

whalearts

What's on guide

April & June 2023



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Young People & Families

EXPECTING SOMETHING with Starcatchers

Thursdays 11am - 1pm, April 20th, May 4th, 11th, 18th, June 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th (not 6th & 13th April, 25th May), National Museum Trip 27th April

Creative play for babies from birth to 2 and their grown-ups; followed by a home-cooked lunch in the Pod Café at Whale Arts.

Join Katy and Kerry each week for a variety of activities and materials that are tailored to the needs and interests of the babies and their grown-ups. From sensory play and art projects, to music, movement and trips out. A great way to explore the world around us through play and meet other families in the community.

If you would like to come along, text Kerry 07723 541 628 or email expectingsomething@starcatchers.org.uk

PLAY SENSE CREATE & EXPLORE ART

Saturdays – individually booked sessions from 22nd April - 29th June

Ages 5–10 (Play Sense Create) and

Ages 11–16 (Explore) with Additional Support Needs/Disabilities.

Our accessible multi-arts projects for young people with ASN and their families are running in person one-to-one and small group supportive sessions for participants and their families. Messy art, sensory play, music, film, photography and fun!

Please get in touch to find out more. Email: play-sense-create@whalearts.co.uk to book your place.

STREET ARTS

Thursdays 4.45pm - 7pm April - June

Ages 7–16

Play parks around Wester Hailes and Murrayburn/Hailesland

Come and find the Street Arts team out on the streets! Fun art, music, drama, photography, giveaways, games and more. Like our Street Arts WHALE Facebook page for more info and where to find us. No need to book, but we will need your details to take part in sessions.

SMARTIES ART CLUB

Fridays, 2pm - 3.30pm, 21st April - 28th June

Ages 6 - 12

Come along and get creative at art club every Friday! Join these fun creative sessions to develop your artistic skills and inspire your imagination! Book your place to take part.

Performances & Workshops

THE GOOD, THE BAD & THE POULTRY

Tuesday 11th April, 1pm & 3pm

Join us for this outdoor performance for all ages! Three birds and one band in a wild west eggstravaganza, telling the tale of the golden egg that never cracks. A free, interactive show for families. Contact us to book.

Easter Programme

EASTER SESSIONS 3rd - 16th April

Free activities including shows, trips, creative art and dance sessions across the Easter holidays for young people and families. Look out for the programme and book your place.

Contact us to book your session or find our more information

Adults

DROP-IN SESSIONS - 17th April - 7th July

DIGITAL SUPPORT DROP-IN

Mondays 1pm - 3pm, Thursdays 10am - 12pm at WHALE Arts
Friday's 10am - 12pm at Clovenstone Community Centre

A helping hand with all things digital. There is no need to book, pop along whenever you want and stay as long as you feel able. No set curriculum so raise the topics you are interested in learning! Equipment is provided but you are welcome to bring your own device.

OPEN STUDIO

Tuesdays 10am–12.30pm & Thursdays 1pm–3.30pm, ongoing

Social and creative drop-in group for adults who want to work on their own projects.

CREATE COMMUNITY WEALTH - Business Support Sessions

Wednesdays 10am - 12pm, 5th April - 31 May

A friendly and relaxed session for people looking for structured chat to help explore and develop business ideas.

CREATE COMMUNITY WEALTH CRAFT CAFÉ

Thursdays 11am - 3pm, 6th April - 3rd July

A creative space for adults who would like to make arts and crafts products to sell.

ONGOING SESSIONS - 17th April - 3rd July

Currently all ongoing sessions have waiting lists. Please contact us for more information.

SMARTCRAFT

Alternating Mondays 1pm - 3pm, 2 groups, each group meets once a fortnight.

Visual arts & crafts in a supportive, social group for adults with additional and complex needs.

LETS CREATE

Tuesdays 10am - 1pm

A therapeutic art group for women with mental health problems. Creative activity followed by a shared meal.

STITCH 'N' TIME

Tuesdays 1pm - 3pm

A lively & sociable sewing group making creative projects for the community.

MENS MAKERS

Wednesdays 10am - 2pm

Friendly mens woodworking and making group. Making followed by shared meal.

BOOKABLE SESSIONS - 17th April - 3rd July

Bookable sessions run across different time blocks. Contact us for more details.

POD PRESS

Mondays 1pm - 5pm, 17th April - 3rd July

Book a slot with Mhairi to get printing your own work!

There are two types of sessions: taught and supervised printing – everyone must have an initial taught session to learn how the machine works. Wester Hailes residents get a discount on teaching and printing.

For info on booking and prices, email podpress@whalearts.co.uk or visit podpress.co.uk

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WRITING GROUP WITH EDINBURGH BOOK FESTIVAL

Mondays 10am - 11.30am, 1st May - 19th June

Creative writing group with Edinburgh Book Festival. Running for an 8-week block - get in touch to book your place or find out more.

ART IN THE OPEN

Tuesdays 2pm - 4pm

Outdoor therapeutic art group running in 10-week blocks for various demographics including women, men and youths. Contact us for more information

ROOM FOR ART - Wednesday (run by Art in Healthcare at WHALE Arts)

Free visual art workshops for health & well-being. Absolutely no previous experience of art necessary! These sessions are by referral only, please contact Iona at Art in Healthcare on 0131 555 7638 or outreachmanager@artinhealthcare.org.uk.

Events

CREATE COMMUNITY WEALTH

Free Talk with Francia Boakye winner of the Sole Trader of the Year Award 2020

Thursday 6.30pm - 8.30pm, 20th April

Aimed at those looking to set up an online business.

CREATE COMMUNITY WEALTH - Monthly Networking Sessions with Guest Speaker

Monthly on 3rd Thursday 6pm - 8pm, starting 18th May, ongoing

Booking essential for both events & creche provided if needed. 1 weeks advance notice is required if the creche is needed.

Exhibitions

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Showcasing our groups and local community members ongoing throughout the year. Look out on socials for further information or contact us for details.

Community

MEMBERS SOCIAL MEETUP

A relaxed and informal coffee morning on Wednesday 12th April. Drop-in from 10.30am at the Pod Café in WHALE Arts. Come and meet other members for a blether and a cuppa. Hot drinks and baked goods provided. Current members, this would be a great opportunity to bring a buddy along! New members and those curious to find out more about membership are very welcome.

Tiki will lead a short tour of Whale Arts from 10am, all welcome but especially suited for anyone who is not familiar with us as an organisation.

COMMUNITY MEAL Fridays 1pm-2pm, WHALE Arts Centre

Come along for a free, delicious, healthy meal. Check Socials for more information!

Book your session or find our more information by calling 0131 458 3267, popping into reception or emailing info@whalearts.co.uk