

# What's on this week in Edinburgh? 28th February 2011

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The Travelling Gallery is on the road from 28th February to 4th March in Midlothian at the following venues:

Monday 28 February – Beeslack High School

Tuesday 1 March – Penicuik High School

Wednesday 2 March – Newbattle High School

Thursday 3 March – Lasswade high School

Friday 4 March AM – Dalkeith High School

Friday 4 March PM – Scottish Mining Museum, Newtongrange, EH22 4QN, 1.30pm – 4.30pm

Information Session about Real Nappies 5.30pm – 6.30pm. N.B. space is limited. Please email or phone to book your place. This event is being held at the new Changeworks office building at **1 Carmichael Place** (off Newhaven Road, opposite Ashley Place – look for the flags at the new Westpoint flats), Edinburgh. “Hear about the many benefits of using real nappies and collect your trial pack or lending kit. Free practical advice and information. To guarantee we will have your size available and to reserve your place please get in touch.” More info and to book your place: Email [realnappies@changeworks.org.uk](mailto:realnappies@changeworks.org.uk) or call 0131 555 4010

[University of Edinburgh Scotland Russia Forum](#) will hold a lecture “**Power and Politics in Russia: Continuity and Reform**” which is a part of “Russia since 1991 Lecture Series”. Lecture by Dr Andrew Monaghan: An experienced observer of Russian politics Dr Monaghan will review developments over the last 10 years.

University of Edinburgh Old College, South Bridge, Lecture Theatre 270 | 6pm .

Weekly hoop jam session at [Forest Café](#). Bring your own hoop to share and join a fantastic hoop party!

Forest Café ( 3 Bristo Place, EH1 1EY) | 6-7 pm | free

Monday Jazz Night at Teviot

The Teviot Lounge hosts an open jam jazz session where anyone can come along with the house band. You'll hear a selection of Jazz classics, and with the lively crowd of swing dancers coming to practice after their lesson – be sure to bring your dancing shoes

Teviot Row House (13 Bristo Square, EH8 9AJ) | 8pm | Free

Benefit Concert for Down's Syndrome Scotland

A evening of classical and contemporary music performed by music students from Stevenson college. Programme includes jazz and contemporary songs as well as pieces by Bach, Handel, Haydn and Chopin.

Quaker Meeting House (7 Victoria Terrace, EH1 2HE) Box office: 0131 225 4825 | 6.45pm | minimum donation – £3

**Faces of Palestine Exhibition at [Out of The Blue](#) in Leith**

**Monday 28th February 2011 – Friday 4th March 2011**

A selection of pictures taken in the course of a fortnight's photography workshop for teenagers in the small town of Beit Ummar in Palestine. The workshop was held by the Centre for Freedom and Justice, a small community organisation that aims to develop leadership skills in the young people of the town. It documents the joys and woes of eight young people.

Starting today [Newington Library](#) hosts an exhibition of aromatic jewellery by [Dona Ferentes](#), incorporating a [recreation of the sixteenth century pomander](#). This will be running until the 25th of March.

For one night only, see Elaine Paige in concert at the [Edinburgh Playhouse](#). She will be singing songs from the country's most popular musicals, including *Memory* and *Don't*

*Cry For Me Argentina*, as well as classics from her new album, *Elaine Paige and Friends*. Tickets range from £33.25 – £42.25 and the show begins at 8pm.

## **1st March 2011**

### Global Village Party at Teviot

“Ever wish you could travel around the world in one night? Do the next best thing – come to the AIESEC Global Village!

Guaranteed:

- A delicious and generous spread of international cuisine
- Amazing performances including Belly dancing and Capoeira
- Lots of games with prizes to be won (including a free raffle)!

Tickets are only £4 and will be available at the Teviot Box Office. We'll also be selling tickets in front of the library during the next days!

You might be able to get tickets at the door on the night of the event, but we recommend buying them ahead of time to avoid disappointment.

Teviot Row House (13 Bristo Square, EH8 9AJ) | 7-9pm | £4

### Concert at Reid Hall

Mezzo-soprano cutie Beth Mackay performs a programme to include works by Brahms and Montsalvatge accompanied by pianist Simon Smith.

Reid Concert Hall (Edinburgh University, Bristo Square, EH1 1EY) Box office: 0131 650 2427 | 1pm | Free | [www.music.ed.ac.uk](http://www.music.ed.ac.uk)

*A Play, A Pie and A Pint* at the Traverse Theatre (10 Cambridge Street, Edinburgh, EH1 2ED) Box Office: 0131 228 1404. Starting at 1pm and lasting under an hour. Starts on Tuesday 1st March until Saturday 5th March, all for just £10. For more information go to [www.traverse.co.uk](http://www.traverse.co.uk)

## 2nd March 2011

### The Cherry Orchard at Bedlam Theatre

Edinburgh University Theatre Company takes on Chekhov's emotionally turbulent final play, the tale of Madame Ranyevskaya and the pride which may cost her family its most important possession – the orchard of blossoming cherry trees.

Bedlam Theatre (11b Bristo Place, EH1 1EZ, Box office: 0131 225 9893, Phone: 0131 225 9873 | Websites: [www.bedlamtheatre.co.uk](http://www.bedlamtheatre.co.uk) | 2.30 pm | 4pounds

*Love Letters to the Public Transport system.* Starting Wednesday 3rd March (until Sat 5th March). At The Traverse Theatre (10 Cambridge Street, EH1 2ED).

*'In a fast-moving world where no one stays in one place for too long, Love Letters to the Public Transport System is a show that seeks to find and thank the people who transport us daily – to our friends, to our lovers, to work, and to moments of significance in our lives.'*

For more information see [www.nationaltheatresscotland.com](http://www.nationaltheatresscotland.com)

Ahead of his US tour, folk musician [Jim Malcolm](#) is playing at the Pleasance Theatre and Caberet Bar this evening from 8pm. Tickets are £8 on the door or £7 concessions/£5 for members.

