

# What's on this week? 29th November

As a result of the inclement weather there may not be very much on so you should definitely check before you leave the house!

You can buy tickets online for next year's [Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo](#) from 1st December. You will have to be quick though!

Here is a wee flavour of what The Reporter saw in August 2010 at The Tattoo.

At Piershill Library on Friday 3rd December, from 3.00 – 4.00 pm you can make your own Christmas cards. For ages 7 – 12 years. Please note children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian over 12. For more information call 0131 529 5685 or e-mail [piershill.library@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:piershill.library@edinburgh.gov.uk)

On Friday 3rd December at The Usher Hall Bernstein's timeless *West Side Story* dances are the centrepiece of this showcase from across the pond. Ginastera's scintillating dances end the programme, but before that we'll hear Copland's evocation of a Mexican dance hall and Peruvian born conductor **Miguel Harth-Bedoya** throws in a jazzy showcase for the RSN0's superb Principal Trombone **Dávur Juul Magnussen** too. More details on the Usher Hall [website](#).

And on Sunday 5th December you can enjoy the Childline Concert at The Usher Hall. It starts at 1.30pm. Details on the [website](#).

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Get Organised! at the Christmas Special with John Kitchen and the Edinburgh University Singers – a chance to hear and to join in singing your favourite carols! More details on the [website](#).

The final seminar in the Autumn Series organised by the David Hume Institute will take place on **Monday 29th November** and will be held jointly with the European Movement on the topic of 'Scotland in Europe'. Sir John Grant, former British Ambassador to the EU, is coming to Edinburgh to give this talk. He will be joined by Professor Drew Scott of Edinburgh University, who will have co-authored a paper on this topic to be published in advance by the DHI. Sir David Edward will chair. More details on the David Hume Institute [website](#).

What physical designs should 21st-century libraries have, and what role? With immediately accessible information online, do libraries remain important? The orthodoxies, role and value of libraries, and the place of paper in an increasingly digital age, will be discussed by experts Martyn Wade FRSA (National Librarian), Chris Banks FRSA (University Librarian, Aberdeen University) and Karen Cunningham (Head of Libraries, Glasgow City Council) at a joint NLS event with [RSA Fellows' MCICH Network](#) The event is being held on Thursday 2 December at 18.00 [Book online](#) or phone 0131 623 3918.

St Andrew's Day on Tuesday 30th November will be celebrated at [The Scottish Storytelling Centre](#) by an afternoon event at Cafe Ceilidh starting at 2pm. This is a free event when Linten Adie and friends from the Scots Music Group will offer music and song.

The Marchmont & Sciennes Christmas Tree lighting ceremony will be on Saturday 4th December 2010. 4:30pm at the tree (outside Scotmid at Warrender Park Road and Marchmont Crescent) and then afterwards at the German-speaking church on Chalmers Crescent.

Also on 4th December at Brighton Park Portobello there will be a Market for organic, local food and arts and crafts, organised by Portobello Transition Town (PEDAL) More information [here](#).

And on 4th December you can hear Steve Forbert in concert at The Queen's Hall. at 8pm. He is, in the view of The Reporter, simply a great singer. Melodic with punchy lyrics, and just as good now as he has always been. Certainly more entertaining at his last concert than the last Bob Dylan concert – which was pretty dire stuff. Why do we tell you this? – Steve Forbert is often compared to Dylan. More details [here](#).