

**BIGGAR
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FESTIVAL
2011**

Festival Programme

14 - 29 October



Box Office Information

Programme details are correct at the time of going to print but may be subject to change. Up to date information on events is available on-line at www.biggar-little-festival.com or you can call the Box Office.

The Festival Box Office is located at the Gillespie Centre, High Street, Biggar ML12 6BJ from Saturday 24 September. Opening hours are Monday to Saturday 10am to 4pm and it will also be open on Sunday 23 October (Biggar Day Out) from 12noon to 4pm.

You can contact the Box Office by phone on 07837 026007 (an answering service is available outwith Box Office hours)

Tickets for many events are usually available at the door. However we have tried to indicate where advance booking for an event is essential or advisable. Last year several events sold out, so please book early to avoid disappointment!

Biggar Little Festival – Registered Scottish Charity SC036411

Welcome



Mike Chad
Chairman,
Biggar Little Festival

Located on the boundary between Lanarkshire and the Borders, it would be understandable if Biggar was a little confused about its real identity. But not so! We are an active, independent community, and we define ourselves by what we do.

The old traditions, like the Fleming pageantry, and the riding of the marches, are enthusiastically kept alive (a record number of horses this year). Our vibrant small businesses, rising to the economic challenges. Our New Year's Eve bonfire. Our heritage, expressed in many ways, and not least by our museums, which (if all goes well) are about to undergo a major transformation.

And our cultural gems. A world-class puppet theatre, a revived "Biggar Little Cinema", the refurbished Corn Exchange – celebrating its 150th anniversary this year. With all this, plus many active art, music, drama and

literary groups, involving all ages, I believe that Biggar is a unique community, and I wouldn't want to be anywhere else.

The Biggar Little Festival is nearly 10 years old, and has become a well-established part of the Biggar calendar. My thanks, as always, to the talented and hardworking committee, to Lesley, our administrator, and to all our sponsors, patrons and volunteers. Though I will be stepping down as chairman, I have no doubt that the Festival is in good hands and will continue to grow and thrive for many years to come.

Enjoy the 2011 Festival!

Mike Chad,
Chairman, Biggar Little Festival Committee



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DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
PRE-FESTIVAL EVENTS				
Friday 30th September				
6.30pm to 8pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition Opening Preview	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
Saturday 1 October				
7.30pm to 11pm	BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician 2012 Semi-Finals Concert	Coulter Hall	£8/£6 conc	12
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition Open until Thursday 13th October	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
FESTIVAL EVENTS				
Friday 14th October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	34
11am to 5pm	Artwork in the Kirk	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	34
9.30am to 4pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
7pm (10.30pm) Concert starts at 8pm	Biggar Music Club Candelight Buffet & Concert with Judith Hall (flute) and Craig Ogden (guitar)	Corn Exchange (2)	£20 (inc buffet) Students £10 Concert only £10	13
7.30pm to 10.30pm	Barry & Stuart, Comedy Illusionists	Municipal Hall (3)	£14/£12 conc	13
8pm to 12pm	Tribute to the Bands of Biggar	The Mill Inn, Coulter (22)	FREE	13
9pm till late	Banjo Bonanza with Ken Perlman supported by Goldrush	The Crown Inn (6)	£8	13
Saturday 15 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	34
11am to 2pm	Artwork in the Kirk	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	34
9.30am to 4pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
10am to 5pm	Art at the Corn Exchange	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	35
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor - Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris - Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
10.30am to 1.30pm 2.30pm to 4.30pm 5pm to 5.30pm	Come and Sing	St Mary's Hall (8) Biggar Kirk (4)	£15 (inc lunch)	14
10.30am to 1pm	Cover Illustration Workshop	Plaisir (11)	£20 (inc book)	14
10.30am to 4.30pm	Visit Feufield! Walking with Llamas	Feufield, Symington (19)	£5 (inc taster walk with Llamas exp)	14
11am to 4pm	Albion Workshop Open Day	Gladstone Court Museum (7)	Donations	15

DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
11am to 12.30pm 2pm to 3.30pm	Teddy Bear Making Workshop	Biggar Bears (13)	£10 (inc materials)	15
2pm to 3pm	Dance and Danceability	St Mary's Hall (8)	£3	15
2pm to 4pm	Old Time Banjo Workshop	The Crown Inn (6)	£10/£8	15
3pm to 4pm	Dance American Style	St Mary's Hall (8)	£3	16
5pm to 5.30pm	Come and Sing Choir Concert	Biggar Kirk (4)	Donations	15
7.30pm to 9.30pm	The Matchmaker	Corn Exchange (2)	£8	16
7.30pm to 9.30pm	David Hayman "Six and a Tanner"	Municipal Hall (3)	£12/£10 conc	16
9pm till late	Festival Club	The Elphinstone Hotel (5)	FREE	16

Sunday 16th October

All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor - Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris - Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
10.30am to 4.30pm	Visit Feufield! Walking with Llamas	Feufield, Symington (19)	£5 (inc taster walk with Llamas exp)	16
11am to 12 noon	Festival service	Biggar Kirk (4)		17
11am to 4pm	Albion Workshop Open Day	Gladstone Court Museum (7)	Donations	16
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	34
12.30pm to 5pm	Artwork in the Kirk	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	34
11am to 12.30pm 2pm to 3.30pm	Teddy Bear Making Workshop	Biggar Bears (13)	£10 (inc materials)	16
12 noon to 4pm	Art at the Corn Exchange	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	35
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Eastfield and Harthill Flute Orchestra in Concert	Biggar Kirk (4)	£5/£3 conc	17

Monday 17th October

All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
9.30am to 4pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	35
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	34
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices Vary	17
7.30pm to 9.15pm	The Old Woman Who Lived In A Shoe	Corn Exchange (2)	£5	17

Tuesday 18 October

All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
9.30am (8.30pm)	Youth Theatre Workshop (Day 1)	Corn Exchange (2)	£20 for 2 days (inc light lunch)	18

DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
10am to 11.30am	Walk and Talk: A Tweeddale Village	Broughton	£2	18
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	35
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	34
2pm to 4pm	Linda Cracknell Writers Workshop	Brownsbank Cottage	£5	18
3pm to 8pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices Vary	18
7.30pm to 9.30pm	Linda Cracknell at Atkinson-Pryce	Brownsbank Cottage	£3	18

Wednesday 19 October

All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
9.30am (7.30pm)	Youth Theatre Workshop (Day 2)	Corn Exchange (2)	£20 for 2 days (inc light lunch)	19
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	35
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor - Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris - Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	34
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices Vary	19
7.30pm (8.30pm)	Youth Theatre Performance	Corn Exchange (2)	£5	19
7.30pm to 10pm	A Life of Crime	Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)	£5 (inc glass of Wine)	19
7.30pm to 9pm	Discoveries and Excavations	Moat Park Heritage Centre (10)	£5	19

