Beyond Borders
2013 International Festival of Literature & Thought

Summer programme of live events in the Borders & Edinburgh.
Welcome to the Beyond Borders Scotland Festival Programme 2013

Returning for its 4th year, Beyond Borders is delighted to bring to Scotland an exciting programme of debate, literature, art, music, theatre and film from around the world including Turkey, South Africa, Iran, Egypt, the US and Saudi Arabia as well as from the United Kingdom.

We hope you enjoy the programme and that you can join us to explore some of the key issues facing the world today.

Beyond Borders uses Scotland’s unique cultural and political heritage to promote greater understanding between nations and different cultures.

Mark Muller Stuart QC, Executive Director
Books, Borders & Bikes  16 -18 AUGUST

A literary festival set in the beautiful surroundings of Traquair House in the Scottish Borders, featuring a remarkable collection of Scottish and international cultural leaders, writers, artists and journalists.

Tickets:
Day pass - £24
for all talks, exhibitions and literary walks. Includes drinks reception.
Weekend pass - £45
Individual events - £9
Walks and cycle rides - £6
Children - Go Free
on all trails and grounds.

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www.beyondbordersscotland.com
Friday 16th August

5:45pm - 6:30pm
A Family Life Revealed
Catherine Muller Stuart and
Margaret Fox

7:00pm - 8:00pm
Steve Richards’ Rock ‘n’ Roll Politics 2
Steve Richards

Saturday 17th August

10-11am
Cycle - It’s All About the Bike
Rob Penn

10-11am
Walk - Walking Scott’s Border Ballads
Fiona Houston and Peter Sacks

11.15-12pm
Is Sustainability All Local?
Tessa Tennant, Rob Penn and Tom Burke

3-3.40pm
Was Sir Walter Scott a Lyrical Nationalist?
Peter Sacks and Jim Naughtie

4-5pm
Iraq 10 Years On: What Lessons for Syria and the U.N.?
General Sir Mike Jackson, Jane Kinninmont, Sir Kieran Prendergast and Allan Little.

12-12.45pm
Return of the King
William Dalrymple and Magnus Linklater

5.15-6.30pm
The Art of Protest
William Sutcliffe, Reem Kelani, Mesut Onen, Manal al-Dowayan, Akmal Saleh and Bejan Matur and Oscar Guardiola-Rivera

1-1.50pm
Who Do You Think You Are?
Jim Naughtie, Alistair Moffat, William Sutcliffe, Iqbal Wahhab

6.30-7.00pm
Reception - From Tahrir to Traquair: Songs of Protest
Celebrating Reem Kelani’s songs

2-2.45pm
Crossing Borders
Rory Stewart and Magnus Linklater
Sunday 18th August

10-11.15am
Walk - If the Trees could talk, what would they say?
Robert Wild, Catherine Maxwell Stuart, and Ian D Edwards

10-11.15am
Cycle - A Family Storytelling Ride from Neidpath to Traquair
John Nichol

10am-12pm
Cycle - With Rob Penn from Traquair to Abbotsford House
Experienced Cyclists only (15-18mph)
Rob Penn

11.15-12pm
The Neuroscience of Ancient and Sacred Natural Sites
Robert Wild, Tim Phillips and Maria Muller

12-12.50pm
Dispatches from the Most Dangerous Places on Earth
Allan Little, Paul Conroy and James Fergusson

1-1.50pm
Can We Ever Trust the State?
John Kampfner, Oscar Guardiola-Rivera, Ben Emmerson QC and Ambassador Cynthia P. Schneider

2-2.45pm
A Soldier’s Life
General Sir Mike Jackson

3-4pm
Scotland’s Role in the World
Mark Muller Stuart QC, Spanish Senator Urko Aiartza Azrtza, Jeremy Purvis, Sir Kieran Prendergast and other guests from across the political divide

4.15-5pm
A Sense of Place
Jorie Graham and Geoffrey Baskerville

5.20-6pm
Understanding the Islamic World
William Dalrymple, Sadakat Kadri, Cynthia P. Schneider and Manny Ansar

6-7pm
Reception - Music from AFRICA ENTSHA
Catherine Muller Stuart and Traquair archivist, Margaret Fox give an insight into the lives of the Stuarts at Traquair from 1491 - 1875, from their recently published book based on letters and documents from the archives.

Date: Friday 16th August    Time: 5:45pm - 6:30pm    Venue: High Drawing Room

Award winning columnist and BBC broadcaster Steve Richards presents his Assembly show, a behind the scenes guide to all the latest epic political and media dramas, from frenzied Tory plotting to the future of Scotland. Laugh, despair or hope as Cameron, Miliband, Clegg and Salmond struggle in a world all shook up.

