

Pride activities for young people

Friday Pride Creative Hub at Canongate Youth 1.30-4pm

In the run up to Pride young people can get involved in the **Creative Hub**, where young people can come along to engage in music lessons, practice performances, make banners, decorate bunting and have a say in the organising of the day. (Poster attached)

This is a relaxed session where you can also get a toastie!

Saturday and Sunday 3rd and 4th June: Meadows Festival

Meadows Futures Stage Weekender

One-stop festival for young music makers and music lovers.

Taking place over two epic days, the Meadows Futures Stage will become home to a host of Edinburgh's young music making talent.

Meadows Futures Stage will feature:

TOTALLY SOUND PERFORMERS / EDINBURGH SCHOOL ROCK ENSEMBLE/ THE FIRRHILL SCHOOL SOUL BAND / NAPIER UNIVERSITY BA MUSIC STUDENTS / TINDERBOX COLLECTIVE

Entertainment Guaranteed!

Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th June from 12-5pm.

Come along and make a weekend of it and support these talented young performers.

Futures Stage is a Reel Youth Media and Totally Sound production

Supported and Funded by Creative Scotland Youth Music Initiative and City of Edinburgh Council

Saturdays 1-4pm South Bridge Resource Centre

Totally Sound – Fully equipped live rehearsal spaces with wide range of instruments. Get involved with recording and live performance projects, lyric writing and vocals with professional tutors.

www.totallysound.org

Reel Youth Media - Opportunity to develop skills around film making, photography, sound engineering, directing and much more www.reelyouthmedia.org

This is a great opportunity for young people to develop their confidence to perform at Pride if they wish,

Pride Information:

The Pride March will be taking a slightly different route this year.

<https://www.prideedinburgh.org/the-march/>

Meeting at the Scottish Parliament at 12.30pm, setting off at 1pm, finishing at The Pride Edinburgh Festival Village in the EUSA Complex.

Feedback about the March last year was that many young people found it overwhelming.

It can be difficult for young people to stay together, and we are not able to manage a space on the March for them all to be together.

It will be very busy and very loud, so this is something to bear in mind to share with young people in advance.

Ear defenders and water may help, as well as giving information about the Youth Space.

The Youth Space is opening earlier to provide an option, so young people not wanting to do the March have somewhere they can go which will be less intense.

The Youth Space will fill up at 2pm when the rest of the March arrives.

As an ask, if staff / teachers are bringing young people, if you can head to the Youth Space as soon as you can it will help us greatly.

The Posters are attached and on the rear of the poster is a QR code which gives directions to the Youth Space.

The Youth Space 12-5pm on 24th June is a Partnership Event with Edinburgh Council, Canongate Youth, Totally Sound and Reel Youth Media.

We are anticipating over 1000 young people visiting the space throughout the day.

There will be:

- Main Stage with young people performing. Young people can sign up to perform here: <https://forms.office.com/e/ajy5ahShwR>
- Open Mic Stage – young people can put their names down on the day
- Quieter Art Space with Ross
- Photo Zone
- Stalls will include: Scottish Youth Parliament, The Junction, Lush Spa, Wellcome Cell Biology, Chalmers Sexual Health Team and staff from the GIC, Fast Forward, Crew, Pilton Youth and Children's Project, Community Police and LGBTYS
- There will be free fruit and smoothies
- The Scran Van will be there with their amazing hotdogs – unfortunately, we did not receive funding this year to be able to provide free food, so there will be a small charge.
- There will be onsite security and First Aiders.
- Police will be patrolling the area and checking in throughout the day.

Whilst there will be some quieter spaces available in the building we recognise that it may still be overwhelming, so having a chat with young people in advance about what would work for them if it is too much would be helpful.

The Festival Village at Bristo Square will have music, stalls and activities.

All positive vibes and offers of support are really welcomed, both in advance and on the day.

Many thanks, Ann, Scott, Clare, Stephen, Socks, Julia and the Team who will help to make this happen.