


# Thursday in Edinburgh – What's On Today




**Bach Before Breakfast: John Bryden** plays Bach and Shostakovich on the Cathedral Steinway. Coffee and croissants follow. 8.05-8.35am every day until Friday 29th August, [St Mary's Cathedral](#), Palmerston Place. Free: retiring collection.

**Map Making:** drop-in workshop for families working together. Take inspiration from the *Where Do I End and You Begin* exhibition and make your  own hand-drawn map of Scotland. 1.30-3.30pm, [City Art Centre](#) (meet at reception), 2 Market Street. Free, no booking required.

**Easel Sketching in the Gallery:** inspired by the Titian exhibition and working from a costumed figure. 2-4pm, [Scottish National Gallery](#), The Mound. Free; no booking required. Also on Friday 29th August at same times.

**Artist Talk:** best known for his short films exploring historical themes, **Henry Coombs** will discuss his artistic process and inspiration before showing a selection of his films. 6pm, Hawthornden Lecture Theatre, [Scottish National Gallery](#), The Mound. Free and unticketed. Part of GENERATION By Night.

**Lunchtime Concert: Mark Spalding**, piano. 12.15pm, [St Giles' Cathedral](#), Royal Mile. Free.

 **Zombies in the Museum!** Edinburgh is on lock-down following the outbreak of an infectious disease. Brave survivors are needed to help in a mission to locate the source of the outbreak. You will be trained in how to survive a zombie attack. *Zombies in the Museum* is part of **Scotland Creates**, a national project working with partner museums, young adults

and creative partners. This event has been devised by young adults, for young adults. **For ages 14+**. Soft drinks only. 7-10pm, [National Museum of Scotland](#), Chambers Street. Tickets cost £5 and can be booked [here](#) or by calling 0300 123 6789. Supported by the Esme Fairbairn Trust and Creative Scotland.

**Blackwell's Edinburgh Presents Writers at the Fringe:** Zoe Venditozzi, Jonathan Falla, Victoria Hendry, Lisa Tuttle and Louise Walsh give a taste of their work. 5.45-7.45pm, [Blackwell's, South Bridge](#). Free tickets available from the shop's front desk, by calling 0131 622 8218 or from the [Fringe box office](#).

**The Travelling Gallery at the Collective Gallery:** today the [Travelling Gallery](#) brings its **GENERATION TG** exhibition to Calton Hill. The exhibition focuses on what it is like to be a contemporary visual artist in Scotland, and features the work of five artists working in a range of media. 11am-6pm, [Collective Gallery](#), 38 Calton Hill. The Collective Gallery is also showing **Ross Sinclair's** GENERATION exhibition *20 Years of Real Life* until 31st August. ❌

**Lunchtime Concert: Danae Eleni** (soprano) and **Guy Newbury** (piano.) 1.10-1.50pm, [St Mary's Cathedral](#), Palmerston Place. Free: retiring collection.

**MYDG Creative Youth Hub:** drop-in youth cafe with creative activities including dance, photography, nail art and lots more. Tuck shop provided. For S1+ 5.30-9pm, [North Edinburgh Arts](#), 15a Pennywell Court, free.

**Live Music Now: David Foley and Jack Smedley**, founding members of the 5-piece folk band *Rura*, play a mixed programme of traditional and contemporary Scottish and Irish folk music. 6-6.30pm, [Scottish National Portrait Gallery](#), 1 Queen Street. Free.