


# Five things you need to know today



**Protests at Edinburgh Festival – Colony of Artists – North Edinburgh Arts – Mela this weekend – Live Webchat about cycling Saturday morning!**

Protests about Edinburgh International Festival performances are not really run of the mill, so we were interested in the group of more than 100 people who gathered outside the Playhouse last night. [Read our article and hear our interviews here.](#) The BBC [reported later](#) that the performance had been disrupted three times.

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 In Abbeyhill Colonies this weekend there is an exhibition which can truly be described as unique. The artists who live in thirteen of the houses there are opening their doors on both days to allow you to see what they have been painting or making each afternoon between 1 & 5 p.m. You can see a couple of examples of what is on offer [in our article here.](#)

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North Edinburgh Arts has a full programme of classes and groups throughout the autumn and winter which mainly start on 5 September. You can find out [the full list of what is on here.](#)

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[The Edinburgh Mela Festival](#) starts today at Leith Links. We saw a taste of what you might enjoy at the [launch in June.](#) It

runs till Sunday and you are promised food, dance, music and fun!

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Tomorrow morning at 10 ish you can join us for a Live Webchat with the people who organised Pedal on Parliament for a talk about all things cycling. What do you think needs to be done to make our roads safer for cyclists? We will have a cyclist tweeting from his ride around the city too. Join us under TER Live tomorrow or join in on Twitter with the hashtag #TERcycling. See you tomorrow!