

# ROYAL HIGHLAND CENTRE

**New experiences in 2024 at Royal Highland Centre**  
**Concerts, motoring events, championship dog shows,**  
**Comic Con and more**



2024 is set to be a landmark year for the Royal Highland Centre; Scotland's largest indoor and outdoor venue that plays host to some of the most exciting events in the Scottish cultural calendar – from Summer Sessions to Comic Con and the iconic Royal Highland Show. This year, the RHC has something for everyone to enjoy, from family day trips to late-night music and one-of-a-kind experiences, all just 20 minutes from Edinburgh City Centre. Detailed below are just some of the highlights that will be coming to the RHC over the next few months.

Animal lovers have plenty to look forward to this year, beginning with [The Scottish Kennel Club: Double Championship Dog Show](#) (16 – 19 May 2024). This will be the Club's 50th Year of hosting the Championship Show at the Royal Highland Centre, and in a UK First, both 2024 championship dog shows will be held in conjunction with one another. The end of the year sees even more canine celebrations as the Kennel Club returns for [The Working and Pastoral Breeds Association of Scotland](#) on 2 November.

One of the UK's most celebrated events, the [Royal Highland Show](#) returns in 2024 from 20 - 23 June with all the best in food, farming, and rural life. Visitors will have the chance to get up close to adorable animals, taste the best in local Scottish produce and support local businesses selling clothes, artwork, and jewellery. The Royal Highland Show offers an irresistible experience, from live cooking demos to axe throwing, chainsaw carving and more.

A key feature of the Royal Highland Centre is the historic Ingliston Racing Track, making the RHC a hotspot for some of motoring's most exciting events. [The Scottish Festival of Motoring](#) returns on 14 July, with over 2000 cars and motorcycles set to be displayed as well as live stunt shows, a trade village, live music, food outlets and a free kids zone, making it a fantastic day out for both motoring enthusiasts and the whole family. Then from 3 – 4 August, [Truckfest Scotland 2024](#) will be delivering a trademark monster truck arena experience, wowing audiences since 1983. Enjoy exhilarating rides from some extraordinary vehicles all while having the chance to meet some of the industry's most exciting personalities.

Music is at the heart of the RHC's history, with artists such as Queen and 50 Cent all having held concerts within the venue's grounds. This Summer, [The Royal Highland Hoolie](#) (21 – 22 June) will kick off festival season in style with headliners **Tide Lines** and **Derek Ryan** set to be joined by an array of folk and country artists from Scotland and Ireland. The RHC will also be hosting two main events of **Edinburgh's Summer Sessions**, which sees indie icons [Catfish and the Bottlemen](#) taking the stage on 24 August and [Ocean Colour Scene](#) on 14 August supported by The View, Alabama 3 and more.

In the world of entertainment, [Tabletop Scotland](#) comes to the venue for the first time (6 - 8 September) as one of the UK's fastest-growing games conventions. Whether you are a board game veteran or a complete newbie, this convention is open and welcoming to everyone who wants to explore the exciting world of tabletop games. Then in October, [Comic Con Scotland](#) will be bringing tens of thousands of fans together to celebrate a common love for some of the most iconic franchises in popular culture, with previous guests including the likes of Ewan McGregor, Jean Claude Van Damme and WWE's The Undertaker.

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## **Notes to Editors**

### **About the Royal Highland Centre**

As Scotland's largest indoor and outdoor venue, the Royal Highland Centre attracts over one million visitors each year; offering versatility for event owners, with over 18,000m<sup>2</sup> covered exhibition space, a substantial outdoor area including 110-acres of parkland, main arena, track area, countryside area and parking for 15,000 vehicles. A range of indoor and outdoor spaces are easily adaptable to any event: from agricultural shows to AGMs to Dog Shows, the professional and experienced team at RHC are dedicated to meeting a wide range of needs.

Perhaps best known for large events such as the Royal Highland Show, the venue also regularly plays host to events such as concerts, gigs, motoring events, exhibitions, conferences, live sport, meetings and functions.

The Royal Highland Centre's purpose built track is the original home of Scottish Motorsport and is still used today. The Centre's flexibility makes it an ideal choice for motoring and track based events. The track itself is a big draw and is used in a variety of ways; from test driving vehicles, showcasing new vehicles or hosting driving day experiences that allow visitors to drive their dream cars round a purpose built track.

The Royal Highland Centre is connected to the registered charity, RHASS (The Royal Highland Agricultural Society of Scotland). Since 1784, the society plays a pivotal role in the creation of a better understanding of the management of Scotland's land and rural resources. The RHC is also affiliated with the Royal Highland Show.

### **About The Royal Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland (RHASS)**

RHASS is Scotland's agricultural charity and is the leading voice for Scottish agriculture and the rural community. Founded in 1784 with the guiding principles to promote the regeneration of rural Scotland, those principles still ring true today. In 2024 and beyond, the charity strives for new ways to preserve, educate and support the industry and people who live and work in the Scottish countryside, by uniting communities and investing in innovation, education, wellbeing and the environment.

We are a membership charity, with 16,000 members. This community built on a legacy of integrity, honesty and genuine care for the countryside and people who have dedicated their lives to it. Our Members play a key role in helping RHASS to realise Scotland's agricultural ambitions.

We support these communities through our funding and awards, which empowers farmers, rural businesses, charities and individuals. We fund projects that help advance Scottish agriculture through innovation, wellbeing and sustainable practices, fund placements which educate and connect people to opportunities, fund our partner charities and organisations who work in and for the people of rural Scotland (RHET (Royal Highland Educational Trust), RSABI, Farmstrong and SAYFC) and further support the sector through our Local Show Engagement fund.

We're known for the delivery of the largest gathering of the agricultural community in the UK, the Royal Highland Show. Held annually, the Show is one of Scotland's most iconic events, and RHASS' biggest fundraiser. Showcasing the best of farming, food and rural life at the Royal Highland Centre in Ingliston the event attracts over 1,000 exhibitors, 4,500 livestock and up to 217,000 visitors.