



2018 YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE EVENTS PROGRAMME

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Event	Event Organiser	Location	Dates	Event Detail
Edinburgh’s Hogmanay - #Scotword	Underbelly	Edinburgh	30 Dec 2017	<p>Edinburgh’s Hogmanay is where the world comes to party! Join the globe’s greatest New Year celebration for three days of spectacular events including the legendary Street Party featuring live music, DJs, street entertainment and the ultimate fireworks display from Edinburgh Castle. The Concert in the Gardens will be headlined by Rag’n’Bone Man this year and guarantees the best views of the midnight fireworks.</p> <p>Specially for the start of the Year of Young People 2018, Edinburgh’s Hogmanay puts the young people of Scotland centre stage during the stunning annual Torchlight Procession on 30 December. National engagement campaign #Scotword calls on them to choose one word which best answers the question - “What makes you proud to live in Scotland?” After blazing a new path with the river of light weaving its way through the historic heart of the city, around Holyrood Palace and the Scottish Parliament, the procession will culminate in a stunning visual moment in Holyrood Park, as the #ScotWord is revealed through torchlight.</p>
Glasgow International Comedy Festival’s School of Stand-Up	Scottish Comedy Agency/ The Stand Comedy Club	Glasgow	Feb - Mar 2018	<p>Do you think you’re the next Kevin Bridges? Could you be as funny as Sarah Millican? Come to the Glasgow International Comedy Festival’s School of Stand-up and find out! A part of the Year of Young People Initiative, the aim of the School of Stand-up is for participants to develop a short set of original material to perform at a showcase event that will take place as part of the Glasgow International Comedy Festival 2018 on 11th of March. Stand-up comedy is all about self-expression and finding your own voice, so each session will focus on creating your own comedic ideas, gained from your own life experiences. During the School of Stand-up you will have the opportunity to develop</p>



				<p>your ideas and practise performing in front of other participants whilst learning about the craft of stand-up comedy.</p> <p>The School of Stand-up will help you develop skills to hone your comedic abilities including writing, idea development, performance, public speaking and networking. The showcase performance that takes place at GICF 2018 will provide you with an opportunity to share what you have learned with an audience including family, friend and peers at an official GICF venue.</p>
Existence: Life and Beyond	Edinburgh International Science Festival	Edinburgh	31 Mar – 15 Apr 2018	<p>Join Edinburgh’s International Science Festival, the world’s first festival of science and technology and still one of Europe’s largest, for amazing experiences through a diverse programme of innovative events!</p> <p><i>Existence: Life and Beyond</i> is a celebration of the wonder and diversity of life on earth especially created for the Year of Young People 2018. With an awe-inspiring, record-breaking sculpture at its centre, this family-friendly interactive exhibition takes you on a fascinating guided journey from the origins of life through to the future, asking some big questions along the way: What is life? Where has it come from? Is it unique to earth? Where is it going next?</p> <p>The story of how life came to be and of humanity’s role in nurturing, protecting and even enhancing it, <i>EXISTENCE: Life and beyond</i> will take you to the outer reaches of life as we know it.</p> <p>We’re not guaranteeing we have all the answers but we are promising you a lively event like no other.</p> <p><i>EXISTENCE: Life and Beyond</i> has been produced by the Edinburgh International Science Festival in partnership with its Youth Consultation Group.</p>
University Sevens	Melrose Rugby Ltd	Melrose	01 Apr 2018	<p>In the 2018 Year of Young People the first university 7-a-side tournament is to be played at the home of sevens rugby and will take place on Easter Sunday. Following in the footsteps of Melrose Sevens, the oldest rugby sevens competition dating from 1883, eight university teams from throughout Scotland will be invited to enter</p>



