# Behind the kettle

## Walk with us to celebrate Glasgow's Pride



Bigger, brighter, and better than ever, Glasgow's Pride March will take place on **Saturday 20 July**.

All colleagues from across the council family are invited to walk with the PRISM LGBTI+ employee network. If you are interested in joining the march, please contact prism@glasgow.gov.uk.

## My Wellbeing is now live!



Visit the Colleague information pages of our website to find a wealth of wellbeing resources and support that you can access at any time from your own device. Scan the QR code to browse our new **My Wellbeing** section and keep popping back to find top tips for a happy and healthy life: glasgowlife.org.uk/about-us/colleague-information/my-wellbeing.

## Sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge



Keep kids aged 4 to 11 entertained during the school holidays with the Summer Reading Challenge. Head along to your local library to sign up and receive an activity pack and collect stickers along the way. Reading six books completes the challenge and finishers get a certificate to proudly show off.

Visit glasgowlife.org.uk/libraries to find out more, or pop into your local library. The challenge **runs until Saturday 10 August.**

## Merchant City Festival unveils 2024 programme

Glasgow's Merchant City Festival has announced a spectacular programme for this year's weekend-long celebration of free, family-friendly entertainment.

The highly popular event will run from **Friday 19 to Sunday 21 July** and feature outdoor arts, circus and dance acts, musicians and more. The theme of the festival is *Fair: Play*, celebrating Glasgow's Fair Fortnight, the traditional holiday when Glaswegians relaxed and had fun. For more information about the festival programme, visit glasgowlife.org.uk/whats-on/merchant-city-festival.



## Listen to our 'Song for Glasgow' winner



In April, we launched our 'Song for Glasgow' competition with Go Radio to find a song that encapsulates the essence and vibrancy of the city that can be used in future Glasgow Life marketing campaigns. After being inundated with entries, we shortlisted our top 10 songs and asked Go Radio listeners to vote for their favourite.

On Tuesday 18 June, the top five acts performed at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall in front of a judging panel and guests, and after much deliberation the judges chose **Jamie Campbell** with his song **'Glasgow'** as the winner. Congratulations to Jamie and thank you to all who took part.

Visit glasgowlife.org.uk/a-song-for-glasgow to hear Jamie's winning track.

## Tony recognised for making music at The Mitchell

Tony Lyon (pictured), Librarian at The Mitchell, has been recognised by the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIPS) in the 'innovation in role or service' category at the inaugural Ian McCracken Awards.



Tony has revolutionised the Mitchell Library by partnering with Music Broth and the We Make Music Libraries initiative to offer musical instruments for free loans to library users. Congratulations to Tony on this celebration of his work to make music accessible to all.

## Museums and Collections team survey commitments



Following our 2023 Colleague Feedback Survey, the Museums and Collections team has committed to sharing positive customer feedback and regularly thanking colleagues for a job well done.

In Kelvingrove, they now share positive Trip Advisor comments in the break room and above the sign in sheet so everyone can see the excellent reviews colleagues are receiving.

The team has also committed to making sure everyone can do their jobs well and understands more about the decisions being made across the wider service by regularly sharing key information through bulletins and team meetings. They have also introduced anonymous suggestion boxes so colleagues can share their ideas to improve how things are done in their venue and managers are attending briefing sessions to hear questions and ideas.

If you have any questions about topics covered here, please speak to your line manager.