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# EDINBURGH ACTIVITY AGREEMENTS

*Helping young people aged 16 – 19 years old who are not in education, training or employment to realise their potential*

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## Youth Opportunities Bulletin

06/09/2019

Weekly bulletin of training and other opportunities suitable for young people who are not in education, training or employment. This is collated by the Activity Agreements team.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please use the contact details beside each opportunity. Please feel free to pass this on to anyone else you think would find it relevant and contact [activityagreements@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:activityagreements@edinburgh.gov.uk) if they would like to receive this on a regular basis.



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## Get on Track for Employability

Get on Track is a programme led by world class athletes to help improve your communication, teamwork, confidence and wellbeing. An opportunity to try new things, develop key skills and boost your CV

“Get on Track made me a better person. It made me realise I can truly make a difference in the world” – Hannah

**Starts on 10<sup>th</sup> of Sept at 10.00 a.m**

**Where: Action for Children**

**Further information from Nicola Raine Tel: 0131 661 1354**

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## Centrica British Gas/Scottish Gas



### Work Experience

Centrica, through British Gas/Scottish Gas are offering two free, action-packed weeks of skills training and work experience, in partnership with Movement to Work, to build self-confidence and help prepare people for work.

Site	Taster Day Date	Work Exp Start Date
Edinburgh	23/09/2019	30/09/2019
Edinburgh	11/11/2019	18/11/2019



CV building session and Mock Interviews at end with feedback.

Aged between 16 to 30

Not in full time employment, education or training

No unspent convictions (Spent criminal convictions assessed on case by case basis)

Work experience is 2 weeks

At the taster day, we will select a number of people to join the 2- week programme.

If interested call, text or WhatsApp **Luci** on **07522314746**

Any questions, email [MovementtoWorkCentrica@recruitmentsupport.co.uk](mailto:MovementtoWorkCentrica@recruitmentsupport.co.uk)

## Step into Childcare or Social Care



Employability Fund stage 3 programme for people aged 16+

RECRUITING NOW FOR COURSE STARTING 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019

2 week induction, then 4 days per week on placement and 1 tutorial day  
Placements in a Care setting, (Children, Elderly, Additional Needs)  
Completion of SQA Certificate of Work Readiness units  
Training Allowance £55 weekly allowance plus travel expenses

On successful completion suitable participants will move into employment in childcare or social care with the aim of becoming a Modern Apprentice. Other participants will be work ready and will be supported to make informed choices for their next steps.

Application form to be completed by the young person. For more information or to download an application form visit our website or contact Caroline McKay 0131 556 7773 [carolinemckay@tfcscotland.org.uk](mailto:carolinemckay@tfcscotland.org.uk)



## Leavers Group

Wednesdays  
1pm to 3pm



Drop in at a time that suits



Every week at  
The Customer Hub  
249 High Street

**Do you know someone who is about to leave school or has left recently and is Looked After?**

**Do they need help with job searches, interview skills, finding training or CVs?**

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Help with everything from  
creating an email address  
to succeeding at interviews

For further information:

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## Volunteer Recruitment Fair

18<sup>th</sup> September

11.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.

St Pauls and St Georges Church, York Place, Edinburgh

Further information

<https://www.volunteeredinburgh.org.uk/training-and-events/volunteer-recruitment-fair/>



## Moving Image Arts course and the BFI Edinburgh Network.

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### The BFI Academy – Edinburgh Network

This course is open to anyone aged 16-19 who is interested in developing their interest in film. Young people don't need any formal training, just an interest and an enthusiasm for film!

Dates: Saturday from 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019– 8th February 2020.

Cost is £25, but this can be waived dependant on circumstances.

<https://screen-ed.org/2019/06/28/bfi-film-academy-edinburgh-south-east-scotland-2019-20-open-for-applications/>

### Moving Image Arts Award – (MIA)

MIA is open to those aged 16-21 and is an AS-Level qualification. No previous film related qualifications are required but being able to show a strong interest in film and a willingness to learn is key.

This programme will take place for an academic year from September for two evenings per week at the Screen Education offices at Ferry Road Avenue in North Edinburgh. This is a free course.

<https://screen-ed.org/2019/05/29/applications-for-moving-image-arts-as-level-2019-20-are-now-open/>

For more information please contact [admin@screen-ed.org](mailto:admin@screen-ed.org)

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## NPA Computer Games Development course



This exciting new course will allow students to learn about how computer games are made, and by the end of the course they will develop a game of their own. Delivered by an Edinburgh College lecturer, the course will run at AI's Cowgate office on Wednesdays from last week in September, 10am-3pm, until June 2020.

### Practicalities

- **Finances:** Course is part time and compatible with benefits. Financial support may be available in some circumstances
- **Support:** Additional guidance and support will be available to all students, to help with any difficulties while on the course
- **Progression:** On successful completion, students will be guaranteed interviews for a range of higher-level courses at Edinburgh College
- Application criteria may apply. Please contact us if you're not sure.

### Course Content

The NPA Computer Games Development will be delivered by an Edinburgh College lecturer, and will include 3 units: Games Design, Media Assets, and Games Development. Further details available here:

<https://accesstoindustry.co.uk/courses/npa-computer-games-development/>

### Registration details

For an application form or any questions, please contact Graham on 0131 260 9721 / [grahamredpath@accesstoindustry.co.uk](mailto:grahamredpath@accesstoindustry.co.uk)

## Creative Pathways



We are now accepting referrals for Creative Pathways, our employability programme for Edinburgh City young people aged 16-17.

