

Centre for Health Science

Old Perth Road, Inverness IV2 3JH



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 – 16.00
TOURS AT 11.00, 13.00, 15.00



The Centre for Health Science is a multi-user facility located next to Raigmore Hospital in Inverness. The Centre was one of the first of its kind in the UK and specialises in health-related teaching, training, research and patient care. The inspiring design of the building encourages interaction and collaboration among its users and a key feature is the open, internal “street” which looks onto a central courtyard through glass panels. The Centre has state-of-the-art facilities including a dental ‘phantom-heads’ simulation room, mock hospital ward with life-sized mannequins, laboratories and a clinical research facility. This public building also incorporates an ambitious programme of contemporary art and has a library and café that are open to the public throughout the year.

Eden Court Theatre

Bishop's Road, Inverness IV3 5SA



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One of Inverness's landmark buildings, the award-winning Eden Court complex combines 19th century grandeur with 20th and 21st century sophistication. Eden Court consists of two theatres, two cinemas, dance studios and the beautiful Bishop's Palace. There is also a restaurant, bars, roof terrace and garden. Come and see what goes on inside one of the UK's largest arts centres.

Bar and restaurant open all day. Guided tours available but pre-booking is required by contacting 01463 239841.

Emergency Centre

Mackintosh Road, Inverness IV2 3TX



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 11.00 – 15.00



In 1941, in the grounds of Raigmore House, an underground bunker was built for the RAF. Its purpose was top secret. Unknown to the pilots of enemy aircraft – through the technology of radar – their movements were being plotted beneath this unassuming hillside. During the Cold War it was converted into a nuclear blast hardened facility. Today, and probably still as little known, the bunker is used as the Council's Emergency Centre.

Exhibition – leaflet available.

Free North Church

Bank Street, Inverness IV1 1QA



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 – 13.00



The Free North Church which was designed by Alexander Ross and opened in 7th June 1893, is Gothic style, with the tallest spire in Inverness at 170 feet. Whilst it is typical of the Presbyterian plain style, it surpasses most others in size and in the boldness and elegance of its detail. North Church congregation split from East Church (Church of Scotland) and joined the Free Church of Scotland at the 1843 Disruption. The interior, which can seat 1300, has been restored with stencil work on the barrel ceiling. As usual in the Free Church of Scotland, there is no organ, but there is a box below the pulpit for the Precentor who leads the singing.

Highland Archive & Registration Centre

Bught Road, Inverness IV3 5SS



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES
GUIDED TOURS: 11.00, 14.00.
PLEASE CALL TO BOOK ON 01463 256444



The Highland Archive & Registration Centre was constructed with the aid of Heritage Lottery Funding at a cost of £10.5 million and was officially opened by HRH The Earl of Wessex on 23rd November 2009. The building provides state of the art facilities for the preservation of archives and public access to the collections.

www.highlandarchives.org.uk

Information booklets on the work of the Highland Archive Service are available. Free on-site parking.

Highland Print Studio

20 Bank Street, Inverness IV1 1QU



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 - 13.00
14.00 - 17.00



Highland Print Studio is an artists' workshop with facilities for printmaking and digital imaging, including etching, relief printing, screen-printing and stone lithography. The Studio is accessed by people ranging from professional artists to complete beginners and provides art classes and activities for individuals, schools and community groups throughout the Highlands. The Studio is housed in a traditional building, with beautiful arched windows that overlook the River Ness.

Tours will be provided on the hour (max. 10 participants). Bookings can be made on 01463 718999, but are not mandatory. Artwork on display and for sale.

Open to the public Tuesday - Saturday all year.

Inverness Methodist Church

50 Huntly Street, Inverness IV3 5HS



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 – 16.00



The Inverness Methodist Church is a glass-fronted building with a distinctive bell tower dating from 1965. It has a plain interior with stained glass windows, including one commemorating a visit by John Wesley in 1764. The attractive building was erected on the Inverness riverside, replacing a former building in Union Street which had originally been a music hall and which had been destroyed by fire on 7th December 1961. The church is unusual in Methodism in that some of the ministers have stayed for long periods. The ministries of the Reverend John Reid (1930-1955) and the Reverend Derek Sutcliffe (1976-1999) have been particularly notable.

Inverness Sheriff Court

The Castle, Inverness IV2 3EG



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

**OPENING TIMES : TOURS (45MINS)
STRICTLY AT 11.30, 12.30, 14.00**



Standing on the site of the medieval castle of Inverness, the Sheriff Court is by Edinburgh architect William Burn and dates from 1833-35. Inside, the central stair rises under a panelled vaulted ceiling. Original furnishings include a Tudor Gothic canopy over the bench in Court No. 1.

Assistance for visitors with hearing difficulties. Leaflet and information booklets available.

Inverness Town House

High Street/Castle Street, Inverness IV1 1JJ



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 14.30 – 16.00



This Victorian Gothic style building was designed by architects James Matthews and William Lawrie, following a competition to replace the previous Town House on this site. It was built between 1878 and 1881 and opened in 1882. The interior contains fine paintings, portraits and busts. The Council Chamber was the scene of an historic meeting of the British Cabinet in September 1921.

Jim Savage-Lowden Observatory

Culloden Moor, IV2 5EU



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 14.00 – 20.00



Highlands Astronomical Society looks forward to visitors at their observatory (opposite Culloden Battlefield Visitor Centre).