Thursday 20th October

All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	35
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor - Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris - Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
11am to 5pm	Medwyn Art Group Exhibition	British Legion Hall (15)	FREE	34
1.30pm (3pm)	Nessie the Loch Ness Monster	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£7	20
3pm to 8pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	35
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices Vary	20
7pm (8.30pm)	An Evening of Aromatherapy	Plaisir (11)	£4	20
7.30pm (10pm)	A Real Live Ghost	Elphinstone Hotel (5)	£6/£5 conc	20
8pm (10pm)	An Evening with Edward Bowen, Lynn Hanley and others	Corn Exchange (2)	£6 (inc refreshments)	21

DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
Friday 21 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
9.30pm to 4pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	35
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
11am to 5pm	Artwork in the Kirk	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	34
10.30am to 12.30pm 2pm to 4pm	Children's Art Workshops at Plaisir	Plaisir (11)	£8.50 (inc materials)	21
1.30pm (3pm)	Pips and Panda in Magicland	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£7	21
7.30pm (10pm)	Dukes of Uke and friends	Corn Exchange (2)	£5	22
9pm till late	Festival Club	The Crown Inn (6)	FREE	21
Saturday 22 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
9.30pm to 4pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	35
10am to 4pm	Stone Carving Workshop	Rachan by Broughton (20)	£75 (inc materials)	22
10am to 4pm	Tom Henry – Open Studio	Abington Road, Symington (C)	FREE	33
10am to 5pm	Art at The Corn Exchange	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	35
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 5pm	Trudi Breen – Open Studio	Libberton House, Libberton (F)	FREE	33
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
11am to 5pm	Artwork in the Kirk	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	34
10.30am to 12.30pm 2pm to 4pm	Children's Art Workshops at Plaisir	Plaisir (11)	£8.50 (inc materials)	22
10.30am to 4.30pm	Visit Feufield! Walking with Llamas	Feufield, Symington (19)	£5 (inc taster walk with Llamas exp)	22
11am (12.30pm)	Pips and Panda in Magicland	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	£7	22
11am to 12.30pm 2pm to 3.30pm	Teddy Bear Making Workshop	Biggar Bears (13)	£10 (inc materials)	22
11am to 4pm	Albion Workshop Open Day	Gladstone Court Museum (7)	Donations	22
11am to 4pm	Judi Rutherford – Open Studio	Wyndales, Symington (D)	FREE	33
11am to 4pm	Douglas Davies – Open Studio	Skirling (E)	FREE	33

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11am to 5pm	Jazz Course UK – Jazz Weekender (Day 1)	The Music Workshop, Carstairs Junction (21)	£109 for weekend	23
10am to 5pm	Kaleidoscope Exhibition	St Mary's Hall (8)	FREE	35
12noon to 7pm	Biggar Little Beer Festival	Gladstone Court Museum (7)	FREE	23
7pm to 10pm	Saucy Jack and the Space Vixens	Corn Exchange (2)	£8	23
7.30pm to midnight	Festival Ball	Municipal Hall (3)	£25 (inc buffet)	23
9pm till late	Festival Club	The Elphinstone Hotel (5)	FREE	23
Sunday 23 October BIGGAR DAY OUT - PAGES 24-27				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
10am to 4pm	biggART	Gillespie Centre (1)	FREE	35
10am to 4pm	Tom Henry – Open Studio	Abington Road, Symington (C)	FREE	33
10am to 4.30pm	Theatre Open Doors Day	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	FREE	26
10am to 4.30pm	Antiques and Collectors Fair	Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)	FREE	26
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 5pm	Trudi Breen – Open Studio	Libberton House, Libberton (F)	FREE	33
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
10.30am to 4.30pm	Jazz Course UK – Jazz Weekender (Day 2)	The Music Workshop, Carstairs Junction Kirk (21)	£109 for weekend	26
10.30am to 4.30pm	Visit Feufield! Walking with Llamas	Feufield, Symington (19)	£5 (inc taster walk with Llamas exp)	26
11am to 4pm	Albion Workshop Open day	Moat Park (10)	Donations	26
11am to 4.30pm	Moat Park Heritage Centre Open	Moat Park (10)	Donations	26
12.30pm to 5pm	Artwork in the Kirk	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	34
11am to 12.30pm 2pm to 3.30pm	Teddy Bear Making Workshop	Biggar Bears (13)	£10 (inc materials)	26
11am to 4pm	Judi Rutherford – Open Studio	Wyndales, Symington (D)	FREE	33
11am to 4pm	Douglas Davies – Open Studio	Skirling (E)	FREE	33
12noon to 4pm	Henna Painting	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	26
12noon to 4pm	Kaleidoscope Exhibition	St Mary's Hall (8)	FREE	35
12noon to 4pm	Art at The Corn Exchange	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	35
12noon to 4.30pm	Craft and Food Fair	Municipal Hall (3)	FREE	24
12 noon to 4pm	Mosaic Workshop	Rachan by Broughton (20)	£55 (inc materials)	27
12noon to 7pm	Biggar Little Beer Festival	Gladstone Court Museum (7)	FREE	27
1pm to 5pm	Eagles Tribute Open Stage	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	27
2pm to 4pm	Steam Day	Biggar Gas Works	Entry Fee	
7pm to 8.30pm	Sundays @7: Jazz at The Junction	The Kirk, Carstairs Junction (21)	£3 Children free	27
7.30pm to 10pm	Fly Me To The Moon	Corn Exchange (2)	£8	27

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Monday 24 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
9.30pm to 4pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
7.30pm to 9pm	Discoveries and Excavations	Moat Park Heritage Centre (10)	£5	28
7.30pm to 10.30pm	Paul Zerdin	Municipal Hall (3)	£15	28
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	28
Tuesday 25 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
3pm to 8pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
5pm to 7.30pm 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	28
7.30pm (10pm)	Tales of the Supernatural – An evening with Roddy Martine	Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)	£5 (inc glass of wine)	28
7.30pm (10.30pm)	Concert in the Kirk with Coalburn Silver Band	Biggar Kirk (4)	£5 / £4 conc	28
Wednesday 26 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	29
7pm to 8.30pm	Biggar High School Fashion & Costume Extravaganza	Biggar High School (16)	£5 / £4 conc	29
7.30pm (10pm)	Biggar Shorts – Mixed Doubles	Corn Exchange (2)	£6 / £5 conc	29
Thursday 27 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
3pm to 8pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm	Taj's Traditional Treats	The Taj Mahal (9)	Prices vary	29
7pm (9.30pm)	Young Musician Competition	Biggar High School (16)	£3 / £2 conc	29
7.30pm (9.30pm)	Andrew Greig	Atkinson-Pryce Books (12)	£5 inc glass of wine	29

