

Cuairt-litir a' Chomuinn Ghàidhealaich | An Comunn Gàidhealach Newsletter

Teachdaireachd bhon Àrd-oifigear

Tha bliadhna eile gu bhith seachad agus bidh sinn a' coimhead air ais air na h-atharrachaidhean a tha sinn air fhaicinn thairis air a' bhliadhna agus air ar beatha. Nuair a bha mise òg, bha Latha na Nollaig mar latha sam bith eile. Bhiodh m' athair a' dol a-mach dhan t-seada-beairt sa mhàdainn agus a' tilleadh as deidh latha obair air an oidhche. An aon rud a bha diofar mun latha seo, 's e gum biodh dineir nas mutha againn agus 's dòcha lòn nas fhaide tron latha cuideachd. Nam biodh am breabайд ag obair, bha sin a' ciallachadh gu feumadh na bobain a lìonadh. Cha mhòr gun robh balach anns a' bhaile againn a sheachnadh an obair dhòrainneach seo air Latha na Nollaig. Bha Latha na Bliadhna Ùire diofar ge-tà. Cha bhiodh duine ag obair air Latha na Bliadhna Ur. Tha mòran air atharrachadh ann an ùine cho goirid.

Thill am Mòd Nàiseanta Rioghail a Loch Abar as dèidh deich bliadhna. Ged nach saoileadh duine gur e ùine mhòr a bha seo, bha mòran air atharrachadh anns an ùine sin. Cha robh feadhainn de na gaisgich a bha an sàs ann am Mòd 2007 còmhla rinn agus tha an coimhearsnachd air atharrachadh cuideachd. Tha am Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig ùr ann an Loch Abar na bhuanachadh dhan sgìre agus bha e misneachail sgoiltean dùthchail bhon sgìre fhaicinn a' gabhal páirt aig a' Mhòd cuideachd. Cha robh BBC Alba air tòiseachadh a' craoladh ann an 2007, ach am bliadhna, chaidh mòran den Mhòd a chraoladh beò air an seanal. Dìreach mar Latha na Nollaig, tha mòran de shaoghal na Gàidhlig air atharrachadh gun mothachadh dhuinn.

'S dòcha gu bheil atharrachaidhean eile air faire oirnn cuideachd. Dh' fhaodadh e bhi gum bidh Foghlam tro Mheadhan na Gàidhlig cho cudthromach airson ar cànan a dhòn 's a bha na coimhearsnachdan Gàidhlig thairis air na ginealaich a dh' fhalbh. 'S e an tele agus an rèidio a tha a' toirt dhuinn cothrom èisteachd ri ceòl na 'cèilidhean' air an robh sinn eòlach nuair a bha sinn ag èirigh suas. Tha mòran chothroman obrach ann an craoladh a-nise cuideachd do luchd-labhairt na Gàidhlig, a bhiodh air an sgapadh air feadh an rìoghachd anns na laithean a chaidh seachad.

Dh'fhaodadh atharrachaidhean a bhith ann a thaobh obair saor-thoileach aig a' Mhòd Nàiseanta Rioghail cuideachd san àm ri teachd. Chan urrainnear tachartas cho mòr ri seo a ruith gu tur gu saor-thoileach. Mar sin dh'fhaodadh gum biodh againn ri structar an tachartais atharrachadh gum bidh e rudeigin coltach ri structaran foghlam agus nam meadhanan. Ach bhiodh feum air suas gu 150 neach fhastadh thairis air ochd latha agus bhiodh cosgaisean anabarrach àirde na lùib. Chan urrainnear an tachartas a chur air dòigh gun stiùbhardan agus dh'fhaodadh gum bidh againn ri cùisean atharrachadh air sgàth adhbharan sòisealta agus adhbharan lagh anns an àm ri teachd.

Taing mhòr dha rìreabh dhan fheadhairn a thug taic gu saor-thoileach dhan sgioba luchd-obrach againn, a tha gu math beag, agus a chuidich gus dèanamh cinnteach gu bheil an cànan againn air aire muinntir Alba. Tha cuid ann aig nach eil mòran spèis anns a' Ghàidhlig ach tha a' chuid as motha taiceil agus tha sinn air leth taingeil airson sin.

Nollaig Chridheil agus bliadhna mhath ùr dhuibh uile as leth Stiùirichean agus Luchd-obrach a' Chomuinn Ghàidhealaich,

Iain Moireasdan, Àrd Oifigear.

Message from the Chief Executive

As another year closes we all reflect on the changes that we have seen over the year and over our lifetimes. When I was young Christmas Day was simply another working day. My father would head to the loom-shed in the morning and return in the evening after a day at work. The only concession to Christmas was a heartier meal, with a longer meal break, in the middle of the day. If the weaver worked it meant that bobbins had to be filled, and not many young boys in our village escaped the boredom of filling bobbins on Christmas Day. New Years day was different. Nobody worked on New Years day. How things have changed in such a relatively short period of time.

The Royal National Mòd returned to Lochaber in 2017 after an absence of ten years. Although a decade does not seem like a long time, things had certainly changed since 2007. Stalwarts from the 2007 Mòd were no longer with us and the surrounding community has also changed. The new Gaelic Primary School in Caol, Lochaber is a welcome addition to the Gaelic landscape and it was certainly refreshing to see rural primary schools from the wider Lochaber area attending the Mòd. In 2007 BBC Alba had not started broadcasting whereas ten years later much of the Mòd was broadcast live on the TV channel. Like Christmas Day much of our Gaelic landscape has changed without us noticing.

Perhaps these changes indicate the direction of travel for us too. Gaelic Medium Education may soon be as important to sustaining our language as the Gaelic community was in previous generations. Similarly, television and radio have in many ways supplanted the "ceilidh" that we grew up with and has also provided employment for a generation of Gaelic speakers that would have been scattered throughout the land in earlier generations.

Similarly, large numbers of participants at a Royal National Mòd cannot be sustained indefinitely on the back of voluntary effort. So, perhaps in the not-too-distant future, the event will need to be under-pinned by an infrastructure in the same manner that education and the media is now supported. The cost implications of this change will be substantial. Sourcing 150 professional stewards for a period of eight days will cost a substantial sum. Without stewards the event cannot be staged and the societal changes that we witness – not least those affected by litigation – may bring this matter to a head sooner than we expect.

As always, we are grateful to those who provided such unstinting support to a small group of staff and who contributed so much towards ensuring that our language remains in the thoughts of the wider Scottish public. Some of the wider public may be critics but the majority remain staunchly supportive and we are grateful for that support.

On behalf of the Directors and staff of An Comunn Gàidhealach we would like to thank you all for your support in 2017 and wish you a joyful Christmas followed by a healthy and prosperous New Year.

John Morrison, Chief Executive.

Nollaig Chridheil

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Bliadhna Mhath Ùr

Bho Cheann Suidhe, Stiùirichean
agus

Luchd-Obrach a' Chomuinn Ghàidhealaich



BIDH AN DÀ OIFIS AGAINN
A' DÙNAKH DIHAOINE 22MH DEN
DÙBLACHD AIRSON SAOR-LAITHEAN NA
NOLLAIG.

BIDH SINN DÙINTE GU
THILUAIN 8MH DEN FHAOILLEACH 2018



BOTH OUR OFFICES WILL CLOSE ON
FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER FOR THE CHRISTMAS
HOLIDAYS.

WE WILL RE-OPEN ON
MONDAY 8TH JANUARY 2018



Am Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail 2021 & 2022

Tha An Comunn Gàidhealach ag aithneachadh an obair mhòr a rinn Pàislig leis an tagradh aca airson inbhe Baile Cultarail na Rìoghachd Aonaichte 2021 a chosnad. Ged nach robh Pàislig soirbheachail aig a' cheann thall, bha an tagradh aca air leth adhartach agus cruthachail.

Aig a' Mhòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail a chaidh a chumail ann an Loch Abar bho chionn ghoirid, chaidh dearbhadh mura biodh Pàislig soirbheachail leis an tagradh aca airson inbhe Baile Cultarail na Rìoghachd Aonaichte 2021, gun deidheadh ath-sgrùdadh a dhèanamh air an dà thagradh a thàinig a-steach airson Mòd 2021.

'S ann bho Phàislig agus bho Pheairt a fhuair sinn na tagraighean sin.

Bidh sinn a' dèanamh sgrùdadh air an dà thagradh agus gheibh an tagradh leis na comharran as àird cothrom am Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail a chumail ann an 2021 agus gheibh an tagradh eile cothrom air a' Mhòd ann an 2022. Ainmichidh An Comunn Gàidhealach far an tèid am Mòd a chumail ann an 2021 agus 2022 aig coinneamh bhliadhnaile a' Chomuinn Ghàidhealaich anns a' Mhàrt 2018.

Thuirt Iain Moireasdan, Àrd-oifigear a' Chomuinn Ghàidhealaich: "Ged nach robh Pàislig soirbheachail leis an tagradh aca airson Baile Cultarail na Rìoghachd Aonaichte 2021, tha sinn airson meal an naidheachd a chuir air an sgioba airson tagradh a bha air leth proifeiseanta agus cruthachail a chur ri chèile.

Tha sinn airson cothrom a thoirt dha Pàislig agus Peairt aogheachd a thoirt don Mhòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail san àm ri teachd as dèidh an obair chruaidh a rinn iad leis an dà thagradh aca airson inbhe Baile Cultarail na Rìoghachd Aonaichte 2021. Tha sinn a' coimhead air adhart ri bhith ag obair còmhla ris na h-àitichean seo gus sin a thoirt gu buil anns na bliadhnaichean a tha romhainn."

That has an dùil gun tèid Am Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail a chumail air na cinn-latha a leanas:

2021- 8mh - 16mh den Dàmhair (ri dhearbhadh)
2022- 14mh - 22mh den Dàmhair (ri dhearbhadh)

The Royal National Mòd 2021 & 2022

An Comunn Gàidhealach acknowledge the tremendous effort made by Paisley in the bid to become the UK City of Culture 2021.

The fact that Paisley was ultimately unsuccessful should not detract from the optimism and creativity that was evident in their application.

During the recent Royal National Mòd in Lochaber, it was confirmed that should Paisley's bid to become the UK City of Culture in 2021 be unsuccessful we would review the two bids that we received to host the 2021 Royal National Mòd. These bids were submitted by Paisley and Perth.

Both bids will now be scored and the bid that achieves the highest score will be offered the opportunity to host the 2021 Royal National Mòd. Once this outcome is confirmed the remaining bid will be asked to host the 2022 Royal National Mòd. The outcome will be announced by An Comunn Gàidhealach at the Annual General Meeting in March 2018.

John Morrison (Chief Executive Officer) of An Comunn Gàidhealach said:

"Although Paisley was not successful in becoming the UK City of Culture 2021 we wish to congratulate the bid team on submitting such a professional and creative bid.

We hope to assist Paisley and Perth to build on the hard work that went into the two bids to become the UK City of Culture 2021, by considering both bids to host future Royal National Mòds. The hosting of the Royal National Mòd is welcomed by both locations and we look forward to working with Perth and Paisley in the years to come."

