

Five things you need to know today

EIFF Cinema under the stars

The Edinburgh International Film Festival begins on Friday, and there will be outdoor screenings in the Quad at the University to enjoy over the weekend.

“Family-friendly titles with artists’ film, a live soundtrack to a classic, a wuxia-influenced double-bill, and some cracking new films, in a programme set to make your heart sing. Includes collaborations with Edinburgh International Festival, Alchemy Film & Arts and Hippodrome Silent Film Festival (HippFest). All screenings are ticketed and Pay What You Can.”

Saturday 19 August / 10:00 – 23:00	Sunday 20 August / 10:00 – 22:00
10:30 Puss in Boots: The Last Wish 13:00 The Electrical Life of Louis Wain 15:30 Let the Canary Sing 18:00 Scrapper 20:30 Parasite	10:30 The Lego Movie 13:00 The Wool Aliens (and other films) 15:00 Safety Last! 17:00 Hero 19:45 Everything Everywhere All At Once

Kate Taylor, EIFF Programme Director, said: “With Cinema under the Stars we welcome Edinburgh audiences to a weekend of gorgeous, imaginative and uplifting films. We’re particularly excited to present previews of new feature films *Scrapper*, surely the most charming UK film of the year, and *Let The Canary Sing*, a film infused with infectious New York punk pop energy. Additionally we’ve got Oscar®-winners, we’ve got cats, and we’ve got Tony Leung and Maggie Cheung as lover assassins. Time to bust out the picnic blanket for a magical weekend.”

[Book tickets here](#)



Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh

Watch here as the glasshouse is being renovated. The timelapse shows four months of work in 60 seconds

Library of Mistakes

Never heard of it? Then you have an opportunity to visit the library in Melville Street Lane later this week.



Come and visit Edinburgh's quirkiest library, one of the city's best-kept secrets — free to use and open to all

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We're situated in the heart of Edinburgh's New Town/West End

More info at <https://www.libraryofmistakes.com>

Edinburgh Community Lottery

Any charity or good cause can sign up to the Edinburgh Community Lottery. It is a free fundraising opportunity for all charities in the city and an easy way for everyone to help out while having a chance of winning a prize.

[Find out more here on the EVOG website.](#)

Our August issue

Our August newspaper is on the streets now and we hope you like it.

Our cover story is about Rachel, with a strapline to our exclusive story about the leader of the Scottish Liberal Democrats.

And inside we have a feature from George Mair who is writing for us for the first time this month – and loads of sport from both Nigel Duncan and Bill Lothian.

If you would like to receive a copy just a wee bit ahead of everyone else then please subscribe by clicking on the image below. (And do read about [Rachel and the Barbie story here](#))

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EDINBURGH CAPITAL READ FROM START TO FINISH



Capital firm living the Barbie dream

By PHYLLIS STEPHEN

RACHEL HANRETTY started her business, Mademoiselle Macaron, in Edinburgh in 2013. Now some ten years later her trademark products - beautiful macarons - have a starring role in the very pink Greta Gerwig directed blockbuster movie of this summer, Barbie.

The pink delicacies were ordered in five flavours to be delivered to Warner Brothers Studio in Leavesdon, and not just as a perk for the cast, but to appear in a café in Barbie Land.

This was easy for the company based in Bonnington which produces more than 30,000 macarons each week. Rachel learned how to craft the sweet treat in Paris where she first tasted a vanilla macaron on the Champs-Élysées. She attended the Alain Ducasse cookery school in the French capital to perfect making the macarons which is now the centre of her business.

Mademoiselle Macaron products have been on screen before. They appeared on Strictly Come Dancing in 2021 during a dance based in a bakery when a tall tower of macarons appeared on the set. And there is at least one big name that can be revealed as a macaron lover. Courtney Love is a repeat customer who orders their vegan product - and no, we don't know how they make them - the recipe is secret. And in exciting news the business is commissioned to colour match the new Revlon lipstick range in just the right shade.

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Bonnington...
...to Barbie Land

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