

What's On in Edinburgh this week? 9th May 2011

Monday 9th May 2011

The Causey is holding its AGM this evening at 7.00pm to 8.30pm. All welcome. Southside Community Centre 17 Nicolson Street, Edinburgh, EH8 9ER

Tuesday 10th May 2011

At The Filmhouse they are showing Norwegian Wood at 17:45

Japan 2010/ 134 minutes/ Rated 15

Japanese with English subtitles

Adapting Haruki Murakami's breakthrough novel with the romantic melancholy of the Beatles song that gave it its name, *Norwegian Wood* is a passionate story of nostalgia, loss and awakening sexuality.

Childhood friends Watanabe (Kenichi Matsuyama) and Naoko (Rinko Kikuchi) are reunited in Tokyo in 1969 when they meet by chance at a museum. Their friendship is rekindled, but they are both haunted by a shared tragedy that they would prefer remain shrouded in distant memory. As their affections for each other begin to grow, so too does the spectre of the past. A bittersweet tale full of beauty and pathos, *Norwegian Wood* illuminates the uncertain passage from innocence to maturity.

Here is the trailer

And our own John Kennedy [reviewed the film here](#)

Wednesday 11th May 2011

Cafe Voices at [The Scottish Storytelling Centre](#) tonight at

7pm.

Explore nature's glory with Rosie Mapplebeck. An open-floor opportunity to enjoy oral storytelling, poetry by memory, music and song in the relaxed ambience of the Storytelling Court. Come prepared with a piece or just soak it up. Hosted by Donald Smith.

Designer Shopping Evening at [StockXchange](#) 5 Young Street from 5.30pm – 8.30pm

StockXchange, stockist of designer clothes and accessories at affordable prices, will be offering shoppers a 10% discount on all purchases. A percentage of sales will also be donated to [Trefoil](#), an Edinburgh-based charity which helps children and young people with special needs to have a holiday or undertake personal development projects.

Tickets: £5.00 – includes a glass of fizz

Thursday 12th May 2011

Part of the Imagine Festival at The Scottish Storytelling Centre at 10.30am and 1pm. Ages 8+ **Is This A Dagger? The Story of Macbeth** (Wee Stories Theatre) Wee Stories' Andy Cannon will take you on a compelling journey from fact to fiction and back again. Shakespeare's celebrated play Macbeth is a tale most foul, of witchcraft, deceit and murder! However, the story of the real King Macbeth is a very different tale indeed. So why was James VI, the first king of Britain, so delighted with Shakespeare's wonderful fictional masterpiece? (Contains bloody feuds and complicated parts, which may not be suitable for younger children). www.weestoriestheatre.org

[Premier Inn](#) launches its latest Scottish hotel at Edinburgh Airport today.

Festivities include an official ribbon cutting, food and wine tasting, live music and entertainment from pupils of local

primary schools, who have each designed a plane, the best of which will be displayed in the hotel foyer.

Friday 13th May 2011

Usher Hall presents:-

Mariza

8.00 pm

"She gets better and better. The voice is even more majestic, the gestures even more dramatic." The Times

Mariza is more than just the leading Portuguese fado singer of her generation. She is a global icon who has seduced world wide audiences with her awesome singing, charismatic stage presence and powerful blend of traditional and contemporary song forms. Across four spectacular studio albums she has breathed new life into fado. Now though for her fifth studio album she returns to her roots. Fado Tradicional (out soon on EMI) finds Mariza triumphantly exploring the origins of the genre, proving her mettle as a true fado singer and as an artist without peer.

£25/£21 (concessions also available)

<http://www.usherhall.co.uk/concerts/?id=5017>

Saturday 14th May 2011

Explore the College Cast Collection

HISTORY, ART & FUN AT THE EDINBURGH CAST COLLECTION

Events at the University of Edinburgh and Edinburgh College of Art from 10am-12 noon.

Free admission.

As part of the Festival of Museums, the Edinburgh Cast

Collection will be hosting a morning of free events to explore its plaster casts of Antique, Renaissance, and Gothic statues, bas reliefs, and architectural casts.

<http://www.eca.ac.uk/>

Sunday 15th May 2011

Imprisoned in Edinburgh

The concert will take place at The Queen's Hall, Edinburgh on Sunday 15th May 2011 at 19.30, and will take the form of a semi-staged concert to be sung in Italian with English narration. Neil Metcalfeour Musical Director will conduct.

La Prigione de Edimburgo was composed by Frederico Ricci with libretto by Gaetano Rossi. Inspiration came from Sir Walter Scott's Heart of Midlothian which was published in 1830.

This is an exciting venture for us – the last recorded performance of was in Genoa in 1865 and the only recording so far was made by Opera Rara in 2004. It will be our second Scottish Premiere, our firstUK Premiere – and we look forward welcoming you at The Queen's Hall to enjoy it with us.

Tickets: £20, £17, £10 (concessions £18, £15, £8), available at Queen's Hall Theatre, their ticket hotline 0131 668 2019, or online

http://www.edinburghgrandopera.com/page/Imprisoned_in_Edinburgh_15_May_2011.aspx