Likely Dates: 2021 – Royal National Mòd: 8th – 16th October 2021 (Subject to confirmation)

Likely Dates 2022 – Royal National Mòd: 14th - 22nd October 2022 (Subject to confirmation)

Mòdan ri Teachd

Future Royal National Mod Dates

Dùn Omhainn – 12-20 Dàmhair 2018

Glaschu – 11-19 Dàmhair 2019

Inbhir Nis - 9-17 Dàmhair 2020

Mòd 2021- 8 -16 Dàmhair 2021 (TBC)

Mòd 2022 - 14-22 Dàmhair 2022 (TBC)



Tòraidhean Mòd 2017

Tha na tòraidhean airson farpaisean Mòd na bliadhna seo gu lèir air an làrach-lìn againn.

Bruthaibh an seo airson na tòraidhean airson gach latha.

Meal an naidheachd oirbh uile!

Dealbhan bho Mòd 2017

Tha dealbhan bho Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail na bliadhna seo ri fhaicinn air an làrach lìn againn.

Ma tha sibh airson dealbhan a cheannachd, cuiribh fios gu Graham Hood:
info@grahamhoodphotography.com
www.grahamhoodphotography.com

Mòd 2017 Results

The results for all of this year's Royal National Mod competitions are available on our website.

Please click [here](#) to view the results from each day.

Congratulations to you all!

Pìosan Ainmichte Mòd 2018

Gheibhear foidhlichean pìosan ainmichte Mòd 2018 ri cheannach an seo.

Tha leabhraichean agus cds nam pìosan ainmichte cuideachd ri cheannach bho na h-ofisean againn ann an Inbhir Nis agus Steòrnabhagh.

Aigeallan Airgid 2018

Feumaidh farpaisich ann an A252 (Mnathan) agus A253 (Fireannaich) òran a thaghadh a tha leantainn air cuspair sònraighe.

Airson 2018 's e 'tàladh' cuspair an òran do dh'fharpaisich ann an A252 (Mnathan) agus 's e 'òran-seilge' cuspair an òran do dh'fharpaisich ann an A253 (Fireannaich).

Ceann-latha airson Cairtean Gàidhlig Mòd 2018

Bithibh mothachail, bho 2018 gum feumar Measadh a dhèanamh ro cheann-latha iarrtas a' Mhòid.

Ma tha sibh airson latha measaidh a chur air dòigh no ma tha ceist sam bith agaibh a thaobh na measaidhean, cuiribh fios gu Seonag Anderson: seonag@ancomunn.co.uk no cuiribh fòn gu 01463 709 705.

Mòd 2017 Photography

You can view photos from this year's Royal National Mod on our [website](#).

Should you wish to purchase any prints, please contact Graham Hood directly:
info@grahamhoodphotography.com
www.grahamhoodphotography.com

Mòd 2018 Music

You can buy and download the prescribed Pieces for Mòd 2018 [here](#).

Alternatively you can buy the music books and cds from our offices in Inverness and Stornoway.

Silver pendant qualifying 2018

Competitors in A252 (Ladies) and A253 (Men) must choose a song which follows a theme which is specified annually.

For 2018, the theme for A252 (Ladies) is 'lullaby' and for A253 (Men) 'hunting song'

Deadline for Mòd 2018 Gaelic Assessment Cards

Please note that from 2018 all competitors requiring Gaelic Assessment will have to gain their card before the Mod entry deadline.

If you are not sure if you need a Gaelic Assessment and would like to book a slot, or have any other questions regarding Gaelic Assessments, please contact Seonag Anderson at seonag@ancomunn.co.uk or phone 01463 709 705.

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Mòdan Ionadail 2018

Provincial Mods 2018



Cinn Latha Mòdan 2018

Tha na Mòdan a leanas air cinn-latha a dhearbhadh airson
an ath bhliadh'n'.

Ma tha cinn-latha agaibh airson am Mòd Ionadail agaibh, curiribh
fios gu marina@ancomunn.co.uk agus cuiridh sinn an
fhiorsachadh dhan ath iris den chuairt-litir.

Dates for 2018 Mods

The dates for the following Provincial Mods have been confirmed
for next year.

If the date for your Provincial Mod has been confirmed, please
forward any details to marina@ancomunn.co.uk and we will
include them in the next issue of the newsletter.

Mòd Ionadail Leòdhais

Thèid Mòd Ionadail Leòdhais a chumail eadar
an 5mh agus an 8mh den t-Ògmhios 2018.

Airson tuilleadh fiosrachadh curiribh post-d gu:

peigi@ancomunn.co.uk

Lewis Provincial Mod

The Lewis Provincial Mod will take place between
the 5th and 8th of June 2018.

For further information please contact:

peigi@ancomunn.co.uk

Mòd Ionadail Ìle

Thèid Mòd Ionadail Ìle a chumail air
Disathairne 23mh den t-Ògmhios 2018.

Airson tuilleadh fiosrachadh curiribh post-d gu:
alisongrayislay@aol.co.uk

Islay Provincial Mod

The Islay Provincial Mod will take place on
Saturday 23rd June 2018.

For further information please contact:
alisongrayislay@aol.co.uk

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Royal National Mòd



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Bliadhna na h-Òigridh 2018

Tha sinn gu math toilichte a bhith mar phàirt de na tachartasan a bhios a' gabhail aite an ath-bhliadhna airson
Bliadhna na h-Òigridh ann an Alba a chomharrachadh.

Nach cum sibh sùil air na meadhanan sòisealta againn airson
barrachd fiosrachadh sa bhliadhna' ùr

Year of Young People 2018

We are delighted to be a part of the exciting line-up of events celebrating Scotland's young people next year. Keep an eye out for updates on what we have planned for #YOYP2018 in the new year

Check out

www.visitscotland.com/yoyp2017

for more information on the different events taking place throughout the year.



Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail 2018

Earrannan Ainmichte | Prescribed Pieces

Beul-aithris-Fileantaich
Orals-Fluent

C22	Ma thachras tu...
C22A(i)	Tractar Buidhe le Rothan Dubh'
C22A(ii)	Trom-Laighe
C42(i)	A' Ghealach
C42(ii)	Chuir iad ann am bothan mi
C42A(i)	Duan an Dannsair
C42A(ii)	Lag nan Cruachan
C92	Còmhdaill
C142	An roghainn fhèin



Beul-aithris-Luchd-ionnsachaidh
Orals-Learners

C26	Na Brògan Ùra
C26A	Tic Toc Ars' an Cloc
C49	Beul na h-Oidhche
C49A	Dìthean Sheòrais
C100	Anns a' Mhonadh

Beul-aithris-Fosgailte
Orals-Open

C150	An roghainn fhèin
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Òrain na cloinne-Fileantaich
Solos-Fluent

C23	Am bodach 's an rocaid
C23A(i)	A' phiseag amaideach
C23A(ii)	Ràith a' gheimhridh
C44(i)	Cha b' ann ri gual a gharainn thu
C44(ii)	B' e gairbhe na gaoithe
C44A(i)	An gille dubh cha trèig mi
C44A(ii)	Gillean an fhèilidh
C45	Muile nam mòr-bheann
C45A	Mo chùlaibh ris a' bhaile seo
C95	Dòmhnaill nan Dòmhnaill
C96	O till, a leannain

Òrain na cloinne-Luchd-ionnsachaidh
Solos-Learners

C27	Tha Dadaidh ag obair
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- C27A A bhanarach chaoin
 C51 Am faca tu 'n gobha?
 C51A Cumha nan iasgairean
 C52 Iain, a luaidh, nach pòs thu?
 C52A Thogainn fonn air lorg an fhèidh
 C102 Mo ghaol air Marcus Latharna
 C103 Marbhphaisg air an òige



Òrain na cloinne-Fileantaich & Luchd-ionnsachaidh
 Solos-Fluent & Learners

- C155 An roghainn fhèin
 C156 An roghainn fhèin

Òrain Chòisirean-Fileantaich
 Choral-Fluent

- C71 'S toigh leam cruinneag dhonn nam bò
 (An roghainn fhèin)
 C72 Òran na maighdinn-mhara
 (An roghainn fhèin)
 C73 Siùdaibh 'illean, gabhaidh 'm port
 Fear a bhios fada gun phòsad

Òrain Chòisirean-Luchd-ionnsachaidh
 Choral-Learners

- C03 Hò rò hò-ù mo nigh'n donn
 (An roghainn fhèin)
 C76 Air an tràigh
 (An roghainn fhèin)
 C77 Bidh Clann Ulaidh
 (An roghainn fhèin)
 C78 Seice Ruairidh
 Tha mi dol a dhèanamh banais
 C173 Eilean beag donn a' chuain
 (An roghainn fhèin)
 C174 Cùm ur n-aire
 (An roghainn fhèin)
 C175 Ille chrùbaich anns a' gheann
 'S grin a' chaileag Mairi Anna

Òrain Chòisirean-Fileantaich & Luchd-ionnsachidh
 Choral-Fluent & Learners

- C110 Ma thèid mise tuilleadh
 (An roghainn fhèin)
 C111 Am buachaille bànn
 (An roghainn fhèin)



- C112 Bhon chuir mo leannan cùlaibh rium
 Dh'fhalbhainn sgiobalta
 Ruidhleadh mo nighean donn



Earrann nan inbheach
Senior Section

Rian air òrain
 Musical arrangements

- L409 An roghainn fhèin
 L409 An roghainn fhèin

Beul-aithris
 Fileantaich & Luchd-ionnsachaidh
 Orals - Fluent & Learners

- A204 An roghainn fhèin - Bàrdachd a' Chiad Chogaidh
 A205 An roghainn fhèin – A' Chiad Chogadh

Òrain aon neach-Fileantaich
 Solos-Fluent

- A220 An roghainn fhèin
 A221 An roghainn fhèin
 A222 Fuadhach nan Gàidheal
 A223 Cumha Coire Cheathaich
 GSL224 Òran Cladaich
 GSM224 Tuireadh
 A234 An sporan falamh

Òrain aon neach-Luchd-ionnsachaidh
 Solos-Learners

- A250 A' chuairt-shamhraidh
 A251 Ho ro 's toigh leam fhìn thu
 SSL254 Bràigh Ùige
 SSM254 Long mo bhruadair

Òrain aon neach-Fileantaich & Luchd-ionnsachaidh
 Solos-Fluent & Learners

- A271 Eilean Idhe
 A272 An roghainn fhèin



Òrain Chòisirean
Choral

- A300 Siubhal a' Choire
(Lorn Shield)
- A301 Taigh an Uillt
(Lovat & Tullibardine)
- A302 An t-Iarla Diùrach
(Margrat Duncan)
- A303 Maraiche nan Cuantan
(Sheriff MacMaster)
- A304 Cumha Cruachain
(Ladies)
- A305 Gheibhinn cadal math
(Ladies)
- A306 Siud mar chaidh an càl a dholaidh
Bat' an tàilleir
Cìobairean Taobh Loch Odha
(Puirt)
- A307 Don Stiùbhard air dha bhith fàgail a' 'Fusilier'
(Male)
- A308 Mo chuilean mìn
A chaile dhuhb a' sgùlair
Gu dè thug dhan bhaile seo thu?
(Puirt)
- A309 An roghainn fhèin



Comunn na Clàrsaich

(The Clarsach Society)



Clarsach Competitions Test Pieces

ROYAL NATIONAL MOD

Dùn Omhain

2018

Co-fharpaisean Clàrsaich – Clarsach competitions

Junior Competitions (under 18 years)

Solo singing with self-accompaniment –

B320: Own choice of two contrasting Gaelic songs with clarsach accompaniment. Not to exceed **5 mins.**

Solo playing – Introductory class for beginners (Up to Grade 1)*

B321: Own choice instrumental piece of Gaelic music.

