

Event Guide

8-16 September 2023



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## Highlights



### Scarecrow Competition

Friday 1 - Saturday 16 Sept

Let your imagination run wild! Make a scarecrow like no other using only recycled, repurposed, foraged and second-hand materials. Cash prizes for first, second and third place. Entry forms available from the SMCC from 18 August. We can't wait to see your creations.

### Clothes Swap

Sunday 10 Sept, 3.30pm

Bring along your pre-loved items of clothing to be loved again, helping to keep items out of landfill and reduce the environmental impact of clothing production and consumption.

## Choose to reuse



£5

### Kate Anderson - Mosaics Workshop

Friday 8 Sept 10am - 12pm

Discover the diversity of methods used in Mixed Media Mosaic, including the use of some recycled materials. Try cutting tools, laying & bonding methods, followed by a Q&A session.



£5

### Sherri Conn - Kintsugi Workshop

Friday 8 Sept 2pm - 4.30pm

Kintsugi is the Japanese art of repairing broken pottery with lacquer and powdered gold. We will be practicing a modern version of Kintsugi using golden metallic powder and epoxy resin to create a unique golden restoration.



Pay what you feel

### Sheralyn Stuckey - Festive Fermentation Workshop

Saturday 9 Sept 10am - 12pm

Fermented foods are full of nutrients. They improve the immune functions and are a great way to preserve food. They taste delicious and are fun to make. You will be making two vegetable ferments.

Are you ready to make do and mend?

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## MaDFOC Extras

### SMCC Reuse Shop

Friday 8, Saturday 9,  
Tuesday 12, Friday 15  
& Saturday 16 Sept  
10am - 3pm

A community centre shop filled with furniture, clothing, linens, bric-a-brac, donated by the community and managed by our volunteers in order to keep items out of landfill.



### SMCC Craft & Produce Market

Saturday 9 Sept  
10am - 2pm

Visit our busy seasonal market where you will find lots of stalls to shop from with a variety of local crafts and produce. Try your hand at our famous tombola, browse our Reuse Shop or meet friends at our cosy Pop-Up Cafe.

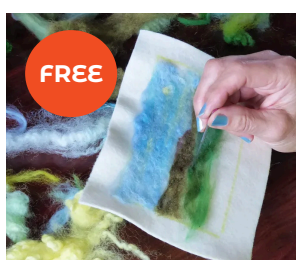


£5

### Christy Miles - Herbal Balms, Tinctures & Teas Workshop

Sunday 10 Sept 10am - 12pm

Using foraged wild plants and herbs, learn how to make healing balms, tinctures and teas! There will also be several foraged herbal teas on offer to try.



FREE

### Heather Andrews - Needle Felting Workshop

Sunday 10 Sept 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Learn the craft of needle-felting and create a unique picture. This is a dry felting technique - a barbed needle is used to felt wool fleece into a backing made from recycled plastic bottles. Materials and equipment provided.



FREE

### "Unstitched" - Film Screening & Clothes Swap

Sunday 10 Sept 2.30pm - 4.30pm

A film about the fashion industry and its future. "Buy less, choose well, make it last", the words of Vivienne Westwood and the focus of this film. Followed by a clothes swap.



£5

### Gillian Stewart - Bookbinding Workshop

Monday 11 Sept 2pm - 4pm

Using professional tools and recycled materials, make your own book with an exposed sewn spine and coloured pages.

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### End of Festival Beach Clean, Comb and BBQ

Friday 15 Sept from 5pm  
Back Beach, Monreith  
Take inspiration from  
the beach to continue  
your MaDFoC journey.  
Places limited, book  
your ticket now.  
See you next year!

Book your  
place today

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Make  
do and  
mend



### Frances Ross - Ceramic Pumpkin Workshop

Monday 11 Sept 6pm - 8pm

Learn to pinch and coil a  
pumpkin lantern and create a  
pierced design to illuminate it.  
Made from orange terracotta clay,  
and kiln fired in time to collect  
for Halloween. Family friendly.



### Julie Ridola - Colour & Collage Art Workshop

Tuesday 12 Sept 6pm - 8pm

Using vintage books, magazines  
and paints, you will use colour,  
collage and your imagination to  
manifest thoughts and dreams.



### Jane Fraser - Sea Glass Jewellery Workshop

Wednesday 13 Sept 10am - 12pm

Learn how to wire wrap sea  
glass creating a unique piece of  
jewellery to take home. All tools  
including sea glass are provided.  
You're welcome to bring your own  
beach combed sea glass.



### Rose Petal Hall - Botanical Eco Print Clothing Workshop

Wednesday 13 Sept 2pm - 4pm

Upcycle clothing using the  
"bundle and steam" method,  
capturing colour from foraged  
leaves and flowers. Please bring  
a used cotton t-shirt or small  
clothing item.



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### SMCC Pop-Up Cafe

Tuesday 12 Sept  
9.30am - 1.30pm

Visit our amazing community cafe, run by volunteers with the best menu you could find. Fresh, local ingredients, grown, foraged or caught and made into delicious dishes at extraordinary prices. Scrumptious homemade cakes and fresh coffee make it the place to be on a Tuesday!

