

WELCOME TO GAELFORCE 2010

GaelForce is the doorway for the whirlwind of vibrant arts and entertainment that sweeps across gorgeous Dumfries and Galloway all year round.

Explore GaelForce for a rich diversity of festivals and events. The Eden Festival gets September off to a funky and family-friendly start. Or you can head for the hills up at Moniaive for the Michaelmas Bluegrass Festival. For book-lovers there's the Wigtown Book Festival and for a big welcome to a small place head for fast-draw fun at the Creetown Country Music Festival.

A swinging October starts with Lockerbie Jazz Festival, but if your taste is renaissance, then The Galloway Consort will be making sweet music with viols, recorders and other medieval instruments. Poetry flows across the region with the arrival here of a succession of famous poets for Poetry Doubles.

And as the clocks go back put your best foot forward for Gatehouse of Fleet to enjoy The Fireside Hoolie. Finally, with the arrival of the winter, December brings The Feral Choir carolling in the villages.

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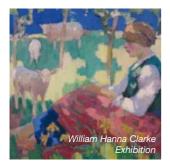
Dumfries and Galloway abounds in beautiful and tranquil places to stay – a place where land and sky inspire. Check out www.visitscotland.com and www.createscape.co.uk

Local Travel Line 0871 200 2233









William Hanna Clarke (1882 - 1924)

18th June 2010 -11th September 2010 The Stewartry Museum. Kirkcudbriaht Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission

Exhibition -**Building Scotland**

28th August 2010 -9th October 2010 Dumfries Museum. The Observatory, Rotchell Road. Dumfries Monday-Saturday, 10am-5pm and 2pm-5pm Sunday until 30th September Tuesday-Saturday 10am-1pm, 2pm-5pm from 1st October Free Admission

This exhibition celebrates the varied raw materials that have been employed in forming the nation's traditional buildings.



of reopening of the Theatre Royal, Dumfries by the Guild of Players 23rd August 2010 -4th September 2010 The Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383 Monday-Saturday, 10am - 4pm Free Admission

A celebration of the life of the Theatre Royal, past, present and future with an exhibition of photographs, memorabilia and costumes as well as details of forthcoming events.

Kirkmahoe Concerts

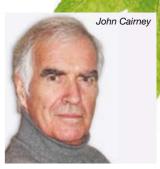
2nd September 2010 Barony Church, Dalswinton 7.30pm

Tickets: £6.50/£4 children and concessions from dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383. Thomas Tosh, Thornhill 01848 331553 or on the door.

The characterful little 'tin' church at Dalswinton hosts Chameleon jazz trio, Nick Spencer and Lionel McClelland, guitar, fiddle and vocals, and celebrated poet and storyteller, Tom Pow.

Brushworks

2nd - 11th September 2010 Castle Douglas Art Gallery. Castle Douglas Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission



Greasepaint Monkey -The Stage Life of John Cairney

3rd September 2010 Theatre Royal, Dumfries 7.30pm

Tickets: £10 (£7 concessions) Available from: dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk

In a career that has spanned more than half a century. John Cairney has performed on every kind of stage from London's West End to the garden room of a millionaire's home in Texas. Join him in the Theatre Royal for an evening of entertaining stories.

The Eden Festival

3rd - 5th September 2010 Raehills Estate, St Annes. Lockerbie. DG11 1HL Tickets £69.00 from www.edenfestival.co.uk

The Eden Festival is a threeday celebration of dance. music. community and culture built on ecologically sound principles. This year's family-friendly festival sees the addition of new stages. decorations and arts, more cabaret and burlesque, more theatre, more green power, more kids' entertainment and much much more by way of crafts and workshops. Supported by GaelForce



Belhaven Best Portpatrick Folk Festival

3rd - 5th September 2010 Portpatrick Village Hall www.portpatrickfolkfestival.org Contact: 07274897968 Tickets £6-£8

Highlights: Friday 3rd: Ceilidh/Concert from 7pm Dancing to Life O' Reilly; concert spot by Fiona Cuthill and Stevie Lawrence with their special guest, uillean piper, Brendan McCreanor

Saturday 4th: Concert Starring Breabach plus support from brilliant young box player, Roya Mclean and Norwegian singer Ingebjoerg Bratland.

Sessions/open stage/ workshops all weekend.

Jewel O' them A' 4th September 2010

Swallow Theatre, Moss Park, Ravenstone, Whithorn DG8 8DR 7.30 pm Tickets £8 from 01988 850368

or mail@swallowtheatre.com

That's what Robert Burns called Jean Armour, But what happens when 'the jewel' marries the great love poet?



The Fall of the House of Usher & Ghosts before Breakfast with live music by The Southwell Collective

6th September 2010 Robert Burns Centre. Dumfries 6.30pm Tickets: £6.30, concession £4.80 from box office 01387 264808

Ghosts before Breakfast, by Hans Richter, is a short film in which ordinary objects behave in unusual, unexpected ways. The new score. composed by The Southwell Collective, aspires to achieve the same effect, featuring music both familiar, yet subtly unpredictable.

The Fall of the House of Usher, Jean Epstein's 1928 masterpiece of this classic story by Edgar Alan Poe, is full of suspense and visually stunning. The Southwell Collective's new score is inspired by Poe's original story. Supported by GaelForce



Poetry Doubles presented by **Dumfries & Gallowav Arts** BRIAN JOHNSTONE. FIONA RUSSELL and **FM STRANG**

6th September 2010 Gordon Memorial Hall. Castle Douglas 7pm

Tickets: £7/£5 concession from dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street. Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

Brian Johnstone, co-founder and until this year Director of StAnza: Scotland's International Poetry Festival, is a gifted and widely published poet. He has published two poetry collections and three pamphlets, his second full collection The Book of Belongings being published by Arc in 2009. His poems 'evoke...a sense of spiritual immanence in their slow still spaces' (Scottish Literary Journal). From Dumfries and Galloway, Fiona Russell and Em Strang bring fresh new voices with a shared interest in eco poetry.

Poetry Doubles brings worldclass poets to read in venues across Dumfries and Galloway. where they share a stage with poets from the region. For more information visit www.daarts.co.uk



The Saltire Society presents: A Railway Film

7th September 2010 Mill on the Fleet, Gatehouse of Fleet 10am - 5.00pm Free Admission

A fascinating film about the "Paddy Line" will be shown throughout the day. It is hoped there will also be a display of railway photos and memorabilia from that period.

On The Road

8th - 19th September 2010 Tolbooth Art Centre, Kirkcudbright Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission

Isla Grant in Concert

9th September 2010 Theatre Royal, Dumfries 7.30pm Tickets: £15 Available from: dqArts, Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

A welcome return of the ever popular international singer/ songwriter



What a Character! presented by Last Word Productions

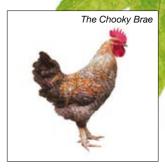
9th and 11th September Swallow Theatre, Moss Park, Ravenstone, Whithorn DG8 8DR 7.30 pm Tickets £8 from 01988 850368 or mail@swallowtheatre.com

Last Word Productions bring their new show. 'What A Character!' to the tiny Swallow Theatre.

Upbeat Beatles

11th September 2010 Lochside Theatre. Castle Douglas 7.30pm Tickets: £14 01556 504506

The fab-est four around today, the Upbeat Beatles are the nearest you'll ever get to the real thing! Since 1997 The Upbeat Beatles have been the best in the business at re-creating the excitement and authentic sound of the original Fab Four.



Yes We Can - Together: **Quilting Exhibition**

13th - 30th September 2010 The Midsteeple. High Street, Dumfries Monday-Saturday. 10am-4pm Free Admission

This is the second part of a project entitled "Yes We Can - Together". This part shows guilts made with families living with Alzheimers. Presented by Ann Hill - Quilter, Alzheimers Scotland and NHS Dumfries and Galloway

Borderline Theatre presents: The Chooky Brae

14th September 2010 The Ryan Centre, Stranraer DG9 7AP 7.30pm Tickets £10/£8.50 01776 703535

A new comedy about love, duty and free range fowl, this is Borderline Theatre's follow up to their smash hits The Wall and The Ducky.



The Saltire Society presents: Andrew Fletcher of Saltoun Award

14th September 2010 The Midsteeple. High Street, Dumfries 6pm Free Admission

This is a prestigious national award from the Saltire Society and is presented in recognition of a significant contribution to Scottish Culture. It is our honour this year to host the event. The award will be posthumously awarded to Willie Neill for his contribution as one of the outstanding Scottish poets of the 20th century, writing in Scots. Gaelic and English. The presentation will be made to members of the Neill family by the President of the Saltire Society, Lord Cullen.

