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Hello and welcome to Oban Live 2019!

We are thrilled to be returning to Mossfield Stadium to host our annual festival and welcome people from all over the world to the stunning town of Oban.

To be hosting this event 4 years after our 10th Anniversary is a huge honour for us and is only possible with the support of our amazing team and sponsors. Thank you all for your belief, passion and dedication to ensure we deliver the biggest music event in Argyll.

Once again we welcome many friends to share our stage and we are especially delighted to bring back our 'Celtic Brothers' We Banjo 3 for what is their only UK performance of 2019 and only chance at gaining revenge for their Banjo VS Bagpipes defeat last year! A special thanks also to our great friend Gary Innes for organising 'The Caman Connection' collaboration that is sure to be a very special performance in what is the ideal setting.

A final thanks to BID4Oban for their ongoing commitment to the event and economy of Oban. The Oban Live Fringe is the biggest and best yet so be sure to check out all the amazing offers, events and activities before and after the show!

Have a fantastic weekend!
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OBANLIVE 2019 SCHEDULE

FRI SAT

RED HOT CHILLI PIPERS	22:00	22:15	SKERRYVORE
CELTIC BROTHERHOOD	20:45	20:30	WE BANJO 3
ELEPHANT SESSIONS	19:30	19:20	THE CAMAN CONNECTION
BE CHARLOTTE	18:15	18:05	LUCY SPRAGGAN
JIGJAM	17:00	17:00	TALISK
ARGYLL CEILIDH TRAIL	16:15	16:15	DMS
GATES OPEN	16:00	16:00	GATES OPEN



SKERRYVORE

'THE 360 TOUR' LAUNCH PARTY

Skerryvore close Oban Live 2019 with the launch of *The 360 Tour*.....

Twice winners of Scotland's Traditional Music 'Live Act of the Year' Award (2016 & 2011), SKERRYVORE have been on a meteoric journey that has taken them from the remote Isle of Tiree on to International tours that have included performances in Central Park NYC, The Ryder Cup Louisville and the Shanghai Expo, China.

SKERRYVORE create a unique fusion of folk, trad, rock and Americana that represents all the different personalities and upbringing of the 8 band members who hail from different regions of Scotland.



RED HOT CHILLI PIPERS

'FRESH AIR' ALBUM LAUNCH

Ever since the beginning of the band back in 2002, we have tried to push back the boundaries of traditional music, and with every new album we look for a fresh approach to our signature Bagrock sound. At the end of 2018, after sixteen years of literally rocking all over the world, we decided to start afresh - with some new faces, new tunes, and eventually a new album. And here it is at last!

Our latest album, 'Fresh Air', is the first to feature the new line-up of the Red Hot Chilli Pipers, and we hope you enjoy listening to it as much as we've enjoyed putting it together. The journey from our first studio album in 2005 has been an incredible experience, and we'd like to thank you all for sharing the adventure with us. We'll see you on the road!

- The Red Hot Chilli Pipers



WE BANJO 3

"An Irish band transcending even the best of superlatives" – Huffington Post

There can't be many rhapsodic superlatives left in the box for Irish quartet We Banjo 3, whose virtuosic Irish/bluegrass/old-time mix attained freshly dizzying heights on their stupendous second album *Gather the Good*, which went on to garner 4 Album of the Year awards in the US and Ireland

One of the best live acts to come out of Ireland in recent years, the multi-award winning We Banjo 3 combine supergroup credentials with a breath-taking command of the emotive power of fiddle, guitar, mandolin and banjo. Any single member of this group could electrify a venue with a solo performance, but together, in the joyous musical alchemy of We Banjo 3, their passionate lead vocalist like a young Springsteen adopted by the Chieftans, the result is truly unforgettable. Simply put, the gold standard of Irish and American roots music.



LUCY SPRAGGAN

Lucy Spraggan netted her fourth top 40 album in January 2017 and followed that success with more than 22,000 ticket sales across her UK and European tours.

I Hope You Don't Mind Me Writing charted at number 12 in the Official Top 40 Album Chart. The album, the second under her own label - CTRL Records - was described as 'a triumph' by The Sun.

As well as more than 60 headline shows Lucy also performed at some of the UK's most popular festivals, including Glastonbury and Isle of Wight Festival. Recognised as one of the leading lights in the LGBT community, Spraggan has managed to build her fanbase into a far wider market.

Lucy appeared on the X Factor in 2012, since then her audition video has been viewed more than 40 million times. She achieved the unprecedented success of securing a top 20 single (Last Night) and top 40 album (Top Room at the Zoo) while still competing on the TV show. She was also the most googled musician of 2012.



ELEPHANT SESSIONS

Elephant Sessions, who hail from the Highlands of Scotland have exploded onto the indie folk scene with unparalleled effect.

