

Press Release

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Enchanted Forest Up for THREE of Scotland's Top Event Gongs

The Enchanted Forest, Scotland's premier sound and light show, has been shortlisted for no less than three titles in this year's prestigious Scottish Event Awards, which will see it battling out for its place at the top against some of Scotland's most well known events.

The Enchanted Forest, which is organised by Perthshire Big Tree Country, was founded in 2002 with just 3000 visitors attending in its first year. In 2008, that figure had risen to almost 20,000 visitors, demonstrating a 17% rise in visitor numbers on the previous year.

This year the event will compete for the titles of Scotland's Best Cultural Event, Best Large Event and Best Event Marketing Strategy. The winners will be announced at a glittering awards ceremony due to take place in Glasgow on Friday 11th September.

Stephen Bolland, chairman of The Enchanted Forest said, "This is excellent news and we're delighted to be shortlisted in so many categories – it's a real reflection of the quality of the event and its popularity with the Scottish public. The team have really worked hard to make this event the success that it is and we're looking forward to building on that success with this year's show: Scottish Myths & Legends."

Tickets for the 2009 Enchanted Forest event have already gone on sale and organisers expect to attract record numbers this year. The event takes place at Faskally Wood, near Pitlochry, from Friday 16th October – Sunday 1st November.

This year Faskally Wood, which is managed by Forestry Commission Scotland, is set to be transformed into a journey through Scotland's mystical past, bringing visitors face to face with well known characters such as Robert the Bruce and Tam O' Shanter, and perhaps lesser known characters such as the Shelly Man and the Selkie.

For further information about The Enchanted Forest and to purchase tickets, visit The Enchanted Forest website at www.enchantedforest.org.uk

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