Thursday in Edinburgh — What's On Today

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The Secret Herb Garden Festive Evening: wine, cheese, chocolate and charcuterie in a beautiful setting at the foot of the Pentland Hills. 4-8pm, The Secret Herb Garden, 32a Old Pentland Road, EH10 7EA (for more information re location see the Secret Herb Garden's website or call 07525 069773).

Pilton Equalities Project Presents: Cinderella — Panto Time! 6-8pm, Granton Baptist Church, Crewe Road Gardens. Tickets 4 (children £1), refreshments provided. Please book in advance to assist in planning of catering: phone Trish on 0131 315 4466.

Bookbug: songs and rhymes for young children and their adults. 10.30-11am, <u>Fountainbridge Library</u>, 137 Dundee Street.

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Rosie Nimmo, copyright Marc Marnie

The Rosie Nimmo Duo: Rosie Nimmo (vocals, rhythm, guitar and harmonica) and Stuart Allardyce (guitar) present a programme of swinging tunes to mark the Christmas season. 6-6.30pm, Main Gallery, Scottish National Gallery, The Mound. Free and unticketed.

Under Fives Christmas Storytime: 10.30-11am, Morningside
Library, 184 Morningside Road. Free.

Growing Underground: Forest's Very Open Stage. Sign up for a 15 min+ slot in the cafe, or contact the team via Facebook.

Free tea, coffee or corkage up to £1.50 for performers. 7.30pm, Forest Cafe, 141 Lauriston Place. Free entry: BYOB — corkage 70p for beer, £1.50 for wine.

LGBT Learning Disability Project Festive Party. The Project provides a range of opportunities for building confidence and friendship among LGBT people who also identify as having a learning disability/difficulty. 2-4pm, Lifecare Centre, Cheyne Street. For more information call 0131 652 3281 or email george@lgbthealth.org.uk: please bring a carer or supporter if you need help to participate.

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Christmas Cracker 2014! Readings and discussions with Angela Jackson, Michael Malone, Lucy Lawrie, Graeme MacRae Burnet, Daniel Gray and Alan McCredie: there will also be festive cheer, mince pies and tipples in abundance! 6pm, Waterstones West End, Princes Street. Free tickets are available from the store: for more information call 0131 226 2666.

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Whale Arts Christmas Celebration! Special Christmas Show by resident drama group Whales Without A Cause, handmade crafts for sale from Stitch 'N Time, South West Sounds groups premier their 2014 songs, smART Craft exhibition, mince pies and mulled wine (or BYOB). 6pm till late, Whale Arts, 30 Westburn Grove. For further information please call 0131 458 3267.

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CinemaAttic Fundraising Event: #Mutant Christmas. A screening of Accion Mutante (18) — a cult film from 1993 by award-winning Spanish director Alex de la Iglesia — and Party Xmas Bash with special DJs. Film: 7.30 for 8pm, Red Lecture Theatre, Summerhall, 1 Summerhall (NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE FROM ONE SHOWN ON POSTER); party: 11pm-3am, Wee Red Bar, Lauriston Place. Film £6 + booking fee via eventbrite, party £5 payable

on the door — party ticket price includes a raffle for a box of **El Olivo** Spanish products, **Calduero Wines** and **Goya23**. CinemaAttic is a community interest group aiming to offer the best independent cinema from the Iberian peninsula and Latin America.

Music Among The Trees: Drew Crichton. Talented pianist Drew entertains visitors to the Edinburgh Christmas Tree Festival. 12 noon-1pm, Sanctuary, St Andrew's and St George's West Church, 13 George Street. Free: all welcome.

Candles and Quietness: the church will be open for quiet reflection and prayer. 5.15pm (come and go as you please), <u>St John's Episcopal Church</u>, Princes Street.

Hotel (15): the Nordic Film Festival concludes with this 'brutally honest and at times absurdly humorous exploration of the human psyche'. In Swedish with English subtitles. 6.30pm, Filmhouse, Lothian Road. Book online or call the box office on 0131 228 2688. The Nordic Film Festival is presented by day for night.