Book Launch: The Shard Box by Liz Niven 15th September 2010

The Midsteeple, High Street, **Dumfries** 7pm Free Admission

Liz Niven talks about her new collection of poems capturing the contradictions and multiple identities of modern China. From the intimacy of the tea ceremony to the lives of migrant workers in Beijing, nothing is as it seems.

Supported by Dumfries & Galloway Arts



A South African Experience/ **Exhibition of Quilts**

15th - 18th September 2010 Castle Douglas Art Gallery, Castle Douglas Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission

Guild of Players presents: Junior Guild Two One Act Plays - Little Red Riding Hood and the Power Mutants by Ed Monk and Mother Goose is Eater by Werewolves by Stef Du Ferie

16th - 18th September 2010 Theatre Royal, Dumfries 7.15pm (2.30pm 18th September 2010) Tickets: £5/£4 (members) Available from: dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk

Come and see the Junior Guild showcase their work for the year in these two one act plays

Women Behaving Madly

17th September 2010 Lochside Theatre, Castle Douglas 7.30pm Tickets: £8 / £7 01556 504506

Three women, one very short temper. Surely a frail little old lady doesn't have it in her to be a killer, or does she? Don't dig up the shrubbery!



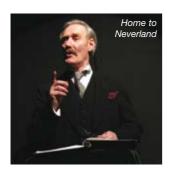
An Evening with Peter Allis 17th September 2010 DG One Leisure Complex, **Dumfries** 7.30pm Tickets: £20 from DG One 01387 243550 www.dgone.co.uk

Creetown Country Festival 17th - 19th September 2010 3 Venues in Creetown Village Full Weekend Ticket: £35 from www.creetowncountrymusic-festival.com; 01671 820654

The story of the Creetown Country Festival is the story of a community inspired to embrace the love of country music and extend the hand of friendship to people the length and breadth of the UK and beyond. For 14 years now picturesque Creetown has been transported to the Wild West each September. With 26 bands, hatfuls of family events, activities and foot-tapping entertainment on offer alongside some of the best live country music performances around, it's all about the country music. Family entertainment for all ages, as well as Saturday's giant street fair. Supported by GaelForce

Focus on Tongland, Balmaghie and Kelton

18th Sep - 20th Nov 2010 The Stewartry Museum, Kirkcudbriaht Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission



Home to Neverland - A window on J M Barrie 18th September 2010 Dumfries Academy, Main Hall. 7.30pm Tickets: £8 / £6

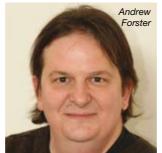
Academy and dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk

From Neverland to the Scottish glens, from society drawingrooms to couthy firesides, Barrie is the master storvteller. But beneath the fantasies. social satire and humour, there is an enigma: the lad from Kirriemuir who became the world's leading playwright: the boy who would never grow old. Supported by GaelForce

Women Behaving Madly by multi award-winning playwright Rona Munro

19th September 2010 Swallow Theatre, Moss Park, Ravenstone, Whithorn DG8 8DR 7.30 pm Tickets £8 from 01988 850368 or mail@swallowtheatre.com

Three women, one very short temper. Performed by award winning actress Fiona Knowles.



Poetry Doubles presented by **Dumfries & Gallowav Arts** ANDREW FORSTER and KATY EWING

20th September 2010 Brigend Theatre, Market Square, Dumfries DG2 7AB 7pm

Tickets: £7 / £5 from dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk

Andrew Forster's first collection, Fear of Thunder, was shortlisted for the Forward First Collection Prize in 2007. His second collection, Territory (2010) explores what it means to make a home in a particular place, and the relationship with the environment that this implies. Andrew is currently Literature Officer for The Wordsworth Trust. Katy Ewing lives with her family in the Stewartry area of Dumfries and Galloway and describes her poetry as an effort to distil moments of experience so that they conjure a small, particular reality. Her work is precise. vivid and illuminating. Poetry Doubles brings world-class poets to read in venues across Dumfries and Galloway, where they share a stage with poets from the region. For more information visit www.dgarts.co.uk



These are a few of my favourite things Paintings by Janet Cross

22nd September 2010 -3rd October 2010 Tolbooth Art Centre. Kirkcudbright Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission

Threave Quilters

22nd - 25th September 2010 Castle Douglas Art Gallery, Castle Douglas Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission

Folk & Poetry with Pie & Pea Supper

24th September 2010 Middlebie Community Centre 7.30pm Tickets £6.00 from Walter McGlasson 01576 300715

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Lecture - Building Dumfries

24th September 2010 Dumfries Museum. The Observatory. Rotchell Road. Dumfries 7.30pm Free Admission Booking Required 01387 253374

Architect David Miller will talk about the conservation areas of Dumfries. A Scottish Archaeology Month Event.



Moniaive Michaelmas Bluegrass Festival 24th - 26th September 2010 Moniaive Tickets: available from

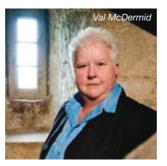
www.moniaive.org.uk/festivals

This wonderful little festival is back for its second year, offering a line-up of top US and European bands including Amy Gallatin and Stillwater and New Redwing. Bluegrass at Moniaive brings a warm and friendly weekend of live music in one of the most agraeous settings anywhere. Supported by GaelForce

All Shook Up 24th and 25th September 2010

Lochside Theatre, Castle Douglas 7.30pm Tickets: £8 Tel: 01556 504506

Friday 24th and Saturday 25th September 2010 see a two night double bill 'first' for Lochside Theatre, Appearing live on stage is hugely popular five piece band Not Guilty. Their set will be peppered with hits from the 60's through to the 00's guaranteed to bring back fond musical memories to music lovers of all ages.



Trick of the Dark by Val McDermid Wigtown Book Festival

25th September 2010 Baillie Gifford Marquee 3.00pm

Tickets: £8 from the Festival Box Office 01988 403222 or www.wigtownbookfestival.com

Trick of the Dark is the brand new novel from award winning crime and thriller writer Val McDermid from Kirkcaldy. Val said, 'It was fun to delve back into my past to conjure up images of life in an Oxford college for Trick of the Dark. I should stress that my own experiences as an undergraduate at St Hilda's College did not include murder.'

Wigtown Book Festival Crichton Writers Launch -"I Remember, I Remember"

Supported by GaelForce

25th September 2010 The Old Bank Bookshop 12 noon Tickets: £3 from the Festival Box Office 01988 403222 or www.wigtownbookfestival.com

Neither military nor misery. Crichton Writers read from their 2010 memoirs album, revealing a very broad spectrum of experience drawn from their colourful lives. Copies of the illustrated album available. Supported by GaelForce



Doors Open Davs 25th and 26th September 2010 Venues across Dumfries and Galloway Free Admission Contact Solway Heritage 01387 247543 or doorsopendays@solwayheritage. co.uk

From Prisons to Tower Houses and Kirks to Court Houses - take the opportunity to get behind closed doors for free during the 2010 Doors Open Days weekend. Interesting and exciting sites will be opening their doors and with a theme like 'Conflict Crime and Punishment' you can imagine the legends and tales to be heard! Contact Solway Heritage for a programme.