				teams of both women and men. The day's celebrations will be rounded off with a live music performance and refreshments.
Glasgow International Festival of Contemporary Visual Art	Glasgow International Festival of Contemporary Visual Art	Glasgow	20 Apr – 07 May 2018	Glasgow International, the UK's biggest platform for contemporary visual art, will be putting young people's voices and ideas firmly at the heart of its 2018 programme. The festival will bring together a group of young people with lead artist Mick Peter and other supporting artists to create a new piece of contemporary work, encouraging and exploring innovation, conviction, critical thinking and world views beyond their own communities. The finished artwork will go on public display at a disused Gas Purifier Station in Glasgow's east end, aiming to engage other young people in what they have got to say and how change and regeneration affects their lives.
GENERATION Z	East Ayrshire Leisure Trust	Kilmarnock	May – Nov 2018	<p>The launch event will take place on 19th of May and will include gaming and film screenings. State of the art Virtual Reality will be on show alongside Spyquest events and retro gaming consoles.</p> <p>Competitions in film making, digital art and writing will take place from the launch in May until November, when award ceremonies and celebratory events will take place with the winning entries going on display.</p>
Scottish Mental Health Arts Festival	The Mental Health Foundation	Various	07 May – 27 May 2018	<p>The Scottish Mental Health Arts Festival, led by the Mental Health Foundation, is one of Scotland's most diverse and inclusive cultural events, combining high quality artistic events with extensive community-led programming and a social justice agenda. The festival aims to celebrate the artistic achievements of people with experience of mental health issues, explore the relationship between creativity and the mind, encourage conversations about mental health, promote positive mental health and wellbeing, and reduce stigma.</p> <p>Events in 2018 aim to further engage young people in the festival and explore the idea that the road to positive mental health – or to mental health problems – begins very early in life. In celebration of the 2018 Year of Young People three distinct pieces of work will be developed in partnership with Vox Liminis, Cultured Mongrel Dance Theatre (Emma Jayne Park) and Into Film Scotland. The programming of the festival will be shaped and guided by a brand new youth panel.</p>



STEM @ The Helix	Falkirk Community Trust Ltd	Falkirk	19 May 2018	<p>In the 2018 Year of Young People, science, technology, engineering and maths will take over Helix Park, home of the magnificent Kelpies, the world's largest equine sculptures. In keeping with this true feat of Scottish engineering, special event <i>STEM @ The Helix</i> will celebrate young minds and encourage young Scots, visitors and families alike to explore the fields of science, technology, engineering and maths.</p> <p>The area surrounding the Kelpies will transform into a science hub with a full programme of events taking place across the park suitable for all ages. Discover hands on activities, interactive workshops and insightful talks by those in the industry. There's something for all to inspire young minds and bright ideas!</p>
Dundee Design Festival	UNESCO, City of Design	Dundee	21 May – 28 May 2018	<p>Dundee Design Festival is a seven day celebration of design hosted by the UK's only UNESCO City of Design – Dundee.</p> <p>Explore local, national and international design, through a city wide programme of events, exhibitions, films, talks, tours and workshops.</p> <p>The 2018 Dundee Design Festival will feature a specially developed programme co-created by Young People to celebrate Scotland's Year of Young People and the role young people play in design.</p> <p>Highlight events include the Dundee Design Daunder – a spectacular, multi-arts parade inspired by our fellow design cities across the world made by local young people, designers and artists as it snakes across the city in a riot of colour, sound and design.</p> <p>Revisit last year's theme with an exhibition of Factory x Designer, showcasing the work made as a result of our Factory Floor residency programme.</p> <p>See the world around us through other people's perspective as we present Dundee's first Pecha Kucha Night Takeover. A fast paced evening with a range of diverse speakers, this May PKN Dundee will be programmed by young people.</p>
STAGE IT!	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Various, Dumfries & Galloway	26 May – 03 Jun 2018	<p>A great programme of live events is being developed to take place across Dumfries & Galloway, programmed by the Stage iT! Young promoters group for young people. Dumfries High Street will see a Take Over Day featuring circus performance from No Fit</p>



