

University of Edinburgh museum events in May

1st May: Japanese Tea Ceremony
St Cecilia's Hall, 50 Niddry Street
2pm – 3.30pm, Tickets £5

In partnership with Japanese Arts and Culture International, this event, led by Mio Shapley, Director of JACI and Japanese Tea Ceremony Master, includes a performance of Shamisen guitar music.

All guests will have the opportunity to enjoy a cup of green matcha tea with sweets.

Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/japanese-tea-ceremony-tickets-57726159497>



1st May: Talk on Scotland and the Spanish Civil War by Dr. Fraser Raeburn
Project Room (1.06) 50 George Square
5pm to 6pm, FREE

One of the themes of the Conectando exhibition at the Main Library Exhibition Gallery is Scotland and the Spanish Civil War. Join Dr Fraser Raeburn, Teaching Fellow in Modern European History, to hear more about this fascinating topic. The talk will be followed by the opportunity to visit the exhibition in a late night opening from 6pm to 7.30pm.

Eventbrite

link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/scotland-and-the-spanish-civil-war-talk-by-dr-fraser-raeburn-tickets-58366141701>

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3rd May: Music in Georgian Edinburgh: Free Activity for Anyone Affected by Dementia

St Cecilia's Hall, 50 Niddry Street

10.30am to 12pm, FREE

Discover the music and musical instruments played by the residents of Georgian Edinburgh.

The Social Programme creates a friendly environment where everyone is welcome and all contributions are valued. Sessions start with tea and cake, and feature a range of activities inspired by our collections, building confidence, inspiring curiosity and having fun. They are suitable for those who might both be regular visitors, as well as people who have always loved visiting.

Eventbrite

link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/music-in-georgian-edinburgh-free-activity-for-anyone-affected-by-dementia-tickets-57983730900>



8th May: International Nurses Day at Lothian Health Services Archive

Centre for Research Collections, University of Edinburgh Library

2.30pm – 3.30pm FREE

On the 8th of May, Lothian Health Services Archive will be hosting an event to celebrate International Nurses' Day. LHSA holds a wealth of records relating to nursing in Edinburgh, ranging from letters and certificates to training registers from across different hospital nursing schools. This event will be an opportunity to learn about the history of nursing in the region as well as a rare chance to see historic collections items including a lace cap belonging to 'the lady with the lamp', Florence Nightingale!

Eventbrite

Link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/international-nurses-day-at-lothian-health-services-archive-tickets-60525109231?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

10th May: Polska Muzyka: Tracks in the Collection

St Cecilia's Hall, 50 Niddry Street

5.30pm – 7.30pm, FREE

Discover the collection of St Cecilia's Hall by attending an evening at the museum. The event will start with some refreshments and an introduction is given about three musical instruments from the collection, that have a special connection with Poland. An activity will follow, where they will look at the instruments up, close and personal. To conclude this event, a short performance is given by a local musician.

Whether you are Polish or have an interest in this culture, you are warmly invited to come to this event and celebrate Polish musical heritage.

The event will be in English and with free admission, we do however kindly request people to register.

It is possible that there will be some filming during the event, if you have any questions about this, please contact: Alice van de Ven at vlavan11@ed.ac.uk

Eventbrite link here:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/polska-muzyka-tracks-in-the-collection-tickets-60192099189>

May 18th: Test our new 'Museum Explorers' Families Trail!

St Cecilia's Hall, 10am to 12pm, FREE

Suitable for ages 5+

At the end of June, we will launch our new 'Museum Explorers' Families trail. But first we need your feedback. Come and try out a draft of the trail and let us know what you think - we might end up incorporating your feedback into the final version!



June 29th: Launch of our new 'Museum Explorers' Families Trail

St Cecilia's Hall, 10am to 4.30pm, FREE

Please join us for the launch of our new Families' Trail and, if you came along to use the draft version, see your name in print as an acknowledgement of your help. Everyone who completes the trail will be entered into a raffle prize draw.

18th May: Test our new 'Museum Explorers' Family Trail
St Cecilia's Hall, 50 Niddry Street
2pm to 4pm FREE

At the end of June, St Cecilia's will launch their new 'Museum Explorers' Families Trail. But first they need your feedback!

As part of Kids in Museums 'Takeover Day', they would like to invite all families to come and try out a draft of the trail and let them know what you think – they might end up incorporating your feedback into the final version!

Eventbrite

link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/test-our-new-museum-explorers-families-trail-tickets-58491672166>



**23rd May: Three on a Thursday Concert Spanish Sounds Edition
St Cecilia's Hall, 50 Niddry Street**

7pm – 8.30pm, FREE

Join St Cecilia's for a special edition Three on a Thursday Concert where three different acts of 30 minutes each will represent the different sounds of Spain, Latin America and Portugal.

The first act is called Red Trio. They are a band comprising Eileen Karmy (flute, cuatro, and vocals) José Rojas (percussions, vocals) and Martín Farías (electric guitar, vocals) who play a repertoire of Latin American folk songs in refreshing arrangements.

The second act is Sérgio Prazeres, a Portuguese musician based in Edinburgh. Sergio plays and sings a mixture of Bossa Nova, Samba and MPB. Originally from Portugal, Sergio has been living in Scotland since 2007. Since then he has been touring extensively in different countries like Denmark, Italy, Brazil, Spain, UK and Holland with different projects and artists.

The final act is Basque singer and txalaparta player Nerea Bello and percussion player Shane Connelly. Together they will be exploring Basque rhythms and songs.

Eventbrite link here:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/three-on-a-thursday-spanish-and-latin-american-sounds-edition-tickets-58802630250>

25th May: Anatomical Museum Open Day

Anatomical Museum

10:00am – 4:00pm (last entry 3:30pm), FREE

At the Anatomical Museums monthly open day the museum is open for the public to discover some fascinating and gruesome objects, including Burke's skeleton (of Burke and Hare fame). No need to book in advance, just go along!