

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](https://www.eventbrite.com).

Voluntary Arts Week starts today throughout the UK. For full details, locations and times see 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.



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