Date: Friday 16th August    Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm    Venue: The Chapel
Join Tessa Tennant as she talks to Rob Penn and Tom Burke, Director of E3G as they tackle a crucial environmental debate and talk about how to protect Scotland’s woodlands, wild sanctuaries and precious borderlands.

Date: Saturday 17th August     Time: 11:15am - 12:00pm    Venue: Main Marquee

Meet Beyond Borders favourite, William Dalrymple, as he returns to Traquair to read from his new book, which examines the haunting parallels between Britain’s imperial adventures in Afghanistan in the 19th and 21st Centuries, as well as talk about his new project concerning the Indo-Pak rivalry. Magnus Linklater asks the questions.

Date: Saturday 17th August     Time: 12:00pm - 12:45pm    Venue: Main Marquee
Join Jim Naughtie for a light hearted debate as he explores the concept of national identity with Alistair Moffat, author of Britain’s DNA, author William Sutcliffe, and Quilliam Foundation Chairman and Restaurateur, Iqbal Wahhab.

**Who Do You Think You Are?**

Date: Saturday 17th August     Time: 1:00pm - 1:50pm    Venue: Main Marquee

Listen to Rory Stewart MP in conversation with Beyond Borders Patron, Magnus Linklater as he talks about his life as a soldier, explorer, writer, diplomat and Borders politician.

**Crossing Borders**

Date: Saturday 17th August     Time: 2:00pm - 2:45pm    Venue: Main Marquee
Was Sir Walter Scott a Lyrical Nationalist?

Discover acclaimed modern artist and Harvard literary professor Peter Sacks, as he explores and brings to life the timeless tales of Walter Scott’s collection of Scottish Border Ballads with the help of Jim Naughtie. Peter has been commissioned to produce a major new work for Traquair incorporating the history and texture of the Scottish Borders.

Date: Saturday 17th August  Time: 3:00pm - 3:40pm  Venue: Main Marquee

Iraq Ten Years On: What Lessons for Syria and the U.N.?

Join General Sir Mike Jackson, Chatham House’s Jane Kinninmont and Sir Kieran Prendergast as they come together to discuss the Iraq War and its impact on the U.N. and Syria. Allan Little presides.

Date: Saturday 17th August  Time: 4:00pm - 5:00pm  Venue: Main Marquee
End the day with Reem Kelani, as we celebrate some of her most poignant protest songs.

Date: Saturday 17th August     Time: 6:30pm - 7:00pm    Venue: Main Marquee
The Neuroscience of Ancient and Sacred Natural Sites

Meet conservationist and author of “Sacred Sites”, Robert Wild, neuroscience explorer, Tim Phillips and Deputy Director of the Museum of Modern Art, Maria Muller in the intimacy of the Chapel of Traquair as they explore why ancient places evoke such a powerful hold over our culture and should be protected during times of conflict.

Date: Sunday 18th August     Time: 11:15am - 12:00pm    Venue: Main Marquee

Dispatches from the Most Dangerous Places on Earth

Join Allan Little as war photographer Paul Conroy gives a haunting account of coming under fire with Marie Colvin in Syria in 2011, while author James Fergusson explains why Somalia became one of the most dangerous places on earth.

Date: Sunday 18th August     Time: 12:00pm - 12:50pm    Venue: Main Marquee
Can we Ever Trust the State?

As more disclosures emerge about the extent of official surveillance in Western society, John Kampfner asks whether we can ever trust the State to protect our liberties. Author of forthcoming book, ‘Story of a Death Foretold’ which charts the 1973 Chilean Coup, Ben Emmerson QC author of the UN report on drone strikes and US Ambassador Cynthia P. Schneider.

Date: Sunday 18th August     Time: 1:00pm - 1:50pm    Venue: Main Marquee

A Soldier’s Life

Experience General Sir Mike Jackson as he responds to the previous debate and talks about his life as one of Britain’s most prominent soldiers.

Date: Sunday 18th August     Time: 2:00pm - 2:45pm    Venue: Main Marquee
Scotland’s Role in the World

Participate in an important debate about Scotland’s future and role in the world with a number of Scotland’s political luminaries, including a slew of politicians from across the political divide. Mark Muller Stuart QC, Jeremy Purvis, and Spanish senator, Urko Aiartza Azurtza from the Basque country join the debate. Sir Kieran Prendergast poses the questions.

