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Our popular series of Connect magazines are brought to you by Herald and Times Magazine, the publishers behind trusted titles such as The Scottish Farmer and High Flyer. Kelvinside Connect is your community magazine, keeping you in the loop with news and events from the local area.

Our first issue is packed with stories. Inside we have news of The Stand's new comedy nights headlined by Fred MacAuley, find out more on page 20. Also inside you'll find a what's on guide on page 18, making sure you don't miss out on local events.

We'd like to extend a big thank you to everyone who has supported our first edition, we hope you enjoy.

**Until next time,
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We chatted to Scottish comedian, Fred MacAuley, turn to page 20 for more.

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Could you play a part in redesigning popular gallery?

BUDDING snappers are being urged to help capture a brand new look for one of Glasgow's most loved museums.

Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum's popular Life Gallery is being redesigned show off a myriad of intriguing new specimens from the Natural History collections.

The first phase of the work was well received when unveiled in April, however, the final stage of the development will see the gallery close to the public from 5pm on Sunday, October 9 until late 2016.

No other galleries within Kelvingrove Museum will be closed.

And amateur photographers are being asked to share any spectacular shots they have for use in the redevelopment of the gallery and the corresponding website.

Photographs can be uploaded to a dedicated Flickr account for potential use as backdrops or as part of text story panels. All photos will be fully credited.

The creation of the new gallery is a two-year project. Work is now underway on a number of stories that relate to animals native to Australasia, the Arctic and South America, together with a thought-provoking exhibit on conservation issues. On completion of this final phase of work people visiting Kelvingrove Museum will be able to travel on a 'Pole to Pole' adventure as they



wander through the redisplayed Life Gallery.

New family-focused displays will allow visitors to journey through the story of flightless birds from Australasia; the incredible pilgrimage of leatherback turtles across the Pacific, the stunning scenery of the Arctic and how wildlife cleverly camouflages itself in that barren wilderness, together with exhibits on El Dorado, the Andes and the important issue of safeguarding our natural habitats to ensure all of this is protected for the future.

Amongst the exciting new specimens Glasgow Museums hope to feature are a numbat, a cassowary, green and hawksbill turtles, a muskox, polar bear, ibex and others, which had been in the museum's stores and have been specially prepared for display.

Dramatic wildlife and landscape images will help convey the intricacies of

animal life across the world. Kelvingrove Museum is asking amateur photographers to share any spectacular shots they have for use in the redevelopment of the Life Gallery and the corresponding website. Prospective photographs can be uploaded to a dedicated Flickr account www.flickr.com/groups/lifeatkelvingrove/.

Natural Sciences Research Manager, Richard Sutcliffe, said: "We are particularly keen on images of snow scenes and arctic animals such as the polar bear, arctic fox and snowy owls to bring our Arctic Circle section to life. Or, if you've ever been to Australia, we'd love to see your pictures of the rain forest, coral at the Great Barrier Reef and wildlife images of animals from down under like the platypus, kangaroo and emu. Closer to home, if you've been lucky enough to snap the terrapin in Kelvingrove Park pond we'd love to see it!"



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At 34, Mr Munro is the youngest headteacher in the UK's independent school sector.

Ahead of his new role he praised the school for its 'positive spirit' and 'sense of community' and hailed the academy's commitment to offering both a broad and challenging education to youngsters as a 'character that is as important as grades.'

A graduate of Edinburgh University, Mr Munro is no stranger to private schooling as he attended both state and private establishments before making his way on to further education.

While notable CV highlights include working as head of extra-curricular activities at George Heriot's School in Edinburgh, head of biology at Gordonstoun and deputy head of Shiplake College, in Henley on Thames.

