## Newbattle Abbey College Information Event

Newbattle Abbey College Information Event for Arts and Humanities Access Course

Newbattle Abbey College, which is currently celebrating its 75th anniversary, is set to host an information event on Wednesday, 15 May 2013 where adults and partner organisations can find out more about the full-time Arts and Humanities Access Course (SCQF Level 6) they offer.

Attendees will not only get the chance to discuss the course with both members of staff and students, but will also be able to sample lessons themselves during the taster sessions that are being run.

The one-year course is run in conjunction with the Scottish Wider Access Programme, which aims to support adults in returning to education. Over 75% of students who complete the course go on to progress to higher education programmes each year.

The course is unique as it is a residential course (though some non-residential places are available in special circumstances) which is based in Newbattle Abbey College's historic 16th century building and its surrounding 125 acres of beautiful parkland.

As 'Scotland's Adult Education Residential College', Newbattle Abbey College aims to give people aged 19 and older, especially those with few or no formal qualifications, a second chance at education.

The Arts and Humanities Award is unique as it allows students to study a wide variety of different subjects such as Sociology, Psychology, Politics, History, Philosophy, Creative Writing and Core Skills to prepare them for entry into further education.

Marian Docherty, Depute Principal, says: "Newbattle is a small college which offers adults a unique residential learning experience. Extensive guidance support is available and the college offers a variety of extra-curricular options in our historic building, grounds and woodlands. Our students come from across the world and are aged from 19 to over 60. It's never too late to learn at Newbattle.'

The information event starts at 10am on Wednesday, May 15 at Newbattle Abbey College. Those wishing to attend should register their interest by emailing <a href="mailto:juliet@newbattleabbeycollege.ac.uk">juliet@newbattleabbeycollege.ac.uk</a> or phoning 0131 663 1921.

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