

GLASGOW DOORS OPEN DAYS FESTIVAL

18th - 21st SEPTEMBER

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2025

Glasgow Doors Open Days Festival 2025

Discover Glasgow, for free, this September!

Scotland's largest free heritage and community festival returns from 18th - 21st September, inviting you to step or wheel behind the scenes of our visionary city!

Enjoy rare access to historic buildings, theatres, factories, museum stores, and hidden architectural gems - many of which are not usually open to the public.

Organised by Glasgow Building Preservation Trust, the festival celebrates the city's rich built and cultural heritage, encouraging civic pride and connection through stories, spaces, and shared experiences.

Get ready for four vibrant days of:

- Open buildings
- Guided walks & talks
- Performances & exhibitions
- Hands-on workshops for all ages
- Family-friendly activities

Festival Friendly Cycle Routes

Open up this leaflet to explore the festival map - discover the locations of all participating venues and tours, along with four specially curated Festival Cycle Routes created by Bike for Good.

North

- 1 - Agile City / Glue Factory
- 2 - Glasgow Afghan United Community Allotment
- 3 - Glasgow Sculpture Studios ●
Make it Glasgow New
The Alasdair Gray Archive ●●
The Glasgow School of Art Archives & Collections
- 4 - Milton Community Gardens **New** ●
- 5 - Colston Wellpark Church
- 6 - Lambhill Stables ●●
- 7 - Roystonhill Spire and Park Ltd
& Royston Creative Heritage Project ●
- 8 - Scottish Opera Production Studios
- 9 - Springburn Auditorium
- 10 - Springburn Winter Gardens Trust ●●
- 11 - Springburn Unity Network

South

- 12 - 1 Moray Place ●
- 13 - Bellahouston Park History Walk
- 14 - Bike for Good - Southside
- 15 - Burrell Collection ●

- 16 - Camphill Gate ●
- 17 - Carmunnock Village – Glasgow's Last Village ●
- 18 - Citizens Theatre ●
- 19 - Couper Institute Cathcart
- 20 - Crookston Castle with The Village Storytelling Centre & Friends of Crookston Castle ●
- 21 - CWGC Tour of Cardonald Cemetery
- 22 - Fairfield Museum & Business Centre, Govan Workspace ●
- 23 - Glasgow Central Mosque ●●
- 24 - Glasgow Museums Resource Centre ●
- 25 - Glasgow Press ●●
- 26 - Govanhill Baths
- 27 - Hampden Bowling Club
- 28 - Holmwood House ●
- 29 - Jackton Distillery
- 30 - Kinning Park Complex
- 31 - Laurieston Bar Tour
- 32 - Linn Park Heritage Walking Tour
- 33 - Newlands South Church ●
- 34 - Queens Park Camera Club
- 35 - Salt Space Co-op CIC
- 36 - Sir John Stirling Maxwell Allotments ●
- 37 - South Rotunda ●●
- 38 - Friends of Southern Necropolis Tour ●
- 39 - St Margaret's Episcopal Church
- 40 - St. Ninian's Episcopal Church ●●
- 41 - Strathbungo Heritage Walking Tour ●
- 42 - The Double Villa, Langside ●
- 43 - The Govan Stones at Govan Old Church ●●
- 44 - Titwood Bowling Club ●
- 45 - Tradeston Heritage Walking Tour ●

City Centre

- 46 - OuterSpaces Guildhall Artist Studio ●
- 47 - Glasgow City Chambers
- 47 - Aye Run **New**
- 48 - Britannia Panopticon Music Hall ●
- 49 - British Deaf Association Scotland **New**
- 50 - Buchanan St Buildings Architecture Walking Tour by Walking Glasgow
- 51 - City Centre Mural Trail Audio Tour
- 52 - Cloud Water Zen Centre
- 54 - Collective Architecture ●
- 55 - Friends of the Glasgow Necropolis Walking Tours ●
- 56 - Garnethill Synagogue ●
- 57 - Glasgow Art Club
- 58 - Glasgow Black History Walking Tour by CRER
- 59 - Glasgow Cathedral Festival ●
- 59 - Glasgow Cathedral Society of Friends Tours
- 60 - Glasgow City Mission
- 61 - Glasgow Film Theatre
- 62 - Glasgow High Court ●
- 63 - Glasgow Print Studio ●
- 64 - Glasgow Requiem: The Walk
Audio Walking Tour - Aproxima Arts
- 65 - Glasgow Royal Infirmary Museum
- 66 - Glasgow Street Aid
- 67 - Glasgow's Printing Heritage Walking Tour