				State and Motion House Block, Janis Claxon's Pop Up Duets and the Scottish Ensemble and Dumfries Strings Project. Stage iT! Young promoters group are also working on an exciting programme of music, theatre and comedy for Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival as well as theatre and dance projects for Youth Beatz 2018.
TEDxYouth@Glasgow	TEDx Glasgow	Glasgow	31 May 2018	In light of the Year of Young People 2018, TEDxYouth@Glasgow has been launched to showcase the amazing talents of young people in Scotland, whilst providing them with a unique platform upon which they can share and access diverse and revolutionary ideas. As well as presenting delegates with networking and learning opportunities, this new major event will be co-designed and delivered by a team of young people including students from Glasgow's Clyde College
Taste of Grampian	Prime Event Management	Inverurie	02 Jun 2018	Come and visit the largest food and drink showcase in the North East! Taste of Grampian, taking place on 2 June 2018 will be celebrating Scotland's Year of Young People 2018 with a range of activity designed to appeal to all ages! With over 180 exhibitors, a fish market and demonstrations from local and celebrity chefs – the event will give both visitors and locals a chance to sample a wide range of local high-quality food and drink products. The event will also see a children's education marquee, musical performers, street entertainers, arts and crafts, a Motor Show and new for 2018 will be the introduction of a Year of Young People stage to showcase young talents. There will also be a cooking challenge for 16/17 years old hospitality students as well as a primary school packed lunch competition.
Evolve Fest 2018	RIG Arts Ltd	Greenock	03 June 2018	<i>Evolve Fest 2018</i> is a celebration of the youth of Inverclyde, and their creative contributions to Inverclyde's past, present, and future. Youth programmers will develop, design, curate and contribute to the youth led arts festival. The event will have something for the whole family and will showcase a multitude of art-forms including exhibitions, drama, dance, film and media content, crafts, upcycling and live music. The event will also have on site activities such as arts and crafts stalls, pop up workshops, information stalls to promote local activities and groups, as well as food and drink stalls.



<p>Edinburgh International Film Festival: The Young and the Wild</p>	<p>The Edinburgh International Film Festival Ltd</p>	<p>Edinburgh</p>	<p>20 Jun – 01 Jul 2018</p>	<p>In 2018, Scotland’s Year of Young People, Edinburgh International Film Festival will significantly expand our programming for young audiences with a dedicated strand, The Young and the Wild, running during the 2018 Film Festival.</p> <p>The Young and the Wild will be packed with inspirational screenings, hands-on events and experiences for young people interested in filmmaking and the moving image industries, including: practical filmmaking workshops for primary and secondary schools; in-person events and masterclasses with world-class filmmakers; careers events and advice; and special networking events for young filmmakers and film enthusiasts. EIFF’s family screenings, Film Fest Junior, will be expanded to offer even more for younger audiences, and a group of young programmers will learn to curate shorts and feature films, and present their favourite new films at the Festival.</p> <p>To encourage young people across Scotland to try their hand at film, EIFF will launch a Scottish Young Filmmaker Competition, with the shortlisted films screening at two special events at EIFF.</p>
<p>Diverse CiTay Festival</p>	<p>Perthand Kinross Council</p>	<p>Perth</p>	<p>23 Jun 2018</p>	<p>We’ve got a diverse and talented bunch of young people in Perth, and they’re keen to share their skills and creative passions with you. On the streets and in the parks there will be performances to delight and amaze, and plenty of chances to join in.</p> <p>Whether it’s music, drama, art, or sport, there will be something for you to see and do.</p> <p>Visit the young entrepreneurs market to buy from the next generation of budding business people.</p> <p>Perth Theatre will showcase youth dance, theatre and drama and Perth Museum and Art Gallery will highlight issues that are important to young people.</p> <p>The Two Inch Carnival – (the shortest carnival in the world)– features floats designed around the theme of diversity which will be developed by our young makers and creatives. The carnival also offers street performances, including Indian dance groups, Samba, pipes and drums, and other music and arts forms.</p> <p>We round the event off with a special evening concert, then it’s on to the after-party events with options for over and under 18s.</p>



