Edinburgh, Leith & District Battalion have once again been invited to provide a Guard of Honour for the Lord High Commissioner, **Lady Elish Angiolini KC**, prior to the Church of Scotland General Assembly worship on Sunday 18 May 2025 at St Giles Cathedral.

To mark this special honour we cordially invite your Company to represent the Battalion, where they will be supported with BB members from across Scotland.

**Youths must be of secondary school age or above to participate in the event.**

**Guard of Honour to the LHC is a formal occasion which requires uniformity in appearance. Participants will only be permitted to take part following the dress code below:-**

If for any reason, support is required in providing uniform to attendees please contact the office directly to discuss needs on an individual/company basis.

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| **Youths (1999)** | While the more formal blue shirt and tie (without the sweatshirt) would be preferred (additional protection from cold weather could be worn under the shirt), the blue polo shirt with the sweatshirt would be acceptable. Dark Trousers, dark socks and black shoes should be worn.  Uniform (as per 1999) worn on Company Parade nights will be acceptable. Uniform must be well cleaned and in immaculate order. |
| **Uniform Officers** | As per Brigade Regulations 1999 (no suits):  Captains, Lieutenants and Warrant Officers will wear a white Boys’ Brigade shirt with Boys’ Brigade tie, plain dark trousers, a black leather belt with chrome Boys’ Brigade buckle and plain dark footwear as deemed appropriate by the relevant officer. |
| **Hats WILL NOT be worn by Boys or Officers.** | |

**ARRANGEMENTS**

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| Assembly and Parade | Assemble at 8.15am on Edinburgh Castle Esplanade.  8.45am Parade Marches off, via Castlehill, Lawnmarket, High Street  9.00am Parliament Square West outside St Giles, Guard of Honour to form up in front of Signet Library, Band form up on West Side.  9.30am Inspection of Guard  10.00am Parade marches off down Royal Mile to Canongate  10.15/10.20am Parade Falls out  10.30am Church Service begins  11.15am Parade forms up outside Old Tolbooth Wynd & march past Canongate Kirk  11.30am Parade falls out and heads to Younger Hall for refreshments |
| Parade President | Mr David Sneddon |
| Parade Commander | Mr Robin McLean |
| Parade Adjutant | Mr Robbie Sutherland |

**Please return your Company response to** [**pamela.mckay@thebb-edinburgh.org.uk**](mailto:pamela.mckay@thebb-edinburgh.org.uk) **BY 2nd May 2025**

The following wish to take part in the Guard of Honour on Sunday 18th May 2025:

*(Must be Secondary School age)*

*Company Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Number of Youths \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Number of Leaders \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*This event will be photographed with the intent of images being used for marketing and advertising of the Boys’ Brigade, this will include and is not limited to use on Social Media, ELD Battalion Website and future event promotion.*

*Please confirm all participants have consent for images to be taken and used as stated above: Yes / NO*

*As we provide catering after the event, Please note below if there are any dietary requirements for your company*

Point of Contact on the Day \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Unable to Attend

Feedback and responses provide a useful insight into our Company interests, if your company are unable to participate on Sunday 18th May 2025, please complete the following section:-

*The Company \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are unable to participate for the following reasons:-*

(Please mark or provide reasons that apply to your company)

Leaders Unavailable

Youths have other commitments ie sporting activity

Company are on Camp

No Youths in the age category

Please state any other reason below:-