

SUMMER 2026

WHALE Arts 2026 Summer Youth Programme

4 EPIC weeks! Free summer activities for young people aged 6 to 16!

Register your interest:

Places are limited. Scan the QR code or visit:
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13th July -
7th August
2026



OPEN STUDIO, Tuesday 14th July

1:30pm - 3:30pm (ages 12 -16)

A relaxed, creative drop-in session with our knowledgeable tutor - try a new technique or work on your own project. Use our materials or bring along your own!

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12 - 16**

TEXTILE LESSONS, Tuesday 21st July and Tuesday 4th August

1:30pm - 3:30pm (ages 12 -16)

Learn sewing skills while making your own textile creations that you will be able to take home.

Tuesday 21st Jul - Make your own drawstring backpack

Tuesday 4th Aug - Make your own rollup pencil or brush case

PAPER MAKING, Tuesday 28th July

1:30pm - 3:30pm (ages 12 -16)

Learn how to make your own paper using recycled materials. Explore simple techniques to create textures, designs and images on your handmade sheets.

SOUND STAGE TOUR, Wednesday 29th July

9am - 2pm (ages 12 -16)

Join us on a small group visit to an Edinburgh-based Sound Stage where sound is recorded for films, TV and advertisements. Go behind the scenes and learn more about one of the most important parts of the entertainment industry.

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WEEK 1

GIANT WOVEN HIDEOUTS, Monday 13th July

10:30am - 12pm and 1pm - 2:30pm (ages 6 -11)

Learn large-scale weaving techniques by creating giant fabric dens from old t-shirts and rags.

RAG DOLL FIGURES, Tuesday 14th July

10:30am - 12pm and 1pm - 2:30pm (ages 6 -11)

Learn how to fabricate your own rag doll figures from recycled materials.

COMIC CLUB, Wednesday 15th July

10:30am - 12pm (ages 6 -11)

Write, illustrate, and create your own marvellous comic universe.

MASK MAKING, Friday 17th July

10:30am - 12pm (ages 6 -11)

Learn about and create expressive masks using found materials.

WEEK 2

JUNK ROBOTS, Monday 20th July

10:30am - 12pm and 1pm - 2:30pm (ages 6 -11)

Build your own robot sidekick from scrap materials.

CRAZY CATS, Tuesday 21st July

10:30am - 12pm (ages 6 -11)

Learn how to make wild artwork based on our furry feline friends.

COMIC CLUB, Wednesday 22nd July

10:30am - 12pm (ages 6 -11)

Craft marvellous comic stories through writing, illustration, and design.

TRASH TEXTILES, Friday 24th July

10:30am - 12pm (ages 6 -11)

Transform recyclable materials into unique textiles and fabric creations.

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WEEK 3

MINIATURE WORLDS, Monday 27th July

10:30am - 12pm and 1pm - 2:30pm (ages 6 -11)

Build miniature worlds and handcraft models to populate your own diorama.

STICK CREATURES, Tuesday 28th July

10:30am - 12pm and 1pm - 2:30pm (ages 6 -11)

Build and decorate stick creatures using twine and natural materials.

TRASHION, Friday 31st July

10:30am - 12pm (ages 6 -11)

Trashion — when trash and fashion collide on the runway.

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WEEK 4

CHAOTIC COLLAGE, Monday 3rd August

10:30am - 12pm and 1pm - 2:30pm (ages 6 -11)

Create chaotic collages using mixed media and found materials.

WIND CHIMES, Tuesday 4th August

10:30am - 12pm (ages 6 -11)

Craft musical wind chimes from found materials.

CIRCUS AT THE EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE, Wednesday 5th August

9am - 2pm (ages 6 -11)

Experience the magic of live circus at Edinburgh Fringe.

PAPER BOUQUETS, Friday 7th August

10:30am - 12pm (ages 6 -11)

Create beautiful flower bouquets and explore plant-based art projects.