

FAIR SATURDAY

SCOTLAND

Saturday 25th November 2023

A DAY
CULTURE
CHANGE



Welcome...

...to Fair Saturday 2023!

We're delighted to see you here, and we have a wonderful programme of events by artists and performers from all over Scotland to celebrate Fair Saturday 2023.

Fair Saturday Scotland is our contribution to the international Fair Saturday Movement, a global mobilisation that aims to create a positive social impact, with culture at the centre. Originating in Bilbao in 2014, Fair Saturday is a very simple idea. We believe that there are two essential elements to build fairer and more developed societies: culture and empathy. Fair Saturday aims to respond to Black Friday in a positive way by prioritising culture and social empathy towards the most vulnerable in our society. Artists and cultural organisations from across Scotland and over the world get together in a global festival following just one requirement: to support a social cause of their choice through their event.

We would like to thank all the organisations who support Fair Saturday in Scotland, from our partners to all the participants, and you, the audience. We wouldn't be here without you!

"We have the opportunity to recognise the value of culture for development and social cohesion, empathy and equality. At Fair Saturday and of course every day of the year."

- Jordi Albareda, Founder, Fair Saturday Foundation

2023

participants



























































































Our most sincere thanks to the following organisations for your support













Fair Saturday 2023 events are proud to support the following organisations, alongside local communities across Scotland

























































Fair Saturday Launch Party!

Edinburgh College, City of Edinburgh Council Friday 10th November, 6pm-9pm Edinburgh College Granton Campus, 350 W Granton Rd, Edinburgh EH5 1QE Free, unticketed

You are welcome to come and join the fun at our free community event to launch the programme for Fair Saturday in Edinburgh this year. We will have live performances of music and dance, and there will be wine, soft drinks and canapes on arrival.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Fair Saturday Scotland, in partnership with Edinburgh College and The City of Edinburgh Council. Many, many thanks to our partners in Edinburgh.







Ten Poems of Kindness Book Launch

Candlestick Press Monday 13th November, 7.30pm-8.30pm, online Free, ticketed, please book in advance

Join us for the online launch of Ten Poems of Kindness (Volume Two) - Be Kind Always, that we worked on with the lovely people at Candlestick Press.

They're hosting an evening of poetry celebrating the power of kindness. The online event via Zoom will feature readings by poets from across the UK and beyond – all winners in their recent competition and all published in Ten Poems of Kindness (Volume Two) – Be Kind Always or as special postcard poems with their first Kindness pamphlet edited by Jackie Kay.

Readers will include Jane Burn, Jennifer Clark, Olga Dermott-Bond, Michelle Diaz, Zoë Green, Chitra Kalyani, Paul McDonald, Phoebe Robertshaw, Ali Rowland, Frances Thompson and HM Truscott.

It's free to attend but please join the guestlist via Ticket Tailor, and you'll be sent a Zoom link for the evening.



book tickets





The Potter of Leith

Winter Sale of Slightly Imperfect Pieces
Friday 24th November '23, 5 - 8pm
(with Mulled Wine)

Saturday & Sunday 25th-26th November '23 12 noon - 6pm



Courses, Tasters, Family Sessions, 1-2-1 Tuition, Group Sessions
Reduction-Fired Stoneware, Commissions Accepted
Gift Vouchers Available Via Website

Gallery Open for Sales Tues-Sat, 2 –6pm or by Appointment Leith Community Pottery, 4a Marine Esplanade,

Edinburgh EH6 7LU

Insta:thepotterofleith FB:@potterofleith

Winter Sale of Slightly Imperfect Pieces

The Potter of Leith
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November & Sunday 26th November, 12pm-6pm
Leith Community Pottery, 4a Marine Esplanade,
Edinburgh EH6 7LU
Free, unticketed

The Potter of Leith is holding a Winter Sale of Slightly Imperfect Pieces, so come along and grab a bargain while supporting this community pottery.

Opening evening, Friday 24th November, 5pm - 8pm, with Mulled Wine. 12 -6pm Saturday/Sunday 25th and 26th November. We have a range of reduction-fired stoneware goods at reduced prices, all hand made by the Potter of Leith, on offer at our workshop Gallery.

The Potter of Leith is a social enterprise and all profits go towards allowing us to follow our social mission of offering free and subsidised access to local people living with poor mental health.

thepotterofleith.co.uk

Supporting The Potter of Leith



Print Sale - Stampalofi

10am-6pm, Stampalofi, Middle Floor, Ocean Terminal, Ocean Drive, Leith EH6 6JJ Free, unticketed

Stampalofi is an open print studio and hot desk studio space in the Ocean Terminal shopping centre. We offer regular workshops to teach printmaking and sell prints by a number of artists.

We have been very lucky to buy a wonderful etching press from the Restall family who have agreed to sell works of Hazel Restall where 70% of sales are put into a micro residency fund to teach new printmakers. For Fair Saturday Stampalofi is excited to extend this percentage to all art on show.

The Hazell Restall Micro Residency is offered to artists based in Edinburgh and Leith interested in learning or advancing printmaking techniques at the StampaLoFi studio. The residency will last 4 days at the start of each month, during which time the artist will have access to the studio, printmaking facilities and a selection of materials.

If you are interested in learning printmaking or using the print workshop please ask.

stampalofi.art

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Grassmarket Market

10am-5pm, Grassmarket, Edinburgh EH1 2HS Free, unticketed

Come along to Grassmarket market and spend a while browsing the stalls full of lots of goodies and treats from local artisans and makers.

