

# CRAIGMILLAR & NIDDRIE COMMUNITY FESTIVAL 2021



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF CRAIGMILLAR (SINCE IT  
JOINED THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF EDINBURGH)

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We would like to thank all the volunteers, community members and organisations who have contributed their time to create, help shape, promote, and run the festival this year despite the many challenges of the current situation. Your proudness for where you live and your passion for creativity has enabled the delivery of the Craigmillar and Niddrie Community Festival 2021, and it wouldn't be possible without you!

## ABOUT

Welcome to the Craigmillar and Niddrie Community Festival 2021. The original Craigmillar Festival, run by the Craigmillar Festival society, started in 1962 and ran for over 40 years, acting as the 'catalyst for social change'. It has paved the way for, and inspired, many other local community arts initiatives all across the world. The festival celebrates the local community coming together to present a rich and diverse programme for everyone to enjoy and participate in. We encourage you all to take part this year on a journey of discovery throughout Craigmillar and Niddrie today.

This year we are also commemorating 100 years since the Greater Craigmillar area joined the boundary of Edinburgh, and so we are specifically celebrating the history of the area through those last 100 years. We hope this festival will be a springboard for the return of an annual community festival in Craigmillar and Niddrie that everyone can take part in for years to come.



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# VENUE

# ADDRESS



The Greenhouse (Festival HUB): 64 Niddrie Mains road, EH16 4BG



Bridgend Farmhouse: 41 Old Dalkeith Road, EH16 4TE



Cairntows Park: 33 Peffer Bank, EH16 4FE



Castle Rock Edinvar: 3 Hay Ave, EH16 4RW



Craigmillar Castle: Craigmillar Castle Road, EH16 4SY



Craigmillar Castle Park: Old Dalkeith Road, EH16 4TE



Craigmillar Library: 101 Niddrie Mains road, EH16 4DS



Craigmillar Now: 58 Newcraighall Road, EH15 3HS



Jack Kane Community Centre: 208 Niddrie Mains Road



LYRA Artspace: 11 Harewood Road, EH16 4NT



Niddrie Commnuity Church: 12 Hay Dr, EH16 4RY



Richmond Church: 227 Niddrie Mains Road, EH16 4PA



Sandy's Community Centre: 76 Craigmillar Castle Ave



The Thistle Foundation: 13 Queen's Walk, EH16 4AE



Venchie Children & Young Peoples Project: 61 Niddrie Mains Ter, EH16 4NX



The White House: 70 Niddrie Mains Road, EH16 4BG



# FESTIVAL HUB



**FESTIVAL HUB: The Greenhouse, 64 Niddrie Mains road, EH16 4BG**

**Opening times: SAT 14 & SUN 15 August: 11am–5pm**

Visit the Festival HUB if you have any questions about events, would like to give us feedback or would like to know how to get involved in the future!

You can also pop over to collect your free copy of the Craigmillar A to Z Booklet, a festival programme, tickets for the concert at the castle, stickers and any other information you might need.



## CRAIGMILLAR A TO Z BOOKLET

A booklet of artwork representing an A to Z of the History of Craigmillar up to today. Illustrated by pupils from Castlebrae High, in collaboration with Connecting Craigmillar and Craigmillar Now.



**FESTIVAL HUB: The Greenhouse**

# FESTIVAL PARADE



SAT 14 AUGUST | 11am

Join the festival parade led by a piper! Come to the celebration in your best farming costume, whether that's as a farm labourer or farm animal! The Parade will begin at 11am Bridgend Farmhouse, make its way through Craigmillar Castle gardens and onto Niddrie Mains road, stopping at Craigmillar Library. To book your place contact [craigmillarfest@gmail.com](mailto:craigmillarfest@gmail.com)!



