

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS WINTER 2018/19



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EXHIBITIONS

BASH STREET'S BACK AT THE MCMENACE!

Ends Sun 21 Oct 2018
FREE Admission

Last chance to see some of the funniest and most loved characters as The Bash Street Kids take over the Museum in what has been part of a brilliant summer exhibition!

2018 marks the 80th Birthday of Beano and this exhibition explores the birth of the comic right here in Dundee, the people behind it and its enduring popularity across generations of readers.

LINKS WITH THE PAST

Sat 29 Sept 2018 – Sun 31 Mar 2019
FREE Admission

1,500 years ago a Pictish man was buried with great respect at Lundin Links long cist cemetery near Largo in Fife. A partnership project between The McManus and the University of Edinburgh's Unit for Forensic Anthropology Research has uncovered new details about the man's life and death which are revealed in our new display.

The project was supported by a grant from the Art Fund.

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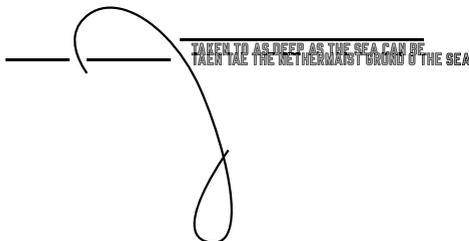


ARTIST ROOMS LAWRENCE WEINER

Fri 2 Nov 2018 – Sun 17 Feb 2019
FREE Admission

Influential conceptual artist, Lawrence Weiner uses language as his medium. His text work can take many forms, but the principle remains the same – his ideas should not be confined to the gallery, but taken up by the viewer. Read between the lines and discover how Weiner's evocative statements resonate with Dundee's rich heritage. Uniquely for Dundee, Weiner's texts have been translated into Scots by author James Robertson.

ARTIST ROOMS is a touring collection of over 1,600 works of modern and contemporary art. The collection is displayed in museums and galleries across the UK, and is jointly owned by the National Galleries of Scotland and Tate.



EXHIBITIONS

LASTING IMPRESSIONS: PRINTMAKING & THE ROYAL ACADEMY

Sat 10 Nov 2018 – Sun 27 Jan 2019
FREE Admission



Frank Short and Frederick Goulding,
Polperro Harbour with Bridge.

The role of printmaking has changed immensely since the foundation of the Royal Academy 250 years ago. Join the anniversary celebrations and explore a selection of prints drawn from the City's collections. Marvel at the skills of artists and craftsmen, from engravers making art available to the masses, to pioneering Academicians pushing the boundaries of print media.

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REVEALING CHARACTERS

Ends Sun 3 Feb 2019
FREE Admission



William McCance, *Seated Figure (Lucy)*, 1929. ©Margaret McCance.

From poets and muses to men with big noses, there is plenty in this dynamic display to inspire and entertain as this exhibition continues its popular run. The selection of portraits reflects the diverse range of styles and approaches taken by artists in their challenge to represent their sitters.

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Look out for our next annual exhibition on Scottish Art that opens on Saturday 23 February 2019. The selection of work by leading artists, including William McCance, McIntosh Patrick and Joan Eardley, reveal highly individual approaches to portraying the world around them.

WISE WAYS: TRAVELS OF A DUNDEE DOCTOR

Fri 8 Mar – Sun 25 Aug 2019
FREE Admission

BRITISH
LIBRARY



Born in Dundee in 1802, Dr Thomas Alexander Wise worked in India as a physician and surgeon. A true polymath, Dr Wise collected everything from Egyptian amulets to Irish copper axes, and wrote treatise on subjects as varied as

the Hindu system of medicine, Buddhist imagery on Pictish stones, diseases of the eye and the preservation of ice.

Dr Wise also collected a spectacular set of maps of Tibet. Thanks to a loan from the British Library, this exhibition reunites the maps and objects.

Join Dr Wise on a journey to the places he travelled and those he only visited in his imagination.

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TALKS & TOURS

FIRED UP!

Thur 11 Oct, 1-1.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

Pop in for a potted history of our studio ceramics and discover the range of techniques, materials and approaches used by some of the finest contemporary potters.

LEARN TO READ ART

Fri 2 Nov, 1-2pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

Join Tate assistant curator Valentina Ravaglia, and immerse yourself into five decades' worth of text-based art and other 'structures' by influential American artist, Lawrence Weiner.