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IRONKIDS Scotland	Ironman Ltd.	Edinburgh and the Lothians	Midlothian Country Park - Friday 29 June 2018; Preston Links, Prestonpans - Saturday 30 June 2018; Holyrood Park, Edinburgh - Saturday 30 June 2018	IRONKIDS Scotland is a series of fun, family focused, mass participation running events, with age group races for young people aged between 3 and 14, being held on the days leading up to the endurance triathlon, IRONMAN 70.3 Edinburgh. The races are £4.00 to enter and every runner receives an event t-shirt and medal. There will be loads of entertainment and sports taster sessions at each venue.
Glasgow Comic Con	Black Hearted Press	Glasgow	30 Jun 2018	Glasgow Comic Con is an annual event which focuses on showcasing sequential art, hosting a wide range of established and up and coming creators from across the globe. After quickly becoming established amongst comic connoisseurs and now in its eighth year, GCC is the longest running Comic event in Scotland and second longest in the UK. Comic fans can expect a fun-filled day with lots to see and do for all at Glasgow Comic Con 2018 with a special focus on young artists during the Year of Young People. The event has its own dedicated Kids Comic Zone, a variety of workshops, talks, events and of course special guest signings.
Youth Beatz	Dumfries & Galloway Council	Dumfries	30 Jun – 01 Jul 2018	Youth Beatz Festival 2018, Scotland's largest free youth music event is back bigger than ever to celebrate Scotland's Year of Young People 2018 and our 10 th anniversary year. Running over the course of 2 days and moving to a bigger venue, the 2018 festival will have three main highlights which will provide young people with as many opportunities as possible to participate in and enjoy. Highlights include: Youth Beatz Fringe which will celebrate a week of activity in a variety of venues across Dumfries and Galloway, Youth Beatz Main Event which will see the festival undergo a significant expansion to become a 2 day event, and will continue to offer young people a wide range of activities, performance acts and opportunities each day, and The Toon which is a hard hitting interactive theatrical production, designed and delivered by young people, which addresses key issues faced by young people in Scotland every day.



Mining the Past, Facing the Future	National Mining Museum Scotland Trust	Newtongrange	30 June – 29 Sep 2018	A great day out for all the family will be guaranteed in 2018 at the National Mining Museum! Celebrating the Year of Young People, the 5 star, award winning visitor attraction will put on a great programme of activities and events for <i>Mining the Past, Facing the Future</i> . Creating their first ever youth panel, young people will be the voice of the museum, planning and organising their very own exciting exhibition and event for young and young at heart audiences. Other highlights include The Story of Coal – a time travelling tour by young people, for young people and a Junior Brass Band Competition, showcasing young talent from across Scotland.
Celebrate ART	Engage Scotland		Throughout 2018	Celebrate ART is a new year long collaborative visual arts programme being specially created to celebrate YoYP 2018. Engage Scotland will be working with high-profile partners to co-produce new arts projects with young people as they take on the roles of artists, curators, educators, creative participants and evaluators. The art developed during this highly participative and interactive project will celebrate Scotland’s young people’s creative talents and will be exhibited to the public across partnering galleries and venues.
Tiree Music Festival	Tiree Music Festival C.I.C	Isle of Tiree	13 Jul – 15 Jul 2018	The Island of Tiree is often dubbed ‘The Hawaii of the North’ and with picture-perfect white sands and world-famous surf, a trip to Tiree Music Festival is a real island adventure. Tiree has been described as one of the most stunning festival locations in the world and each year it welcomes world-class musicians from Scotland and beyond. Brand-new for the Year of Young People 2018, check out the ELEVATE STAGE programmed entirely by young people, which will showcase fresh new talent on the Scottish music scene with its line-up focused on up-and-coming Scottish talent. Priding itself on being a family friendly festival, the 2018 Tiree Music Festival will see the introduction of a creative programme for young people and their families. As part of this there will be workshops, sport, music and culture that are all focused on four core elements that are a key part of life on Tiree - Sun, Sand, Wind and Water.
Write Here Write Now	PACE Theatre Company	Paisley	27 Jul 2018	A new Young Writers Festival to become part of the existing Youth Performing Arts Festival (SummerFest) which takes place in Renfrewshire. The festival will be open to young people aged 8 – 26 who will create and develop new writings, focusing on plays, songwriting and poetry. Performances of the new works will be open to the general