Dixieland Jazz 'Road Show'

25th September at Colvend Village Hall at 7.30pm Tickets £6 (£3 kids) from Colvend Village Store 01556 630228

9th October at Middlebie Community Centre at 7.30pm Tickets £6 (£3 kids) from Walter McGlasson 01576 300715

Dixieland Jazz Road Show takes jazz talent round the region! Musicians from the Sunday at the Birkhill in Dumfries will be on the road to bring Dixieland to Dumfries and Galloway. Come along for a swinging night out. Supported by GaelForce



New Luce Community Arts Project 25th September 2010

New Luce Village Hall Free Admission Tours of the sculptures start 3.30pm Contact: Una Forster 01581 600208

The beautiful conservation village of New Luce celebrates the opening of its Community Arts Project with tours of sculptures created by artists Matt Baker and Jo Warner with design input from the community. Musicians will play at each artwork, and you'll find readings of poetry by Mary Smith at the Kenmuir Arms. There will be music from Wigtownshire Small Circle traditional music at 4pm and traditional music from Life O'Reilly in the marquee at 8.30pm. Supported by GaelForce

Doors Open Day at the Midsteeple, High Street. **Dumfries**

25th September 2010 The Midsteeple. High Street, Dumfries 10am-4pm Free Admission



Doors Open Day at the Robert Burns Centre. **Dumfries**

25th and 26th September 2010 10am - 5pm Saturday & 2pm - 5pm Sunday Free admission

Doors Open Day at the Camera Obscura. **Dumfries Museum**

26th September 2010 Dumfries Museum, The Observatory. Rotchell Road, Dumfries

2pm-6pm Free Admission

Wiatown Book Festival The Shard Box by Liz Niven

26th September 2010 McNeillie Tent 12 noon Tickets £6 from the Festival Box Office 01988 403222 or www.wiatownbookfestival.com

Liz Niven talks about her new collection of poems capturing the contradictions and multiple identities of modern China. From the intimacy of the tea ceremony to the lives of migrant workers in Beijing, nothing is as it seems. Supported by Dumfries & Galloway Arts



Upper Annandale Dramatic Society presents: Month of Sundays by Bob Larby

28th September 2010 -2nd October 2010 Old Well Theatre, Moffat

7.30pm Tickets: £6

Available from: Book Exchange.

Well Street, Moffat Tel: 01683 220059

The Songs As We See Them 29th September 2010 -

9th October 2010 Castle Douglas Art Gallery. Castle Douglas Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm

Free Admission

Low Pay? Don't Pay! presented by Bruiser Theatre Company

Swallow Theatre, Moss Park, Ravenstone. Whithorn DG8 8DR

28th, 29th and 30th September

7.30pm

Tickets £8 from 01988 850368 or mail@swallowtheatre.com

An uproarious new 2010 translation of Dario Fo's frenetic farce, "Can't Pay? Won't Pay", which, although set in Italy, has an all too familiar ring to it.



For writers, by writers – a festival within a festival



Fresh for 2010, Wigtown Ink is a festival within the festival celebrating new and established literary talent from within Dumfries & Galloway, as well as offering advice and inspiration to writers at all stages of their careers, wherever they come from

SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

ssam Ann Shukman & Vivien Jones Fact into Fiction: should you write about another person's memories?

12 noon Crichton Writers 2010 (The Old Bank Bookshop £3)

contemporary life.

12 noon Making Social Networking Work Jenny Colgan, novelist and journalist, keeps a finger on the pulse of

s.3opm Vivien Jones & JoAnne McKay New poems.

3pm How Not to Get Published

Our publishing panel features agent Jenny Brown and editor Francis Bickmore. (£6)

SUNDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER

12 noon Liz Niven: The Shard Box New poems about the many faces of China. (McNeillie Tent £6)

12 noon How to Be a Feature Writer John-Paul Flintoff shares tricks of the trade.

1pm-3pm The Book Bazaar

Buy, sell or exchange publications. (Flavour Marquee)

11pm-1pm Scriptwriting Workshop With Kate Nelson. No previous experience necessary. (Swallow Theatre, £9)

2pm-2.45pm Mary Smith: No More Mulberries

An insight into Afghan life and culture, the inspiration behind the novel.

3pm-4.3opm McLellan Prize Play Reading Swallow Theatre (65)



4.3opm Is Scots an International Language?

James Robertson, Rab Wilson and Stuart Kelly of Scotland on Sunday. (McNeillie Tent £6)

MONDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

12noon Getting into a Fankle

Hugh Bryden, Sally Hinchcliffe and the Dumfries Writers.

2pm Sally Hinchcliffe: Out of a Clear Sky A conversation with Sally Hinchcliffe about her unsettling psychological thriller.

4pm Thirteen Errors I Made Writing My First Novel and How to Avoid Them Robert Twigger offers hard-won advice.

4.3opm Rab Wilson

Horace's Satires in Scots (County Buildings £6)

8pm-9.3opm Film: Finding the Seam Filmmaker Tony Grace and Rab Wilson's mining film. (County Buildings £4)

THURSDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

12 noon Time and Tide

Tide Machine writers Jacky Galley, Fiona Russell, Vivien Jones and Betty Tindall.

4.30-5.45pm Inaugural D&G Literary Development Forum Meeting Meeting Room, County Buildings

6pm Southlight Magazine launch With lackie Kay.

FRIDAY 1ST OCTOBER

12 noon How to 'Workshop' for Writers With Kate Tough.

1.3opm-2.15pm Hugh Bryden Artist-writer collaborations.

3pm Capturing the Muse

A conversation with Wigtown Poetry Prize judges and last year's winner, Alan Buckley.

4.3opm Hugh McMillan: The Spider's Spin On It

Wry poems on Scots history. (McNeillie Tent £6)

6pm Wigtown Poetry Prize Launch Party With Alan Buckley. (County Buildings £3)

SATURDAY 2ND OCTOBER

11.30am Jean Atkin: The Treeless Region Poems from the winner of the Ravenglass Poetry Press competition 2009/10.

2pm-2.5opm Elizabeth Burns: Held The acclaimed poet on her latest collection.

12 noon How to Tell the Story of a Community

Mike Marshall reveals how the people of the beautiful Isle of Whithorn told their own story.

6pm Unpublished Writers' Jam

Your chance to read from unpublished work in front of a panel of experts. (McNeillie Tent)



SUNDAY 3RD OCTOBER

10.30am Philip Ardagh: How to Write for Children (Baillie Gifford Marquee £6)

12 noon How to Promote Your Work

Sarah Sheridan, a self-confessed 'word nerd', talks blogs, tweets, podcasts and video links.

1pm-3pm The Book Bazaar (Flavour Marquee)

1.30pm Poetry Doubles: Chryss Salt & Stewart Conn (McNeillie Tent £6)

3pm How to Make a Short Story Collection With Kenneth Steven.





All events take place in The Ink Pot by the County Buildings, are free and last an hour, unless otherwise started



Free events and scriptwriting workshop online at DGArts @ www.dgaa.net; Fel: 01387253383; the Midsteeple Box office, Dumfries.

Tel: 01387255383; the Midsteeple Box office, Damfries. For conted events online at the Wigtown Boxik Festival www.nigzoneuboxifestival.com; Festival Box in County Buildings 01988-403222

For more information phone Carolyn Yates on 07833 477728

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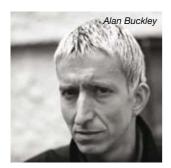
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Scottish Ballet



Wigtown Book Festival: **Wigtown Poetry Competition**

1st October 3pm - 4pm The Ink Pot Free event: Capturing the Muse

Join in a conversation with the Wigtown Poetry Competition judges and last year's winner, Alan Buckley. The inside-track for those who want to enter.

1st October 6pm

County Building Wigtown Tickets: £3 inc. glass of wine Wigtown Poetry Prize Launch Party

Come and celebrate Scotland's biggest and most prestigious poetry competition, listen to last year's winner, Alan Buckley, meet the judges, and enjoy the convivial atmosphere as we launch the 2011 Wigtown Poetry Competition. Supported by GaelForce

A Promised Land presented by Theatre Objektiv

1st October 2010

Swallow Theatre. Moss Park. Ravenstone. Whithorn DG8 8DR

7.30pm

Tickets £8 from 01988 850368 or mail@swallowtheatre.com

A new play about a quiet but dedicated woman, who unintentionally became one of the 20th century's heroes - Jane Haining, sometimes referred to as 'the Scottish Schindler'.



The Lockerbie Jazz Festival 2010

1st - 3rd October 2010 Lockerbie Town Hall, Queens Hotel, Dryfesdale Hotel, Kings Arms Hotel, The Little Theatre. and various outside locations

around the centre of Lockerbie. Tickets: www.lockerbiejazz.com

This will be the Fifth Annual Jazz Festival, It will feature a mix of Scottish, other UK and international musicians at between eight and ten ticketed concerts. www.lockerbieiazz. com for more details. Supported by GaelForce

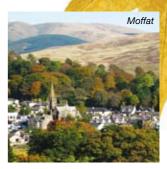
Wiatown Book Festival: Il Primo Libro....

2nd October 2010 Wigtown Parish Church 12 noon

Tickets: £6 from the Festival Box Office 01988 403222 or www.wiatownbookfestival.com

Music-printing – a technological development that provided the first "world music" as books of music travelled across nations and seas - originated in Italy in 1501 with Ottaviano Petrucci's collection Odhecaton. For this concert, the Galloway Consort play renaissance music from early printed sources on viols, recorders, renaissance quitar, lute and voice.