DATE & TIME	EVENT	VENUE	TICKETS	PN
Friday 28 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
11am to 5pm	Artwork in the Kirk	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	34
9.30pm to 4pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
3.30pm (4.30pm)	K.M.Grant at Atkinson-Pryce	Atkinson-Pryce Books (12)	FREE	30
7.30pm (9.30pm)	Musical Cabaret Evening	Corn Exchange (2)	£5	30
9pm till late	Festival Club	The Elphinstone Hotel (5)	FREE	30
Saturday 29 October				
All Day	The Street Gallery	High Street Shops	FREE	34
8am to 5pm	The Madainn Group Art Exhibition	Aroma Coffee Shop (14)	FREE	12
9.30pm to 4pm	Biggar High School Art Exhibition	Public Library (16)	FREE	34
10am to 12 noon	Flamenco Dance Workshop	St Mary's Hall (8)	£8	30
10am to 5pm	Amy Marshall Studio & Gallery	High Street, Biggar (A)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Carol Taylor – Open Studio	The Studio, Symington (B)	FREE	32
10am to 6pm	Kirsten Harris – Open Studio	Carnwath (G)	FREE	32
11am to 4pm	Albion Workshop Open Day	Moat Park (10)	Donations	31
11am to 5pm	Artwork in the Kirk	Biggar Kirk (4)	FREE	34
10.30am to 4.30pm	Visit Feufield! Walking with Llamas	Feufield, Symington (19)	£5 (inc taster walk with Llamas exp)	30
11am to 12.30pm 2pm to 3.30pm	Teddy Bear Making Workshop	Biggar Bears (13)	£10 (inc materials)	30
10am to 5pm	Art at The Corn Exchange	Corn Exchange (2)	FREE	35
2pm to 4pm	Halloween Party	St Mary's Hall (8)	Children £3 Adults free	31
8pm (11pm)	Biggar Little Festival Blues Concert	Municipal Hall (3)	£15 Members- £12	31
OTHER FESTIVAL EVENTS				
Various dates and times	BLF @ BYP	Biggar Youth Project (18)	FREE	31
Various dates and times	Pottery Painting with Bizzyberry	Corn Exchange (2)	Prices vary	31
POST FESTIVAL EVENTS				
Sunday 30 October & Monday 31st October				
7.30pm (9.30pm)	Biggar Little Cinema presents "True Grit".	Corn Exchange (2)	£6 for non-members	12

BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician 2012

Saturday 1 October

Coulter Hall
7.30pm (11pm)
£8/£6 conc

12 young musicians between the ages of 16-27 come from all over Scotland to perform in Coulter Hall for the semi-finals of this national event. Expect an exciting night of great traditional music!

Madainn Art Group Exhibition

From Saturday 1 October

Aroma Coffee Shop (14)
8am to 5pm
FREE

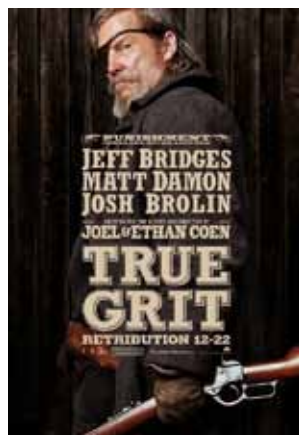


An exhibition of recent paintings by local artists from the Madainn Art Group. Opening preview Friday 30 September 6.30pm – 8pm.

Biggar Little Cinema

Sunday 30 October and Monday 31st October

Corn Exchange
7.30pm (9.30pm)
£6



True Grit
Biggar Little Cinema presents the 2010 version of 'True Grit' starring Jeff Bridges, Matt Damon and Josh Coen. Certificate 15 rating.

Biggar Music Club Candlelight Buffet & Concert

Friday 14 October

Corn Exchange (2)
7pm (10.30pm)
£20 / £10 students (inc buffet)
£10 Concert only



Biggar Music Club presents Judith Hall (flute) and Craig Ogden (guitar), with a lively and intriguing programme, mixing better-known music with contemporary and exotic pieces. Both artists are professors of their instruments at conservatoires, Judith at Birmingham Conservatoire and Craig at the Royal Northern College of Music.

From String Quartets and Wind Ensembles to fine Baroque and Choral Works, every year the Biggar Music Club presents a tunelessly varied season of seven concerts from October to March.

Barry & Stuart Comedy Illusionists

Friday 14 October

Municipal Hall (3)
7.30pm (10.30pm)
£14 / £12 concessions



As seen on the BBC series "The Magicians", winners of 'Best Comedy Illusionists' at The World Magic Awards, Barry & Stuart are coming to Biggar. They perform wonder invoking, laughter inducing, awe inspiring magic. Stylistically dark and weird they are creepy, cool, and funny.

Tribute to the Bands of Biggar

Friday 14 October

The Mill Inn, Coulter (22)
8pm (12pm)
FREE

The Mill Inn hosts a tribute night to all The Bands of Biggar.

Banjo Bonanza with Ken Perlman supported by Goldrush

Friday 14 October

The Crown Inn (6)
9pm till late
£8



An evening of top musical entertainment with Ken Perlman, a superb instrumentalist and acclaimed teacher of instrumental skills, gifted performer, and award-winning folklorist.

Ken draws his material from traditional sources -- the music of Scotland, Ireland, Cape Breton, Prince Edward Island and the American South.

Goldrush was formed by John Sheldon in 1989 and made its debut at the Guildtown Bluegrass Festival which John founded in 1987.

Goldrush has forged a distinct and impressive identity for delivering cutting edge traditional bluegrass and Celtic roots music to delighted audiences.



BOX OFFICE

The Festival Box Office is located at the Gillespie Centre, High Street, Biggar ML12 6BJ from Saturday 24 September.

Opening hours are Monday to Saturday 10am to 4pm and it will also be open on Sunday 23 October (Biggar Day Out) from 12noon to 4pm.

You can contact the Box Office by phone on 07837 026007 (an answering service is available outwith Box Office hours)

Cover Illustration Workshop

Saturday 15 October

Plaisir (11)

10.30am to 1pm

£20 (includes a book)



Join local artist Sharon Bradley and Atkinson-Pryce Books for this fun and creative workshop at Plaisir exploring what lies behind the creating of a good book cover illustration.

Workshop suitable for age 16 and above. Advance booking recommended.

Visit Feufield! Experience "Walking with Llamas"

Saturday 15 October

Feufield, Symington, Biggar

ML12 6HX (19)

10.30am to 4.30pm

£5 (includes a 'taster' walking with Llamas experience).



An informative and often hilarious insight into life on a local smallholding! Sample delicious homemade produce and get up close and personal with a variety of friendly animals or how about taking a walk with the Llamas. Something for all ages and a great family-friendly venue for a trip out of town. See www.feufield.com for more details.

Llama walks 11am and 2pm. Feufield is suitable for all ages, but children must be supervised by a responsible adult. Accredited by 'Rhet Clyde' for farm and school visits. Remember to wear suitable clothing and footwear!

Our Llamas are gentle and fascinating animals and visitors become fond of "their" Llamas very quickly and go on to "Adopt" their favourite.

(That's if they can choose which one..Tee Hee)

Come and Sing

Saturday 15 October

St Mary's Hall (8) and Biggar

Kirk (4)

10.30am to 1.30pm (St Mary's Hall)

2.30pm (4.30pm) Biggar Kirk

5pm (5.30pm) Biggar Kirk

£15 (includes light lunch)



Ever wanted to know what it is like to sing in a choir? Singers and would be singers are invited to join choir master Frikki Walker for a day of workshops followed by an early evening performance. Frikki is director of music at St Mary's Cathedral in Glasgow and works with choirs of all ages and abilities so is ideally suited to coax a performance out of a Biggar Little Festival scratch choir. Programme will include fun and accessible music along with some choral classics. Singing with others is a hugely enjoyable experience so why not give it a go. Ticket price includes a light lunch.

