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WELCOME

Welcome to our Spring Brochure for the CatStrand Arts Programme and all our GCAT projects. I am very pleased to say that we are now at least as busy as we have ever been. As I write this, we are still recovering from the most excellent Samson Sounds, whose sell out event and monster sound system had the CatStrand buzzing like I've never seen before.

We've lots to look forward to as well, with a wealth of visiting artists and regular activity providing music for all tastes, excellent theatre and comedy. Look out especially for the Dark Sky Jazz weekend and our ReConnect eco-anxiety festival in March. The ReConnect Festival has been programmed by Phoebe Watts, our Visual Arts Intern, and we are very proud of all her work on that.

Our programme is constantly being updated as new acts come in, so please do keep an eye on our website and socials or subscribe to our monthly newsletters to make sure you get the latest gigs as soon as they come in. You can join the mailing list via the link gcast.scot/mailing/ or QR Code below.

As ever, we need to thank Creative Scotland for their core support of our Arts programme, and all our funders for their support of our projects. Without their support, we would not be able to bring this programme to you

I look forward to seeing you soon – and remember shows do sell out…book early!

Peter Renwick
Arts, Culture & Heritage Manager

gcast.scot/mailing/

A4 print out or plain text version of this programme is available on request at the CatStrand box office. CatStrand has a Companions Come Free policy. Bookable at the box office. Call us to discuss access requirements or email access@catstrand.com

Refugee / Asylum Seeker Tickets. To offer our new neighbours a warm welcome - if you're settling in the region, your first two shows are free of charge. Bookable at the CatStrand box office.

Box Office & Bookings

For booking enquiries / to book
01644 420 374 or www.gcat.scot
Until 19th March = Open 11-4pm Tue - Sat
From 20th March = Open 11-4pm daily

CatStrand Café & Shop

Until 19th March = Open 11-4pm Tue - Sat
From 20th March = Open 11-4pm daily
Seating indoors and outdoors
Lunches, coffee & cake, licensed bar

CatStrand and The Smiddy are fully accessible. Accessible toilets available in both buildings. Disabled parking available on site.

General parking available in public car parks in New Galloway and on street in Balmaclellan.

Hearing loop available for events at CatStrand.

Free electric vehicle charging facilities are available at the Smiddy.

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28 Jan
7:30pm

Samson Sounds: Afro fusion / UK bass

MUSIC | CatStrand | £15 adult, £10 U26s

Samson Sounds are Glasgow based creators of positive dance floor vibrations. Using a combination of live vocals, guitar, percussion and brass with electronic musicality, they bring a wide range of grooves and energy into any situation. West African and latin rhythms and melodies are into focus with Scottish infuences, emphasising the global nature and power of music. Their unique stage presence and uplifting performances will never fail to bring smiles to faces and motion to bodies!

Please note this is a standing gig with seating available. Licence to midnight applied for! This concert has been made possible thanks to support from Scotland On Tour.



17 Feb
7:30pm

FARA

MUSIC | CatStrand | £16 adult, £6 U26s

FARA brings together four leading musicians at the forefront of today's Scottish folk scene. Kristen Harvey, Jeana Leslie and Catriona Price's three fiddles combine with Rory Matheson's piano to produce a fiery sound rooted strongly in their upbringing among the music of Orkney. Their repertoire of self-penned tunes, their original songs using words by Orcadian poets, alongside the four member's diverse individual musical experiences, combine to produce an exciting and individual sound.

With vibrant arrangements full of rich harmonies, energetic fiddle playing and driving piano, audiences are sure to be thrilled by this new body of work.

"*Torch-bearers of a freshly reinvigorated tradition…one of the most exciting Scottish folk discoveries in recent years*" (AllMusic)



25 Feb
7:30pm

NoLogoProductions Presents: Make-Up

THEATRE | CatStrand | £12 adults, £4 U26s

Lady Christina leaves the stage at the end of another performance. She's tired of putting on the make-up. Drag has become a drag, and tonight could be her last ever show. But when the make-up starts to come off, the face in the mirror takes Christopher Laneghan back to the life he lived before Lady Christina came along. Can he live, if living is without her?

The play will be followed by a discussion, facilitated by writer/director Andy Mosely and actor Moj Taylor. This discussion coincides with Connecting in Communities' February LGBT+ Safe Space Cafe, but is open to all of course.

"A disarmingly truthful and humorous piece, adroitly constructed and beautifully performed" (AllEdinburghTheatre.com)

Recommended for ages 12+.



01 Mar
7:30pm

Lizabett Russo

MUSIC | CatStrand | £10 adults, £4 U26s

Scotland-based singer-songwriter Lizabett Russo merges her native traditions with elements of contemporary jazz, avant garde folk and world music, a range of influence effortlessly spanned by her powerfully versatile voice. The BBC have championed her work - featuring on both BBC Radio 3 and Radio 6 as well as the BBC stage at Latitude Festival. She has also toured extensively around Europe and Asia.

Musically Russo's influences are wide ranging. Echoes of her native Romania are beautifully interwoven with avant garde folk, contemporary jazz and world music.

"This is simply world-class work, by any standard" - Tom Robinson, BBC Radio 6



ABOUT RECONNECT

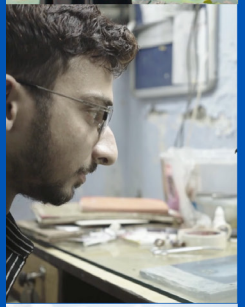
ReConnect Festival aims to address eco anxiety and other emotional responses to the climate crisis by exploring the links between nature connection, arts engagement and mental wellbeing. Providing our audiences with the tools to navigate their responses to climate change and channel them into agency. At the heart of the festival is cultivating connections - to each other, ourselves, and the earth, so that we can move forward in the climate movement with more care.



THE ANTS AND THE GRASSHOPPER + YOUNG LEADERS PANEL

3 MARCH / 7PM / £7 / £5 U26

Experiencing extreme drought in her village, Anita travels from Malawi to persuade Americans that climate change is real. Meeting climate sceptics and despairing farmers, it will take all her skill to persuade us that we're in this together.



ALL THAT BREATHES + LETTERS TO THE EARTH WORKSHOP

2 MARCH / 7PM / £7 / £5 U26

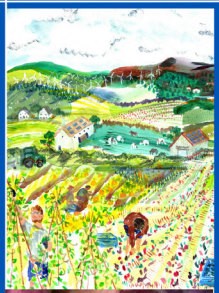
Two brothers devote their lives to the quixotic effort of protecting the black kite, a majestic bird of prey essential to the ecosystem of New Delhi. Exploring their connection with the birds, the film offers a mesmerizing chronicle of inter-species coexistence.



GATHER + DISCUSSION WITH PROPAGATE

4 MARCH / 7PM / £7 / £5 U26

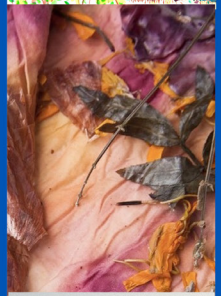
An intimate portrait of a growing movement amongst Indigenous Americans to reclaim their spiritual and cultural identities through obtaining sovereignty over their ancestral food systems. Gather beautifully explores the connections between land use, culture and wellbeing.



'RE-IMAGINING LANDSCAPES' PAINTING WITH EMILY TOUGH

4 MARCH / 2-4:30PM / £12

Through painting, this workshop explores new ways in which our agricultural landscapes could look to support healthy and vibrant food systems. No painting experience required, all materials provided.



