

Connect Here Guide to Craft Groups in Edinburgh



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Services have been included within this guide to provide comprehensive, useful and accurate Craft Group listings available within the Capital. Please email (with hyperlink) any additions or entry update changes for consideration.

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Edinburgh and Lothians Regional Equality Council ELREC Sewing Club

14 Forth Street
Edinburgh EH1 3LH

T: 0131 556 0441

Opening Hours: Monday 12.00pm-2.00pm

E: admin@elrec.org.uk

W: <https://www.elrec.org.uk/sewing-club-2/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/ELRECUK>

Tw: <https://twitter.com/ELRECUK>

Inst: <https://www.instagram.com/elrecuk/?hl=en>

Summary: A friendly and sociable sewing club allows participants to pick up new skills and make up new clothes and bags from donated material. See contact details above to book a place at the club.

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Sewing Class with Francia

Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre
67B Groathill Road North
Edinburgh EH4 2SA

T: 0131 315 4989

Opening Hours: Thursday 12.00pm–2.00pm

E: info@drylawnc.org.uk

W: <https://drylawnc.org.uk/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/DrylawNC>

Tw: <https://twitter.com/drylawNC>

Summary: Francia teaches people to sew using machines and/or needle and thread.

Crafty Fridays

Granton Library
29 Wardieburn Terrace
Edinburgh EH5 1DD

T: 0131 529 5630

Opening Hours: Friday 2.00pm

E: maincounterpc.granton_2@edinburgh.gov.uk

W: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory-record/1229183/granton-library>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/GrantonLibrary/>

Summary: Crafty Fridays from 2pm onwards (every other Friday alternating with Garden Buddies)

Crafting

Leith Friendly Crafters - Inspiring Leith - Bethany

Bethany Learning Centre
65 Bonnington Road
Edinburgh EH6 5JQ

T: 0791 955 7691

Contact: Colin

Opening Hours: Mondays 10.30am

E: info@bethanychristiantrust.com

W: <https://www.bethanychristiantrust.com/service/leith-friendly-crafters/>

Summary: Do you enjoy crafting? Maybe you used to knit, draw or sew and just never get the chance now? This group is filled with people who can help you get started again. People often bring their own projects to work on and encourage each other along the way.

Adult Craft Group

McDonald Road Library
2 McDonald Road
Edinburgh EH7 4LU

T: 0131 529 5636

Opening Hours: Tuesday 6.30pm–7.30pm, fortnightly

E: mcdonaldroad.library@edinburgh.gov.uk

W: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory-record/1229186/mcdonald-road-library>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/McDonaldRoadLibrary/>

Tw: <https://twitter.com/LibrariesNe>

Summary: Craft Group.

Crafting

Get Creative and Crafty Group

Morningside Library
184 Morningside Road
Edinburgh EH10 4PU

T: 0131 529 5654

Opening Hours: Wednesday 6.30pm–7.45pm

E: morningside.library@edinburgh.gov.uk

W: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory-record/1229189/morningside-library>

Summary: Get Creative and Crafty Group for adults.

Knit, Crochet and Weaving Sessions - St Brides

St Brides Community Centre
10 Orwell Terrace
Edinburgh EH11 2DZ

T: 0751 539 9873 (Lydia)

Opening Hours: Wednesday 11.00am–1.00pm

E: Lydia.markham@ea.edin.sch.uk

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/StBridesEdinburgh/>

Summary: Learn how to knit, crochet or weave or show others how to. Informal, friendly and fun!

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Craft Group

Carrickvale Community Education Centre
2 Saughton Mains Street
Edinburgh EH11 3HH

Opening Hours: Thursday 10.00am–12.00pm

W: <https://carrickvalecommunitycentre.com/current-programme-2023/>

Summary: Self Help patchwork group.

