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# EVENTS GUIDE



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# **FRESHERS WEEK 2023**

Edinburgh Napier Freshers Week is organised by ENSA (your student union) and it is packed full of awesome activities for all new and returning students. *It's not just for first years!* 

It is a great chance to explore the city, settle in to Uni life, make new friends and have a whole lot of fun! There's a wide range of events, with something for everyone, so read on to find out what we have in store over the 10 days!



**OVER 18S EVENTS:** 

Please note that all events marked as "over 18s only" will require proof of age (passport or driving licence) to be shown at the venue.

### **EVENT TICKETS**

Tickets for all of the official Edinburgh Napier Freshers Week events are available online at napierstudents.com/freshers. Visit the link or scan the QR Code to order yours now!

Be wary of any individuals or social media groups selling "Edinburgh Napier Freshers Wristbands" - we are not selling wristbands and anyone doing so has no official link to the University or ENSA. We cannot youch for the quality of their events.





# **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Follow Edinburgh Napier Students'
Association (ENSA) on Facebook,
Instagram, Twitter/X and Tik Tok to
stay informed. You'll also get regular
updates throughout the year about
events, sports, societies, campaigns and
other student news: @napierstudents

# **SUNDAY 3 SEPT**

#### **NAPIER FEST**

2pm-6pm @ The Three Sisters, Cowgate, EH1 1JS

Kick off Freshers with student bands, DJs, live performers, and some treats thrown in throughout! Get down to check out your Union Bar (upstairs) and a taster of what The Three Sisters has to offer all year round.

Free entry. Open to all.



8pm-10pm @ The Union Bar, upstairs at The Three Sisters, EH1 1JS.

Get hyped for the Welcome Party with FREE face painting and games! Don't miss this chance to make new friends and create your first memories as we celebrate the start of uni life.

Free entry. Over 18s only.

### **WELCOME PARTY**

10pm-3am @ The Liquid Room, Victoria Street, EH1 2HE.

Featuring the incredible DJ BODA spinning a mix of dance and party anthems, from 70s disco bangers through to the chart-hits of today. Embrace the UV and neon theme, dress up in your brightest colors, and let's make this night one to remember!

Entry £8. Discounted pre-sale tickets may be available (limited). Over 18s only.







# **MONDAY 4 SEPT**

# MURDER MYSTERY SCAVENGER HUNT

Various times from 11am-2pm. Meet outside The National Gallery, EH2 2EL.

Embark on an exciting 3-hour adventure through the historic streets of Edinburgh's Old Town in groups of 3-6. Follow the clues and immerse yourselves in a thrilling quest to unravel the mystery and claim the title of ultimate detectives!

Free. Ticket required. Open to all.

# OUTDOOR CINEMA: MAMMA MIA

4-6pm @ The Three Sisters, EH1 1JS.

An outdoor, sing-along screening of everyone's favourite summer film – Mamma Mia! We encourage dressing up, singing along, and getting up and dancing to the ABBA hits!

Free entry. No ticket required. Open to all.







# SPEED FRIENDING + FUTURE-ME LETTER WRITING

6pm-8pm @ Bainfield Accommodation Common Room, EH11 1AR.

Meet fellow students and make new friends at Speed Friending, and pen down your hopes, dreams, and aspirations in a heartfelt letter to your future self at ENSA's Letter Writing stall. Perfect for first-year students, you can keep these sealed letters until graduation day!

Free. No ticket required. Open to Bainfield residents only.

# **TUESDAY 5 SEPT**

### MUSEUM OF EDINBURGH

11am / 11:30am / 12pm @ Museum of Edinburgh, Canongate, EH8 8DD.

As featured in the series Outlander! Discover the captivating history of Edinburgh. Stroll through iconic items, beautiful art and learn fascinating facts and gruesome tales.

Free entry. Ticket required. Open to all.



3pm-6pm @ Upper Apex, Merchiston Campus, EH10 5DT.

A letter-writing activity that will create a unique time capsule and capture your uni memories and dreams for the future. Seal your letter in an envelope with the promise of not opening them until graduation day.

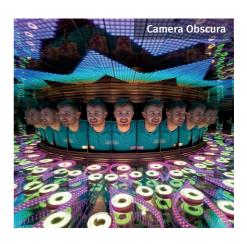
Free entry. No ticket required. Open to all.

### **CAMERA OBSCURA**

6pm-8pm @ Camera Obscura, The Royal Mile, EH1 2ND.

Group visit to one of Edinburgh's top-rated tourist attractions, where optical illusions and mind-bending experiences await. Explore 5 floors of interactive exhibits, trick mirrors, and hands-on optical fun, all while taking in breathtaking views of Edinburgh.

Tickets £17.05 - open to all.



