Beyond Borders International Festival

Weekend Programme 26-27 August 2023

Traquair House, Innerleithen, EH44 6PW

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Saturday 26 August 2023

Morning

10.00-10.50am - Storytelling Walk

Join Mary Kenny for a stroll through Traquair's beautiful woods to hear tales of magical wonder.

Location: Walled Garden

10.15-11.00am – Queen of Edinburgh: Anne Redpath and Her Circle

Curator and Art Historian Alice Strang will discuss the doyenne of post-World War Two Scottish art, Anne Redpath. Renowned for her joyously coloured still-lifes, interiors and landscapes, Redpath was the first female painter to be elected a full member of the Royal Scottish Academy.

Location: Chapel Supported by Lyon & Turnbull

11.00-11:50am – Pretty Young Rebel

Join Jim Naughtie as he talks to Flora Fraser about the remarkable exploits of Flora MacDonald in both the Jacobite and American rebellions, as they discuss her new book *Pretty Young Rebel: The Life of Flora MacDonald.*

12.00- 12.50 pm – Britain and International Security

Allan Little quizzes the Former Head of the Special Boat Service, Col Graham Cundy, and Channel 4 Foreign Affairs Editor, Lindsey Hilsum, about Britain's interventions in conflicts around the world.

12.50-2.20pm – Lunchtime Music Enjoy your lunch in the Walled Garden with music from **Barbara Dickson**.



Afternoon

2.00-2.50pm – The Lesson of Jan Karski

Join Kirsty Lang as she talks to award-winning actor David Strathairn and director Derek Goldman about their internationally celebrated play and film *Remember This: The Lesson of Jan Karski*, which tells the true story of the Polish World War II hero and Holocaust witness who risked his life to carry the first reports of the Holocaust to the West.

3.00-3.50pm - Stand Up and Speak Out

Former First Minister Nicola Sturgeon talks to veteran peacemaker Monica McWilliams about her new book Stand Up, Speak Out: My Life Working for Women's Rights, Peace and Equality in Northern Ireland and Beyond.

3.50-4.30pm - Who Gets Believed?

Explore identity and belonging with **Dina Nayeri** in an enlightening discussion with **Oscar Guardiola-Rivera** about the complexities of migration and identity.

Location: Chapel

4.30-5.20pm – The World and All That It Holds

Join Allan Little and celebrated author Aleksandar Hemon as they explore his new novel *The World and All That it Holds*, which takes the reader on a mesmerising journey from Sarajevo to Shanghai. They will also reflect on the former Yugoslavia 25 years on.

5.30-6.20pm – Turning Points in Modern Britain

Join Steve Richards and Jack McConnell for a discussion on his latest book *Turning Points in Modern Britan, from 1945 to Truss* leading to two big questions - Is Scotland at a turning point with the SNP crisis? Is the UK at a turning point with Labour set to win the general election?

6.30-7.30m – **Evening Music** Rocking Scottish Folk Collective.

Sunday 27 August 2023

Morning

9.15-10.00am – Morning Meditation

Start your Festival Sunday with a morning meditation practice led by mediation and human rights expert, Rajesh Rai. **Location:** Walled Garden

10.00-10.15am – Walk and Talk with Fi Martynoga

Experience a taste of the Scottish Borders with Fi Martynoga as she leads a foraging walk around the grounds of Traquair.

Location: Walled Garden

11.00-11.50am – Why the Germans Do it Better

Join Germanophile Angus Robertson as he discusses the role Germany plays in Europe and the reinvention of Berlin with author John Kampfner and one of Germany's top broadcasters, Annette Dittert.

12.00-12.50pm - Resistance!

Watch Allan Little as he talks to the jail mate of Nelson Mandela and former PM of the Western Cape, Ebrahim Rasool, Professor Christina Murray who helped draft the South African Constitution, and South African artist, Peter Sacks, as they talk about South Africa, and the concept of resistance and renewal, in the context of Sack's extraordinary multi-dimensional exhibition, Resistance, at Summerhall Arts, featuring 54 resistance figures from across the globe over the last 120 years. In celebration of BBC correspondent George Alagiah and his most recent book *Burning Land*.

