



Beyond Borders International Festival

Weekend Programme 28-29 August 2021

Traquair House, Innerleithen, EH44 6PW



Saturday 28.08.2021

Main Tent

11.00-11.50am – Against All Odds: Scottish Women *Can Paint*

Join Edi Stark as she unravels the journey of seven Scottish women artists through the 20th and 21st centuries with Joyce Cairns, President of RSA, art historian, Alice Strang, and curator Andrew Brown. Callum Stark introduces.

12.10-1.00pm – Divided Societies

Watch Allan Little as he talks to novelist Elif Shafak about her book *How to Stay Sane in the Age of Division* and writer Sarah Helm as they reveal the truth about divided societies, including in Turkey and Gaza.

2.00-2.50pm – Scotland’s Foreign Policy Footprint

Join Stephen Gethins, author of *Nation to Nation* and former UK Permanent Representative to NATO Mariot Leslie as they explore Scotland’s foreign policy footprint. Allan Little asks the questions.

3.20-4.10pm – Lady in Waiting: My Extraordinary Life in the Shadow of the Crown

Watch as veteran journalist Jim Naughtie delves into the remarkable life of Lady Anne Glenconner, as Lady in Waiting to Princess Margaret, wife to Lord Glenconner and her new role as a writer.

4.40-5.30pm – Scots in the Empire

Participate in the inquisition, as Professor Geoff Palmer quizzes historian, William Dalrymple, and author of *Blood Legacy*, Alex Renton, about the Scots’ role in the British Empire and the institution of slavery.

5.45-6.30pm – YCS: Discussion Forum

The Youth Climate Summit hosts a discussion forum to share experiences and plan future climate-related projects. This event will be open to the public for the first 20 minutes.

Walled Garden & Clouds Marquee

09.30-10.30am – Morning Meditation

Join a meditation practice led by Rajesh Rai.

10.00-10.50am – Literary Walk

Join Catherine Maxwell Stuart and Alasdair Allan on a walk from Toll Wood as he reads from his new book exploring the Scottish Borders.

11.55am-12.10pm – Screen Printing Demo

As part of the Youth Climate Summit focus on sustainable fashion, join a screen-printing workshop led by Edinburgh Printmakers.

1.05-1.55pm – Lunchtime Music

Barbara Dickson and Rab Noakes perform a selection of enchanting *Songs of Separation*.

2.00-2.45pm – Poetry Workshop

Elaine Heron leads a climate-themed poetry workshop ahead of Sunday’s poetry walk.

2.55 -3.25pm – Screen Printing Demo

As part of the Youth Climate Summit focus on sustainable fashion, join a screen-printing workshop led by Edinburgh Printmakers.

2.55 -3.35pm – A Promenade of Discovery

Explore Traquair’s surroundings as Nigel Osborne leads a musical promenade exploring the links between music and the climate crisis.

4.15-4.40pm – Reading and Q&A

Join Alasdair Allan MSP in a Q&A about his new book *Tweed Rins Tae the Ocean*, which explores the history, literature, and language of what he contends is the oldest national land border in the world.

4.15-4.40pm – Gin Tasting

Sample delicious local Scottish Borders gin from Selkirk Distillers in a guided tasting!

5.45-6.45pm – Evening Music

End the day in the Walled Garden with music from the Microband!

Sunday 29.08.2021

Main Tent

10.00 -10.40am – Prime Ministers We Never Had

Join Steve Richards as he talks about his new book exploring the Shakespearean rise and fall of the Prime Ministers we never had.

11.00-11.50am – The NYT Debate: Journeys Towards COP26

Listen as Lord Bilimoria, St Andrews Professor Ali Watson and NYT’s Stephen Dunbar-Johnson talk about their journeys to COP26 and how youth, business, and journalism can help to solve the climate crisis. Co-curated by local youth activists.

12.10-1.00pm – From Russia with Love

Watch as Magnus Linklater, former Met Chief Bernard Hogan-Howe and John Taylor, who has spent over 50 years working in intelligence and security, including close contact with human sources like Oleg Gordievsky, as they discuss the state of play concerning domestic and international security.

2.00-2.50pm – Dispatches from Kabul

Join Allan Little with Eldridge Adolfo, Advisor to the EU Envoy to Afghanistan, Afghan rights campaigner Samina Ansari, Beyond Borders Fellow Mariam Safi, and William Dalrymple, as they discuss the crisis in Afghanistan.

3.20-4.10pm – Is There Such a Thing as American Exceptionalism?

Join Jim Naughtie as he explores America’s historical legacy in the making of the modern world. With Tim Phillips, Aminatta Forna, and Oscar Guardiola-Rivera, as Razia Iqbal and Sir Kieran Prendergast join from abroad.