Solo playing – Elementary (Grade 1)*

B322: a) Caisteal a' Ghlinne *Arr. Elinor Evans*
b) Own choice piece of Gaelic music not to exceed **3 mins.**

Solo playing – Intermediate 1 (Grade 2-3)*

B323: a) Sine Bhàn *Arr. Margaret Collin*
b) Own choice piece of Gaelic music not to exceed **3 mins.**

Solo playing – Intermediate 2 (Grade 3-4)*

B323A: a) Caidil mo ghaoil *Arr. Pippa Reid Foster*
b) Own choice piece of Gaelic music not to exceed **3 mins.**

Solo playing – Advanced (Grade 5)*

B324: a) Clachan Ghlinn da Ruaidheil *Arr. Màiri Macleod*
b) Own choice piece of Gaelic music not to exceed **4 mins.**

Clarsach duet – under 13 yrs

B330: Own choice of a piece or set of pieces of Gaelic music, not to exceed **5 mins.**

Clarsach duet – 13 to 18 yrs

B330A: Own choice of a piece or set of pieces of Gaelic music, not to exceed **5 mins.**

Recital Class – Grade 6 and above

B332: Open to **any players** of gut and/or wire harp. A well balanced **10 minute** programme of own choice Gaelic music, to include spoken introductions in Gaelic, or English by the competitor, who may include his/her own arrangements.

* Refers to RCS Scottish Traditional Music Exam syllabus. Own choice pieces should be of a comparable standard to those set in this syllabus.

Senior Competitions (18 years and over)

Solo playing – Elementary

- B325: a) Theid, 's gun d'theid mi thairis Arr. C Brown
b) Own choice piece of Gaelic music. Not to exceed **3 mins.**

Solo playing – Intermediate/Advanced

- B326: a) Deirdre a'Fagail na h-Albann Arr. Isobel Mieras
b) Own choice piece of Gaelic music. Not to exceed **3 mins.**

Solo singing with self-accompaniment –

- B327: Own choice of two contrasting Gaelic songs with clarsach accompaniment. Not to exceed **5 mins.**

Clarsach duet –

- B333: Own choice of a piece or set of pieces of Gaelic music.
Not to exceed **5 mins**

Open Competitions

Composition class –

- B329: An original composition in the Gaelic genre lasting between 3 and 5 minutes, for
a) solo clarsach in the style of a slow air, pipe march,
strathspey, jig, reel or a set of tunes, or
b) voice and clarsach

In the case of a) competitors may perform their own work or provide a player.

In the case of b) competitors may perform their own work or provide a player and/or singer.

A copy of the words (with translation) must be submitted to the Mod office. The quality of the composition will be judged - not the performance. Manuscripts are not required.

Clarsach ensemble –

- B331: Any number of instruments or voices but to include no fewer than 3 clarsachs. Own choice of Gaelic music. Not to exceed **6 mins. No marks will be given for this class. The adjudicator(s) will give an appreciation of each performance and announce the winners.**





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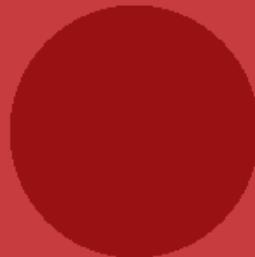
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Comunn Gàidhealach an Òbain

Old New Year Ceilidh

*Saturday 13th January 2018
Masonic Hall, Albany Street, Oban
7.30pm Admission: £6.00*

Featuring:

CÒISIR GHÀIDHLIG AN ÒBAIN

and solo performances from choir members

Bean an Taighe: Sileas Sinclair

Raffle and light supper

Bun-sgoil Rockfield air a Cleachdadh mar Eisimpleir airson Foghlam Gàidhlig

Tha Foghlam Alba air iarraidh air Bun-sgoil Rockfield san Òban fioml a chruithachadh airson Goireas Leasachaидh Nàiseanta Foghlam Alba, mar sàr eisimpleir do sgoiltean eile.

'S e seirbheis leasachaидh ghoireasan agus taic foghlam a th'anns an Goireas Leasachaيدh Nàiseanta. Tha seo a' toirt cothrom do sgoiltean goireasan ùr a chleachadh airson an dòighean teagast agus ionnsachadh a leudachadh.

Tha measgachadh de rudan air am fioml, mar eisimpleir agallamhan le luchd-obraich agus párrantan agus chìtheart clann a' gabhail páirt ann am Bookbug Gàidhlig agus seiseanan Leugh, Sgrìobh agus Cunnt.

Thuirt an Comhairlaiche Yvone McNeilly, Oifigear Poileasaидh Foghlam airson Comhairle Earra Ghàidheal is Bhòid: "Meal an naidheachd air a h-uile duine aig Bun-sgoil Rockfield. Tha e na urram mhòr gun deach an sgoil a thaghadh mar sàr eisimpleir airson an Goireas Leasachaيدh Nàiseanta agus tha mi an dòchas gun tèid gu math dhan a h-uile duine a tha na lùib."

Thuirt Oifigear Poileasaيدh airson Gàidhilg na Comhairle, Robin Currie: "'S e naidheachd air leth a tha seo airson foghlam Gàidhlig agus airson an cànan fhèin ann an sgìre Earra Ghàidheal is Bhòid. Meal an naidheachd air a h-uile duine a tha an sàs ann."

Chìtheart am fioml an seo: <https://youtu.be/QqKR13MbtQ8>

Rockfield Primary Used as Leading Example for Gaelic Education

Rockfield Primary School in Oban has been invited to create a Gaelic film for Education Scotland's National Improvement Hub, as a leading example to others.

The National Improvement Hub is a gateway to educational improvement resources and support. It provides access to resources to help schools improve practice, increasing the quality of learners' experiences and their outcomes.

The film features interviews with staff and parents, and shows children taking part in Gaelic Bookbug and a Read, Write and Count session.

Argyll and Bute Council's Policy Lead for Education, Councillor Yvonne McNeilly said: "Well done to everyone at Rockfield Primary. It is a great honour for the school to be selected as an exemplar on the National Improvement Hub and I wish everyone involved continued success."

The Council's Policy Lead for Gaelic, Councillor Robin Currie added: "This is wonderful news for Gaelic education and Gaelic as a whole in Argyll and Bute. Well done to all involved."

The video can be viewed here: <https://youtu.be/QqKR13MbtQ8>



Prionnsapal an t-Sabhal Mhòir a' leigeil dheth a dhreuchd

Bidh an t-Ollamh Boyd Robasdan a' leigeil dheth a dhreuchd mar Phrionnsapal Shabhal Mòr Ostaig as t-earrach an ath-bhliadhna an dèidh a bhith san dreuchd bhon Fhaoillicheach 2009. San ùine seo, fo cheannas agus stiùireadh an Ollaimh Robasdain, tha an tuilleadh leasachaidhean agus phròiseactan cudromach air a bhith gan toirt gu buil, a' cur gu mòr ri cliù an t-Sabhal Mhòir mar Ionad Nàiseanta airson Cànan is Cultar na Gàidhlig.

Thuirt Cathraiche a' Bhùird:

"Thàinig Boyd gu Sabhal Mòr Ostaig le beairteas eòlais air teagast is ionnsachadh na Gàidhlig aig ère sgoile is oilthigh. Thar nan naoi bliadhna a tha e air a bhith san dreuchd, tha e air an t-eòlas sin - agus a chuid spionnaidh is dealais - a chur an sàs airson cur gu mòr ri cliù is creideas na Colaiste. Fo stiùir Bhoyd, tha Sabhal Mòr Ostaig air aithneachadh eadar-nàiseanta a chosnadh ann an rannsachadh is sgoilearachd na Gàidhlig. A-nis, feumaidh sinn neach ùr a shireadh na àite; doirbh 's gum bi e, bhitheamaid an dòchas farsaingeachd eòlais, spionnaidh agus dealais fhaighinn coltach ris na tha Boyd air sealltainn dhuinn."

That has a' sireadh iarrtasan an-dràsta agus gheibhear barrachd fiosrachaidh aig

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no le bhith a' fònadh gu

Nicola NicThòmais air 01471 888 301.

Sabhal Mòr Ostaig Principal Retiring

Professor Boyd Robertson will retire as Principal of Sabhal Mòr Ostaig in Easter next year, after being in the post since January 2009. In that time, under the leadership of Professor Robertson, numerous developments and projects have been achieved which have hugely added to the reputation of Sabhal Mòr Ostaig as a National Centre for the Gaelic Language and Culture.

The Chair of the Board said:

"Boyd came to Sabhal Mòr Ostaig with a wealth of knowledge about the teaching and learning of Gaelic at school and university. Throughout the nine years he has spent here, he has added hugely to the reputation and standing of the college. During his time as principal, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig has earned itself an international reputation for Gaelic research and scholarship. We hope, difficult as it may be, that his successor can bring to the college the same energy and enthusiasm and the same breadth of knowledge of the world of Gaelic as Boyd has brought"

Applications are now sought. Further information is available from www.smo.uhi.ac.uk/gd/colaiste/cothroman-obrach/

or alternatively please contact

Nicola Thomson on 01471 888 301.



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Tha an t-Ollamh Boyd Robasdan air a bhith san dreuchd bho 2009.



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Coisir Ghàidhlig Inbhir Pheofharain

Burns Supper



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Dingwall Academy

Tickets: £20.00

which includes a three course meal followed by musical entertainment
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CD Nollaig aig Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Loch Abar

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We are very thankful to Bòrd na Gàidhlig for funding and to Old Laundry Productions for recording and producing the CD.

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CD's are available to buy from the School Office or by ordering online at bsgla.co.uk

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Oban Gaelic Choir Release New CD

Oban Gaelic Choir has released a new CD. The album, 'Stòras' was launched on the 20th of November. The debut album explores the riches of Argyllshire Bardachd performed by Oban Gaelic Choir and some of Argyll's top musicians.

The CD would make a great Christmas gift for someone!

To order please click on the following link:

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Sgoil MhicNeacail A soirbheachail ann an Deasbad Nàiseanta 2017!

Ghabh a' chuairt dheireichannach de Dheasbad Nàiseanta nan Àrd-sgoilean 2017 àite aig Pàrlamaid na h-Alba air Diciadain 29 Samhain. Bha deasbad air leth beòthail ri chluinntinn le Clare Frances NicNèill agus Iain MacGilliosa bho Àrdsgoil Lochabair an aghaidh John Alasdair MacIlleBhàin agus Calum MacLlilinein bho Sgoil MhicNeacail A. Ach, aig a' cheann thall 's iad balaich Sgoil MhicNeacail a bha soirbheachail agus thèid an cuach air ais a Steòrnabhagh am bliadhna seo. 'S i Clare Frances NicNèill à Àrdsgoil Lochabair a choisinn an sgiath airson an òraidiache as fheàrr agus thug Marion NicFhionghain bho BBC Gàidhlig seachad an duais.

