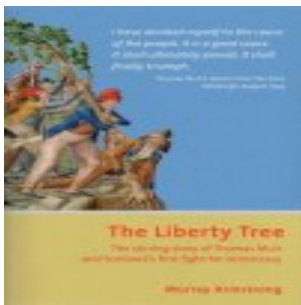


# Monday in Edinburgh – What's On Today

**Cameo Toddler Time:** short screenings for pre-school children and their parents and carers. Today's film is **Q Pootle 5: Programme 6 (U)**. Friendship is at the heart of this **CBeebies** series, set on the wonderful planet of **Okidoki** where **Q Pootle 5** and his friends find fun and adventure. 11am, [Cameo](#), Home Street. Tickets cost £3 per child, accompanying adults free, and may be purchased in person, by calling the Box Office on 0871 902 5723 or online [here](#): no adult will be admitted without a child.





**Edinburgh Book Fringe:** daily events – all of them free (donations appreciated) – for two weeks at **Word Power Books**, Edinburgh's independent radical bookshop. Today: former **Guardian** journalist **Murray Armstrong** discusses his historical novel **The Liberty Tree**, 'the compelling story of (Thomas) Muir's trajectory as radical agitator and democratic hero', and Muir's legacy, on the 250th anniversary of his birth in 1765. 1pm, [Word Power Books](#), West Nicolson Street. All welcome! No booking required, but arrive promptly as space is limited.


**St Mary's Cathedral Lunchtime Recital:** **Momoko Sakai** (cello). 1.10pm, [St Mary's Cathedral](#), Palmerston Place. Free.


**St Mary's Cathedral Coffee Concert:** **John Bryden** plays Elgar on the Cathedral Steinway. The recital will be followed by

coffee and shortbread. 10.30am, [St Mary's Cathedral](#), Palmerston Place. Free.

**Curated by...** a season of films hand-picked by invited  Festival regulars. Each screening will feature an in-person introduction by the curator, revealing their passion for the film and their reasons for choosing it. Today: **Alan Bissett** presents **Jaws (12A)**, **Steven Spielberg's** classic that gave millions of us an insurmountable fear of swimming in the sea. 9pm, [Cameo](#), Home Street. Tickets may be purchased from the Box Office in person, by calling 0871 902 5723 or online.

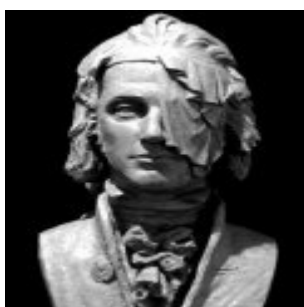
 **St Martin's Art Exhibition:** work by over 35 local artists and craftspeople, including **photography, painting, glasswork, woodwork, knitting, upholstery and quilting**. Cafe with **homebaking**. Opens today 12 noon-7pm, at same times every day until Friday 28th and then 10am-12.30pm on Saturday 29th August, when there will also be a coffee morning. [St Martin's Community Resource Centre](#), Dalry Road. All welcome!

**Grassmarket Community Cinema: *The Kite Runner* (12A).** The  harrowing and painful, but also heart-warming and uplifting, story of two boys, wealthy **Amir** and **Hassan**, the son of a servant, growing up in Afghanistan. The boys' friendship is shattered when Amir fails to protect Hassan from a brutal attack and later drives him away to conceal his shame. After years living in exile in America as a writer, Amir returns home to atone for his sins by finding his old friend's missing son. Based on the novel by **Khaled Hosseini**. 7pm, [Grassmarket Community Project](#), 86 Candlemaker Row. All welcome; free – donations to the Project also very welcome. The cafe will be open – please use it!

**Lee Miller: Wonder and Horror. Richard Calvocoressi,**  Director, Henry Moore Foundation and author of **Lee Miller: Portraits From A Life** (2002), discusses Miller's career as a war photographer and as a correspondent for *Vogue*. 12.45-1.30pm, Hawthornden Lecture Theatre, [Scottish](#)

[National Gallery](#), The Mound. Free and unticketed.