BUNDLE DYEING + HAPA-ZOME PRINTING WITH KIRSTY TURPIE

5 MARCH / 10 - 1PM / £12

Using a variety of flowers and other plant materials, we will experiment with the rich diversity of colours and textures that can be derived from our natural environment. No experience required, all materials provided.



OPEN MIC NIGHT WITH SPECIAL GUEST ZOË BESTEL

5 MARCH / 7:30PM / £5

Open mic themed around ecology, nature and climate change. Zoë will open the night with a few selected songs, including her latest single 'Utopia'. The bar will be open throughout. Free entry for performers. If you'd like to perform, please email phoebe@catstrand.com to secure a spot!

07 Mar
7:30pm

Hannah Rarity

MUSIC | CatStrand | £12 adults, £4 U26s

Building on a fast growing reputation, Hannah Rarity ranks as one of Scotland's finest singers. Performing a carefully chosen mix of traditional, contemporary and self-penned material, she earns comparisons to Eva Cassidy and Cara Dillon, whilst standing confidently in her own right.

Widely recognised as a flourishing talent after winning the BBC Young Traditional Musician of the Year in 2018, Hannah was tipped by The Scotsman as 'One to Watch' and, more recently, was invited to work as co-musical director for the Opening Concert of Celtic Connections 2022.

"*...an impeccable combination of nuanced phrasing and power*" Folk Radio UK. "*Hannah Rarity has a just downright gorgeous voice... no wonder she is in such high demand.*" FRoots



Image credit: Elly Lucas

13 Mar
7:30pm

White Rabbit, Red Rabbit by Nassim Soleimanpour

THEATRE | CatStrand | £10 adults, £4 U26s

Bunbury Banter in association with Aurora Nova, presents White Rabbit, Red Rabbit, with a special guest, to be announced. No rehearsals, no director, a different actor each night, and an unread script waiting in a sealed envelope on stage. A thrilling, unique and playful evening, which offers us a potent reminder of the transgressive and transformative power of theatre. The audience joins our performer on a journey into the unknown; stumbling upon the personal and profound, the limits of liberty and ultimately where theatre can take you. The play has been translated into over 25 different languages and has been performed over 1000 times by some of the biggest names in theatre and film.

Produced by local theatre company Bunbury Banter, this is a fundraiser for their Creative Youth programme. To find out more see www.bunbanter.com.



Image credit: Hilde Vanstraelen



17 Mar
7:30pm

Dark Sky Jazz: Euan Stevenson and Konrad Wiszniewski

MUSIC | CatStrand | £15 adult, £5 U26s

Award-winning piano-saxophone team Euan Stevenson and Konrad Wiszniewski's New Focus: The Classical Connection gives fascinating insights into the relationship between classical music and jazz.

In this superb, informal presentation two of the UK's leading jazz musicians improvise a Bach-style reinvention and an arrangement of the Duke Ellington Orchestra's theme tune, Take the A Train in the style of a Mozart Sonata, among other delights. As well as being a superb pianist, Stevenson is a composer whose recent commissions include an arrangement of the Ukrainian national anthem for renowned violin virtuoso Pinchas Zukerman and the English Chamber Orchestra.

Wiszniewski is one of the Scottish National Jazz Orchestra's star soloists and twice winner of the Best Instrumentalist title at the Scottish Jazz Awards. His improvisations are always potent, soulful and exciting and have led to him being in-demand as a session player across a range of styles including pop, soul, folk and jazz.



18 Mar
2pm

Dark Sky Jazz: Juliet Wood & Kevin McKenzie

MUSIC | CatStrand | £12 adult, £4 U26s

This self-confessed 'musical magpie' presents a collection of tunes connected by shimmering harmonies, eloquently described by beautiful melodic lines. Each song holds a particular magic and is brushed with colours from Juliet's distinct vocal palette - ranging from dark and smoky to pure and crystalline. Her inspiration came from avid listening to Lambert, Hendricks & Ross, Norma Winstone and Joni Mitchell and these influences are clearly heard in the clarity of her articulation and her heartfelt delivery.

Juliet is accompanied by guitarists Kevin MacKenzie who The Herald described as "an international-class jazz player"



18 Mar
7:30pm

Dark Sky Jazz: Nimbus Sextet

MUSIC | CatStrand | £15 adult, £5 U26s

"*The UK jazz scene continues to deliver exceptional records… Nimbus Sextet's 'Forward Thinker' offers compositions with real scope*" – Clash Magazine

"*Leader Joe Nichols sets Nimbus Sextet firmly apart from their UK jazz peers. This is a band capable of diversely off-kilter composition and sometimes, something more sublime*" - Uncut Magazine

Scottish Jazz Award nominees, Nimbus Sextet, remain one of the most innovative groups in the new wave of UK jazz. The band are on tour with the promotional campaign for their critically acclaimed second album, FORWARD THINKER, released on Acid Jazz Records.

Performing in the UK and Europe's top jazz venues, the Joe Nichols-led outfit have firmly established themselves as an increasingly major voice in the vibrant European jazz scene. The group began the year with a rapturously received debut performance at the legendary Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club. They launched their album at the celebrated New Morning in Paris, appearances at Glasgow Jazz Festival, Edinburgh Festival Fringe and Lancaster Jazz Festival further established the group as dynamite live performers.

19 Mar
7:30pm

Dark Sky Jazz: Matt Carmichael & Fergus McCreadie

MUSIC| CatStrand | £15 adult, £5 U26s

A stellar duo featuring two of the most exciting young musicians in Scotland, with a shared love for both folk and jazz music, they play a set full of beautiful melodies, extraordinary improvisations, from jazz standards to atmospheric soundscapes.

Matt Carmichael
"*a distinctive new voice in a crowded scene*" BBC Music Magazine
Saxophonist and composer Matt Carmichael moves from strength to strength and growing his reach globally with his powerfully emotive blend of Jazz and Folk music. He has performed at Celtic Connections, Ronnie Scott's Love Supreme as well as being a guest soloist with the Grammy Award winning WDR Big Band in Germany.

Fergus McCreadie
"*The most beautiful music that can be heard in jazz at the moment*" WrittenInMusic
Shortlisted for the 2022 Mercury Prize. 2022 Scottish Album of The Year Award Winner. Rooted in a Scottish folk tradition and expressing advanced rhythmical flair, Fergus McCreadie is riding high. A melting pot of originality, freshness of sound and vitality, one of the standout discoveries of recent times.


Matt Carmichael


Fergus McCreadie

08 Apr
7:30pm

Mike & Ruthy of The Mammals

MUSIC | CatStrand | £12 adult, £4 U26s

Mike & Ruthy concerts blend artistry and authenticity, with fiery fiddle & banjo, emotionally potent harmonies, and dynamic stories that deepen the experience. Tap your toes, dance, or sit back sing along as Mike + Ruthy "roam effortlessly through the whole span that is Americana, from alt-country to folk to bluegrass." (The Bluegrass Situation)

Mike Merenda + Ruth Ungar are a harmony duo with a celebrated catalog of original songs. They tour internationally as a family band and with their seminal folk rock outfit The Mammals and produce a bi-annual folk festival in the Hudson Valley called The Hoot.