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10th Anniversary Moffat Walking Festival

2nd October 2010 Moffat Town Hall 8nm

Tickets £7.50 from Moffat & District Community Initiative Office www.visitmoffat.co.uk

Moffat Walking Festival celebrates its 10th Anniversary with a very special Sounds Scottish evening complete with a Ceilidh. The line-up will include Cheryl Easton and Michael Havwood. Supported by GaelForce

Wigtown Book Festival Wiatown Ink: Unpublished Writers' Jam

2nd October 2010 McNeillie Tent 6pm Free Admission

Masterpiece in a drawer? The Unpublished Writers' Jam is a great opportunity to put your unpublished work in front of the public. To enter, email carolyn@dgaa.net or, on the day of the event, ask at the box office. Your name will be put into a hat; if it's drawn, you'll have five minutes to read an extract to a panel of experts. who offer their opinion, while the audience will choose their favourite. Supported by Dumfries & Gallowav Arts



Tango Extravaganza 2010
2nd – 3rd October 2010
Dryfesdale Parish Hall, Lockerbie
Tickets: Dance £15.00
Workshops £10 from dgArts
Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries
01387 253383

Music by Tangalgo, featuring Phil Alexander of Moishes Bagel, Salsa Celtica and McFalls Orchestra, Brazillian born Mario Caribe on bass and Canadian Mattie Foulds, Shooglenifty and the Unusual Suspects providing percussion and all accompanied by possibly the most renowned cancionista singer in Europe, Chilean Valentina Montoya Martinez.

Dancing demonstrations and workshops will be delivered by Ricardo Oria and Jenny Frances.

This truly international line up will be appearing in a transformed church hall which for one weekend only will become a back street Milonga from the barrios of Buenos Aires. Supported by GaelForce

Here Come the Girls

2nd October 2010 Lochside Theatre, Castle Douglas 7.30pm Tickets: £10

Tel: 01556 504506

Vicky Jackson as Pink, Lady Gaga, Amy Winehouse and Lilly Allen



Poetry Doubles by DG Arts STEWART CONN and CHRYS SALT

3rd October Wigtown Book Festival 1.30pm Tickets £6 from www.wigtownbookfestival.com or 01988 403222

Stewart Conn was Edinburgh's inaugural 'makar' and winner of the Jain Crichton Smith award for services to literature. His recent work explores family and the transience and vulnerability of our lives. Chrys Salt, artistic director of The Bakehouse in Gatehouse of Fleet, is an award-winning writer, poet and theatre director. Her latest collection Greedy for Mulberries was published in January 2010. Poetry Doubles brings worldclass poets to read in venues across Dumfries and Galloway. where they share a stage with poets from the region. For more information visit www.dgarts. co.uk

Cumbernauld Theatre Company: **The Bookie**

5th October 2010 The Ryan Centre, Stranraer 7.30pm Tickets £12 / £10 -01776 703535

A an electric new Scottish musical with all the glitz and glamour of Vegas – Scottish style. The kilts are off, the chips are down. Suitable for ages 15+.



Guild of Players presents: Wait Until Dark by Frederick Knott

6th – 9th October 2010
Theatre Royal, Dumfries
7.30pm
Tickets: £7.50/
£5.50 (members)
Available from: dgArts,
Midsteeple, High Street
Dumfries 01387 253383
or on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

The Guild of Players presents their first play of the season with this dark thriller.

In the Frame

6th – 17th October 2010
Tolbooth Art Centre,
Kirkcudbright
Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm
Free Admission

Duets by Peter Quilter.

7th – 9th October 2010
Birchvale Theatre, Dalbeattie
7.30pm
Tickets £5/£4.50 email Pam
Winter jw2612@tiscali.co.uk

A comedy that presents three sets of characters at three crucial moments. Gloriously funny, it examines the chaotic world of love, relationships and why the grass is never greener.



Royal Scottish National Orchestra

8th October 2010 Buccleuch Centre, Langholm 7.30pm Tickets £10 www.rsno.ora.uk

An intimate and informal evening featuring players from Scotland's national orchestra.

Two Comedy Plays

8th and 9th October 2010 Lochside Theatre. Castle Douglas 7.30pm Tickets: £7 01556 504506

Eniov an evening of comedy! Crossmichael Drama Club perform their two award winning plays "Whodidit" and "The Lithium Waltz".

Annan Harbour Mural Project

8th October 2010

Annan Harbour Free Admission

Come along to a revitalised Annan harbour to celebrate the public opening of Annan Mural Project. Local artist Jack O'Hara, assisted by young people from the town. has created a series of murals inspired by Annan's maritime past and possible futures. Supported by GaelForce

Carmen



Carmen by Scottish Opera

9th October 2010 DG One. Dumfries 7pm

Tickets: £5 - £15 from DG One 01387 243550 www.daone.co.uk

Beautiful gypsies, obsession, intense emotion and some of the liveliest rhythms in opera... it can only be Carmen. Ashlev Dean, director of 2009's Opera Highlights tour directs a fine ensemble cast.

Education and free community workshops supporting the performances will be held on Tuesday 5th October in Dumfries and Wednesday 6th October in Newton Stewart, supported by dgArts and DGC Schools Music Service. Locations and times tbc, please see www.dgarts. co.uk and local press.

The Fitzwilliam String Quartet

9th October 2010

Whithorn Priory Church time the Tickets £10 / £8 from 01988 850368 or mail@swallowtheatre.com

The programme includes Shostakovich Quartet No 8 and Haydn Quartet in D major Op 76/5.



The Saltire Society presents: The Devil's Porridae

9th October 2010

The Devils Porridge, Eastriggs 2pm

Tickets: £3 / £2

Contact: Jim Milne 01461 205157 for further information or if you are interested in becoming a member of the Saltire Society

This is a fascinating insight into the history of the vast ammunition factory created during the First World War in the Gretna and Eastriggs area.

Family Workshop -Aerial Acrobatics

12th October 2010

Dumfries Museum. The Observatory, Rotchell Road, Dumfries 6.30pm-8.30pm Free Admission Bookina Required 01387 253374 All family workshops children must be accompanied bv an adult

Family games and craft activities, followed by a gentle walk along the banks of the River Nith looking for bats, the evening wizards of the air, and other more earthbound wildlife. With Tom Henry, Countryside Ranger for Nithsdale.



Dracula 12th October 2010 The Buccleuch Centre,

Lanaholm 7.30pm Tickets: £10 / £8 / £5 Box Office 013873 81196

Multi-award winning Sell a Door Theatre Company celebrates 25 years of Liz Lochhead's adaptation of Dracula, based on the novel by Bram Stoker. Supported by GaelForce

See Me Exhibition

12th - 16th October 2010 The Midsteeple, High Street, **Dumfries** Monday-Saturday, 10am-4pm Free Admission

The 'See Me' grant award to the partnership of NHS Dumfries and Galloway. Dumfries and Galloway Arts, **Dumfries and Galloway** Council and local Third Sector organisations will bring together creative elements of photography and music. inspired by the theme 'support' linked to the mental health and wellbeing of the population of the region. With the support of the daArts Music Bus the legacy will be a set of framed photos that will be exhibited across the region accompanied by a CD 'soundscape'.



Licketyspit in association with Brunton Theatre present: Magic Spaghetti

13th October 2010

The Ryan Centre, Stranraer DG9 7AP 2.30pm

Tickets: £5 / £4 / £16 (any four) 01776 703535

A comedy with spaghetti for children and families aged 3 to 93 complete with music and cooking. Licketyspit -

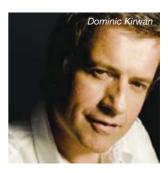
firing children's imaginations!

The Wife of Usher Well presented by Quondam

14th October 2010 Eastriggs Social Club 7.30pm

Tickets: £5 / £3 01461 700021

Quondam Theatre Company presents a modern retelling. with music and song, of the famous ballad in which a soldier son makes a supernatural return to his mother for one last time. Acclaimed playwright Jules Horne's new play features Karen, a feisty 40-something who copes with everything life throws at her, including Euan. her wayward 18-year old son. Maybe his new career will sort him out? Or maybe now is all the time they have? Supported by GaelForce



Dominic Kirwan in concert 14th October 2010 The Ryan Centre, Stranraer DG9 7AP 7.30pm Tickets: £17.50 / £15.00

01776 703535

Popular Irish international singing sensation Dominic Kirwan comes to Stranraer for a night not to be missed.

