

EAHN Tour to Scotland

9-11 September 2011

For the first time, the tour is organised as part of a joint event, immediately following the EAHN/DOCOMOMO-International two-day international conference on the theme of post-1945 mass housing in the socialist bloc. The theme of the conference will be reflected in the first morning of the tour. Admission to this conference, based at Edinburgh University (ECA) will be free of charge. Exact schedules are still to be confirmed.

As each year, the tour will benefit from the expertise of local scholars who will cover, as guides, a large array of buildings and ensembles and a chronological span of over five centuries.

PRINCIPAL ORGANISERS

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Specialist guides joining the tour will include Aonghus MacKechnie (Historic Scotland), Diane Watters (RCAHMS), Johnny Rodger (Glasgow School of Art) and other Scottish academics.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Number of participants

10 to 30

Transport

9 September: Morning bus tour; afternoon walking tour; return to Edinburgh by train

10 September: All-day bus tour

11 September: All-day walking tour

Costs/Registration

96 €, due by June 1, 2011, deadline of the registration. Cost includes only local tour-bus transportation and the EAHN fee – international transportation, local public transport fares, site entrance fees, hotel accommodation and meals are not included. Registration is final and cannot be cancelled. To register contact both Miles Glendinning and Carmen Popescu.

The full fee of 96 €, is due upon registration. Please send it to the EAHN bank account: CREDITCOOP PARIS NATION / RIB 42559-00008-21028334509-66 / IBAN FR76-4255-9000-0821—0283-3450-966 / BIC CCOPFRPPXXX. Be sure to indicate that any transfer costs are paid by you.

You may also pay by credit card via a Paypal button – for specific information please contact the EAHN Office at office@eahn.org

Local transport costs and entrance charges per person

Rail and airport bus: £20

Entrance charges to sites: £25 (including three-day Historic Scotland Visitor Pass)

Accommodation

A very considerable range of lodging options is available, and can most easily be accessed online via sites such as booking.com or fastbooking. Participants are

advised to book accommodation early, as the conference week follows immediately after the Edinburgh Festival.

For those preferring not to search on the internet, the most reliable chain of inexpensive hotels is Travelodge (<http://www2.travelodge.co.uk>) There are several Travelodge hotels in central Edinburgh: at the moment, a standard 'family room' (1-3 persons) at either the Haymarket or West End Travelodges, for the four nights 8-11 September inclusive, is showing at £250 per room on the Travelodge website, but this will increase nearer the time.

Another option is the guest house at 23 Mayfield Gardens (south of the centre of Edinburgh), a more 'personalised' alternative to the Travelodge formula:

<http://www.23mayfield.co.uk>

Travelling to Scotland

The most convenient way of reaching Edinburgh is by budget airline. Edinburgh Airport is served by both Easyjet and Ryanair from a wide range of European destinations; transport to the city centre takes about 30 minutes by very frequent express bus (£6 return). There are also two airports in the West of Scotland with budget air connections from different cities to those at Edinburgh Airport. Glasgow Airport (served by Easyjet) is accessible by bus to Glasgow Queen St Station then train to Edinburgh (journey time around 100 minutes). Prestwick Airport (served by Ryanair) is accessible by train all the way, with change of station in Glasgow (journey time around 2 hours; reduced fare available to Ryanair ticket holders). Booking of these flights as far in advance as possible is advisable.

TOUR SCHEDULE

* THURSDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

EVENING:

Arrival in Edinburgh; check in at hotel

19.00 Reception + presentation of tour (followed possibly by introductory lecture)

Venue: ECA (Lauriston or Chambers St Campus)

* FRIDAY 9 SEPTEMBER

TOUR DAY 1: Bus and walking tour of Glasgow and district

MORNING BUS TOUR

Tour leaders: Miles Glendinning and Diane Watters (DOCOMOMO)

BUS TOUR DEPARTS EDINBURGH 08.30

09.30 – 10.15 Tour of Cumbernauld

Including 1963-7 Town Centre and early housing zone, c.1957-75 (architects: Cumbernauld New Town Development Corporation)

10.30 - 13.00 Tour of Outer Glasgow mass housing

Including the following developments: Red Road, 1962-9; Easterhouse, 1954-7; Springburn, 1962-70; Sighthill, 1963-8; Wyndford, 1960-9; Woodside, 1963-74; Anderston Cross, 1962-70; Hutchesontown-Gorbals, 1954-74; 'Merchant City' 1980s/90s regeneration zone. (architects: Glasgow Corporation Architects Dept.)

BUS TOUR FINISHES GEORGE SQUARE 13.00

(LUNCH BREAK 13.00-13.30)

WALKING TOUR STARTS GEORGE SQUARE 13.30

13.30 – 16.00 WALKING TOUR OF CITY CENTRE/BLYTHSWOOD

Tour leader (Johnny Rodger, Glasgow School of Art)

Including the following key buildings/ensembles and others....