Once you're signed up to the parade you can either join at Bridgend Farmhouse at 11am or Craigmillar Castle Gardens by the Craigmillar High Flats at 11.30am



Festival Parade Route

# CRAIGMILLAR COMMUNITY FESTIVAL STAGE



SUN 15 AUGUST | 11am–4:30pm

## FEAUTURING:

- The festival in Craigmillar historically had a puppetry show with children each taking a turn to perform afterwards. So to honour this tradition there will be an interactive story telling show created by the audience! Come and watch 'Our ABC Story' produced by Mr Blue, from 11am–11:45am on Sunday 15 August, followed by local storyteller Heather Henderson from 11.45–12pm.
- Youth Open Mic from 12–2pm, featuring a range of local musicians and performers, including performances from a children's choir in Niddrie, a dance performance from Starpic, a great community project delivering activities to young people in Niddrie/Craigmillar; <http://starpicproject.co.uk/>, and a Traditional Semah performance from the Pir Sultan Cultural Centre and Cemevi (Pir-Der), and more!
- Adult Open Mic event from 2–4.30pm. There are a range of local musicians, poets, storytellers and performers booked in already.

Supported by Reel Youth Media/Totally Sound, Bridgend Farmhouse & Connecting Craigmillar.



Craigmillar Castle





# **ART EXHIBITIONS**

**SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST**



## **100 WINDOWS**

100 Art packs are available for children upon request to decorate their windows as an extension of the exhibitions festival weekend. If you would like to request an Art pack please contact: **craigmillarfest@gmail.com**. Also we'd love to see your windows once they're decorated so share a picture with us either by email (craigmillarfest@gmail.com) or on social media using the hashtag #Craigmillar100 and they can become part of an online gallery!



**SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST**



## **100 BIRDS ART TRAIL**

We have created 100 wooden birds from local children's drawings, to form an art trail through the woods at Craigmillar Castle over the festival weekend. The trail will be starting in the park just past Bridgend Farmhouse and the birds can be seen from 14th-15th August inclusive so remember when wandering through the park to look up into the trees and see how many you can find? Share your pictures of the birds you spot on social media using the hashtag #Craigmillar100



**Craigmillar Castle Park**

**SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST | 7am - 4pm**



## **CRAIGMILLAR TAPESTRY EXHIBITION**

The Craigmillar Tapestry Project is the creation of a community tapestry representing the past, present and future of Craigmillar, in Edinburgh. It is a community project made up of a series of panels, designed and stitched by various members of the community, in collaboration with Andrew Crummy, who led the Great Tapestry of Scotland, and is the son of Helen Crummy, the original founder of the Craigmillar Festival society.



**The White House**

**SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST | SAT: 2-4pm & SUN: 12-3pm**



## **CRAIGMILLAR TAPESTRY STITCHING SESSIONS**

Come and put a stitch into The Craigmillar Tapestry! These sessions are open for anyone, whether you're completely new to stitching and tapestry work, or are a seasoned stitcher. Come along to give it a go, learn more about the project, the history, and contribute a stitch to the panels.



**SAT: Bridgend Farmhouse & SUN: The White House**



**SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST**

## **CRAIGMILLAR THEN AND NOW**

An exhibition of murals and art work created by pupils from Castlebrae High, and local artist Gus Meechan, in the spring of 2021 representing the history of Craigmillar up to today. The history panel and murals will be installed in the new Castlebrae High once completed. In collaboration with Connecting Craigmillar, and with support from Morrison's Construction.



**Hoardings surrounding Castlebrae High by the Library**



**SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST | 10am - 5pm**

## **NIHAD AL TURK: DAILY MYTHS**



Craigmillar Now are delighted to present Daily Myths, an exhibition of new works by the internationally renowned, local Syrian artist Nihad Al Turk.

On Saturday the 14th August the exhibition will be accompanied with performances by Scottish Chamber Orchestra Principal Cellist, Philip Higham. These responsive, live performances will launch a 5-year collaboration between Craigmillar Now and the Scottish Chamber Orchestra.