				public as part of the extended Festival and will take place in Arts venues in Renfrewshire including the Wynd Auditorium and Paisley Arts Centre.
Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival	Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival	Beaully	02 - 04 Aug 2018	<p>Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival takes place in the beautiful Highland surroundings of Belladrum Estate, near Beaully in Inverness-shire. The independent festival has built a reputation for its eclectic line-ups, its offbeat non-musical entertainments and its all-ages approach. The festival won a VisitScotland Thistle Award in 2009 and is a past winner of the Grassroots Festival Award at the UK Festival Awards, the festival industry's 'Oscars'.</p> <p>The 2017 event sold out for the 9th consecutive year and boasted a line up international acts from Franz Ferdinand, Sister Sledge and First Aid Kit to emerging Scottish artists including Honeyblood and Neon Waltz as well as a wealth of comedy, spoken word, theatre, street performances, Danny Maccaskill's Drop & Roll over the course of the weekend.</p>
Standard Life Aberdeen Opening Event: Five Telegrams	Edinburgh International Festival	Festival Square, Edinburgh	03 Aug 2018	<p>The 2018 International Festival season bursts into life with a spectacular free outdoor digital performance celebrating Scotland's Year of Young People and reflecting on the centenary of the end of the Great War.</p> <p>Inspired by themes of communication including telegrams sent by young soldiers in 1918, Five Telegrams weaves a newly commissioned orchestral score, projected digital artworks and live participation together to consider themes of machines and codes, censorship, propaganda and reconciliation – ideas that resonate powerfully in contemporary life.</p> <p>Working closely with 59 Productions, Scottish composer, producer and performer Anna Meredith, whose genre-defying works span the worlds of classical, pop and electronic music, has crafted a new work for orchestra based on material found in the Imperial War Museum.</p> <p>Contributions from young people in Edinburgh and working in partnership with Edinburgh College of Art, and as part of 14–18 NOW, Five Telegrams is a truly collaborative event.</p>



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Codename F at the Edinburgh International Book Festival	Edinburgh International Book Festival	Edinburgh	11 Aug – 28 Aug 2018	<p>Crack the code and unlock the joy of reading as you discover the brilliant and inspiring strand of events for children and families that has been co-curated by a group of 8-14 year olds from Craigmillar and Edinburgh International Book Festival Team.</p> <p>A group of young Scots will work together with the team at the Edinburgh International Book Festival, using their skills and talents to create an exciting strand of events as part of the 2018 programme.</p> <p>The young people will get the opportunity to show the world what they think it's important to be discussing in 2018 through a series of events including interactive Q&As with much-loved authors, chat-show style interviews, topical debates, book signings, hands-on workshops and more.</p> <p>The full Year of Young People strand of events will be launched in June 2018.</p>
Highland Youth Arts Festival 2018	Feis Rois Limited	Brodie, Gairloch Cromarty, Glencoe, Fort William, Culloden/Inverness	13 Aug – 18 Aug 2018	<p>From music, dance and drama to visual and digital art, film and creative writing, the Highland Youth Art Festival Showcase 2018 invites young Scots, visitors and locals to celebrate creativity across the Highlands. Inspired solely by young people and developed by a team of young co-ordinators aged 18-26, the festival, which will see us joining forces with The National Trust for Scotland will include a varied and innovative programme of youth arts events encompassing poetry, theatre, film, dance and much more around the themes of local heritage and culture. The programme will be in the hands of our expert young people – watch this space!</p>
Orkney International Science Festival	Orkney Science Festival	Various	06 Sep – 12 Sep 2018	<p>The Festival highlights each year a wealth of ideas, from the frontiers of science to life in island seas. This year's topics include tidal power, hydrogen for transport, Dirac and the electron, human genetics and early settlement, regenerating land, drowned forests and ancient landscapes.</p> <p>There are insights into wartime aerial photography and night-sky photography, wind and water power from traditional mills to modern power schemes, ancient musical instruments, the mathematics of Bach, building traditional boats, making rockets, the physics of mountain rescue and the physics of darts.</p>