City Chambers (William Young, 1882-8) (possibly including visit to interior)

Royal Exchange/Royal Ex. Square (D Hamilton etc, 1830s)

Buchanan Street/Hope St/Bothwell St/St Vincent St (miscellaneous C19/early C20 architecture)

Egyptian Halls (Alexander Thomson, 1872)

Central Station/Hotel (R R Anderson etc, 1882-4)

St Vincent Street Church (Thomson, 1857)

Sauchiehall St (misc. C19/early C20 architecture)

Glasgow School of Art (Mackintosh, 1896-1909)

Tenement House Museum (c.1900 tenement; restored by National Trust for Scotland)

Subway from Cowcaddens to Kelvinhall or Hillhead (buy own tickets)

WALKING TOUR OF UNIVERSITY AREA 16.15-17.30

Including the following:

Kelvingrove Museum/Art Gallery (J W Simpson and E J Milner Allen, 1891) (including interior: closes 1700)

Kelvin Hall (City Engineer, 1926-7)

Glasgow University (G G Scott, 1864, plus misc. C19/C20 architecture)

Various C19 terraces, Great Western Road/Hillhead (by miscellaneous architects)

RETURN TO GLASGOW SCHOOL OF ART:

Evening reception and lecture (to be confirmed)

Organiser: Florian Urban, GSA

Participants return to Edinburgh by train individually (£11 single, trains every half hour till 23.30)

* SATURDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

TOUR DAY 2: 'Castles' day tour (by tour-bus)

Tour Leader: Dr Aonghus MacKechnie (Historic Scotland)

Departure from Edinburgh accommodation, 08.30 (specific pick-up details to be confirmed)

LINLITHGOW PALACE

Arrive 09.30; depart 10.15

[http://www.historic-](http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/places/propertyresults/propertyoverview.htm?PropID=PL_199)

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&PropName=Linlithgow Palace

STIRLING CASTLE

Arrive 11.00; depart 12.00

[http://www.historic-](http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/places/propertyresults/propertyoverview.htm?PropID=PL_275)

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&PropName=Stirling Castle

DOUNE CASTLE

Arrive 12.30; depart 13.15

http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/places/propertyresults/propertyoverview.htm?PropID=PL_092&PropName=Doune Castle

SANDWICH LUNCH ON BUS

Or: possible stop-off for 15 minutes to eat lunch at DUPPLIN CROSS (early Christian)

ELCHO CASTLE

Arrive 14.15; depart 15.00

http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/propertyresults/propertyoverview.htm?PropID=PL_132&PropName=Elcho%20Castle

ST ANDREWS

Arrive 16.00

Visit both ST ANDREWS CASTLE and ST ANDREWS CATHEDRAL

http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/places/propertyresults/propertyoverview.htm?PropID=PL_248&PropName=St%20Andrews%20Castle

http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/places/propertyresults/propertyoverview.htm?PropID=PL_249&PropName=St Andrews Cathedral

Depart St Andrews 18.30

Drive back through restored historic Fife coastal towns: CRAIL – ANSTRUTHER – PITTENWEEM – ST MONANS

DINNER at world-famous traditional Anstruther Fish Bar (Fish and Chip restaurant in Anstruther): <http://www.anstrutherfishbar.co.uk/>

Arrival back in Edinburgh circa 21.00 – 22.00

* SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

TOUR DAY 3: Edinburgh Walking Tour

Tour Leaders: Dr Aonghus MacKechnie, Historic Scotland, and other academics (tbc)

Start of tour: EDINBURGH CASTLE (Historic Scotland)

Meet at ticket office 09.30; Depart 11.30

11.30 – 13.00 Guided Walk through Old Town/High Street/Canongate area

Including the following key buildings, and others:

Ramsay Garden/projects by Patrick Geddes, 1890s

Victoria Hall (1840s, G Graham and Pugin)

St Giles Cathedral (restored 1830s)

Museum of Scotland (Benson & Forsyth, 1997)

Edinburgh University (R Adam etc, 1790s onwards)

John Knox House/Scottish Storytelling Centre (C16 and 2002)

Scottish Parliament (E Miralles, 1998-2004)

13.30 – 15.30 Guided Walk through New Town (C18/C19 classical area)

Including the following key buildings and ensembles:

Calton Hill (C19 monuments)/Royal High School(T Hamilton, 1825)/St Andrew's House (1934, T Tait)

Princes Street (1780s/C19)

Royal Scottish Academy/National Galleries (Playfair, 1820s/50s)
 First New Town (George St etc), J Craig, from 1766
 Second New Town (Dundas St/Howe St etc), c.1800-20
 St Stephen's Church (Playfair, 1828)
 Stockbridge and Dean Bridge (Telford, 1820s)
 Western New Town (c.1820-70)
 Tour ends at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral (Sir G G Scott, 1872-1907)

Optional activity: Choral Evensong at St Mary's Cathedral, 15.30 – 16.30 (free admission)

Possible final evening party: to be confirmed

PUBLICATION ON SCOTTISH CASTLES

It is planned to coordinate the tour with the publication of an important forthcoming symposium volume on Scottish Castles (Scotland's Castle Culture), edited by Aonghus MacKechnie and Audrey Dakin (with Miles Glendinning)

CONFERENCE ON THE EDINBURGH CAST COLLECTION

Please note that parallel to the EAHN tour, Edinburgh College of Art and the University of Edinburgh host a conference on the Edinburgh Cast Collection. Founded in 1798, this is the second oldest educational collection in the UK, with donations by Lord Elgin, Canova, Thorvaldsen. The conference will be a major academic event, with a section on Architecture and Cityscape. Details on the conference (final programme, fee...) will be available in June.

Though the overlapping schedules are not favourable for attending the conference, the organizers will attempt to create opportunities for meetings and other common events.