

Tilbury Douglas delivers The Edinburgh Castle Arena for The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

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Tilbury Douglas, a leading UK building, infrastructure, engineering, and fit-out business, is pleased to announce the successful handover of the arena for the world-renowned Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. This marks the tenth consecutive year Tilbury Douglas has delivered the project on schedule.

The state-of-the-art, nearly 9,000-seat venue is set to host its inaugural concert with a performance by the iconic band Madness on 5th July. Following this, the stadium will welcome headline acts including JLS, Manic Street Preachers, and Paul Weller, leading up to the much-anticipated Tattoo event which will take place from 2nd to 24th August.

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo celebrates military tradition, Scottish heritage, and international culture through spectacular performances featuring world-class lighting projections and cutting-edge sound technology. The event attracts audiences from around the globe, including royalty and high-ranking international military officers.

“We are delighted to continue our partnership with The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, ensuring that this iconic event has a world-class venue. Our team has worked tirelessly to deliver this project on time for the tenth consecutive year,” said Barry O’Hagan, Regional Director – Scotland at Tilbury Douglas.

Phil Shaw, Managing Director for Building North at Tilbury Douglas, commented: “This project showcases our commitment to excellence and our ability to execute complex builds on schedule, even in challenging environments.”

The construction of the arena involved the use of 760 tonnes of steel, 35 miles of cable, and over 1,600 crane lifts. The project was carried out on the bustling Edinburgh Castle Esplanade, a location that sees thousands of tourists annually, underscoring the logistical expertise and precision of the Tilbury Douglas team.

As The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo approaches, anticipation builds for an event that promises to deliver unforgettable performances and celebrate a rich tapestry of culture and tradition. Tilbury Douglas is honoured to play a part in this prestigious event, enhancing the experience for performers and spectators alike.

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Chief Executive, Jason Barrett, added: "Thanks to Tilbury Douglas our world-renowned Edinburgh Castle Arena is now all set to welcome thousands of spectators from across the globe over the next two months. There's nowhere more iconic for an outdoor show, and we're proud to deliver our successful events year-on-year right here in Edinburgh."