Date: Sunday 18th August    Time: 3:00pm - 3:45pm    Venue: Main Marquee

A Sense of Place

Spend 45 minutes with US Pulitzer Prize winner poet Jorie Graham as she talks about her poetry, life and a sense of place. Geoffrey Baskerville poses the questions.

Date: Sunday 18th August    Time: 4:15pm - 5:00pm    Venue: Main Marquee
Join William Dalrymple as he talks to Sadakat Kadri about his journey through Sharia Law and the Sunni/Shia divide. Also Manny Ansar and former U.S. Diplomat Cynthia P. Schneider on why the West needs to reengage with the Islamic world.

**Understanding the Islamic World**

Date: Sunday 18th August  
Time: 5:20pm - 6:00pm  
Venue: Main Marquee

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A true miracle of the township: four boys with golden voices. Discovered busking in parts of Johannesburg rarely visited, Africa Entsha found fame singing during the World Cup. ‘Entsha’ in Zulu means new. This remarkable a cappella group with fresh sounds and new style from the beating heart of Soweto. Great music, inspirational harmonies, fabulous dance. An irresistible performance expressing the spirit of Africa. Infectiously feel-good experience for all ages. Simply Soweto unmissable.

**Africa Entsha**

Date: Sunday 18th August  
Time: 06:00pm - 07:00pm  
Venue: Main Marquee
Join author and cycling enthusiast Rob Penn on a relaxed short round trip ride from Traquair to Glen House while he reflects on the state of cycling culture and the joys of pursuing happiness on two wheels.

Date: Saturday 17th August   Time: 10:00am - 11:00am   Meet @ front of Traquair House

At yon castle wa’ join Fiona Houston as she talks to acclaimed modern artist and Harvard Lit Professor Peter Sacks and leads him through true Elfyn-land and beyond to rediscover the Medieval Border Ballads saved, and tinkered with, by Sir Walter Scott.

Date: Saturday 17th August   Time: 10:00am - 11:00am   Meet @ front of Traquair House
A Talking Science Project in partnership with Beyond Borders Scotland and the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh. Join this session to explore Traquair’s historic landscape and discover the stories of its amazing trees.

Talking Science event: If trees could talk - what would they say?

Participants: Robert Wild, Catherine Maxwell Stuart, Ian D Edwards
(Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh)

Date: Sunday 18th August     Time: 10:00am - 11:15am    Meet @ Traquair Chapel

Cycle with Rob Penn from Traquair to Abbotsford House

Join Rob Penn in a fast cycle from one beautiful house to another, to celebrate the reopening of Sir Walter Scott’s home at Abbotsford. Please note cyclists must be gathered before 10am as set off will be prompt. Transport provided from Abbotsford back to Traquair for those who require it.

For experienced cyclists only - 15-18 Mph roughly

Date: Sunday 18th August     Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm    Meet @ front of Traquair House
Join local storyteller John Nicol on a family cycle from Neidpath to Traquair House down the new Peebles to Innerleithen cycle track.

Date: Sunday 18th August  Time: 10:00am - 11:45am  Venue: Neidpath

Throughout BBB Sandy Neil from the BBC and Southern Reporter will be recording video interviews with our exciting speakers on some of the key issues currently in the media and debated at the festival.

Please see our website www.beyondborderssscotland.com to watch these interesting discussions from in and around Traquair House.
BEYOND BORDERS: VISUAL ARTS @ TRAQUAIR

16 AUGUST - SEPTEMBER
Informal poetry readings from Jorie Graham in the house and grounds of Traquair House.

Saudi Arabian artist Manal Al Dowayan presents her powerful I AM photographic exhibition, which highlights the dialogue around women and employment in Saudi Arabia. Recently exhibited by Beyond Borders at the Clinton Presidential Library, in collaboration with the Club of Madrid and Clinton Foundation, this important art will also be featured in the Scottish Parliament debating chamber and other locations in Edinburgh. With thanks to the British Council Scotland.

Wander the rooms of Traquair to discover the portraits of past Beyond Borders participants. Curated by David Packard.

Watch an extraordinary film about Palestinian attempts to breach the Israeli Separation Barrier. In the Traquair Pavilion.
Buy a painting and book from the Traquair Tea Room in aid of Syria from last year’s Enduring Middle East Exhibition from Joseph Maxwell Stuart and Mark Muller Stuart.

Watch the powerful and revealing documentary by Australian comedian Akmal Saleh. Born in Egypt, Akmal returns to the country to explore how the people were able to overthrow a dictator in rule for over thirty years. In the Traquair Pavilion.