Build A Biggar Bear – Teddy Making Workshops

Saturday 15 October

Biggar Bears (13)

11am to 12.30pm (age 6 years and up)

2pm to 3.30pm (age 2 – 5 years)

£10 (includes materials)



Biggar Bears
Soft Toys & Gifts
www.biggarbears.com

A fun workshop offering children the chance to create a cuddly new friend. Choose a bear and bring it to life with a heart and a wish. Name your bear, have a picnic and story time with your new friend before taking them home in a Critters Cottage. Includes birth certificate.

Please note age ranges for morning and afternoon workshops. Under 5's must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Places limited, advance booking recommended. Bookings may also be made at Biggar Bears on 01899 229400

Albion Workshop Open Day

Saturday 15 October

Gladstone Court Museum (7)

11am to 4pm

Donations at door

History of Albion Motor Co including photographs, mechanical displays and some Albion Trust Vehicles.

Also taking place on 16, 22, 23 and 29 October

Old Time Banjo Workshop with Ken Perlman

Saturday 15 October

The Crown Inn (6)

2pm to 4pm

£10. £8 if ticket for Banjo

Bonanza purchased at the same time.



Bluegrass banjo workshop with Ken Perlman who's the pioneer of the 5-string banjo style known as "melodic clawhammer," and a master of fingerstyle guitar. Ken is considered one of the top clawhammer players in the world, known in particular for his skilful adaptations of Celtic tunes.

Ken is an acclaimed teacher of folk-music instrumental skills. He has written some of the most widely respected banjo and guitar instruction books of modern times, and he has been on staff at prestigious teaching festivals around the world. He has also served as director, or co-director for several banjo and music-instructional camps, including American Banjo Camp and Banjo Camp North.

Workshop specifically for 5 string banjo players.

Dance and Danceability

Saturday 15 October

St Mary's Hall (8)

2pm to 3pm

£3



Another chance to try out country dancing – Jane Austen style! Dance in long sets, with Nell and Nicolas Broadbridge (leader of the Assembly Players) who also leads the music from the accordion. With the inspiring fiddle-playing of Aiden Broadbridge (leader of folk/rock band Gallus).

£5 ticket covers the workshop and 'Dance American style' – see next. Workshop suitable for age 8 through to adult. Children age under 12 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Come and Sing Choir Concert

Saturday 15 October

Biggar Kirk (4)

5pm to 5.30pm

Donations at door

Come and support the efforts of our scratch choir after their day with Frikki Walker.

Dance American Style

Saturday 15 October

St Mary's Hall (8)

3pm to 4pm

£3



Another lively workshop in American Contra Dance led by Annette Broadbridge from Tennessee, to driving American reels and jigs played by fiddler Aidan Broadbridge.

£5 ticket covers the workshop and 'Dance and Danceability' – see previous. Workshop suitable for age 8 through to adult. Children age under 12 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Festival Club

Saturday 15 October

Elphinstone Hotel (5)

9pm until late

FREE

A chance to relax, enjoy a drink and listen to some great music provided by local bands and performers.

The Matchmaker

Saturday 15 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm (9.30pm)

£8



Splinters Productions presents "The Matchmaker", which follows the story of Dicky Mick Dicky O'Connor who is determined to use all his cunning and intuition to hook up the hotchpotch of lonely hearts residing in his rural town of Ballybarra. The characters and their tales are a mix of comic, tragic, dramatic and bizarre and Dicky refuses to surrender hope despite his matches rarely leading to happy-ever-afters.

Suitable for age 16 and over

Visit Feufield! Experience "Walking with Llamas"

Sunday 16 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details.

David Hayman in "Six and a Tanner"

Saturday 15 October

Municipal Hall (3)

7.30pm (9.30pm)

£12 / £10 concessions



A one man play written by Rony Bridges and performed by BAFTA winning actor and director David Hayman. Hayman as 'Jo' grips his audience in a roller coaster of emotions as he lays bare all his pent up emotions at a coffin containing his dead father. The performance will be followed by a question and answer session.

No age restriction but play contains strong language.

Build A Biggar Bear – Teddy Making Workshops

Sunday 16 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details.

Albion Workshop Open Day

Sunday 16 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details

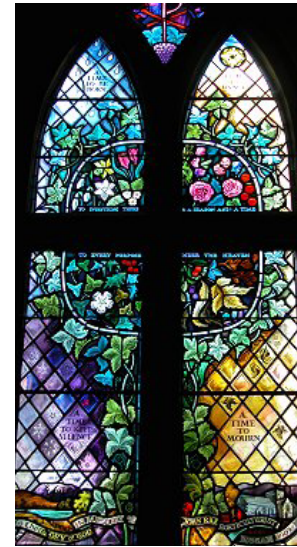
Festival Service

Sunday 16 October

Biggar Kirk (4)

11am to 12noon

FREE



This family friendly service is an integral part of the Festival, acknowledging and celebrating the spiritual side of the arts in Biggar. All are welcome.

"I love this morning of reflection in the Church, celebrating all that the arts has to offer. Its an uplifting experience shared with everyone in the Kirk."

Eastfield and Harthill Flute Orchestra in Concert

Sunday 16 October

Biggar Kirk (4)

7.30pm (9.30pm)

£5 / £3 concessions

The Eastfield and Harthill Flute Orchestra makes their welcome annual visit to the Festival for an evening of music from one of Lanarkshire's finest flute ensembles. Featuring musicians of all ages and flutes of all sizes, the programme includes many popular numbers from years gone by, as well as putting a new slant on some more contemporary tunes. Ticket price includes interval refreshments.

Taj's Traditional Treats

Monday 17 October

The Taj Mahal (9)

5pm to 7.30pm & 8pm to 10.30pm

Prices Vary



A Festival Institution! Once again it's time for the ladies to show off their cooking skills, bringing you mouth-watering homemade meals and a taste of the Punjab. An unforgettable taste experience!

Available from Monday 17 to 20 October and 24 to 27 October. Advance booking essential on 01899 220801

The Elements World Theatre presents 'The Old Woman Who Lived in a' Storytelling with Drama, Poetry and Music

Monday 17th October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm (9.15pm)

£5



Whatever happened to the children 'The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe' beat black and blue? This new play by an award-winning playwright, picks up the action 20 years after the nursery rhyme ends with the now grown-up children hungry for revenge. But before they can wreak havoc on the Old Woman, the mysterious Waiter in the timeless space of The Cafe of No Tomorrows turns the tables on them with music, thought-provoking tales and a cauldron of tricks. Set in a surreal world where the boundaries between reality and illusion are in flux, this uplifting, light-hearted fable promises plenty of surprises. Parental guidance advised.