				<p>There are stories from Iceland and Ireland, tales of journeys in Norway and Uzbekistan, and reports from the Arctic permafrost and the Great Green Wall of Africa.</p> <p>Speakers include two Nobel laureates , with over 50 talks and workshops. Venues include a 17th-century historic house and a 12th-century cathedral, along with modern lecture halls and an arts centre by the sea, with a team of young people to the fore.</p> <p>In between the talks there are lunches of local fare, and it all rounds off with a traditional ceilidh. It's an ideal opportunity to combine a visit to Orkney's stone circles and sea-cliffs with a rich and varied programme of events and speakers.</p>
Skyrunning World Championships	Ourea Ltd	Kinlochleven	13 – 16 Sep 2018	<p>Four days, four skyrunning races: Incredible leg-burning and lung-busting ascents, devilishly precipitous ridgelines, spectacular drops and the most challenging Scottish mountain terrain. Salomon Skyline Scotland welcomes you to the 2018 Skyrunning World Championships which will see athletes from across the globe compete in three disciplines of high-octane mountain running. Be at the front line of the action at the start and finish line in the event village at Ice Factor!</p>
The Big Takeover – Shetland 2018	Shetland Islands Council	Shetland	14 – 16 Sep 2018	<p>The BIG Takeover is a brand-new, exciting event for young people in Shetland that will deliver a full programme of arts, culture and sports on a scale that has never been seen before!</p> <p>Celebrating the Year of Young People 2018, the three day programme will see musical and drama performances, sports events, films, arts, writing and crafts, and many more activities, all developed by the talented young people of Shetland taking over the reigns at a number of local facilities and organisations.</p>
Glasgow Youth Film Festival	The Glasgow Film Theatre	Glasgow	14 – 16 Sep 2018	<p>Glasgow Youth Film Festival (GYFF) is co-designed, co-created, administered by, and made for 15 -19 year olds. In 2018, we will rebrand the festival with a fresh look that engages young audiences and reaches out to more diverse communities. The festival will feature a broader range of international films and creative workshops all designed by, with and for young people.</p> <p>Our Young Programmers will be given specialist training from young filmmakers, guest speakers and industry experts. This will enable them to curate a festival that also includes pop-up events, accessible screenings, intergenerational family events, and a Youth Shorts Showcase.</p>



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V&A Dundee Opening	Design Dundee Ltd	V&A Dundee	Sep 2018	<p>Young people from Dundee and across Scotland will play a central role in creating V&A Dundee's opening event, a celebration of design creativity which will mark an exciting new chapter in the city's history.</p> <p>Opening in 2018, V&A Dundee will be the only V&A museum anywhere in the world outside London, and Scotland's first design museum.</p> <p>A new V&A Dundee Young People's Collective, a group of young people (aged 16-24) from diverse backgrounds across Dundee, will help design and plan the opening celebration. Part of their brief for the event will be to develop creative elements which encourage much wider participation from young people across Scotland.</p> <p>The event will celebrate the wealth of Scottish design and Dundee's place as a UNESCO City of Design in a programme which will take place at the heart of the city's revitalised waterfront, in the museum, around its public realm and in Slessor Gardens.</p>
Findhorn Bay Festival	Findhorn Bay Arts Ltd	Various	26 Sep – 01 Oct 2018	<p>The biennial Findhorn Bay Festival is a spectacular six-day celebration of arts and culture taking place at the heart of Moray, the last week of September showcasing artists of national and international renown.</p> <p>Set in unexpected spaces and scenic locations, the Festival brings a vibrant mix of theatre, performance, music, dance, visual arts, exhibitions, talks, tours, and more as well as Culture Day Forres - a one day cultural extravaganza free for all the family to enjoy.</p> <p>In Scotland's Year of Young People, the Festival places a spotlight on young people and their families through a programme of activities and events that embraces and celebrates the energy, enthusiasm and talents of young people.</p>
Scottish Youth Poetry Slam	ConFAB	Inverness, Stirling, Greenock	27 th September, 4 th October, 31 st October 2018	<p>Young people from across Scotland will take part in music, poetry and performance workshops leading up to the second Scottish Youth Poetry Slam where they will compete for the title of Scottish Youth Slam Master 2018. The project deliberately targets educational and social disadvantage, crossing traditional barriers by using fun, youth culture elements to nurture language and literacy and to engage young people in literature and culture and upskill them with creative ways to manage mental health. The</p>



