

What's on...

A Grant Park

Forres' Grant Park plays host to a whole range of activities from circus to singing, painting to pilots!

Dance Walk / Walk / 11am @ Cricket Pavilion

Bring your own music player and headphones and join Ruby Worth in this fun interactive dance walk complete with warm up and cool down.

Drumduan Upper School / Stall

Find out more about Drumduan School at their stall in the park.

Elemental Community Arts / Have A Go

Make a festival mask to accompany festival mascot, Struan the Stag! Arts for all ages and abilities is at the heart of Elemental Community Arts' work.

Fly Argaric / Have A Go

Drop in circus skills for everyone.

Drum Fun & Forres in Bloom / Have A Go / 11am @ WeeFIBBees Garden

Try your hand at drumming with Steve Sharpe from Drum Fun. African drums, bells, maracas, a giant xylophone and even more to make a joyful noise!

Introducing Stage / Performance

Young musicians stage showcasing local talent. See chalkboard for performance times.

Canberra Cockpit / Have A Go

Join Morayvia to sit in the place of a pilot, navigator or bomb aimer in a historic Canberra Jet and find out about the role of this cold war veteran.

Newbold House Showcase / Stall

Newbold Trust will showcase the work of the social enterprise and opportunities it provides for the local community.

Forres Skate Park Initiative / Have A Go

Temporary half-pipe for all your skating and biking fun in Grant Park.

The Little Red Bus / Have A Go / £3 per ride

Back by popular demand our Little Red Double Decker Bus will be ready for trips for everyone.

Whisky Barrel Making / Demonstration

Artisan Bob Gordon will be demonstrating the traditional craft of coopering throughout the day and inviting you to help him build a whisky barrel.

B The Royal British Legion

Intro to Argentine Tango / Have a Go / 11am

An introduction to the music dance and culture of Argentine Tango with Argentine Tango Highland.

Dance Scottish / Have a Go / Noon, 1pm & 3pm

Take a turn at 'Strip the Willow' and 'The Gay Gordons' with Forres' own Royal Scottish Country Dance Society.

#Everybody#Dance#Now / Have A Go / 2pm

A taster dance session for all ages and abilities with BodysurfScotland: because dance is for everyone, and everyone can dance.

Out & about

Throughout Culture Day the streets of Forres will be packed with street performers out and about to entertain everyone plus ways for you to get involved with lots of fun, creative activities.

How many of our performers you can spot?

Mr H. • Animal Antics • Alice in Wonderland
Sophie Matheson • Aberlour Reelers • Dudendance
TNT Youth Band • Footerin' Aboot • Stilt Walkers
Arts in Motion • Porridge • Sid Innes • BodySurf Youth Dance
Struan the Stag • Forres & District Pipe Band
Bukhari choir • Dreamtime Community Arts • Melodies
Calum Jones • Pop Up Poetry

C Forres House & Library

At the Heart of Things / Storytime & Have A Go

Drop-in workshops on downloading eBooks & audio plus quizzes, music, film and storytelling! Activities all day. Storytime: 10.30 - 11am; Have A Go: 12 - 2pm.

The Mocado Exhibition / Exhibition

A touring exhibition showcasing young talent from around the UK, with a particular focus on Highland-based artists. Curated by Maddie Lennon and Caitrin Edmond.

Forres, it's Buildings, History and Architecture / Presentation / 10am

Take a metaphorical journey around the streets of Forres with local historian Norman Thompson and discover the hidden history of one of Scotland's most distinguished ancient Royal Burghs.

The Story of the Dava Way / Presentation / 11am

Discover the nature, history and legends hiding amongst the embankments and bridges of one of Scotland's most picturesque railway walks. With the Dava Way Association.

D St. Leonard's Church

Moray's music makers take to the stage of this beautiful church to entertain us with music and song.

Too Many Cooks / Performance / 11am

Theatrical acappella singing at its very best. Glamorous and humorous and a feast for the eyes as well.

Rising Stars / Performance / 11.30am

Young talented Moray group performing a variety of songs.

Classical Music / Performance / Noon

Local musicians who met at music school, Rosie Swan, Abi Collins plus guests join Culture Day to perform a range of classical and traditional music.

Dreamtime Community Arts / Performance / 2pm

An interactive performance of well-known songs interpreted to sign language and expressive dance.

