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### **Come for a lark in Pollok Park**

This weekend, The National Trust for Scotland's Pollok House will play host to a comedy extravaganza!

Pollok House will host Comedy Cabal on Saturday 28 July with funds raised on the night collected in aid of the "Box: the Hill House Appeal", which benefits the charity's Charles Rennie Mackintosh property, the Hill House in Helensburgh.

Compered by Rachel Jackson, acts on the night include some of Glasgow's finest funny men and women. The bill consists of a wide range of comedy acts with Jack Abbot, William Clark, Kattie Tennent, Adrian Searle, Jack Linton, Rosin Caird and Robbie McLaughlin all taking to the stage and promising something to tickle everyone's funny bones.

Cassandra McIntyre, Visitor Services Manager at Pollok House, said: "We're really excited to be hosting Comedy Cabal at Pollok House. The Hill House Appeal is such an important cause for the National Trust for Scotland and we're proud to be able to do our bit to help the appeal while providing the audience with laughs a plenty."

Comedy Cabal is on from 7-10pm and whilst this is a free event, donations are welcome.

Conservation charity the National Trust for Scotland plans to construct a 'box' around the Mackintosh-designed Helensburgh house which has been battered by winds and rain for more than 100 years. The water which has penetrated the building is damaging its unique interiors. The mesh box will act as a suit of armour, stopping 87% of the rainfall that falls on the property an average of 193 days each year. Its design and positioning will allow the house to be naturally dried out by the wind.

Donations to the Box: The Hill House appeal can be made online at: <https://www.nts.org.uk/Campaign/Help-us-save-the-Hill-House>

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