



Penicuik Community Arts Association

Newsletter for Members and Friends

March 2023

Dear Members and Friends,

First of all, apologies for the lateness of this Newsletter - it's been an unusually busy month. But better late than never. I hope it finds you all in as good health as possible.

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Before I give you news of events, there is a sad announcement from the PCAA committee. We were very sorry to hear that Gerry Marshall has passed away. He served on the PCAA committee some time ago, and he and his wife Devi were members and loyal supporters for many years. Our thoughts are with Devi and the family.

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The PCAA AGM for 2023 will take place on MONDAY 15th MAY at 7:30pm upstairs in room 1 at the Arts Centre, 4 West Street, EH26 9DL. We hope to see as many members there as possible.

At this meeting, we will be reporting on activities, business and building matters for 2022-2023; we'll be electing the new committee for 2023-2024, and we will welcome Rebekah Dyer as our new Membership Secretary.

We hope to complete the business within 45 minutes (max), and we'll then offer complimentary wine, juice and finger food and enjoy some informal

social time together. There *may* be short musical offerings from a well-known professional member (and perhaps one or two others).

This will be our Spring “Members Only” social. If you’re not a member and would like to come along to this event, please join the PCAA now! You can buy memberships in our online shop <https://www.penicuikarts.org/shop/> or pick up a membership form at the cafe (there are usually some on the end of the craft shelves).

Other upcoming events, exhibitions and workshops

Sunday 2nd April saw the opening of a new exhibition in the café-gallery - Paintings by Marieta Mladenova. Marieta is a new artist for the Arts Centre. Her exhibition closes at 3:30pm on Saturday 13th May.

On Friday 14th April 7:30pm we’d love to welcome you at our next Storytelling club. Our special guest will be Kate Corkery from Ireland. Kate has performed in countless schools, libraries, theatres and festivals across the world, delighting audiences of all ages.

Tickets: £5 (£3 low income) online and from the Arts Centre café.

On Saturday 15th April 10:30am, Kate Corkery will be leading a Storytelling workshop. Anyone is welcome who is interested in learning more about the storytelling process, and how to develop their own natural skills. A grant from TASGADH means we can offer the workshop FREE to people living in or around Penicuik, and it’s £30 for non-locals. YOU MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE by emailing penicuikarts.org@gmail.com.

On Sunday 16th April 3pm, we present harpist Ailie Robertson, returning by popular demand after a sell-out concert last year. Ailie is widely regarded as one of Scotland’s leading traditional musicians and Celtic harpists. She has won many awards and competitions and has performed and taught all over the world. Tickets: £15 (£10 low income).

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Looking ahead to May

On Sunday 7th May 3pm, we present Ad Libitum: Andrea Gajic - Violin and Sofia Ros - Classical Accordion. They will offer us a thrilling mix of classical,

gypsy, and South American dance music. Both musicians studied at Scotland's National Specialist Music School 'St. Mary's Music School' in Edinburgh, and have won numerous scholarships and awards.
Tickets: £15 (£10 low income).

Sunday 14th May 2pm Preview of Stephen Beaumont's exhibition of exquisite embroidery which runs until Saturday 1st July 3:30pm.

Saturday 20th May 1:30pm Storytelling Workshop from Ruth Kirkpatrick.
Please email Sue (penicuikarts.org@gmail.com) for further details.

All events take place at the West Street Arts Centre, 4 West Street, EH26 9DL (under the scaffolding!)

Tickets for most events can be bought online (<https://www.penicuikarts.org/shop/>) or from the Arts Centre café.

Or email penicuikarts.org@gmail.com or text 0781 505 2929 to reserve tickets.

Please note: Storytelling workshops are ONLY bookable by email penicuikarts.org@gmail.com

Hope to see you soon at West Street!

Best wishes,

Sue

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Storytelling Club

Friday 14th April | 7:30pm | £5/£3 (low income)

Penicuik Arts Centre, 4 West Street, Penicuik, EH26 9DL

with **KATE CORKERY**

Kate Corkery is a captivating Irish storyteller who has performed in countless schools, libraries, theatres and festivals across the world, delighting audiences of all ages.

Kate loves to collect and share stories from Ireland and is author of 'Cork Folk Tales'. Her highly acclaimed FATE commissioned show 'Sweet Shop on the Shore' won outstanding storytelling performance at the BASE awards and has gone on to tour far and wide.

Kate is thrilled to be bringing her stories to Penicuik Storytelling Club!



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Tickets available from Monday 27th March
from the **Arts Centre Cafe** &
online (<https://www.penicuikarts.org/shop>)



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Storytelling Workshop

led by **KATE CORKERY**

No matter what your level of storytelling experience, enjoy learning to tell with more confidence in a relaxed, fun and supportive setting.

Saturday 15th April
10:30am-3:30pm

Penicuik Arts Centre
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Free for residents of Penicuik and surrounding areas / £30 for non-locals

Space strictly limited, so please book early!

Places **MUST** be reserved by email or text:

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Ailie Robertson

Harpist & Composer

Ailie has performed and taught all over the world - now she is returning to Penicuik by popular demand!

Ailie is one of Scotland's leading traditional musicians and Celtic harpists.

A multi-award winning composer and performer from Edinburgh, Ailie's work crosses the boundaries of traditional and contemporary music. She is five-time National Mòd Gold Medalist and a BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician of the Year finalist, with many other prestigious prizes to her name.

Ailie performed a sell-out show in Penicuik in 2022 - don't miss this year's concert!



Sunday 16th April 2023 at 3pm

£15/£10 (low income)

Penicuik Arts Centre, 4 West Street, EH26 9DL

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online** (www.penicuikarts.org/shop)



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