



SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

November 2020



St James' Churchyard, Chipping Campden (pop 2,300; listed buildings 256)

MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

We are not holding Meetings for Worship in any of our usual locations at present, but up to 25+ Friends each week have been joining our meetings via Zoom, every **Sunday 10.30 am**. Instructions in emails. Technical Qs to Martin Burnell or David Somervell.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

In November is for **Aid and Abet**, which offers peer-led support to those released from prison. Alastair Cameron will speak to this. You can find more information, and donate directly online, at www.aidnabet.org

To make a direct donation to last month's collection for **Hampers for Refugees**, see email from Esther Shreeve, or send a cheque to Susan Robertson.

QUAKER EVENTS

It's still all Zoom. But:

General Meeting for Scotland will be held on **Sat 31 Oct**. Nominally hosted by Glasgow Meeting. Budget for 2021, new Parliamentary. Engagement Officer, plans for a Local Development Worker for Scotland. Advance registration required, see email.

A one-day **Yearly meeting** replacing Yearly Meeting Gathering will be held online for up to 1,000 participants on **Sun 15 Nov**. Register online between 12pm on **Thur 29 Oct** and **Tue 10 Nov**, via www.quaker.org.uk/ym

Area Meeting will be held on **Sat 28 Nov** (all day). Nominally hosted by Penicuik Meeting.

Local Meeting for Business will be held at 1pm on **Sun 29 Nov**. Same link as Meeting for Worship.

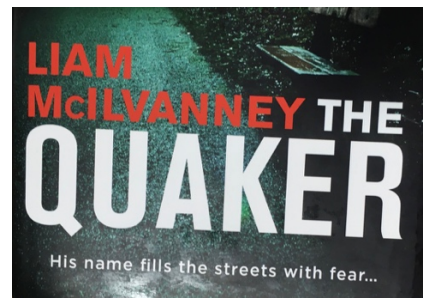
From Edinburgh Central Meeting, but South Edin Friends are very welcome. Login details from Rachel Frith, rachel.frith@waitrose.com

Singing Group – via Zoom at 7.30 on **Tue 3 Nov**. Also advance notice for **Carols** on **Tue 15 Dec**.

Online coffee – bring your own to an online conversation, 10.30-12 on **Thur 5** and **19 Nov**.

Book group – will discuss Britt Bennett's *The Vanishing Half* on **Sun 22 Nov** at 12.15.

His name fills the streets with fear. The Book Group has not yet discussed the gruesome-sounding Crime Novel of the Year 2018, and neither has anybody has sent in any reviews.



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This newsletter is a little shorter this month.
Apologies for any reliving-exams shock caused by the text above.

We're locked in again. What's on?

This month: less history, more music, still some art.

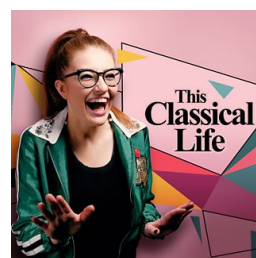
I've listened to all my music. What now?



For something de-stressing and also very musical, try this Korean-French family, who have quickly attracted a broad international following. **Isaac and Nora** are 12 and 9, and play music and sing with their father, filmed by their mother, mostly in home recordings, in a sequence of videos posted over 3 or 4 years on YouTube (434,000 followers) and Facebook (1.3 million followers). So comfortably real, with talent, dedication and obvious enjoyment, hitting just the right note for the era.

A whole 20 mins, several songs, and a Lego microphone stand at <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=3608225155919541> or just pick any of their shorter tracks.

This Classical Life: New ideas of all types, not just classical, from infectious saxophonist Jess Gillam. Each week she swaps 8 Tracks in 30 mins with another young musician, across a broad range of genres. No gaps and *they speak over the music* – on *Radio 3*. Where this is definitely not house style. Engagingly annotated with enthusiasm and research. Recommended: soprano Ella Taylor, www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000j83x and also where Sam Becker gets weepy over Mary Poppins, www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m000k1k5



Not music

That Jess Gillam recommendation via one of Ian Leslie's monthly e-newsletters **The Ruffian**, which is usually an entertaining and thought-provoking read. If sometimes just provoking, so that's a further recommendation. <https://ianleslie.substack.com>

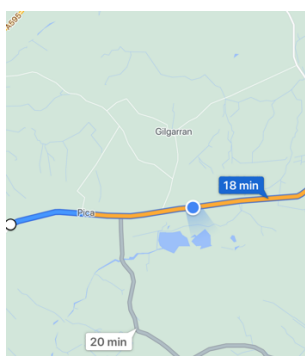
Google Arts and Culture does the University of Edinburgh

<https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/university-of-edinburgh>

Google Arts and Culture can take you to many galleries in the world. Now selected bits of the University of Edinburgh's collections are online there, and they look good.

International Festival

Selected fragments at www.youtube.com/c/edinburghintfestival



Huh, but there's no traffic? ... Ah, explained.

NEWS AND DATES

Our Friend Anne Barrett died on Sunday 10 October. Her funeral will be held at Warriston Cemetery on Tue 27th October. Emails have details of how to attend remotely or in person.

White poppies and alternative remembrance – buy poppies and more online at the Peace Pledge Union shop <https://shop.ppu.org.uk> or in person at Fool, 308 Morningside Rd; the New Leaf Coop, Argyle Place; or Forest Café, 141 Lauriston Place (if they are open – this list may not be up to date).

Therapy sessions from the Retreat York Benevolent Fund. Support is offered to Quakers or those with links to Quakers through access to up to six free sessions, over the phone or online, with a qualified therapist from The Retreat. <http://retreatyorkbfund.com/Short-term-therapy-for-Quakers>

Luton and Leighton Area Meeting invites all interested to a webinar meeting for learning on their concern for **Compassionate Assistance to Die**. Sat 7 Nov 4-5 pm. Book you place at <https://tinyurl.com/register4web>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To **Ted**, who will be 10 on November 24th.

May your hair be trim, or pointy, and all as you would wish.



For Friends who missed getting their hair cut between the first and second waves, @EJBrand offers this suggestion.

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Please get in touch if you know someone who would benefit from a posted or delivered copy.

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