It's a perfect place to pick up a gift, for others, or yourself, and by buying here you'll know that you're supporting small independent traders and craftspeople. There will be stalls selling jewellery, lamps, handmade soaps, bags, children's clothing, leather goods, cards, ceramics, textiles, embroidery kits and cashmere knitwear. If music is more your thing, there's a stall selling vinyl and CDs.

There are also plenty of yummy eating options, from fresh bakes, breads, olives, tapenades, and sweet treats, to streetfood from Japan, Kenya, and Spain.

For a full list of stall holders, check out the web page nearer the time.

stockbridgemarket.com/grassmarket

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Leith Market

10am-4pm, Dock Place, Leith, Edinburgh EH6 6LU Free, unticketed

Leith Market, just off the Shore at the beautiful Custom House, is a lovely place to spend a few hours and find some new favourite local artisans. Take a wander round the food stalls and smell the fresh coffee brewing as you browse. There are plenty of stalls to pick up lunch, and it's also a great place to stock up on sustainable supplies, from handmade soaps to bamboo homewares and green bags.

As part of Leith Market's commitment to Fair Saturday, they are providing a stall to Bare Branding C.I.C. which helps to promote artists and the broader community and charities in printing locally and selling locally.

For a full list of stall holders, check out the web page nearer the time.

stockbridgemarket.com/leith

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RSPB at City Art Centre

City Art Centre 10am-4pm, 2 Market Street, Edinburgh EH1 1DE Free, unticketed, drop-in

We are delighted to be joined by RSPB Scotland to link in with environmental themes in our exhibition 'Deep Rooted'. Nature is in crisis, together we can save it. Come and visit the RSPB stand in the foyer of the City Art Centre to find out how we are giving nature a home and how you can get involved. You may get the chance do to a craft! Free and drop-in.

Located in the heart of Edinburgh close to Waverley train station, the City Art Centre's aim is to champion historic and contemporary Scottish visual and applied arts. Artworks from our Nationally Recognised collection of Scottish art are displayed on a rotating basis. Visitors can also enjoy our richly diverse programme of changing exhibitions, which include historic and modern Scottish painting and photography, as well as contemporary art and craft.



Out of the Blue Flea Market

Out of the Blue Arts & Education Trust 10am-3pm, Out of the Blue Drill Hall, Dalmeny Street Unticketed, free

We all know secondhand and vintage things are kinder to the environment. The famous monthly Out of the Blue Flea Market is back! Browse more than 45 stalls packed with pre-loved items. Come on down and find just what you never knew you needed!

The Cafe will be open throughout selling lots of yummy food and snacks.

Entry is free, and because the market can be busy, we will be monitoring numbers and there may be a queue outside the Drill Hall at certain times.



Christmas Craft Fair

The Eric Liddell Community 10.30am-3.30pm, 15 Morningside Road, Edinburgh Free, unticketed

Come and get into the festive spirit at the Eric Liddell Community Christmas Craft Fair. In addition to lots of lovely craft stalls by local makers, perfect for picking up Christmas gifts, there's a whole range of activities planned for the family, including face painting and Christmas cupcake decorating.

Refreshments are available, from mulled wine and mince pies, to the community produce stall, selling jam, chutney, shortbread, oatcakes, tablet and more. Café Connect will also be open for hot and cold drinks, scones, soup & crusty bread.

By coming along today, you'll be supporting the valuable work of the Eric Liddell Community. We are passionate about providing key services to people living with dementia and their carers across Edinburgh, while bringing the local community together in our Community Hub in Morningside. All the services we run are designed to bring us closer to our vision to live in a community where no one feels lonely or isolated. This year we will also be working in partnership with Edinburgh and Lothians Greenspace Trust on their 'Million Tree City' initiative. They will have a table outside and be giving away free trees.



Fair Saturday Fun Day at Leith Library

Leith Library

10.30m-4pm, Leith Library, 28-30 Ferry Road, Edinburgh Free, drop-in (some activities may have limited capacity)

Lovely Leith Library is open all day on Fair Saturday, with a special programme of events open to all!

10.30am Bookbug Session: songs, stories & rhymes for 0- to 4-year-olds and their parents or carers.

11.30am 'Book chat' café: a warm welcome with refreshments, chat about books, or enjoy board games and puzzles (for adults).

12pm-2pm Childrens' face-painting (for ages 4+)

12pm-2pm Drop by and pick up our Kindness of Words Family Activity Pack and have a go at making a concertina book or colouring some bookmarks to keep or give to friends. If you aren't able to make it along to the library, all the activities and the Kindness of Words Activity Pack can be downloaded here:

https://standrews.fairsaturday.org/ There are lots of activities and ideas for the whole family to discover, share, and create stories!

2pm-3pm Children's Lego Club: creative brick-building fun 2pm-3pm Music performance (artist tbc.): everyone

welcome for a musical finale to the fun-day!

yourlibrary.edinburgh.gov.uk facebook.com/LeithLibrary

This event is supported by the City of Edinburgh Council & Fair Saturday Community Event Fund and supports the local community.

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ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Saturday 25th November

Yoga and Pilates Taster Sessions (Bring a mat if you have one!)

Bloom Yoga: 11:00-11:30 & 11:30-12:00

On Point Pilates: 12:15-12:45 & 12:45-13:15

Family Friendly Zumba Session

All Abilities Zumba Session with Eric: 13:30-14:15

Arts Workshops – Create Your Own
Christmas Decorations!