Youth Theatre Workshop (2 day workshop)

Tuesday 18 October

Corn Exchange (2)

9.30am to 8.30pm

£20 for both days



Are you 13+, with a passion for acting, singing or dancing? Come and join professional drama and music directors Clare Prenton and Craig Adams, and help to create an exciting musical drama (with ghosts, vampires, and scary things that emerge in the twilight!) With two very full days of intensive workshops, it will be hard work, but fun, and (if all goes well!) will lead up to a short public performance on the Wednesday evening. Numbers will be limited, so book early! Age range 13 to 18. Ticket price includes refreshments and light lunch both days.

Walk and Talk: A Tweeddale village and its fascinating history

Tuesday 18 October

Broughton (meet at Broughton
Village Hall car park)

10am to 11.30am approximately

£2



A two mile walk around Broughton with commentary by local guide Rosemary Turpie on the history of this Tweeddale village. Children over 12 are welcome to join the walk but must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Please wear stout footwear and suitable clothing. No dogs. For further details contact Rosemary on 01899 308769.

Taj's Traditional Treats

Tuesday 18 October

See Monday 17 October for full details.

"Taj's treats are an unforgettable mouthwatering experience from the Punjab. Don't miss out on these"

Writer's Workshop with Linda Cracknell

Tuesday 18 October

Brownsbank Cottage

2pm to 4pm

£5



Linda Cracknell, former writer-in-residence at Brownsbank Cottage, in association with Atkinson-Pryce Books, runs this workshop in Brownsbank Cottage for aspiring writers.

Numbers limited, please book early to avoid disappointment.

Linda Cracknell at Atkinson-Pryce

Tuesday 18 October

Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)

7.30pm (9.30pm)

£3 (includes a glass of wine)

Former writer-in-residence, Linda Cracknell, by invitation of Atkinson-Pryce Books, reads from her recent work.

Ticket price includes a glass of wine. Numbers limited, please book early to avoid disappointment.

Artists Open Studio

Wednesday 19 October



A range of artists open their studios during the festival, see pages 32-33 for details.

Youth Theatre Workshop (2 day workshop)

Wednesday 19 October

See Tuesday 18 October for full details.

Youth Theatre Performance

Wednesday 19 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm (8.30pm)

£5

Come and see the results of our two-day intensive Youth Workshop! The professional directors have worked with the young people to create a show for us. Who knows what surprises lie in store?! Suitable for all ages.

'Discoveries and Excavations: the highlights of 30 years work from the Biggar Archaeology Group

Wednesday 19 October

Moat Park Heritage Centre (10)

7.30pm (9pm)

£5

To celebrate 30 years of the Biggar Archaeology Group's work in the landscapes of the Upper Clyde and Tweed Rivers, Tam Ward, organiser of the group, is delivering lectures on their outstanding work to date. His talks will complement the current Biggar Archaeology Group exhibition at the Moat Park Heritage Centre. Also on Monday 24 October.

Taj's Traditional Treats

Wednesday 19 October

See Monday 17 October for full details.

A Life of Crime

Wednesday 19 October

Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)

7.30pm (10pm)

£5 (includes a glass of wine)



Crime authors Karen Campbell and Aline Templeton return to Biggar to meet in the sitting room at Atkinson-Pryce Books where they discuss their work and influences. Suitable for adults. Places limited, please book early to avoid disappointment.

Nessie the Loch Ness Monster

Thursday 20 October

Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)

1.30pm (3pm)

£7



A magical story told with glow in the dark puppets – by the internationally renowned “Purves Puppets” now celebrating their 41st year in puppetry.

This production was recently performed in Malta’s Opera House – Teatru Manoel to a capacity audience of 650! The story combines humour, dance and the most exciting traditional Scottish music to tell the story of a boy called Hughie McDhui, who meets a girl called Mairi Glengarry, who is running away from her wicked uncle - Naggie McCraggie. Nessie, the famous monster from the loch, talks with a Scottish upper class accent and is an expert at dodging research submarines! The story ends with an unforgettable climax at the spooky Castle Urquhart!

Suitable for age 6 to adult. Book five or more seats for £6.50 each. Advance booking essential on 01899 220631

An Evening of Aromatherapy: Meditations on Scent

Thursday 20 October

Plaisir (11)

7pm (8.30pm)

£4



Join us at Plaisir for a relaxing evening filled with the heavenly scents of essential oils. We often use scented candles and oils to create a pleasant background atmosphere, but this session shows that making essential oils our focus offers a new way to relax.

Learn about their uses from Dr Jennifer Rhind of Edinburgh Napier University, and then feel your stress melt away as she guides us through a meditation on five different scents.

Taj’s Traditional Treats

Thursday 20 October

See Monday 17 October for full details.

A Real Live Ghost

Thursday 20 October

Elphinstone Hotel (5)

7.30pm (10pm)

£6 / £5 concessions



Gary Barlow, Len Goodman, Bill Wyman and Tony Visconti have all benefited from the talent of ghostwriter Richard Havers. Atkinson-Pryce has invited Richard to talk about how he became a ghostwriter, and what exactly a ghost does.

How the whole process works and what it is that makes for a successful relationship between a ghost and their subject. He’ll address the fundamental question – whose book is it anyway?

An Evening with Edward Bowen, Daniel Campbell, Lynn Hanley, Craig MacMaster, Amy Marshall and Pamela Dawson Taylor

Thursday 20 October

Corn Exchange (2)

8pm (10pm)

£6 (includes refreshments)



Biggar Based ‘Daisy Frame’ picture framers and Art Gallery at the Corn Exchange present an evening with Edward Bowen, Daniel Campbell, Lynn Hanley, Craig MacMaster and others who will talk about their experiences and the many influences on their work, followed by an art demonstration and question and answer session.

This will be accompanied by a light buffet and drinks and music while you enjoy an exhibition of original work and prints.

Children’s Art Workshop at Plaisir

Friday 21st October

Plaisir (11)

10.30am to 12.30pm (morning workshop)

2pm to 4pm (afternoon workshop)

£8.50 per workshop (includes materials)



Join local art tutor Catriona Ross for fun workshops hosted by Biggar’s fashion and homewares boutique, Plaisir. Create your very own colourful drum using recycled material in the morning workshop and transform a picture frame using traditional cut out techniques with a modern twist in the afternoon.

Suitable for children age 7 to 12 years. Younger children are welcome to attend if accompanied by a responsible adult. Places limited. Advance booking recommended.

“ Last year was brilliant fun, I made a magical Halloween Lantern and scared my Dad”

Pips and Panda in Magicland

Friday 21st October

Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)

1.30pm (3pm)

£7



Another adventure from the famous characters, Pips the little monkey and silly old Panda. A spectacular show for the under sevens, full of songs, fun and musical routines with magical effects and an exciting story about their travels to Magicland!

Suitable for children under 7 and their families. Book five or more seats for £6.50 each. Advance booking essential on 01899 220631

Festival Club

Friday 21 October

The Crown Inn (6)

9pm until late

FREE

A chance to relax, enjoy a drink and listen to some great music provided by local bands and performers.