Monster in the Hall presented by TAG Citizens Theatre

15th October 2010 Sanguhar Town Hall 7.30pm

Tickets: £5.00 from Forsyth Butchers and Browns Newsagent, Sanguhar

The Monster in the Hall is a new indie comedy musical about a girl on the edge of a nervous breakdown, played out by four actors and a motorbike. Duck Macatarsney cares for her biker dad whose MS is getting increasingly bad. Her Dad is a spliff smoking (for medicinal reasons you understand), bike riding, heavy metal loving, horror movie loving, pizza eating widower. When it all starts to go wrong, Duck has to protect her world from change...

Supported by GaelForce



One Night with Queen featuring The Bohemians

15th October 2010 DG One Leisure Complex, **Dumfries** 7.30pm Tickets: £16 from DG One 01387 243550

The Wife of Usher Well presented by Quondam

www.dgone.co.uk

15th October 2010 Brigend Theatre, Dumfries 7.30pm Tickets: £8 / £6 daArts. Midsteeple. High Streeet, Dumfries 01387 253383 www.dgarts.co.uk

The Wife of Usher Well presented by Quondam

16th October 2010 The Birchvale Theatre. Dalbeattie 7.30pm Tickets: £8 / £6 dgArts, Midsteeple, High Streeet, Dumfries 01387 253383 www.daarts.co.uk



Martin Simpson 16th October 2010 Buccleuch Centre, Langholm 7.30pm Tickets: £12 from 013873 81196 www.buccleuchcentre.com

One of the finest acoustic finger-style and slide guitar players in the world. Supported by GaelForce

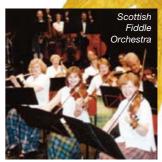
Il Primo Libro....

16th October 2010

Gordon Memorial Hall. Castle Douglas 7.30pm

Tickets: £6.00 from dgArts at the Midsteeple www.daarts.co.uk 01387 253383 or contact vivien@freeola.com

Il Primo Libro... (the first book) Renaissance music for viols, recorders, renaissance quitar, lute and voice from the earliest printed sources - music that was hugely popular right across Europe, including Scotland. in the 16th century but which is largely unfamiliar today. The Galloway Consort seeks to rediscover this exquisite music and share it with its 21st century audiences. Supported by GaelForce



Scottish Fiddle Orchestra -30th Anniversary Celebration

16th October 2010 DG One Leisure Complex, **Dumfries** 7.30pm Tickets: £17 Tel: 01387 243550 or www.dgone.co.uk

Neil Young Tribute 16th October 2010

Lochside Theatre. Castle Douglas 7.30pm Tickets: £9 / £7 01556 504506

If you are a fan of Neil Young then you are in for a real treat! Sit back and enjoy!

Crichton Writers Launch -"I Remember. I Remember"

18th October 2010 The Midsteeple, High Street, **Dumfries** 7pm-8pm Free Admission

Neither military nor misery. Crichton Writers read from their 2010 memoirs album, revealing a very broad spectrum of experience drawn from their colourful lives. Copies of the illustrated album available. Supported by GaelForce



Creative Explorer in **Dumfries & Galloway**

18th - 22nd October 2010 St John's Town of Dalry (location tbc) Booking contact The CatStrand 01644 420374 Tickets: £75.00

This project is a five day pilot workshop for young people aged 10-16 which will explore the connection between arts and the environment. It engages young people with creative arts as a means of expressing their responses to the land and environment around them. This is a workshop for young people who are actively interested in developing creatively. It is the opportunity to respond though making, ideas and art in a way that excites you. Creative Explorer hopes to inspire an open curiosity and excitement about the world. Supported by GaelForce



Family Event - The Tremendous Tree Walk

19th October 2010 Dumfries Museum, The Observatory, Rotchell Road. Dumfries 10.30am-11.30am Free Admission Booking Required 01387 253374 All family workshops children must be accompanied by an adult

Which wood is best for making what? Harry Potter and his friends have wands made of holly, hawthorn, oak, willow, ash, mahogany, yew, elder and more. Come and explore the properties and uses of the trees that grow around us. With Tom Henry, Countryside Ranger for Nithsdale.

Paintings and Some **Photography**

20th - 31st October 2010 Tolbooth Art Centre. Kirkcudbright (Gallery) Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission

Recapitulation paintings by Ray Chadburn

20th - 31st October 2010 Tollbooth Art Centre. Kirkcudbright (Studio) Monday-Saturday. 11am-4pm Free Admission



Hooked on Country -Sold on Sixties

21st and 22nd October 2010 Lochside Theatre. Castle Douglas 7.30pm Tickets: £12

Tel: 01556 504506

Starring: Texas Gun - Country Company - Gemmani. For the last six years our show has enjoyed A great deal of success with a fantastic combination of Classic Country greats and solid gold Hits from the sixties.

Family Event – Wands and Woodland Spirits Workshop and Storvtelling

21st October 2010 Dumfries Museum, The Observatory, Rotchell Road, Dumfries 10.30am-12.30pm and 2pm-4pm

Drop in any time - Storytelling sessions are at 12noon-12.30pm and 3.30pm-4pm Free Admission Booking Required 01387 253374 All family workshops - children must be accompanied by an adult

Decorate colourful leaves and use them to create your own wand. Then use it to help the Spirit of the Woods tell exciting stories of the forest and the creatures that live in it. With storyteller Anne Errington.



Scottish Ballet presents: The Up Close Tour

22nd October 2010
DG One Leisure Complex,
Dumfries
7.30pm
Tickets: £10-£12
Tel: 01387 243550 or
www.dgone.co.uk

Scottish Ballet brings two captivating pieces to your doorstep.

The Fireside Hoolie

23rd October 2010
Gatehouse of Fleet
Community Centre
7.30pm till late
Tickets £5 from Franca
Bruno Designs, High Street,
Gatehouse of Fleet
01557 814466
Bookings contact Michelle
01557 870182

The Fireside Hoolie – celebrate the clocks going back by putting your best foot forward! Dance to the very best of young Galloway plus special guests from south of the Border. Local beers, tasty food, and a warm welcome like no other! Supported by GaelForce



Dumfries Latin Night 23rd October 2010

Dumfries Masonic Hall 7.30pm Tickets: £10.00 Available from: dgArts, Midsteeple, Dumfries – 01387 253383 or on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

Come along to a Latin Theme Night with Argentine Tango and Salsa dancing demonstrations by professional teachers and assistants. It's ok to have a go! Latin Music all night sustained by Spanish Tapas and Sangria. Supported by GaelForce



Vivien Jones Book Launch "About Time Too"

23rd October 2010
The Midsteeple, High Street,
Dumfries
1.30pm-2.30pm
Free Admission

New poetry from awardwinning poet Vivien Jones.

Dance Scottish for Pudsey

23rd October 2010DG One Leisure Complex,
Dumfries

2pm-5pm

Tickets: Dance Teams £1 per dancer, Spectators £5 (Adult),

£2 (Children)

Tel: 01387 243550 or www.dgone.co.uk





Des Dillon Live 23rd October 2010 Theatre Royal, Dumfries 7.30pm Tickets: £10 Available from: daArts. Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk

Des Dillon returns to the Theatre Royal with his unique brand of comedy

Scottish Ballet presents: The Up Close Tour 26th October 2010 The Ryan Centre, Stranraer DG9 7AP 7.30pm Tickets £13.50/ £12 (conc)/£9 (child) from 01776 703535

Scottish Ballet brings two captivating pieces to your doorstep.

Sell A Door Theatre Company presents: Dracula by Liz Lochhead

27th and 28th October 2010 Theatre Royal, Dumfries 7.30pm Tickets: £15 / £12 Available from: dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or

on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

Multi award winning Sell a Door Theatre Company celebrate 25 years of Liz Lochhead's adaptation of Dracula based on the novel by Bram Stoker



Exhibition - Moving Stories -The Scottish Parliament 28th October 2010 -30th November 2010 Dumfries Museum, The Observatory. Rotchell Road. Dumfries Tuesday-Saturday, 10am-1pm and 2pm-5pm Free Admission

10 people, 10 experiences, one unmissable travelling exhibition!