11:30-12:30 & 12:45-13:45 & 14:00-15:00 Email admin@heartofnewhaven.co.uk to book art workshops

> Stalls - Tasty Treats, Handmade Craft & Items for Sale

Mwamba, Edinburgh Spiders, Mens Shed, Family Craft Table, History of Education Centre

Music

Splinterz (Mens Shed): 13:00 Winter Trad Instrumental: 14:00

Fair Saturday at the Heart of Newhaven

The Heart of Newhaven Community
11am-3pm, 4-6 Main Street, Newhaven EH6 4HY
Drop-in sessions, pay by donation, events through the day

We are excited to invite you to our event to celebrate Fair Saturday Festival on Saturday 25th November! The event will run here at The Heart from 11am-3pm. Come along and sample some tasty food, browse the stalls, get involved in some facilitator-led taster sessions, craft and more! This is a great opportunity to connect with the community.

Here at The Heart we have partnered with local artists and facilitators who will deliver a range of taster sessions for visitors. Workshops will follow a "Pay What You Can" approach, with donations going into fundraising for our charity here at The Heart of Newhaven. There will be lots of opportunities to get involved:

Arts Workshops – Create Your Own Christmas Decorations!

These art sessions are in Yavoriv style which is registered as intangible cultural heritage in Ukraine. Maximum of 15 participants per session. We recommend booking a place! Email admin@heartofnewhaven.co.uk to book. There will also be numerous other activities to get involved in throughout the day (11am-3pm): Family Crafting – make your own jewellery and Christmas badges!

Explore the Victorian Schoolroom run by The History of Education Centre Browse Hand-Made Items from a variety of stalls including Leith Mens Shed Yard Sale, Mwamba, The Ukranian Community's Edinburgh Spiders and more! Music provided by SPLINTERZ (Mens Shed) at 1pm and Winter

heartofnewhaven.co.uk

Trad Instrumental Session at 2pm

This event supports the local community.



Starcatchers Saturday - Toy Town

Starcatchers 11am-2pm, Starcatchers Baby Studio, Westside Plaza, Wester Hailes, Edinburgh EH14 2SW Free, unticketed, drop-in

SCan you help us build Toy Town? Toy Town is a world made of hundreds of empty cardboard shops, and we need your help to bring light and colour back to its street! When the city is complete, families can video through the streets with live video, projecting their creations on the wall of Starcatchers Baby Studio for others to share the journey. Experiment, create and enjoy free creative play for you and your wee one aged birth - 5 years on Saturday 25th November at Starcatchers Baby Studio in Westside Plaza, Wester Hailes as part of Fair Saturday Edinburgh.

Starcatchers is Scotland's National Arts and Early Years Organisation. We believe that our youngest children, those from birth to 5, fulfil their right to access arts and creative experiences that give inspiration, joy, and wonder to early childhood in Scotland.



Winter Warmers Saturday Storytime

Craigmillar Literacy Trust 11am-12pm, Craigmillar Library, 101 Niddrie Mains Rd, **Edinburgh EH16 4DS** Free, unticketed, drop-in

Join Craigmillar Books for Babies, in the cosiness of Craigmillar Library, for a Winter Warmers Storytime with Storyteller Eric Brennan-Jones. Eric will share winter themed stories, songs and rhymes suitable for babies and children under 4 and their parents/carers. Older siblings are welcome too! After the stories and songs we will enjoy a healthy snack together.

This event is for all families living in Craigmillar, Niddrie, Bingham and Magdalene. Please contact Kara or Michelle at <u>info@craigmillarliteracytrust.org.uk</u> for further information.

craigmillarliteracytrust.org.uk





ETL Candle Holder Workshop

The Edinburgh Tool Library
12pm-4pm, Edinburgh Tool Library Custom Lane
Workshop, Custom Lane, 1 Customs Wharf, Leith EH6 6AL
Free, unticketed, drop-in

Learn some basic woodworking skills and make your very own Candle Holder! The Edinburgh Tool Library will be opening up their doors for a drop-in candle holder workshop. Come join our trusty volunteers to learn some basic woodworking skills, experience working in a wood workshop and learn more about what we do at Edinburgh Tool Library.

One candle holder will take approximately half an hour to make, but feel free to stay as long as you like to paint your masterpiece and chat with the other participants. We will provide free tea and coffee throughout the afternoon. The workshop will close at 4pm, so if you would like to take part in the making, please arrive no later than 3:15. Everyone is welcome to join, however underage makers should be accompanied by an adult.







I could have danced all night...

The Living Memory Association
1pm-4pm, Wee Museum of Memory, Ocean Terminal, 2nd
Floor next to Britannia, Ocean Drive, Leith EH6 6JJ
This event is for a closed group of participants

A reminiscence drop-in session on Saturday 25th November from 1pm in the Wee Museum of Memory in Ocean Terminal. We'll talk about your memories of dancing and dance halls. There will be music and the chance of a dance!

This event is for closed group of participants, many with dementia, who will directly benefit from the reminiscence group activities. This will help to combat feelings of isolation and loneliness. However, the stories collected at the event will be turned into podcasts and made available to a wider audience via our website and YouTube channel. Listeners will be able to re-live the times that they went out to the dancing. And by recording these memories we will capture a valuable piece of social history.

livingmemory.org.uk

This event is supported by the City of Edinburgh Council & Fair Saturday Community Event Fund and supports the local community.





Granton Castle Walled Garden Open Day

Friends of Granton Castle Walled Garden, 1pm-3pm, 23 West Shore Road, Edinburgh EH5 1QB Free, unticketed, drop-in

Come and escape the city for a few hours in the beautiful tranquillity of Granton Castle Walled Garden.

Granton Castle Walled Garden has stood on the coast of north Edinburgh since the turn of the 16th century and is managed by the community. It is a historic green space where anyone can volunteer or visit. The Friends of Granton Castle Walled Garden run five volunteer and two visitor sessions per week, alongside a wide range of seasonal workshops (wreath-making, eco-therapy, flower arranging, polytunnel building, tree planting, wassailing). The community garden is a space for a number of collaborative charities to run sessions and hosts three social enterprises – Ochre Botanical Studios, MycoBee (mushroom growing), beekeeping and dye-plant.