An Evening with the Dukes of Uke and Friends

Friday 21 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm (9.45pm)

£5



Biggar's very own ukulele ensemble, the Dukes of Uke, will be playing some well-known songs in their own very original style. They will be joined on the night by some of their musical friends. Guaranteed to be a night of fun and madness for all ages.

Artists Open Studio

Saturday 22 October

A range of artists open their studios during the festival, see pages 32-33 for details.

Pips and Panda in Magicland

Saturday 22 October

See Friday 21 October for details. Please note performance time on Saturday 22 October is 11am to 12.30pm

Stone Carving Workshop

Saturday 22 October

Rachan by Broughton (20)

10am to 4pm

£75 (includes materials)



Stone carving is challenging, dusty, fun and therapeutic! No previous experience necessary for this one day workshop led by Susheila Jamieson which will introduce participants to basic stone carving techniques. Wear old clothes and bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee provided. Workshop places limited. Advance booking essential. Contact 01899 830443 for further information and bookings. Please note that this workshop is suitable for age 16 and over.

Visit Feufield! Experience "Walking with Llamas"

Saturday 22 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details.

Children's Art Workshop at Plaisir

Saturday 22 October

Plaisir (11)

10.30am to 12.30pm (morning workshop)

2pm to 4pm (afternoon workshop)

£8.50 per workshop (includes materials)



Join local art tutor Catriona Ross for fun workshops hosted by Biggar's fashion and homewares boutique, Plaisir. Personalise a useful bag by creating your own stencils and designs in the morning workshop and create unique prints in the afternoon. *Suitable for children age 7 to 12 years. Younger children are welcome to attend if accompanied by a responsible adult. Places limited. Advance booking recommended.*

Albion Workshop Open Day

Saturday 22 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details

Build A Biggar Bear – Teddy Making Workshops

Saturday 22 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details.

Jazz Course UK – Jazz Weekender (2 day course)

Saturday 22 October

The Music Workshop, Clyde Valley

11am to 5pm

£109 for two day course



Jazz Course UK runs a national year round programme of short courses for improvising musicians. On this final course of the year, tutored by leading educator and saxophonist Rob Hall, students will prepare a varied selection of jazz repertoire to be performed in concert at the end of the course.

The course culminates in a relaxed café style evening performance at 7pm on Sun 23 Oct in Carstairs Junction church (Sundays@7 series). The course is suitable for jazz players of Intermediate experience level and above. All chromatic instruments are accepted.

Places limited. Contact 01555 870555 or log on to www.the-musicworkshop.co.uk or www.jazzcourse.co.uk for further information and bookings.

Biggar Little Beer Festival

Saturday 22 October

Gladstone Court Museum (7)

12noon to 7pm

FREE ENTRY

After the success of last year's Biggar Little Beer Festival, The Mill Inn will host its second Beer Festival in the delightful Gladstone Court Museum. With a superb range of Scottish Ales from Broughton Breweries, Strathaven Ales and The Orkney Brewery. Over 18 only.

Festival Ball

Saturday 22 October

Municipal Hall (3)

7.30pm (midnight)

£25 (including buffet)



Biggar Big Band's world premier as a dance band! Led by guest conductor Richard Ingham, they'll play a range of music from Miller to Sinatra, to the Beatles. Your annual chance to dress up and party for a good cause!

Backdoor Productions Presents 'Saucy Jack and the Space Vixens'

Saturday 22 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7pm (10pm)

£8



Set on the planet Frottage 3 in an age where Disco is more of a religion than a musical genre, the Space Vixens are the intergalactic crime fighting force and the characters are part of an investigation into finding the 'Slingback Killer', Saucy Jack and the Space Vixens is an award winning musical that will stir your senses and help you lose your inhibitions. Come with us to a land where latex and love conquer all! *Suitable for age 16 and over.*

Festival Club

Saturday 22 October

Elphinstone Hotel (5)

9pm until late

FREE

A chance to relax, enjoy a drink and listen to some great music provided by local bands and performers.

BIGGAR DAY OUT

SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

VARIOUS VENUES

12 noon to 5pm

FREE

Story telling?

Street entertainment?

Food & craft fair?

Yes its Biggar Day Out once again as Biggar Little Festival pulls together the town's shops, cafes, museums, arts groups and others to provide our annual feast of fun.

What do you want to do? How about taking part in an event, rummaging through the food & craft fair, letting the kids hear a story or two in the tent, or getting them on the bouncy castle to burn off some energy? For those with less energy, what about visiting an exhibition or one of the museums, the Gas Works Steam Day, enjoying a show or just moseying around the town to do some shopping?

It's all there for you on Biggar Day Out. Come along, join in and help get the town buzzing.



Street Entertainment



A quick stroll down Biggar High Street and nearby brings you a host of entertainment. On the street this year we hope to have a huge bouncy castle, horse & carriage rides and music from talented buskers. The real entertainers will be yourselves out and about enjoying and creating the atmosphere as you hop in and out of all sorts of doors.

Festival Fair



Fine foods, arts, crafts jewellery and much more. They are all under one roof enabling you to browse a wide range of stalls and find something different. See the Biggar Day Out Programme for a full list of stall holders.

Artists Open Studios



As well as events in town a number of artists in the area will have their studios open today, to let the public share their creativity. See pages 32-33 for details.



Theatre Open Doors Day

Sunday 23 October

Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)

10am to 4.30pm

FREE ADMISSION



The internationally renowned Purves Puppets are celebrating their 41st year in puppetry.

Today you are invited to visit their beautiful Victorian-style theatre. Guided Tours start at 11.00am, 1.30pm & 3.30pm and the tearoom will be open all day selling teas, coffees, cakes and lunches!

You can also browse the puppet shop and antiques fair or wander in the walled gardens. Car parking on site.

Visit Feufield! Experience "Walking with Llamas"

Sunday 23 October

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Albion Workshop Open Day

Sunday 23 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details

Antiques and Collectors Fair

Sunday 23 October

Biggar Puppet Theatre (17)

10am to 4.30pm

FREE ADMISSION



What do you collect or treasure? Come and browse through a selection of antique & vintage pottery, jewellery, silver, books, coins, art & odd curiosities! Come along and support this unique event at the festival!

Moat Park Heritage Centre

Sunday 23 October

Moat Park (10)

11am to 4.30pm

FREE ENTRY

The museum is open throughout the day. Friends of Biggar Museum will be serving wine and shortbread between 2pm and 4.30pm.

Jazz Course UK – Jazz Weekender (2 day course)

Sunday 23 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details and booking information

Henna Painting

Sunday 23 October

The Taj Mahal (9)

12noon to 4pm

Prices vary



Henna painting is an ancient art and offers a non-permanent alternative to a tattoo. Choose from a range of creative designs then watch as Aby's sisters show off their henna painting skills. Pay at the door – prices vary depending upon the design chosen. Henna paint is not suitable for anyone with an allergy to henna. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Biggar Gas Works Steam Day

Sunday 23 October

Gas Works

2pm to 4pm Entry Fee

Artists Open Studios

Sunday 23 October

See pages 32-33 for details

Build A Biggar Bear – Teddy Making Workshops

Sunday 23 October

See Saturday 15 October for full details.

