachan has built up an immense reputation in the world of football. He played at the highest level with a range of clubs, Aberdeen, Manchester United and Leeds United, winning league titles on both sides of the border as well as European success. He graced the international stage for Scotland on 50 occasions and when retiring from the playing side went into management, most notably taking Southampton to the FA Cup Final, winning trophies over a four-year period at Celtic, and taking charge of the Scottish international side.

On what promises to be an entertaining night, Gordon discusses his colourful career and his life with host Gerry McDade. An evening you will not want to miss!

**Thu 7 May 7.30pm / £30**

## **An Evening with Professor Sir Tom Devine**

East Lothian Libraries' Local History Centre is thrilled to celebrate its 50th Anniversary with this highlight event!

Join us for a special interview session with Professor Sir Tom Devine, Scotland's most eminent historian, who will speak about his career, research, and publications, the importance of history and local studies, as well as answer some of your questions.

Bring your history books for an autograph and photo session too!

**Mon 11 May 6.30pm / £12 (£8)**

## **MUSIC**

### **Newton Faulkner: Feels Like Home Tour 4**

See Newton up close and personal.

Newton Faulkner is continually adjusting to a music landscape dominated by flux, he's moved from the phenomenal success of his debut album *Hand Built By Robots* to the surging triumph of *Write It On Your Skin*; from *Studio Zoo* - which was the first album

ever to be live streamed online while being recorded, and was also recorded and released in just five weeks – to the sumptuous *Human Love* plus multiple other records over his incredible 15 year career so far.

His new album *Octopus* is out now.

**Super VIP Guitar Workshop 3.30pm - A unique experience with Newton, plus everything included in the VIP package. Please bring your instrument.**

**VIP 6.15pm - Enjoy the best seats, a pre-show meet and greet with Newton and a souvenir gift.**

**Fri 15 May 7.30pm / £152 super VIP, £82 VIP, £32 standard**

**Jax & Co Entertainments**

**The Fabulous Cash & Carter Show**

Join us for a fantastic, authentic and heartwarming, nostalgic journey reliving the stories, music and songs of The Great Johnny Cash and June Carter.

The Fabulous Cash & Carter Show starring Jax Deacon as Johnny Cash with Clare Wilding as June Carter and their amazingly talented band are a unique family group. With over 20 years of experience between them in the music business and a large fan base they bring you all the great hits including *Folsom Prison Blues*, *A Boy Named Sue*, *Daddy Sang Bass*, *Ring of Fire* plus many more.

*“an amazingly talented and energetic band that does not disappoint”* The Grapevine Live

**Fri 22 May 7.30pm / £19.50**

**Haddstock Headliner: Alice Faye, Man of Moon, Sarah/Shaun**

Haddstock returns with their 2026 festival headline concert, featuring three fantastic Scottish acts.

**Alice Faye** is an award-winning Glasgow artist whose refined, imaginative and insightful approach echoes through time, drawing on classic folk/ country traditions, enriching them with the dramatic flair of Piaf and Brel.

**Man of Moon**, a standout Scottish live act, cross-pollinates genres and styles. Their sound is not hybridised, rather they are a synthesis of their influences including Mogwai, Radiohead and Pink Floyd; always uniquely themselves with deep intentionality in every song's construction.

Edinburgh's dream synth pop duo **Sarah/Shaun** appear on Vic Galloway and The Skinny's bands to watch list 2026. They've supported Air, The Bluebells and Glasvegas as a 5-piece band and played many UK festivals.

*"Alice Faye has an arresting voice to lean in to, halt the traffic and transport you to some sepia-tinted romantic realm."* The List

Suitable for ages 8 plus.

**Sat 30 May 7pm / £26 (£22)**

## **This Flight Tonight: The Songs of Joni Mitchell**

An intimate acoustic tribute to the music of Joni Mitchell, with the acclaimed album *Blue*, performed in its entirety as well as many of her most enduring and beloved songs such as *Song to A Seagull*, *Clouds*, *Ladies of the Canyon*, *Blue* and more.

*Blue* is regarded by audiences and critics as one of the greatest albums of all time. Mitchell's honesty, musical prowess and iconic voice invite the audience into Joni's experience of living and loving through the complex era of social change of the early 1970s.

Performed by Welsh singer/songwriters Paul Zervas and Kathryn Pepper, with their five-piece band.

*“Kathryn matches Mitchell's voice perfectly: her range, clarity of expression, intonation, distinctive vibrato...This is no mean feat”*

London Jazz News

**Fri 12 Jun 7.30pm / £29.50**

## **LORETTO THEATRE**

**Millhill, Musselburgh EH21 7RG**

A hidden gem situated on Millhill, across the road from Musselburgh Racecourse turnstiles. Located within the beautiful grounds of Loretto School, the theatre has comfy seats and clear sightlines.