Craft Group - Corstorphine Community Centre

Corstorphine Community Centre

5 Kirk Loan

Corstorphine

Edinburgh EH12 7HD

T: 0758 0659 676

Opening Hours: Wednesday Morning Craft Group 10.30am–12.30pm,

Afternoon Craft Group 1.00pm–3.00pm

E: admin@ccchub.online

W: <https://www.corstorphinecommunitycentre.org.uk/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/CorstorphineCommunityCentre/>

Tw: <https://twitter.com/CorstorphineCo1>

Summary: The Craft Group has now re-started at the above address. There are waiting lists for both groups.

Crafting

Coffee Plus Group

St Thomas Church

75-79 Glasgow Road

Edinburgh EH12 8LI

T: 0131 285 8782

Opening Hours: Thursdays 10.00am-12.00 (term time)

E: churchoffice@stthomas.org.uk

W: https://www.saintthomas.org.uk/Groups/344700/Coffee_Plus.aspx

Summary: Please join the group and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and baking and then stay on to watch or participate in arts, crafts and skills. Everyone's welcome!

Linus Project Group (fortnightly)

Pentland Community Centre

Oxgangs Brae

Edinburgh EH13 9LS

Opening Hours: Tuesday 1.30pm–4.00pm Fortnightly

E: karen.robertson@ea.edin.sch.uk

W: <https://www.pentlandcommunitycentre.com/>

Summary: They are a small group of ladies, linked to a national voluntary organisation that make quilts which are distributed to children in refuges, hospitals or other organisations.

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Groovi' card making hobby group

Oxgangs Library

343 Oxgangs Road

Edinburgh EH13 9LY

T: 0131 529 5549

Opening Hours: Second last Monday of the month 1.30pm to 3.30pm

E: oxgangs.library@edinburgh.gov.uk

W: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory-record/1229193/oxgangs-library>

Summary: 'Groovi' card making hobby group. Drop in and join in!

Men's Makers

Whale Arts
30 Westburn Grove
Edinburgh EH14 2SA

T: 0131 458 3267

Opening Hours: Wednesday 10.00am-2.00pm

E: info@whalearts.co.uk

W: <https://www.whalearts.co.uk/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/WhaleArtsAgency>

Tw: https://twitter.com/whale_arts

Inst: https://www.instagram.com/whale_arts/

YT: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-B-jZk8lq_S4u9UQ2VKQ1g

Summary: Friendly Men's woodworking and making group. Making followed by shared meal. Runs until 3rd April 2024

Crafting**Pod Press**

Whale Arts
30 Westburn Grove
Edinburgh EH14 2SA

T: 0131 458 3267

Opening Hours: Monday 1.00pm-5.00pm

E: podpress@whalearts.co.uk

W: <https://www.whalearts.co.uk/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/WhaleArtsAgency>

Tw: https://twitter.com/PodPress_riso

YT: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-B-jZk8lq_S4u9UQ2VKQ1g

Summary: Book a slot with Mhairi to get printing your own work! There are two types of sessions: taught and supervised printing – everyone must have an initial taught session to learn how the machine works. Wester Hailes residents get a discount on teaching and printing. For information on booking and prices, email using the address above or check their Twitter page.

Smartcraft

Whale Arts
30 Westburn Grove
Edinburgh EH14 2SA

T: 0131 458 3267

Opening Hours: Alternating Mondays 1.00pm-3.00pm 2 groups meet each fortnight.

E: info@whalearts.co.uk

W: <https://www.whalearts.co.uk/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/WhaleArtsAgency>

Tw: https://twitter.com/whale_arts

Inst: https://www.instagram.com/whale_arts/

YT: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-B-jZk8lq_S4u9UQ2VKQ1g

Summary: Visual arts and crafts in a supportive, social group for adults with additional and complex needs.
(Waiting List)

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Stich in Time (Sewing, embroidery, stitching)

Whales Arts Centre
30 Westburn Grove
Edinburgh EH14 2SA

T: 0131 458 3267

Opening Hours: Tuesday 1.00pm–3.00pm

E: info@whalearts.co.uk

W: <https://www.whalearts.co.uk/>

Summary: A lively and sociable sewing group making creative projects for the community.

