



## **Festivals**

Edinburgh is always packed with things to do but if it's the world's largest international arts festival you're looking for, then August is most definitely the time to come!

### **Edinburgh Military Tattoo** <http://www.edintattoo.co.uk>

Against the spectacular backdrop of the historic Edinburgh Castle, the Tattoo is the biggest selling spectacle on the Scottish calendar, attracting an international audience of over 200,000 people.

### **Edinburgh Festival Fringe** <http://www.edfringe.com>

The unique experience that is the Edinburgh Festival Fringe boasts over a thousand shows at nearly 200 venues during its three week run. The world's largest arts festival offers a kaleidoscope of entertainment including theatre, comedy, music and exhibitions.

### **Edinburgh International Book Festival** <http://www.edbookfest.co.uk>

For seventeen glorious days, the world's largest and most dynamic festival for lovers of reading, writing, and 'big ideas' takes over Edinburgh's beautiful Charlotte Square Gardens. The friendliest and the funniest, the brightest and the best, the most relaxing and the most exhilarating, the Book Festival is a vibrant meeting place where people of all ages come face to face with some of the greatest writers and thinkers on the planet.

### **Edinburgh International Festival** <http://www.eif.co.uk>

Year after year the International Festival presents a month of the world's best opera, music, theatre and dance. Prepare to be dazzled by some of the most exciting and innovative artists and companies in the world. Don't miss the finale to the International Festival, with a spectacular Fireworks Concert from the Castle Esplanade.

### **Edinburgh International Film Festival** <http://www.edfilmfest.org.uk>

With over 100 feature films, plus animations and shorts, if you're mad about movies this is the festival for you. See new films from around the world, mix with celebs at star-studded premieres, get sneak peeks of up-coming movies or find out more from the filmmakers and stars themselves at one of the special masterclass events.