Fife Centre for Equalities Presents

**Diversity Week Fife 2016**

**Modern Families**

Programme

Monday 5th to Sunday 11th September 2016

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About Diversity Week

Introduction

Diversity Week Fife is back, and Fife Centre for Equalities (FCE) is delighted to once again be coordinating this year’s programme. Diversity Week Fife is all about working together with partners from the private, public and voluntary sectors to celebrate the vibrancy and diversity of life in Fife.

The aim of Diversity Week is to actively promote mutual appreciation and inclusiveness – highlighting and showcasing the many and varied communities and customs in Fife – from well-known Scottish traditions to newer cultural and social interests.

Why are we celebrating Modern Families this year?

A family is the basic unit in society, traditionally regarded as two parents rearing their children. However, the 21st century showcases a variety of family units. For example, children may also be raised in single parent homes, by grandparents, step-parents, carers, or by same sex parents. Some families opt to have no children, or cannot have children. In addition to a more universal family definition, there are also plenty of people who consider a group of friends to be family, and adults who consider pets as defining members of the family unit.

By celebrating the modern families that exist in Fife, we aim to build a positive picture of Fife’s modern and diverse population.

What can you expect from Diversity Week Fife 2016?

This year’s programme is packed with many interesting events happening every day of the week across Fife. Whatever your interests are, you will find something that you can enjoy with your family, friends and colleagues. All events are free unless stated otherwise stated.

Please take your time browsing the programme. If you require more information about individual event or Diversity Week, please do not hesitate to contact us at Fife Centre for Equalities (T) 01592 645 310 or (E) info@centreforequalities.org.uk

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Capturing the occasion

Members of Dunfermline Camera Club will be kindly taking photos in this year’s Diversity Week Fife events. Please feel free to approach the photographers if you would like a family portrait. Dunfermline Camera Club was formed in April 2015 and trains, mentors and encourages all people who would like to get involved in the art of photography no matter what their skill level or ability. To find out more about this club, please follow their Facebook page.

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Monday 5th

Nurturing Modern Families Conference

9:30 to 16:30

Fife Renewables Innovation Centre, Ajax Way, Leven KY8 3RS

This conference aims to support employers and service providers to develop flexible policies and practices to accommodate different family needs.

**Speakers**

* Andrew Barker, Chair, Fife Centre for Equalities
* Mark McDonald MSP, Minister for Childcare and Early Years
* Jack O’Hagan, Apprentice Co-ordinator, Score (Europe) Ltd
* Pauline Proudfoot, Operational Development Manager, SCRA
* Sarah Gilzean, Associate, HBJ Gateley

**Workshops**

1. Al-Anon Family Groups – Living with a drinking problem
2. CARF – Money, Money, Money (Income Maximisation and Budgeting)
3. Deaf Communication Service – Deaf Awareness & Sign Language Interpreter Awareness Sessions
4. Dyslexia Pathways CIC – Dyslexia awareness workshop
5. Fathers Network Scotland – Year of the Dad
6. Fife Gingerbread – Families doing it for themselves
7. Frontline Fife – Housing options and help available
8. Scottish Transgender Alliance – Including and supporting families with trans members

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**Information Stalls**

1. Al-Anon Family Groups
2. Alzheimer Scotland
3. Deaf Communication Service
4. Dyslexia Pathways CIC
5. Enable Scotland - Enable U Project
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8. Fife One Stop Shop for Autism
9. Frontline Fife HS Fife - Antenatal Clinic
10. NHS Fife - Equality and Human Rights
11. NHS Fife - Health Promotion
12. Ore Valley Group
13. Rwanda Outreach Project
14. Terrence Higgins Trust Scotland and Fife Sexual Health
15. Urban Therapy Ltd

Booking enquiries:

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Tuesday 6th

Business Breakfast

Carnegie Conference Centre

Halbeath Rd, Dunfermline KY11 8DY

The uptake of modern apprenticeships has boomed in recent years however disabled people only account for around 3% of apprenticeship starts in Scotland. In Fife we want to change this.

The Opportunities Fife Partnership are proud to be piloting a new approach in Scotland designed to better support people with disabilities to access and sustain modern apprenticeships in the area.