### Craft 'n' Chat

Tuesday 12 Sept  
2pm - 4pm

Everyone is welcome to join our friendly group of local crafters to swap tips and ideas and enjoy likeminded company in our cosy Living Room, working on projects over a cuppa.  
**£2 per person**



### George Pattison - Blacksmith Workshop

Thursday 14 Sept 10am or 12pm  
(two sessions)

Create your own piece of metal-work from scratch with an introduction to this ancient craft. The forge in Whithorn will be fired up specially for MaD Fest.



### Anna Weatherall - Tapestry Weaving Workshop

Thursday 14 Sept 11am - 1pm

Learn how to weave your own mini-tapestry, using a reusable mini-loom and yarn gleaned from the loom waste of fellow weavers. All materials supplied.



### Nic Coombey - Drystone Dyke Workshop

Thursday 14 Sept 2pm - 4pm

Learn the principles of the ancient craft of drystone dyking. Take part in a hands-on repair at a Whithorn location. Gloves and safety boots required to participate in the build. Donations for refreshments to D&G Canine Rescue.



### Kirsten Milliken - Yarn Spinning Workshop

Thursday 14 Sept 2pm - 4pm

You'll learn basic drop spindle spinning techniques and make your own sample piece of wool yarn. You will be inspired to get creative with materials and learn how to incorporate pre-loved fibres into new yarn.

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### Fiddle Group

Tuesday 12 Sept

2pm - 3.30pm

Bring your fiddle along to this friendly group, whether you are a beginner or more experienced, you're welcome.

£1.50 per person



### Machars Arts & Craft Group

Wednesday 13 Sept

1pm - 3pm

Bring along whatever project you're working on to this friendly group and get creative with a cuppa and a chat.



### Lucy Lee -

#### Paper Making Workshop

Friday 15 Sept 10am - 12pm

MaDFocers will learn how to add foraged flowers and leaves to create unique sheets of paper.



### Edward Campbell - Pigments & Paint Making Workshop

Friday 15 Sept 2pm - 4pm

Using the colours of the earth found locally in Dumfries and Galloway, you will be guided through the process of turning raw, foraged materials, first to pigment and then into paint.



### Magghi McLean -

#### Japanese Boro Mending Workshop

Saturday 16 Sept 10am - 12pm

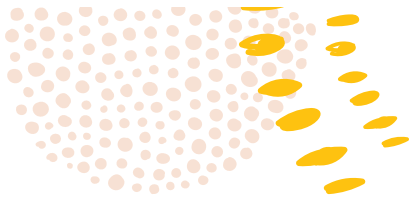
Using a simple running stitch and scraps of linen you will be shown the techniques to create a placemat to take away with you. Suitable for all levels. Bring a simple sewing kit, all threads and fabrics will be provided.



### Emma Duncan - Sewing Machine Skills Workshop

Saturday 16 Sept 2pm - 4pm

After a demonstration by Emma, using a sewing machine and recycled material you will create different embroidery stitches and make a unique patch piece to use on clothing or household textiles.



## About MaDFOC

Dumfries and Galloway is renowned for its rich vein of creativity. It is our intention to bring the practitioners of this region to the remote rural area of Wigtownshire and use the centre as a hub for supporting small and micro businesses.

We hope that by bringing a creative festival to Wigtownshire, people will have access to a variety of creative crafts and practices. MaDFOC have ensured that all events are accessible with some events free of charge and others with a nominal fee.

In response to the cost of living crisis this year's theme is "make do and mend" with a focus on reuse, repair and recycle. Here at MaDFOC we choose to reuse.

## MaD Our Mission Statement...

To bring to Dumfries and Galloway a vibrant, creative festival showcasing the region's local talent and enabling communities to participate in new experiences and discover the artistic wealth of South West Scotland.

## Who we are

### Becki Castle

A professional photographer by trade for over 20 years, Becki took a different career path upon moving to Scotland 6 years ago and is now the Business Development Manager for charity South Machars Community Centre. She is passionate about community engagement and bringing new and inspiring opportunities to the area.

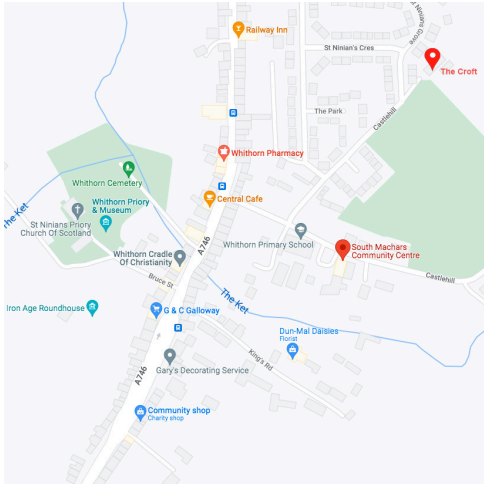
### Kathleen Hart

Kathleen has experimented with various occupations from air hostess to antiques dealer, but her favourite so far is author. She does her best writing in a white-washed cottage in Dumfries and Galloway, where she is in the process of establishing a Creative Writing School. Her love of Scotland, its history, culture and heritage is the driving force behind her new role as arts facilitator.



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## Shining a light on Dumfries and Galloway's MaDFOC'ers



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