Poetry Doubles presented by **Dumfries & Gallowav Arts** ROBIN CAIRNS and RAB WILSON

29th October 2010 Green Room. Ryan Centre, Stranraer 7pm Tickets: £7 / £5 from dgArts, Midsteeple. High Street. Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk

Highly entertaining performance poetry from two masters of the art. Robin Cairns brings irreverent Glasgow humour to the usually solemn business of poetry. And yes, he will be doing his celebrated poem about being on the receiving end of corporal punishment in school... Rab Wilson, poet and Robert Burns Writing Fellow, will perform from his vibrant and bawdy Horace's First Buik o Satires. Poetry Doubles brings world-class poets to read in venues across Dumfries and Galloway, where they share a stage with poets from the region. For more information visit www.dgarts.co.uk Supported by GaelForce



Circus Hilarious presents: Keep Britain Laughing

30th October 2010 Theatre Royal, Dumfries 2pm and 5pm Tickets: £11.50 / £9 Available from: daArts. Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk

Clive Webb and Danny Adams return to Dumfries with their madcap comedy performance

Halloween Night at the Museum

30th October 2010 Stranraer Museum

2-4pm/ 6-8pm For info contact Stranraer Museum 01776 705088 Free Admission

Stranraer Museum invites you to get arty with a spooky flavour... Come and discover a series of arts activities and performances based around the Halloween holiday. Supported by GaelForce



Trio Verso with Brian Johnstone

30th October 2010

The Bakehouse, 44 High Street Gatehouse of Fleet 7.30pm

Tickets: £7 / £6 from 01557 814175 or email bookings@thebakehouse.info

A delicious evening of poetry and iazz beckons at The Bakehouse, with improvisation group Trio Verso - poet Brian Johnstone (co-founder and former Director of the StAnza Poetry Festival) and musicians Richard Ingham (saxes, bass clarinet, low whistle, trombophone) & Louise Major (double bass). Trio Verso's work interprets and refocuses the 1950s poetry & jazz movement for a 21st century audience, through fusing Brian Johnstone's evocative lyric texts with free improvised jazz grooves and jazz-inflected soundscapes. Since forming in 2007, Trio Verso has performed at the Big Tent Festival in Falkland, at the WordFringe Festival in Aberdeenshire, at the Callander Poetry Weekend and for poetry sessions at the Scottish Poetry Library, Shore Poets and the Golden Hour, all Edinburgh and Last Monday at the Rio in Glasgow. Their CD Storm Chaser was released in 2010. mvspace.com/trioverso

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Acari - Master Comedy **Hypnotist**

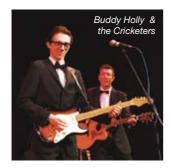
31st October 2010

Theatre Royal, Dumfries 7.30pm

Tickets: £12 / £10 Available from: daArts. Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk Participants must be over 18 vears of age







Room 16 1st November 2010 UNACCI Building Sanguhar 7.30 for 8pm start Tickets: £4.00 from Forsyth **Butchers and Browns** Newsagent, Sanguhar

A' The Airts presents Thornhill's popular indie band. Room 16 in Sanguhar Town Hall. Room 16 are one of Scotland's youngest and brightest bands. Their eclectic blend of rock and poppunk has been encapsulated as "The Ramones fronted by Mick Jagger" and has been described as "Bowie-esque". With gig requests flooding in from Glasgow, Inverness and more. Room 16 are going places - catch them while you can! Supported by GaelForce

Buddy Holly and the Cricketers

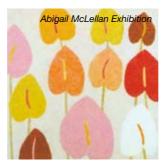
2nd November 2010

The Ryan Centre, Stranraer DG9 7AP 7.30pm Tickets £14/£12.50 from 01776 703535

The Longest-Running and Greatest Buddy Holly Show On Farth!

The Art of Ballads and Bards **Exhibition**

Stranraer Library Artist's Talk 3rd November 2.30pm to 4.30pm Free Admission



Sheila Speed Mullen's strong and powerful pictures draw inspiration from the border ballads, the writers of the 19th century such as Burns, Scott and Hogg and 20th century world of MacDiarmid, Henderson, Maclean and Neill. Sheila's skills as a storyteller will bring literature alive as she shares with us the tales of love, jealousy, redemption and transformation that fuel her artist's vision. Supported by GaelForce

Exhibition - Paintings by Abigail McLellan (1969-2009)

2nd - 13th November 2010 The Midsteeple. High Street, Dumfries Monday-Saturday, 10am-4pm Free Admission

Abigail McLellan was one of the brightest stars of the talented generation of painters that emerged from Glasgow School of Art in the early 1990s, Schooled in Dumfries. she drew on the rich traditions of Scottish art to create a commanding personal vision. This exhibition takes place with the agreement of Abigail's husband and family.

Arboretum Photographs by Brendan Gara

3rd - 13th November 2010 Tolbooth Art Centre. Kirkcudbright (Gallery) Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm. Free Admission



Paintings Wendy Davidson 3rd - 13th November 2010 Tolbooth Art Centre. Kirkcudbright (Studio) Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission

Taste of Country

4th and 5th November 2010 Lochside Theatre. Castle Douglas 7.30pm Tickets: £7 Tel: 01556 504506

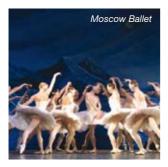
Taste of Country entertain again at the Lochside Theatre, with a mixture of old favourites and new arrangements. Also featured in the concert will be Thornhill Scottish Country dancers. All proceeds go to charity.

Royal Photographic Society (Scottish Members) -**Annual Print Exhibition**

5th - 14th November 2010 Castle Douglas Art Gallery, Castle Douglas Monday-Saturday. 11am-4pm Free Admission

That's Amore

6th November 2010 DG One Leisure Complex. **Dumfries** 7.30pm Tickets: £19.50-£21.50 Tel: 01387 243550 or www.daone.co.uk



Up Frankie! presented by Angus & Ross Theatre Company

6th November 2010

Lochside Theatre, Castle Douglas Newton Stewart Cinema 7.30pm

Tickets: £8 / £7 01556 504506

10th November 2010

Swallow Theatre, Moss Park, Ravenstone, Whithorn DG8 8DR 7.30 pm

Tickets £8 from 01988 850368 or mail@swallowtheatre.com

11th November 2010 Old Well Theatre, Moffat

7.30pm

Tickets: £8 from Book Exchange. Well Street, Moffat 01683 220059 1960s Spain, a country firmly

Howerd, A fun-and-frolics romp through the life of one of Britain's stakes are high for someone most revered comedians.

Moscow Ballet presents: Swan Lake

7th November 2010

DG One. Dumfries 7.30pm

Tickets: £15-£21 Tel: 01387 243550 or www.daone.co.uk

Gerry and Donal O'Connor

10th November 2010

The CatStrand, New Galloway

7.30pm

Tickets: £10/£8: 01644 420374

Gerry and Donal O'Connor are one of Ireland's most outstanding fiddle acts. A sublime night out. Supported by GaelForce



Carmen presented by Scottish Opera

11th November 2010

7.30pm Tickets £13 full price and £5 under 26s (no other concessions) from Newton Stewart Cinema 01671 403 333 manager@nscinema.co.uk

Beautiful gypsies, obsession, intense emotion and some of the liveliest rhythms in opera...it can only be Carmen. This new production is set in entrenched in General Franco's With Dominic Goodwin as Frankie right-wing regime. As a woman wanting to break free, the like Carmen...

Ashley Dean, director of 2009's Opera Highlights tour directs a fine ensemble cast.

Classic Clapton

12th November 2010

The Ryan Centre, Stranraer DG9 7AP

7.30pm

Tickets: £12.50/£11 from 01776 703535

Classic Clapton stunningly recreate Slowhand's electrifying stage performances.



Caledon - Scotland's Tenors

12th November 2010 DG One Leisure Complex.

Dumfries 7.30pm

Tickets: £12.50-£14.50 Tel: 01387 243550 or www.dgone.co.uk

The Saltire Society presents: A Ceilidh

12th November 2010

Aberdour Hotel, Dumfries 7.30pm

Tickets: price to be confirmed watch press for further details! Available from: dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

The Hollies Tribute Show

13th November 2010

Lochside Theatre, Castle Doualas 7.30pm

Tickets: £12 / £10 01556 504506

The Hollywood Bees, the UK's only Hollies tribute band, is a faithful reproduction of the original Hollies. With a two hour spellbinding show they will recreate hits like 'Here I Go Again' and 'He Ain't Heavy He's

My Brother'.



