

Five things you need to know today Edinburgh!



Gracemount housing development is an award winner

Vote for Broomhouse Centre tonight!

Artwork at Stockbridge Library

Murder at The Fruitmarket Gallery

Edinburgh's Christmas

The council's first housing project to be constructed in Edinburgh for a generation has won an award making it a triple winner. The housing development was judged to be better than the Commonwealth Games Village in Glasgow, and 'remarkable' thanks to the design of the houses and the engagement with the community.

Over 40 local companies were supported by the project along with a number of apprenticeships.

Gracemount won the 'Best Partnership in Affordable Housing Delivery' category of the 2012 Homes for Scotland Awards, and 'Community Partnership of the Year' in the Scottish Homes Award in 2011.

21st Century Homes is the Council's exciting programme of up to £170m of Council-led investment in housing-led regeneration of the Gracemount, North Sighthill, West Pilton, Pennywell & Muirhouse and Greendykes areas.

The Council and its partners have trebled the number of affordable homes built in the city each year. Over 1,300

affordable homes were built last year with a further 1,000 under construction at 25 sites across the city.

The Broomhouse Centre has been chosen as a finalist for the People's Millions Lottery competition. A short showcase of their project entry will be broadcast on ITV tonight at 6pm. More details on their [Facebook](#) page.



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A permanent artwork has been revealed at Stockbridge Library in Edinburgh, as part of [Book Week Scotland 2014](#).

'Under the Shy Moon' was created by artist Rachel Barron and takes the form of a vinyl installation and geometric mobile, which is suspended from the beams within the library. It is hoped that 'Under the Shy Moon' will encourage the local community to visit their library and begin or continue their reading journey.

The artwork was inspired by *Dear Library*, a poem written by best-selling Scottish author and playwright Jackie Kay as part of Book Week Scotland. *Dear Library* highlights the important role that libraries can play at every stage of an individual's life, from childhood to old age. Rachel was given one verse of the poem to inspire her artwork, written from the perspective of an expectant mother. The full poem can be read [on the Book Week Scotland website](#).

Murder at The Fruitmarket Gallery Sat 29 Nov, 7.30pm. £5. 'Book Week Scotland'

As part of Book Week Scotland we're hosting an evening of crime at the Gallery. Hear readings from Tartan Noir author Doug Johnstone, a new short story from Hannah McGill and enjoy live jazz music alongside a private viewing of Stan Douglas's exhibition.

To book, visit [Eventbrite](#).



Edinburgh's Christmas has lit up the centre of Edinburgh with lights on trees all the way down the Mound, flashing lights in Princes Street Gardens with the Christmas Wheel and the Star Flyer, and there are pretty trees with white lights all the way along George Street.

But apart from the lights there are also many things to entertain you from now till Christmas and beyond.

The Edinburgh Reporter met the cast of Scotch and Soda yesterday afternoon in St Andrew Square, and it looks like a fast and furious show. We are off to see it this evening and will be able to let you know more tomorrow...but for now here is a little taster.

[The Edinburgh Reporter NEWS Scotch and Soda comes to town](#) from [Phyllis Stephen](#) on [Vimeo](#).