				<p>slam is a fast paced, good natured, highly inclusive competition and, with audience participation, the whole country is involved in representing their area and young people.</p> <p>‘I learned to put my feelings into words and poems.’ Participant Scottish Youth Poetry Slam</p>
Futureproof	National Theatre Scotland	Scotland-wide	28 Sep – 28 Oct 2018	<p>The National Theatre of Scotland is marking Scotland’s Year of Young People in 2018 by staging a major radical new festival of international performing arts, created by young people working alongside renowned Scottish, British and international theatre practitioners.</p> <p>Ten leading UK and international companies and artists, specialising in daring new work targeted at young people, will embed themselves in ten communities around the country, working with local young groups to co-create, design, develop and stage a piece of performance.</p> <p>Ten productions will take place in cities and locations across Scotland as part of the Futureproof festival from 28 September to 28 October 2018, with each of the performance projects unique to their location, sharing the experience of their young people.</p> <p>The festival is co-curated by Lucy Gaizely of multi-disciplinary performance company 21Common. The ten companies and locations include Mammalian Diving Reflex (Canada) in Shetland, Back to Back Theatre (Australia) in Dundee, CAMPO (Belgium) in South Ayrshire, Empathy Museum (UK) in Moray, Jess Thom (UK) in the Highlands, Greg Sinclair (UK) in Fife, AHKE (Russia) in Aberdeen, Rimini Protokoll (Germany) in Paisley, Glas(s) Performance (UK) in Polmont, and Project X (UK) in Edinburgh.</p>
Graphic Design Festival Scotland: Young and Powerful	Graphic Design Festival Scotland Ltd	Glasgow	01 Oct – 23 Nov 2018	<p>From workshops to music, exhibitions and design showcases, Graphic Design Festival Scotland (GDFS) promotes the best of international graphic design through a week-long symposium of events open to everybody.</p> <p>Celebrating Scotland’s Year of Young People 2018, GDFS launch ‘Young and Powerful’ to give young people the opportunity to explore the themed year objectives themselves through visual communication, and a platform to showcase their work.</p> <p>The project will culminate in an exhibition of their work at The Lighthouse, Glasgow.</p>



Knight at the Castle	Historic Environment Scotland	Edinburgh Castle	05 Oct 2018	<p>Experience one of Scotland's most iconic landmarks like never before in a unique after hours atmosphere designed to celebrate 2018 Year of Young People in style. Discover the secrets and stories of this special place, experience a contemporary programme showcasing some of Scotland's brightest young creative talent, enjoy themed bars and food, get hands on with fun activities and encounter plenty of surprises along the way! This event is part of our Year of Young People Heritage Remixed programme and is co-curated with event partners Young Scot, Edinburgh Napier University, Impact Arts and Scotland's Urban Past.</p> <p>This event has been designed for young adult audiences aged 18+ and the young at heart.</p>
The Royal National Mòd	An Comunn Gàidhealach	Dunoon	12 Oct – 20 Oct 2018	<p>The Royal National Mòd is Scotland's premier Gaelic festival and is famous for celebrating our Gaelic linguistic and cultural heritage. The annual festival returns to Dunoon in 2018 and will provide opportunities for people of all ages to perform across a range of competitive disciplines including Gaelic music and song, highland dancing, instrumental, drama, sport and literature. In celebration of the Year of Young People, children and young adults will play a central role in preparing, promoting and contributing to the festival. In addition to the usual exciting competitions and fringe events you can expect a Junior Shinty Cup and drama, language and music workshops in the run up to the festival as well as a brand new app developed by young people. A celebration of our Gaelic culture and young talent not to be missed!</p>
Las! Ignite!	An Lanntair	Outer Hebrides	20 – 25 Oct 2018	<p>The Outer Hebrides are bursting with talented creative young people. The Las! / Ignite! Festival will be a genuine takeover by these young people of the arts centre in Stornoway and all its facilities, from the galleries, to the performance spaces, auditorium and the education rooms.</p> <p>Young people themselves will take on the real-time roles of director, curator, marketing coordinator, fundraiser and more. The festival will showcase the very best young visual and performing artists and writers, and provide a platform for creative placements focused on exchanges between young film makers and craft practitioners from Shetland, Orkney and the Outer Hebrides. Young people from North Uist will also takeover the galleries in their museum and arts centre with their very own curated exhibition.</p>



