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Choose your own adventure as Trust makes first Fringe foray

The National Trust for Scotland is making its debut in the world's biggest arts festival this year – the conservation charity has commissioned a new play inspired by and performed at its Royal Mile townhouse – Gladstone's Land.

A Game of Death and Chance runs throughout the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. Created by acclaimed playwright Ben Harrison, the interactive piece uses the real-life history of the Old Town century building to weave an atmospheric story that spans the period from the Union of the Crowns in 1603 to the Act of Union in 1707.

The audience will move through the 500-year old tenement's rooms and influence the stories they hear by making choices about elements of the performance.

Claire Grant, the National Trust for Scotland's Operations Manager for Edinburgh said: "We are very excited to be making our Fringe debut this year with a new play that brings the story of Gladstone's Land and its past residents to life. This is an amazing opportunity to introduce a whole new audience to this special place and to the National Trust for Scotland and all we do to protect it and Scotland's other national and natural treasures."

A Game of Death and Chance runs from 16 July – 8 September. Visit www.nts.org.uk for tickets.

Gladstone's Land is one of the oldest buildings on the Royal Mile and boasts fascinating hand-painted Renaissance interiors.

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From coastlines to castles, art to architecture, wildlife to wildernesses, the National Trust for Scotland exists to protect the national and natural treasures we all love. To plan your visit today, enter your postcode at www.nts.org.uk.

