

Five things you need to know today



Bailey's Stardust

World Press Photo Exhibition

Placemaking in South Queensferry

ESPC team up with Royal Blind

Walking in North Edinburgh

✖ If by any small chance you find yourself in Princes Street with a spare hour then you could do no better than spend it in the National Gallery looking at the Bailey's Stardust exhibition.

There are over 300 photographs and exhibits and many of them are of Mick Jagger. According to Christopher Baker Director of the Scottish National Portrait Gallery Bailey takes photos of people he likes more often than others. If that is the case then he clearly likes Jagger very much.

There are photographs here spanning Bailey's career since the 1960s and he recently spent six days in Edinburgh ensuring that each photograph was hung in exactly the right place.

[Read more here](#)

Stardust is one of three big photography exhibitions in Edinburgh at the moment. The other two are being displayed at The Scottish Parliament.

[The World Press Photo \(WPP\) Exhibition 2015](#) is an

international contest for photojournalists and features 130 moving and thought provoking images taken during the course of 2014. Once again the Scottish Parliament is the only Parliament in the world to host the exhibition.

[Michael Peto: Politics in Focus](#) includes photographs by Michael Peto – the celebrated Hungarian-born photographer who witnessed some of the most historic moments of the 1950s and 1960s. The exhibition includes a number of unseen photographs of some of the world's most iconic figures. People who have shaped and changed the way we see the world including Nelson Mandela, Winston Churchill, Indira Ghandi and Jennie Lee.

The Council, [Queensferry and District Community Council](#) and [Queensferry Ambition](#) will be holding a Placemaking exercise to get your views on what you think works and what doesn't work so well in Queensferry.



ESPC, the leading property marketing company in East Central Scotland, has announced its commitment to support Royal Blind as its new chosen charity for the next 12 months.

The charity, which provides education, care and employment for blind and partially sighted people throughout Scotland was chosen through a vote by the staff at ESPC.

This organisation also has a special relevance to the ESPC team as the company sponsors its Ambassador, Paralympian and Commonwealth medal winner, Libby Clegg. Libby suffers from a deteriorating eye condition known as Stargardt's Macular Dystrophy disease, which means she only has slight peripheral vision in her left eye, and is registered as blind.

From today, ESPC will be doing its best to help promote the

charity, raise awareness and assist them with fundraising.

Caroline Young, spokeswoman for ESPC said: "At ESPC we've been inspired by Libby and her achievements which she has accomplished despite her disability. As a former pupil of the Royal Blind School she is now a brand ambassador for the establishment, so we are excited to be working with Royal Blind to support their good work.

"The charity provides invaluable support to hundreds of people throughout Scotland and raises awareness of a disability that many of us take for granted."

Royal Blind is a Scottish charity that has been creating life changing opportunities for blind and partially sighted people since 1793, making the charity 222 years old. Their key services are the Royal Blind School, Forward Vision which is a 24 hour care service supporting young adults aged 17 to 25, Kidscene which is an integrated after school and holiday club catering for children with and without additional support needs, the Scottish Braille Press, and Braeside House, which is the only nursing home in Scotland that specialises in care for blind and partially sighted older people.

Kerrigan Bell, Fundraiser at Royal Blind said: "We are delighted to have been chosen by ESPC as their charity partner this year. ESPC already sponsor Libby Clegg, a former pupil at the Royal Blind School, and are a well-known and respected company locally.

"With most of our services including the Royal Blind School, Braeside House and Kidscene based in Edinburgh, it seemed like a natural fit. We are already working on some new fundraising ideas and are so glad that the ESPC team will be getting involved over the coming year, helping to make a difference to the lives of people with a visual impairment!"

This latest announcement follows a year of fundraising by ESPC for CCLASP (Children with Cancer and Leukaemia Advice and

Support for Parents). Over the last 12 months ESPC managed to raise a total of of almost £10,000 for the charity through events such as the 20 hour hop-a-thon and a sponsored 20k run.

If you would like to support Royal Blind or find out more visit: www.royalblind.org/



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