"*Some of the best songwriting of their generation.*" High Times



08 Apr

The Happiness Collectors presented by The Audio Story Company

THEATRE | CatStrand | 10am & 11:30am | £5 adult, £16- Group of 4 (Covers 2 adults & 2 children or 1 Adult & 3 children)

The Happiness Collectors need YOU! The world's supplies of happiness are running low and they need your help to top them up. Pop on your headphones and join the Happiness Collectors on a journey of sounds and silliness to learn the best ways to collect happiness - and most important of all, how to pass it on!

Happiness Collectors is a fusion of physical theatre and audio-immersive storytelling for family audiences. Each audience member experiences the show through a set of wireless headphones, guided by their very own Happiness Collector Instructor, SAM, aka Special Agent M. For ages 4+.



11 Apr
7:30pm

SPIN! presented by Vanishing Point Unplugged

THEATRE | CatStrand | £14 adult, £4 U26s

Devised and directed by Catriona MacLeod
Produced by Vanishing Point
A co-production with An Tobar and Mull Theatre

Spin! is a new show from the team that brought you The Dark Carnival: Unplugged and The Metamorphosis: Unplugged. A woman can hear a voice coming from her brand-new washing machine. When she talks to it - to her surprise - it talks back, and it's surprisingly good conversation.

Spin! is a darkly humorous and satirical show about wishing, washing and information warfare. Join us for a great night out of comic theatre, cake and a complimentary (but not compulsory!) drink. Supported by Creative Scotland.





15 Apr
7:30pm

Mambo Jambo And Alan McClure

MUSIC | CatStrand | £10 adult, £4 U26s

Acoustic roots duo Mambo Jambo will take you a joyous musical journey performing their mash-up of styles, with elements of New Orleans Gumbo Stew, bluegrass banjo, French accordion waltzes, Cuban ballads, some jump-jive sax and balkan clarinet - and more besides. A real Jamboree!

A fabulous musical treat, Frankie is on sax, vocals, clarinet, flute, guitar, and Pete on guitar, vocal, banjo, ukulele, tres (traditional Cuban guitar), accordion, & between them all kinds of percussion including suitcase and spoons!

Mambo Jambo are delighted to be playing a concert supported, weel-kent face at the CatStrand, Alan McClure. As well as providing support, Alan will join Mambo Jambo for a few numbers to celebrate a musical friendship that stretches back many years.



Sat 17
3pm

Patrick Monahan – Classy

COMEDY | CatStrand | £14 adults, £5 U26s

In a world of groups, hierarchies and class systems, everyone's trying so hard to fit in. What's wrong with being a misfit? Be you, be proud! From the caravan to the middle class neighbourhood, it's taken Monahan 4 decades to realise this.

Enjoy Monahan's stand up observations on living his contemporary life alongside stories of his upbringing. As seen recently on BBC One's The One Show, Loose Women ITV), Asian Network (BBC)

"Rip-roaringly funny.....another hour would have suited everyone"! One4Review' *****. *"Hilarious"* Three Weeks *****. *"Terrific Comic"* Scotsman ****. *"Definite must see!"* Edinburgh Festivals****



24 Apr
7:30pm

Kiki Dee & Carmelo Luggeri The Long Ride Home Tour

MUSIC | CatStrand | £22 adult, £12 U26s

For over 25 years now Kiki and Carmelo have been touring their spellbinding acoustic live show across the UK and Europe. Performing in this stripped back fashion allows each of their exceptional talents to shine through and create a wonderful and warm sense of intimacy for the audience.

Kiki has recently celebrated her 55th year in the music industry and has cemented her status as one of the UK's finest and most revered vocalists, always moving forward with the music that she creates with Carmelo . Kiki says Carmelo is her favorite guitarist , and he co-writes and produces all their songs.

The duo's latest critically acclaimed album THE LONG RIDE HOME was released in 2022 and is full of haunting, emotional and stunning songs that will hopefully please their army of fans.Join Kiki and Carmelo for an acoustic journey of their songs and stories which also include some tracks from the new album , unique covers of songs by artists such as Kate Bush and Frank Sinatra and of course Kiki's own hits "Don't Go Breaking My Heart", "I Got The Music In Me", "Loving & Free" and the stunning "Amoureuse".



21 May
7:30pm

VRï

MUSIC | CatStrand | £14 adults, £4 U26s

VRï are Jordan Price Williams (cello, voice), Aneirin Jones (violin, voice) and Patrick Rimes (viola, violin), three young men from deepest, darkest chapel-going Wales who have mined the cultural upheaval of past centuries and drawn inspiration from the incredible story of a time when Wales' traditional music and dance was suppressed by Methodist chapels, and, earlier, its language by the Act of Union.

Their songs, sung with powerful vocal harmonies, tell stories of the people who struggled 200 years ago, just as many struggle today. Their soundscape connects across the centuries to give us a sense of belonging, of community, and a magical feeling of weightlessness and uplifting freedom.

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES Locally led ongoing and regular arts events

5-7pm

Clachan Folk Sessions

MUSIC | Clachan Inn, Dalry | Free | 26 Mar

Bring your instruments or singing voice for a folk session led by Ollie Rigg, Michael Muir (Muckle Spree), Lucy Smith and their guests. Or just come along to listen in. They can be very popular, so we recommend prompt arrival to get a seat! A great pub with great tunes & great company - there can be few finer ways to spend a Sunday afternoon.

Booking not required, entry and seats on first come first served basis. It can be busy so recommended early arrival!



7- 9pm

Ken Words Writers' Cafes

Ken Words — a writing project of this place

EVENT | CatStrand Cafe | Free | Second Thursday of the month - 09 Feb / 09 Mar / 13 Apr / 11 May

The Writers' Café offers a friendly, supportive environment to meet monthly for writing-focussed conversation and discussion of work-in-progress. It is open to anyone interested in writing, whatever your in/experience and whether or not you choose to share your own writing.

Hot and cold drinks can be purchased from the CatStrand café during Café sessions. Hosted by Jane McBeth on behalf of Ken Words – please contact her at jane.kenwords@gmail.com if you have any queries.



Fantastic Forest Festival

IMAGINING OUR FUTURE WOODLANDS

A RANGE OF PARTNERS ARE COMING TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THE FORESTS AND WOODLANDS OF GALLOWAY. HOW CAN WE BETTER UNDERSTAND AND ENGAGE WITH THE TREES IN OUR LANDSCAPE - THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE!