There is on street parking nearby.

Look out for our Brunton flag to mark the way in.

## **THEATRE**

**Company of Wolves**

**The Bacchae**

An outcast god. A powerless king. A mother who kills her only son. Glasgow's acclaimed Company of Wolves present an earth-shattering solo retelling of the myth of Dionysos: an epic of rejection, vengeance and rebirth told through story, dance and ancient song.

Written and performed by Ewan Downie, *The Bacchae* blurs the lines between binaries: human and animal, male and female, victim and perpetrator, and takes us on a transformative journey

from repression and denial to renewal and release. A hymn of rebirth for our shattered selves.

Join us for a Q&A with actor Ewan Downie after the performance.

*“truly sensational”* ★★★★★ EdFest Magazine

**Tue 26 May 7.30pm / £14 (£12)**

Friends save 20%

## **BIG SCREEN**

### **MIDWEEK MOVIES AT LORETTO THEATRE**

**Tickets £10.50 (£9.50)**

Friends of The Brunton save 50p

#### **The Drama (15)**

Romantic comedy, a happily engaged couple is put to the test when an unexpected turn sends their wedding week off the rails.

2026 / 1h 46m

Director: Kristoffer Borgli

Cast: Zendaya, Robert Pattinson, Zoë Winters

**Wed 13 May 7pm**

#### **Glenrothan (12A)**

A story of family, forgiveness, and the possibility of healing, set in the Scottish Highlands. Two headstrong brothers are brought together at the country home of their 200 year old family whisky distillery after being estranged for almost 40 years.

2025 / 1h 37m

Director: Brian Cox

Cast: Alan Cumming, Brian Cox, Shirley Henderson

**Wed 27 May 7pm**

## **Michael**

The story of King of Pop, Michael Jackson. A portrayal of the life and legacy of one of the most influential artists the world has ever known.

2026

Director: Antoine Fuqua

Cast: Jaafar Jackson, Juliano Valdi, Colman Domingo

**Wed 3 Jun 7pm**

## **The Devil Wears Prada 2**

Sequel to the 2006 hit follows Miranda Priestly's struggle against Emily Charlton, her former assistant turned rival executive, as they compete for advertising revenue amidst declining print media.

2026

Director: David Frankel

Cast: Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway, Emily Blunt, Stanley Tucci

**Wed 17 Jun 7pm**

### **National Theatre Live: The Playboy Of The Western World**

Nicola Coughlan (*Bridgerton*) joins Éanna Hardwicke (*The Sixth Commandment*) and Siobhán McSweeney (*Derry Girls*) in John Millington Synge's riveting play of youth and self-discovery.

Pegeen Flaherty's life is turned upside down when a young man walks into her pub claiming that he's killed his father. Instead of being shunned, the killer becomes a local hero and begins to win hearts, that is until a second man unexpectedly arrives on the scene.

Filmed live on stage at the National Theatre, Caitríona McLaughlin directs this darkly funny tale full to the brim with secrets.

**Thu 28 May 7pm / £15.50 (£13.50)**

Friends of The Brunton save 50p

## **NORTHESK PARISH CHURCH**

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

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

### **MUSIC**

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

Our lunchtime concerts 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.

Our concerts are open and accessible to everyone, if you can't make it for lunch, you are welcome to book for the concert only.

**Lunch & concert £22**

**Concert only £13.75**

## **LUNCH AT 12 NOON / CONCERTS AT 1PM**

### **Stewart Hardy, Fiddle & Frank McLaughlin, Guitar**

Stewart Hardy (fiddle) and Frank McLaughlin (guitar) are a standout duo whose music is steeped in the rich traditions of Scotland and Northumberland. Known for their expert musicianship and finely crafted arrangements, they bring a fresh and distinctive voice to traditional music and their own compositions.

*“Superb instrumental pieces based on Celtic and other world traditions... extraordinary... one of the most interesting duos in the British Celtic music scene.”* World Music Central

**Tue 12 May**

### **Adam Heron, Piano**

Award-winning composer and pianist of Nigerian-Filipino heritage Adam Heron, is the 2020 titleholder of the Royal Academy of Music’s prestigious Harriet Cohen Bach Award. Born in Hong Kong, he achieved international recognition following his 2018 television debut as a BBC Young Musician piano finalist. Through

his unique artistry, coupled with a flair for communication, Heron is a leading ambassador for Black classical musicians. He marks his debut at The Brunton with an exquisite solo recital blending original compositions with cherished classics from the piano repertoire.

*“The verve and spirit of the young pianist, Adam Heron”* The Sunday Times

**Tue 16 Jun**

### **Siobhan Miller Trio**

One of Scotland’s most celebrated folk singer-songwriters, accompanied by guitar and fiddle.

