

Five things you need to know today



Twilight Recitals – Fine dining at Pompadour – 100 books to be won – Rugby fixtures – The Queen's Hall

Twilight Recitals are performed by Edinburgh Music School in the Recital Room at Broughton High School.

All are open to everyone, from 4 pm to 4.45 pm and admission is free.

3rd November and 27th November 2013

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Ever wondered what goes on in a professional kitchen during service? Now you can find out!

Every Thursday in November, chef Craig Sandle is offering a limited number of diners the opportunity to get creative in The Pompadour's kitchen at the start of service.

Arrive at the salon for a welcome drink and a briefing at 6pm, before being led to the kitchens to make your own first course under the direction of the award-winning chef.

Your efforts will then be served to you at your table in the restaurant, followed by two further courses and a dessert from our seasonal menu which will be served with matching wines, chosen by head sommelier Peter Adshead.

£50 per person.

More details on the [website](#)



A new competition from Publishing Scotland has a wonderful main prize – 100 books!

As part of Book Week Scotland, Scottish publishers have contributed 100 BOOKS as the prize in this covers competition. The top prize of all 100 books will go to one lucky winner – the person who identifies all 100 books from the details of their covers or as many books as possible. If there's more than one, there will be a draw! There will also be a prize of a Books Are My Bag full of books for one other lucky entrant chosen totally at random.

There are new novels, recent prize-winning and nominated books, children's books, a couple of ebooks, biographies, crafts, food, nature, art, politics, sport, all sorts of reference, non-fiction and difficult to categorise books!

The competition opens on 1 November 2013 and the closing date is TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2013. The winners will be announced on Thursday 28 November and they'll receive their prizes before Christmas. Enter [here](#).

Our photographer John Preece gets to many rugby matches and takes fabulous photos. Look at this [here](#) to see his latest snaps from the Edinburgh match on Friday evening. If you

would like to know where and when all the Scottish Rugby Union matches are on in and around Edinburgh then this is the information page for you [here.....](#)

Yesterday Liberton Rugby Club had a resounding win against South Queensferry. Liberton on their [Facebook](#) page explained how this happened:-“In a game where the weather conditions were always going to play a part we were in full control of the game from start to finish.

“Queensferry as expected were fired up and ready to play the attacking brand of rugby they have become known for but we starved them of possession for long spells and continually thwarted their attempts to get up the field with our yet again outstanding defence. This was highlighted by the fact that once again we managed to limit our opponents to only a solitary penalty kick on the scoreboard against us. Our opponents never gave though but we were in no mood allow them any more chances to score.”

Looking forward to next month you might like to get tickets now for this event at the Queen's Hall on 10 December 2013.

Join the much-loved author, Alexander McCall Smith in an evening of music and laughter as he discusses his recent works with writer and musician Jamie Jauncey and debuts Fergus of Galloway, his new collaboration with Edinburgh composer [Tom Cunningham](#).

In the early 13th century, William the Clerk wrote an extraordinary Arthurian romance which is one of the oldest surviving pieces of Scottish literature, but is comparatively unknown. This musical version, staged and directed by Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones, tells the story of the Scottish knight, Fergus, and his wooing of the beautiful Galiene, female ruler of Lothian. This joyful and amusing piece consists of twelve songs and a linking, spoken narrative in a 40 minute

programme taking up one half of the evening. The songs, performed by soloists and a chorus from [Edinburgh Studio Opera](#), are accompanied by violin and piano directed by Stuart Hope.

Join in the yuletide conversation and enjoy a night of merriment with hot mince pies and mulled wine.

Tonight at the Queen's Hall The Edinburgh Grand Opera take to the stage.

Edinburgh Grand Opera is fast becoming the hottest ticket in town following their recent successes with La Traviata at The King's Theatre, Don Giovanni at The Queen's Hall and Carmen at the Lyceum.

A dazzling array of soloists and the EGO chorus will perform a classy mixture of arias and ensembles from Verdi, Puccini, Mozart, Donizetti, Wagner, Bellini and many more. Some of Scotland's finest professional singers will be joined by the company's Developing Artists for an unmissable evening of entertainment.

Tickets available [here](#).

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