Bu mhath leis a' chomataidh taing mhòr a thoirt dhan na buidhnean maoineachaидh agus buidhnean a chur taic ri Deasbad 2017 - Riaghaltas na h-Alba, Bòrd na Gàidhlig, Sgilean Leasachaидh na h-Alba, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, Comhairle Baile Ghlaschu, Comhairle na Gàidhealtachd agus Comunn na Gàidhlig.

Nicolson Institute A Successful at National Debate 2017

The final of the 2017 National Gaelic Schools Debate took place at the Scottish Parliament on Wednesday 29 November. A very lively debate was heard with Clare Frances MacNeil and Iain Gillies from Lochaber High School going up against John Alasdair Bain and Calum MacLennan from The Nicolson Institute A. The boys from The Nicolson eventually came out victorious and the trophy will go to Stornoway this year. Clare Frances MacNeil was presented with the best debater award by Marion MacKinnon from the BBC's Gaelic team.

The committee would like to thank the organizations who helped to fund and support this year's Debate - The Scottish Government, Bòrd na Gàidhlig, Skills Development Scotland, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, Glasgow City Council, Highland Council and Comunn na Gàidhlig



Cothroman air Greisean-trèanaidh don òigridh Gàidhlig tro Bhliadhna na h-Òigridh 2018

Tha Bòrd na Gàidhlig, ann an co-bhanntachd le Alba Chruthachail, a' cur taic ri Bhliadhna na h-Òigridh 2018 tro sgeama taic-airgid a bhios a' toirt chothroman do bhuidhnean a tha an sàs anns na gnìomhachasan cruthachail, ealain no sgrion Greisean-trèanaidh fad-bliadhna a thabhan do dhithis eadar 16-24 bliadhna dh'aos agus a tha fileanta sa Ghàidhlig.

Thèid taic bho Stòras nan Greisean-trèanaidh Cruthachail a thoirt gu sònraichte do bhuidhnean airson obair a thoirt do dhaoine òga le Gàidhlig a tha an dòchas dreuchd a thoirt a-mach sna gnìomhachasan cruthachail ach a tha 's dòcha ga fhaighinn doirbh adhartas a dhèanamh le sin.

Chuir Daibhidh Boag, an Stiùiriche Planadh Càinain is Leasachaidhean Coimhearsnachd aig Bòrd na Gàidhlig, fàilte air an iomairt seo aig Alba Chruthachail agus e ag ràdh: "Tha sinn toilichte a bhith ag obair ann an co-bhanntachd le Alba Chruthachail air an iomairt seo airson cothroman a thoirt do dhithis òga le Gàidhlig fhaighinn a-steach gu na gnìomhachasan cruthachail agus a bhith ag obair còmhla ri buidhnean airson na sgilean cruthachail aca a leasachadh tron Ghàidhlig.

"Tha sinn gu sònraichte airson gun tig iarrtasan bho bhuidhnean tha airson a' Ghàidhlig a leudachadh san àite-obrach aca no nach eil air a bhith an sàs ann a bhith a' cur phròiseactan Gàidhlig air adhart roimhe. 'S e cothrom fior mhath a tha seo airson dithis dhaoine òga adhartas a dhèanamh nam beatha dhreuchdail agus a bhith cleachdadh nan sgilean Gàidhlig agus sgilean cruthachail aca agus a bhith ag ionnsachadh mun t-saoghal-obrach."

Thuirt Colin Bradie, Manaidear Ealain na h-Òigridh aig Alba Chruthachail: "Tha Alba Chruthachail fior thoilichte Bhliadhna na h-Òigridh 2018 a chomharrachadh le bhith a' toirt chothroman don òigridh cosnadh pàighe fhaighinn sna gnìomhachasan cruthachail, ealain no sgrion tro Stòras nan Greisean-trèanaidh Cruthachail. Bheir an sgeama seo cuideachd cothroman don òigridh na sgilean aca a leasachadh agus eòlas proifeiseanta fhaighinn a bhios feumail dhaibh gus adhartas a dhèanamh le bhith a' cur às do na cnapan-starra a bha a' cur bacadh orra roimhe. Bidh buannachd ann do na buidhnean cuideachd le bhith a' faighinn smaointean agus beachdan ùra bhon luchd-trèanaidh."

Gheibhear tuilleadh fiosrachaидh air <http://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/year-of-young-people-creative-traineeships>

Feumaidh iarrtasan a bhith ann ro 15 Faoilleach 2018 agus thèid na Greisean-trèanaidh uile a thòiseachadh ann an 2018 agus feumaidh iad a bhith criochnaichte ro dheireadh a' Mhàirt 2019.



Year of Young People 2018 offers opportunities for young Gaelic speakers

Bòrd na Gàidhlig, in partnership with Creative Scotland, is supporting the Year of Young People 2018 through a scheme which offers funding for groups working in the creative, arts or screen industries to create 12-month traineeships for two Gaelic speakers, aged between 16 and 24.

The support from the Creative Traineeship Fund is open to any creative organisation or business with a track record in delivering high-quality arts activity. Two traineeships will be targeted at fluent Gaelic speakers who are looking to work in the creative, arts or screen industries but who may be facing obstacles in their efforts to develop their careers.

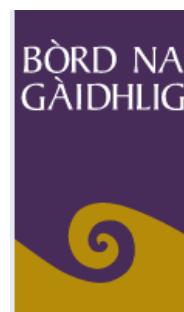
Daibhidh Boag, Director of Planning and Community Development with Bòrd na Gàidhlig, welcomed the new scheme saying: "We are delighted to be working in partnership with Creative Scotland on this initiative which will give two young Gaelic speakers the chance to work in the arts, screen or creative industries and to develop their creative skills through Gaelic.

"We would encourage applications in particular from any organisation wishing to increase the level of Gaelic content and usage within their workplace or from organisations that may not have been involved in Gaelic projects previously. These are opportunities for two young people to develop their careers and creative skills through the Gaelic language while learning about life in the work-place."

Colin Bradie, Youth Arts Manager with Creative Scotland, said: "Creative Scotland is delighted to be working with Bòrd na Gàidhlig to mark the Year of Young People 2018 through enabling young people to gain paid employment experience within the arts, screen and creative industries through the Creative Traineeship Fund. This support will give the young people the chance to develop their skills and gain knowledge which help them to overcome any obstacles which they may be facing. The organisations also will benefit from the new ideas and thinking which the trainees will bring to the businesses."

Applications and further information for the Creative Traineeship Fund can be found on <http://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/year-of-young-people-creative-traineeships>

Applications must be submitted by 15 January 2018 and all Traineeships will begin in 2018 and must be completed by March 2019.



Craobh nan Leabhraichean

Tha Comhairle nan Leabhraichean fada an comain Acair, Wee Mackay Press agus a h-uile neach a thug taic do dh'iomairt carthannais na Nollaig aca, 'Craobh nan Leabhraichean'.

Le taic bho na foillsichear an agus luchd-ceannach, bha e comasach do Chomhairle nan Leabhraichean 120 leabhar Gàidhlig a thoirt seachad do chlann ann am Foghlam tro Mheadhan na Gàidhlig a tha beò ann am bochdann.

Chaidh brath a sgaoileadh air a h-uile sgoil Ghàidhlig anns an t-Samhain tro chuairt-litir Foghlam Alba, a' faighneachd dhaibh an robh iad eòlach air teaghlaichean aig a bheil duilgheadasan aig an àm seo den bhliadhna, agus air am biodh leabhraichean a dhith.

Chuir na sgoiltean liostaichean de leabhraichean a fhreagrath air a' chloinn gu Comhairle nan Leabhraichean agus chaidh an cur air Craobh nan Leabhraichean air an làraich-lìn agus anns a' bhùth. Bha 120 leabhar air a' chraoibh, airson clann eadar Clas 1 agus Clas 7.

Thuirt Shelagh Chaimbeul, Oifigear Reic is Margaidheachd aig Comhairle nan Leabhraichean:

"Às dèidh sanasachd air na meadhanan sòisealta, chaidh leabhraichean luach £323 a cheannach air-loidhne agus anns a' bhùth againn. Chùm Comhairle nan Leabhraichean cafaidh-leughaidh tro Sheachdain Leabhraichean na h-Alba nuair a chaidh £108 a thogail airson barrachd leabhraichean a cheannach. Tha sinn gu mòr an comain nam foillsichear an a thug taic dhan iomairt, agus tha sinn gu sònraichte a' dèanamh luaidh air taic bho Acair, is iad fhèin a' tighinn gu crìoch bliadhna shoirbheachail a' comharrachadh 40 bliadhna de dh'fhoillseachadh.

Thèid na leabhraichean uile a chur dha na sgoiltean ron Nollaig airson an toirt seachad do na teaghlaichean. 'S ann ri linn coibhneas a h-uile duine a thug taic don iomairt a bhios e comasach do bharrachd leughadairean òga leabhar Gàidhlig a leughadh air Latha na Nollaige.

Tha luchd-obrach Chomhairle nan Leabhraichean a' guidhe Nollaig Chridheil agus Bliadhna Ùr Mhath dhuibh uile."

Gaelic Book Gifting Tree

The Gaelic Books Council would like to warmly thank Acair, Wee Mackay Press and all those who contributed to our Christmas charity campaign, the Gaelic Book-Gifting Tree.

Support from the publishers and customers has allowed the Gaelic Books Council to provide 120 pupils in Gaelic medium education who are living in difficult circumstances with Gaelic books for Christmas.

All GME schools were approached in November through Education Scotland's newsletter asking if they were aware of any families who were particularly struggling at this time of year and who would not otherwise be able to buy a book for their children. The schools sent the Gaelic Books Council requests for books, which were all added to the gifting tree online and in the Gaelic bookshop. A total of 120 books were added to the tree, for pupils ranging from P1 to P7.

Shelagh Campbell, the Gaelic Books Council's Sales and Marketing Officer said:

"Following a social media and email campaign, £323 worth of books were purchased online and in our shop. The Gaelic Books Council held a coffee morning during Book Week Scotland, which raised a further £108 to purchase more books. We are hugely grateful to the publishers who supported this campaign, particularly Acair, who are coming to the end of a successful year celebrating their 40th anniversary.

All books will be delivered to the schools before the Christmas holidays, to allow them to be distributed to families. The kindness of those who supported the campaign will allow more young Gaelic readers to enjoy a book on Christmas Day.

The Gaelic Books Council would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year."





Nollaig Chridheil agus Bliadhna Mhath Ùr bho Sgioba Chomhairle nan Leabhraichean!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all the staff at the Gaelic Books Council!



