

# whalearts

## What's on guide

### Sep- Dec 2023



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### Young People & Families

#### **DROP IN SESSIONS- 4th Sep - 15th Dec - FREE**

##### **EXPECTING SOMETHING with Starcatchers**

Thursdays 11am - 1pm, includes lunch ( no session on 12th&19th Oct)

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](mailto:expectingsomething@starcatchers.org.uk)

##### **PLAY SENSE CREATE & EXPLORE ART**

Saturdays – individually booked sessions

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](mailto:play-sense-create@whalearts.co.uk) to book your place.

##### **STREET ARTS**

Thursdays 4.45pm - 7pm (no session on 19th Oct)

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, 1.30pm - 3.00pm, 8th Sep - 15th Dec - (no session on 20th Oct)

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.

#### **Family Film and Food nights - FREE**

**Come and enjoy a cosy family night of film screening and delicious meal. Book your place.**

For families, children must come with an adult.

##### **ENCANTO**

Wednesday 4th October, 6-9pm

Tropical bonanza & magical screening

##### **BRAVE**

Wednesday 8th November, 6-9pm

Traditional Scottish fayre & screening

##### **ARTHUR CHRISTMAS**

Wednesday 6th December, 6-9pm

Festive feast & screening

Contact us to book your session or find out more information

## Adults

### DROP-IN SESSIONS - 4th Sep - 15th Dec - FREE

#### DIGITAL SUPPORT DROP-IN

**Mondays 1pm - 3pm, Thursdays 10am - 12pm at WHALE Arts**

**Fridays 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 CRAFT CAFÉ

**Thursdays 11am - 3pm, 4th September to 26th October**

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

### ONGOING SESSIONS - 4th Sep - 15 Dec - FREE

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

#### SMARTCRAFT (no session on 23th October)

**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.

#### LET'S CREATE

**Tuesdays 10am - 1pm (no session on 24th October)**

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

#### STITCH 'N' TIME

**Tuesdays 1pm - 3pm (no session on 24th October)**

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

#### MENS MAKERS

**Wednesdays 10am - 2pm (no session on 25th October)**

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

### BOOKABLE SESSIONS - 4th Sep - 15th Dec

#### POD PRESS

**Mondays 1pm - 5pm, Contact us for more details of dates**

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](mailto:podpress@whalearts.co.uk) or visit [podpress.co.uk](http://podpress.co.uk)

#### 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](mailto:outreachmanager@artinhealthcare.org.uk).

## Events for everyone

All welcome, children up to 12 need to be come with an adult. No need to book just come along!

**CREATE COMMUNITY WEALTH - Autumn Street Market at Castle Street (not at WHALE Arts)**  
**5th-12 September, 10 am - 6pm**

Support our CCW members selling their creations at this busy city centre market.

#### MUMS INTO BUSINESS CELEBRATION

**Saturday 9th September, 12-3 pm**

Celebrating our enterprising MIB group. Look out on socials for further information.

#### STITCH' N' TIME Macmillan Coffee Fundraiser

**Tuesday 26th September, 1pm-3pm**

Join the ladies for delicious coffee and cakes raising money for cancer care.

#### GARDEN WORKSHOPS

**Wednesday 18th October, 10am-12pm**

Seasonal storytelling - weird and wonderful woodland tales.

**Friday 27th October, 12-3pm**

Scottish Apple Day - outdoor cooking

**Friday 1st December, 1-3pm**

Lantern making

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & WESTER HAILES OPEN EXHIBITION CELEBRATION

**Friday 10th November 1-4pm, including lunch and treats from the cafe**

#### FESTIVE CELEBRATION

**Friday 8th December, 1-3.30pm**

Join us for carols and music, festive crafts, tree - dressing and a festive feast!

## Exhibitions

**5th ANNUAL WESTER HAILES OPEN EXHIBITION**

**3rd - 30th November**

Share your art and come and see what the other artists of Wester Hailes have created!

## Community

#### MEMBERS MEETUPs

**Tuesdays 5th Sep, 3rd Oct, 7th Nov, 5th Dec 6-7.30pm Meal meetings**

**Wednesday 18th Oct, 22nd Nov, 10.30am-12.30pm Coffee Mornings**

Come and meet other members and plan our events and activities over a shared meal or coffee and cake. 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.

**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 out more information by calling  
0131 458 3267, popping into reception  
or emailing [info@whalearts.co.uk](mailto:info@whalearts.co.uk)