### **GAMING TOURNAMENT**

6pm-8pm @ The Three Sisters, EH1 1JS.

Get your game faces on as we dive into an epic showdown hosted by our E-Sports Society! Featuring the classics: Wii Sports, Mario Kart, and Super Smash Bros! Compete against fellow gamers in a double elimination format, where every match counts.

Free entry. No ticket required. Open to all.

### THE BAD BOY PUB QUIZ

8-9:30pm @ The Three Sisters, EH1 1JS.

Harry Potter Quiz special! Gather your flat/classmates with best Potter knowledge and you could be in with the chance of winning a trip to London for a Harry Potter Studio Tour! Prizes and games throughout.

Free entry. No ticket required. Over 18s only.

# **WEDNESDAY 6 SEPT**

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' MEET-UP

10am-12pm @ Craiglockhart Campus Cafeteria, EH14 1DJ.

Hosted by the International Society. Grab a tea or coffee and connect with fellow international students, share experiences and make new friends.

Free entry. No ticket required. Open to all.

#### **WELCOME FEST**

12-4pm @ Craiglockhart Campus grounds, EH14 1DJ.

Live music, food and drink, carnival games, inflatable activities such as bungee run and the unclimable ladder, and much more! Pre-register to receive a token for a free snack and drink.

Free entry. No ticket required. Open to all.

### **SPEED FRIENDING**

4-6pm and 6-8pm @ The Union Bar, upstairs at The Three Sisters, EH1 1JS.

Looking to make friends for life? Speed friending is an "ice-breaker" social event where you get the opportunity to introduce yourself to different people while a timer goes down! Similar to "speed dating", only with the goal to find pals rather than someone to date.

Free entry. Ticket not required. Open to all.







# **THURSDAY 7 SEPT**

#### FRESHERS FAIR

10am-4pm @ O2 Academy, EH14 1RJ.

One of Scotland's best student fairs. With over 100 stalls, you'll discover exclusive deals and receive loads of freebies while getting a taste of all the amazing things Uni life has to offer. This is also a chance to explore Edinburgh Napier's sports clubs and societies, chat to the students that run them and learn about how to get involved. An unmissable event for all students! **Free shuttle buses** will be running from Bainfield and all three campuses.

Free entry. No ticket required. Open to all.

### FRESHERS PUB CRAWL

From 6pm @ The Three Sisters, Cowgate, EH1 1JS.

Enjoy a magical mystery tour of some of the best bars in Edinburgh. Groups leave every 45 minutes. Each group is themed after a different sports club or society, allowing you to socialise with members or get to know them before joining (however membership is not compulsory).

Tickets £12 (includes t-shirt, drink voucher and after-party entry). Over 18s only.





#### **DISCO PARTY**

10pm-2am @ The Union Bar, upstairs at The Three Sisters, EH1 1JS.

Special Disco-themed after-party for the Pub Crawl. Get down and funky to some disco classics.

£2 or free with a Pub Crawl ticket. Over 18s only.

### **FRIDAY 8 SEPT**

# NATIONAL MUSEUM OF SCOTLAND

2pm or 3:30pm @ National Museum of Scotland, Chambers St, EH1 1JF

Discover Scotland's rich heritage and captivating history, alongside artifacts from around the world. Meet outside the front entrance and explore the exhibits with a group.

Free entry. Ticket required. Open to all.

# INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL WITH AFROROOTS

6pm-9pm @ The Union Bar, upstairs at The Three Sisters, Cowgate, EH1 1JS.

An evening with Zulu Warriors, games, and music featuring Afrobeats, Amapiano, Francophone and RnB! Dress in your national attire and immerse yourself in a celebration of diverse cultures while making friends from around the world. Prizes for the best dressed and best dancers!

Free entry. Ticket required. Over 18s only.

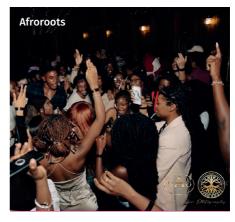
### FIERCE FRIDAY

9pm-11pm @ Live Room, The Three Sisters, Cowgate, EH1 1JS.

Freshers special of The Three Sisters' weekly drag cabaret night. Expect a night of song, dance, debauchery and BDE (Big Diva Energy)!

Tickets £6. Over 18s only.







# **SATURDAY 9 SEPT**

# PITLOCHRY HIGHLAND GAMES TRIP

Bus departs 8:30am from Merchiston Campus. Returns for approx 6:30pm.

Experience the traditions of Scotland, 70 miles north of Edinburgh in Pitlochry. Festivities including a huge parade of bagpipes and drums, sports such as 'tossing the caber', highland dancing and local food. Especially popular with International/EU students. Please arrive 15 minutes before the bus departs.

£25 (includes travel and entry). Open to all.