Sounds Deep / Performance / 3.15pm

Men's community choir based in Forres singing inspirational songs from around the world.

Sing Moray at Gordonstoun / Performance / 3.45pm

Based on the Moray Firth, Sing Moray gives experienced and less experienced singers the chance to come together and enjoy making music.

Wild Gorse Studio / Have A Go

Pop in to get involved with some fantastic floral creations and chat about the adventures you've been having at the festival.

E Town Hall

Coffee Morning / Coffee Morning / 10am - Noon

Join Dyke Primary School for a coffee and a blether in the Town Hall.

Light Collective / Have A Go, Exhibition

Come on and be a lighting guerilla, take a photograph or just watch the action.

Mad Hatter's Tea Party / Performance / 1pm

Some of the colourful characters from Alice in Wonderland cause havoc in Forres Town centre and invite you to join them at their tea party.

F Tolbooth Street

This Culture Day Tolbooth Street will be pedestrianised, making an ideal route to Grant Park. Throughout the day the street will be alive with performances and the local bars and cafe's will be providing outdoor seating for customers to enjoy the atmosphere.

Depressed Cake Shop / Info, Open Doors

Moray Wellbeing Cafe. Pop up shop and chat for change.

Apple T'Art / Have A Go, Exhibition

Various artists with local connections exhibit.

Singing Trees / Performance

Visit the acoustic stage situated at the bottom of Tolbooth Street.

Vivian Hendry / Have A Go

Join Vivian on Tolbooth Street to explore your artistic creativity.

Pop Up Cinema Hub / Film, Presentation

Moving Picts presents a small film studio showcasing a range of local artists.

The Moose Mobile Radio / Mobile Radio

Open air busking stage, pop by and hear local talent and visiting musicians hosted by Mr Moon. Featuring musicians include Michiel Turner, Footerin' Aboot, Abi Rooley-Towle and Jerry Akehurst.

G The Falconer Museum

How to Grow a Dinosaur / Performance / 11am & 2pm

Frozen Charlotte presents an interactive theatrical science demonstration for children aged 3-6. Come and try a touch of transmogrification!

Power to the People / Exhibition, Have a Go

Part of The Falconer Museum's exhibition all about energy and the history and future of Power. From 10am - 5pm.

H Tolbooth

Craft Fair / Craft Fair

Meet local craft makers working together to showcase their skills, talents and creativity. From 11am - 4pm.

Transient Light / Exhibition, Presentation

Scottish Landscape Photographer of the Year 2015, Ian Cameron, presents work in the historic Tolbooth, with two talks from the artist at 11.30 am and 3pm.

Feedback / Installation

Selena Kuzman and The T-Exchange to explore celtic legend and link art, mythology and technology in this exciting installation. Supported by Creative Place ProjectARTS.

J Courtyard

Euphemia's Museum of Curiosities

One of a kind event recreating the atmosphere of the original Victorian Shop Shows, complete with imaginative, local curiosities on display, each with its unique tale of superstition and folklore to tell. Local artists hand picked by the museum's curator include Caroline Bury, Lucas Dew, Karen Grant, House of Automata, Naturally Useful and Sporrán Nation.

Face Painting

Become whatever you want for the day with some fun face painting!

K FACT Office

Kinloss & Forres Model Club / Exhibition

Displays and demonstrations of scale models.

Tech & Tea Party / Have A Go

Enjoy tea and cake whilst learning to use your tablets, laptops and phones. You can take part in a little online challenge too.

L Bird House

Frames Per Second / Exhibition, Meet the Artist
Installation by Graeme Roger and Chris Bird using traditional methods and techniques inspired by the pioneering Lumière Brothers.

M High Street

Painting in Progress / Meet the Artist

Artist Brian C Young paints and talks about art as you watch! Plus a pop-up gallery of his work.

Extremely Pedestrian Chorales / Performance

A light-hearted look at walking as dancing and a choreographic response to Bach's famous Chorales with BodySurf Scotland's Karl Jay-Lewin. Taking place in the window of Solo Hairdressers.