MycoBee is running a Fungi workshop during this garden opening event. Come to learn about fungi and how to grow mushrooms!

<u>grantoncastlewalledgarden.org.uk</u>

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Majestic Fungi at Granton Walled Garden

MycoBee Mushrooms Community 1pm-4pm, 23 West Shore Road, Edinburgh EH5 1QB Ticketed, pay what you can

We would like to invite you to Majestic Fungi at Granton Castle Walled Garden. Come and join us for Celebration of Majestic Fungi World.

We are going to have a small Exhibition with Dried Mushroom species and some mushroom goodies like tea, coffee, cacao, mushroom infused oils to try. You can join the talk about importance of mushrooms for us and the Nature.

There will be introduction to Mushrooms Cultivation, Fungi Hunting and Mushroom Quiz. There will be something for small and big kids, Colouring pages for those who like Art. Ahh and there will be Mushroom Art Competition! PRIZES TO BE WON!!!

Mario will share how to make your own mushroom extracts easiest way!!!

Looking forward to see you there, Bea & Mario

This event is ticketed, pay what you can. To secure your place at this event, please book at the link below.

mycobee.org

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Edinburgh Baroque Ball

Les Danses Antiques, Matthew Shiel 1pm-3pm, Broughton St Mary's Church, 12 Bellevue Crescent, Edinburgh EH3 6NE Ticketed, Adults £13.70, Under 21 £8.30, please book in advance

Come and join Bach for an unforgettable afternoon of dancing, live music, history and community spirit at the Edinburgh Baroque Ball! The historical dance ball takes us back in time to the Enlightened Edinburgh of the early 18th century!

Through demonstration and lively and engaging workshops, attendees will be invited to learn the most popular dances of the 18th Century, including the Minuet and Sarabande. Music for this event is provided by award-winning pianist Matthew Shiel who will perform the enchanting keyboard dance suites of Johann Sebastian Bach live. This event is suitable for beginners and children - you don't need any dance experience or historical dress. It's a unique opportunity to experience musical heritage through dance, socialise with the local community, feel inspired and, most importantly - have fun!

This afternoon event is a collaboration between Dr Alena Shmakova (Leader: Les Danses Antiques) and concert pianist and conductor of the Edinburgh Philharmonic Orchestra, Matthew Shiel.

danseantique.com matthewshiel.com

This event is supported by the City of Edinburgh Council & Fair Saturday Community Event Fund and supports the local community.

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Stockbridge Christmas Craft Fair

Stockbridge Church Craft Group 2pm-4pm, Stockbridge Church Halls, 7b Saxe Coburg Street, Edinburgh EH3 5BN Free, unticketed

Support local craftspeople and makers and stock up on gorgeous handmade Christmas presents at the Christmas Craft Sale organised by Stockbridge Church Craft Group. We'll be selling all kinds of handcrafted goods with lots of gift ideas, including Christmas stockings, cards, patchwork notebooks, purses, winter woollies, toys and textiles.

The proceeds of the fair will be donated to local charities, the Yard and Edinburgh Women's Aid.

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Invisible (Edinburgh) Walking Tour

Invisible Cities
3pm-4.30pm, Start at Maggie Dickson's, 92 Grassmarket,
Edinburgh EH1 2JR
Ticketed, £15, book in advance

Follow one of our award-winning guides for a unique tour of Edinburgh. All our guides have experienced homelessness and have been trained to deliver one-of-a-kind tours, making you discover the city's history but also the many projects that support its most vulnerable members. The tour is about 1h30 long and fully accessible.

The tour starts at Maggie Dickson's pub in Grassmarket and finishes at the bottom of the Royal Mile. Full details will be supplied when you book.

These tours are organised by Invisible Cities, an award-winning social enterprise that trains people who have experienced homelessness to be walking tour guides of their own city. They offer transferrable skill training to anyone, no matter their background and employ people to deliver alternative tours of Edinburgh, Glasgow, Manchester and York with

invisible-cities.org

plans to expand further.

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A Workshop of Traditional Scots Songs

Joss Cameron, Traditional Folk Singer 3pm-4.30pm, Scottish Storytelling Centre, 43-45 High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1SR Free, ticketed (book in advance or turn up)

Come and sing in the beautiful foyer of the Scottish Storytelling Centre and learn some songs from Scotland.

Drawing from the Gypsy Traveller culture, Joss Cameron is a traditional balladeer with family ties to the Travelling community. Joss says "Scottish Gypsy Travellers have always been marginalized and isolated in our communities. I believe that we all deserve fair rights and equal opportunities. My focus is to help break down these barriers and pre-existing judgments of Travellers through promoting songs of the Travelling folk."

Joss is an award-winning singer/songwriter, researcher and one of Scotland's most innovative musicians. Holding a First-Class Honours Degree in Music, Joss is a seasoned performer and inspirational teacher who invites all ages and abilities to join in on her workshop celebrating Fair Saturday!

This workshop is free. There are 25 places at this workshop so please book in advance using the link below to secure your place, although you can turn up on the day if it is not sold out.

<u>josscameronmusic.com</u>

This event is supported by the City of Edinburgh Council & Fair Saturday Community Event Fund and supports the local community.

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Wee Christmas Joy and Dance

Shamie Rosez & the band, Colombia Dance El Encanto 5.30pm-7pm (doors open 5.10pm), St. Columbas By The Castle Episcopal Church, 14 Johnston Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2PW Free, unticketed

Join Shamie Rosez & the band and Colombia Dance, El Encanto for a truly multicultural Christmas celebration for the whole community.