27 January	Launch of Festival & Exhibition in Catstrand	Launching the festival and an exhibition of work by Donald Watson & Leeming & Paterson which will be on display at the Catstrand for the coming month. 7.00pm @ Catstrand, no tickets required. Drinks & nibbles upon arrival.
28 January	Can't See the Woods for the Trees	A friendly gathering with creative conversations and artist talks from Leeming & Paterson, exploring our woodland habitats. 10am-1pm @ Balmaclellan Smiddy. See Eventbrite for full info + book ticket.
04 February	The Biosphere's Most Wanted	Learn about the Galloway and Southern Ayrshire UNESCO Biosphere's Most Wanted Project which aims to use citizen science to record local rarities using our phones, followed by a step-by-step tutorial and demonstration on how to use the iNaturalist app. 10.00-11.30 @ Dalry Town Hall, tickets via Eventbrite
08 February	Riverwoods: Do fish really grow on trees...	After watching the critically acclaimed and award-winning film together, an expert panel will discuss and answer any questions. 7.30pm film starts @ Catstrand, tickets via Eventbrite.
11 February	Investigating Galloway's Native Woodland	An introduction to the native woods of Galloway for anyone who would like to get involved in their conservation, whether through recording their wildlife, researching their history or campaigning for their protection. Presented by Peter Norman from SWSEIC. 10am-12noon, followed by a walk. Tickets via eventbrite.
15 February	The Lost Rainforests of Britain	Guy Shrubsole, author of 'Lost Rainforests of Britain' talks about his recent work and why the word 'rainforest' matters. 7.30pm, Online event, tickets via Eventbrite.
18 February	'Spruce Plucking' World Championships	If Spruce self-seeds in the wrong place, could it be plucked? A fun opportunity to get out onto the hillside, irrespective of the weather. See channels for more info. Starting 2pm, See Galloway Glens channels channels for more info and how to take part!
22 February	National Trust for Scotland: 'Treetastic' at Threave Nature Reserve	A day celebrating Trees on the Threave Nature Reserve, home to the Threave Landscape Restoration Project. Winter Tree ID workshop, creative tree crafts, tree folklore and storytelling, a tree trail, and tree planting. 10am-3.30pm. £3.50 per person, booking via 'Threave Garden and Estate' on eventbrite.
22 February	The Future of Woodlands in Dumfries & Galloway	How has Southern Scotland's tree cover changed through history, why our woodlands were originally established and how this is changing. 7.30pm, Hybrid event – in Balmaclellan Smiddy or Online, tickets via Eventbrite.
24 February	Imagining our Future Woodlands	Join us for conversations with a variety of different voices and communities of interest – local and national - as we consider Galloway's future woodland interests and ambitions. 10.30-3pm @ Dalry Town Hall, tickets via Eventbrite.
26 February	A Walk in the Woods	An artist-led, immersive walk in the woodlands with Leeming & Paterson, with a chance to look back at the activity of the festival. 10am-1pm, tickets via Eventbrite.

4 - 26 Feb

Fantastic Forest Festival

FESTIVAL | Various locations in the Glenkens

Staged by the Galloway Glens Landscape Partnership.

A range of partners are coming together to celebrate the forests and woodlands of galloway. How can we better understand and engage with the trees in our landscape - the past, present and future!

All tickets found on www.eventbrite.co.uk by searching 'Galloway Glens', unless otherwise specified.

09 Feb
7:30pm

Glenkens Housing Forum

EVENT | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan | Free

The Glenkens Housing Forum will be a chance to hear about the results of the 2022 Housing Demands and Needs Survey, the plans for local housing that it has inspired and to hear from other successful community housing initiatives. There will be a Q&A with the speakers, plus discussions from the floor about what other opportunities for housing exist within the Glenkens and district. Hosted by GCAT, supported by the Glenkens and District Trust and featuring South of Scotland Community Housing as experts in the sector.



26 Feb
2-4pm

The Glenkens Story- Kenmure Castle: Witness to Galloway's History

EVENT | CatStrand | £12 adults, £4 U26s

Kenmure Castle, the most famous of the Glenkens Castles, stands just south of New Galloway and has been touched by much of Scottish history. It was a Balliol stronghold in the wars of independence, it was a refuge for Mary Queen of Scots on her flight from Scotland and sacked by her enemies, it was sacked again by Cromwell for supporting the Royal cause and subsequently the 6th Viscount was beheaded in the Tower of London for backing the Jacobites. Robert Burns predictably was a guest - on his way to Kirkcudbright.

The Glenkens Story will present an afternoon of talks on the castle and the people in its history. Janet Brennan-Ingils, castle historian and author, restorer of Barholm Castle and former chair of the Scottish Castles Association, will speak on the history of Kenmure and its place among the castles of the South West. For much of its history the castle has been held by the Gordon family. Major General (retd) James Gordon, the present owner, will give a personal account of the Gordon family's close links to the castle's eventful history.

Local place names expert Michael Ansell will discuss the origin of the name 'Kenmure' which looks straightforward - the muir of the Ken - but all may not be as it seems.


Image by Francis Grose (died 1790)

WriteOn Galloway

GROUP | CatStrand | £5 per month subscription | Various dates

WriteOn is a writing group with around 25 members, convened by author Margaret Elphinstone (www.margaretelphinstone.co.uk).

Anyone who lives locally or who has some Galloway connection is eligible to join. No writing experience is necessary.

The group has a private web platform where all contributions and comments are posted. There are also quarterly workshops at CatStrand. We write in different genres, and encourage each other to experiment. You can see selections of their work at writeongalloway.wordpress.com. This group is currently full, but if you're interested in joining, please contact info@catstrand.com.

Open Stage with Alan McClure

MUSIC | CatStrand | £5 per audience & acts | 16 Feb, 20 April, 22 June | 7:30pm

A fun packed evening of varied live performance; poetry, song, storytelling, comedy, whatever you feel like - come to perform or just to enjoy!

Performers are welcome to turn up on the day, but can contact Alan to discuss their show in advance alanmcclure70@hotmail.com.



Margaret Morris Movement

DANCE | CatStrand | £5 | Mondays, 2.30pm - 3:30pm

Margaret Morris Movement (MMM) is a Modern Dance technique which uniquely addresses the health and well-being needs of the individual, alongside the wish for artistic and creative expression. It gives an understanding of how correct breathing can increase stamina and range of movement, how working on posture can improve health and vitality, how using the body's natural opposition can strengthen muscles, all this as well as improving balance and co-ordination, leading to being able to free the body to dance and the mind to be creative.



CatStrand Singers

MUSIC | CatStrand | £5 | Thursdays 11am

The Catstrand Singers is a Glenkens based community choir who have been meeting for twelve years. Anyone is who enjoys singing – or would like to try is welcome. Contact Nicola Black nicolablack@madasafish.com or search Catstrand Singers on Facebook.





Wed 15 Feb

DALRY FILM CLUB: Top Gun - Maverick (12)

FILM | Dalry Town Hall | 7:30pm

Test Pilot Pete "Maverick" Mitchell must return to train a new generation of U.S. Navy fighter pilots for an "impossible mission". At the same time, he has to confront the ghosts of his own past when he comes up against the son of an old dead wingman.

"The kind of spectacle that reminds people why a trip to the cinema beats staying at home and watching Netflix." – Mark Kermode, Guardian



Wed 01 Mar

DALRY FILM CLUB: Grow Your Own (12)

FILM | Dalry Town Hall | 7:30pm

Though life on the allotment is not all sweet smelling when some refugees are given a plot as part of a scheme to help them fit in to the local community, it really erupts when a mobile phone company seeks space to erect a mast and someone must give way.

Wed 15 Mar

DALRY FILM CLUB: Phantom of the Open (12)

FILM | Dalry Town Hall | 7:30pm

The true story of Maurice Flitcroft, a crane operator and optimistic dreamer who managed to gain entry to the 1976 British Open qualifying, despite never playing a round of golf before. With characteristic self-belief he strives to compete at the highest level, infuriates the establishment in the process and sets a new record for the competition's highest score.



Wed 05 Apr

DALRY FILM CLUB: The Lost King (12)

FILM | Dalry Town Hall | 7:30pm

An amateur historian, Phillipa Langley, conducts her own research into the whereabouts of King Richard III's lost remains. In doing so she has to butt heads with an academic establishment that doesn't want to listen to an amateur armed mainly with an obsession.

Wed 26 Apr

DALRY FILM CLUB: Mrs Harris Goes To Paris (PG)

FILM | Dalry Town Hall | 7:30pm

From the short story by Paul Gallico, this is a humorous and heartwarming tale about a London housecleaner in the 1950's, Ada Harris (Lesley Manville), who thinks her lonely life might turn around if she can become the owner of a Christian Dior gown.