Poetry Doubles presented by **Dumfries & Gallowav Arts** KENNETH STEVEN and JEAN ATKIN

15th November 2010 Rutherford McCowan Building, Crichton Campus. Dumfries Tickets: £7 / £5 from dgArts,

Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk

Kenneth Steven has published seven collections to date as well as a volume of selected poems. His first collection of short stories Ice and Other stories was published in April 2010. His work takes its inspiration from elements of history and local tradition, the Gaelic language and Celtic Christianity.

Jean Atkin has been writing seriously since 2006 and Ravenglass Poetry Press has just published her short collection, The Treeless Region. 'Jean Atkin has a marvellous dreamy rhythm to her work and an eve for a powerful image." Hugh McMillan in Markings 30 Poetry Doubles brings worldclass poets to read in venues across Dumfries and Galloway. where they share a stage with poets from the region. For more information visit www.dgarts.co.uk



Hidden Glimpses of the Stewartry photography

17th - 27th November 2010 Tolbooth Art Centre. Kirkcudbriaht Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm Free Admission

Centenary Photographic Exhibition

18th - 21st November 2010 Royal Four Towns Hall. School Road, Hightae. Open 11am - 8pm Thursday & Friday. 11am - 5pm Saturday & Sunday Free Admission

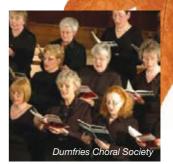
A history in pictures – as part of our Hall's centenary year we are please to present an exhibition of over 250 photographs showing the people and events of The Royal Four Towns over the last 100 vears. Supported by GaelForce

Dumfries Choral Society presents:

Pergolesi: Stabat Mater, John Rutter: When Icicles Hang Francis Poulenc: Gloria

21st November 2010 Easterbrook Hall, Dumfries 7.30pm Tickets: £10 from dgArts, Midsteeple. High Street

Dumfries 01387 253383 or online at www.dgarts.co.uk



Dumfries Musical Theatre Company presents: MacConnachie's Bus written by Geoff Davidson and directed by Stewart Cameron

22nd - 27th November 2010 Brigend Theatre, Dumfries 7.30pm; Matinee at 2.30pm on 27th November Tickets: £10 from dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or online at www.dgarts.co.uk

The show is set in a village near Glasgow and takes the form of a number of organisations. (Nuns, Monks and Women's Guild), who all want to go to the celebratory mass which is to be held in Glasgow to honour the Pope's visit to Scotland.



Poetry Doubles presented by **Dumfries & Gallowav Arts** DENNIS O'DRISCOLL and JOANNE MCKAY

23rd November 2010 A' The Airts. Sanguhar 7pm Tickets: £7 / £5 from dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-

line www.daarts.co.uk

Poetry with attitude - from our rising star JoAnne McKay. an unforgettable performer of her characterful work, and Dennis O'Driscoll, international poet who "you can commend unequivocally to anyone with a heart and a mind. O'Driscoll's crisp, unobtrusively musical precision gets to the heart of so many subjects, large and small..." Robert Potts. The Guardian.

Poetry Doubles brings worldclass poets to read in venues across Dumfries and Galloway, where they share a stage with poets from the region. For more information visit www.dgarts.co.uk Supported by GaelForce



"Presents from the Past -2011"

27th November 2010 -29th January 2011 The Stewartry Museum. Kirkcudbriaht Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm

Free Admission

Historic objects, old documents and photographs an exhibition of 'new' material from the Stewartry's past generously donated or lent by the community over the course of the vear

Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves presented by the Guild of Plavers

29th November 2010 -11th December 2010 Theatre Royal, Dumfries

7.15pm Tickets: £7 Available from October from: dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

A stunning pantomime for the festive season for the whole family to enjoy. Oh yes it is!!!



Family Workshop - Tree Leaf Sculpture Workshop

30th November 2010 Dumfries Museum, The Observatory. Rotchell Road. Dumfries 10.30am-12.30pm or 2pm-4pm Free Admission Booking Required 01387 253374 All family workshops children must be accompanied by an adult

Create your own leaf sculpture in clay and cast it in plaster of Paris. Discover how the leaves of each type of tree are perfectly adapted to where it grows. Suitable for children aged 5 and over. With ceramic artist Susan McKav.

Upper Annandale Dramatic Society presents: Annual Pantomime to be announced!

30th November 2010 -4th December 2010 and 7th December 2010 -11th December 2010 Old Well Theatre. Moffat 7.30pm

Tickets: £6 Available from: Book Exchange, Well Street. Moffat 01683 220059

Dumfries Fling 2010

27th to 30th November **Plainstanes** The Midsteeple **Dumfries**



EventScotland



A celebration for St Andrews Day

Dumfries will celebrate Scotland's national day with a full five day programme of music, dance, drama and children's entertainment. Young musician showcases. pub sessions, street theatre, dance, drama and a Ceilidh will enliven the after dark offering around town.

Dumfries Musical Theatre Company will present 'MacConnachie's Bus' at the Brigend Theatre.

There'll be dancing in the street on St Andrew's Eve and single ladies will be coached in the use of traditional magic to divine if they will find future partners in the forthcoming year...

Full line up to be announced on www.dgarts.co.uk Contact Alan Thomson on 01387 253383









Aled Jones 5th December 2010 DG One Leisure Complex, **Dumfries** 7.30pm Tickets: £24.50 Tel: 01387 243550 or www.dgone.co.uk

Runrig

8th December 2010 DG One Leisure Complex, **Dumfries** 7.30pm Tickets: £23.50 Tel: 01387 243550 or www.dgone.co.uk

The Lochside Theatre Company Presents: Sleeping Beauty

11th - 18th December 2010 Lochside Theatre. Castle Douglas 7.30pm (2.30pm performances on Sunday 12th December and Saturday 18th December) Tickets: £6 Tel: 01556 504506

The Lochside Theatre Company presents their traditional pantomime. Fun for all the family



Presents: Cinderella 16th - 30th December 2010 DG One Leisure Complex, **Dumfries** Various times - please see website for full details Tickets: Adults £11.30-£13.50,

Mad About the Musicals

Concessions £10-£12. Children £8.50-10.50, Family tickets £37 or £45 Tel: 01387 243550 or www.dgone.co.uk

Dumfries Choral Society presents: A Christmas Concert

17th December 2010 St John's Church. Lovers Walk, Dumfries 7.30pm Collections will be taken for British Heart Foundation and MS Research at the concert Tickets will be available from: dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries - 01387 253383 or on-line www.daarts.co.uk watch press for further details

Forgotten Carols with the Feral Choir

19th December 2010 Dumfries Museum. The Observatory, Rotchell Road. Dumfries 2.30pm Tickets: £8 includes a festive drink and a mince pie from Dumfries Museum 01387 253374



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18th December: Twynholm Village Hall 7.30pm 19th December: Haugh of Urr Village Hall

Tickets: £8 includes a festive drink and a mince pie from dgArts, Midsteeple, High Street Dumfries 01387 253383 or on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

This beautiful and atmospheric concert is fast becoming an essential part of Galloway's winter celebrations. It features forgotten carols originating from Britain's rich folk traditions. The performance is woven together with readings of contemporary poetry and prose. The Choir will be joined by the renowned harpist Wendy Stewart. The soloist this year will be the fabulous Pollv Bolton, ex Albion Band, and making a popular return as this year's reader, is the Glasgow based actor, Stewart Ennis. Supported by GaelForce

Christmas Crooners

21st December 2010 7.30pm DG One Leisure Complex Tickets £14 from www.ticketweb.co.uk hotline 08444 771000





Scottish Chamber Orchestra presents:

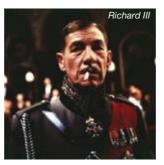
New Year in Vienna 4th January 2011 Easterbrook Hall, Dumfries 7.30pm Tickets: £16 (£14 Senior Citizens, £5 Full Time Students and Unemployed) People with a disability and a carer are entitled to 50% off standard ticket price Available from: dqArts, Midsteeple, High Street, Dumfries 01387 253383 or

Programme to include: Strauss Waltzes and Polkas Sibelius Valse Triste Elgar Salut d'Amour Stravinsky Circus Polka

on-line www.dgarts.co.uk

Conductor: Nicholas Kok Soprano: Gillian Keith

The Blue Danube, Radetzky March. Roses from the South. waltzes and polkas...what better way to greet the New Year than a classic Viennese night out with SCO? Charming soprano Gillian Keith adds extra sparkle in hits from the operettas.



