

Saturday in Edinburgh – what's on today



SATURDAY 5 JULY 2014

Garden Story Time: a special story time session for under-12s, with stories outside, growing your own salads and learning about healthy eating. 2.30-3.30pm [Moredun Library](#),

[Ruskin Opening Lecture – ‘The Innocence of the Eye’: Ruskin Revealed.](#) Christopher Newall, art historian and curator, will focus on the creative genius of Ruskin and how this is quintessentially represented in his draughtsmanship. 2-3pm, Hawthornden Lecture Theatre, [Scottish National Gallery](#), The Mound. Free but tickets required: available from the Information Desk at the National Gallery or on the door, subject to availability.

[Images of Childhood: Portrait Gallery Thematic Tours.](#) Emily Learmont looks at the way our perceptions of childhood have changed over the centuries, and how portraiture has reflected this. 2-2.45pm and 3-3.45pm, [Scottish National Portrait Gallery](#), 1 Queen Street. Free and unticketed.

[GENERATION tours:](#) discussion-led tours of the exhibition, focusing on key themes and artists. 11-11.45am and 1-1.45pm, Modern One, [Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art](#). Free and unticketed.

[Zoo Arts Extra: Summer Animation Project.](#) Outdoor filming and stop motion performance animation – book now for all or part of this four day summer project. Come with your family or by yourself to watch a treasure trove of inspiring artists’

animations. The artist Alice Betts will introduce a range of techniques, including sound recording and editing, whilst filming around Muirhouse. Create your own short animated films: there will be a screening of the final production at the Filmhouse. Snacks and/or meals will be provided each day.

10am-1pm today, then 10am-3pm on Monday 7th and Wednesday 9th July and 10am-1pm on Saturday 12th. Suitable for ages 9+ and adults. [North Edinburgh Arts](#), 15a Pennywell Court. Free but a returnable deposit of £2 per session or £5 for all four sessions will be required. Contact 0131 315 2151 for more information.

Hugh Murdoch: a new exhibition including over a dozen new acquisitions from Hugh Murdoch's estate. Opens today, then 10am-5pm, Monday to Saturday, [Doubtfire Gallery](#), 3 South East Circus Place.

Your Green Spaces: spend a day exploring some of Edinburgh's iconic green spaces. In the morning take a tour of some of the spaces with the **Garden History Society in Scotland** – come dressed for the weather and wear comfy shoes! In the afternoon work with artist **Erik Petrie** to create some amazing artwork interpreting your experiences and imagining your vision of these spaces. The afternoon session is optional. Free and suitable for all ages. 10am-4pm, [City Art Centre](#), Market Street. To book call 0131 529 3993.