

# Friday in Edinburgh – things to do today

✘ **FRIDAY – wind down with some theatre**

**Cleaning Up Titian's Venice – a talk by Dr Jane Stevens Crawshaw** of Oxford Brookes University. Hawthornden Lecture Theatre, Scottish National Gallery, 12.45-1.30pm.  
Free

**Untaught to Shine: Stellar Quines theatre company** present eclectic, site-specific theatre inspired by the women's stories held within the Portrait Gallery collection. National Portrait Gallery, Queen Street. A free pop-up performance at 2pm and a ticketed performance at 7.30pm (£8, tickets from Scottish National Gallery Information Desk or by calling 0131 624 6560 between 9.30am & 4.30pm.)

**Scotland's Storytelling Renaissance:** Donald Smith, storyteller and founding Director of the Scottish Storytelling Centre on why live storytelling has re-entered the cultural mainstream in Scotland. 6.30-8pm, Meadows Lecture Theatre, Old Medical School, Teviot Place. Part of Tradfest and At Home in Scotland: Stories of Place. Free tickets from [eventbrite](#).

**Voluntary Arts Week** starts today throughout the UK. For full details, locations and times see [www.voluntaryartsweek.org](http://www.voluntaryartsweek.org). This week's events (with lots more to come next week) include: the **Scottish Mineral & Lapidary Club Open Week** at 20 Maritime Lane, where you can see members at work in their dedicated workshop. (drop-in, suitable for ages 10+.) and **Knitting for All** – relaxed informal knitting meet-ups across the city for all ages, beginners and experts equally welcome.

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**Collective Gallery** preview event for Camille Henrot's

ambitious film work '**Grosse Fatigue**'. which won the Silver Lion at the 55th Vienna Biennale in 2013. It attempts to tell the story of the world's creation from a computer desktop and using the collection of the Smithsonian Institute. Tonight 6-8pm, then from tomorrow till 16th June (**NB** closed Mondays.)  
Collective Gallery, City Dome, 38 Calton Hill. For more information call 0131 556 1264 or [www.collectivegallery.net](http://www.collectivegallery.net)