## 3rd March 2011

An Explorer's talk:  
Alex Hibbert's "The Long Haul"

The explorer gives his account of a gruelling Antarctic mission completed in 2008.

Appleton Tower | 7.30 | tickets: 0131 650 8445, £8 (students/under 18s/RSGS members free)

Artists' Books in Focus

Explore the works of Miró, Léger and Le Corbusier with an expert from the National Galleries.

Dean Gallery (73 Belford Road, EH4 3DS) Phone: 0131 624 6200  
|Free, but booking is essential, 0131 624 6200 | 11.30-12.30

Tonight at 7.30pm the Scottish Chamber Orchestra will put on [Zadok the Priest](#)

**Purcell:** Suite from The Fairy Queen

**Bach:** Contrapunctus XIV from Art of Fugue

**Purcell:** Hear my Prayer

**Purcell:** Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem

**Handel:** Coronation Anthem: My Heart is Inditing

**Bach:** Suite No 3

**Handel:** Coronation Anthem: Zadok the Priest

Richard Egarr: conductor/harpsichord/organ; SCO Chorus

Handel – ever the master dramatist – created one of the iconic moments in all music when he allowed a long slow build-up of chords to grow and grow over a pulsing bass line until it bursts into the radiant shout of Zadok the Priest. That's the climax of this sumptuous concert of Baroque masters bringing together some of the greatest musical minds of the age into a rich sequence of delights. Tickets £9-27

#### **4th March 2011**

☒ Crumbling Jack are one of Scotland's most exciting new groups. Songwriter A A Reid and singer Ian Robertson bring their show to The Queen's Hall for the first time, with a set comprising of 18 original songs and some of Reid's outstanding poetry, all drawn from his first collection *The Poems and Songs of A A Reid*.

Joining them on stage tonight at 8.00pm at The Queen's Hall will be some of Scotland's finest musicians, including Bill Craib, Ed Kelly, Grant Bolton and Slawek Justynski. [Tickets](#)

£15

The Edinburgh Bookshop is excited to announce that they are hosting a Pink Pyjama Party with author Vivian French on Friday 4th March at 3.30pm to celebrate the paperback launch of Polly's Pink Pyjamas.

There will be stories, singing, dancing and fun! Vivian will be wearing her pyjamas, and you are apparently more than welcome to do the same. Tickets are £3 per child, which you can get from The Edinburgh Bookshop, or online here. The event will be at the Christ Church Centre, which is directly opposite the bookshop.

Vivian is also the author of many other books, including the Sparkle Street books, the Oliver series and The Tiara Club and Tales from the Five Kingdoms for older children. She's done hundreds of events – some of you may remember their Tiara Club Princess Party – so they are really looking forward to this one!

The first Friday of the month means Bookbug Rhymetime in [Blackhall](#), [Gilmerton](#) and [Muirhouse](#) libraries – a free event for 0 to 4 year olds and their parents/carers. Times vary, see [the council website](#) for more details.

Jackson Idol at Potterow

The biggest event of the year features then fantastic singers performing the hits of Michael Jackson and the Jackson Five, back by the mighty Edinburgh University Jazz Orchestra.

Potterow (5/2 Bristo Square, EH8 9AL) | 8.30pm | £8

Alternative band [White Heath](#) are playing at Sneaky Pete's tonight with support from [Boycotts](#), [The Imagineers](#) and [Steve Heron](#). Doors at 7pm, tickets £5.

**5th March 2011**

Judy's Affordable Vintage Fair comes to [Out of The Blue](#) on

Dalmeny Street between **11am and 4pm** today. There will be over 40 stalls with handmade and vintage clothes, for up to 75% less than high street prices. Tickets £1/£2.

Tonight at 8.00pm at The Queen's Hall. In their first UK tour together, Ralph Towner and Paolo Fresu play music from *Chiaroscuro*, their acclaimed recent release on the ECM label. Rarely do we have the opportunity to hear a duo combining guitar and trumpet alone, a lyrical collaboration made special in the hands of two master musicians who have an elegant and simpatico rapport.

Guitarist Ralph Towner is an iconic musician, hugely admired by fellow guitarists and known for his legendary group Oregon, which has been in existence for 40 years. An almost equally long collaboration has been with the ECM label where recordings have included multiple projects and contributions to albums by Keith Jarrett, Jan Garbarek, Kenny Wheeler and Egberto Gismonti, whilst his playing as a duet will be familiar to those who have his recordings with Gary Burton, John Abercrombie and Gary Peacock. [Tickets](#) £16.50

Cult movie fans might want to head to [The Cameo Cinema](#) tonight for a double bill of [Best Worst Movie](#) and [Troll 2](#). Hailed as one of the "top reviewed films of 2010" by Rotten Tomatoes, Best Worst Movie follows a small-town dentist and a self-deluded Italian filmmaker as they struggle to come to grips with their role in what is arguably the worst movie ever made: Troll 2. As for Troll 2, it needs to be seen to be believed! Starts at 11pm, tickets £7.

### **6th March 2011**

The Bongo Club hosts the [Edinburgh Skeptics](#) Sunday Sermon this afternoon from 2-5. An opportunity for rational thinkers to meet and discuss all things skeptical, as well as having a monthly presentation by a renowned skeptic [or even a believer] followed by a Q&A.

Dan Michaelson and the Coastguards play Sneaky Pete's tonight, with support from The Heebie Jeebies, Wooden Sky, and This Daring Move. Doors at 7pm, tickets £5