Visitors to the exhibition on Saturday afternoon can also enjoy homemade Dhal made with ingredients grown in Craigmillar Now's garden. Dhal will be prepared by Asha, following her recipe in the Greater Craigmillar community cookbook Edible Stories which the local organisation Craigmillar Community Grows are launching at this event. Edible Stories includes illustrations by Nihad and will be available to purchase (by donation) throughout the weekend. Live performances: 2pm, 3pm, 4pm – booking essential, visit [www.craigmillarnow.com](http://www.craigmillarnow.com). Dhal served between 12-3pm.

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**Craigmillar  
Now**



**BOOKING IN ADVANCE REQUIRED  
FOR LIVE PERFORMANCES**



The background of the entire page is a repeating pattern of bicycles and pens. The bicycles are drawn with simple black outlines, and the pens are also simple black outlines. They are scattered across a light green background. In the center of the page, there is a white rectangular box with a thin black border. Inside this box, the words "FAMILY FUN" are written in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

# **FAMILY FUN**

**SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST**



## **CRAIGMILLAR LITERACY TRUST SUMMER OF STORIES BOOK GIFTING**

Craigmillar Literacy Trust are gifting books to babies, children and young people in the community. Follow Craigmillar Books for Babies and Craigmillar Stories for Sharing on Facebook for more information!



**Craigmillar Books for Babies & Craigmillar Stories for Sharing**

**SAT 14 AUGUST | 11am - 2pm**



## **FOOD AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

Come enjoy food and fun inspired by the 100-year history of our community! Offering free food and family activities that will be based around the 100 year history. We will also have an ice cream truck and a mini-market featuring local businesses. In addition, the team will be creating and showing a video reel detailing 100 years history of Niddrie Mission and its active role in the community today



**Niddrie Community Church**

**SAT 14 AUGUST | 1-3pm**



## **FOOD PANTRY, ARTS, CRAFTS AND KIDS GAMES**

An information afternoon at the Hays Pantry with arts and crafts and kids games from 1-3pm, with Castlerock Edinvar and Community Renewal.



**Castle Rock Edinvar**

SAT 14 AUGUST | 10am–2pm



## FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

Football Festival with community clubs Castlevale YDC and Edina Hibs. Come along to watch and support your local community football clubs and youth teams.



Jack Kane Park

SAT 14 AUGUST | 10am–12pm



## FREE FAMILY CYCLE RIDE



Free family cycle ride for 8 people (of all ages) from Bridgend Farmhouse 10am–12pm, with Leanne from A Wee Pedal. Bikes and helmets will be provided.

Bookings via Ros on [admin@bridgendfarmhouse.org.uk](mailto:admin@bridgendfarmhouse.org.uk).

For more information contact Leanne on: [info@aweepedal.com](mailto:info@aweepedal.com)

★ BOOKING IN ADVANCE REQUIRED



Bridgend Farmhouse

SAT 14 AUGUST | 12:30–4pm



## MEDIEVAL ENACTMENT TRAINING

Local medieval reenactment group will be demonstrating the training and activities they do in the castle park, in full medieval kit and will have a table with some of the kit and crafts that they do for people to look at. For more information contact: [facebook.com/BritanniaXIV](https://facebook.com/BritanniaXIV)

For anyone interested in taking part they will be at the P shaped old pond at the back of Craigmillar Castle.



Craigmillar Castle Park



**SAT 14 AUGUST | 11am-4pm**



## **MICROWORLD**

What does the wing of a bee look like close up? What do cells look like under a microscope? Join Biologists and Biomedical Scientists from The University of Edinburgh and Edinburgh BioQuarter to make your own micro-discoveries!



**The White House Courtyard**

**SAT 14 AUGUST | 12-2pm**



## **MINI FESTIVAL - VENCHIE 60TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

A variety of events including: BBQ, Beat the goalie, Obstacle course, Balloon modelling, circus skills, ponies, harley's, candy floss, popcorn, live music, children's rides. Supported by The Venchie, St. Teresa's Youth Club & The Almond Park Nursery



**Venchie Children and Young Peoples Project**



SAT 14 AUGUST | 12:30 – 2:30pm & 3:30 – 5:30pm



## SIR SCALLYWAG AND THE GOLDEN UNDERPANTS



Follow our musical trail from Craigmillar to the castle or join the musicians of the Scottish Chamber Orchestra onsite with the Craigmillar Literacy Trust, Oi Musica's street band Bloco Echo!, and pop-up circus performers Think Circus for two hours of fun!

