

Burns Room



ROOM CAPACITY

Internet Access
Yes

Reception
150

Theatre
100

Boardroom
50



CATERING

Encore at The Mitchell will provide all your catering needs – from drinks and hospitality to fine cuisine. The sample menus offer just a few ideas of what is available, but our experienced team can create a bespoke menu to suit every taste and budget.

AUDIOVISUAL

The Mitchell has a wide range of state-of-the-art audiovisual equipment available to hire to suit the needs of every type of event. A variety of AV packages are available or we can tailor a package to suit individual needs.

The Burns Room is set under the magnificent dome and original marble staircase of the 1911 building and boasts spectacular traditional features. It is home to one of the world's largest Robert Burns collections along with the Scottish Poetry collection.

When the Mitchell Library opened in 1877, one of the earliest decisions of the library committee was to form a collection of all material relating to Robert Burns, as a memorial to the poet. Through purchase and donation, the collection has grown to over 4,000 items. Among the many interesting and valuable items are more than 900 different editions of Burns' poetical works, including two copies of the Kilmarnock Edition (1786), 15 original manuscripts of letters and poems including the only surviving manuscript of *The Ordination* – an early Burns satirical poem about the ordination of a new minister in Kilmarnock. In 1998 an original manuscript of *Auld Lang Syne* was acquired for the collection - one of only 6 remaining copies in the world. The collection also has translations of Burns' works in more than 30 languages and there is a full set of the annual *Burns Chronicle* from 1892 – 1996.

This splendid room is ideal for a variety of events including private functions, author events, meetings and other special occasions.