12.50-2.20pm – Lunchtime Music and Poetry

Enjoy your lunch accompanied by music from the **Outland Trio** and poetry from the Traquair Poetry Club, led by **Elaine Heron**.

Afternoon

2.10-3.00pm – From the Sloane Ranger to Bake Off: How Britain's Culture Has Changed

Laugh with Jim Naughtie as he explores changes in British culture over the last 30 years with Chief Sloane Ranger and stylist Peter York and Bake Off star Dame Prue Leith.

3.10-4.00pm – Ukraine: One Year On

Join Steve Richards as he listens to Channel 4's Lindsey Hilsum and BBC Lucy Ash's dispatches from the frontline of the Ukrainian war, while Professor Marc Weller considers how to resolve a conflict.

4.00-4.30pm - Story-Telling with Tenx9

Join the 1325 Women in Conflict fellowship in the Walled Garden tent as they share stories and experiences as artists, peace-builders, and women living in communities affected by conflict.

Location: Walled Garden

4.30-5.20pm – The Uncommon Wealth

Join William Dalrymple and Dr Kojo Koram as they deep dive into the history of colonialism and the future of the Commonwealth with Oscar Guardiola-Rivera.

5.30-6.20pm – Books, Brexit & Bullsh*t (Youth in Politics)

Watch Alastair Campbell as he gets grilled by two young journalists from Peebles High School and Edinburgh Napier University about his new book, *What Can I Do*.

Evening Music

6.30-7.17pm – Erykah's Gun

An eclectic blend of soul, funk, and rock n roll with influences from around the world.

7.30-8.30pm – The Retrophones Party with the Retrophones a 10 piece funk band playing high-tempo grooves from funk legends old and new.

Other Events

In Edinburgh

John Kerry at the Signet Library

Beyond Borders Scotland is delighted to announce that U.S. Special Presidential Envoy for Climate, Secretary John Kerry, will deliver a keynote address on the Climate Crisis at the Signet Library in Edinburgh to launch Scottish Global Dialogues, a new joint annual series of lectures organised by Beyond Borders and the WS Society which aims to bring a figure of international standing to Edinburgh each year during the the height of the festivals to shine a policy lens on an issue of global concern.

Location: 3pm on the 24th August at Signet Library, Edinburgh EH1 1RF

Resistance Art Exhibition

Resistance at Summerhall is the latest iteration of an ambitious two-year-long work conceived by renowned poet and artist Peter Sacks. Originally shown at the Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University in 2022, the exhibition consists of a sequence of sixty two portraits of iconic figures who fought against political, racial, and cultural oppression. The series has evolved to include political activists, novelists, poets, philosophers and artists who struggled in myriad ways against all forms of repression and injustice.

Location: Summer hall, Edinburgh EH9 1PL



Throughout The Festival

Festival Youth Programme

This year we are up-scaling our engagement with young people with our dedicated youth programme and youth yurt to help include these critical voices in the most exciting debates of our time. This was made possible through our collaboration with Peebles High School, Edinburgh Napier, and other local secondary schools.

Location: Walled Garden, Youth Yurt

Anne Redpath Exhibition: The Borders and Beyond

Renowned for her joyously coloured still-lifes, interiors and landscapes, Redpath was the first female painter to be elected a full member of the Royal Scottish Academy. Anne Redpath was born in the Scottish Borders and is one of the most important female Scottish artists of the twentieth century. Traquair will be showing paintings she did in the Borders as well as other works from her time in Edinburgh and Europe.

Location: Exhibition Room, Traquair House

Market Stalls

Findra Lyne Organics Peebles Honey Robert Smail's Printing Works Sara Keith Studio The Kaard Studio The Wee Souk

Location: Walled Garden

Book Shop

of this event.

Atkinson-Pryce Books will be at the festival for speaker books and signings.

Clouds Marquee kindly supported by Clouds Letting Management. Special thanks to Liberty Wines for their support



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