The Institute of Design Innovation (InDI), the Glasgow School of Art: Open Doors / Exhibition

Visit the Forres studios of the Glasgow School of Art and learn all about the fascinating work their designers and researchers are doing across the Highlands and Islands

Helping Hands / Exhibition, Performance

Collaboration between local poet and storyteller, Margot Henderson, and staff and customers of charity shops on Forres High Street. Sharing stories and reflections on loved items changing hands.

Ingrid A Fraser / Exhibition

An exhibition of Ingrid's work inspired by Scottish landscapes. Taking place in Babalu.

N Castle Hill Park

Local Forres Food Fest / Have A Go, Stall

Learn about local produce, bumble bees, biodiversity, eating the rainbow and more with Getting Incredible and Let's Eat.

O Rose Garden

Into the Rhythm / Have A Go

Join Carol Scorer in the drum circle and make some big noise! Carol has drums to suit all ages and abilities and everyone is welcome.

P The Nicholson Building

Plane Spotting / Exhibition

A photographic exhibition by Paul Campbell that captures that fleeting moment of a journey taken by unknown travellers to unknown destinations.

Awakenings / Exhibition

Hannah Laycock presents a photographic journey exploring life living with multiple sclerosis.

Small Paintings / Exhibition

Culture Day is delighted to present a series of small paintings by Moray's Elizabeth Strath, one of Scotland's most successful fine artists.

Q Tesco

Alt-w:Blush Response / Exhibition

The Travelling Gallery, a custom-built gallery in a bus, presents new works by artists based in Scotland.

R St John's Lodge

Science and Ingenuity / Have A Go

The T-Exchange will be presenting and demonstrating machines including 3D printers, micro-computers, programming languages and robots. From 11am - 5pm.

All together now...

Round off your day at 4pm by getting really involved and join one of our BIG Culture Day Forres events!

Big Sing!
with Sing Moray!
St Leonard's Church Hall

Big Dance!
with Forres Scottish
Country Dancing
Tolbooth Street

Big Street Band!
with TNT Street Band
Grant Park

Open up to find the full events listings...



- Information Points
- Public Toilets
- Parking
- Police Station
- At east end of Grant Park



Culture day Forres

Free, family events are happening all over Forres throughout Culture Day so take a stroll, explore the town and get creative!

Welcome to Culture Day Forres 2016!

Returning for a fourth year, Culture Day Forres will see the streets, parks, shops and public buildings of Forres come alive with a carnivalesque explosion of art, music, film and dance, talks and tours and much, much more.

All events are FREE and suitable for ALL AGES. So come along and get creative!

Here to Help

Our Culture Day volunteers and street performers will be on hand to assist you to find venues, events and the nearest loo. Information points will be at Tolbooth Square and Grant Park.

Event Times

Most events are available to drop in on throughout the day or will run at regular intervals. Where relevant, times are given on our listings or will be posted at each event location on the day. There will be lots of spontaneous activities too so expect the unexpected!

Lost Property, Lost Children and Reporting an Incident

In the event of lost property, a lost child or to report an incident please find one of our Culture Day volunteers who will be identifiable by their t-shirts. Alternatively go to the local Police Station at the east end of Grant Park.

Whatever the Weather

Culture Day Forres will go ahead in all weather conditions, however, some outdoor events may be moved indoors if it's a real dreach of a day. Our volunteers will be on hand to point you in the right direction.

Getting Around

Tolbooth Street will be closed to all traffic on Saturday but the High Street will remain open. Please take care when crossing roads, stick to pedestrian pavements and use designated crossing points. Free parking across town and overspill parking is available at the back of Forres Academy.

Thank you

A huge thank you to all the artists, volunteers, community groups, businesses, young people and local folk who have contributed to making Culture Day such a great celebration of our creative place!

Due to the nature of Culture day the events and times are subject to change. We will do our very best to keep you updated through our website at www.findhornbayfestival.com and on the day.

FINDHORN BAY FESTIVAL

21-26 SEPTEMBER 2016

Culture Day Forres 2016 is part of Findhorn Bay Festival, a six-day celebration of arts and culture, taking place at the heart of Moray and featuring artists of national and international renown.

For more information visit: www.findhornbayfestival.com

Saturday 24 September 2016

Culture day Forres

11am - 4pm



A fun, free, family day out, jam-packed with exciting exhibitions and performances and lots of have-a-go activities.

FINDHORN BAY ARTS

