

# Five things you need to know today

## The Cancer Tapestry film and exhibition

**A Good Thing To Do:** Andrew Crummy's Cancer Tapestry will be on view in Edinburgh on 3 February.

In 2017, Edinburgh artist, Andrew Crummy faced a cancer diagnosis. At that time he made a commitment: if he overcame the disease, he would honour and celebrate people's cancer experiences in a tapestry.

The Cancer Tapestry aims to gather 1000 stories to raise awareness and share experiences and we want to share an opportunity contribute.

This film by filmmaker Jon Gill tells the story of its origins and – even at this early stage – what it's come to mean to those who have contributed to it.

**Date:** Saturday 3 February 2024

**Venue:** Cornerstone Centre, St John's Episcopal Church, Princes Street, EH2 4BJ

**Open to the public:** This first Cancer Tapestry Exhibition – including Cancer Tapestry panels, Andrew's preliminary sketches and paintings, the documentary will be shown on rotation and the opportunity to add stitches to new Cancer Tapestry panels – will be open to the public between 1.30pm and 4.30pm (**last screening at 3.45pm**).



## Latest in Leith Links

The newest plans for the new activity hub in Leith Links have been unveiled.

## New series of Sir Alexander McCall Smith books

Sir Alexander McCall Smith is publishing a new series of

books. The Perfect Passion Dating Company at No. 24 Mouse Lane in Edinburgh's New Town is run by Katie Donald who has an innate instinct for bringing people together.

She has developed a skill for finding out what it is that people really want. Along the way, Katie learns profound lessons about her own desires as she works at better understanding others.

Although Katie has little in the way of direct experience, with the help of her amiable and handsome office neighbour William Kidd, she soon finds herself making matches for the lonely hearts tired of meeting online – and who want a more personal touch. [Pre-order here.](#)



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# Concert for Children

This weekend the stars of the Scottish Chamber Orchestra are staging a concert for children.

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## Heart and Soul



Gifted German artist  
Michael Pendry  
to once again  
transform  
St Giles' with  
his newest  
masterpiece



By PHYLIS STEPHEN

A NEW PUBLIC sculpture created by German artist Michael Pendry, will be sited in St Giles' Cathedral later this month. 'HEART' makes its UK premiere in the

capital in a collaboration between the Burns&Beyond Festival and the St Giles' 900th.

The anniversary marks the founding of the cathedral, to be celebrated with events throughout 2024. This year HEART will light up the

cathedral with the very symbol of life itself, a new three-dimensional work measuring five metres tall, will transform the space with a ticketed evening illumination and soundscape for visitors. The installation will take ten days to build and will be a central part of

the Burns&Beyond Festival which takes place in the city from 25 January to 11 February. What better symbol for the festival which takes its inspiration from Robbie Burns and promotes 'Luv, hope and Kindness', than a heart?

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