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## 2017 Edinburgh Hogmanay Concert in the Gardens

### Edinburgh New Year Celebrations

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#### **USPA NEWS** - 2017 EDINBURGH HOGMANAY CONCERT IN THE GARDENS

The main stage, featured festival headliner Rag'n'Bone Man, plus supporting acts Declan McKenna and Edinburgh's own Nina Nesbitt. Rag'n'Bone Man released his debut album Human in February to mass critical acclaim, going platinum within just 3 weeks and selling more than three quarters of a million copies in the UK to date. He has won two BRIT Awards and sold out tours across the UK and Europe.

Rag'n'Bone Man, whose real name is Rory Graham, said: "Excited to be breaking the New Year in with the Scots at Edinburgh's Hogmanay, what a sick event for a debut show."

(Source - EdinburghGuide.com)

Traditionally, Hogmanay is marked in Scotland with friends and first footing at the stroke of midnight in the New Year. The origins of Hogmanay are somewhat obscure although elements of it have been traced to Celtic, Pictish and Norse Winter Solstice traditions.

Edinburgh's Hogmanay is a three-day winter festival that takes place at the end of each year. Highlights include the Torchlight Procession and Edinburgh's Hogmanay Street Party where 80,000 or so revellers jam into the city centre to see in the New Year.

Donald Wilson, Edinburgh's culture and communities convener, said: "Edinburgh's Hogmanay is the place to be to send off the 70th anniversary of Edinburgh as the festival city and kick off 2018 with a stellar musical line-up.

"Rag'n'Bone Man is a great coup for our world-famous Concert in the Gardens. Get set to enjoy the best New Year party in the UK, if not the world."

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