



The Festival of Opportunities for Disabled People

Ability Fest 2005

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall

Wednesday 11th May 2005

10.00 – 16.00

Do you want to :

learn a new skill?

gain qualifications?

get a job?

be a volunteer?

take part in a leisure activity?

Ability Fest is a FREE and unique opportunity for disabled people, families & carers and service organisations to find out about opportunities for learning, employment and leisure activities in the West of Scotland.

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Exhibition Clyde & Lomond Foyers 10.00 – 16.00

Representatives from 70 - 80 organisations, covering all aspects of learning, training, volunteering, leisure and employment will be available to answer your questions & provide information.

Exhibitors include:

AbilityNet, Arthritis Care, Assist-IT, Caledonian Award, Candlelight Association, CETSU, Concept Northern, Direct Payments, DIGG, East Dunbartonshire Council, Enable, Enterprising Women, Epilepsy Connections, Equal & Diverse, Equality, Flourish House, Further Education Colleges, GCIL, GEM, GGNSE,GGPCT, Glasgow City Council, Health at Work, Iansyst, Jobcentre Plus, LAMH Recycle, learn direct scotland, Momentum, Open University, Opening, Osteoporosis Society, Pamis, Project Ability, Remploy, Scotia Clubhouse, SEO, Scottish Huntington's Association, Shaw Trust, Social Firms, SOL, The Extra Challenge, Three Eyes, Unity Enterprise, Update, Volunteer Centre Glasgow, W@ge Project, Wellbeing Initiative, WEA, Workmates and many many more.

Stalls with hands-on activities include:

Assist-IT - Assistive Hardware
Candlelight Association – Reiki Tasters
Concept Northern - Assistive Software
Glasgow Metropolitan College - Creative Arts and Crafts (*tbc*)

Workshops

Strathclyde Hall & Bars | 10.00 – 12.30

Open Information Sessions

Focus on Leisure | 10.00 – 10.30

The Extra Challenge
Caledonian Award (*tbc*)
PAMIS

Focus on Learning | 10.45 – 11.15

Scottish Wider Access Programme
Individual Learning Accounts
Glasgow ALN Partnership

Focus on Employment | 11.30 – 12.30

Access to Work. How to make it work for you. *lansyst Ltd*
Disability related benefits and better-off at work calculations.

Financial Fitness

Bookable Workshops – (Please use *Booking Form on Page 5*)

Art Workshop | 10.30 & 11.30

Make a stained glass-effect Wall Hanging *Art Trek*

Disclosure | 10.15 & 11.00

Small group discussion on the pros & cons; why's & how's of disclosing an impairment. *Scottish Employment Opportunities*

Snakes & Ladders | 11.30

An interactive game, with a serious purpose, on the highs and lows of finding a job. *Careers Scotland & Shaw Trust*

Voice Recognition Software | 10.15 & 10.50

Demonstration on how to train a computer to recognise your voice (*lansyst Ltd*)

TextHelp Read & Write Gold | 10.15 & 10.50

Find out how to use software designed to help people with a wide variety of learning difficulties (*Concept Northern*)

Performance
Strathclyde Hall 13.00 – 14.15

Chill-out Music – keyboard and singing (*Abercorn School Musicians & Blues Band*)

"Inside I'm Screaming: travels with a wheelchair" (*PC Puppets*)

The Clown Factory – songs & sketches with a mental health focus (*Theatre Nemo*)

Panel Discussion
Strathclyde Hall 14.30 – 15.45

“The Disability Discrimination Act revisited: what difference has 10 years of the DDA made to disabled people’s access to learning, employment & leisure opportunities?”

Put your questions to representatives from: Inclusion Scotland; Skill Scotland and others.

Prize Draw
Strathclyde Hall 15.50 – 16.00

MP3 Player ; Computer Course; Fruit Basket; Organic Garden Compost; Bird Table and many more.

Free entry to Prize Draw is by completing an official Ability Fest ticket.

These will be available at the door or in advance from:

Jean Alcock, Secretary
2 Midlothian Drive
Glasgow G41 3RE
Tel: 0141 649 1521
<mailto:information@abilityfest.org.uk>

It is recommended that groups from schools, colleges and resource centres etc. request tickets in advance to ensure that all members get the opportunity to enter the Prize Draw and to save time at the door.

Ability Fest 2005 Workshops Booking Form

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| Name : |
| Address : |
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| Tel : |
| Email : |

| Workshop | Time | Please Tick | |
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| | | 1 st | 2 nd |
| Art Trek – Art Workshop | 10.30 – 11.30 | | |
| | 11.30 – 12.30 | | |
| Iansyst Ltd - Voice Recognition Software | 10.15 - 10.45 | | |
| | 10.50 – 11.20 | | |
| Concept Northern -TextHelp | 10.15 - 10.45 | | |
| | 10.50 – 11.20 | | |
| Scottish Employment Opportunities – Disclosure | 10.15 – 10.45 | | |
| | 11.00 – 11.30 | | |
| Shaw Trust/Careers Scotland – Snakes & Ladders | 11.30 – 12.30 | | |

Are you disabled? Yes/No
 If relevant, please contact us to discuss your support needs for the Workshops.

Please note that numbers are limited and preference will be given to disabled people.

Please complete and return to:

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