When King Colin's golden underpants go missing and the royal bottom is bared, it's Sir Scallywag to the rescue! Brave and bold, courageous and true, he's the perfect knight for the job... and what does it matter that he's only six?!

Enjoy a live outdoor performance of Sir Scallywag and the Golden Underpants by musicians from the Scottish Chamber Orchestra, narrated by Children's TV Presenter Chris Jarvis, in partnership with Edinburgh International Festival.

Featuring lots of audience participation and your own copy of the book to take away, this laugh-out-loud musical adventure is by composer Paul Rissman, based on the book by Giles Andreae illustrated by Korky Paul. Booking required and bring your own rug!



### BOOKING IN ADVANCE REQUIRED:

There are several ways to book your FREE ticket! You can email: [craigmillarfesttickets@gmail.com](mailto:craigmillarfesttickets@gmail.com), visit [www.sco.org.uk/scallywag](http://www.sco.org.uk/scallywag), visit the Facebook event page, or visit the Festival HUB!

You can collect your tickets from Craigmillar Library, Bridgend Farmhouse or Craigmillar Now.



Craigmillar Castle Grounds

**EDINBURGH  
INTERNATIONAL  
FESTIVAL**

SCOTTISH  
CHAMBER  
ORCHESTRA

SAT 14 AUGUST | 10:30–2:30pm



## THISTLE YOUNG PEOPLE

Highlighting the work of the Thistle Young Persons Team. Meet young people involved in the Thistle Young Persons Team. Events include: Beat the Goalie, Try out an all ability bike, Try tai chi for ten minutes on the hour at 11 am, 12pm, 1pm, 2 pm, Stalls and demonstrations from Save a Life Scotland.



The Thistle Foundation

SAT 14 AUGUST | 10–11am (8–11 year olds) & 11:15am–12:15 (12–16 year olds)



## WRITING WORKSHOPS FOR 8–16 YEAR OLDS

Join Craigmillar Literacy Trust for a fun-filled session and write your own story in 100 words or less! The two hour-long sessions for ages 8–11 & 12–16 are part of the launch of the Johnni Stanton Creative Writing Awards 2021.

Free but booking essential, and all materials provided.

For more information or to sign up contact Katie Swann 07434 661098 [craigmillarbookfestival@gmail.com](mailto:craigmillarbookfestival@gmail.com)



BOOKING IN ADVANCE REQUIRED



Castle Rock Edinvar





## **FESTIVAL EVENTS**

SUN 15 AUGUST | 2:30–5pm



## BINGO NIGHT

Bingo starting at 3pm. Book ahead by phoning the Hearts Club or just turn up on the day.

Craigmillar Hearts Community Club: 201 Craigmillar Castle Avenue, EH16 4DZ

SAT 14 AUGUST | 4–5pm & 5–6pm



## BUILD A PLANTER WITH THE EDINBURGH TOOL LIBRARY



The Edinburgh Tool Library will be leading a mini outdoor workshop and teaching folks how to build a small planter from reclaimed wood. There will be spaces to book to make your own or you can watch at a safe distance to learn how it's done! Donations are gratefully accepted, but not required. We will require a deposit for your place however to mitigate no-shows. This will be refunded at the end of the event, unless folks want to donate it! To book contact: [craigmillarfesttickets@gmail.com](mailto:craigmillarfesttickets@gmail.com)



BOOKING IN ADVANCE REQUIRED



The White House Car Park

SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST | 11am–3:30pm



## CRAIGMILLAR GROWERS

Veg, fruit and plant share: come and pick up some veggies and plants from our community gardens. And if you have something from your own garden to give away, drop it off with us for someone else to take! We'll also do short tours of the Bristo Church garden at 12pm or 2pm.