Albaninch 2011 **Dumfries War Games Show** and '38 Fest - 1914-1939 Fiction and Fact Wargames 22nd January 2011 and

23rd January 2011

Saturday 22nd January 2011: Cairndale Hotel Conference Centre

10am-4pm: Games, Displays, Competitions, Traders and Special Guests Late Evening Cinema Presentation of: Sir lan McKellen's Richard III

Sunday 23rd January 2011: Pitch Up and Play Big Games Dav includina 1938 A Very British Civil War Tickets and more details available on line: www. solwaycraftsandminiatures. webs.com



Scottish Chamber Orchestra presents: Haydn Symphony No 94 'Surprise' Szymanowski Violin Concerto No 2 Stravinsky Orpheus 9th March 2011 at 7.30pm Easterbrook Hall, Dumfries

Tickets: £16 (£14 Senior Citizens, £5 Full Time Students and Unemployed) People with a disability and a carer are entitled to 50% off standard ticket price Available from: dqArts, Midsteeple. High Street. Dumfries 01387 253383 or online www.dgarts.co.uk. Tickets will also be available at the door from one hour before the concert. Subject to availability.

Conductor: Robin Ticciati Violin: Renaud Capucon

The Orchestra's Principal Conductor, Robin Ticciati, gives his first performance in Dumfries. The story of Haydn lulling an unsuspecting audience to sleep with his gentle slow movement then jolting them awake with a loud 'SURPRISE' chord is probably too good to be true, but that does not diminish this symphony's charm or impact. In Orpheus Stravinsky looks back to the earliest days of opera for inspiration in retelling the Greek myth of the hero's journey to the Underworld, and brilliant French violinist Renaud Capucon performs Szymanowski's sumptuous Violin Concerto.

Event Name Date

10th Anniversary Moffat Walking Festival	2 Oct
Acari – Master Comedy Hypnotist	31 Oct
A Ceilidh (The Saltire Society)	12 Nov
Albaninch 2011	22 - 23 Jan 2011
Aled Jones	5th Dec
Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves (Guild of Players)	29 Nov - 11 Dec
All Shook Up	24 – 25 Sep
Andrew Fletcher of Saltoun Award (The Saltire Society)	14 Sep
An Evening with Peter Allis	17 Sep
Annan Harbour Mural Project	8 Oct
Annual Pantomime - TBA! (Upper Annandale Dramatic Society)	30 Nov – 4 Dec, 7 – 11 Dec
A Promised Land (Theatre Objektiv)	1 Oct
A Railway Film (The Saltire Society)	7 Sep
Arboretum Photographs by Brendan Gara	3 – 13 Nov
A South African Experience/Exhibition of Quilts	15 – 18 Sep
Belhaven Best Portpatrick Folk Festival	3 – 5 Sep
Book Launch: The Shard Box by Liz Niven Borderline Theatre present: The Chooky Brae	15 Sep
Brushworks	14 Sep 2 – 11 Sep
Buddy Holly and the Cricketers	2 Nov
Caledon – Scotland's Tenors	12 Nov
Carmen (Scottish Opera)	9 Oct
Carmen (Scottish Opera)	11 Nov
Centenary Photographic Exhibition	18 – 21 Nov
Cinderella (Mad About the Musicals)	16 – 30 Dec
Classic Clapton	12 Nov
Creative Explorer in Dumfries & Galloway	18 – 22 Oct
Creetown Country Festival	17 - 19 Sep
Crichton Writers Launch - "I Remember, I Remember"	18 Oct
Dance Scottish for Pudsey	23 Oct
Des Dillon Live	23 Oct
Dixieland Jazz 'Road Show'	25 Sep
Doors Open Day at the Midsteeple	25 Sep
Doors Open Day at the Robert Burns Centre	26 Sep
Doors Open Day at the Camera Obscura	26 Sep
Dominic Kirwan in concert	14 Oct
Dracula by Liz Lochhead (Sell A Door Theatre Company)	12 Oct
Dracula by Liz Lochhead (Sell A Door Theatre Company)	27 – 28 Oct
Duets by Peter Quilter	7 – 9 Oct
Dumfries Choral Society Concert	21 Nov
Dumfries Fling 2010	27 – 30 Nov
Dumfries Latin Night The Eden Festival	23 Oct
Exhibition – Building Scotland	3 – 5 Sep 28 Aug – 9 Oct
Exhibition – Building Scotland Exhibition – Golden Jubilee of reopening of the Theatre Royal (GoP)	23 Aug – 4 Sep
Exhibition – Moving Stories – The Scottish Parliament	28 Oct – 30 Nov
Exhibition – Paintings by Abigail McLellan (1969-2009)	2 – 13 Nov
Family Event – The Tremendous Tree Walk	19 Oct
Family Event - Wands and Woodland Spirits Workshop and Storytelling	21 Oct
Family Workshop – Aerial Acrobatics	12 Oct
Family Workshop - Tree Leaf Sculpture Workshop	30 Nov
The Fireside Hoolie	23 Oct
The Fitzwilliam String Quartet	9 Oct
Folk & Poetry with Pie & Pea Supper	24 Sep
Forgotten Carols with the Feral Choir	18 – 19 Dec
Gerry and Donal O'Connor	10 Nov
Greasepaint Monkey - The Stage Life of John Cairney	3 Sep
Halloween Night at the Museum	30 Oct
Here Come the Girls	2 Oct
Hidden Glimpses of the Stewartry (photography)	17 – 27 Nov
The Hollies Tribute Show	13 Nov
Home to Neverland – A window on J M Barrie	18 Sep
Hooked on Country - Sold on Sixties	21 – 22 Oct 16 Oct
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Junior Guild Two One Act Plays (Guild of Players)	16 – 18 Sep
Keep Britain Laughing (Circus Hilarious)	30 Oct
Kirkmahoe Concerts	2 Sep
Lecture – Building Dumfries	24 Sep
The Lockerbie Jazz Festival 2010	1 – 3 Oct
MacConnachie's Bus (Dumfries Musical Theatre Company)	22 – 27 Nov
Magic Spaghetti (Licketyspit in association with Brunton Theatre)	13 Oct
Martin Simpson	16 Oct
Moniaive Michaelmas Bluegrass Festival	24 – 26 Sep
Monster in the Hall (TAG Citizens Theatre)	15 Oct
Month of Sundays (Upper Annandale Dramatic Society)	28 Sep – 2 Oct
Neil Young Tribute	16 Oct
New Luce Community Arts Project	25 Sep
New Year in Vienna (Scottish Chamber Orchestra)	4 Jan
One Night with Queen featuring The Bohemians	15 Oct
On The Road	8 – 19 Sep
Paintings and Some Photography	20 – 31 Oct
Poetry Doubles Dennis O'Driscoll and JoAnne McKay	3 – 13 Nov 23 Nov
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"Presents from the Past – 2011"	27 Nov – 29 Jan
Recapitulation paintings by Ray Chadburn	20 – 31 Oct
Royal Scottish National Orchestra	8 Oct
Room 16	1 Nov
Royal Photographic Society (Scottish) – Annual Print Exhibition	5 – 14 Nov
Runrig	8 Dec
Scottish Chamber Orchestra	9 Mar
Scottish Fiddle Orchestra – 30th Anniversary Celebration	16 Oct
See Me Exhibition	12 – 16 Oct
Sleeping Beauty (The Lochside Theatre Company)	11 – 18 Dec
Swan Lake (Moscow Ballet presents)	7 Nov
Tango Extravaganza 2010	2 – 3 Oct
Taste of Country	4 – 5 Nov
That's Amore	6 Nov
The Art of Ballads and Bards	3 Nov
The Bookie A New Scottish Musical (Cumbernauld Theatre Company)	5 Oct
The Devil's Porridge (The Saltire Society)	9 Oct
The Fall of the House of Usher & Ghosts before Breakfast	6 Sep
The Songs As We See Them	29 Sep – 9 Oct
The Up Close Tour (Scottish Ballet)	26 Oct
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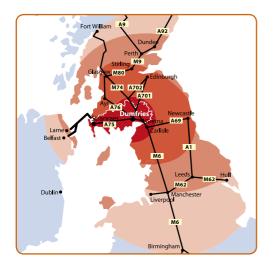
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