North Atlantic Song Convention (NASC) 2025

Simplified Programme

Friday 11 April 2025

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Registration and Welcome

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Storytelling Court

1:30 pm - 2:45 pm

Keynote Address by Prof. Susanne Rosenberg

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Theatre

3:00 pm - 4:15 pm

Workshop - Scots Song with Robyn Stapleton

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Library

Panel: Community / Choir Singing

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Theatre

3:00 pm - 4:15 pm

Moderator: Dr. Rebecca Draisey-Collishaw

Panelists: Molly Gawler; Dominie Hooper; Ruth Keggin

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Discussion: Songs that think locally and act globally

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Theatre

Moderator: Molly Gawler

Panelists: Emma Bjorling, Neil McDermot, Esbjorn Wettermark

8:00 pm until close

North Atlantic Folk Song Club - Singing Session

The Canons' Gait Pub - Royal Mile

Convention Full Weekend Passholders only.

Saturday 12 April 2025

10:00 am - 11:15 am

Workshop - Swedish Mouth Music with Lotta Andersson

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Library

11:30 am - 12:45 pm

Workshop - Scottish Gaelic Song with Alasdair Whyte

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Library

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11:30 am - 12:45 pm

Panel: Curating a Place to Sing – From Kitchen to Stadium

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Theatre

Moderator: Brian Ó hEadhra

Panelists: Nuala Kennedy, Tom Besford, Dominie Hooper

1:30 pm - 3:15 pm

Open Song Circle - Songs of the Sea

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Storytelling Court

3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

Panel: Singing Lives Lived – Songwriting and Tradition

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Theatre Moderator: Rebecca Draisey-Collishaw

Panelists: Susanne Rosenberg, Alasdair Whyte, Anna Wikénius, Ró Ó hEadhra

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Concert - The North Atlantic Song Connection

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Theatre

Sunday 13th April 2025

North Atlantic Song Convention - Annual Meeting and Future Planning

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Storytelling Court 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Open Song Circle

Scottish Storytelling Centre - Storytelling Court 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

General Information

NASC is supported by:

Creative Scotland Heritage Lottery Fund; Traditional Arts & Culture Scotland; Traditional Music Forum (Scotland); Access Folk; Kongero, Bagaduce Music.

Location:

All events (apart from Friday evening) will take place at the Scottish Storytelling Centre, Edinburgh, Scotland. https://www.scottishstorytellingcentre.com/

Access:

Find out about venue access and policies here.

Some events will be recorded and made available for viewing online in the future.

Registration and Prices:

Registration for a full convention pass or for individual events is available from the Scottish Storytelling Centre online booking system. You will be asked to login to purchase tickets. Concession prices are available. Note that all weekend pass holders are required to select which events they plan to attend as some events have limited capacity.

Full Weekend Ticket Price: £45

Full Weekend Ticket Price (Concession): £35

Individual Event Ticket Price: £10

Individual Event Ticket Price (Concession): £8