If you are an employer interested in taking on an apprentice and want to get involved then join us to find out more whilst enjoying coffee and pastries.

Booking enquiries:

Pegs Bailey, Employability Development Officer, Fife Voluntary Action

(T) 01592 760 728 (E) Pegs@fifevoluntaryaction.org.uk

NHS Fife Diversity Week

10:00 to 14:00

Queen Margaret Hospital, Whitefield Rd, Dunfermline KY12 0SU

*Participation and Engagement; reaching diverse communities across Fife.*

The events will be aimed at informing and engaging the public about our legislative duties and processes which underpin our public participation and engagement strategy.

We would like to further improve participation from community groups whose voices are often not heard. There will be an opportunity for the public to participate in consultation on the Clinical Strategy and Hospital discharge experiences.

Booking enquires:

Heather Kirkbride, Personal Secretary to Equality and Human Rights Team, NHS Fife - Equality and Human Rights

(T) 01592 729 130 (E) [fife-UHB.EqualityandHumanRights@nhs.net](mailto:fife-UHB.EqualityandHumanRights@nhs.net)

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Diversity Open Day

10:30 to 14:00

Fife Society for the Blind, Wilson Avenue, Kirkcaldy KY2 5EF

The event will be an opportunity to find out about the services Fife Society for the Blind offers. There will be a chance to have some hands-on experience with some of the aids and technology used by those living with a serious sight loss on a daily basis which makes life more manageable. There will also be a chance to visit the Optician at Fife Society - Scotland’s first charity run optician.

Booking enquiries:

David Ross, Equalities Co-ordinator, Fife Society for the Blind

(T) 01592 644 979 (E) david.ross@fifesociety.com

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Wednesday 7th

NHS Fife Diversity Week

10:00 to 14:00

St Andrews Community Hospital, St Andrews KY16 8YF

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LGBTI+ Life in Fife - Coming together to support diversity in Fife

16:00 to 19:00; from 19:00 onwards social event

Kirkcaldy Old Kirk, Kirk Wynd, Kirkcaldy KY1 1EH

An event for workers and the LGBTI+ community in Fife to come together and influence the work of the network and find out what s happening in Fife. The event is supported by FCE as part of the Equalities Participation Network. After 7pm there will be an opportunity for people to socialise.

Booking enquiries:

Pat Greenhough,

Engagement Officer, Fife Centre for Equalities

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This workshop will explore with participants the concept of diversity and inclusion within the context of neighbours and communities. Participants will have the opportunity to explore and discuss several scenarios giving different perspectives on tolerance within our communities and undertake “hands on” practical exercises which will deliver some surprises and show that sometimes our perceptions of our neighbours needs to be revisited..

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Thursday 8th

Network Coffee

10:00 to 13:00

Urban Therapy, BRAG Enterprises, Crosshill KY5 8BJ

A coffee event where you can come and share ideas and find out how other people ensure they are catering to all needs. This is also a chance to come along and speak about how any aspect of your life affects you and any difficulties you have because of this.

Booking enquiries:

Stuart Pearson, Business Manager, Urban Therapy

(T) 01592 868 994 (E) urbantherapy2012@gmail.com

Coffee Morning

10:30 to 12:30

Fife Carers Centre, 157 Commercial Street, Kirkcaldy KY1 2NS

Meet other carers, have some cake, coffee and a wee chat.

Booking enquiries:

Martina Forsyth, Carer Support Worker Equalities, Fife Carers Centre

(T) 01592 205 472 (E) martina.forsyth@fifecarers.co.uk

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Friday 9th

Women’s Network Coffee Morning

10:00 to 12:00

Pittenweem New Town Hall, Session Street, Pittenweem KY10 2QL

The event, open to all women who work, live, or study in Fife, is a great opportunity for women to come together, share their experiences, and chat about anything that affects them over a cup of coffee and some cake.

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Victoria Hospital, Hayfield Rd, Kirkcaldy KY2 5AH

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Gaelic Supper

18:00 to 21:00

Lomond Centre, Woodside Way, Glenrothes KY7 5RA

Informal, family friendly, supper for all those with an interest in Gaelic in Fife.