PRINTMAKING & THE ROYAL ACADEMY

Mon 10 Dec, 1-1.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.



Robert Walker MacBeth, *Returning from St. Neot's Fair*, 1878.

Mark the date of the Royal Academy's foundation 250 years ago and come on a whistle-stop tour of printmaking by Academicians from Victorian times to the present day.

LAWRENCE WEINER IN TRANSLATION

Thur 10 Jan, 6-7pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

Meet author James Robertson and hear about his experiences of translating Lawrence Weiner's evocative text pieces and his ongoing work with the Scots language.

REVEALING CHARACTERS

Thur 31 Jan, 1-1.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

As the run of *Revealing Characters* draws to an end, take this opportunity to say farewell to familiar faces, discover new favourites and hear stories untold.

THE ROYAL ARCH

Thur 28 Feb, 1-1.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

Love it or hate it, *The Royal Arch* was one of Dundee's most iconic landmarks until it was demolished in 1964 to make way for the Tay Road Bridge. Join Dr Jeannie Cooper and hear about the Arch and its legacy.

THE MAN FROM LUNDIN LINKS

Thur 14 Mar, 1-1.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

Hear the results of new exciting research about the Pictish man who was buried at Lundin Links. Find out more about his life and death, what he looked like and how we came to discover what we know.

WHAT'S IN STORE?

Thur 28 Mar, 1-1.30pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

What happens to the City's artworks when they are not on display? Get a glimpse of what goes on behind-the-scenes and discover how we develop, store and care for our superb collection of fine art.

EVENTS

DUNDEE ARTS CAFÉ

Tue 2 Oct, 13 Nov 2018,
5 Feb, 16 Apr & 4 June 2019.

Café opens at 5pm,
with talks 6-7pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.
Please arrive early as seating for this event is limited.

A great opportunity to hear about and discuss the latest research in the Arts – from History to English, Education to Social Studies and Fine Art to Product Design! For further information, visit www.dundeeartscafe.co.uk



FIRST FOOT AT THE MCMANUS

Thur 3 Jan, 12noon-4pm
FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

Welcome in the New Year at our annual First Foot event, with plenty of fun things to do, see and explore including children's hands-on Craft Activities, Gallery Trails, Live Music in the cafe and a free cup of tea, coffee or soft drink for every visitor!

CHRISTMAS AT MCMANUS



Sat 8 Dec,
12noon-4pm
FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

Get ready for Christmas and join us for a special afternoon of festive fun for all the family!

Drop in throughout the afternoon for some Christmas craft pop-ups, Carol Singing with 'Loadsaweemingsin Choir' and magical storytelling sessions for little ones and their grown-ups.

And if that's not got you feeling festive enough.... find the perfect gift at The McManus Shop and unwind in our McManus Café with some mulled wine and a mince pie!



MCMANUS 168: SUPPORT, CELEBRATE AND BE PART OF THE MCMANUS!

Join McManus 168 and belong to an exciting community who share an interest in the arts, culture and history of Dundee. You will gain behind-the-scenes access to the collections, receive invitations to exhibition previews, supporters' events, and 10% discount in The McManus Shop and Café. For more information and to join McManus 168, please contact (01382) 307200 or email info@mcmanus168.org.uk

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CHILDREN & FAMILIES

BIG DRAW'S BIG BASH WEEKEND

Sat 6 & Sun 7 Oct, 1-4pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.



Drop in for a packed programme of Bash Street inspired drawing workshops and gallery activities with The McMenace Gallery Gang and Comic Caper Artists.

- Comic Capers Fun 1-2.30pm
- When the Bell Rings: Join our Gallery Gang to sketch some well-known Beano characters! 2.30-3pm
- Digital Doodle Play in the Learning Studio 3-4pm



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WHEN THE BELL RINGS... CHILDREN'S GALLERY ACTIVITIES

Weekends and school holidays, 2.30pm

Ends Sun 21 Oct 2018

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

When the School Bell Rings, join The McMenace Gallery Gang for pop-up activities inspired by the Bash Street Kids!

NAVIGATE, CREATE!

Sat 17 Nov 2018 & 16 Mar 2019, 2-3.15pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.