Mosaic Workshop

Sunday 23 October

Rachan, by Broughton (20)

12noon to 4pm (and Monday 7pm to 8pm)

£55 including materials



This workshop, led by Susheila Jamieson at her Rachan studio, introduces participants to direct method mosaic making. Come along and create your own mosaic. Simple ideas look stunning when made in glass or ceramic mosaic. This workshop is suitable for age 16 and over. Places limited. Advance booking essential on 01899 830443. Participants need to return on Monday 24 October from 7pm to 8pm to grout their work.

Biggar Little Beer Festival

Sunday 23 October

See Saturday 22 October for full details.

"Great atmosphere, huge variety and quality of beer, loved it"

Eagles Tribute Open Stage

Sunday 23 October

Corn Exchange (2)

1pm to 5pm

FREE ENTRY

A chance to enjoy local bands and soloists performing their version of all your favourite Eagles songs.

Any artistes interested in performing should contact John Riley on 01899 229429 or email: john@saocc.org.uk

Sundays@7: Jazz at the Junction

Sunday 23 October

The Kirk, Strawfrank Road, Carstairs Junction (21)

7pm (8.30pm)

£3 adults. Children free



Jazz Course UK in association with Carstairs Churches presents a jazz concert given by students as the culmination of a weekend jazz improvisation course running at The Music Workshop in Carstairs Junction. A relaxed café style evening performance with refreshments. Tickets available at the door or from Alan Gibson on 01555 871123 or 07854 491622

Fly Me To The Moon:

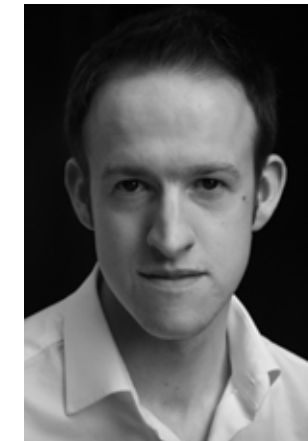
Anthony Bowers Sings The Great American Songbook

Sunday 23 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm (10pm)

£8 (includes glass of champagne)



Biggar boutique Plaisir presents a concert of classic American swing and jazz songs from the twentieth century. Join the talented Anthony Bowers and special guests for an evening of fantastic live music, including hits made famous by Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald and Nat King Cole. Ticket includes a glass of champagne.

Paul Zerdin, the Ventriloquist without a dummy!

Monday 24 October

Municipal Hall (3)

7.30pm (10.30pm)

£15



After touring Las Vegas, Cape Town, Shanghai and Beijing, and with a sell out show at the Edinburgh Fringe, Paul Zerdin is bringing his spectacular ventriloquist show to Biggar. With support act comedy magician Mandy Muden, known as the female Tommy Cooper, this promises to be a fantastic evening's entertainment. Parental Guidance recommended. Some mild bad language.

"Las Vegas and then Biggar, I can't believe we get these big names at the Festival. This one is definitely on the must-go-see list".

Concert in the Kirk with Coalburn Silver Band

Tuesday 25 October

Biggar Kirk (4)

7.30pm (10.30pm)

£5 / £4 concessions



A midweek concert hosted by Biggar Rotary Club in the atmospheric setting of historical Biggar Kirk. Formed in 1902 as a public subscription band, Coalburn Silver Band is now the only surviving brass band in the South Lanarkshire area, having its roots in the coal mining industry. They'll be supported tonight by Biggar Singers.

'Discoveries and Excavations: the highlights of 30 years work from the Biggar Archaeology Group

Monday 24 October

See Wednesday 19 October for full details.

Taj's Traditional Treats

Monday 24 October

See Monday 17 October for full details.

'Tales of the Supernatural' An Evening with Roddy Martine

Tuesday 25 October

Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)

7.30pm (10pm)

£5 (includes a glass of wine)



Come and meet author, journalist and broadcaster Roddy Martine by the fireside at Atkinson-Pryce to hear him talk about his book, "Haunted Scotland".

Taj's Traditional Treats

Tuesday 25 October

See Monday 17 October for full details.

Biggar High School Fashion and Costume Extravaganza

Wednesday 26 October

Biggar High School (16)

7pm (8.30pm)

£5 / £4 concessions



Biggar High School Art Department again teams up with local businesses to present a unique show of costume, fashion and hats designed, created and modelled by students in S1 to S6. You will be blown away by our young people's creativity! This promises to be a riot of colour and imagination.

"Always colourful and the kids really do come up with some great ideas!"

Taj's Traditional Treats

Wednesday 26 October

See Monday 17 October for full details.

Biggar Shorts - Mixed doubles

Wednesday 26 October

Corn Exchange (2)

7.30pm (10pm)

£6 / £5 concessions



Mixed Doubles: An Entertainment on Marriage is a series of short plays & sketches, each with two characters, composed by various English playwrights. The dramatic sketches, each portraying marriage at a different stage of life, are linked together by a series of anti-authoritarian monologues written by George Melly. An acidly humorous image of marriage from the moment of blessing up until the silver wedding anniversary. Suitable for age 12 and above.

"Biggar Shorts, always a festival favourite put it in your diary"

Taj's Traditional Treats

Thursday 27 October

See Monday 17 October for full details.

Young Musician Competition

Thursday 27 October

Biggar High School (16)

7pm (9.30pm)

£3 / £2 concessions

A lively and entertaining evening of music from Biggar's talented young musicians. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Biggar, the performers will compete in three sections – Senior and Junior instrumentalist, and Young Singer.

Andrew Greig

Thursday 27 October

Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)

7.30pm (9.30pm)

£5 (includes a glass of wine)



Acclaimed poet and author Andrew Greig will be at Atkinson-Pryce Books to celebrate the publication of his new poetry collection "As Though We Were Flying", and a new anthology of previous works "Getting Higher". Suitable for Adults. Places limited.

K.M. Grant**Friday 28 October**Atkinson-Pryce Bookshop (12)
3.30pm (4.30pm)

FREE



Come and meet K M Grant, author of fabulous historical adventure stories who will be at the bookshop after a primary school visit. (Please note Primary School visit is not open to the public). She will be signing books including her most recent, "Belle's Song". Suitable for age nine to thirteen

Musical Cabaret Evening**Friday 28 October**Corn Exchange (2)
7.30pm (9.30pm)

£5



Biggar Theatre Workshop presents a fun packed Cabaret evening featuring music, songs and laughter. Come along and be entertained with music and song including some interesting arrangements of old favourites.

"This is such a fun night, highly recommend going with your friends."

Flamenco Dance Workshop**Saturday 29 October**St Mary's Hall (8)
10am to 12noon

£8



A fun and relaxed workshop with tutor Julia Ferrer who will lead you through the basic movements of the Sevillanas, a popular and vivid Flamenco-style dance. Places limited. Suitable for age 12 and over.

Halloween Party**Saturday 29 October**St Mary's Hall (8)
2 to 4pm

£3 Child. Adults free



Spookily Spectacular Halloween Party with games and entertainment and prizes for the best fancy dress outfit. Suitable for birth to 6 years.