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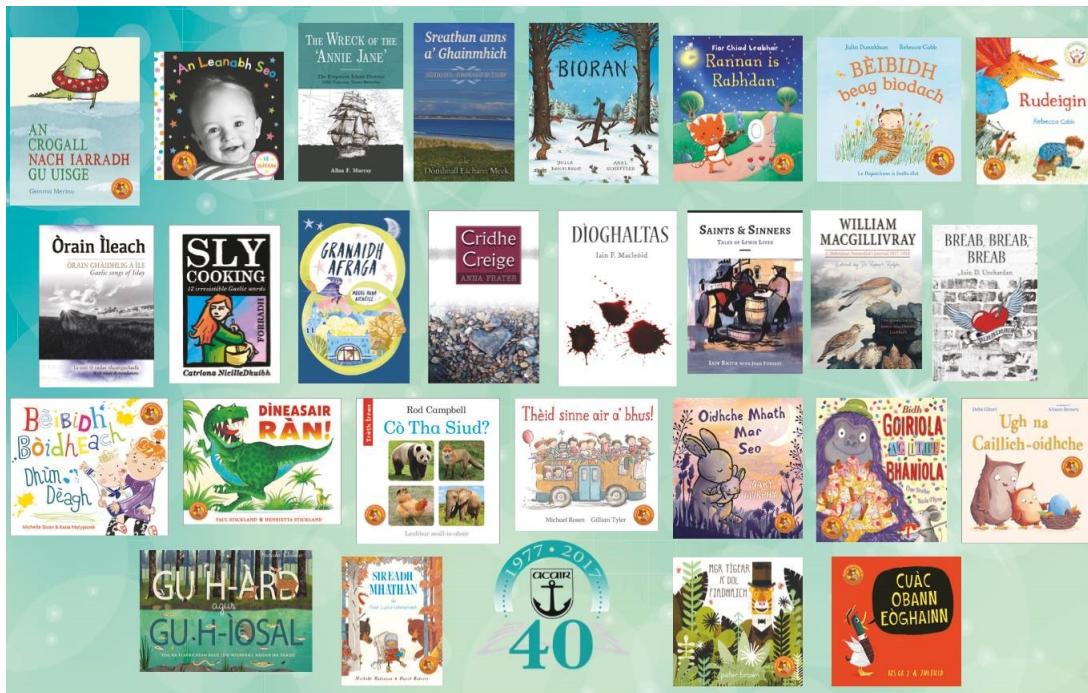
Abair bliadhna a tha air a bhith againn an seo aig Acair! Tha 2017 air a bhith dìreach mòrbhaileach, agus sinn air a bhith a' comharrachadh 40 bhliadhna de dh'fhoillseachadh! Tha sinn air iomadach leabhar fhoillseachadh bho thoiseach na bliadhna, agus iomadach tachartas a chur air dòigh.

Taing don a h-uile duine a tha air a bhith a' toirt taic dhuinn tron bhliadhna mhòr seo. Feuch gun cum sibh ur sùil a-mach airson tòrr a bharrachd an ath-bhliadhna!

A Special Year for Acair

What a fantastic year we have had at Acair! 2017 has been a wonderful year, as we celebrated our 40th anniversary! We have published a huge amount of books this year, and organised many special events.

Thanks to all those who have supported us in a variety of ways throughout the year. Make sure you keep an eye out for more to come in the New Year!





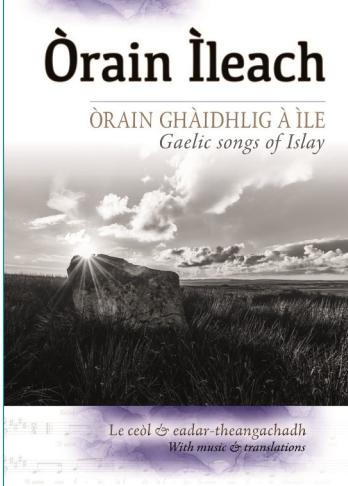
Òrain Ghàidhlig à Ille

Bha Accair air leth toilichte 'Òrain Ìleach', deasachte le Lynn NicDòmhnaill, a chuir air bhog aig tachartas aig Islay House ann an Ìle, air Disathairne 25mh t-Samhain.

Aig an tachartas bha Còisir Ghàidhlig Ìle, an Còisir Òg, agus iomadach sàr sheinneedair eile!

Anns an leabhar seo gheibhearr òrain a tha cur an cèill spiorad Gàidhlig Ìle tro eachdraidh, dualchas agus àrainneachd phriseil an eilein. Thàinig an leabhar gu buil tro phròiseactan ionadail far an do cho-obraich coimhlearsnachdan le bhith cruinneachadh òrain de gach seòrsa – cuid air an robh mu thràth deagh aithne agus cuid eile nach deach a-riamh an clò. A thuilleadh air an sin chaidh ath-nuadhachadh a dhèanamh air pìosan bàrdachd traidiseanta le bhith cur ceòl às ùr riutha. Tha an leabhar air a chur ri chèile gu gusta le ìomhaighean fior àlainn den eilean agus air a dhealbh gu grinn airson luchd-ciùil a bhith ga chleachdadh. Tha eadar-theangachadh cuideachail an cois gach òran.

Leabhar a dh'fheumar fhaighinn ma tha ùidh idir agad ann an òrain à Ìle.



Gaelic Songs of Islay

Accair were delighted to launch 'Òrain Ìleach', which was edited by Lynn Macdonald, at Islay House in Islay on Saturday 25th November.

Present at the event were Islay Gaelic Choir, the Junior Choir and many other wonderful singers!

Songs from Islay's Gaelic community, capturing the spirit of the landscape, history and culture of the island are included in this book. The book is a distinctive local collaboration, drawn from recent local projects reviving traditional poetry with new music and gathering previously unpublished songs together with old favourites. Featuring original images of Islay's beautiful landscape, the book is designed to be used for performance with music and accessible translations of every song.

A must have book for everyone with an interest in Gaelic songs from Islay.





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Spòrs bhon chìad latha

Seall! Tha sinn #30latha de chluich

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Care for a Cèilidh

‘S e sgeama sònraichte a th’ ann an “Care for a Cèilidh” far am bidh seinneadairean Gàidhlig agus cluicheadairean traidiseanta a’ cumail cèlidhean ann an taighean-chùram eadar-dhealaichte. Chithear gu h-ìosal measgachadh de dhealbhan bho feadhainn de na cèlidhean mu dheireadh a chaidh a chumail le Care for a Cèilidh. Taing mhòr dhuibh uile.

“Care for a ceilidh” is a scheme for Gaelic singers and traditional musicians to provide short concerts to residents of hospices and care homes. Below are a selection of photographs taken at the most recent Care for a Cèilidh events. Thanks to everyone who took part.

<https://www.facebook.com/CareForACeilidh>





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An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n' Ùr

Lorient Is Alba: Scotland's Year

Riochdalchte le Bees Nees Media
Produced by Bees Nees Media

Disathalairne 9 Dùblachd 9f
Saturday 9 December 9pm

A' comharrachadh Blàdhna Alba aig Fèis Chiùl Interkeltic ann an Lorient, 2017. Air a libhrigeadh le Julie Fowlis agus Ailean Òmhnállach agus le cuid den luchd-cùil thraidseanta agus folk as feàrr ann an Alba a' solleachadh an ard-úrlar.

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Lorient Is Alba: Scotland's Year

Trusadh: Tiodhlac Ghosta Trusadh: Gosta's Gift

Riochdalchte le MacTV
Produced by MacTV

Diulaín 11 Dùblachd 9f
Monday 11 December 9pm

Sgeulachd inntinneach, dhrùidhreach mu chruineachadh shönraichte de chealbhán agus mar a thill iad dha na h-Eileanan an far às deidh 40 bliadhna. Thogadh iad le dealbhadar camara, Gösta Sandberg a tháinig a' comhnaidh ann am baile beag anns an t-Suain. Tha Gösta a' tillleadh gu na h-eileanan agus a' gabhail cuairt camara aùr le dealbhadar óg a bhuisseadh dhà àite, Fiona Rennie, gus tuilleadh fhaghinn a-mach mu nà daonie agus na h-àiteachan a ghlaic aire air a' chìad chuit.

In 2016, the new Museum nan Eilean at Lewis Castle opened to world wide acclaim, with a new photographic archive at its heart. Hundreds of miles away in a small village in Sweden the news of the new museum struck a chord with one man, photographer Gösta Sandberg. He had visited and photographed people and places in the Hebrides 40 years earlier. Now, he and his photographs have returned. In the company of young Lewis born photographer Fiona Rennie, they retrace his photographic tour finding out more about the subjects that he captured on camera.



Trusadh: Tiodhlac Ghosta
Trusadh: Gosta's Gift

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n' Ùr

Eòrpa

Riochdalchte le BBC Gàidhlig
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig

Diardaoin 14 Dùblachd 8.30f
Thursday 14 December 8.30pm

Tha Alasdair Fraser anna na h-Eileanan Fàrach às déidh blàdhna air leth a bhith aca a thaobh turasachd. Ach de a' bhuaidh a thà theo a' toirt air sòisealtas, eaonumas agus a' ráinnseachadh nan eilean? Ceideachd bidh Andreas Wolff a' coinncheadh ri clann is pàrانتair airson còmhchràth riutha mun a' chasg a tha tighinn a-steach air a bhith a' deiseadh chloime.

Alasdair Fraser visits the Faroe Islands, where 2017 saw record numbers of tourists, to explore the social, environmental and economic impact. Also, Andreas Wolff meets parents and children to discuss the forthcoming smacking ban in Scotland.



Eòrpa

Na Geamannan Co-Ionnan The Equaliser

Riochdalchte le MacTV
Produced by MacTV

Diardaoin 14 Dùblachd 10.30f
Thursday 14 December 10.30pm

An-dugh the gach glasasad agus uidheamachd aig lùth-chleasaichean air a sprùadh agus air an tomhas gu mionaideach le eòlaichean is luchd-saideaneas agus iad a' feuchainn rin déanamh cho geur agus as urrainn. Ach ciamar a thà sin an coimseas ri na láithean a dh'fhàth? Anns a' phrógram seo, tha na doighnean ùra a' farpas ris na seann dhòighnean, le toraidhean a thà gu math inntinneach aig a' cheann thall.

Every year, top athletes set new world records but are they really better than those of the past? Top sports scientist Steve Haake sets off on a journey to find out. Athletes demonstrate how their modern training and equipment enhances their performance before competing against a legendary athlete using old-school methods, with some surprising results.



Na Geamannan Co-Ionnan | The Equaliser

Festive Season

Opry an lùir

Riochdalchte le Big Mountain Productions |
Bees Nees Media
Produced by Big Mountain Productions |
Bees Nees Media

Dimairt 12 Dùblachd 9f
Tuesday 12 December 9pm

Còmhla ri ard-riugh ceòl dùthchasach na h-Éireann, Daniel O'Donnell, tha Derek Ryan agus aor aigheadach ceideachd Eleanor McEvoy agus Muireann Nic Amhlaoibh.

Joining the King of Country Music on the stage at Newry's Town Hall is the multi-talented singer songwriter Derek Ryan with his special guests Eleanor McEvoy and Muireann Nic Amhlaoibh. Recorded in front of a live audience, using archive, testimonials from fans and chat, Derek Ryan performs country favourites.