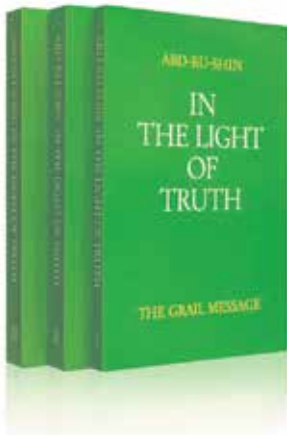
He takes over the position from Allan Gilliland who took on the role for a year after former

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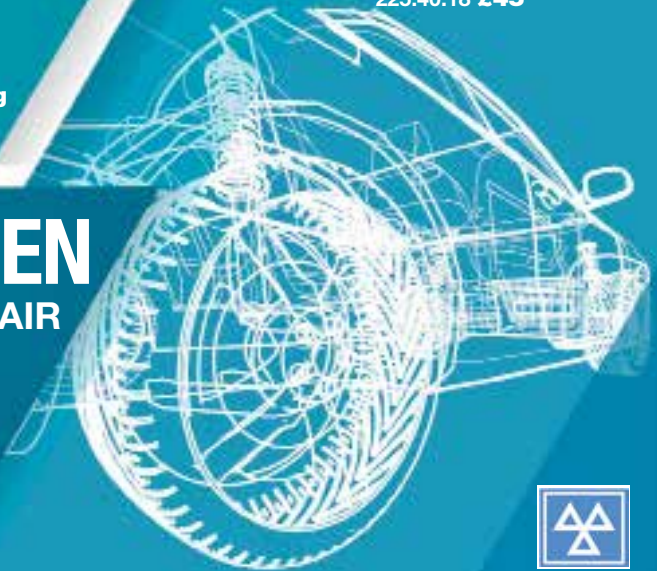
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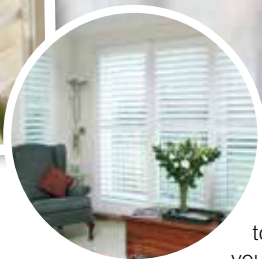
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Guests can enjoy live performances from leading local artists and organisations, with big band and funk, bhangra, blues and choral, and much more. There will also be poetry readings, children's art workshops and lots of chances to join in – and everything is free and un-ticketed.

The fun will begin at 12 noon and run until 9.30pm on both Saturday and Sunday,



September 25, with the diverse programme offering entertainment that will span the generations ensuring something for everyone to enjoy.

Musical highlights will include Eugene Kelly, the BMX Bandits, Warren & the Starry Skies, Berrie Big Band, the Mossa Funk Club, and New Rhythms for Glasgow.

More artists will be announced in the run up to the festival as the line-up continues to grow.

Among those also appearing is Jim Carruth, Glasgow's Poet Laureate, who will perform a poem inspired by Kelvingrove Bandstand. While a range of children's art workshops based on the theme of the environment, reuse and the River Kelvin will take place over both days led by the Friends of the River Kelvin.

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Headlining one of the events is Scotland's much-loved comedian, Fred MacAulay, who along with Susie McCabe, Ray Bradshaw and Jamie MacDonald will be providing the laughs. Billy Kirkwood will take to the stage as host.

Fred chatted with Kelvinside Connect ahead of the show: "I'm delighted to be performing at the Christmas Special event. Scottish stand-up is seeing a very healthy period right now, so it's great to be performing live.

"Venues like the Stand benefit from an intimate atmosphere and always promise a lively audience. I always think if you can't handle a few hecklers, you're in the wrong industry. There's just no point being a comedian if you're going to be glum."

"I've been performing for the last 25 years, and whilst radio

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The Christmas Special featuring Fred will run on Thursday 15 December from 7.30-8.30pm with tickets costing £12.

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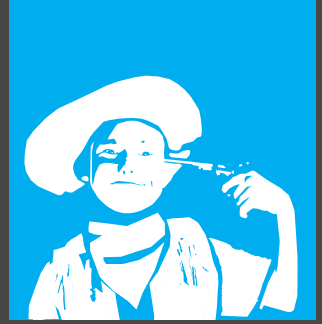
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The Wise Group was recently presented with the 5000th vehicle ECO Stars award by Glasgow City Council for signing up to ECO Stars - a voluntary scheme encouraging operators to run their fleet more efficiently by helping them to reduce fuel consumption, improve

efficiency and reduce emissions.

