

Young People & Families

DROP - IN SESSIONS- 22nd Jan - 29th Mar - FREE

EXPECTING SOMETHING with Starcatchers

Thursdays 11am - 1pm, includes lunch (no session on the 15th Feb)
Creative play for babies from birth to 2 and their grown-ups; followed by a home-cooked lunch 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

STREET ARTS

Thursdays 4.45pm - 7pm 1st Feb - 28th Mar (no session on the 15th Feb) Ages 7–16

The Street Arts Team head out on Thursday evenings to bring a fun and an eclectic mix of art, drama, music and movement to the local community. Come and find us at Westburn Grove (by the kickabout) at 4:45pm, The Calders Playpark at 5:20pm, Dumbeg Playpark at 5:55pm, and Westburn Quarrybank by the stairs, at 6:30pm. No need to book but we will need your details to take part.

SMARTIES ART CLUB

Fridays, NOW ***1.30-3pm***, 26th Jan - 29th Mar (no session on the 16th Feb) Ages 6-12

A fun creative art club happening every Friday at 1:30pm. Come and explore all sorts of visual art activities, from drawing, painting and sculpture, to animation, photography and textiles. Come and try something new or bring your own projects to work on. Develop your artistic skills to inspire your imagination!

Sign up to join the club.

PLAY SENSE CREATE & EXPLORE ART

Saturdays – individually booked sessions, contact us for more details on dates Ages 5–10 (Play Sense Create) and

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

Play, Sense, Create

Bespoke sessions planned by artists for children with any additional support needs. Sessions are all about creating a fun, creative and safe space, based on the children's likes and interests. Our aim is for the families to have fun and engage as much as they wish in our safe and playful environment.

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

Contact us to book your session or find out more

Adults

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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 (no sessions on the 13th & 15th Feb)

Tuesdays 10am -12.30pm & Thursdays 1.30pm -4pm, ongoing

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

ONGOING SESSIONS - 22nd Jan - 29th Mar - FREE

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

SMARTCRAFT (no session on the 12th Feb)

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 the 13th Feb)

A therapeutic art group for women struggling with their mental health. Creative activity and a cuppa together.

STITCH 'N' TIME

Tuesdays 1pm - 3pm (no session on the 13th Feb)

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

MENS MAKERS

Wednesdays 10am - 2pm (no session on the 14th Feb / final session the 3rd Apr)

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

CREATE COMMUNITY WEALTH CRAFT CAFÉ

Thursdays 9.30am - 12.30pm

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

BOOKABLE SESSIONS - 22nd Jan - 29th Mar

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 lona at Art in Healthcare on 0131 555 7638 or outreachmanager@artinhealthcare.org.uk.

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

Events for everyone

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

ONE BUM CINEMA - In partnership with Manipulate Arts

Coming in February - dates to be announced on WHALE Arts social media By Anna Vartiainen, brought to life by Paulie Musselwhite and Matthew Simkins

Experience your very own cinema-for-one, with One Bum Cinema Club arriving for its Scottish debut. Aimed at ages 1-101, the One Bum Cinema Club is a great way to discover the potential of animation as an artform, with short contributions from some of the world's most exciting established and emerging animation talent, alongisde some of Wester Hailes' budding animators! Sit back, relax, push the big button to start, and enjoy your personalised cinema screening.

Exhibitions

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

Empowered Enterprise

EMPOWERED ENTERPRISE - 22nd Jan - 29th Mar

A series of inspirational networking events, short courses and peer support café / sessions for anyone looking to start their own business or to strengthen your skills and meet like minded people at a similar stage in their journey.

Look out for more details on upcoming events and activities.

Need a crèche so that you can attend? No problem, all our Empowered Enterprise activities are supported with a creche. Just book in when you book your place.

Community

MEMBERS MEETUPs

Wednesday 31st Jan, 28th Feb, 27th Mar, 10.30am -12.30pm, Coffee Morning Tuesday 6th Feb, 5th Mar, 6pm - 7.30pm, Members' Meal

Tuesday 13th Feb, 12th Mar, 1pm - 3pm, Members' Walk

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

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.

NEW - CALVES CLUB

Starting - Tuesday 23rd Jan, 20th Feb, 19th Mar, 5pm - 7pm

Introducing our brand new youth membership group for local 11-18 year olds. Come along for free food, great conversation and creative activities with your peers. Drop In session, registration required to attend.

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

Come along for a free, delicious, healthy meal. Sit in or Takeaway.

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