

Wednesday in Edinburgh – What's On Today

✖ **Let's Glow: *The Winter's Tale*.** Edinburgh College HND Year One Acting and Performance students present Shakespeare's great tale of love and loss. Can that which is lost be found? 2pm or 7pm, PASS Theatre, [Edinburgh College Granton Campus](#), 350 West Granton Road. Tickets cost £10/£5 and may be purchased by emailing edward.mcgurn@edinburghcollege.ac.uk. Also at same times on Thursday 4th June 2015.


Craigmillar Library Book Group: currently reading *The Testament of Gideon Mack* by James Robertson. Call in to the library in advance to pick up your copy, then come along on the night to talk about it. 6.30pm, [Craigmillar Library](#), 101 Niddrie Mains Road.


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Sir Alexander
Macdonald
1744-1795 by
Sir George
Chalmers 1772


Tartan Portraits: Scotland's History. Art historian Jonathan Macdonald will tell the stories of five separate wearers of tartan from the 17th to the 19th centuries – stories that do not always match the romantic image of the typical Highlander. 12.15-12.45pm, Second Floor, [Scottish National Portrait Gallery](#), 1 Queen Street. Free and unticketed.


Dementia Awareness Week 2015: Making Musselburgh Dementia Friendly. Come and hear plans to make Musselburgh East Lothian's first dementia-friendly town. 2.15-4pm, **St Andrew's High Parish Church**, High Street, Musselburgh.

Lunchtime Concert: Piano Speak with Will Pickvance. 12.15pm, [St Giles' Cathedral](#), High Street. Free.


French Cinema: 9 Mois Ferme. An off-the-wall comedy  starring **Sandrine Kiberlain**, who won a *Cesar* for her interpretation of Judge Ariane Felder. Directed by **Albert Dupontel**. 'A disconcerting but hilarious film'. In French with English subtitles. 1-2.30pm, [Institut francais d'Ecosse](#), 13 Randolph Crescent. Free admission.


 **Blackwell's Edinburgh Presents Kristina Taylor: Women Garden Designers 1900 to the Present.** The author looks at twenty-seven of the most important and influential female garden designers and their gardens from around the world, from **Gertrude Jekyll** to **Vita Sackville West**, **Penelope Hobhouse**, **Rosemary Verey**, **Herta Hammerbacher**, **Rosemary Weisse**, **Haruko Seki** and **Isabel du Prat**. 6.30pm, [Blackwell's](#), South Bridge. Free tickets are available from the shop's front desk, by calling 0131 622 8218, emailing events.edinburgh@blackwell.co.uk or via eventbrite [here](#).


Craigie's Farm Shop & Cafe Recruitment Evening: a variety  of positions are available for **summer** and **weekend** staff. If you're interested come along to the farm tonight! Please RSVP and email your CV to rowland@craigies.co.uk. 6pm, [Craigie's Farm](#), West Craigie Farm, South Queensferry, EH30 9AR.

 **The Scottish Gallery: New Exhibitions.** (1) **Artisan Leather:** a solo exhibition of accessories by celebrated Irish designer **Una Burke**. Una uses traditional leather-working techniques to make both seasonal fashion accessory collections and sculptural art pieces. Her collections are concept based and often influenced by psychological, medical and military sources. (2) **Enigmata:** a rare collection of works on paper by the distinguished 20th century Scottish artist **James Cowie**, an admirer of **Poussin** and the **Pre-Raphaelites**, who believed that art was the product of thought and reason rather than a spontaneous reaction to the subject. (3) **Duncan Shanks: Works**

on Paper 1957-2013. An exhibition to coincide with ***The Poetry of Place*** exhibition at the **Hunterian Art Gallery**, University of Glasgow. 10am-6pm Monday to Friday, 10am-4pm Saturdays, [The Scottish Gallery](#), 16 Dundas Street. All three exhibitions close on 30th June 2015.

Bi and Beyond Edinburgh: a fortnightly social gathering for  people who identify as bisexual and non-monosexual. With organised social activities and refreshments provided, whatever your label or lack of label we welcome you. 7-9pm, [LGBT Health & Wellbeing](#), 9 Howe Street. Group contact biandbeyondedinburgh@gmail.com.

 **David Talbot Rice Memorial Lecture 2015:** an illustrated conversation between **Pat Fisher**, **Chris Breward** and **Duncan Macmillan**, discussing the past, present and future of Talbot Rice Gallery as it celebrates its 40th year. 6.30-7.30pm, [Talbot Rice Gallery](#), University of Edinburgh, Old College, South Bridge. Free tickets may be obtained via eventbrite [here](#).

Get Organised Summer Recitals: **John Kitchen** presents a  selection of favourites, including Lemare *Carmen Fantasy*, Waldteufel *The Skater's Waltz*, Massenet *Meditation from Thais* and Eric Coates *By the Sleepy Lagoon*. 1.10-1.50pm, [Usher Hall](#), Lothian Road. Tickets cost £4 and may be purchased in person from the Box Office, by calling 0131 228 1155 or online [here](#) (Phone & online bookings are subject to a transaction fee).






Automatronic: a concert by **Michael Bonaventure** and **Huw Morgan**, featuring organ and electronics combining to create a completely new tonal experience. **Automatronic** is a collective formed in 2013: it seeks to explore, commission, promote and perform new music for the unique combination of organ and electronics. 7.30pm, [St Peter's Episcopal Church](#), Lutton Place. Free admission.



St Mark's Festival 2015 – Music on a Summer Evening: Portobello High School. Portobello High School's **cello ensemble**, directed by **Mrs Aimee Horvath**, will perform music from Bach to 21st century pop songs. Also from Portobello High, **The Spurtle Ceilidh Band** will play a mix of traditional music with an individual twist. 7pm, [St Mark's Church](#), 287 Portobello High Street. Tickets cost £5 (under 16s free) on the door or in advance from the church.

 **Nothing Ever Happens Here: Eagulls.** The Leeds-based band offers 'chaotic and confrontational live shows'; Eagulls have supported **Jesus and The Mary Chain**, **Suede** and **Manic Street Preachers**, and toured in their own right. 'Demented riffs, pounding drums and vocals that scream with authenticity' (*Clash*). Support tbc. For over 16 years only. 8pm-late, The Dissection Room, [Summerhall](#), 1 Summerhall. Tickets cost £9 in advance (£10 on the door, sta) and may be booked online [here](#) or by calling the Box Office on 0131 560 1581.

Opium Sessions: a new weekly open mic/jam night. Come and join in or just come and enjoy! 8-11pm, [Opium](#), Cowgate.

Uke Hoot: a weekly ukulele jam and singalong. 7.30pm  tonight and every Wednesday, **Kilderkin**, 65 Canongate. For

more information contact ukehoot@gmail.com.

Sofi's Lounge Act feat. Dog on a Swing, Tom Reed and Alex L Maxwell. A trio of talented local singer-songwriter/performers play 'the cosiest venue in Edinburgh'. 7.30pm, [Sofi's Bar](#), Henderson Street.