Glasgow City Council's Land and Environmental Services is managing the scheme for the city as part of the ongoing measures to reduce vehicle emissions, especially nitrogen dioxide and particulate matter to ensure compliance with the National Air Quality Strategy objectives.

Bailie
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McDougall, the council's executive member for Transport, Environment and Sustainability, said: "I am absolutely delighted by the success of our ECO Stars scheme since its launch last year."



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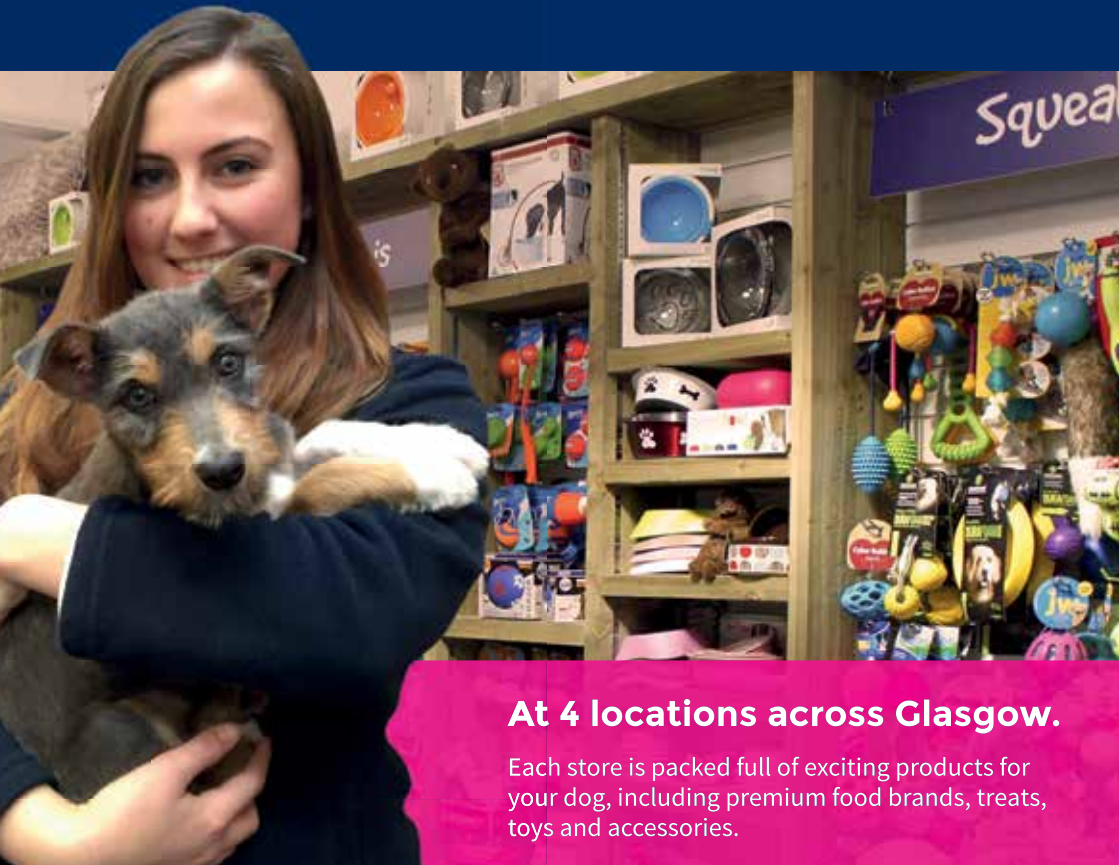
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BRIDES and grooms to be are being urged to save the date for a wedding fair with a difference.

The Kibble Palace in the heart of the Botanic Gardens will play host to the Bohemia Fairytale Bespoke Vintage Wedding Fair on Sunday, September 25.