Wed 17 May

DALRY FILM CLUB: The Courier (12)

FILM | Dalry Town Hall | 7:30pm

Based on a true-life incident at the time of the Cuban Missile Crisis when a British business man, Greville Wynn, is persuaded to become the conduit between a highly placed Russian official, Colonel Oleg Penkovsky, and MI6. As international tensions rise and suspicions grow Wynn realises that he has taken responsibility for other people's lives whilst his own is also in danger.

Wed 14 Jun

DALRY FILM CLUB: See How They Run (12)

FILM | Dalry Town Hall | 7:30pm

It's 1953 and Agatha Christie's The Mousetrap is reaching its 100th performance. Thoughts are turning to the possibility of bringing it to the big screen when the Hollywood director tasked with the project is brutally murdered backstage.

World-weary and boozy Inspector Stoppard (Sam Rockwell) and his over-eager rookie assistant Constable Stalker(Saoirse Ronan) are brought in to find the murderer amongst the group of resentful and highly camp suspects that forms the Mousetrap cast.

EXHIBITION

27 Jan -31 Mar

EXHIBITION: If You Go Down To The Woods Today by Roger Crofts and Leeming + Paterson, also featuring the works of Donald Watson

'If you go down to the woods today…" and launch of the Fantastic Forest Festival.

Explorations of the magic and mystery, place, cultural implications, current practices and potential futures of our trees, woods and forests by Roger Crofts, Morag Paterson, Ted Leeming and including works by Donald Watson.



CATSTRAND YOUNG CREATIVES

What's on Jan -Apr

Chance to Dance (Recommended for 12+ years)

DANCE | CatStrand | Free - Booking essential | Thu 26 Jan, 23 Feb, 23 Mar | 6pm – 7.30pm

Dance Space' Is a pilot requested by some of our new 'dance crazy' youth volunteers who have helped to plan this project. 'Dance space' provides teenagers the creative space to freely dance, rehearse, choreograph their own dances and have fun with like minded friends. Booking essential as there are limited places!



Dance Step - Taster Dance Workshops (recommended for 10 years plus)

DANCE | CatStrand | £2 | Date TBC; contact catherine@catstrand.com to for details and to register interest

'Dance Step' is a new Young Creatives initiative and will provide young people the opportunity to explore the world of dance. Each month, participants will be introduced to a different dance form in these fun, high energetic workshops, led by professional dance tutors. Workshops will include jazz and tap, hip hop, street dance, musical theatre, ballet and much more. Participants will have also the opportunity to use the Dance space sessions on a Thursday bi -weekly basis. Participants are encouraged to attend all monthly sessions to benefit from this opportunity. No experience necessary.



25 Mar
2-4pm

Dance Step You Can't Stop the Beat Musical Theatre Dance Workshop | 10+

DANCE | CatStrand | £2 - Booking essential

The first session in our new Dance Step initiative. This fun, fast paced taster workshop draws inspiration and choreography from a popular West End musical. The workshop will begin with a warm up and stretching to enhance blood flow and to increase flexibility. You will then be taught choreography from the popular musical number 'You cant stop the Beat' from HairSpray. This exciting workshop is not one to be missed.

Wear comfortable clothing with indoor trainers or jazz shoes. Booking is essential to secure a space!!



Young Writers Cafe

WRITING | CatStrand | Free | Last Wednesday of the month Feb - May

Do you love writing poetry, fiction, memoir or scripts?

Young Writers Cafe meets the last Wednesday of the month from February 2023. These are relaxed monthly sessions for Under 25s. You'll have space to work on your own piece and chat with other young writers. The café will be open to purchase hot drinks.

The Young Writers Café will launch on the 15th February with a one-off storytelling workshop led by Alison from Bunbury Banter, the award-winning theatre company.



24 - 26 Feb

Up Skills Workshop | Filmmakers (for 15 - 20 year olds)

FILM MAKING | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan | Free, booking essential | 3-day Workshop | 10am – 5pm each day, lunch included

UpSkills Filmmakers is the latest addition to a series of workshops led by young people for young people. This three-day workshop will be designed and facilitated by filmmaker Rhiannon Mudaliar.

Over three days, participants will work together as a small film crew to write and produce a short fiction film. Split into pre-production, production, and post-production, the workshop will introduce participants to a range of filmmaking skills, including: the construction of a story and scriptwriting, visual storytelling, operating a DSLR camera, and directing.



Art Explorers (Recommended for 5 – 9 years) - Booking essential

ART | CatStrand | £2 | Saturdays, every two weeks | 28 Jan, 11 Feb, 25 Feb, 11 Mar, 25 Mar, 8 Apr, 22 Apr | 10 - 11am age 5 - 8, 11:15 - 12:15 age 9+

Art Explorers is an artist led art club that aims to offer a wide range of activities across the year so that all children have the opportunity to be as creative as they wish and gain a sense of achievement and pride in their work. The children will be doing different activities each session and will be exploring a range of activities, including sculpture, collage, painting, mixed media and more. Parents can stay for the session or enjoy a child free hour whilst the kids get creative! Recommended age is 5-8yrs for the 10am session & 9yrs+ for the 11:15am session, but everyone is welcome!



18 Feb
2-5pm

Creative Portfolio Development (15 - 25 years)

GROUP | CatStrand | £4

An inclusive, supportive setting for you to make art. At each artist-led session you will learn a new creative skill. This might include things like experimental printmaking, alternative photography, found object sculpture or digital foraging.

You can choose to explore these in depth or use the time to work on your own projects. We will offer creative guidance, structure, and context, encouraging you to be playful and ambitious, to experiment, to try out new ideas.

These workshops are ideal if you are considering art college and want to develop work for your portfolio but are equally suitable if you just enjoy making stuff in a relaxed environment with likeminded folk.

All materials and equipment will be provided but you are very welcome to bring your sketchbook, other resources, or items that inspire you.

Anne Waggot Knott is an artist, experimental printmaker, geographer, and researcher. She is passionate about creating opportunities for rural contemporary artists and is generous with her practice and ideas.

These creative development workshop will run alongside the VAN | Peer Sessions







Saturday Art Club (Recommended for 10 – 16 years) - booking essential

ART | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan | £2 | Saturdays, every two weeks | 28 Jan, 11 Feb, 25 Feb, 11 Mar, 25 Mar, 8 Apr, 22 Apr | 11:15am – 12:30pm

Saturday art club is a bi weekly club offering the opportunity to learn new skills, discover talents, meet new people.

Saturday Art Club will introduce members to a range of different and exciting art and design activities/skills such as drawing, mark-making, printmaking, painting, photography, 3D/sculpture, illustration, textiles, and more! The Club will build your confidence and develop your own personal areas of interest within art and design. These activities will be run by a professional practising artist with occasional guest artists.

Digital Art (12 years plus)

ART | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan | £2 | Tuesdays 31 Jan, 7 Feb, 14 Feb | 4:30pm

This course aims to teach young people the fundamentals of digital art. Your child will learn how to transform 2D drawings into 3D digital paintings and have the creative freedom to explore and generate ideas!

A hands-on course using apple ipads and apple pencils faciliatetd by the IT centre in Castle Douglas.

Visual Art Network (VAN) Peer Sessions Review (age 16 - 25)

GROUP | CatStrand | Free | Thu monthly, 7:30pm - 9pm

Peer assessment or peer review provides a structured learning process for young adults to critique and provide feedback to each other on their finished pieces or work in progress.