				Amongst many other events, there will be a Young People's Creative Industries Symposium, engaging talented young people with the creative sector and vice versa. Key industry players from across the country will be invited by the young people to talk at the event about the career and business opportunities that present themselves in their sector, including the film industry, music, theatre, digital media, visual arts and more.
At Your Leisure	Ed Littlewood Productions Ltd	Musselburgh	29 Oct – 4 Nov 2018	<i>At Your Leisure</i> is a cultural event merging live dance performance with sports activity, with the aim of engaging and inspiring young people who will have opportunities to act as performers, audience and collaborators. It will further aim to encourage wider participation with sport and exercise activities, whilst providing a unique and engaging source of entertainment for family audiences from the surrounding communities of East Lothian.
Dreams for the Future at Moat Brae	Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust	Dumfries	24 Nov – 02 Dec 2018	<p>Dreams for the Future is a massive celebration inspired by the opening of Moat Brae - Peter Pan's Enchanted Land, in Dumfries. The keys to Moat Brae have been taken from Captain Hook by the 'JMB Creatives' who are planning a Festival that brings a whole new perspective to Dumfries.</p> <p>Using the power of imagination and a sprinkling of fairy dust, the young people of Dumfries will take over running Moat Brae and invite you to join in the celebrations.</p> <p>If you're aged 8 – 26 you could be part of this amazing project with fun workshops, brainstorms, commissions and a programme of creative and technical sessions running throughout 2018 to help you prepare. Bring your ideas and enthusiasm and help make Moat Brae a special place for generations of young people into the future.</p> <p>The result will be a 3-day event at Moat Brae and across Dumfries from Friday 30th November to Sunday 2nd December 2018 comprising 7 different elements: Schools!, Inspired!, Mutiny!, Shared!, Staged!, a Dramatised Trail and a huge CrocRock! Parade for the whole community, where Peter Pan and Tinker Bell will provide the spark to light up Dumfries for Christmas 2018.</p>
The Sunday Mail Young Scot Awards 2018	Young Scot Enterprise	Glasgow	30 Nov 2018	A Signature Event for Year of Young People 2018, The Sunday Mail Young Scot will be the most exciting awards ceremony for young people Scotland has ever seen.



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				<p>The Sunday Mail Young Scot Awards 2018 will be an evening to remember, packed with great musical entertainment, a glittering dinner, a red-carpet reception and, most importantly, the stories of inspirational and amazing young people.</p> <p>The awards are the culmination of a whole year of brilliant stories that show the truth about young people and their outstanding contributions to communities across Scotland. In 2018, this event is more important than ever as we celebrate and recognise young people's contribution throughout such an incredible and inspiring year.</p> <p>Join us in the Clyde Auditorium before the main event for a very special Year of Young People 2018 exhibition. We'll be showcasing the wonderful things young people will have been up to in 2018 and highlights from across the country.</p>
Stepping In – Music Hall Relaunch	Aberdeen Performing Arts	Aberdeen	Dec 2018	<p>Step into Aberdeen's iconic, brand new re-developed Music Hall! Co-designed for the Year of Young People 2018 by the city's very own young people, <i>Stepping In</i> will be filling the transformed 'A' listed building with performances, participatory opportunities, activities, artist commissions and heritage information. The programme for the subsequent opening season will be developed with their help as well. A series of participatory projects including community choirs, music making and storytelling in the lead up to <i>Stepping In</i> will enable over a thousand young people from local communities to contribute to, and be part of this fantastic celebration. The perfect opportunity for the communities of Aberdeen to be part of, and experience for the first time, the North-East's transformed concert hall!</p>