CELEBRATE OUR THIRTIETH BELTANE FIRE FESTIVAL C * a Beltane Fire Society Production * Green Control of the Control of t

SUNDOWN, SUNDAY 30th APRIL 2017

www.beltane.org CALTON HILL, EDINBURGH Gates open 8pm

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Entry by Waterloo Place No glass bottles permitted

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Tickets from Tickets Scotland, £8 + booking fee in advance, £10 on the night

Beltane Fire Society is a registered charity in Scotland SCO40137 ART BY ~ NATASA ILLINGIC

Celebrate the coming of Summer on Calton Hill

Our thirtieth reimagining of the ancient Celtic festival of Beltane will mark the changing seasons with a wild mix of drums, fire and physical theatre...

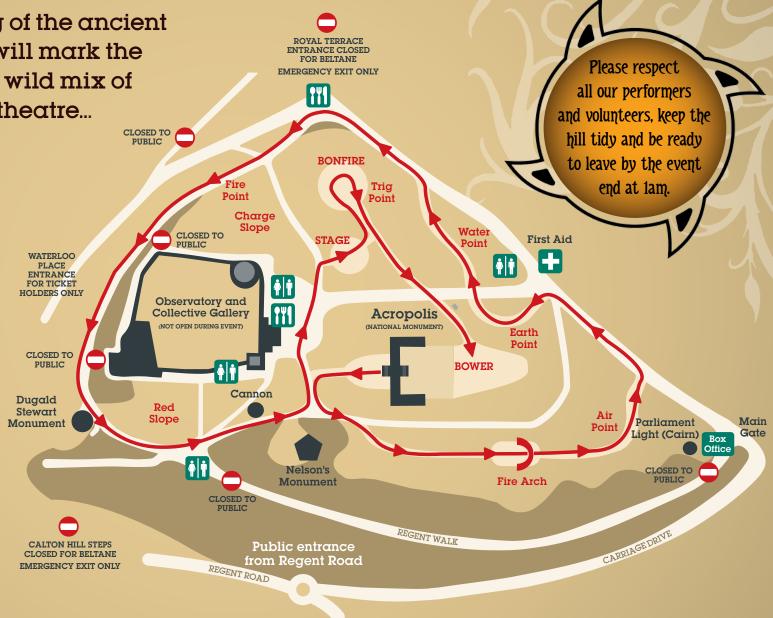
As darkness falls and the fire torches are lit, our drums will thunder and the May Queen will awaken.

Across the night She will lead her court around the hill and through a great arch of fire, into the underworld.

Encountering strange creatures and the elements, She will turn the wheel toward Summer.

Her counterpart the Green Man will be stripped of his Winter guise, killed and reborn.

And when the journey is complete, together they will light the traditional Beltane bonfire.



As well as the procession, there will be performances throughout the night at Bower, the Acropolis, the stage, and right across the hill.

Throughout the night, look out for:



The May Queen and Green Man - Beltane's core characters • The Whites - companions of the May Queen - and their Processional Drummers • The Reds - embodiments of chaos - and their Beastie Drummers • Air, earth, water and fire (as birds, foxes, peculiar pirates and epic fire dancers) • A multi-headed beast, and its masked masters resisting change • Cloaked torchbearers, fire puppeteers,

echoes of the Green Man's past, mysterious

aether drummers, and many others...

There will be performances across the hill throughout the night, but approximate procession timings are:

8.00pm Gates open

9.20pm Neid Fire lit, May Queen appears on Acropolis

9.30pm Procession begins

9.45pm Procession arrives at Fire Arch
10.00pm Procession arrives at Air Point
10.20pm Procession arrives at Earth Point
10.35pm Procession arrives at Water Point

10.50pm Procession arrives at Fire Point, Reds charge11.10pm Reds and Beasties perform at Red slope

11.20pm Procession arrives at stage

11.45pm Bonfire is lit and performances continue at stage

12.15am Reds and Whites dance at Bower

1.00am Event ends, drummers lead the way off Calton Hill

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