### **PAINT AND PICNIC**

12pm-3pm @ Craiglockhart Campus lawn, EH14 1DJ.

Whether you're an aspiring artist or just looking to unwind and meet new people, this event promises a day of fun and creativity. Canvases, paint and brushes provided. Bring your own blanket and food.

Free entry. Ticket required. Open to all.

#### **MINI GOLF**

8pm or 9pm @ Volcano Falls Mini Golf, Fountain Park, EH11 1AF.

Join us for a thrilling visit to Volcano Falls, a perfect night-time activity for under 18s and anyone seeking a fun activity! No golf experience required.

Tickets £7.16 - open to all.

### **POSTGRAD SOCIAL**

6pm-8pm @ The Union Bar (upstairs at The Three Sisters) EH1 1JS.

An exclusive Postgrad-Only Social! Enjoy discounted food and drink while making new friends.

Free entry. No ticket required. Postgrads only.

### SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE

9pm-3am @ Live Room, The Three Sisters, EH11 1JS.

Enjoy live music from a pool of wonderful musicians.

Free entry. No ticket required. Over 18s only.

# TAYLOR SWIFT V HARRY STYLES PARTY

10pm-2am @ The Union Bar (upstairs at The Three Sisters) EH1 1JS.

Whether you're Team Taylor or Team Harry, this party promises loads of fun! With a photo wall and life sized cutouts, exchange friendship bracelets and dance in your cowboy boots.

Entry £4. Discounted pre-sale tickets may be available (limited). Over 18s only.

# **SUNDAY 10 SEPT**

#### HARRY POTTER TRAIL

2pm-3:30pm. Meet at the dog statue at the top of Candlemaker Row, EH1 2QQ.

Calling all witches, wizards, and Muggles alike! Step into the wizarding world with our robed guide, visiting the locations that were the inspiration for characters and scenes in the beloved Harry Potter series.

Tickets £10. Open to all.

#### PIZZA & BOARD GAMES

4pm-8pm @ The Union Bar (upstairs at The Three Sisters), EH1 1JS.

Get discounted pizzas and drink while playing your favourite games! Expect a variety of classic board games, Twister, and card games such as Uno.

Free entry. No ticket required. Open to all.

### **FAYRE PLAY**

8pm-9:30pm @ Fayre Play, Picardy Place, EH1 3JT.

Ready to level up your fair game skills at Fayre Play, Edinburgh's newest gaming hotspot? Collect stamps as you score in gaming challenges - reach six stamps and you'll win an adorable bear plushie to commemorate your victory!

Entry & Games ticket £10. Entry, Games & 2 Drinks ticket £20. Over 18s only.







# IBIZA PARTY WITH JORDAN DAVIES

**10pm-3am @ The Three Sisters, EH1 1JS.**Featuring a DJ set by Ibiza Weekender and Big Brother star, Jordan Davies!

Free entry. No ticket required. Over 18s only.

# **MONDAY 11 SEPT**

### **PART-TIME JOB FAIR**

10am-2pm @ Craiglockhart Campus Foyer, EH14 1DJ.

Whether you're a 1st year or returning student, this event offers a chance to explore term-time work options, network with potential employers, and find meaningful volunteering opportunities. Connect with a variety of employers from different industries and discover exciting opportunities that match your skills and ambitions. Co-hosted by ENSA and Student Futures.

Free entry. No ticket required. Open to all.

# **TUESDAY 12 SEPT**

### **PUPPY YOGA**

12pm / 12:45pm / 1:30pm @ Glassroom, Merchiston Campus, EH10 5DT.

Prepare for a "paw-some" and heart-warming yoga session with Puppy Yoga Edinburgh! Enjoy 30 minutes of yoga postures, breathing and relaxation techniques while joined by a litter of puppies who are free to wander around the session and even get involved in your poses! The session helps the puppies to build the foundation of a friendly, social personality.

Tickets £15. Open to all.

### **ESCAPE ROOM**

3:30pm / 4:30pm / 5pm / 6pm @ Escape Reality, Fountainbridge, EH3 9QB.

Gather your team and race against the clock to solve puzzles, find hidden clues, and make your great escape! Special Freshers discount.

Tickets £10. Open to all.

#### **SCOTLAND V ENGLAND**

7:30-9:30pm @ The Three Sisters, EH1 1JS.

Commemorative friendly to celebrate 150 years of international football. Catch the game on the giant screens!

Free entry. No ticket required. Over 18s only.

### **NEON JUNGLE**

8pm-1am @ Ballie Ballerson, Forrest Road, EH1 2QN.

Get ready to GLOW wild to R'n'B, chart, cheese and house beats! Featuring great cocktails, a slide and a glowing ball pit! Welcome drink included.

Tickets £8.50 - over 18s only.





# OUR NIGHTS

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