Recently named Musician of the Year, at BBC Alba Scots Trad Music Awards 2025, with four Scots Singer of the Year titles and a BBC Radio 2 Folk Award, Siobhan has released five heralded solo albums. 2022’s *Bloom* is an out and out, freewheeling celebration of much-loved Scottish songs, deftly balancing a love of traditional song with modern influences.

Siobhan is a key part of Scotland's rich folk scene and is a regular performer at

Glasgow's Celtic Connections festival.

Don't miss this rare opportunity to experience her stunning vocals and lyrical songs in a truly special, intimate setting.

*"One of the best Scottish traditional singers on the planet"* fRoots

**Wed 3 Jun 7.30pm / £20 (£18)**

Friends of The Brunton save 10%

## COMMUNITY EVENTS & HIRES

### **Alpha Dance**

### **Let's Go Travelling**

Tap, Ballet, Cheerleading Jazz and Hip-hop are the varying disciplines of dance on display for this year's spring performance. The performances feature more than 200 dancers from tots to accomplished teenagers from the Academy's East Lothian, Midlothian and Edinburgh based pupils. Come along and enjoy a variety of music and dance.

**Sat 30 May 11am, 2pm & 6pm & Sun 31 May 11am & 2pm / £22, £20 ages 3-15 / Loretto Theatre, Musselburgh**

## **HB Arts**

Come along and enjoy songs and routines from across the world, with this performing arts showcase of dancing and singing.

**Sun 7 Jun 11am & 3.30pm / £17, £15 child / Loretto Theatre, Musselburgh**

## **PWR Wrestling**

An action-packed evening as PWR Pro brings its exciting, family friendly wrestling show back to Haddington! Fans of all ages can enjoy high-energy matches and colourful characters. Cheer for your favourites, boo the villains, and experience the unforgettable atmosphere only live wrestling can deliver.

PWR Pro guarantees entertainment the whole family can enjoy together. Don't miss your chance to be part of the excitement!

**Sat 25 Jul 6.30pm / £16.95 ringside, £11.95 general, family ticket £37 (4 people including at least 1 child general admission)**

## **COMING SOON**

At Corn Exchange, Haddington

Comedy

Gary Meikle: Yer Maw

**Fri 4 Sep 7.30pm**

Music

And Finally...Phil Collins

**Fri 11 Sep 7.30pm**

Music

Heaven Can Wait

**Wed 23 Sep 7.30pm**

Music

The Simon & Garfunkel Story

**Wed 30 Sep 7.30pm**

## **BE CREATIVE – JOIN IN!**

### **BRUNTON PERFORMING ARTS NETWORK**

*Exciting Youth Theatre, Dance and Musical Theatre Classes in East Lothian.*

Is your child bursting with energy and creativity? Do they love to move, act, sing or all three? Our termly youth theatre, dance and musical theatre classes are the perfect place to channel that enthusiasm in a fun, friendly and supportive environment.

Whether just starting out or already have some experience, everyone is welcome! Our classes are designed to help young people grow in self-expression, teamwork, and confidence, while making new friends and discovering the magic of performance.

Led by experienced theatre professionals, our tutors create engaging and supportive sessions that are perfect for all ages.

Our school holiday projects bring young people together to put on a musical theatre show, learning stagecraft, choreography and singing along the way. Previous productions include: *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Addams Family* and *School of Rock*. The projects are delivered by a professional production team.

For more information visit: [www.thebrunton.co.uk](http://www.thebrunton.co.uk) or email

[BPAN@eastlothian.gov.uk](mailto:BPAN@eastlothian.gov.uk)

## **BRUNTON PLAYERS**

Are you aged 18 plus, interested in acting? Then this group is for you. Run by professional and experienced drama tutors, Brunton Players meet weekly and perform their finished work on stage.

Email [BPAN@eastlothian.gov.uk](mailto:BPAN@eastlothian.gov.uk) for more information.

## **BOOKING INFORMATION**

**Booking fees:** We are in the process of transferring to a new booking system. During this phase bookings will either have a £2 per transaction fee added or a £2 per ticket fee which is included in the ticket price.

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

**Baby tickets:** £1 for under 18 months sat on carer's lap (where available). 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 [www.thebrunton.co.uk/terms-conditions](http://www.thebrunton.co.uk/terms-conditions) for more information.

## **OUR VENUES**

For up-to-date travel information visit

[www.travelinescotland.com](http://www.travelinescotland.com)

### **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.

### **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.

## **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 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. If you would prefer not to receive information from us or would like to change your address details, please contact our Box Office [info@thebrunton.co.uk](mailto:info@thebrunton.co.uk).

You can read our privacy policy at [www.thebrunton.co.uk/privacy-policy](http://www.thebrunton.co.uk/privacy-policy)

## **ABOUT THE BRUNTON**

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