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**Michael Fassbender, Marion Cotillard, and Quentin Blake to feature in new Macbeth exhibition**

Costumes and props from the 2015 film Macbeth starring Michael Fassbender and Marion Cotillard, as well as original illustrations by the acclaimed illustrator Sir Quentin Blake are set to feature in ***Macbeth: An Exhibition¸*** opening Friday 25 April 2025 at Perth Museum.

Visitors will get a rare chance to see costumes worn by Michael Fassbender as Macbeth and Marion Cotillard as Lady Macbeth in the Hollywood film adaptation, designed by Academy Award winner Jacqueline Durran. Iconic props from the film including Macbeth’s throne will also be on display.

Exhibition-goers will also be treated to never-before-seen illustrations of Macbeth characters by Sir Quentin Blake, including Lady Macbeth and The Weird Sisters. The drawings were specially commissioned for the Macbeth Collection by Livingstone Rare, a limited-edition series of Scotch whiskies.

Other highlights include the historic Clach na Bratach stone from Clan Donnachaidh, the descendants of the real King Duncan I who was killed by in a battle against Macbeth in 1040; and Charlotte Rose’s provocative painting ‘Dagger of the Mind,’ which explores mortality in the Shakespeare play and the tobacco industry.

These latest additions to the exhibition join iconic loans already announced, including a rare 11th century sword from the time of the real Macbeth, and an original copy of William Shakespeare’s First Folio from the National Library of Scotland.

***Macbeth: An Exhibition*** brings to life Scotland’s most iconic figure, from the real medieval king to the Shakespeare play that made him a household name. From Birnam Wood to Dunsinane Hill, Perthshire is the spiritual home to Macbeth and plays a central role in Shakespeare’s story and the Kingdom of Alba ruled over by the man himself. This groundbreaking exhibition at Perth Museum will explore the deep connections between Macbeth the play, Macbeth the man, and the region for the first time.

How did a once-revered medieval monarch become Shakespeare’s most infamous villain? Visitors are invited to uncover the dramatic and sometimes violent stories behind this iconic name; from invented histories, to political intrigue, to the persecution of witches; right up to the Macbeth’s enduring influence in film, theatre, literature, art, and even whisky.

Ashleigh Hibbins, Head of Audiences and Engagement at Culture Perth and Kinross, said “*We cannot wait to surprise and captivate visitors with this unique opportunity to dive into Macbeth the man, the play, and its cultural impact across the centuries. From Hollywood films to Broadway and West End shows, to classrooms around the world, Macbeth continues to resonate with us across the centuries. Perthshire is the location for many iconic scenes in the play, so what better place than Perth Museum to explore this legendary Scottish figure*?”

Tickets for ***Macbeth: An Exhibition*** are available to book now through Perthshire Box Office. Visitors can purchase at the Museum on the day of their visit, but advance booking is recommended to avoid disappointment. Under 16s and Members of the Culture Perth and Kinross Supporters Scheme receive free entry.

Combi exhibition tickets can be purchased for Glass at Perth Art Gallery, enabling visitors to view two fantastic displays for a low price. Perth Museum has welcomed over 255,000 visitors since opening in March 2024. The museum is open daily from 10am. Entry to the permanent galleries and the Stone of Destiny exhibit is free.

Visit http://perthmuseum.co.uk/macbeth

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**About Perth Museum**

The new Perth Museum opened its doors on Saturday 30th March 2024 after a £27 million development project. This multi award-winning heritage attraction highlights the fascinating objects and stories that put Perth and Kinross at the centre of Scotland’s story.

At its heart sits the Stone of Destiny, also known as the Stone of Scone, one of Scotland and the UK’s most significant historical objects. Returning to Perthshire for the first time in over 700 years, the Stone is the centrepiece of the new Museum and free for all to view.

Alongside the stone, the Museum displays Perth & Kinross’s Recognised Collections of National Significance and iconic loans and exhibitions from the UK and abroad.

The Museum is housed in a heritage Edwardian building that once served as a gathering place hosting everything from markets and concerts to political conferences and wrestling matches. This historic venue has been transformed into a major visitor attraction by award-winning architects Mecanoo. The Museum also features a café, shop, and a major exhibition programme throughout the year.

Perth Museum is managed in partnership between Perth and Kinross Council and Culture Perth and Kinross and was supported by £10 million from the UK Government as part of the Tay Cities Region Deal.

[perthmuseum.co.uk](https://perthmuseum.co.uk/)

**About Culture Perth and Kinross**

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Culture Perth and Kinross operates Perth Museum, Perth Art Gallery, Culture Perth and Kinross Libraries and the Perth and Kinross Archives across the region. Our vision is to be at the heart of a cultural community that connects people, ideas, knowledge, and collections. Our mission is to develop and deliver a range of sector-leading services, public programmes and partnerships which engage a wide and diverse audience in the best of local, national, and international culture.