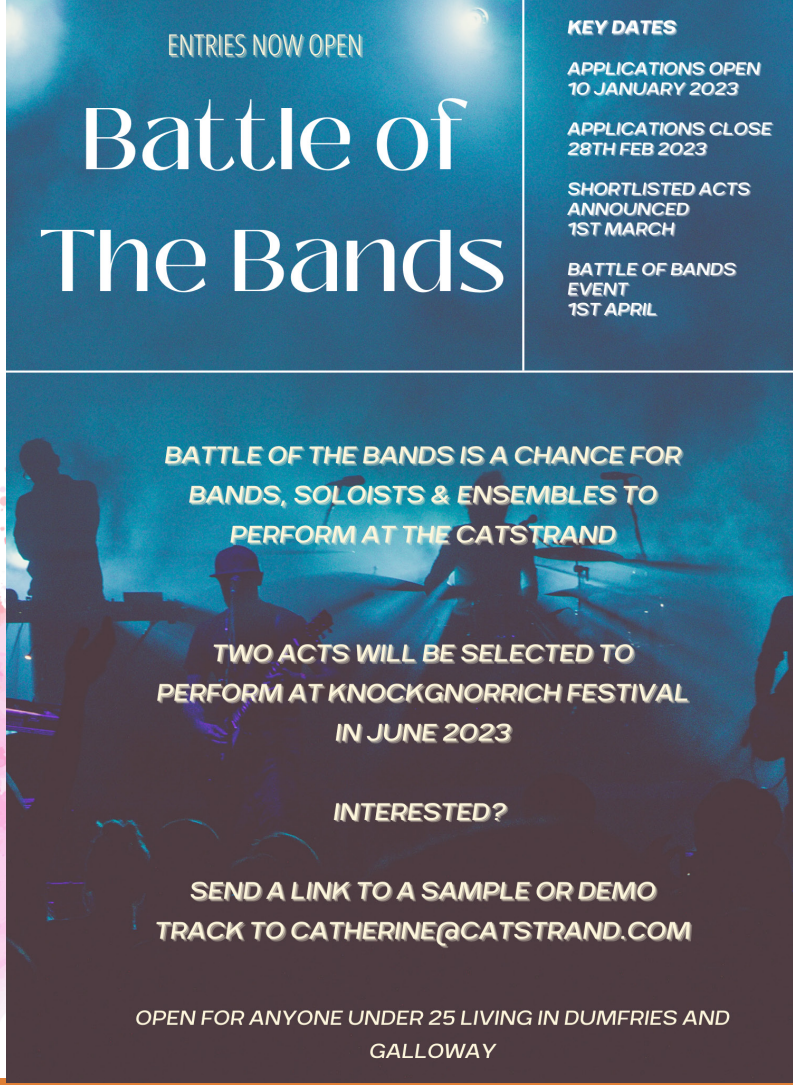
These new monthly meets, hosted by CatStrand Creative Arts professionals, will provide a structured session for young adults aged 16 – 25 years who have their own visual art practice to network with other young artists and to feedback on each other's work. The sessions aim to develop lifelong skills in assessing and providing feedback to others, and will also equip you with the skills to self-assess and improve your own work.

We are looking for a minimum of 5 young adults (from any visual art discipline) to participate in this pilot network group. Participants will commit to bringing 1 or 2 pieces of work (finished or work in progress) to offer up to the group for critique each month.

As well as the regular peer review sessions, the group will be given the opportunity to stage and promote their own exhibition at the CatStrand, and receive mentoring for their own art practice from other professional artists.

This is a Holywood Trust funded project and is free to all young people living in the Dumfries and Galloway region.

To apply, please email catherine@catstrand.com about why you would like to be involved in the network as well as a description and some images of your work.

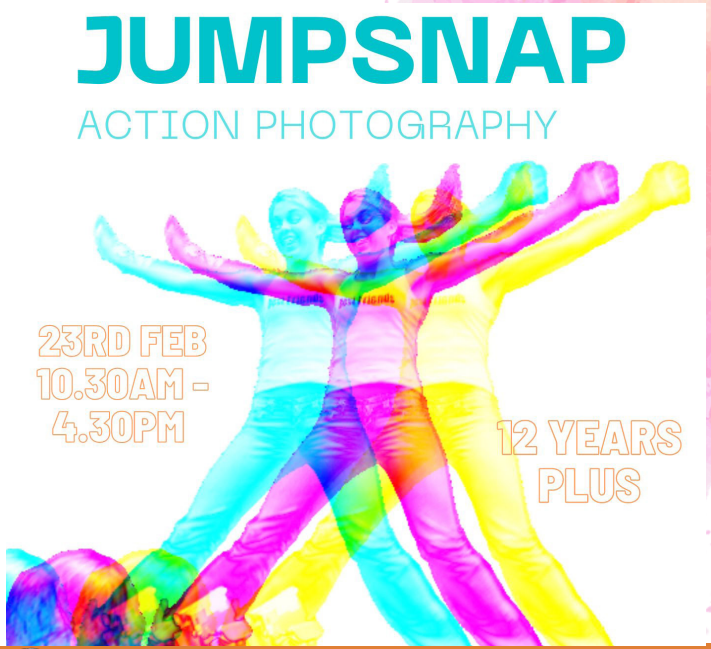


22 Feb
10:30-4pm

JumpSnap | Action Photography Workshop & Trip (12 +years)

PHOTOGRAPHY | CatStrand & Fusion, Carlisle | £12

Jumpsnap is a Young Creatives Art Ambassador project. Participants will take part in a photography workshop in the morning learning how to take a good action shot photograph. We will then travel to Carlisle to put our new found photography skills to the test at a jump session at Fusion Trampoline Park. Food and drink will be provided. This is a ticketed event and it is expected to sell out quickly so will be first some first serve. Cost of ticket includes photography workshop, transport to Carlise from the CatStrand, Jump session, jump socks and food and drink.



15 Apr
2-4pm

Mambo Jambo Workshop (ages 5 - 9)

MUSIC | CatStrand | £2

Come and join Pete and Frankie from Mambo Jambo and join them in making music: playing percussion (provided), body percussion, harmony singing & rapping, in a fun & relaxed atmosphere! For ages between 5 and 9. No experience necessary, just enthusiasm! Parents are welcome to join in with their child.





YOUNG CREATIVES: Art Ambassadors (recommended for 11 - 18 years)

GROUP | CatStrand Cafe | Free | Last Monday of the month | 5pm – 6pm

Young Creatives Ambassadors is a dynamic group of volunteers aged 12- 21 years old. They work together to represent the voices of young people in the Glenkens area and get involved in shaping the young creatives art programme, including choosing and promoting their own show, participating in taster sessions and apply for funding for projects. As well as gaining excellent experience and be key to shaping the young creatives arts programme, Young Creatives Ambassadors will receive: Free Pizza! A Cool T-shirt Experience working in a professional arts centre and most importantly a warm fuzzy feeling! The meeting will run 5 - 6pm followed by 'Behind the Scenes' | Theatre Crew meet up! These meet ups are supported by the Holywood Trust.