4.40-5.30pm – Politics and Peacemaking: Where Next for Global Britain

Listen to Steve Richards as he quizzes Jonathan Powell about his role in helping to make peace around the world and his take on Brexit and the future of UK politics.

Walled Garden & Clouds Marquee

09.00 - 09.45am – Morning Meditation

Join a meditation practice led by Rajesh Rai.

09.45-10.45am – Foraging Walk

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

11.45am-12.15pm – Smoothie Bike Demo

As part of the Youth Climate Summit focus on plant based diets, join a smoothie bike demonstration led by Peachykeen.

1.15-1.45pm – Lunchtime Music

Listen as Nigel Osborne curates a programme of music exploring the links between music and the climate crisis.

2.55-3.25pm – Whisky Tasting

Sample local Scottish Borders whisky from the Borders Distillery as part of a guided tasting

2.55-3.25pm – Poetry Walk

Join the Youth Climate Summit on a Poetry Walk around the grounds of Traquair House.

4.10-4.40pm – Book Launch: *Decameron*

Join Roddy Martine, Catherine and Mark Muller Stuart, Andrew Brown, and others, as they talk about their scrapbook *Decameron* in which 10 friends explored 10 artistic themes for 10 weeks during lockdown 2020.

4.10-4.40pm – A Promenade of Discovery

Explore Traquair’s surroundings as Nigel Osborne leads a musical promenade exploring the links between music and the climate crisis.

5.45-6.45pm – Evening Music

Finish off the weekend in the Walled Garden with acoustic Blues and Jazz from locals near and far with Black Coffee!

Throughout the weekend

Watch all of the Main Tent talks on a screen in the Walled Garden Clouds Marquee, and enjoy other events taking place in the Walled Garden and elsewhere!

Exhibitions

The New York Times: Carbon’s Casualties

Josh Haner has travelled across the globe to document the effects of climate change. Dramatic drone footage coupled with still photography on the ground captures diverse environments as they are reshaped around the world, weaving a visual narrative of the ultimate legacy of climate change: the loss of our planet’s heritage.

Against All Odds:

Scottish Women *Can Paint*

Location: High Gallery and Cellar

“Women can’t paint,” was a statement made by Georg Baselitz when asked why women were so underrepresented in art museums and major exhibitions. This exhibition and series of interviews with and about seven prominent Scottish women artists sets out to disprove that belief and try to understand how a group of dedicated women painters have managed to create some of the best paintings produced in Scotland during the last half of the 20th century.

Youth Climate Summit

Sustainable Fashion Stall

As part of the Youth Climate Summit, there is an area devoted to raising awareness of sustainable fashion, presenting a second hand clothes stall and interactive screen printing for second hand t-shirts.

Plant-based Diets

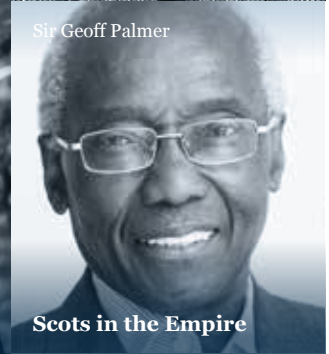
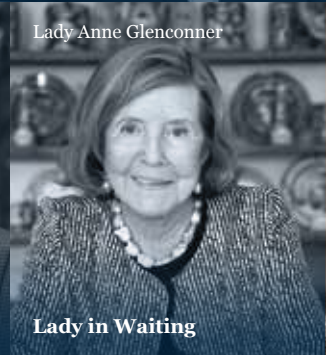
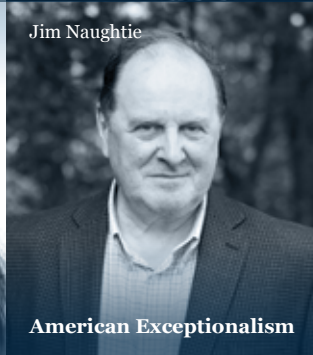
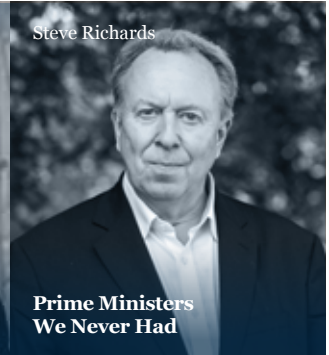
Youth Climate Summit members host an area with information about plant-based diets and their role in tackling climate change. This include a vegan/vegetarian recipe scrapbook and a bicycle-powered smoothie maker.

Market Stalls

Borders Distillery
Cammafi Tea & Accessories
LoveLiveGive Art
Lyne Organics
Selkirk Distillery
The Wee Souk

There will also be a stall featuring work and discussions from local writers, focussing on Green Recovery and Health.





A weekend of walks,
talks, music, poetry and
great food in the beautiful
grounds of Traquair House.



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Tickets

Weekend Ticket: £49 Day Ticket: £26

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