✗ **The Big West Fest: Active Inquiry Presents *Resilience*.** The Edinburgh-based drama group presents a piece of legislative theatre exploring how community groups can survive and thrive in the current economic and political climate. 6pm, [WHALE Arts](#), 30 Westburn Grove. This event is part of **The Big West Fest**, WHALE's on-site festival offering a programme of free performances and activities from today until Saturday 29th August for anyone over the age of 16.




**Thomas Muir Memorial Lecture: Alex Salmond MP** delivers the inaugural lecture on the 250th anniversary of the birth of **Thomas Muir**, Glaswegian-born lawyer, political reform campaigner – and Australia's first political prisoner. 7pm for 7.30pm, [St Mary's Cathedral](#), Palmerston Place. Free but tickets are required and may be obtained from [Word Power Books](#), West Nicolson Street (0131 662 9112) or from the Cathedral office (0131 225 6293 – open mornings only); a suggested donation of £5 (or more) per person is invited to cover costs. Organised by **Word Power Books** and supported by **Friends of Thomas Muir**.

**For Crying Out Loud:** exclusive screenings for parents and carers and their babies under 12 months. Baby changing, ✗

bottle-warming and buggy parking facilities are available. Today's film is ***She's Funny That Way* (12A)** starring **Imogen Poots, Jennifer Aniston** and **Rhys Ifans** in 'a frothy tale of romantic misadventures'. 11am, [Filmhouse](#), Lothian Road. Tickets cost £4.50/£3.50 per adult (maximum 2 adults per baby) and may be obtained from the Box Office in person or by calling 0131 228 6382.



**The Otesha Project UK: *Otesha*** are a mobile community of young people who are spending four weeks cycling through Scotland, visiting schools, youth clubs and communities to perform the **Otesha UK Play** and run workshops on how global issues affect everyday lives. '**Otesha**' means 'reason to dream' or 'to plant something and watch it grow', and the project's aim is to create a movement of young people with the power, skills and creativity to make a fairer, cleaner and greener world. Come and find out how to live in a way that makes good things happen without harming others or the planet. [North Edinburgh Arts](#), Pennywell Court, Muirhouse. The performance will take place after school – please contact NEA on 0131 315 2151 for more information and time.

**Come and See:** one-off screenings of classic films. Today:  ***Dirty Harry* (15)** – tough, sardonic San Francisco police inspector Harry Callahan (**Clint Eastwood**) is assigned to track and apprehend an unhinged, manipulative killer, and finds himself forced to go beyond the stringent limits of protocol to do so. **Don Siegel's** fourth collaboration with Eastwood is a 'crisp, suspenseful cat-and-mouse thriller that manages to raise difficult questions about the ethics of law and order in the process'. 8.15pm, [Filmhouse](#), Lothian Road. Tickets may be

obtained from the Box Office in person, by calling 0131 228 6382 or online: prices vary.

✖ **LGBT Spiritual Space: Mindfulness Meditation.** Maxwell Reay, NHS Mental Health Community Chaplain, offers a supportive space for people to discuss and develop ideas of spirituality and identity. For people of all faiths or none. Today: a group opportunity to discover what is meant by mindfulness, and how it relates to spirituality and positive mental wellbeing. 6.30-7.30pm (within weekly Drop-in, which runs 5.30-8pm), [LGBT Health & Wellbeing](#), 9 Howe Street. For more information please contact **Alison Wren** on 0131 652 3283 or [alison@lgbthealth.org.uk](mailto:alison@lgbthealth.org.uk).

**Ragged University: To Space – The Human Costs of Space Exploration.** Dr Niamh Shaw, performer, scientist, engineer and former full-time academic and peer-reviewed published author, is now in training to go into space. She will talk about **MarsOne**, a non-profit organisation based in the Netherlands that aims to establish a permanent human colony on Mars by 2025 and to document the process on a reality TV show that will begin airing in 2015. 7-9pm, [Leith Beer Company](#), 58 The Shore. Free, no need to book – just turn up; food will be provided.