Kicking off at 12noon and running until 4pm, the special event will offer couples the chance to make their dream day become a reality.

The iconic glasshouse will welcome more than 40 local artisan, bespoke wedding exhibitors who will be on hand to offer not just help and advice but also inspiration.

For the bride on the quest to find the perfect dress, dedicated exhibitors will be on hand to help guide you through a myriad of vintage gowns.



Save the date for vintage wedding fair

Guests can also make the most of stalls boasting stunning handmade crystal tiaras, wedding stationary, flowers and much more.

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bustling event is totally free.

Further information is available from the events section of the Botanic Gardens website - www.glasgowbotanicgardens.com



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From the community for the community

AT the heart of the local community, Community Central Hall (CCH) plays an integral role.

A local charity based on Maryhill Road, CCH provides services including pre-school Nursery, after-school care, Home Care, youth work, older peoples activities and even a print shop.

CCH is responsible for the operation of the 24,000 sq ft building and a range of services covering babies to older people.

Established nearly 40 years ago as a community trust, it has continued to provide a vital space and services for local organisations to hold a number of diverse services and extra-curricular activities. Today the local community-based charity allows groups as diverse as Zumba classes, Tai Chi, Chinese Opera, Slimming World and even ballroom dancing to use the space.

CCH is a leading part of the Development Trust Association Scotland, a national network of 240 community trusts.

The CCH ranks as the 8th largest local community development charity in



Scotland.

And it's no wonder when so many members of the community rely on the space. This space is available for functions, birthday parties, weddings, and all forms of celebrations

or events. All CCH does can be summed up in its mission statement to "be at the heart of the community"

Find Community Central Hall at 292 - 316 Maryhill Road, Glasgow, G20 7YE or call 0141 331 7676 for more information or to hear whats on everyday.

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What's on

Grab your diaries and get set to jot down some important dates. Keep in the loop with what's happening in the local and surrounding area with our handy what's on guide.

EVENT: West End Weans

Date: Every Friday
Location: Kelvinside Hillhead Parish Church
Time: 10am-12pm
Cost: £1 per family
What's on: Parents, carers or grandparents are welcomed with babies and toddlers from 0-5 years to play, make, sing, eat healthy snacks and meet other local families. A chance to pause, have a cup of tea and a chat. For more information go to [facebook.com/WestEndWeans](https://www.facebook.com/WestEndWeans) or contact Lily Cathcart: familyworker@kelvinside-hillhead.org.uk.

EVENT: Lisa Hannigan

Date: Wednesday 19 October
Location: Oran Mor
Time: 7pm
Cost: £20
What's on: Gaining the confidence and material to produce her own music after a chance meeting with singer-songwriter Damien Rice, which led to a long period of collaboration on his critically acclaimed albums, *O* and *9*, Lisa is now touring with her own record. Sea Sew has been heralded as 'mesmerising' and 'exquisitely ethereal'. Tickets can be purchased from TicketMaster or by calling 0844 844 0444.

EVENT: Stars over the Botanics

Date: Tuesday 11 October
Location: Glasgow Botanic Gardens
Time: 7.30-9pm (gates open 7.15pm)
Cost: Adult £4, Child £2
What's on: Enjoy an evening of stargazing with the Astronomical Society of Glasgow. Stars over the Botanics offers the public the chance to talk to astronomers and look at some of the wonders above. A number of telescopes will be available to look through, with the Astronomers helping you find the Moon, planets, or some deep sky objects. If the weather is cloudy, a programme of lectures and talks will substitute. Tickets purchased on the gate.

EVENT: Byres Road Makers Market

Date: Saturday 29 October
Location: Hillhead Library
Time: 11am-4pm
Cost: Free
What's on: Pop into Glasgow's monthly boutique craft and design event. Peruse an eclectic mix of handmade crafts and original designs brought to you by talented artists, crafters and designers from throughout Scotland.

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