

# What's on in Edinburgh this weekend? 4th February 2011

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**1:10 PM** Lunchtime concert: Performances by current music students from the University of Edinburgh, St Cecilia

Oxgangs Library is 20 and they are having a birthday party this afternoon [between 2 & 4pm.](#) If you manage to get along why not tell us about it? And no leaving cake crumbs in the books....

At The Usher Hall on Friday 4 February 2011 at 7.30pm you can enjoy the RSN0 playing Tchaikovsky. Tchaikovsky's symphonies aren't just about the melodies: they're no-holds-barred emotional autobiographies, bursting at the seams with all the composer's hopes, fears and desperate passions. And the *Pathétique* is the most overwhelming of them all. Plus keyboard fireworks too, as the supremely talented **Gabriela Montero** tackles Prokofiev's best-loved piano concerto.

**Title:** Donny O'Rourke – Living History Session

**Location:** Currie Library, Edinburgh

**Description:** 'Hearing the words: Lyrics that last'. Join Donny O'Rourke for a song-filled session. Experience the power and pleasure of words set to music. Listen to his songs, join in the favourite songs of yesterday and find out what makes a good song great. And don't forget to bring along your own favourite song.

Join our Book Group audience – all welcome

**Start Time:** 14.00 **End Time:** 15.00 **Price:** Free **Booking:** Not essential – **Email:** [currie.library@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:currie.library@edinburgh.gov.uk)

**Website:** <http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/libraries/>

**Title:** Waxing Lyrical in South Edinburgh – with Donny O'Rourke

**Location:** Morningside Library, Edinburgh

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Join our Library Link audience – all welcome

**Start Time:** 11.00 **End Time:** 12.00 **Price:** Free **Booking:** Not essential – **Email:** [morningside.library@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:morningside.library@edinburgh.gov.uk)

**Website:** <http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/libraries/>

**Title:** Viva Las Vegas

**Location:** Ratho Library, Edinburgh

**Description:** Ratho Library Link invites you to a discussion/debate in which the Rat Pack's classic lyrics have stood the test of time.

**Start Time:** 22.30 **End Time:** 23.30 **Price:** Free **Booking:** Not essential – **Email:** [ratho.library@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:ratho.library@edinburgh.gov.uk)

**Website:** <http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/libraries/>

 **What:** Maggie's Ladies Love Lunch

**Where:** The Edinburgh Suite at The Sheraton Grand Hotel & Spa, Edinburgh

**When:** From 12.30pm on Friday 4 February 2011

**Price:** £55 per person or £550 per table of ten including a glass of fizz on arrival, three-course lunch and half bottle of wine

**Bookings:** Tel: 0131 221 6445 or email: [carron.webster@sheraton.com](mailto:carron.webster@sheraton.com)

**Curator's Choice: The Extraordinary Biology of Hoverflies at National Museum Scotland**

Friday 4 February At 14:00 (1hr)

£5/£4/Members and Patrons free Book on 0300 123 6789

Dr Graham Rotheray reveals the outstanding powers of flight, defensive colours and pollinator ability of hoverflies. But it is their exceptional biology which really sets them apart.

### **5th February 2011**

The weekly Farmers' Market is on up on Castle Terrace. More information on their [Facebook](#) page.

Battle of the Bands at the Three Sisters 139 Cowgate at 7pm.

Woodland Birds Saturday 5th March 2011 10am – 1pm, Colinton Dell. A guided walk which explores the birdlife of the Dell. Booking required. For further information or to book a place, please email Ruth Wyatt at [ruth@elgt.org.uk](mailto:ruth@elgt.org.uk) or call 0131 445 4025

**2.30 – 5pm** jazz musician Herb Geller is playing a free show at Whigham's wine bar in Charlotte Square – for more information see [Alison's Diary](#).

At [The Scottish Storytelling Centre](#) Address: 43-45 High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1SR

A storytelling spectacular for Chinese New Year. Marion Kenny, accompanied by chinese harp, takes on 'The Dragon and the Warlord' and "Kwang-Su and the Jaws of Death" based on versions by Thomas Bloor and Malachy Doyle. This event is co-promoted with the Barrington Stoke story series for enthusing readers, including those with dyslexia challenges. Age 7+

### **6th February 2011**

At The Filmhouse you can watch Crispin Hellion Glover's Big Slide Show, alongside a screening of his film *It Is Fine! EVERYTHING IS FINE*.

Crispin Hellion Glover has appeared in diverse feature films, including *Back to the Future*, *River's Edge*, *Wild at Heart*, *Dead Man* and, most recently, Tim Burton's *Alice in Wonderland*.

In recent years Glover has begun producing and directing his own films. *It Is Fine! EVERYTHING IS FINE* is the second film in his 'It' trilogy.

Crispin's Hellion Glover's Big Slide Show is a one hour dramatic narration of eight different profusely illustrated books he has made over the years. The images from the books are projected behind Mr Glover.

The screening of *It Is Fine! EVERYTHING IS FINE* will be followed by a question and answer session with the man himself. There will also be a book signing after the performance. More details about this exciting event [here](#).

Singin in the Rain Singalong Special....at The Filmhouse. The classic movie is shown today only as part of Let's Get Lyrical. Lyrics will be on the screen when you need them. More [booking details](#) here.

The Scotsman Hotel Screening Room is showing Roman Holiday at 20.00. You can also book a meal package to have dinner beforehand at 18.00 [here](#).