

Connect Here Guide to Film and Photography clubs in Edinburgh



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Services noted within this guide provide a comprehensive, useful, and accurate listings of Film and Photography clubs within Edinburgh. Please email (with hyperlink) any additions or entry update changes for consideration.

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W: <https://www.meetup.com/cinetopia-edinburgh/>

W: <https://cinetopia.co.uk/>

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

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

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/cinetopiahub/>

Summary: Cinetopia is dedicated to producing events and spaces where people can be inspired and engaged in film and filmmaking through our various public-facing offerings such as film screenings, workshops, masterclasses and networking events. From Cinescapes, our outdoor film festival and event strand, to our monthly radio show and podcast on EHF, all of our programmes are designed to foster a conversation around film.

Film Clubs

Craigmillar Film Club with CinemaAttic

Craigmillar Library
101 Niddrie Mains Road
Edinburgh EH16 4DS

T: 0131 529 5597

Opening Hours: first Wednesday of the month 5.45pm-7.00pm.

E: craigmillar.library@edinburgh.gov.uk

W: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory-record/1229177/craigmillar-library>

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

Summary: Craigmillar Film Club with CinemaAttic.

Edinburgh Cine and Video Society

23a Fettes Row
Edinburgh, EH3 6RH

E: 1936ecvs@gmail.com

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

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

Summary: The Waverley Cine Society which became Edinburgh Cine Society was founded in 1936, and is the oldest moviemaking society in Scotland. Their main aims are:

- Provide an interesting and varied programme of film shows, talks, discussions, competitions and events
- Make entertaining and interesting movies, which will provide the opportunity to learn about
- moviemaking and take part in their production.
- To learn as much as possible about the various artistic and production aspects of moviemaking.

Film Clubs

Edinburgh Cinema Club

W: <https://www.meetup.com/EdinburghCinema/>

Summary: Welcome to the Edinburgh Cinema Group and the world of movie lovers.

This group is completely free to all members. Members buy their own cinema tickets but the group offers exclusive discounts at selected cinemas for members. In return all that is asked of the membership is that they regularly log into the website to remain active, and if they RSVP to a film they turn up (or change their RSVP if they can no longer go). This group operate a 3 No Show policy.

Edinburgh 'Like a Book Group, But with Films' Group

W: <https://www.meetup.com/edinburgh-like-a-book-group-but-with-films-group/>

Summary: Pub chats, cinema trips and free screenings!

They meet twice a month on Thursdays for a Pub Chat on a particular film.

Watch the film in your own time and join them anytime you fancy. It's a great fun night and perfect for new members.

Film Clubs

Film Club

McDonald Road Library
2 McDonald Road
Edinburgh EH7 4LU

T: 0131 529 5636

Opening Hours: Saturday 2.00pm, first Saturday of the month.

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

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

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

Summary: Film Club (contact the library for information on upcoming films).

Edinburgh Film Guild

Edinburgh

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

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

Summary: The Edinburgh Film Guild was established during 1929-1930 by luminaries of Scottish film and film studies – Forsyth Hardy and Norman Wilson among others. Since that time, the Guild has been a membership-based film society where members can watch films not normally shown in mainstream cinemas. Since its inception, the Guild has also had a strong film education component. The Guild is run entirely by volunteers.

Due to the fire at the Film House, the Guild is currently ‘homeless’. But in The Guild entered into a formal partnership with the Institut français d’Ecosse in 2021 and has held several film seasons at the Institut since.

Films Clubs

LGBT Age Film Club

LGBT Health and Wellbeing

Duncan Place Community Hub

4 Duncan Place

Edinburgh EH6 8HW

T: 0131 564 3970

E: joanna@lgbthealth.org.uk

Opening Hours: 4th Wednesday of every month (1.00pm-3.00pm)

W: <https://www.lgbthealth.org.uk/community-groups/lgbt-age-film-club/>

Summary: A monthly social group for LGBT people aged 50+ to come together and watch queer films. The monthly LGBT Age film club welcomes all older LGBT+ people (50+) for relaxed get-togethers in a safe and friendly environment where all LGBT+ identities and experiences are affirmed. These provide great opportunities to meet new people, reconnect with old friends, and watch great films.

Grassmarket Community Picture House

The Grassmarket Community Project

86 Candlemaker Row

Edinburgh, EH1 2QA

T: 0131 225 3636

E: film@grassmarket.org

W: <https://grassmarketfilms.org/>

Summary: The Grassmarket Community Picture House is an award-winning community cinema, screening a wide-selection of quality films every Wednesday. Our doors are open to all. Free admission (but donations encouraged, where possible).

Ageing Well - Photography

Meadowbank Sports Centre
139-143 London Road
Edinburgh EH7 6AE

T: 0131 458 2260

Opening Hours: Friday 10.00am-12.00pm
(Every 2nd Friday the group is out and about at various locations taking photographs)
E: active@edinburghleisure.co.uk

Summary: Their photography group are not experts, but keen self-taught amateur photographers who enjoy taking photographs and trying to improve their skills. All that participants need is their own digital camera, mobile phone and access to a computer. Group members are on hand to help participants to get the best pictures they can and show how to edit on Windows 8 upwards. All abilities welcome.

Photography

Amateur Photography Magazine

W: <https://www.amateurphotographer.co.uk/>
FB: <https://www.facebook.com/Amateur.photographer.magazine>
Tw: https://twitter.com/AP_Magazine
YT: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCs_AfAjx0_bE-_EJXyo10vw

Summary: This free online magazine has a lot of useful advice and guidance on how to improve photographic skills. Click on the links above for more information.

Stills: Centre for Photography

23 Cockburn Street
Edinburgh
Scotland EH1 1BP

T: 0131 622 6200

Opening Hours: Tuesday—Saturday 12.00pm—5.00pm (Gallery)

E: info@stills.org

W: <https://stills.org/>

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

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

Summary: They offer high-quality, subsidised training in all areas of photography and digital media. Everyone is given individual attention at their small classes and benefits from an informal, creative learning environment. Click on the links above for more information.