Opry an lùir

Quay Sessions – Iain Morrison

Riochdalchte le BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland

Dimairt 12 Dùblachd 11f
Tuesday 12 December 11pm

Taghadh de dh'òran bhon neach-cùil Leòdhasach lain Moireasdan agus a' chòmhlan is iad a' cluich aig curim a chaidh a chláradh aig an CCA ann a Glaschu airson nan Quay Sessions.

Lewis-born Iain Morrison and his band perform at the CCA in Glasgow as part of the Quay Sessions. Having recorded 5 solo albums since he left the band Crash My Model Car, he travelled in 2012 to Vermont to record To the Horizon, Sir with his friend and producer Michael Chorney. His last album 'Eas' was released to critical acclaim in 2015.



Quay Sessions – Iain Morrison

Festive Season

Lorient Is Alba: Scotland's Year

Riochdalchte le Bees Nees Media
Produced by Bees Nees Media

Disathalairne 16 Dùblachd 9f
Saturday 16 December 9pm

A' comharrachadh Blàdhna Alba aig Fèis Chiùl Interkeltic ann an Lorient, 2017. Air a libhrigeadh le Julie Fowlis agus Ailean Òmhnállach agus le cuid den luchd-cùil thraidseanta agus folk as feàrr ann an Alba a' solleachadh an ard-úrlar, nam measg Elephant Sessions.

A look back at the Year of Scotland at the Interceltique Music Festival, Lorient, 2017. Presented by Julie Fowlis and Allan MacDonald and including some of Scotland's best folk and traditional musicians who delighted audiences in Brittany, including, in this programme, Elephant Sessions.



Lorient Is Alba: Scotland's Year

Alleluia

Riochdalchte le BBC Gàidhlig
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig

Didòmhnaich 17 Dùblachd 7.30f
Sunday 17 December 7.30pm

Iain MacPhionghain le measgachadh le loaidhean, salim agus sòisealdach pearantsa mu chreideamh.

Iain MacKinnon presents a mix of hymns, psalms and personal faith stories.



Alleluia

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n Ur

Trusadh - An Àird Trusadh - Off Radar

Riochdaichte le MacTV
Produced by MacTV

Diluain 18 Dùblachd 9f
Diluain 18 Dùblachd 9f

Air Gob iomallach anns na h-Eileanan an lar, tha coimhearsnachd neo-àbhaisteach ag amas air seann champa réidear a' Chogaidh Fhuair a cheannachd. Tha sinn a' leantainn Ùrras ùr Coimhearsnachd Gob a' Ghàllain air Eilean Leòdhais thar 6 mìosan 's iad a' feuchainn ris a' phlana aca a thoirt gu buil.

On an isolated headland in the Outer Hebrides an unconventional community is on a mission to purchase an abandoned Cold War radar base. We followed the newly formed Gallan Head Community Trust on Lewis as they pursued their plans for the headland and the abandoned buildings and negotiate a sale.



Trusadh - An Àird | Trusadh - Off Radar

Opry an Iùir

Riochdaichte le Big Mountain Productions |
Bees Nees Media
Produced by Big Mountain Productions |
Bees Nees Media

Dilmairt 19 Dùblachd 9f
Tuesday 19 December 9pm

Comhla ri àrd-riagh céilidh dòthichasach na h-Eireann, Daniel O'Donnell, the Michael English agus Cliona Hagan, le Pòt Ó Ceannabhain air aigioleachd aca.

Joining master of ceremonies Daniel O'Donnell on the stage at Newry Town Hall is Michael English and Cliona Hagan, with special guest Pòt Ó Ceannabhain.



Opry an Iùir

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n Ur

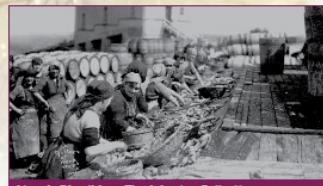
Linn de Dhealbhan: The Johnston Collection

Riochdaichte le Caledonia TV
Produced by Caledonia TV

Dicladain 20 Dùblachd 9f
Wednesday 20 December 9pm

Bho 1863 gu 1976 bha tri ginealaich dhien aona teaghlach a' togail dheiibh ann an Gallairbh. Tha am prògram seo a toirt sùil tron tasgann aca a tha glèidhete ann an Ionaid Dualchais Inbhir Uige agus a' lorg nach e a-mhainn na delbh fa leath a thà intinneach, ach gu bheil iad a' clàradh eacraidh shòisealta ceann a tuath na h-Alba. Eadar iasgach an sgadain aig bìrdie, døinean nan dròbhan a' sìreadh oir agus dealbhan nan òganach a' falbh gu trainnsichean a' Chiad Chogaidh, gu obair àiteachais is chìurid, cleachdailheaden, spors, bainsean, agus agħajnejha munniżi Ghallabib is Chataibh. Cha bheag an stòras a thà lorg ann an Crùinneachadh Johnston.

The Johnston collection grew out of a family photographic business, but this is no ordinary family album. This programme surveys the photographic archive now preserved in the Wick Heritage Centre, and offers the viewer a panoramic tour through the social history of Northern Scotland. From 1863 to 1976, three generations of the Johnston family photographed the Herring Industry at its height, captured the Helmsdale Gold Rush, took portraits of boys before they left for the trenches of World War One, and recorded the agriculture, trades, customs, sports, weddings and people of Caithness and Sutherland.



Linn de Dhealbhan: The Johnston Collection

Leugh le Linda: Teàrlag agus am Bodach Sneachda agus an Cèic

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig

Diàrdaoin 21 Dùblachd 5f
Thursday 21 December 5pm

Tha Linda NicLeòid a' coinneachadh ri sgoilearan òga ann an Glaschu agus sgeulachd mhath, gheamhráidh aice na cois. Tha i' fhèin is a' chlann a' raighinn a-mach mun leabar Teàrlag agus am Bodach-Sneachda... agus an Cèic! air a sgrìobhadh le Marie C. NicAmhlaigh agus le na dealbhan aig Robin Bans.



Linda MacLeod and her collection of books arrive in Glasgow where she meets local nursery school pupils. Together they enjoy a seasonal tale about a snowman and a cake! From the book written by Marie C. MacAulay and illustrated by Robin Bans.

Festive Season

Quay Sessions – Lucy Spraggan

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland

Dilmairt 19 Dùblachd 11f
Tuesday 19 December 11pm

Taghadh is dh'òrain bho Lucy Spraggan a chaidh a chàhradh aig cuirrn airson na Quay Sessions. Tha i a' cluich brain mar Lighthouse, All That I've Loved agus Unsinkable.

A selection of performances from the Quay Sessions, this week featuring Lucy Spraggan. Amongst the tracks she performs are Lighthouse, All That I've Loved and Unsinkable.



Quay Sessions – Lucy Spraggan

Dè a-nis?

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig

Dicladain 20 Dùblachd 6.30f
Wednesday 20 December 6.30pm

Tha blas Nollaig air program na seachdain-sa agus an sgioba ann an Dùn Èideann airson prògram sònraichte. Tha sgoilearan à Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghleann Dail a' gabhal páirt ann am pribseast inntinneach mun gheamhradh. Bidh sgoilearan à Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghlasach a' feuchainn air an ràls opair, Puingean nam Boingean.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas for the Dè a-nis? team as they head to Edinburgh for this week's festive show. Pupils from Glendale Primary School participate in a special project focusing on winter and Glasgow Gaelic Primary School take part in the hopper challenge, Puingean nam Boingean.



Dè a-nis?

Festive Season

Chrisella

Riochdaichte le Solus Productions
Produced by Solus Productions

Dihaoine 22 Dùblachd 8.30f
Friday 22 December 8.30pm

Prògram sònraichte a' déanamh luaidh air an sgrìobhaiche Chrisella Ross nach maireann, a bha an sàs ann a bhith a' cruthachadh an dràma 'Bannan'. Le sgeulachdan bho chàirdean, charaidean is luchd-dàimh.

Family, friends, and colleagues pay tribute to the late Chrisella Ross, writer, storyteller and co-creator of the drama series 'Bannan'.



Chrisella

Quay Sessions – Little Kicks

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland

Disathairne 23 Dùblachd 7.35f
Saturday 23 December 7.35pm

Air ais aig na Quay Sessions agus air an àrd-úrlar tha an comhluan na Little Kicks. Cluinnear brain mar Girl agus Bang the Drum Slowly.

Another selection of performances from the BBC Radio Scotland Quay Sessions. This programme features the Little Kicks performing notable tracks including Girl and Bang the Drum Slowly.



Quay Sessions – Little Kicks

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n' Ùr

Òran na Mara Song of the Sea

Riochdaichte le Cartoon Saloon, tionndadh Gàidhlig le Obh! Obh!
Produced by Cartoon Saloon with versioning by Obh! Obh!

Didòmhnaich 24 Dùblachd 4.30f
Sunday 24 December, 4.30pm

A' sliomh sguealach stèidhichte ann am beul-aithris le gleud ur-nòsach, tha am film Òran na Mara a' rùrach am measg fionn-sgeul agus mòr-sgeul gus bann teaghlach a thoirt beò gu h-ealanta air an sgrion. Tha cothrom a-nis coimhead le fo-thiotlan air tìonndadh Gàidhlig seo. Film a thogas uidh agus a bheir clachd do luchd-amhairc de gach aois.

An opportunity to watch a sub-titled version of this magical, feature-length animation. Weaving a story steeped in the oral tradition but told with a modern flair, Òran na Mara, explores the myths and legends of folklore to express the bond that exists between siblings.



Òran na Mara | Song of the Sea

Mystique No375

Riochdaichte le Sorbler Productions
Produced by Sorbler Productions

Didòmhnaich 24 Dùblachd 6.05f
Sunday 24 December, 6.05pm

Film goirid ùr airson bigridh. Tha Kriselle, aos 10, a' cuideachadh ann a bhith a' ruith seann taigh-chluiche còmhla ri a h-athanàil. Mhianachadh i thèin a bhith air an ard-Ùrlar, ach tha rudiigin ga cumail air ais. An uair sin tha i a' toirt fiathachadh do rionnag mhòr an là nochdachd, feuch an toir sin airgead air a bhèil dearg-theum, a-steach. Saol dè a thig à planaicean Kriselle?

Kriselle is 10 years old and lives with her world-weary Dad, Mackie who manages a rundown seaside theatre. She has a hankering to be on stage herself, but something holds her back. In an effort to help her father, she invites one of the biggest stars of the day to make an appearance. All however, does not go according to plan in this bold and colourful film bringing a bright new cast of young Gaels to the screen.



Mystique No375

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n' Ùr

Oidhche Shàmhach A Quiet Night

Riochdaichte le Elly Welsh
Produced by Elly Welsh

Didòmhnaich 24 Dùblachd 10.55f
Sunday 24 December, 10.55pm

A' comharrachadh deich bliadhna de dh'fharpais Film6 a tha a' brosnachadh daoinne gus filmichean a dhèanamh lad fhèin, cothrom taghadh de na thog dualsean fhacinn. An toiseach sealladh blàinn de phuthar is bràthair as na Heardair, an dìthis aca gun chlaisneadh, a' cuimhneachadh mu Nollaig an òige.