Join the Creative Learning Team on a journey through the Museum's collections and exhibitions.

These fun, interactive sessions are designed especially for families to explore and create together and include

gallery tours and hands-on activities. *Suitable for children under 12yrs and their families.*

- Theme for Nov:
ARTIST ROOMS Lawrence Weiner
- Theme for Mar:
Wise Ways: Travels of a Dundee Doctor



FAMILY SPACE

Mon to Sat, 10am-5pm

and Sun 12.30-4.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

Play and learn in the Museum's family space. Drop in and try out fun drawing & craft activities, dressing up, books and games. Also, look out for our gallery Art Cart packed with activity sheets, clipboards and art materials designed to help families explore the Museum's exhibitions and collections.

- Bash Street's Back at The McMenace activities continuing until Sun 21 Oct
- ARTIST ROOMS activities from Sat 2 Nov to Sun 17 Feb
- Thomas Wise activities from Fri 8 Mar to Sun 18 Aug



YOUNG PEOPLE

I:D STUDIO WORKSHOPS

Sun 21 Oct: Drawing & Painting

Sun 11 Nov: Printmaking

Sun 2 Dec: Jewellery

1-3.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

As part of our programme of activities for YoYP, take part in our artist-led workshops, inspired by the Museum's portraiture exhibition. Each workshop explores the theme of identity through drawing, painting, printmaking and jewellery making.

Suitable for young people aged 12 and over.



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MCMANUS YOUTH ACTION

McManus Youth Action is the Museum's programme for young people aged 14-19yrs. The programme offers lots of fun and exciting experiences in art, heritage and culture and helps shape and improve services for young people at The McManus. As a Youth Action member, you'll be invited to come along to regular drop-in evenings at the Museum, take part in discussion groups, creative workshops and projects - you'll also be the first to find out about exhibition previews, events and receive 10% off in The McManus Shop and Café.

To find out more or get involved, please contact the Creative Learning Team on (01382) 307216 or email creativelearningleisureandculturedundee.com



SHOP AT MCMANUS

Visit The McManus Shop and browse the fantastic collection of goods on offer. Whether you are looking for a memento of your visit to the Museum and Gallery or are looking for that special Christmas gift, The McManus Shop will have something for you. We offer a wide range of gifts for adults and children including books, art supplies, jewellery, home décor and toys.



MCMANUS CAFÉ

The McManus Café is the perfect location this winter to join friends for lunch or have a catch-up over coffee. Take a break between visiting the Museum's galleries to sample freshly-prepared sandwiches, soups and salads or enjoy a delicious afternoon tea. Choose from a wide variety of hot and cold drinks including a selection of beers and wines to complement your meal. For younger visitors, we offer a fun children's menu or lunch box and highchairs are available.

THE MCMANUS COLLECTIONS UNIT

TALKS & TOURS

BEHIND THE SCENES

Wed 14 Nov, 16 Jan & 13 Mar, 12.30-1.30pm
FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

Join our curators for a guided tour of the stores and delve into the City's fascinating collections of Archaeology, History, Natural Science and World Cultures.

PHRENOLOGY - READING THE BUMPS

Wed 17 Oct, 12.30-1.30pm
FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

The Museum has a collection of plaster casts once used in teaching the now-discredited science of phrenology - how the shape of one's head could predict character. Come along to the Collections Unit and meet some notorious criminals, as well as the 'ideal' lady and gentleman.

WINKIE - WWII WINGED HEROINE

Wed 12 Dec, 12.30-1.30pm
FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

December 2018 marks the 75th anniversary of when Winkie the pigeon was honoured with the Dickin medal (the animal Victoria Cross). Come and hear about Winkie's WWII North Sea adventure and see some photographs of her in the collection.

PREPARING FOR THOMAS WISE

Wed 13 Feb, 12.30-1.30pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

Come and meet the Conservator and see what goes into preparing for an exhibition, get a sneak preview of the upcoming Thomas Wise exhibition and see related objects that will not go into the exhibition.

THE TAY SPERM WHALE STRANDING

Thur 8 Nov,

Doors open at 6.15pm, talk 6.30-7.30pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

In March 2018 a Sperm Whale was stranded at Monifieth. The reaction to it was far different from that received by the Tay whale of 1883. Come along and find out how our attitudes to whales have changed over the years. Find out what happened to the whale and what we can learn from such events.

