



Conference



At The Royal Society of Edinburgh (RSE)

22-23 January 2009



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Robert Burns in Global Culture

The Royal Society of Edinburgh is organising a major one-day conference on 'Robert Burns and Global Culture' in 2009. The conference will reflect on issues such as the global reputation of Burns, the translation and reception of Burns in world literatures, the influence of Burns on the image of Scotland abroad and the continuing celebration of Burns in global culture in statues, music and Burns Supper events. As Scotland's National Academy, the Royal Society of Edinburgh will host this conference on Scotland's national bard as one of a series of global events to commemorate Burns on the 250th anniversary of his birth.

There will be contributions by leading Burns scholars from around the world and there will be plenty of scheduled time for discussion as well as a session on the latest research on Burns. Sheena Wellington & Kirsteen McCue will perform at a musical lunch, and an optional Burns Supper with a leading after-dinner speaker is planned for the evening before the conference when there will be an opening lecture by Neal Ascherson. The leading Scottish composer Dr James MacMillan CBE FRSE will introduce a new piece with contributions featuring a performance by the Haydn Trio Eisenstadt at the closing concert.

To register please complete and return this form. For further information contact the Royal Society of Edinburgh Events Dept:

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PROGRAMME

22 JANUARY- DAY 1

15.30 AHRC Global Burns Network Meeting (Members Only)

17.00 Opening Evening Lecture at the Royal Society of Edinburgh
Mr Neal Ascherson, author and cultural commentator

19.00 Burns Supper- venue tbc

23 JANUARY- DAY 2

09.00 Conference at the Royal Society of Edinburgh
Registration/ Morning Coffee

09.30 RSE Welcome/Chairman's Welcome and Overview
Prof. Murray Pittock FRSE, University of Glasgow

09.40 Theme 1: Reception of Burns in Global Culture
Prof. Nigel Leask, University of Glasgow
Prof. Ronald Jack FRSE, University of Edinburgh

10.45 Tea and Coffee Break

11.15 Theme 2: The Influence of Burns On The Image of Scotland Abroad
Prof. James Chandler, University of Chicago
Prof.Martin Prochazka, Charles University, Prague

12.30 Lunch and Music
Dr Kirsteen McCue and Ms Sheena Wellington

14.00 Theme 3: The Performance Of Burns in Culture
Prof.Robert Crawford FRSE, University of St Andrews
Prof.Leith Davis, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver

15.15 Tea and Coffee break

15.45 Theme 4: Graduate Students and Burns Federation Round Tables
Convened by Dr Gerry Carruthers, University of Glasgow

17.00 Close

19.30 Concert: Dr James MacMillan CBE FRSE and the Haydn Trio Eisenstadt featuring Lorna Anderson (Soprano) and Jamie MacDougall(Tenor) at St Cecilia's Hall, University of Edinburgh

REGISTRATION FORM - ROBERT BURNS IN GLOBAL CULTURE

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PAYMENT DETAILS: Please note that registrations will not be processed until full payment has been received and the cancellation policy has been accepted. **Cancellation Policy:** To cancel your registration you should notify the RSE in writing up to 2 weeks before the conference for a full refund to be issued. For cancellations received after this date, the full registration fee remains due.

Conference Fee (please tick) Full rate £80 FRSE/ Concession Rate *£40 * proof required

If you would like to receive more information about additional activities please tick the relevant box.

Lecture (Free) **Supper (Fee TBA)** **Concert (Fee TBA)**

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