The White House Kitchen Garden

SAT 14 AUGUST | 2-4pm



## DRAKE MUSIC SCOTLAND

Live performance by Drake Musicians including songs, duets and new music played on iPads & Laptops. Members of Digital Orchestra will play a new piece "Morning Fire" for the first time in public.



LYRA Artspace – Diana Garden

SUN 15 AUGUST | 5-7pm



## FILM SCREENING OF GODS OF MOLENBEEK



In collaboration with Richmond Hope, Craigmillar Community Cinema Club and Take One Action. Refreshments and popcorn provided. Please book tickets in advance through Richmond Church



### BOOKING IN ADVANCE REQUIRED:

Contact [craigmillarfesttickets@gmail.com](mailto:craigmillarfesttickets@gmail.com) or book via Richmond Church



Richmond Church

SAT 14 AUGUST | 2pm



## FROM FIRST IDEA TO FIRST DRAFT

Novelist Triona Scully will run a workshop about how to write a novel: getting the ideas out of your head and onto the page! For more information contact: [trionascully@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:trionascully@yahoo.co.uk)



The White House



**SAT 14 AUGUST | 12:30–3:30pm**

## **MOBILE HERBAL CLINIC**

Mobile Herbal Clinic with Herbal Scotland & Grassroots Remedies. Visit our stall displaying various herbal remedies and teas. There will be information about using plants as medicines in a safe and accessible way using local and sustainable sources as well as offering free samples. We are also going to provide information on our organisation and on other organisations folk can access to learn more about herbal medicine.



**The White House Courtyard**



**SAT 14 AUGUST | 11 – 11:15am**

## **NIDDRIE MISSION HISTORY VIDEO**

A short video detailing the history of the Niddrie Mission and its continuing commitment and mission to make Jesus known in the community



**Niddrie Community Church**



**SAT 14 AUGUST | 10am–4pm**

## **POTTERY STUDIO SALE**

A stall with pottery from Students and Users of The Edinburgh Pottery Studio.