Booking enquiries:

(T) Lomond Centre 01592 583473 (E) Kirsty.Strachan@fife.gov.uk

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Pink Saltire Originals Film Premiere

19:00 to 20:30

Wallace Suite, Carnegie Conference Centre, Halbeath Rd, Dunfermline KY11 8DY

Join Scotland’s newest LGBT+ charity, Fife-based Pink Saltire, for the premiere screening of 3 short films exploring life for LGBT+ people in Scotland. The films will focus on topical equality issues and are titled “Time for Inclusive Education?” - an exploration of the campaign for change in Scotland’s schools; “Scottish, Trans & Proud” - an informative film about trans rights and the positive role models in our communities; and finally “Queer Kingdom” - the first ever reflection of LGBT people in Fife and their experiences growing up in the region.

Booking enquiries:

Stuart Duffy, Founder, Pink Saltire

(E) [stuart@pinksaltire.com](mailto:stuart@pinksaltire.com)

tickets available from www.pinksaltire.com from 1st September

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Saturday 10th

Walk of Faith in Cupar

Starts at 14:00

St John’s Church of Scotland, 77 Bonnygate, Cupar KY15 4LG

Join members of Fife Interfaith group visiting Churches and religious sites around the town.

Booking enquiries:

Frank Bowness, Secretary, Fife Interfaith Group

(T) 01334 653 930 (E) fifeinterfaith@live.co.uk

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Sunday 11th

Diversity Gala

11am to 4pm

Adam Smith Theatre, Bennochy Rd, Kirkcaldy KY1 1ET

A finale bringing together local performers and entertainers to display the diverse talents in Fife as well as to celebrate a successful week.

Music

Carefree Chorus

Erin Scott

Fife Interfaith Group Choir

Kirkcaldy West Primary School

Mike Delaitre

Nick Shane

Nowhere City/Standard AIs

Resonate

The Edinburgh Signing Choir

The Oran Project

**Exhibitors/Screenings**

Deaf Action

Dunnikier Primary School

Fife Youth ArtsGlassbullet

LGBT Youth Flavours of Fife

Pink Saltire

**Theatre**

Enable SDS Forum Theatre

The Outsiders

**Dance/Demonstration**

Fife Chinese Cultural Society

Phoenix Martial Arts Fitness

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Diversity Gala continued

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Fife Society for the Blind

Police Scotland

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Al-Anon Family Groups

Appaws for Autism

Bev Walker

Children with Support Needs in Pre-School

Citizens Advice & Rights Fife

Deaf Communication Service

Dyslexia Pathways CIC

Fife - ETC

Fife Interfaith Group

Fife Safer Communities Team

Fife Voluntary Action

Frontline Fife

Jewels of Islam

Kirkcaldy Central Mosque

Rwanda Outreach Project

Terrence Higgins Trust Scotland

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Additional Events

Sign Language Interpreter Awareness Training

14 September 2016

Bankhead Central, Bankhead Park, Glenrothes KY7 6GH

and

27 September 2016

City Chambers, Kirkgate, Dunfermline KY12 7ND

Three hour Training Awareness session on the importance of booking a Sign Language Interpreter to enable individuals access to services, including a fun taster for participants to learn basic British Sign Language.

Cost: £10 per person

Booking enquiries:

Jennifer Anderson, Development Worker, Deaf Communication Service

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Advert

What makes a family?

A mum and a dad? A single dad? Two mums?

We think LOVE makes a family

At Ore Valley we understand that to have an inclusive and vibrant community we need to embrace and celebrate our diversities and our differences.

Come visit our stand at Diversity Week Fife’s conference on Modern Families at Fife Renewables Innovation Centre (FRIC), Methil on Monday 5 September 2016. Here you will be able to meet members of our team, and discuss any issues you may have about your housing needs. Or you can always give us a call on 01592 721 917.

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Diversity Week Fife would like to thank all the organisations who have supported this event.

To obtain more copies of this programme, please contact:

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You can also visit your local CARF offices across Fife for more information about Diversity Week Fife 2016

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Contact Fife Centre for Equalities if you would like to get involved in Diversity Week Fife 2017!

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