

Five things you need to know today



Reduce Reuse Recycle & Repair Roadshow – Take a bus out of town to Jupiter Artland- Madhatters Tea Party – King Creosote – Edinburgh Fringe Festival Pick of the Day

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RRRR Roadshows in the South Libraries.

Drop-in workshop, suitable for families.

Come along to our RRRR Roadshows where you can learn how to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Repair.

At each event there will be the following;

[Remade in Edinburgh's](#) repair workshops will be fun and family friendly and will teach you basic hand sewing skills and how to patch up jeans. You can bring a pair in or practise on ours – and take away a free patch. We will also be offering a computer surgery – a perfect chance to get some free advice – you're welcome to bring your laptop in for an overhaul from our friendly experts.

Join creative reuse maker and educator [Jaimie MacDonald](#) to create simple and playful jewellery and other decorative items reusing household packaging and bottle tops.

City of Edinburgh Council's Recycling Advisors will be on hand to provide recycling information about all the [recycling services](#) provided in your area.

[Read the blog](#) about the recent RRRR Roadshow at Leith Library, by the Reader in Residence, Emily Dodd.

Dates and Times

Monday 5 August 10am till 12

South Neighbourhood Office & Library, 40
Captain's Road, Edinburgh, EH17 8HN

Tuesday 6 August 2pm-4pm

Gilmerton Library, 13 Newtoft Street,
Edinburgh, EH17 8RG

Friday 9 August 2pm-4pm

Newington Library, 17-21 Fountainhall Road,
Edinburgh, EH9 2LN

Tuesday 13 August 3pm-5pm

Moredun Library, 92 Moredun Park
Road, Edinburgh, EH17 7HL

Details are also on the council [website](#)

If the madness of the Fringe is too much for you then you can jump on a bus this morning and head for Jupiter Artland.

A free shuttlebus to Jupiter Artland is available from the city centre during the Edinburgh Art Festival, leaving from and returning to the EAF Kiosk on the corner of George Street and Frederick Street at 10.30am coming back about 3.30pm. Tickets for the Shuttlebus also allow free entry to Jupiter Artland. Free but booking essential on the [Art Festival website](#).

Join Alice and the Mad Hatter's Tea Party at the National Trust for Scotland's Newhailes near Musselburgh on Sunday, 11 August and experience a delightful outdoor theatre production of her adventures down the famous rabbit hole.

Favourite characters line up to delight in Heartbreak Productions' adaptation of both Alice in Wonderland and Through the Looking Glass by Lewis Carroll. Mix the scurrying White Rabbit with his pocket watch, the Mad Hatter and the sleepy dormouse – fond of napping in the teapot – and the crazy, croquet-loving Queen, with a VERY short temper and you'll come up with a hugely entertaining, fast-paced confection of comedy in the lovely setting of Newhailes' grounds.

Heartbreak Productions have been touring award-winning theatre shows for 20 years. They have also been highly praised for their school drama workshops. "Alice – An Extraordinary Adventure" is their brand-new production, packed with interactive entertainment, music and lots of laughter.

Suitable for all ages, you are invited to come along and bring a picnic and a rug, or low seating – and to dress warmly for this outdoor, evening event.

Comedy capers commence at 6pm and continue for two hours, including an interval of 15 – 20 minutes. Tickets are priced at £12 for adults, children £7, families £36 and concessions £10. For tickets and further information, please tel: 0844 4932125 or visit the National Trust for Scotland website www.nts.org.uk.

Newhailes is a fine late 17th century house with impressive 18th century additions and interiors, set in a fascinating 18th century designed landscape. Bought in the early 1700s by Sir David Dalrymple of the Scots legal and political dynasty, the most remarkable addition was the library which played host to many famous figures of the Scottish Enlightenment. Dr Johnson described the library as “the most learned room in Europe”.



King Creosote are appearing at The Queen's Hall tonight at 8:00pm. Following their triumphant Fringe show last year, Mercury Prize nominee Kenny Anderson and full band return to The Queen's Hall. The show will begin with a short acoustic set followed by a full band set. [Book tickets here.](#)

The Boadicea of Britannia Street
Calendar Girls meets Dead Poets Society. Fran Lamb is a

journalist close to retirement on the local paper; eccentric, recently bereaved, she starts a creative writing group – trying to do something challenging for a change. Joining the group are Annie, a put-upon housewife, Penny a PE teacher and Janet the local librarian. They decide, perhaps disastrously, to devise a performance about Queen Boadicea. A touching, hilarious and feisty look at life, death and love through the eyes of the four women.