As part of a short season of award-winning films from the FilmG competition for budding filmmakers, this observational piece offers a tender insight into the silent, shared Christmases of two deaf siblings from the Isle of Harris.



Oldhche Shàmhach | A Quiet Night

Oidhche Shèimh A Christmas Celebration

Riochdaichte le Sealladh TV
Produced by Sealladh TV

Didòmhnaich 24 Dùblachd 11f
Sunday 24 December, 11pm

Céil Nollaig, leughaidhean is urninghean à Eaglais Immaculate Conception ann an Glaschù. Am measg na bhios a' ghabhail pàirt, bidh còisirean Gàidhlig a' bhàile, còisirean spòiltean, Kathleen NicAonghais, Seumas Greumach, Linda NicLeòid, Pàdraig Moireasdan agus Alasdair MacLleòdh.

BBC ALBA's Christmas Eve service comes from the Church of The Immaculate Conception in Glasgow. The seasonal celebration will include the city's Gaelic choirs, school choirs, and singers including Kathleen MacInnes, James Graham, Linda MacLeod, Pàdraig Morrison and Alasdair Whyte.



Oldhche Shèimh | A Christmas Celebration

Festive Season

Spòrs na Bhliadhna 2017 Sport Review 2017

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig

Didòmhnaich 24 Dùblachd 8f
Sunday 24 December, 8pm

Tha Calum Dòmhnullach a' tolrt thugainn taghadh den chuid as fhèarr bho shaoghal Spòrs 2017. A bharrachd air ball-coise, camanachd, rugbaidh agus teanach, tillidh sinn gu Gotland agus Gàemannan nan Eilean agus gu farpais lùth-chleasachd an t-saoghail, a' leigell soraidh stàn le Usain Bolt agus Mo Farah an Lunainn.

Calum MacDonald presents this year's sporting highlights. Alongside football, shinty, rugby and tennis he looks back to the International Island Games held in Gotland and the World Athletic Championships in London, as Mo Farah and Usain Bolt retired from the track.



Lorient is Alba: HEBCELT

Riochdaichte le Bees Nees Media
Produced by Bees Nees Media

Didòmhnaich 24 Dùblachd 9f
Sunday 24 December, 9pm

A' comharrachadh Blàadhna Alba aig Fèis Chitùil Intercaleque ann an Lorient, 2017. Air a libhrigeadh le Julie Fowlis agus Aléan Dòmhnullach agus le culd den tuchd-clùit thraidseanta agus folk as theàrr ann an Alba a' soltsiseachadh an ard-làram, nam measg còmhlan-triùir Mischa Nic a' Phearsin.

A look back at the Year of Scotland at the Interceltique Music Festival, Lorient, 2017. Presented by Julie Fowlis and Alain MacDonald and including some of Scotland's best folk and traditional musicians who delighted audiences in Brittany, including, in this programme, the Mischa MacPherson Trio.



Lorient is Alba: HEBCELT

Festive Season

An Litir Chaillte The Lost Letter

Riochdaichte le Igloo Films |
tionndadh Gàidhlig le Solus Productions
Produced by Igloo Films with versioning
by Solus Productions

Là na Nollaig 6.20f
Christmas Day 6.20pm

Film goirid stèidhichte air naidheachd fhlinneach mu litir chaillte gu Bodach Na Nollaig a chàidh a torg ann an seann similear.

A short film based on a true story of a lost letter to Santa found in an old chimney.



An Litir Chaillte | The Lost Letter

Radan an Rathaid Mhòir The Highway Rat

Riochdaichte le Magic Light Pictures, tionndadh Gàidhlig le Obh! Obh!
Produced by Magic Light Pictures with versioning by Obh! Obh!

Là na Nollaig 6.30f
Christmas Day 6.30pm

Tha Radan an Rathaid Mhòir ri gold is mi-mhodh 'e a' cur an eagail air na creidearan a tha mu thimcheall. Ach saol am faigh e a dhòl?

The greedy Highway Rat is a tyrant - scaring all the animals in his path. He's a thief and a scoundrel. However, he has an incredibly sweet tooth. Will that prove to be his undoing?



Radan an Rathaid Mhòir | The Highway Rat

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n Ùr

Briseadh na Cloiche The Breaking of the Stone

Riochdaichte le Ceòis Is Craic | Bees Nees Media
Produced by Ceòis Is Craic | Bees Nees Media

Là na Nollaire 7.05f
Christmas Day 7.05pm

Drama based on a short story by Gaelic writer John Murray following the progression of a post-war romance to its harrowing conclusion.



Briseadh na Cloiche | The Breaking of the Stone

Mòd na Cloinne

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig

Là na Nollaire 7.30f
Christmas Day 7.30pm

Cothrom coimhead air ais air cùid den bigrìdh leis an do shoirbhich aig Mòd na Cloinne na bu tràthi sa bhliadhna. Chaith am Mòd Nàiseanta Rioghail a chumail ann an Loch Abar le toiseach tòiseachaidh sgataeach leis an headhainn òga.

Revisiting this year's Royal National Mod which took place in October in Lochaber. The week got off to a great start with the children's competition and this programme features some of the successful performers.



Mòd na Cloinne

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n Ùr

DIY Le Donnie: An Dùbhlann

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig

Là na Nollaire 10f
Christmas Day 10pm

Anns an t-Ògmhais chuir Donnie MacLeod agus sgiobha le luchd-togail bho air feadh Eilean Leòdhais dùbhlann romphà fhèin: Retirement Centre Leòdhais a dhèanamh an àirdè ann an còig latha. Le luchd-obrach an eilein a' toirt seachad an tine-thèin agus na stuthan togail an-asgaidh, tha tòrr cuideam air Donnie's an sgioba an obair a chriochnachadh ann an àm. Chi sinn an saothair anns a' phrограм sònraichte uair an uaireadair seo agus mar a chaidh cùisean aig a' cheann thall.

It's June, and the Retirement Centre in Stornoway has become the focus of a team effort the like of which the town had never seen before, as Donnie MacLeod and his DIY le Donnie programme hit town. His challenge; to renovate the centre in 5 days. A seemingly impossible task, but one to which he and a team of local tradespeople and businesses giving their time and materials free of charge, are willing to rise. In this hour-long special, we follow Donnie and his band of helpers, as the clock ticks and the list of jobs just keeps getting longer.



DIY Le Donnie: An Dùbhlann

Truinnshearan ar Sinnsearan Past Tastes

Riochdaichte le Caledonia TV
Produced by Caledonia TV

Dimàrt 26 Dùblachd 9f
Tuesday 26 December 9pm

Bho cheann-cropaig gu bárrich 's buntata, chan eil leabhar chóirreac'h dé an cottach ris an 'Scots Kitchen' aig F. Marian NicNéill. Sa phrограм seo tha Fraoch Nir an Dèòir à Ile a' rúrach anns an leabhar chóirreac'h as feàrr leatha. Tha Fraoch a' sealltainn air nu thà an leabhar, a chaidh foilseachadh anns na ficeadan, ag innse mu bhàithidh nan daoinne agus am beatha làitheil, agus tha i' deasachadh cuid diuibh, na cidsin rhèin.



Truinnshearan ar Sinnsearan | Past Tastes

With so many cookbooks on the market and recipes available digitally at the touch of a finger, how do you choose a favourite, recipe source? For Islay's Heather Dewar, it's simple, you go back to the tried and tested, which for her is F. Marian McNeill's recipe book like no other, the 'Scot's Kitchen'. From stuffed fish heads to limpet stovies, McNeill's book offers a fascinating account of not only how we ate but of how we lived. Heather delves into the history and legend associated with the recipes, some of which may offend our modern-day sensibilities and also makes a selection of dishes.

Festive Season

Ceathrar air a' Chuiltheann Four on the Cuillin

Riochdaichte le MagicB Films
Produced by MagicB Films

Là na Nollaire 8.30f
Christmas Day 8.30pm

A' chìad phrограм ann an sàr seath spionnmhor ùr. Tha ceathair a thà air an sgòil fhàgall a' tighinn à Glascua chun an Eilean Sgitheanaich gus feuchainn ri Lèamh an uachdair fhàginn air a' Chuiltheann. Clamar a thèid dhàibh is iad a' feuchainn air feadhainn de na beanntan as dùbhlamaich agus a eireachdail san Roine Ùrrpa. Chìthean an còrr den t-sreach aig an aon àm air an dà oïldhche as déidh sin.

In this first episode of a new, visually spectacular series four school leavers from Glasgow travel to Skye to take on one of Europe's great mountaineering challenges, the Cuillin Ridge in Skye. Facing vertigo, fatigue, hunger and cold, how will they cope and will any of them make the final climb up the legendary Inaccessible Pinnacle? Episodes 2 and 3 will screen at the same time over the next two evenings.



Ceathrar air a' Chuiltheann | Four on the Cuillin

Guth ag Aithris: Christine Primrose A Lone Voice: Christine Primrose

Riochdaichte le Sorbier Productions
Produced by Sorbier Productions

Là na Nollaire 9f
Christmas Day 9pm

Sgeulachd shònraichte mu Ghàidheal air leth. Tha Christine Primrose na tà e do seinneadairean Gàidhlig as clàitichte a' th' ann. Tha am prògram-sa ga leantainn à baile a h-àraich, Cartlabbagh an Eilean Leòdhais, gu ruige New York, air blàthainn air leth na beatha nuair a dh'fhoillisch i clár airson a' chìad uair ann an ionadh blàthdhna.

One of the great Gaelic singers, Christine Primrose remains prolific, with much she still wishes to achieve. This exclusive documentary follows her from her native Isle of Lewis to New York and back – and sees her reunited with some of those who have shaped her life and career. Hers is a bittersweet story of loss, survival – and enduring success.



Guth ag Aithris: Christine Primrose
A Lone Voice: Christine Primrose

Festive Season

Opry an lùir

Riochdaichte le Big Mountain Productions |
Bees Nees Media

Produced by Big Mountain Productions |
Bees Nees Media

Dimàrt 26 Dùblachd 9f
Tuesday 26 December 9pm

Anns an iris sònraichte den phrограм seo airson na Nollaire, tha aigiochein agus ceul gu leòr aig àrd-righ ceòl dòthchasach na h-Eireann, Daniel O'Donnell duinn. Comhla ris air an àrd-úrlar tha sàr luchd-chúil, The Three Amigos le Gráinne Holland air aigiochadh aca.

In this special Christmas edition of the show, Daniel O'Donnell, welcomes the multi-talented singer-songwriters The Three Amigos with their special guest Gráinne Holland to the stage in Newry Town Hall. Recorded in front of a live audience, mixing archive, testimonials from fans and chat, they perform country favourites.



Opry an lùir

An Dara Teud: Na Trads

Riochdaichte le Bees Nees Media
Produced by Bees Nees Media

Dimàrad 27 Dùblachd 9f
Wednesday 27 December 9pm

A' tilleadh gu oidhche mhòr a' chìul agus na dualsean ann an saoghal ceòl traidseanta na h-Alba. Roghainn bho na chunnacás agus na chualas aig Na Trads 2017, ann am Pàistig, Le Mairi Anna NicUlraig, Tony Kearney agus Linda NicLeòid air an àrd-úrlar agus air cùl stèids, a' coineachadh ris an luchd-cùil agus ris na rionnagan a shoirbhach air an oïldhche.

