

Wednesday in Edinburgh – what's on today

☒ WEDNESDAY 30TH JULY 2014

Herbal Medicine Workshop with the [Friends of Harrison Park](#): 6.30-8pm, [Harrison Park](#), Harrison Road – meet by the new community herb garden at the dog-free zone. Free, all welcome but under 16s should be accompanied by an adult. For more information contact Esperanza Martin on 0131 445 4025.

Blackwell's Edinburgh presents Alan Cochrane and George Kerevan: Scottish Independence, Yes or No? Alan Cochrane, editor of the Scottish Daily Telegraph, and George Kerevan, Scottish journalist and SNP politician, launch their new book, looking at the potential impact of independence on key economic, social, political, defence and cultural issues. Cochrane will put his case for NO and Kerevan will put his for YES. 6.30-7.30pm, Blackwell's, South Bridge. Free tickets can be obtained from the shop's front desk or by calling 0131 622 8218.

Shadow Puppet Theatre: Katie Forrester and Moira Harvey show you how to make amazing creature puppets and put on your own shadow theatre show. For ages 4-11, under 8s must be accompanied by an adult. 2-3pm, [Central Library](#), George IV Bridge. Please book a free ticket via [eventbrite](#) for every child *and* every adult attending (maximum of one adult per child.)

Titian in Ten: ten minute pop-up talks delivered by NGS staff. Gain an exclusive insight as staff from across the galleries offer different perspectives on Titian's masterpieces. 2pm, [Scottish National Gallery](#). Free and unticketed.

Teen events at Moredun: activities for teenagers, from X-Box tournaments to nail art. 6.30pm, [Moredun Library](#), 92 Moredun

Park Road.

Ruskin and the Pre-Raphaelites: Stephen Wildman, Director of the Ruskin Library at Lancaster University and editor of a new collection of Ruskin's writing about the Pre-Raphaelites, will look at Ruskin's close involvement with the Pre-Raphaelite movement. 12.45-1.30pm, Hawthornden Lecture Theatre, [Scottish National Gallery, The Mound](#). Free and unticketed.

Dog Tales: The Dogs Trust present canine story telling and an information session. 2.30-3.30pm, [Colinton Library](#), Thorburn Road.

Lunchtime concert: Piano Speak with Will Pickvance. 12.15pm, [St Giles' Cathedral](#), Royal Mile.

Magical Mazes: online computer challenges and games for over 7s. 4-5pm, [Stockbridge Library](#), Hamilton Place. Part of the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge.

Zoolab: come and meet the animals at Zoolab's animal handling workshop. 2pm, [Fountainbridge Library](#), 137 Dundee Street. Call into the library, call 0131 529 5516 or email fountainbridge.library@edinburgh.gov.uk to check times and to book a place, or join the event via the [special Facebook page](#). Part of the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge.

Live Music at the Pear Tree. 5-6pm: **Simply Soweto Encha**, a 5-piece a capella group singing gospel, soul, jazz, doo-wop and R 'n' B in both African and popular styles. 6-7pm: **Ruari McMillan**, singer, songwriter and guitarist whose influences include Dylan, the Stones and John Lennon. [The Pear Tree](#), West Nicolson Street. Strictly over 18s only. Free.