The installation explores the portrayal of the constantly shifting and layered geography of Palestine. Centred on a heavily biased 2012 guidebook Jerusalem, Israel, Petra and Sinai that contains minimal amounts of Arabic history, this guidebook was first exhibited in Ramallah by the artist as an interactive artwork, inviting the Palestinian public to interject their own stories, sites of importance and history. This altered guidebook is now shown alongside a layered and manipulable militaristic map of Jerusalem with documentary videos of places cited and, significantly, not cited.

In partnership with Delfina Foundation
Beyond Borders Film Festival

WEEK OF 19 AUGUST

This series of film nights at Edinburgh’s premier independent film house explore common themes about such topics as homelands, landscape, memory, dialogue and cultural reconciliation. From the Middle East to East Timor via South Africa, we introduce you to some inspiring people and stories that changed the world.

TICKETS
Admission £8.20
Concessions £6.00
BOX OFFICE: 0131 228 2688

Filmhouse, 88 Lothian Road, Edinburgh EH3 9BZ
Charged with overseeing Israel’s war on terror both (Palestinian and Jewish) the head of the Shin Bet, Israel’s secret service, is present at the crossroad of every decision made. For the first time ever six former heads of the agency agreed to share their insights and reflect publicly on their actions and decisions. Gatekeepers offers an exclusive account of the sum of their success and failures. It validates the reasons that each man individually and the six as a group came to reconsider their hard-line positions and advocate a conciliatory approach toward their enemies based on a two-state solution.

Date: Tuesday 20th August   Time: 6:30pm   Venue: Filmhouse, Lothian Road, Edinburgh

This moving documentary follows the efforts by various Palestinians to cross the seven metre high wall that separates the Palestinian Territories from Israel. Jarrar runs alongside the infiltrators, showing the viewer, in an unobtrusive style, the huge risks taken by those who feel that they have nothing to lose.

Date: Tuesday 20th August   Time: 8:45pm   Venue: Filmhouse, Lothian Road, Edinburgh
Sing Your Song
Susanne Rostock - 2013 - 103 min
USA

This film is an up close look at a great American, Harry Belafonte. A patriot to the last and a champion for worldwide human rights, Belafonte is one of the truly heroic cultural and political figures of the past 60 years. Told from Harry’s point of view, the film charts his life from a boy born in New York and raised in Jamaica, who returns to Harlem in his early teens where he discovers the American Negro Theater and the magic of performing.

Date: Wednesday 21st August   Time: 6:30pm   Venue: Filmhouse, Lothian Road, Edinburgh

South Africa -
The Massacre that Changed a Nation
John Thynne - 2013 - 60 min - United Kingdom

In August 2012, 34 miners were shot dead by police as they protested outside a mine in Marikana. Nearly 50 years after he left South Africa as a teenager, Peter Hain MP returns to ask how the country of his childhood which was once such a beacon of hope, is now the scene of such tragedy. In this BBC documentary, Hain speaks to the families of some of the men killed at Marikana and uncovers a day of shocking brutality with many disturbing allegations.

Date: Wednesday 21st August   Time: 8:45pm   Venue: Filmhouse, Lothian Road, Edinburgh
Renowned Iranian director, Jafar Panahi received a 6-year prison sentence and a 20-year ban from filmmaking and conducting interviews with foreign press due to his open support of the opposition party in Iran’s 2009 election. Secretly shot on an iPhone and a modest DV camera by Panahi’s close friend Mojtaba Mirtahmasb and smuggled into France in a cake for a last-minute submission to Cannes, in this documentary Panahi shares his day-to-day life as he waits for a decision on his appeal.

This Is Not a Film
Jafar Panahi and Mojtaba Mirtahmasb - 2011 - 75 min - Iran

The remarkable story of documentarian-turned-activist Kirsty Sword Gusmão, who became a forceful advocate for the tiny nation of Timor-Leste and a lynchpin in its harrowing struggle for independence. In solidarity with the Timorese independence movement in Jakarta, her task is to be a conduit of information and instruction for the enigmatic leader of the Timorese resistance, Kay Rala “Xanana” Gusmão, serving life in prison for his revolutionary activities. Through correspondence, they fell in love. Alias Ruby Blade captures their incredible story from this beginning to the ultimate triumph of freedom in East Timor, demonstrating along the way the astonishing power of ordinary individuals to change the course of history.