The release of their album 'All We Have is Now' in 2017, was followed by live appearances at some of the world's most notable festivals. Audiences crowd surfed their way through the summer and marquee floors broke under the weight of bouncing fans.

2018 has seen awards in abundance. Opening the year as winners of album of the year at the BBC Scotland Trad awards, they went on to be finalists as Best Group at the BBC Radio 2 awards. In May of this year Belhaven Brewery got together with the band to award the first ever Belhaven Bursary for innovation in music. The bursary amount matches the Mercury Music prize and was awarded in recognition of their unique and outstanding sound. It is accompanied by the bands favourite beer 'Elephant Sessions IPA' which was launched in May 2018.



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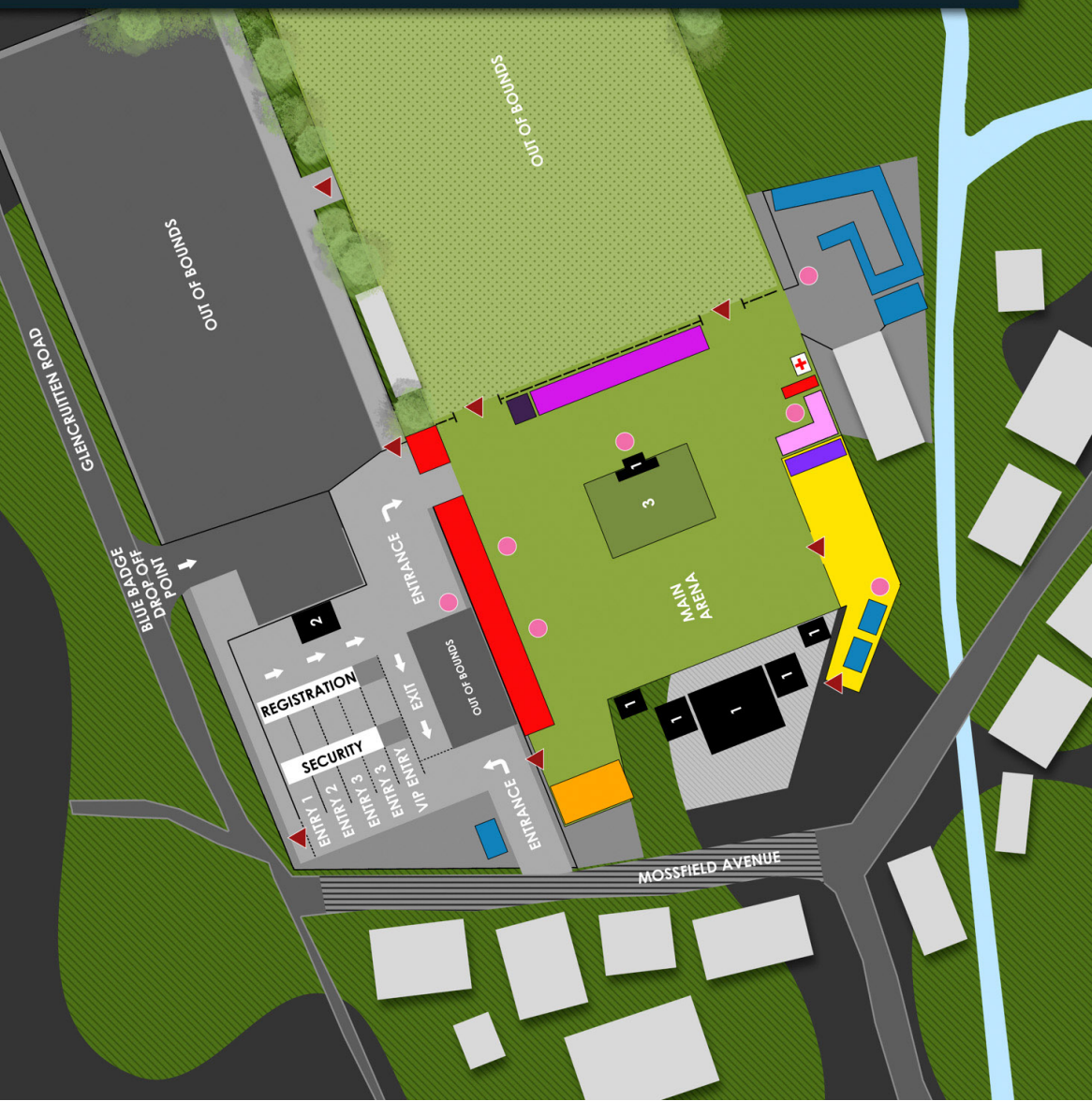
In their five years, Scottish firebrands Talisk have stacked up several major awards for their explosively energetic yet artfully woven sound, including 2017's Folk Band of the Year at the BBC Alba Scots Trad Music Awards, and a BBC Radio 2 Folk Award.

