Thursday in Edinburgh — what's on today



THURSDAY 26 JUNE 201

World in Chains: the Impact of Nuclear Weapons and Militarisation. Political activist Angie Zelter launches her latest book, 'essays that question the integrity of a society that accepts nuclear deterrents as valid forms of defence.' 6.30pm, Word Power Books, West Nicolson Street. Free, donations welcome.

Live Music Now: Suzanne Houston and Kristan Harvey −
Kristan Harvey (fiddle) and Suzanne Houston (piano)
specialise in Scotland's traditional music. Their programme
includes arrangements of some of Scotland's oldest traditional
melodies, as well as newer compositions that are shaping the
development of folk music today. 6-6.30pm, Scottish National
Portrait Gallery, 1 Queen Street. Free and unticketed.

The Economics of New Borders: Implications: a panel discussion. As the Independence Referendum approaches, economic questions have come to dominate the public debate on Scotland's future. This Scottish Institute for Research in Economics event will showcase methods used by economists to evaluate the possible costs and benefits of independence, discuss the experience of other countries and explore the implications for Scotland. 6-7pm, St Cecilia's Hall, Niddry Street. Free tickets must be booked via eventbrite.

<u>Lunchtime Concert: Piano Speak</u>. Will Pickvance's popular offthe-cuff weekly concert of piano improvisations and repartee. 12.15pm, <u>St Giles Cathedral</u>, High Street. Free and unticketed. Scandalous Edinburgh plc walking tour: an informative and interactive guided walking tour, full of surprises, around Edinburgh's financial districts. 'History, anecdotes and eye-opening information. Prepare to be scandalised...' 4.30-6.30pm starting at St Andrew Square. Organised by the World Development Movement, a UK-based anti-poverty campaigning organisation. Tickets cost £5 (concessions £3) to include taxi ride and hot chocolate, and must be booked in advance via eventbrite. Other dates in July are also available — see website.