**The White House**

SAT 14 AUGUST | From 12pm

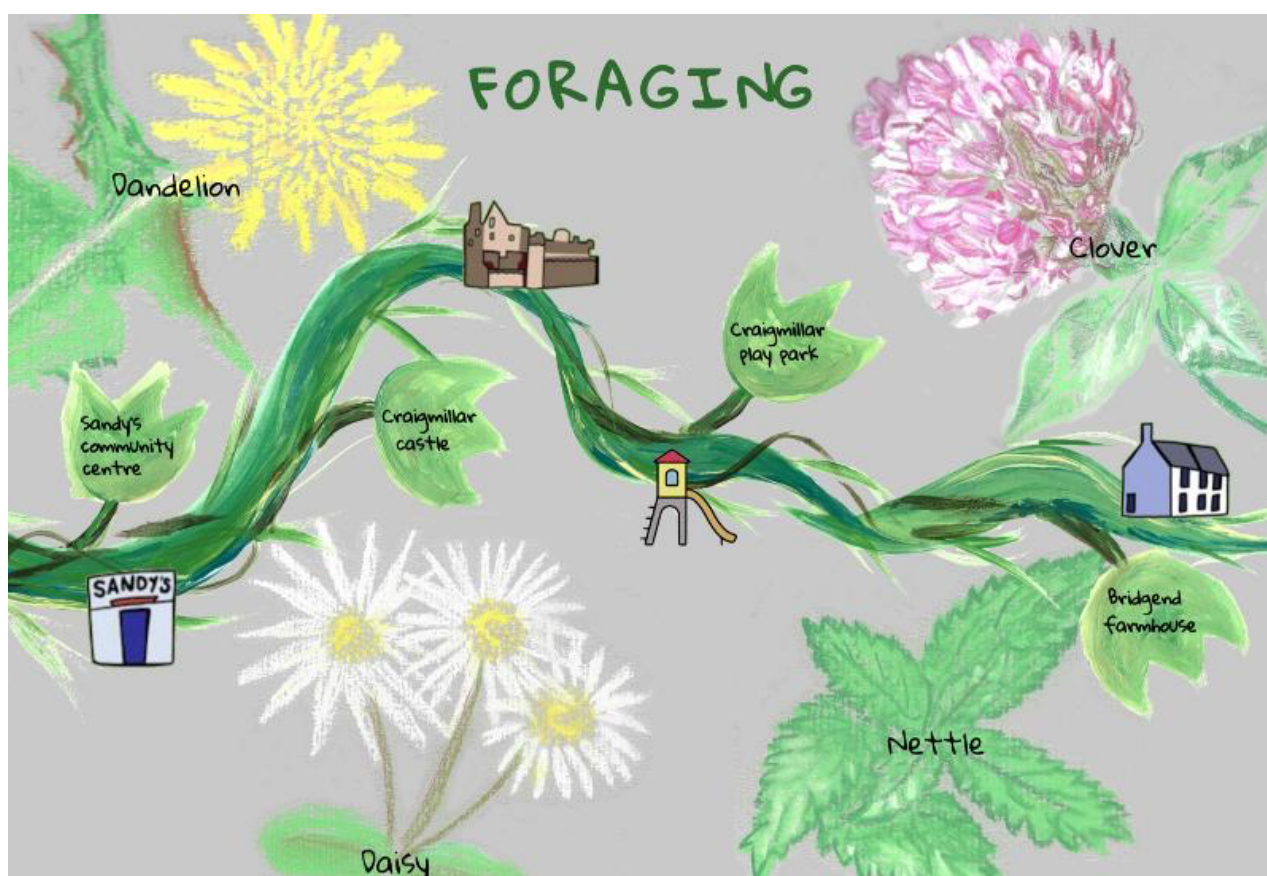


## SANDY'S COMMUNITY CENTRE | FUN ACTIVITIES AND STALLS

- Owl display team
- Play Rangers (Smart Play Network)
- Play, Talk, Read (Smart Play Network)
- Foraging workshop
- Table tennis
- Hula Hooping (ELGT)



Woodlands and Greenspace within Sandy's Community Centre



Designed by local community members Laura McNamee and Loan Nguyen.  
Funded by Paths and Produced by Craigmillar community Grows



SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST | 12-5pm



## STREET PERFORMERS

You would usually see Todd Various on the Royal Mile in August doing all sorts of exciting things like sword swallowing or tight rope walking. This year, he is making a guest appearance at Lyra for Craigmillar Festival so come along to be memorised by his circus and performance skills!



LYRA Artspace



Photo by Duncan McGlynn



In partnership with the Edinburgh Festival Fringe Society



**SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST | 12-5pm**



## **WHERE WE ARE ENSEMBLE**

Where We Are is a new creative initiative by Starcatchers, Imagine and Lyra, encompassing a travelling ensemble, creative play, and participatory performance making, all co-designed with children and young people across Edinburgh, Glasgow and Fife.

Lyra's Where We Are Ensemble will be performing music and dance outside during Craigmillar Festival to kick off the project!

To find out more contact: [Megan.reid@lyra.co.uk](mailto:Megan.reid@lyra.co.uk)



**LYRA Artspace**



# **FOOD STALLS**

SAT 14 AUGUST | 12 – 3pm



## **DHAL COOKING DEMONSTRATION FOR THE LAUNCH OF EDIBLE STORIES BOOK**

Cooking Dhal for launch of Edible stories book published by Carr Gomm, Craigmillar Community Grows.



**Garden at Craigmillar Now**

SAT 14 AUGUST | 12–2pm



## **INTERNATIONAL WORLD KITCHEN**

Includes at least 6 dishes from different cultures made by local residents, including live music and juggling from Graeme McDonald!