- 68 - Grahamston: Glasgow's Forgotten Village Walking Tour by Walking Glasgow ●●
- 69 - Greyfriars Biophilic Garden ●●
- 70 - IOLLA West George Street **New**
- 71 - Italian Garden and Arandora Star Memorial
- 72 - John Gilbert Architects ●
- 73 - Mackintosh at the Willow ●●●
- 74 - Material Source Studios **New** ●
- 75 - Migrant Voice at Edward House
- 75 - Sauchiehall Culture & Heritage Walking Tour
- 76 - Pioneering the Health of the City: A Historical Audio Tour ●
- 77 - Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow ●
- 78 - Sauchiehall Saunter Walking Tour by Walking Glasgow
- 79 - The Trades Hall of Glasgow
- 79 - Scottish Glass Society at Trades House
- 80 - Scottish Opera Elmbank Crescent
- 81 - Serving Waffles and Peanut Butter: Glasgow WW2 Walking Tour
- 82 - Sharmanka Kinetic Theatre ●
- 83 - St Aloysius Church ●
- 84 - St Andrew's Cathedral
- 85 - St Vincent Street Church ●●
- 86 - Tenement House ●●
- 86 - Threading Stories Collective @ Tenement House ●
- 87 - The Briggait, Wasps Studios
- 88 - The Merchants House of Glasgow
- 89 - The Royal Faculty of Procurators in Glasgow
- 90 - The Royal Highland Fusiliers Museum ●
- 91 - Trongate 2, Granite House **New**

East

- 92 - Eastworks Glasgow **New**
- 93 - First Floor Collective/RogArt Street Campus **New**
- 94 - Bridgeton Bus Garage
- 95 - Glasgow Women's Library
- 96 - Greencity Wholefoods
- 97 - Page\Park Architects ●
- 98 - Provan Hall House and Garden ●
- 99 - The Pipe Factory ●●
- 100 - The West Boat House ●

West

- 101 - Bike For Good - Glasgow West
- 102 - Central Gurdwara Singh Sabha
- 103 - East Park School ●
- 104 - Eco Hub @ University of Glasgow
- 105 - Engineering Walk: Kelvin Bridges Tour - ICE ●●
- 106 - Flourish House
- 107 - G3 Growers Community Garden
- 108 - Ghost Signs of Glasgow Walking Tour
- 109 - Glasgow 850 Engineering Walk - ICE ●●
- 110 - Glasgow Crematorium
- 111 - Goethe-Institut Glasgow
- 112 - Kelvingrove Bandstand
- 113 - Kelvin Court **New**

- 114 - Kelvin Hall ●●●
- 114 - National Library of Scotland, Kelvin Hall ●●
- 115 - Kelvin West Parish Church
- 116 - Kelvinside Hillhead Parish Church
- 117 - Lanarkshire Regimental Drill Hall **New**
- 118 - Keystone Building Construction Site @ University of Glasgow
- 119 - Maryhill Burgh Halls
- 120 - Maryhill Road Graveyard **New**
- 121 - New Glasgow Society
- 122 - Nicolls Gallery
- 123 - Ottoman Coffeehouse
- 124 - Partick Saint Mary's Masonic Lodge No 117
- 125 - Riverside to Fairfield Heritage Historical Walking Tour ●
- 125 - Riverside to Govan Stones Heritage Walking Tour ●
- 126 - Scottish Mask and Puppet Centre ●
- 127 - St Bride's Scottish Episcopal Church ●●●
- 128 - Stroll Through Time – Historical Walking Tour around West End of Glasgow ●
- 129 - Mackintosh Queen's Cross ●
- 130 - The Arlington Baths Club
- 131 - The Mitchell Library ●
- 132 - The Pyramid at Anderston
- 133 - The Sixty Steps - The Greek Thomson Sixty Steps Preservation Trust ●
- 134 - The Tall Ship Glenlee at Riverside Museum ●
- 135 - The Whitehouse
- 136 - Tracing Glasgow's Imperial Past in Kelvingrove Park Walking Tour ●
- 137 - Willowbank Bowling Club
- 138 - Hughes Memorial Orange Halls **New** (formally St George's Episcopal Church)

Festival Hub @ ARC, University of Glasgow ★

- 139 - GDODF Talks Programme ●●●
 - Explorathon Festival ●●
 - Bike For Good - Dr Bike ●
 - Get Glasgow Moving **New** ●
 - Glasgow Disability Alliance ●
 - Partick Pluckers **New**
 - Under One Roof
 - Scottish BMX School ●

Key

- NTS Mackintosh Illuminated project venue
- Glasgow 850th Anniversary venue
- Alexander 'Greek' Thomson 150th Anniversary venue
- GDODF 2025 Open to All Ages: Child Friendly
- GDODF 2025 Festival Theme: Glasgow: The Visionary City venue
- GDODF 2025 Virtual /Online event

Glasgow Doors Open Days Festival has been organised by Glasgow Building Preservation Trust since its inception in 1990 and is part of Doors Open Days, a national event coordinated by Scottish Civic Trust.

At the heart of it all is the Festival Hub at the ARC, University of Glasgow, where you'll find a buzzing programme of free exhibitions, talks, workshops and family-friendly events inspired by our 2025 festival theme Glasgow: The Visionary City.

This year, we're thrilled to partner with the National Trust for Scotland to raise awareness of Mackintosh Illuminated, a project spotlighting the legacy of creative visionaries Charles Rennie Mackintosh and Margaret Macdonald.

We're also proud to partner with Glasgow Disability Alliance and Bike for Good to champion active travel, making it easier and greener to explore the city's hidden gems, while also highlighting the barriers to active travel that many disabled people face.

Keep an eye out for The Air We Breathe, a unique mobile exhibition cycling through the city, highlighting the improvements in the city's air quality over the past 50 years.

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