Ideal for creative young people or those with an interest in the environment who are currently not in education, employment or training.

Over 12 weeks the young people will take part in a number of different creative projects, all with an emphasis on the environment. Taking part in these programmes will develop the participants' soft skills such as communication, team work, responsibility, etc. Participants will also complete SQA awards and be supported to look for their individual next steps. Young people who participate would be subsidised up to £55 a week to attend.

Programme to start 17<sup>th</sup> September.

**For more information or to discuss further, please contact: Rachel McEwen, Programme Manager 07795 233 408 [rachel.mcewen@impactarts.co.uk](mailto:rachel.mcewen@impactarts.co.uk)**



## Make it your own

Are you care experienced? Aged 16-26 and not in employment?  
Sign up for Make it Your Own, learn new creative skills and get a £150 shopping budget to make your house a home.

Make it Your Own is open to any care experienced young people aged 16-26 who are not currently in employment and have been offered, or are living in their first tenancy. Our Impact Arts tutors will deliver weekly one-to-one appointments and group sessions helping young people to:

**Identify** their own **vision** of their home

**Create** items or **complete** decorating projects

**Achieve** personal and practical **goals**

**Identify** opportunities for **further progression**

**For more information or to discuss further, please contact: Rachel McEwen, Programme Manager 07795 233 408 [rachel.mcewen@impactarts.co.uk](mailto:rachel.mcewen@impactarts.co.uk)**

## Reach Out

**Are you thinking of a career in construction?**

Our Reach Out programme is designed to support young people to explore the world of construction through employability sessions, work experience and practical workshops

**Start date:** 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**Location:** Castlebrae Business Centre

**Duration:** 4 weeks

**Days of attendance:** Tues, Wed & Thur

**Hours of attendance:** 10am – 3pm

**Eligibility:** must be aged 16-24 and live in Edinburgh

**We encourage females to apply**

- Increase your self confidence and communication skills
- Work towards SQA Level 3 Employability Award
- Health and safety sessions (Manual handling & safety awareness)
- Work experience with a construction employer
- Supportive staff team to help you every step of the way

Contact Nicola on 0131 661 135 or [nicola.raine@actionforchildren.org.uk](mailto:nicola.raine@actionforchildren.org.uk)



# Just Do It

15 Weeks, 2 days a week starting Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019



## About the course

Just Do It is a 15-week course (2 days per week) for people who wish to gain a set of new skills to help decide future steps. Find out what employers are looking for, meet new people and have fun.

Just Do It programme is based at Tynecastle Community Wing, McLeod Street, Edinburgh, EH11 2NJ and Edinburgh College, Midlothian Campus, Dalkeith.

## Course Content:

- Develop communication and team working skills
- Develop CV and Interview Skills
- Learn what employers and looking for and how to job search
- Look at your likes and interests and complete career matching activities
- John Muir Discovery Award

Further Information;

Sarah McGillivray [sarah.mcgillivray@edinburghcollege.ac.uk](mailto:sarah.mcgillivray@edinburghcollege.ac.uk)

Tel: 0131 297 8581 Mobile 07825925194

## EdinMe



- For young people with mental health difficulties. Generally, they will be Stage 1/2, but may also be pre-pipeline
- We will support young people in a holistic and person-centred way, with no time limits. While we are not mental health experts, we will support them to access specialist services. Support may also initially include chumming to appointments and working on soft skills
- We will focus initially on 1:1 work and, when ready, progress them into our group work, courses, or other opportunities, both in-house and external
  - An example of the courses we will offer, starting in August: a short podcast course to tie in with the Fringe, a Computer Games Development course, and a Film course, all SQA accredited and delivered at the Cowgate
- There is no reason why young people couldn't work with other projects while engaging with EdinMe as well, assuming there's no duplication



contact Karen on 0131 260 9721 or [karen@accesstoindustry.co.uk](mailto:karen@accesstoindustry.co.uk)

## Cyrenians Care Academy – September 2019



Aged 18 or over, unemployed, not in education or on the Work Programme, living in Edinburgh and interested in a Care Sector Job

The course provides training for anyone who is looking to work in residential, home care or support work. It was designed in partnership with a number of care employers to ensure that the main areas of care that employers are looking for were covered. These include person-centred care, dementia awareness, adult safeguarding, administering medication, infection control, personal care and the National Care Standards.

The course will also cover effective communication skills and personal effectiveness as well as employability skills such as CV development, interview skills and completing care application forms.

10 days, delivered at Norton Park, Albion Road, Edinburgh, EH7 5QY, followed by a two week work placement, with a recruiting employer, and an interview.

### Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September

PVG (disclosure) applications will be paid for by us and will be submitted before the course starts.

To make a referral or for further details please call the MLT team on: 0131 475 2435/07837 560 761 or email [richardtw@cyrenians.scot](mailto:richardtw@cyrenians.scot)

## USEFUL SITES FOR JOBS AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

### Edinburgh Guarantee opportunities

<https://www.edinburghguarantee.org/>

### Community Job Scotland vacancies

<https://scvo.org.uk/jobs/community-jobs-scotland/vacancies/p19v?region=edinburgh-lothians>

### Fort Kinnaird Recruitment and Skills Centre

<http://rscfortkinnaird.co.uk/>

### Airport Recruitment Centre

<http://arcedinburgh.co.uk/>

### Joined Up For Jobs Noticeboard

<http://www.joinedupforjobs.org.uk/noticeboard/>