The history of the society, news, events, programme and equipment can all be seen. Details of the sun (if it is shining) may be observed through our latest telescope.

Parking available at NTS Visitor Centre car park.

Maggie's Highland

Raigmore Hospital, Inverness IV2 3UJ



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 – 16.00



Maggie's Highlands open from 10am - 4pm with special 'welcome events' at 11am and 2pm. These events last an hour and are a chance to learn more about Maggie's, who we are, what we do, the importance of our buildings and surroundings and finally how we fund our centres and services.

Award-winning copper clad building opened in June 2005. Designed by Page and Park.

Ness Bank Church

Ness Bank, Inverness, IV2 4SF



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 - 16.00



The Church was built and opened in 1901 on a steeply sloping site to a design by William Mackintosh. The style is early Gothic revival with walls of Tarradale stone. The congregation, which was founded in 1787, belonged to the United Free Church which united with the Church of Scotland in 1929. Configuration of the site led to halls being built below the Sanctuary. Inside, there are some notable stained glass works.

Guided tours, information leaflet and live organ music. Refreshments available. Paid parking on Ness Bank.

Old High Church

111 Church Street, Inverness, IV1 1EY



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 – 16.00



It is believed that there has been a church on this site since the 12th century. The present building dates from the late 18th century, though it is thought that the building contains remnants of earlier structures. A church site since Celtic times, St Columba of Iona is said to have preached here at "St Michael's Mount". Current building is mostly 18th century with 19th century additions, with part of the tower 14th century. Curfew is still rung from the clock tower at 20.00hrs every night. Used as a prison after the Battle of Culloden (1746) with prisoners said to have been executed in the graveyard. Inside you can see the King James 1st Edition Bible of 1611, a field communion set used by the legendary "Tartan Pimpernel" during the Second World War, the chancel of Iona marble, and monuments to Inverness worthies. It is still the venue of the annual "Kirking of the Council" when the Provost and councillors process from the Town House for worship.

Guided tours throughout day, with organ music at various times throughout the day. Refreshments available.

St Andrew's Cathedral

15 Adross Street, Inverness IV3 5NS



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 06.00 - 18.00



Alexander Ross (1834-1925) of Inverness was the architect for St Andrew's Cathedral (1866-69), the first new Cathedral to be completed in Britain since the Reformation. Founded by Bishop Eden, whose palace became the Eden Court Theatre nearby, and consecrated in 1874, this Gothic Revival building enjoys a fine riverside location and with its distinctive twin towers is a significant Inverness landmark. Look out for the horse and wheel in the transept window which serves as a memorial to the horse that was killed by a falling stone during the construction of the building.

Information leaflet available in several languages.

Tea, coffee and snacks in the adjacent Boys' School building.

St Mary's Catholic Church

Huntly Street, Inverness IV3 5PR



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 - 16.00



St Mary's Church is one of the finest ecclesiastical buildings in Inverness. Designed by William Robertson of Elgin and completed in 1837, it was the first Roman Catholic Church to be built in Inverness after the Reformation. The principal gable facade (facing onto the River Ness) was built in Perpendicular Gothic style in Moray sandstone. Inside the church, there is some impressive stained glass, including a modern example depicting Pope John Paul II. Three new stained glass windows have recently been added. These new windows commemorate St Columba and St John Ogilvie (beside the Millennium Window) and Blessed Jerzy Popieluszko, the Polish martyr of the Solidarity movement who opposed Communist tyranny (beside the Salve Regina window.) Mass is at 10.00 followed by confession. There are quiet devotions in Church during this period. Note: Disabled access at rear of church, entry through car park from King Street.

St Stephen's Church

Southside Road, Inverness IV2 4XA



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 11.00 - 16.00



Carefully detailed Arts and Crafts Gothic by W.L. Carruthers, 1895-97, the church has a high open interior under a braced collar roof. The stained glass is of note. The three-light west window depicts the Martyrdom of St Stephen and is by A. Ballantine & Son, 1905. In the south wall is A Prophet also by A. Ballantine & Son, 1901, and in the north wall, a portrait of the Very Reverent Norman MacLeod, 1911. The two-light window in the north transept is of the Marys at the tomb and is by A. Ballantine & Son, 1906. The chancel lights are of strongly coloured glass, 1895. The organ is by Wadsworth & Bros, 1902, and the pulpit is of locally-grown oak. The church organ was substantially renovated in 2000 by A. Edmonstone.

Music at 2.30pm - Organ interludes, extracts from St. Stephen's Choir's recent CD.

Wardlaw Mausoleum

Wardlaw Road, Kirkhill IV5 7NB



INVERNESS 3 September 2011

OPENING TIMES 10.00 - 16.00



Originally the burial place of the Lovat Frasers, the Lovat Mausoleum, Wardlaw, was erected in 1634 on the site of the medieval Kirkhill Parish Church onto whose east gable the mausoleum was added. Built by William Ross, notable features include buckle quoins at the east corner below the belfry which is dated 1722. It was renovated by locally formed Wardlaw Mausoleum Trust with funding from Historic Scotland and the Heritage Lottery Fund in 1998 when a fine quatrefoil window was exposed in the west gable, which is thought to have been dedicated by Euphemia Fraser in 1341.