Shamie & the band will perform a remix of popular Christmas songs and carols, original songs and a few African & Spanish popular songs that will bring everlasting holiday joy. Colombia Dance, El Encanto will delight the audience with traditional Colombian dances and music. The show will last from 5.30pm to 6.30pm and afterwards there will be refreshments provided for the audience. This event is suitable for families and everyone who would like to share some Christmas joy. The event is free and all are welcome. Attendees are invited to make a donation to Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity.

shamierosez.com Colombia Dance, El Encanto

This event is supported by the City of Edinburgh Council & Fair Saturday Community Event Fund and supports the local community and Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity



Saturday 25th November, 6pm to 8pm The Gallery at Coburg House 15 Coburg Street, Edinburgh EH6 6ET

A positive response to Black Friday in aid of St Columba's and Marie Curie Hospices and in fond memory of our Coburg colleagues who were cared for by them.

For one evening only we will be exhibiting and selling small art and craft works made by Coburg creatives and priced at £50 or less. All proceeds will be donated to these two charities. Please join us to raise a glass and raise some money for these two wonderful local charities!

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Fair Saturday Sale at Coburg House

Coburg House Studios Gallery 6pm-8pm, 15 Coburg Street, Edinburgh EH6 6ET Free, unticketed

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Coburg House is a thriving hub of creatives in the heart of Leith, Edinburgh. Alongside 50+ artist studios, Coburg offers a gallery and shop space open every weekend.

$\underline{coburghouse.co.uk}$

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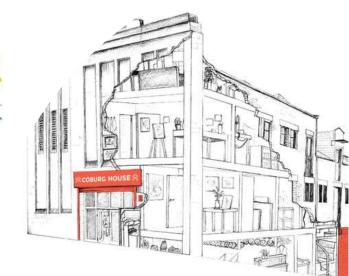
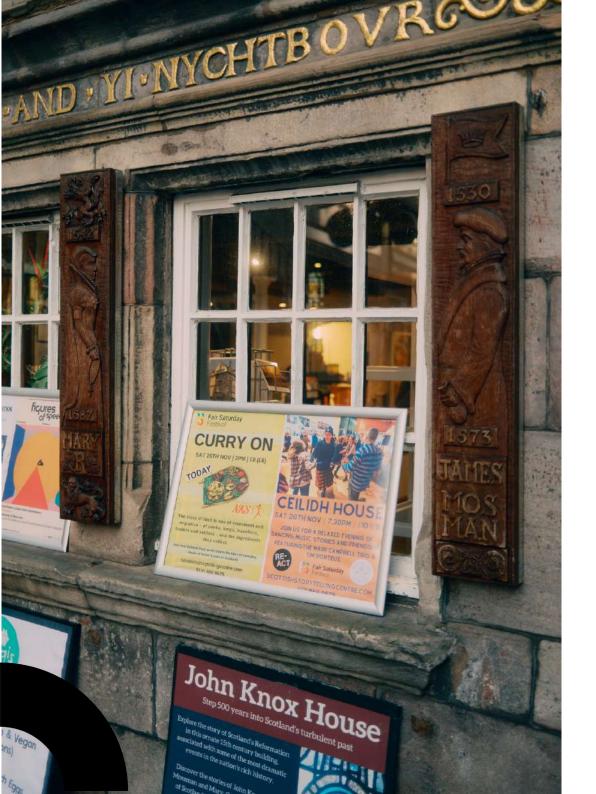


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Ceilidh House: Fair Saturday

Traditional Arts & Culture Scotland (TRACS) 7pm-9.30pm, Scottish Storytelling Centre, 43-45 High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1SR Ticketed, £30, please book in advance

Join us for a relaxed evening of dancing, music, stories and friendship presented in the traditional Scottish ceilidh style, to celebrate Fair Saturday and the forthcoming St. Andrew's Day. A warm welcome awaits you in the lovely setting of the Centre's Storytelling Court.

This special Fair Saturday event brings together multi-instrumentalist members of The Balkan Ceilidh Collective (Chris Lyons, Kate Young & Lauren Collier) performing a mix of eastern European and Scottish music with called dances. Also performing will be storyteller Tim Porteus and his Ukrainian storytelling counterparts, alongside folk-dance artists Oksana Saiapina, Anastasiia Boiko and Tetiana Hordiienko from Kvity Ukrainy (Flowers of Ukraine) - Edinburgh's Ukrainian folk dance ensemble.

The ticket price includes a full evening's cultural programme to watch and participate in, as well as energy-boosting haggis, neeps and tatties provided by our resident Haggis Box Cafe. Vegetarian and vegan options are available, and you will be contacted after booking to confirm these details.

scottishstorytellingcentre.com

This event is supported by the City of Edinburgh **Council & Fair Saturday Community Event** Fund and supports the local community.

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Edinburgh Open Orchestra Concert

Edinburgh Open Orchestra
7.30pm, Canongate Kirk, 153 Canongate, Edinburgh
EH8 8BN
Free, unticketed

The Edinburgh Open Orchestra will be performing Pyotr Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 1 in G minor, Op. 13 'Winter Daydreams', conducted by Andrew Lees.

The Open Orchestra is an established group of amateur musicians of all ages and abilities. We meet throughout the year for rehearsals and performances, aiming to increase our knowledge and enjoyment of orchestral music in a friendly atmosphere.

