

Wednesday in Edinburgh – what's on today



Magic Carpet: introducing little ones to the fantastic objects in the museum through 25 minutes of stories, songs and activities. Suitable for ages 2-4 with an accompanying adult. 10.30-10.55am or 11.30-11.55am today and every Wednesday until 17th December 2014 – meet at the Lighthouse Lens, Grand Gallery, Level One, [National Museum of Scotland](#), Chambers Street. Free – sign up on the day at the Information Desk in the Entrance Hall. A similar session for ages 0-2 is held on Thursdays at the same times.

Edinburgh College Recruitment Day: an opportunity to talk to lecturers about each programme area and interview/audition and apply for courses online (bring whatever equipment you may need.) Places available to start now on a wide range of courses from access to degree level, vocational training and professionally accredited qualifications. 3-7.30pm, [Edinburgh College](#), Granton Campus, 350 West Granton Road,

 **Blackwell's Edinburgh Presents Charlene Harris: *Midnight Crossroad*.** Harris, queen of fantasy, celebrated mystery writer and author of the hugely successful Sookie Stackhouse novels (which were made into HBO's *True Blood* series), will introduce her new novel, *Midnight Crossroad*, 'a chilling small town murder with a jaw-dropping twist.' 6.30-8pm, [Blackwell's](#), South Bridge. Free tickets available from the shop's front desk, by calling 0131 622 8218 or by emailing events.edinburgh@blackwell.co.uk

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](#), The Mound. Free and unticketed.

Behind the Scenes: Your Chance to Explore the Archive. Have you ever wanted to see what lies in the Gallery of Modern Art's Archive, and to have a chance to make your own selection from the materials held there? In conjunction with artists **Carson & Miller**, NGS are offering you the chance to do just that. Carson & Miller will play '*An Archive Game*' in the Gallery of Modern Art's archive store – part of the gallery that is usually unseen by visitors. Come by yourself or bring a partner to join in. The selection you make when you play could form part of a forthcoming gallery exhibition in the **Keiller Library**. There will be five events throughout the day, each lasting 30 minutes, at 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm, 2.30pm and 3.30pm, all at the [Scottish Gallery of Modern Art TWO](#), Belford Road. Free places should be booked by calling 0131 624 6268.

Hospices of Hope Open Meeting: Carolyn Perolls, Chief Executive of Hospices of Hope Trading, will talk about the wonderful work undertaken by Hospices of Hope's teams of health professionals in **Romania, Serbia and Moldova** to improve the lives of adults and children with life-limiting conditions – work that could not be carried out without the generosity of Hospices of Hope's customers. Come along and learn about the satisfaction of raising funds for these very necessary causes. 2-4.30pm, [Royal Overseas League](#), 100 Princes Street. All welcome – tea, coffee and cake provided!

Lunchtime Concert: Liedertafel 1878 Male Voice Choir from Goddelsheim, Germany. 12.15pm, [St Giles' Cathedral](#), High Street. Free.

Walk The War: join **Andrew Grant** on a tour of Leith. 10am-1pm, starting at [Leith Library](#), 28-30 Ferry Road. Free but please book in advance by emailing the library at leith.library@edinburgh.gov.uk or calling 0131 529 5517. Part

of the *Leith in World War One* season.

Charity Cake Extravaganza: Edinburgh Bakers, It's Good 2 Give and **Lauriston Castle** host this charity event, with all proceeds going to It's Good 2 Give. Magician, raffle – and four slices of cake per ticket! Pledges of cakes required: tickets cost £5 if you pledge a cake, £10 if you just want to eat it. 6.30-8.30pm, Victorian Glasshouse (outside if good weather), [Lauriston Castle](#), 2a Cramond Road South. See Edinburgh Bakers' [website](#) for more details and how to obtain tickets – **NB numbers limited.**

After School Art Club: a chance to experiment and learn from others, be creative and above all have fun. For children aged 4-12. 5-6.15pm, [Craigmillar Community Arts](#), 58 Newcraighall Road. £1 per person.

✘ **Zoo Arts:** visual art sessions for local young artists who would like to improve their skills and be inspired and involved with exciting projects that run on a 2-4 week basis. For ages 9-14. 4-5.30pm, [North Edinburgh Arts](#), 15a Pennywell Court. 50p per session, includes healthy snack. More information [here](#).

Gaelic Workshop: free, very informal language class/workshop for total beginners. 2.30-3.30pm, [Forest Cafe](#), Lauriston Place.

Free The Technics Two (vinyl session): 'not only do we demand a revolution we can dance to, we want to dance to our own tunes.' 4-7pm, [Forest Cafe](#), Lauriston Place

Samba Drumming Workshop @ FC+: 5.50-7.30pm, [Forest Centre Plus](#), 38 Castle Terrace.

Leith Community Safety Surgery: tenants and homeowners welcome to come along and meet local officers from the police and council. Seek advice, raise concerns or chat about your community. 12 noon – 2pm, [McDonald Road library](#), McDonald

Road. No appointment needed.