

# Friday in Edinburgh – what's on today

✖ FRIDAY 1ST AUGUST 2014

**Anne Frank: a History for Today.** An exhibition managed by the Anne Frank Trust UK telling the story of Anne's short life through text, quotes from her famous diary, and powerful images. Opens today and runs till 21st August 2014. Opening times vary, see website for details. [St Mary's Cathedral, Palmerston Place](#).

**Mythical Maze Stories and Crafts:** 2.30pm, [Colinton Library](#), Thorburn Road. Part of the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge.

**Where Do I End and You Begin** An international exhibition of contemporary art selected by curators from five Commonwealth countries, exploring ideas, ideals and myths which underpin notions of community, common-wealth and the commons. 10am-5pm Monday to Saturday, 12-5pm Sunday, until 19th October 2014. [City Art Centre](#), 2 Market Street, and Old Royal High School, Regent Road. Part of Edinburgh Art Festival.

**Discussion: Where Do I End and You Begin** As part of this new exhibition, artist Kay Hassan and jazz trumpeter Faya Faku discuss their collaboration with curator Thembinkosi Goniwe, followed by a chance to hear Faku perform. 12 noon, [City Art Centre](#), 2 Market Street. Free, but places must be booked via [eventbrite](#). Part of Edinburgh Art Festival.

**Being in Common:** a panel of artists and curators involved in *Where Do I End and You Begin* will discuss the exhibitions's themes of community and what we hold in common. 3pm, [City Art Centre](#), 2 Market Street. Free, but places must be booked via [eventbrite](#). Part of Edinburgh Art Festival.

**Bullets and Daffodils:** a historic performance commemorating the meeting between **Wilfred Owen** and **Siegfried Sassoon** and a centenary of war and its verse. Wilfred Owen met his hero and mentor Sassoon at the **War Hospital at Craiglockhart**; this set in motion one of the greatest literary couplings of all time. Playwright Dean Johnson has spent the last four years tracing Owen's footsteps: the journey reaches its zenith at Craiglockhart. 7.30pm, Lindsay Stewart Lecture Theatre, Edinburgh Napier University, Craiglockhart Campus, 219 Colinton Road. Free. For more information email: [bulletsanddaffodils@gmail.com](mailto:bulletsanddaffodils@gmail.com) or call 07539 371925.

**In Conversation: Vidya Shivadas and Nalini Milani.** Curator Shivadas leads a conversation with Milani, one of this year's Edinburgh Art Festival commissioned artists. 6pm, Hawthornden Lecture Theatre, [Scottish National Gallery, The Mound](#). Free but please book via [eventbrite](#). Part of Edinburgh Art Festival.

**Comic Art Masterclass with Kev F Sutherland:** make your own comic strip and get your caricature portrait drawn by Kev, a writer and artist for the Beano and Marvel. 10.30-11.30am, [Currie Library](#), 210 Lanark Road. Please book a place by calling the library on 0131 529 5609 or emailing [currie.library@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:currie.library@edinburgh.gov.uk)

**Q & A with Genesis Breyer P-Orridge:** Genesis will talk about the *Pandrogyne* project, and his/her roles as a hugely influential musician (Throbbing Gristle, Thee Temple of Psychick Youth, Thee Majesty) and leading social activist in the fields of sexuality, identity and gender. Session led by Summerhall's curator Paul Robertson. 10pm, [Summerhall](#), 1 Summerhall. Tickets £5, book via [Summerhall website](#). *Life as a Cheap Suitcase* (Pandrogyne and a Search for a Unified Identity) opens today in Summerhall's Upper Church Gallery and runs till 26th September 2014. Please note this exhibition contains explicit images.)

**Dr Jekyll's Dr Book:** strange and scary reading recommendations for ages 5-11. 2-3pm, [Blackhall Library](#), 56 Hillhouse Road. Part of the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge.

**Urbanscape and Ruralsprawl: performative walk.** Deveron Arts will lead a two hour walk around the corridors, cupboards and lecture halls of Summerhall with artists Tim Knowles and Ania Bas, followed by a **panel discussion** at Creative Scotland, chaired by curator and writer Dave Beech. Both rural and urban walking artists will take part. Walk: meet at 10.30am in the Courtyard at [Summerhall](#), 1 Summerhall. Discussion: 2pm, [Creative Scotland](#), Waverley Gate. Free but please contact [Deveron Arts](#) to book your place. Part of Edinburgh Art Festival.

**Dragon's Den:** colour in the dragon before making it stretch. 2-3pm, [South Neighbourhood Office and Library](#), 40 Captain's Road. Part of the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge.

**America in the Gilded Age: a Nation on the Brink.** Frank Cogliano, Professor of American History at the University of Edinburgh, considers the social, economic and political development of the USA in the last decades of the 19th century. As the nation grew in strength it was increasingly riven by social, racial and class tensions which threatened its well being. By 1900 it was a nation on the brink. 12.45-1.30pm, Hawthornden Lecture Theatre, [Scottish National Gallery, The Mound](#). Free and unticketed.

**Matisse Icarus Cutouts:** craft event for ages 7-11. 2-3pm, [Central Children's Library](#), George IV Bridge. Part of the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge

**Evelyn Buchanan and Kathleen Mullaniff:** a new exhibition of paintings. Open preview 5.30-7.30pm tonight, then 9am-5pm Wednesday to Sunday until 7th September 2014. [Bon Papillon Gallery](#), 15 Howe Street.

**Design Your Own Flying Carpet:** teatowels made into flying

carpets. For under 12s. 2.30-3.30pm, [Gilmerton Library](#). Part of the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge

**Lighting and Telling – the Gateway to the Heart:** Youngson Park. Park is a mixed-media artist who creates picture books using still images, moving images, performance, sound and space. She paints on traditional hand-made Korean paper. Until 7th August 2014, [Arusha Gallery](#), 13a Dundas Street.

**Fairy Jewels:** craft activity for ages 4+. 2.30-3.30pm, [Stockbridge Library](#), Hamilton Place. Part of the Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge.

**Coburg House Summer Open Studios:** over eighty artists and makers will open their doors to the public to allow exclusive access to their studios. Preview 6-9pm today, then 11am-6pm Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd August. [Coburg House](#), 15 Coburg Street.

**Hare and Tortoise Commonwealth Games:** at 11am join the Tinderbox Street Band for a rehearsal (no experience necessary, bring an instrument if you have one), get dressed up and at 2pm take part in a parade with the Hare & Tortoise Vision Mechanics Giant Puppets! Followed by games with Vision Mechanics and the Yard. [North Edinburgh Arts](#), 15a Pennywell Court, beside Muirhouse Library, Pennywell Road.