Mohsen Amini - the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards' Musician of the Year 2018, Hayley Keenan and Graeme Armstrong seamlessly meld concertina, fiddle and guitar to produce a multi-layered, enthralling signature that has effortlessly captivated audiences from the USA to Australia, and throughout the UK.



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JIG JAM

JigJam are a multi-award winning quartet from the heart of the midlands in Ireland. Blending the best of traditional Irish music with Bluegrass and Americana in a new genre which has been branded as 'I-Grass' (Irish influenced Bluegrass), their onstage energy along with their virtuosic musical ability has captivated audiences throughout the world.

Jamie McKeogh, Cathal Guinan and Daithi Melia all hail from Tullamore, Co. Offaly with Co. Tipperary born Gavin Strappe completing the quartet. All four members grew up immersed in Irish traditional music and culture which is reflected by the band collectively achieving over twenty All-Ireland titles at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann competitions. They have now developed their own unique style of music influenced by American Folk music whilst staying true to their Irish roots. Described as 'The best Irish group so far in bluegrass' this sharply dressed outfit deliver an energy-fuelled, foot-stomping live performance. All multi-instrumentalists, JigJam interchange between banjos, guitars, fiddles, mandolins and double bass onstage which creates an experience which is pleasing to both the eye and the ear.



THE CAMAN CONNECTION

OBAN LIVE 2019 EXCLUSIVE

A star-studded line-up of Scottish traditional musicians who have an association with the sport of Shinty come together as The Caman Connection exclusively for Oban Live 2019.

From Shinty anthem Clash of the Ash by Runrig to Fergie MacDonald's The Shinty Referee, The Caman Connection will showcase the songs, lyrics and melodies that feature or have been inspired by the sport.

Being no stranger to Mossfield Stadium both on the pitch and on the Oban Live stage, the collaboration is lead by Scottish musician, broadcaster and former Scotland Shinty captain Gary Innes. Gary, who was just recently announced as the first Camanachd Cup Ambassador, will be joined by Iain Bayne (Runrig), Donald Shaw (Capercaille), Mischa MacPherson, Fergie MacDonald (The Ceilidh King), Ewen Henderson (Mànran), Alec Dalglish (Skerryvore) and Steve Byrnes.



CELTIC BROTHERHOOD

OBAN LIVE 2019 EXCLUSIVE

In October 2018, Skerryvore and We Banjo 3 joined forces to begin the Celtic Brotherhood tour, which saw the two bands perform eight shows down the west coast of the United States in a bid to decide once-and-for-all which was better....Bagpipes or Banjo?

After an epic battle, the bagpipes were crowned the winner and the victory sealed during the ritual of the post-tour breakfast!

The Celtic Brotherhood will be re-forged this June for the only show of 2019, and the first on Scottish soil, when the two bands meet on stage again at Oban Live 2019. Who will buy the breakfast this time? [#bagpipesvsbanjo](#)



BE CHARLOTTE

Some pop stars make music for the sake of it. But for 21-year-old Be Charlotte - music is about meaning.

It's the combination of her remarkable songwriting talent, a knack for sweeping melodies and the fierce sense of identity and self-worth which makes heads turn, not only in the UK. Even although she is still at the beginning of her career Be Charlotte has toured around Europe, North America and Asia as well as as sharing the stage with Major Lazer in Africa in 2018.

Woven into every note of her glimmering pop songs, anthemic beats and immediate vocals which radiate that quiet yet determined personality, there's this extraordinary effort to inspire others. In the lyrics, the listener will find honesty, a level of maturity beyond her years, and reflection. She has taken influence from classic songwriters such as Bob Dylan and Tracy Chapman and instinctively applied them to her love of modern pop and hip-hop.



ARGYLL CÈILIDH TRAIL

SCOTTISH SEA FARMS UNSIGNED OBAN LIVE LOCAL WINNERS

The Argyll Cèilidh Trail are an 8 piece band composed of Argyll's finest young traditional musicians. Organised by Oban based charity Fèis Latharna, the annual Cèilidh Trail programme involves a three week summer tour of Argyll & the Isles. fRoots described their debut EP as "hugely promising" and "richly textured, exhilarating up tempo instrumentals and some gorgeous singing".