Highlights and music from the Trad Awards 2017 from Paisley, Presenters Mary Ann Kennedy, Tony Kearney and Linda MacLeod meet the musicians, winners and stars of the event, both onstage and behind-the-scenes.



An Dara Teud: Na Trads

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadhna' Ùr

Quay Sessions:- C MacLeod

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland

Diluain 1 Faoilleach 7.05F
Monday 1 January 7.05pm

Cuirn a chaidh a chláradh mar pháirt de na Quay sessions airson BBC Radio Scotland. Anns a' phrògram-sa, cluinnear brain bhon t-seinneadair tâlantach Leòdhasach MacLeod. Nam measg Old Fire, Shake the Walls agus Dream.

A chance to enjoy some acts who have recently appeared as part of the BBC Radio Scotland Quay Sessions. This programme features Lewis musician C MacLeod and his band singing some of his songs like Old Fire, Shake the Walls and Dream.



Quay Sessions:- C MacLeod

Kerry is Kirsty: A' Chomraich

Riochdaichte le Caledonia TV
Produced by Caledonia TV

Diluain 1 Faoilleach 8.30F
Monday 1 January 8.30pm

Tha na peartreacha Kerry is Kirsty Nic a' Phi air a bhith air meadhainn sòisealta, feuch an lorg iad slighean ura baidhsagal airnna a shiuabhal. Cuide ri Calum MacLleathain, tha iad a' falbh on Cheann Mòr air Loch Thoir-beartain, agus a' ghabhail tro gheann na Comraich. Tha Calum's dochas nas eòlaiche anns an uisge, dè mar a thèid dhà than an Rathaid is na mòinteach air baidhsagal còmhla ris na dìthis seo?

Having taken to social media to discover fresh cycling horizons, sisters Kerry and Kirsty MacPhee from South Uist are ready to explore in this new series. Who better to act as guide in this first episode than wild swimming sensation Calum MacLean who has chosen Applecross in Wester Ross as a location well worth exploring on two wheels. How will he fare on and off-road with these two accomplished cyclists?



Kerry is Kirsty: A' Chomraich

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadhna' Ùr

Quay Sessions – Sam Outlaw

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig | BBC Scotland

Dimàirt 2 Faoilleach 7.05F
Tuesday 2 January 7.05pm

Cuirn a chaidh a chláradh mar pháirt de na Quay Sessions. Anna a' phrògram seo, cluinnear brain bhon t-seinneadair dòthchайл Sam Outlaw, nam measg Tender heart agus Look at you now.

A chance to enjoy some acts who recently appeared as part of the BBC Radio Scotland Quay Sessions. This programme focuses on country singer Sam Outlaw as he sings some of his well-known songs like Tender heart and Look at you now.



Quay Sessions – Sam Outlaw

Thuige Seo: Iain Crichton Mac a' Ghobhainn, agus an dèidh sin Cleas Feasgair: Na Faileasan

Thuige Seo: Iain Crichton Smith, followed by Cleas Feasgair: Na Faileasan

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig & Sorbier Productions
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig & Sorbier Productions

Dimàirt 2 Faoilleach 7.30 & 8F
Tuesday 2 January 7.30 & 8pm

A comharrachadh gu bheil 90 bliadhna bho rugadh an sgriobhadair Gàidhlig ian Crichton Mac a' Ghobhainn nach maireann, cothrom coimhead air comhradh intinnseach eadar e thèin is an fear-naidheachd Martainn Dòmhnaillach. Dreach as a dhéidh, an dràma gorrid Cleas Feasgair: Na Faileasan, stèidhichte air aon de na sgeulachdan aige.

Marking 90 years since the birth of acclaimed writer, the late Iain Crichton Smith, another chance to see a searching interview with the writer, followed immediately by a drama, Cleas Feasgair: Na Faileasan, based on a story written by him.



Thuige Seo: Iain Crichton Mac a' Ghobhainn, agus an dèidh sin Cleas Feasgair: Na Faileasan

Thuige Seo: Iain Crichton Smith, followed by Cleas Feasgair: Na Faileasan

Festive Season

Sùlaisgeir: an t-Sealg

Sùlaisgeir: The Hunt

Riochdaichte le MacTV
Produced by MacTV

Diluain 1 Faoilleach 9F
Monday 1 January 9pm

Fad linnean, tha fir sgler Nis anн an Eilean Leòdhais sna h-Eileanan an far air seòladh gu eilean beag 40 mile gu tuath air Eilean Leòdhais, gach samhradh son na tha ceadaichte dhalbh de dh'eòin-mhara shòrnraighe a chruinneachadh. Tha Dods MacPharlain air ceumannan a chuid shinnisearan a leantaing airson còrr air 40 bliadhna. Ach am-bliadhna bidh e os cionn turas soloig a' ghuga airson an uair mu dhereadh agus thug a cead an turas sin a chláradh.

For centuries, men from Ness in the Isle of Lewis in the Western Isles have sailed to a tiny island, 40 miles North of Lewis each Summer to collect their harvest of seabirds. This event forms an integral part of the community's and the island's culture, as well as being the source of a traditional delicacy to many islanders. Dods MacFartane has followed in the footsteps of his forefathers for over forty years. The documentary follows Dods's last expedition to Sùlaisgeir as he steps aside to allow a new generation of Ness men to continue the tradition of the annual guga-hunt.



Sùlaisgeir: an t-Sealg | Sùlaisgeir: The Hunt

Rocky Ros Muc

Riochdaichte le Below the Radar
Produced by Below the Radar

Diluain 1 Faoilleach 10F
Monday 1 January 10pm

Sgeulachd beatha tonnait a' bhogsair Éirinnreach Sean Mannion. Bho Ros Muc ann an Gallimh far an do thogadh e, gu saoghal euorach ceann a deas baile Bhoston, seo sgeulachd mu spiorad is clù bogsaidh agus na trioblaidean a thàinig na chòis.

An opportunity to view this feature-length documentary, currently on the Oscar long-list for 2018, telling the story of Sean Mannion's life and boxing career. From Ros Muc in Co Galway to the criminal underworld of South Boston, it's a story of spirit inside the ring and troubles outside it.



Rocky Ros Muc

Festive Season

Leugh Mi!

Riochdaichte le BBC Gàidhlig
Produced by BBC Gàidhlig

Dimàirt 2 Faoilleach 8.30F
Tuesday 2 January 8.30pm

Anns an ceathramh sleath de Leugh Mi, bidh Anna NicLeòid a' comhradh ri dìthis neach gach seachdain mu na leabhairchean as feàrr leotha. A' tòiseachadh an t-sreach ùr seo 's iad lagan MacNeill agus Seonag NicAndrais a bhios a' taghadh nan leabhairchean.

BBC ALBA's book show returns with a new series in which journalist Anna Macleod is in conversation with two guests each week about their favourite books. This week lagan MacNeill and Seonag Anderson discuss the books which are of special interest to them.



Leugh Mi!

Farpaisean Chon Chaorach Sheepdogs

Riochdaichte le Bees Nees Media
Produced by Bees Nees Media

Dimàirt 2 Faoilleach 9F
Tuesday 2 January 9pm

Sleath ùr de Farpaisean Chon-chaorach air a llibrigeadh le Carriona Nic a' Phi agus Dòmhnaill MacSuan. A' chuid as theàrr bho Fharpais Nàiseanta Chon-chaorach na h-Alba ann an suidheachadh àlainn Bhaile an Luig.

A new series of Farpaisean Chon-Chaorach presented by Carriona MacPhee and Donald MacSween. The best of the action from the Scottish National Sheep Dog Trial in the beautiful setting of Ballinluig.



Farpaisean Chon Chaorach | Sheepdogs

An Nollaig agus a' Bhliadh'n Ùr

Fleasgaich an lasgaich King Fishers

Riochdaichte le MacTV
Produced by MacTV

Diardaoin 4 Faoilteach 11pm
Thursday 4 January 11pm

Tha triùir iasgairean bho gach ceàrnaind dhèn t-saothal a' tighinn còmhla airson dearbhaidh gur iadsan as feàrr leis an t-slat aig an taigh agus thall thairis. Tha Wes à Alba, Guy (Gee) à Botswana agus Mark à Mauritius a' dol an aghaidh a chèile, a' feuchainn ris an iasg Tiger, am Mhàrlain Gorm agus Bradan ainmeil a' Chuain Shiar a ghlaicadh.

Some say competitive fishing is the best sport in the world. But with so many fishermen and so many fishing disciplines, who is the best? King Fisher matches three highly skilled anglers against one another in separate fishing expeditions around the world. Wes from Scotland, Guy (Gee) from Botswana and Mark from Mauritius go head to head as they battle for some of the world's most notorious catches, including the legendary Tiger Fish, the mighty Blue Martin and the Atlantic Salmon.



Fleasgaich an lasgalch |
King Fishers

Pàdraig Post: Seirbheis Deis agus Sònraichte Postman Pat Special Delivery Service

Riochdaichte le Dreamworks Classic Productions agus Mackinnon & Saunders Ltd airson CBeebies, tìonadh Gàidhlig le Obh! Obh!

Produced by Dreamworks Classic Productions and Mackinnon & Saunders Ltd for CBeebies, with versioning by Obh! Obh!

Dihaoline 5 Faoilteach 5f
Friday 5 January 5pm

Tha Pàdraig Post air tillhead agus tha dreuchd ùr aige. Tha e-a-nis os connan na seirbheis 'Deis agus Sònraichte'. Agus cha bheag na dùblain a tha a' feitheamh air. A' chìad chear, feumaidh e a dhol dhan a' Chòrn airson seann einnean-tois a libhrigeadh air aile as airson Ronaidh, co-ogha Sheonaidh.



Pàdraig Post: Seirbheis Deis agus Sònraichte |
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Festive Season

Sùlaisgeir: Na Sealgairean

Riochdaichte le MacTV
Produced by MacTV

Monday 8 January 9pm
Monday 8 January 9pm

Lean Sùlaisgeir: An t-Sealg, Dods MacPhàrlain is e os cionn turas sell a' ghuga airson an uair mu dheireadh. Bhà esan a' teantainn ann an ceumannan a chuid shinnsirean agus tha am program seo a' rannsachadh an eachdràidh sin agus mar a thàinig an t-eun-mara seo gu bhith na phàirt cho mòr de bheatha agus cùtar muinntir Nis.

Following on from Sùlaisgeir: The Hunt, an account of the most recent trip by the men of Ness to an island 40 miles north of Lewis to collect their harvest of seabirds, this next programme places the story in its historical and cultural context.



Sùlaisgeir: Na Sealgairean

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With the support of Bòrd na Gàidhlig and Dundee Festival Trust, there is a great programme of Gaelic Lunchtime Concerts in the Marryat Hall over the next few months as an introduction to Gaelic Music and Song.

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Latha na Sàbaid 28 Faoilleach / Sunday 28 January 2018 2pm – 3pm
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