

T on the Fringe 2007 launches as Kanye West, Interpol, James and Happy Mondays plus many more promise to turn the volume up in Edinburgh this August!

August 2007 sees the eighth **T on the Fringe festival**, and with another superb line-up, this festival is sure to be the best yet! Including artists such as **Guillemots, Jamie T** and **Interpol** on the roster of talent alongside **James, Kanye West** and **Happy Mondays** it is easy to understand why T on the Fringe has become such a highlight of the Edinburgh Fringe.

Brought to you by **DF Concerts** with founding partners **Tennent's Lager, T on the Fringe** has already announced three spectacular outdoor shows. **Foo Fighters, Kaiser Chiefs** and **Razorlight** are the three biggest shows ever to take place at the Fringe with 25,000 tickets on sale for each and tickets selling fast! Today we reveal more amazing artists with further acts still to be announced in the coming weeks!

He started out as an avant-garde producer, but his flamboyant style and fantastic tunes soon saw US rapper **Kanye West** become a superstar in his own right. His debut album *The College Dropout* earned him ten Grammy nominations, with the singles *Jesus Walks* and *Gold Digger* becoming hits on both sides of the Atlantic. Last year 10,000 fans saw him at the SECC so this T on the Fringe show is a great opportunity to see him in a more intimate venue.

In 2005 he released his second solo album, *Late Registration*, which topped the charts and won the Grammy for Album of the Year. With that back catalogue and some impressive stage shows under his belt, expect to be blown away at this year's **T on the Fringe**.

An institution of the British music scene **James** featured strongly in the soundtrack to the 80s and 90s, enjoying a succession of top ten albums and hit singles like *Sit Down* and *She's a Star*.

Following the release of 2001's *Pleased to Meet You* frontman Tim Booth left the band to concentrate on solo projects and the band went on a lengthy hiatus. Then in 2007, to the delight of fans, Booth announced he would be re-joining the band. Now **James** will take to the stage at **T on the Fringe**, playing all the hits old and new, maybe even teasing fans with material from a new album planned for release next year.

Famed for their dark, intense post-punk sound and spine tingling live performances **Interpol** first came to attention in the UK in 2001 after recording a session for radio legend John Peel. By the end of 2002 the New York four-piece had released their debut LP *Turn on the Bright Lights*. 2004's *Antics* followed, giving the band a series of chart successes in the singles *Evil* and *Slow Hands*. New album *Our Love to Admire* is due out in July – be one of the first to hear their new material by catching them at their **T on the Fringe** show.

Once again, T on the Fringe will be showcasing Scotland's hottest unsigned talent at the Best of T Break gig which will take place at The Liquidroom on August 18th. Details of the line-up will be announced after T in the Park, but it's worth getting your tickets soon as it's always a fast seller!

Dave Corbet of promoters DF Concerts has this to say: "We are very proud to be able to bring this incredible wealth and breadth of talent to such a world class festival as the Edinburgh Fringe.

Since its inception in 2000, T on the Fringe has featured performances from some of the most commercially successful artists as well as the best leftfield talent from across the globe. The line-up for 2007 will be the strongest yet, with more artists to be announced in the coming weeks."

George Kyle, Head of Sponsorship at Tennent's Lager, adds: "Since it was established in 2000, T on the Fringe has become an integral part of the Edinburgh Fringe programme.

Last year was a tremendous success, the calibre of artist and the response from the Fringe audience was amazing. With this year's line-up even better, and with more gigs on offer than ever before we are looking forward to another spectacular August."

Fringe Director Paul Gudgin commented: "It is fantastic to see T on the Fringe go from strength to strength. Its increased success has helped establish Edinburgh as a major touring destination for key international artists."

2006 saw the most successful T on the Fringe yet, with combined tickets sales of over 110,000 and performances from the likes of **Snow Patrol, Muse** and **Kasabian**.

Ticket sales have established T on the Fringe as a highlight of the musical calendar on a national and international scale, and with more than 60 gigs planned for this August more people than ever before will be able to enjoy what will be a fantastic summer of music.

****For the T on the Fringe line-up so far, please see attached summary ****

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