Alias Ruby Blade
Alex Meillier - 2012 - 78 min - USA

Date: Thursday 22nd August    Time: 6:30pm    Venue: Filmhouse, Lothian Road, Edinburgh

Date: Thursday 22nd August    Time: 8:45pm    Venue: Filmhouse, Lothian Road, Edinburgh
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TICKETS
Admission £5
Concessions £3.50
BOX OFFICE: 0131 348 5200

The Scottish Parliament
Horse Wynd
Edinburgh EH99 1SP
The Power of Cultural Diplomacy and the Power of Small Nations in Overcoming Conflict

This event will explore the power of cultural diplomacy in overcoming cultural conflict.

Join chair Mark Muller QC, barrister and international mediator, as he discusses the power of cultural diplomacy and explores the role that small nations such as Scotland can play in confronting and resolving conflict around the world with panellists Manny Ansar, founder of the Festival in Exile; William Burdett-Coutts, Artistic Director Assembly Edinburgh; and US Ambassador Cynthia P. Schneider, non-resident senior fellow in the Project on US Relations with the Islamic World at The Brookings Institution.

Also featuring Manal Al Dowayan’s artwork I AM photographic exhibition and promotional film on the Festival in Exile featuring Morgan Freeman

Scottish Parliament Grand Debating Chamber @ 4:30pm
Beyond Borders Dialogue Initiative
The Dialogue Initiative uses Beyond Borders Scotland’s cultural projects and relationships to assist peace building and democratic reform around the world. Over the course of each year BBS hosts a number of international visits as well as both open and confidential conferences and workshops for a range of international organisations.

The Initiative draws upon Scotland’s unique political settlement and cultural heritage. In particular it draws upon the expertise and experience of a unique collection of Scottish elder statesmen and women, diplomats, mediators, journalists and academics.

We use retreat conference facilities at Traquair House to facilitate exchange between key diplomatic and civil society actors from countries experiencing transition and emerging from violent and non-violent conflict.

If your organisation is interested in accessing these facilities please contact us at info@beyondbordersconsulting.com or through the website at beyondbordersscotland.com.
About Beyond Borders Scotland
Beyond Borders is a non-profit organisation, which is dedicated to facilitating dialogue and international cultural exchange.

Beyond Borders works across several different mediums including literature, performing arts, visual arts, heritage, film, politics and dialogue. It uses Scotland’s unique heritage as a platform for promoting greater understanding between different countries, peoples and cultures.

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Lord Des Browne was a Labour MP from 1997 to 2010 and a member of the Cabinet under Tony Blair and Gordon Brown, serving as both Defence and Scottish Secretary until 2008. He also served as a minister in Northern Ireland and has extensive experience in conflict resolution, Scottish constitutional and legal affairs.

Sir Menzies Campbell MP CBE QC is the MP for North East Fife and was Leader of the Liberal Democrats from March 2006 until October 2007. He is also a prominent advocate, Chancellor of the University of St. Andrews and was a successful Olympic athlete. He has extensive experience of foreign affairs.

Baroness Helena Kennedy QC is one of Britain’s most distinguished lawyers. She has spent her professional life championing civil liberties and promoting human rights. She is also a former Chair of the British Council and a trustee of the British Museum with enormous experience of international cultural affairs.

Sir Kieran Prendergast is a seasoned British diplomat, who was born in Scotland, and served as Ambassador in Zimbabwe, Kenya and Turkey from 1997 until 2005 when he became Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs at the UN. In 2005 Kofi Annan thanked him for his “outstanding service” and “invaluable advice.” He is currently a Senior Advisor to the Centre.
**PATRONS**

Angus Robertson is Scottish National Party (SNP) and Member of Parliament (MP) for Moray having first been elected in 2001. Robertson is the SNP Parliamentary (Westminster Group) Leader and Spokesperson for Foreign Affairs and for Defence and retains an abiding interest in small nation dialogue.

Baroness Elizabeth Smith is the Chair of the Edinburgh Festival Fringe and President of Scottish Opera. Her other positions include being an Advisory Council Member of the Russo-British Chamber of Commerce and a Trustee of the Mariinsky Theatre Trust. She has unparalleled experience of Scottish cultural affairs.

Lord David Steel is a Liberal Democrat peer. He was leader of the Liberal Party from 1976 until 1988 and the first Presiding Officer of the Scottish Parliament between 1999 and 2003. Both he and his wife Judy are strong supporters of the arts in the Borders. He retains a deep interest in African affairs.
Beyond Borders Consulting is a bespoke Edinburgh based international consultancy, which offers a range of services on international cross border matters, providing advice, NGO support and strategic policy development on issues such as terrorism, cyber security, piracy, international litigation, rule of law and corruption. We also offer bespoke programmes on both Westminster and Scotland’s parliamentary practises and procedures.

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