

# Five things you need to know today Edinburgh!



**New York Met Opera Live 2014-15 – Local Community Plan 2014-17 – Bloody Trams a Rapid Response – Mothers Day lunch idea – Edinburgh International Festival programme**

Today the tickets for the New York Met Opera Live at the Cameo go on sale for Picturehouse members at 12 noon. The 2014-15 season will start on 11 October 2014 and will include Macbeth, Carmen and the Marriage of Figaro. If you are a member then you can either buy the tickets for yourself and a guest over the phone or at the Box Office. Online booking for others will open next week.

[More details here.](#)

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The council has started a consultation on the local community plan for the next three years. There is a link to the survey below.

***The City Centre Neighbourhood Partnership Local Community Plan 2014-17***

*Why do we have a Local Community Plan? Well, for all the local agencies, groups, organisations and communities to work together towards common goals, we need to know that we're all heading in the right direction.*

*We're looking to gather the views of anyone who care about what happens in the city centre, so whether you live, work, study, volunteer or visit here, please share your thoughts.*

*This survey, which will be open until 25 April, is just the very first step in gathering information – we'll follow this with focus groups, community events, and walkabouts.*

*You can also help us reach as many people as possible by*

- *Sharing the link with your contacts in the city centre, by email, in person, through social media, in your newsletters...*
- *Telling the local group you work with. We'd be happy to come along and talk about the consultation*

*Survey link*

– <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CityCentreLocalPlan1417>

*Further*

*information*

– <http://www.edinburghnp.org.uk/neighbourhood-partnerships/city-centre/about/local-community-plan/>

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The Traverse is staging a play tonight and tomorrow which is based on a few weeks of interviews on the streets of Edinburgh. And guess what this piece of music theatre will take as its main theme? Yes that's right the trams....

[More details here.](#)

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Sunday 30th March is Mother's day and the Whighams Jazz Club 5th Birthday.. Come along a spend some of your Sunday at Whighams on Hope Street.

Mother's Day lunch menu £14 for 2 courses or £17.95 for 3 courses. Live Jazz starts at 8pm and it is free entry.

[More details here.](#)

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The programme for the 2014 Edinburgh International Festival was launched amid bacon rolls and what we were reliably informed were Anzac cookies yesterday morning. The theme this year derives from the thought that culture can transform. 100 years after the outbreak of World War I the Festival looks at the interaction between War and culture. It will be no surprise then that one of the pieces included in the offering this summer will include Britten's War Requiem. But this will be no dull affair. There is lots to interest and excite in the programme in this year when Scotland hosts the Commonwealth Games, and a deliberate move to include work from artists around the Commonwealth such as South Africa, Australia and New Zealand has been made.

Here is the trailer:-