Drama Rama (Recommended for 6+ years) followed by Musical Theatre Sessions

DRAMA | CatStrand | £2 | Wednesdays 18 Jan – 22 Mar, Drama Rama = 4.30 – 5.15pm, Musical Theatre Sessions = 5:15 - 5:35

Join Cat on a fun creative adventure to magical lands exploring through role play, drama, movement and storytelling. From adventures in the jungles, to chasing dragons and flying with fairies, the weekly sessions will promote imagination and speaking skills in a fun way, helping to bring out the inner performer within your child whilst promoting confidence and making new friends! Sessions will run without parents. This is a very popular session, with a waiting list, children will be added to the register once they have attended the first session , so you don't have to book each week but please let Cat know if your child no longer wants to attend so another child can be offered a space.





Margaret Morris Movement | Health Play Recommended for ages 3-7

DANCE | CatStrand | Free - Booking essential | Mon (term time only), 3.45pm – 4.30pm

A song, a story, a rhyme, an idea, an object combine in this delightful dance syllabus for pre-school and early years children. Improvisation and mime form an integral part of each session. Each child learns to explore the dance space and share ideas in a fun and safe environment.

Children participate without parents, but parents must stay in the CatStrand during the session. Booking Essential through Sara at sara.shackleton26@gmail.com

Margaret Morris Dance | Youth Dance & Children's Grades (ages 8 - 15)

DANCE | CatStrand | Free | Mondays, 4.30pm - 5:30pm

Margaret Morris Movement is a type of dance that encourages young people to explore their artistic and creative side, for example through costume or set design, alongside developing dance technique. This group also offers a chance to work towards dance grades. sara.shackleton26@gmail.com

Photography in Focus

PHOTOGRAPHY | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan | £6 - Booking essential | 07 & 21 Feb, 14 & 28 Mar, 11 & 25 Apr, 09 & 23 May | 10am - 12pm

Expert tuition to bring your photography knowledge and skills into focus. The expertise shared by Ian himself as a professional photographer will without doubt enhance your current skills. For further details and bookings contact - Ian: ianbiggar@btinternet.com : 07799 372052



Glenkens Ukes

MUSIC | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan | £3 | every Wednesday | 6pm - 8pm

Love playing in a band? Come and swell the ranks of the newly reformed Glenkens Ukes. Make new friends, learn new techniques & tunes, informal gigs and performances by arrangement. Come along you are guaranteed a real hoot amongst these friendly maestros. Contact – Brian: briantjjones@gmail.com : 07760 884113:

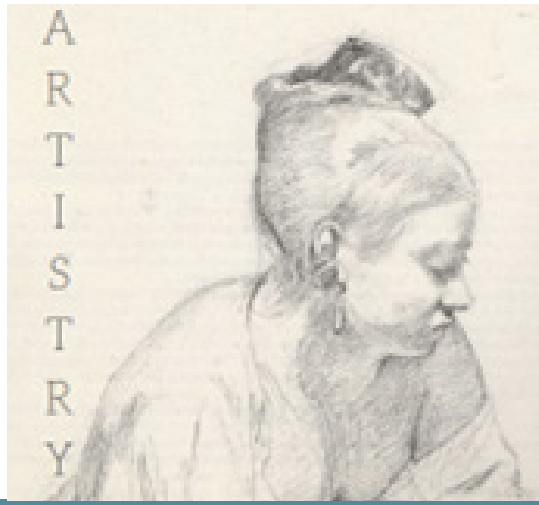


ARTistry

ART | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan | £7.50 - Booking essential | Every Thursday, 10am - 12.30pm

The group meets weekly to explore and practice life drawing skills, in an informal, friendly and relaxed atmosphere. This is a mixed skilled group where anyone is welcome to join the class.

For details contact; Leto letosef@gmail.com or 07763 235888



CiC Games Night

SOCIAL | CatStrand | Free | 24 Feb, 24 Mar, 28 April, 26 May | 7pm-9pm

Come along for a sociable evening playing games, including Boccia (indoor boules), and a variety of board games. The CatStrand Bar will be open promising for a super evening to be friends old and new. Bar open!

For details contact – Jo: jo@catstrand.com or 01644 420374



Cafe and Bar Open Night

SOCIAL | CatStrand | Free | 25 Feb, 25 Mar, Apr TBC

25th Feb No Logo Productions presents Make-Up (Live Theatre Event) £12 / U26 £4

25th March Café and Open Bar Night

Watch out for date in April and May (TBC).

For details contact – Jo: jo@catstrand.com : 01644 420374



Glenkens & District Community Drama Group - NEW FREE EVENT!

DRAMA | Free | CatStrand; 7 & 21 Feb, 21 Mar, 4 & 18 Apr, 02, 16 & 30 May, 7pm - 9pm | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan; 26 Feb, 26 Mar, 30 Apr, 28 May, 2pm - 3:30pm, 7 Mar 7pm - 9pm

First and Third Tuesday of the month, take part with fun engaging drama games to enhance your confidence and wellbeing in a 'Warm Space'. Light refreshments provided by the Co-Op. Ages 18 + all welcome.

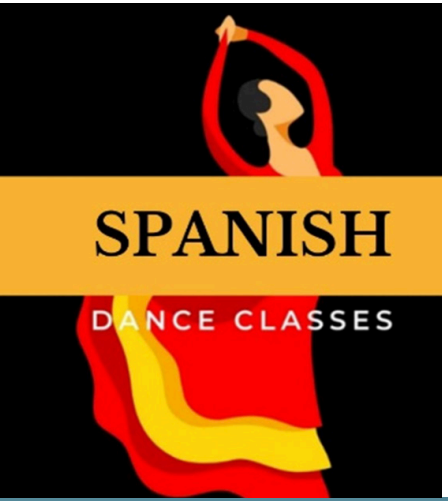
Last Sunday of the month Family Drama Group for parents, carers with primary aged children. Come along to a 'Warm Space' to engage in fun drama games and play based activities in a welcoming and friendly atmosphere. Light refreshments provided by the Co-Op. For further details contact: Katy: katyduncan@btinternet.com or Jo: jo@catstrand.com 01644 420374



Spanish Dance Classes - NEW FREE EVENT!

DANCE | CatStrand | Free | 25 Mar, 22 Apr, 20 May | 10:30am - 11:30am

Bring vibrancy colour new dance steps into your life with a trained Spanish Dancer. Encorporating flamenco dance rhythms and footwork, armwork , work using shawls and fans. Students need to be wearing comfortable shoes. Suitable for 16+ Males and Females.



Rat Pack Tea Dance - NEW EVENT!

DANCE | Dalry Town Hall 17 Feb | CatStrand 31 Mar | Dalry Town Hall 14 Apr, 19 May | £3.50 | 7:30pm - 8:30pm

Tea Dance Rat Pack Style. Paul Knight, an accomplished and charasmatic entertainer will provide music and songs from 1940s to 1980 Music to dance to, through the Decades. For details contact - Paul: aromaproducts@gmail.com: 01644 430137: or Jo: jo@catstrand.com : 01644 420374



Menopause Really Matters

WELLBEING | The Smiddy, Balmaclellan | By donation | 06 Feb, 06 Mar, 03 Apr, 01 May 7pm

Run by the well-practiced life coach Lesley for a supportive and informative group meet. Advice, guest speakers and a friendly network guaranteed. Any donations will go to 'The Menopause Charity.org'. The group meets monthly with the aim to support each other and have a safe space to talk helping to improve the quality of your life.

