Wednesday in Edinburgh - things to do today

■ Wednesday 14 May - Wiff Waff Wednesday!

Poems Aloud - Ryan Van Winkle: Edinburgh's Reader in Residence will be sharing poems he carries in his heart, and invites you to bring your favourites along to. <u>Corstorphine Library</u>, 12 Kirk Loan, 6.30-7.30pm. Free but booking required via <u>eventbrite</u>.

Gerry Hassan discusses his latest book, <u>Caledonian Dreaming:</u>
<u>The Quest for a Different Scotland.</u> 6.30pm, <u>Word Power Books</u>,
43-45 West Nicolson Street. Free and unticketed. More details from the shop: 0131 662 9112.

Meet The Poet: Donald Campbell holds an informal session to tie in with the exhibition on Street Life in Victorian Edinburgh. Ask questions, talk about poetry, Ned Holt or any of the fascinating characters that Donald has researched from Victorian Edinburgh. Drop into the Huntly Room at the Museum of Edinburgh, 142 Canongate, any time between 11am & 1pm. Contact 0131 529 4143 for information.

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Gaelic Referendum Debate: discuss the forthcoming vote in Gaelic. Godfrey Thomson Hall, Thomson's Land, Holyrood. 6.30-7.30pm. Free but tickets must be booked via <u>eventbrite</u>.

National Library of Scotland, George IV Bridge — 'Wha's Like Us?' — an audio tour of the exhibition for people with a visual impairment. 2-3.30pm, free but must be booked via the Library's website or by calling 0131 623 3734.

<u>Wiff Waff Wednesday</u>: a monthly ping-pong night for all ages, with music, drink and great food at the Drill Hall Arts Cafe, 'Friendship first, competition second.' 6-10.30pm, Out of the Blue, 36 Dalmeny Street. Free entry, all welcome. For information call Out of the Blue on 0131 555 7100.

Piano Speak: Lunchtime Concert at St Giles' Cathedral with Will Pickvance. Piano improvisations, audience requests, repartee. 12.15pm.

Get Connected! Digital Skills Academy leads this weekly dropin session to support learning of all IT skills. Come regularly & you could gain recognised IT qualifications — or just drop in when you have a computer query. Free, 2.30-4.30pm, WHALES — call 0131 458 3267 or see WHALE'S website for details.

Lyceum Youth Theatre — drama club for S1 and S2 pupils. Explore your dramatic side in this youth theatre club, working towards a performance in the summer. 3.45-5.15pm, free. WHALE — for address & contact details above.

World of Dance: Hip-Hop and Street Dance sessions for ages 8+. Free, 5.30-6.30pm, WHALE — see above for contact details.

Craigmillar Community Arts: Open Studio. A chance to do your own art work in the company of other like-minded people in a supportive environment. Basic materials provided. 10.30am-2.30pm, £1. Call 0131 669 8432 or see Craigmillar's website for more details.

After School Art Club: for children aged 4-12. Experiment, learn from others, be creative and have fun! Craigmillar Community Arts, 5-6.15 pm, £1. Contact details as above.