DMS

SCOTTISH SEA FARMS UNSIGNED OBAN LIVE NATIONAL WINNERS

DMS (Deaf Mute Society) formed in 2016 from a series of jam sessions between Mikey Robertson (guitar), John Keenan (vocals) and Callum Saint (drums) who had already played in a few bands together and had formed a good writing dynamic. After crafting and recording a bunch of rough demos, the group spent the next couple of years trying out multiple people to fill the rest of the line-up. This led to Mikeys old school friend Jen Bain joining on keys and Euan "Mush" Mushet who had played several gigs alongside them in his previous band joining on bass.

In early 2018 the newly completed group began playing shows across the UK establishing themselves as a tight professional outfit. They recorded several tracks with Mark Morrow at his studio in Granton, the second of which "Tight Jeans" was also filmed by OnRed Media at a huge homecoming show at the Liquid Room in November. 2019 has seen them secure several festival spots across Scotland including March Into Pitlochry, Kelburn Garden Party, Party at the Palace and of course... Oban Live! They released their latest single "Dirt" to a full house at Edinburgh's newest live venue "The Old Dr Bells Baths" in April and the music video has received over 12000 views so far. The plan going forward is to continue growing their audience far and wide as possible.





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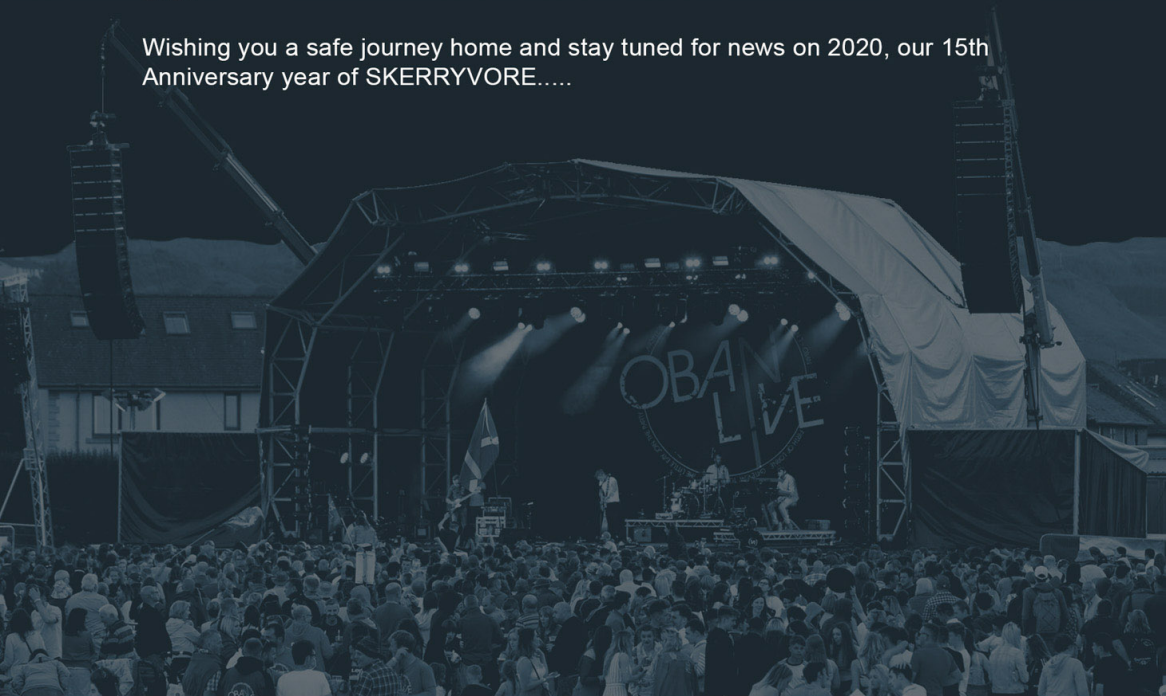
We are delighted to present a fantastic programme of events, food and drink offers and exclusive shop discounts available across the town over Oban Live weekend, provided by Oban's range of top class hospitality providers and local businesses. To see our full listings please visit obanlive.com/fringe to download the free digital programme. A big thank you to BID4Oban and all businesses supporting the Oban Live Fringe this year and a special thank you to our Fringe Guide sponsors Jelf Clark Thomson community insurance brokers.

Have a fantastic weekend everyone and enjoy a fun-filled few days exploring Oban, its music and culture.

A huge thanks to you all for joining us for OBANLIVE and supporting live music. Whether you are from the local area or a visitor, you are the reason that events like this are possible, and by embracing our music and sharing in our culture you are helping to ensure a bright future for festivals and events in the west coast of Scotland.

The final thanks has to go to all of our fantastic sponsors and partners below. We sincerely hope that you have a great weekend, not only on-site at Mossfield Stadium, but also manage to experience all that the beautiful town of Oban has to offer.

Wishing you a safe journey home and stay tuned for news on 2020, our 15th Anniversary year of SKERRYVORE.....



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