# Haggis, history and whisky: how are HLF projects marking Burns Night?

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The Robert Burns Birthplace Museum are hosting a number of events celebrating Burns. Marking the birth of Robert Burns on January 25, HLF has supported a number of projects which are celebrating the life of Burns.

The first Burns supper was held five years after the poet's death in 1801 when a group of friends met to honour his memory. Now, after 200 years, the anniversary has become a national holiday celebrated around the world. Traditionally, the evening involves a Burns supper with 'haggis neeps and tatties,' Scottish poetry, music and Scotch whisky.

## **Burns Unbound - The National Museum of Scotland**

<u>The National Museum of Scotland</u> celebrated with a Burns Unbound mini festival. Visitors took part in poetry readings, ceilidh dance lessons and heard traditional Scottish music.

## The Robert Burns Birthplace Museum, Alloway

The museum is celebrating all things Burns with poetry recitals, toasts, music and speeches in the <u>birthplace of Robert Burns</u>. Also running at the museum is a Haggis Hooley - a nod to the traditional Burns supper, where local musicians will perform.

#### Ae Fawn Kiss - Renfrewshire leisure

Also running on Friday, Robert Burns, Robert Tannahill and the HLF-funded Monarch of the Glen mix in a celebration of all things Scottish. A family friendly evening with music, poetry and film with a performance by the Red Raw poetry group.



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Sir Edwin Landseer's The Monarch of the Glen, 1851 National Galleries Scotland

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