DIGITISING THE CANNA ARCHIVE

Thur 6 Dec,

Doors open at 6.15pm, talk 6.30-7.30pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.



The Margaret Fay Shaw photographic collection, consisting of over 6000 photographs and negatives, offers a unique view of Hebridean

life and Gaelic culture across the twentieth century. Margaret was a Gaelic folklorist who lived for much of her life on the Isle of Canna, recording the people and places close to her heart. Find out how the National Trust for Scotland's Morton Photography Project is working to fully digitise and document these images, and how digital technology can be used to preserve heritage for future generations.

A WALRUS, A POLAR BEAR AND A HUMPBACK WHALE: NINETEENTH-CENTURY DUNDEE'S TRADE IN EXOTIC ANIMALS

Thur 7 Mar,

Doors open at 6.15pm, talk 6.30-7.30pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.

Nineteenth-century Dundee's economy relied heavily on the commodification of animals for products and services. As Dundee rose to a position of prominence in Arctic whaling, the City also emerged as a vibrant and internationally-recognised emporium for collection and exchange of exotic animals, both dead and alive. Matt Ylitalo of the University of St. Andrews examines the eclectic mix of participants ranging from gentleman, capitalists, and academicians to sailors, entertainers and factory workers who engaged in this industry.

EVENTS

CU AFTER DARK

Thur 25 Oct, Tours at 6pm, 6.20pm, 6.40pm, 7pm, 7.20pm, 7.40pm & 8pm

FREE. Booking essential on (01382) 307200.



Take part in a special Halloween torch-lit tour at The McManus Collections Unit, as curators and actors highlight some of the strange and wonderful objects held in the Museum stores – and bring to life characters of yesteryear!

Tours are suitable for adults and children aged 8 years +. Please note all children must be accompanied by an adult.

BROUGHTY CASTLE MUSEUM

TALKS & TOURS

TALES FROM THE CASTLE

Sat 13 Oct, 1 Dec & 9 Feb, 3-3.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.

If Broughty Castle could talk what tales it could tell! Join our Visitor Assistants for informal guided tours that explore this remarkable historic building and its museum collections.

LOOK WHAT THE TIDE BROUGHT IN

Thur 14 Feb, 1-1.30pm

FREE. No need to book, just drop in.



In 2018 the Beast from the East washed up creatures usually found living offshore, from tiny jellyfish to huge whales and cuttlefish to

conger eels. Each year winter storms drop unfortunate creatures on the beach. Find out about strandings and sea bird wrecks in this entertaining talk.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

ART CART

Learn & Play at Broughty Castle!

Look out for our Art Cart, full of fun, self-directed activities to help you explore the amazing history of the Castle and its fascinating museum collections.

WILDLIFE WATCH!

The Castle Observation Deck offers a magnificent view of the Firth of Tay.

During the winter, migrating birds from the far north stop to feed along the beaches around the Castle. Keep an eye out for waders such as Bar-tailed Godwit and Knot dipping their beaks into the sand for small invertebrates to eat. Overwintering ducks can also be seen feeding along the estuary. To help spot wildlife and to get a close-up view of landmarks, we have a range of binoculars that can be borrowed, suitable for children and adults. Please ask staff for details.

SHOP AT BROUGHTY CASTLE

Come along and see the Broughty Castle Shop! Whether it's a reminder of your visit or a unique gift for a loved one, choose from a fantastic range of nautical, military and history themed products, or browse our bookshelves stacked with titles such as 'Broughty Ferry Through Time', 'Castles In The Mist' and 'The Christmas Truce'.



MILLS OBSERVATORY

Gifted to the people of Dundee in 1935, Mills Observatory is Britain's first purpose-built public observatory. Situated on the summit of Balgay Hill in magnificent woodland surroundings, the Observatory offers spectacular views of the River Tay and surrounding areas from its viewing balcony.

For information about Visitor Opening Hours and Activities at Mills Observatory this winter, please visit

www.leisureandculturedundee.com or find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

OUTER SPACE | INNER SPACE

Outer Space | Inner Space is a science communication venture, creating an adaptable, immersive space at Mills Observatory.

For further details, visit

www.lifesci.dundee.ac.uk/outer-space-inner-space



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