All are welcome and it's free to attend. There will be a retiring collection at the end in support of the Orchestra, which is a not-for-profit organisation.

openorchestra.org.uk

Supporting Edinburgh Open Orchestra & the local community



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Community Ceilidh

Edinburgh Ceilidhs 8pm-11pm, Greyfriars Charteris Centre, 138-140 Pleasance Edinburgh EH8 9RR Ticketed, £10, please book in advance

Get your dancing shoes on for this friendly community ceilidh where everyone joins in!

Caller Ken Gourlay and a ceilidh band will bring you an evening of fun. All dances are walked through and called so it's easy to join, even if you are new to ceilidh dancing. It's good exercise and great fun! "It's so joyful" - Japanese tourist.

Please try to arrive before 8pm as there will be a 5-minute warm-up at 8pm to reduce the risk of injuries, and please don't wear high heels.

This event is free to NHS workers with photo ID if you call Ken on 0131 339 5374 or email ken@edinburghceilidhs.net

edinburghceilidhs.net

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Boomerang Community Centre Christmas Fayre

Boomerang Community Centre 12pm-3pm, Boomerang Community Centre, 10 Kemback Street, Dundee DD4 6ET Free, unticketed, drop-in

Start your festive celebrations at the Boomerang Community Centre Christmas Fayre! It's fun for all the family and you can enjoy food and drink, stalls and lots of children's activities including a free Santa's Grotto. There's entertainment and festive fundraising raffle.

Boomerang exists to provide facilities and activities to benefit the Stobswell community.

boomerang.org.uk



Polar Animals at the Boomerang Christmas Fayre

University of Dundee Museums & Boomerang Community Centre 12pm-3pm, Boomerang Community Centre, 10 Kemback Street, Dundee DD4 6ET Free, unticketed, drop-in

Come and learn about some of the Arctic and Antarctic creatures you can find in the D'Arcy Thompson Zoology Museum, then have a go at decorating your own penguin or polar bear.

This is a free drop-in event as part of the Boomerang Christmas Fayre.

dundee.ac.uk/museum



Tower Galleries Exhibition Tour

University of Dundee Museums 2pm-3pm, Tower Building, University of Dundee, Nethergate, Dundee DD1 4HN Free, unticketed

In this special event, museum curator Matthew Jarron will give an informal guided tour of the exhibitions by University of Dundee Museums in the Tower Foyer & Lamb Galleries.

In the Tower Foyer Gallery, we celebrate the art of Dundee-born comics legend Sydney Jordan, whose long-running science-fiction series Jeff Hawke started in 1954. Upstairs in the Lamb Gallery, we remain in the same era with the exhibition Back to the Future, which showcases art, design, science and technology from the 1950s.

dundee.ac.uk/museum



20th Birthday Concert

Friends of Wighton 2pm-4.30pm, Steps Theatre, Central Library, Wellgate, Dundee DD1 2DB Free, unticketed

Join our 20th birthday celebrations!

We have planned a lovely afternoon concert of Scottish Music to celebrate our 20th birthday at the Steps Theatre.

This event is part of the Friends of Wighton Outreach Programme and is free to attend. You are warmly invited to come along. We hope to see you there! The Wighton Centre, in Dundee central library, is home to an internationally important collection of old Scottish music books, mostly dating from the 18th and early 19th centuries. The collection was donated by the Dundee merchant and music collector, Andrew Wighton. The Friends of Wighton organises concerts and classes in the Wighton Centre, Dundee, to help raise awareness of this wonderful resource.

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Dundee Hooley 2023

Dundee City Council 3pm-7.30pm, Dundee City Square, Dundee Unticketed, free, outside

Join us at The Dundee Hooley as we celebrate the values of kindness and hospitality that St Andrew's Day and Scotland exemplify. We extend a warm invitation to everyone to gather with family and friends for a memorable and enjoyable evening. There will be captivating dance performances from Bharatiya Ashram Dance Group and Urban Moves; delightful bubble fun with Poppy Bubble; and live music on stage by Ceol Dun Deagh and the lively ceilidh band, Skyrie.

The centrepiece of the evening promises to be the Dundee Hooley parade! This torchlight procession and parade has been a beloved part of past festive celebrations, and we're thrilled to announce its return this year. The procession and parade will kick off at 5.30pm, starting from High School of Dundee, and will follow a route along Panmure Street, Murraygate, and High Street, arriving in City Square at around 5.45pm. Leading the way will be the Lord Provost and Pipe Band, with participants carrying illuminated torches, fire performers Pyro Celtica, Giant Puppets and lanterns by Thingumajig Theatre, the talented dancers from Dundee's Urban Moves dance company, and a grand finale featuring the Commotion Drummers Samba Band. Once the procession has arrived and the final flourish of the drummers is done, the Ceilidh will kick off from 6-7pm to dance our socks off!

The event is free, but you need to register to take part in the torchlight procession.

dundee.com/dundee-hooley-2023

Supporting and celebrating local artists and the community



Leugh is Seinn le Linda

Comhairle nan Leabhraichean (Gaelic Books Council) 10-11am, 11-12pm, 32 Mansfield Street, Glasgow Ticketed, Free, please book your session in advance

Thig còmhla rinn airson madainn de dh'òrain Ghàidhlig, geamannan agus pupaidean!

Join us for a morning of Gaelic stories with songs, games and puppets!

You can book Session 1, 10am-10.45am, here

You can book Session 2, 11am-11.45am, here

The Gaelic Books Council is the lead organisation with responsibility for supporting Scottish Gaelic writers and publishers, and for raising the profile and reach of Scottish Gaelic books in Scotland and internationally.

gaelicbooks.org

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Deoch slàinte & Eucoir – Wine and Crime

Comhairle nan Leabhraichean (Gaelic Books Council) 4pm-5pm, 32 Mansfield Street, Glasgow G11 5QP Ticketed, Free, please book in advance

Thigibh còmhla rinn airson feasgar blàth de sgeulachdan eucoir agus glainne fìona, mar phàirt de <u>Fair Saturday 2023</u>.