**Richmond Cafe**

SAT 14 AUGUST | 1:30pm



## **PICK UP A PAKORA OR PICNIC BAG**

Freshly made pakora: an authentic recipe made by local home cooks.  
Craigmillar Festival Special: 4 pakoras, salad and sauce only £3.50.  
Sandwich picnic bags and tea/coffee also available.



**Bridgend Farmhouse**

SAT 14 & SUN 15 AUGUST | 7am - 4pm



## WHITEHOUSE CAFE

Open from 7am-4pm for full breakfast, lunch, sweets, drinks and refreshments. We will also be giving out free soup!



The White House



## **ONLINE EVENTS**

SAT 14 AUGUST | 11am – 12pm



## **CRAIGMILLAR BOOKS FOR BABIES SATURDAY STORY TIME**

Join Craigmillar Books for Babies Storyteller in Residence Eric Brennan for an online Storytime and craft! Suitable for families with children under 4 and older siblings.



[Facebook.com/craigmillarbooksforbabies](https://Facebook.com/craigmillarbooksforbabies)

SAT 14 AUGUST | 7–8:30pm



## **JOHNNI STANTON CREATIVE FESTIVAL AWARDS**

New monthly zoom event launching at this years festival! Tweet short line poems or Haiku on @performpoetryRose during the festival. A winner will be chosen each month to take part in the 2022 festival. The winner of the finale will be awarded the Johnni Stanton Creative Festival Prize! We will invite people from the community and beyond to be judges.



Zoom: Meeting ID: 9685844994, Password: 998506

SAT 14 AUGUST | 9pm



## **NEWTOPIA – WOMEN WITH FIERCE WORDS**



Film delivered via YouTube Premiere. Multi- media Spoken Word performance of writing emerging from our disrupted lives. The legacy on our careers; the physical and emotional impact; addressing the change in ourselves. 12 diverse women, diverse views. We will be joined by two international spoken word artists. Video link will be available via eventbrite.

★ **BOOKING IN ADVANCE REQUIRED**



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YouTube Premiere



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## CONTRIBUTING ORGANISATIONS

Bridgend Farmhouse, Castlebrae High, Castlevale Youth Football Club, Community Renewal & the Hays Food Pantry, Connecting Craigmillar, Craigmillar Alliance Trust, Craigmillar Books for Babies, BXIV Craigmillar Castle, Craigmillar Community Grows, Craigmillar Hearts Community Club, Craigmillar Literacy Trust, Craigmillar Now, Drake Music Scotland, Edina Hibs Football Club, Edinburgh Food Social, Edinburgh Pottery Studio, Edinburgh Tool Library, Grassroots Remedies/Herbal Scotland, Historic Environment Scotland, Lyra, Niddrie Community Church, Nihad Al Turk, North East Community Policing Team, Oi Musica, Pir Sultan Cultural Centre and Cemevi (Pir-Der), Reel Youth Media/Totally Sound, Richmond Craigmillar Church, Save a Life Scotland, Scottish Chamber Orchestra, Starpic, St. Teresa's Youth Club, Take One Action, Think Circus, University of Edinburgh, The Venchie, The Whitehouse, Women with Fierce Words

# PLEASE SHARE ANY FEEDBACK ON YOUR EXPERIENCE OF THE FESTIVAL THIS YEAR:

Please return this sheet to one of the festival stewards, to the Festival HUB (at the Greenhouse), or to: [craigmillarfest@gmail.com](mailto:craigmillarfest@gmail.com)

What have you enjoyed about the festival?

Do you feel more connected with others in the community after taking part?

What is important about this community to you?

What does Wellbeing mean to you?

What suggestions and ideas do you have for future festivals?

**PLEASE DRAW OR WRITE ANYTHING  
THAT REPRESENTS CRAIGMILLAR  
AND NIDDRIE TODAY TO YOU**

# CRAIGMILLAR & NIDDRIE COMMUNITY FESTIVAL MAP