6th February guest speaker is Coral Bugden, Hypnotherapist

6th March guest speaker is Alex Ross Herbalist

3rd April guest speaker is Lorna Wilcock, nutritionist

Contact lesley@thenourishingspace.co.uk or 07587 122151



Pudding Fan Club

SOCIAL | CatStrand Cafe, | Free - Booking essential | 13 Feb, 27 Mar, 24 April, 29 May 7pm - 8:30pm

Bring a dessert or just come and taste the puds.

Monday 13 February: "My Honey Valentine" bring along a honey inspired sweet or simply pitch up and try Honey Flavoured Desserts. Our Guest Speaker will Raeburn Thomson from Glenkens Honey Company.

27 March Ukraine Bread Making. Our Guest Speaker will be Vika Joula.

Aprils Guest Speaker TBC

May Guest Speaker TBC

For details contact - jo@catstrand.com : 01644 420374



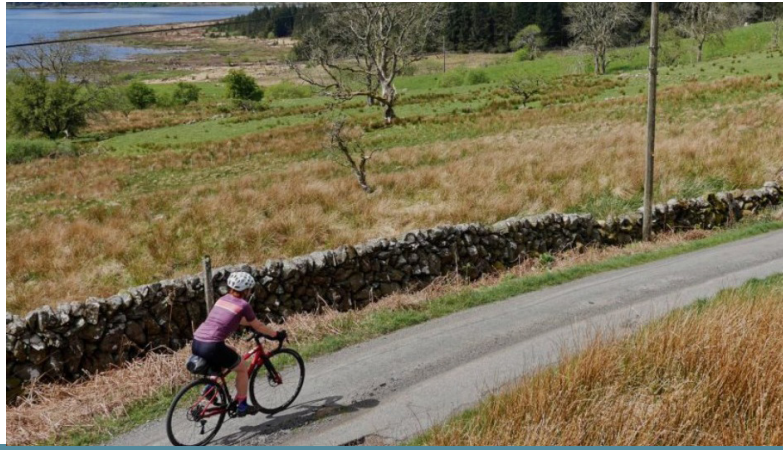
Breeze Cycle Rides

WELLBEING | Free | 25 Mar, 29 Apr, 27 May | Meet at St John's Town of Dalry Car Park at 9.30am

Please note dates may change due to adverse weather conditions. Cycle rides for Ladies – individual's, friends, mothers and their children (boys and girls Aged 8+), bring your own bikes, or brorrowing of the GCT Electric Bikes by arrangment. Breeze rides led by a qualified volunteer cycle leader, to encourage more female riders of all abilities to get cycling. Safely explore the delightful surrounding countryside of The Glenkens, whilst engaging in a life enhancing exercise.

Free Registration essential: on www.letsride.co.uk Numbers limited to 8 person per ride.The routes will be advertised on the Let's Ride website with guidance of ability. Helmets are mandatory alongside a puncture repair kit.

For further details contact: Jo - jo@catstrand.com 01644 420374, https://gcat.scot/cic-learning-and-wellbeing-workshop-programme/ or Claire claire.martin@scottishcycling.org.uk



Boccia Club

SOCIAL | CatStrand | Free - Booking essential | 8 Feb, 8 Mar, 12 Apr, 10 May | 2pm-3pm

Indoor Boules in the CatStrand Auditorium.

An inclusive afternoon of fun indoor bowling, suitable for all abilities. Come along and be part of this hugely popular sport for all, the aim is to bring inter-competition across the villages, surprise yourself, be great. Get involved and have fun!

For details contact – Jo: jo@catstrand.com : 01644 420374



Glenkens Pub Quiz Nights

SOCIAL | The Clachan Inn, Dalry 26 Feb | The Ken Bridge Hotel 23 Mar & 18 May | The Clachan Inn Dalry 16 Apr | 7.30pm | £1 per head (Booking Essential) | £1 per person

A social fun evening where you can gather with your friends, show off your knowledge. Winning team gets a free round of drinks and chooses the charity to receive the collective team's entry fee.

Contact: Chris - Quiz Master: necjj00@btinternet.com 07925 914681, Jo – Coordinator: jo@catstrand.com : 01644 420374, or the quiz venues – The Clachan Inn / Ken Bridge Hotel.



Art for Wellbeing

ART | Tuesdays throughout February, March & April - Contact for more details

Art classes currently running across The Glenkens and District, led by two well renowned and exceptionally talented local artists with the aim of building and enhancing your creative skills in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere. No previous experience necessary.

For further details plus dates, times, costs, venues and booking contact - Jo: jo@catstrand.com / 01644 420374



GALLOWAY COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Services February - April 2023

Glenkens to Newton Stewart Return Service
Every second Tuesday | £3.50 Return Fare | Advance booking required

Outward Journey	Dalry (Underhill)	09:30
	New Galloway (Town Hall)	09:35
	New Galloway (CatStrand)	09:37
	To Aldi Car Park	
Return Journey	Return Pick Up Newton Stewart (Aldi Car Park)	11:30

Glenkens Ebike Club

If you are a local Glenkens resident interested in the Glenkens eBike Club, please see the eBike Club page www.gallowaycommunitytransport.org/ebikes, phone 07841 512449, or email jon@catstrand.com

Free Local Ebike Ride Workshops

FREE LOCAL EBIKE RIDE WORKSHOPS February 11, 18th and 25th. Call Jon on 07841 512449 for details.



Glenkens to Castle Douglas (Tesco) Return Service
Wednesday evenings | GK2 Registered Service | Advance booking not required

Outward Journey	Depart Dalry (Underhill)	19:00
	New Galloway (Carson's Knowe Bus Stop)	19:05
	Mossdale	19:15
	Lauriston	19:25
	Townhead of Greenlaw	19:30
	Castle Douglas (Market St)	19:37
	Castle Douglas (Tesco)	19:40
Return Journey	Castle Douglas (Tesco)	20:35
	Castle Douglas (Market St)	20:37
	Townhead of Greenlaw	20:47
	Laurieston	20:50
	Mossdale	21:00
	New Galloway (Carson's Knowe Bus Stop)	21:10
	Dalry (Underhill)	21:15

Booking: online www.gallowaycommunitytransport.org, by telephone 01644 420374 or in person at CatStrand, New Galloway

Please see the GCT website for service updates and other GCT news. For information about membership and terms and conditions of hire see the GCT website or phone 07704 662925 or 07841 512449.

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Sat 28	Jan	Samson Sounds Afro Fusion/ UK Nass	Music	p.4
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Wed 01	Mar	Lizabett Russo	Music	p.15
02 - 05	Mar	Reconnect Festival	Festival	p.6
Tue 07	Mar	Hannah Rarity	Music	p.7
Mon 13	Mar	White Rabbit/ Red Rabbit	Theatre	p.7
Wed 15	Mar	Phantom of the Open (12)	Film	p.18
Fri 17	Mar	Dark Sky Jazz: Euan Stevenson & Konrad Wiszniewski	Music	p.8
Sat 18	Mar	Dark Sky Jazz: Juliet Wood & Kevin McKenzie	Music	p.8
Sat 18	Mar	Dark Sky Jazz: Nimbus Sextet	Music	p.9
Sun 19	Mar	Dark Sky Jazz: Matt Carmichael & Fergus McCreadie	Music	p.9
Sun 26	Mar	Clachan Folk Sessions	Music	p.14
Wed 05	Apr	The Lost King (12)	Film	p.18
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Sat 08	Apr	The Happiness Collectors by The Audio Story Company	Theatre	p.11
Tue 11	Apr	Spin! by Vanishing Point Unplugged	Theatre	p.11
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