Tha Calum L. MacLeòid aithnichte mar sgrìobhadair eucoir Gàidhlig agus mar fhear-naidheachd. Choisinn an dàrna nobhail aige, Fon Choill, Duais Chomann Gàidhealach Lunnainn airson Leabhar Ficsein as Fheàrr aig Na Duaisean Litreachais 2021 agus chaidh a' chiad dealbh-chluich aige, Stornoway, Quebec, a chur air le Theatre gu Leòr am-bliadhna.

Tha Màrtainn Mac an t-Saoir cliùiteach mar sgrìobhadair is bàrd Gàidhlig, is tha e air grunn nobhailean a sgrìobhadh, a' gabhail a-steach Tuath air a' Bhealach, sgeulachd eucoir stèidhichte air a' Ghàidhealtachd.

Join us for a evening of "wine and crime", as part of <u>Fair Saturday 2023</u>. Calum L. Macleod is well known as a Gàidhlig crime writer and journalist. His second novel, Fon Choill, won the Highland Society of London Prize for Best Fiction Book in 2021. His first play, Stornoway, Quebec, toured with Theatre Gu Leòr this year. Martin MacIntyre is a celebrated Gaelic writer and poet, with many novels under his belt, including Tuath air a' Bhealach, a dark tale set in the Highlands.

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Lost in Dance & Music

Jhankar Beats 4pm-6.30pm, 21 Beaton Road, Glasgow G41 4NW Ticketed, Adults £7, Senior/Students £6, Under 5 free

Come join us for an incredible evening of dance and music at Lost In Dance & Music-Hatecrime event! Get ready to be mesmerized by talented performers showcasing their skills in various dance styles and music genres.

Prepare to be blown away by the vibrant atmosphere and the passion that these artists bring to the stage. This event promises to be an unforgettable experience, filled with energy, creativity, and pure joy. Whether you're a dance enthusiast or a music lover, this event has something for everyone. From contemporary dance to hip-hop beats, and from soulful melodies to electrifying performances, there's no shortage of entertainment. So mark your calendars and gather your friends for a night of pure fun and excitement. Don't miss out on Lost In Dance & Music-Hatecrime event, where talent meets passion and creativity knows no bounds!

Jhankar Beats SCIO was formed in 2015 to provide creative training to young children, teenagers and adults from the wider community, and facilitate their artistic development.

jhankarbeats.org.uk/home

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Opening Day of The Pier Arts Centre Annual Open Exhibition

The Pier Arts Centre 10.30am-5pm, The Pier Arts Centre, Victoria Street, Stromness, Orkney, KW16 3AA Unticketed, free

The Annual Open Exhibition is a highlight of the Pier Arts Centre's programme and offers a chance to showcase the wealth of creative talent in Orkney. All work in the exhibition is original and for sale, and any artist or maker living in Orkney can submit work. The exhibition attracts over 175 artists each year and is a great opportunity to show, sell and buy original artwork.

The Pier Arts Centre is an Art Gallery and Museum in Stromness, Orkney. Home to a permanent collection and year-round exhibitions and events, it houses a significant collection of 20th century art, alongside contemporary artists. It acts as a focal point for the local artistic community and runs a programme of education and outreach activities for groups of all ages.

The exhibition is open from Saturday 25th November to 23rd December, Tuesday to Saturday 10.30am-5pm.

pierartscentre.com

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Exhibition - An Adventure in Time: The Orkney Strawplaiters

Northlight Gallery & The Orkney News 11am-4pm, Northlight Gallery, Graham Place, Stromness, Orkney KW16 3BY Unticketed, free

The working lives of women and girls are explored in a series of events in Stromness following the publication of a new book 'The Strawplaiters of Orkney' by Fiona Grahame and published by Orkney News Ltd.

Thousands of women and girls were employed plaiting straw for the bonnet making industry in Orkney in the first half of the 19th century. Orkney had everything for this industry to flourish: the raw materials, a highly skilled workforce, and a distribution network based on shipping both for imports and exports. Fiona Grahame said: "Stromness, as a major port, was a hub for this industry but it spread throughout Orkney...What happened to the people who had relied on this industry when it suddenly collapsed? 'The Strawplaiters of Orkney, follows the lives of the people involved and explores the reasons why it vanished so quickly."

This exhibition runs from 13th to 25th November, daily 11am-4pm.

northlight.artweb.com

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St Andrews Big Hoolie 2023

Bid St Andrews 11am-8pm, South Street, Andrews (Market, Music and Ceilidh) South Street - West Sands (Parade and **Fireworks Display**) Free, unticketed

Don't forget to put the 25th November in the diary to celebrate the Original "Big Hoolie" this year in St Andrews.

All the old favourites including the Kingdom FM Community Market, Outdoor Ceilidh, Torch Parade and Culminating with our Big Hoolie Fireworks at the West Sands. Kick off the Christmas Countdown in St Andrews in the best way possible and support your local businesses in the run up to Christmas.



SEALL Festival of Small Halls - Closing Ceilidh - Sabhal Mòr Ostaig

SEALL Festival of Small Halls 8pm-11pm, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, Isle of Skye, IV44 8RQ Ticketed, £16/£8

The SFALL Festival of Small Halls returns for its 2023 edition. Join us at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig's Talla Dhonaidh Chaimbeul for our big ceilidh to close the 2023 festival. Featuring the entire lineup from this year's event; Mike Vass, Eilidh MacKenzie, Ali Levack, Hannah Moule, Murdo Cameron, Jarlath Henderson, Lori Watson and Megan Macdonald.