The Imagination Station

Magdalene Community Centre
106B Magdalene Drive
Edinburgh EH15 3BE

T: 0131 669 8760

Opening Hours: Thursday 6.00pm–9.00pm

E1: <https://magdalenecc.wordpress.com/contact/>

E2: us@magdalenecc.co.uk

W: <https://magdalenecc.wordpress.com/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MagdaleneCC/>

Summary: Adults Craft Group

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In Stitches

Duddingston Kirk (Church of Scotland)
Old Church Lane
Edinburgh EH15 3PX

T: 0131 661 4240

Opening Hours: Monday 6.30pm

E: office@duddingstonkirk.co.uk

W: <https://duddingstonkirk.co.uk/whats-on/groups-organisations/>

Summary: Craft group

Adult Sewing Group

Sandy's Community Centre
76 Craigmillar Castle Avenue
Edinburgh EH16 4DW

T: 0131 661 4046

Opening Hours: Monday 12.30pm-2.30pm

E: sandyscommunitycentre@gmail.com

W: <http://sandyscommunitycentre.com/index.php>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/people/Sandys-Community-Centre/100067153361360/>

Summary: An informal group where people can alter/repair items such as clothes toys soft furnishings. Suitable for absolute beginners to experienced stitchers. Help/guidance is available if needed.

Crafting

Book making course

Sandy's Community Centre
76 Craigmillar Castle Avenue
Edinburgh EH16 4DW

T: 0781 483 8364

Contact: Karin Chipulina

Opening Hours: Tuesday 12.30pm-3.00pm (April 2024)

E: karinchipulina@carrgomm.org

W: <https://www.sandyscommunitycentre.com/index.php>

FB: https://www.facebook.com/CraigmillarCommunityGrows/?locale=en_GB

Summary: A book making course people can go on next year which will be in the art room at Sandys community center, Craigmillar. Free workshops inspired by the outdoors. Looking at plants and nature through printmaking techniques and using and using the prints as part of a handmade book journal. Only places for 8 people, booking required and a commitment to come for the 8 weeks. Starting on the 24th April 2024. Free to residents of EH15/16. Contact Karen for booking.

Thistle Foundation - The Hobby Hut

13 Queen's Walk
Edinburgh EH16 4EA

T: 0747 103 0957

Opening Hours: Thursday mornings

E: Claire.cumming@thistle.org.uk

W: <https://www.thistle.org.uk/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/thistlefoundation>

Summary: This Thistle Foundation supports anyone living with a long-term health condition, disability or facing a challenging life situation. Through one-to-one support, wellbeing courses, community groups and supported physical activity, support is provided for people to live well regardless of challenges faced. Runs Every Thursday morning. Booking in advance is essential as available places in the Hobby Hut are limited. Click on the above links for more information.

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Cameron Quilters (Art Room)

Cameron House Community Education Centre
34 Prestonfield Avenue
Edinburgh EH16 5EU

T: 0131 667 3762

Opening Hours: Thursday 10.00am-12.00 pm

E: cld-cameronhouse@ea.edin.sch.uk

W: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory-record/1587281/cameron-house-community-education-centre>

Summary: Cameron Quilters Embroidery Group

Craft Club - Kirkliston Community Centre

Kirkliston Community Centre

16 – 18 Queensferry Road

Kirkliston EH29 9AQ

T: 0131 333 4214

Opening Hours: Friday 7.00pm–8.45pm

E: cld-kirkliston@ea.edin.sch.uk

W: <https://kirklistoncommunitycentre.org/adults/>

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/kirklistoncommunitycentre>

Summary: This Craft Club is perfect for anyone who's willing to try something new, whether skilled or just enthusiastic while meeting new people, create something amazing and pick up a handy new skill.....and don't forget to make time for a cuppa. This is a social group and the fee includes a free tea or coffee! £2 per session.