"The SEALL Festival of Small Halls proudly returns for its 6th year in November 2023. This year, we will once again bring some of the country's top musicians to some of the best wee venues around Skye & Lochalsh. The 2023 lineup has been developed to bring breadth of style, tradition and quality to



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Sunday 26th November

Music at the Green

Live Music Now Scotland 11am, free, unticketed Partickhill Bowling & Community Club, 46 Partickhill Road, Glasgow G11 5BY Join us for a free family concert featuring Live Music Now Scotland soprano and piano duo, Rosie and Anna. Beginning at 11am, get ready for a fun filled morning with two Scottish Lassies with a passion for music! Bring your wee ones and get ready for a morning of musical magic.

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Family Music Time

Live Music Now Scotland 2pm, free, unticketed St. Salvador's Scottish Episcopal Church, 61 Saughton Mains St, Edinburgh EH11 3QX 'Family Music Time' is a new opportunity to enjoy free of charge music performances from some of Scotland's most talented emerging artists. The relaxed and informal concerts are taking place in a stunning venue that welcomes all. Fiddle and accordian duo, Roo Geddes and Neil Sutcliffe combine their shared experience across Classical, Folk and Jazz to create original music for violin and accordion. Based in Glasgow, their compositions are inspired by landscape and people and by how music can evoke a sense of place and community.

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The kindness of words

More ideas for sharing stories...

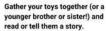
If you have some books that you don't read any more, give them to friends or donate them to a charity shop.



Share some kind words this Fair Saturday, Write a letter or draw a picture to send to someone you haven't seen for a while.

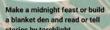


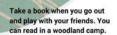






Tell someone at home a story about someone who has been kind to you. What did they do?





Songs can be stories too! Learn the words to a song that you like and sing it to someone at home. Maybe you can teach them the









Kindness of Words Family Activity Pack

Fair Saturday Foundation

Words can be powerful and words can be kind, and a love of stories and poetry can last and enrich your whole life.

To accompany our Fair Saturday events programme and celebrate the Fair Saturday Movement, we have created a resource pack with lots of activities to encourage the telling and sharing of stories together. Kindness is at the very heart of Fair Saturday and a big part of what makes us who we are as a country. We can show kindness in lots of different ways, but sharing stories and songs together to celebrate our culture and our diverse communities is a great way to start.

We hope you enjoy trying some of these out, and we'd love to see what you do and create. You can share your activities on instagram or facebook using the hashtags #kindnessofwords and #fairsaturdayscotland

The full pack, which can also be used by schools and libraries can be downloaded from the homepage of our website:

standrews.fairsaturday.org

We have big plans for Kindness of Words launching in January 2024, so look out for details early in the new year!



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Little Stories of Kindness Micro Fiction Competition

Fair Saturday Foundation & Candlestick Press 25th November - 31st December

Kindness can take many forms. It might be saying or sending a few kind words to a friend who needs it right now, or inviting someone for a cup of tea, either in person or virtually. <u>Candlestick Press</u> is a small independent publisher that understands just how important words of kindness can be. They publish beautiful pamphlets of poetry that can be sent instead of a card and really brighten someone's day.

We'd love to hear your little stories of kindness. We're running a micro-fiction competition for stories on the theme of Kindness. Stories must be no longer than 100 words and there are three categories for entrants: Adult writers, Young writers 5–11, Young writers 12–18.

To enter, just email your story to scotland@fairsaturday.org before 31st December. The top five entries in the adult and 12-18 categories will win a copy of Ten Poems of Kindness volume 1 or volume 2, and the top five entries in the 5-11 category will win a copy of Gift of the Old One, all of which have been very generously donated by Candlestick Press. We'll also publish them on our website.

candlestickpress.co.uk



Fair Saturday by Antonio Garrigues Walker

Honorary Chairman of Garrigues and Honorary Spanish President of UNHCR

The idea is good and profound and positive and joyful. It is an appropriate idea for young people and for those who feel their mind is young. And those are the ones who set it in motion. This is about discovering the value, the importance and the grace of culture and connecting it with the immense desire for culture of a society that want to be responsible.

Black Friday has its thing and its how and its reason for being. It has managed consumption's vertigo to perfection, manipulating it with an impressive and overwhelming efficacy. It holds its place with a slight – very slight – effort. It leads an unstoppable flow and most of the times it achieves to confuse what we have with what we are. This absurd fever is also part of the human being.

The Fair Saturday movement wants to do just as much in its own way, with other objectives. It wants to take on the world of feelings, of sensations, of ideas, of hope and of some specific dreams that cannot be tackled down or put aside. And for that, the path is quite simple. To fill for one day our venues and every corner of the cities that need to breathe and feed on new winds with cultural activities.

Every last Saturday of November we will have the right to dream together. Choirs, street artists, music bands, theatres, museums, painters, storytellers, poets, sopranos, photographers, dancers, dance schools,... amateur and professional, private and public, from here and there, young and veteran. They will start marching and they will be unstoppable. Artists and cultural organisations from all around the world performing the same day and supporting the social causes they chose. Many things will burst and this will be a sign, maybe definite, that it is possible, definitely possible, to tackle the vulgarity, the narrow-mindedness, the greediness, the routine, the stupidity.

Fair Saturday will end up being a brilliant example of how culture is the only solution to dignify democracy, to generate real wealth and to be able to aspire to a humane future. And the young people and those who feel their minds are young will have won what seemed in the beginning of the adventure – as in every worthy adventure – absolutely impossible.







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