Biggar Little Festival Blues Concert**Saturday 29 October**Municipal Hall (3)
Doors open 7.15pm for 8pm start (11.30pm)

£15



Clydesdale Folk Club presents the very best of British Electric Blues musicians featuring The Norman Beaker Band fronted by the one and only Chris Farlowe (Out of Time) with Scotland's own Maggie Bell (No Mean City). Unsuitable for younger children.

"End of the Festival, time to relax, settle down and enjoy the music, can't beat it"

BLF @ BYP**Biggar Youth Project (18)**

Times to be confirmed

FREE

Biggar Youth Project will be running a programme of arts-related activities for young people of high school age. Log on to www.theauldauctionring.co.uk for further details.

Pottery Painting with Bizzy Berry Pottery

Venue and times to be confirmed

Prices vary



Welcome to Bizzy Berry Pottery, Biggar's very own pottery painting experience. Create your very own masterpiece with workshops throughout the Festival. Log on to www.bizzyberry.com for further details.

Festival Club**Friday 28th October**The Crown Inn (6)
9pm until late

FREE

A chance to relax, enjoy a drink and listen to some great music provided by local bands and performers.

Visit Feufield! Experience "Walking with Llamas"**Saturday 29 October**

See Saturday 15 October for full details.

Build A Biggar Bear – Teddy Making Workshops**Saturday 29 October**

See Saturday 15 October for full details.

Albion Workshop Open Day**Saturday 29 October**

See Saturday 15 October for full details

Open Studios is a new venture for Biggar Little Festival. Local artists open their hearts and souls to let the public share their creativity. Use the map on the programme back cover to head in the right direction.

Amy Marshall

Saturday 15 October

Also open on Sunday 16, Wednesday 19 to Sunday 23 and Wednesday 26 to Saturday 29 October.

46 High Street, Biggar

ML12 6BJ (A)

10am to 5pm

FREE



Local artist Amy Marshall will be exhibiting a range of her work including winter scenes, forest paintings and seascapes from the Highlands & Islands. There will also be works featuring the rural landscape around Biggar. Some artwork for sale.

Carol Taylor

Saturday 15 October

Also open on Sunday 16, Wednesday 19 to Sunday 23 and Wednesday 26 to Saturday 29 October.

The Studio, 20 Carding Street,

Symington ML12 6AS (B)

10am to 6pm

FREE



Local professional artist Carol Taylor MA RCA invites you to join her at her studio to view a variety of original paintings and limited edition giclee prints. She has received research grants which have enabled her to work with scientists, finding inspiration based on plant life through a microscope. Art work is for sale. You may like to have a look at Carol's website on www.castaylor.com

Kirsten Harris

Saturday 15 October

Also open on Sunday 16, Wednesday 19 to Sunday 23 and Wednesday 26 to Saturday 29 October.

Berry Knowe Cottage,

Westsidewood, Carnwath, South

Lanarkshire ML11 8LJ (G)

10am to 6pm

FREE



Visit the studio of professional artist Kirsten Harris. Working in oils, watercolours and pencils Kirsten's exciting, colourful contemporary paintings vary in subject matter from landscapes and seascapes to horses and the depiction of speed.

Tom Henry

Saturday 22 October

Also open on Sunday 23 October.

12A Abington Road, Symington

ML12 6JX (C)

10am to 4pm

FREE



Visit the studio of this year's exceptionally talented Tom Henry. Working primarily in oils Tom's work is mainly figurative and tends to fall in to two categories; the invented, which looks at life's little struggles with self indulgent humour and from life, which until now has meant mostly portraiture. To Tom his art will always be more about the journey than the destination.

Trudi Breen

Saturday 22 October

Also open on Sunday 23 October.

Libberton House, Libberton,

Lanark ML11 8LX (F)

10am to 5pm

FREE



An exciting range of artwork on display.

Judi Rutherford

Saturday 22 October

Also open on Sunday 23 October.

Wyndales Cottage, Symington,

Biggar ML12 6JU (D)

11am to 4pm

FREE



An exciting range of artwork on display and for sale.

Douglas Davies

Saturday 22 October

Also open on Sunday 23 October.

Loanfoot, Skirling ML12 6HD (E)

11am to 4pm

FREE



Visit the studio, see work in progress and chat with the artist.

"I just didn't realise that there were so many talented artists working in the area, I can't wait to spend a few afternoons visiting them."

Artwork in the Kirk

Friday 14, Saturday 15,
Sunday 16, Friday 21,
Saturday 22,
Sunday 23, Friday 28
and Saturday 29 October
Biggar Kirk (4)

See At a Glance section for opening times on each day.

FREE



Two very different local artists, Virginia Colley BA, and Aura Wallace BA, MSc, are exhibiting their work in this dramatic and unusual space. Colley's work is figurative, intelligent and diverse, while Aura Wallace's is delightfully sensitive, lyrical and abstract. All artwork is for sale, with a percentage going to the Church Fund

Medwyn Art Group Exhibition

Friday 14 to
Thursday 20 October

Biggar Legion Hall (15)

11am to 5pm

FREE



An exhibition of paintings by the Medwyn Art Group

"The amount of talent we have is unbelievable, I can't wait to see it all."

Exhibition of Biggar High School Students Art Work

Friday 14 to
Saturday 29 October

Biggar Public Library (16)

Mon & Fri 9.30pm to 4pm, Tue & Thur
3pm to 8pm, Sat 9.30am to 4pm

FREE

A colourful and varied exhibition of art work by talented past and present students of Biggar High School.

The Street Gallery – Water, Water Everywhere

Friday 14 to
Saturday 29 October

High Street Shops

Mon to Sat 10am to 4pm Sun 12noon
to 4pm

Expect vibrant colours and images as Biggar Primary School pupils from nursery through to P7 transform the High Street windows into a gallery with their rich and varied water themed artwork.

Art at the Corn Exchange

Saturday 15, Sunday 16,
Saturday 22, Sunday 23
and Saturday 29 October

Corn Exchange (2)

Sat 10am to 5pm, Sun 12noon to 4pm

FREE



The Art Gallery at the Corn Exchange proudly presents a wonderful exhibition of art by Edward Bowen, Daniel Campbell, Lynn Hanley, Craig MacMaster, Amy Marshall and Pamela Dawson Taylor.

The exhibition will run throughout the Biggar Little Festival (see opening times) We would be especially delighted if would join us on Sat 15th Oct for a glass of wine at the opening of the exhibition and also on Thursday 20th Oct for 'An Evening with the Artists' (The evening with the artists has always been a popular event and this year promises to be extra special in our new refurbished venue). See Thursday 20th Oct for more details.

biggART

Monday 17 to
Sunday 23 October

Gillespie Centre (1)

Mon to Sat 10am to 4pm Sun 12noon
to 4pm

FREE



"From Biggar to The Sea" Treats of visual art abound in biggART 2011. Guests, Tom Henry, local painter and Sharon Pringle, textile artist in residence at Edinburgh School of Art, combine with local artists and makers to stimulate the senses.

Kaleidoscope – an eclectic mix of artwork and photography

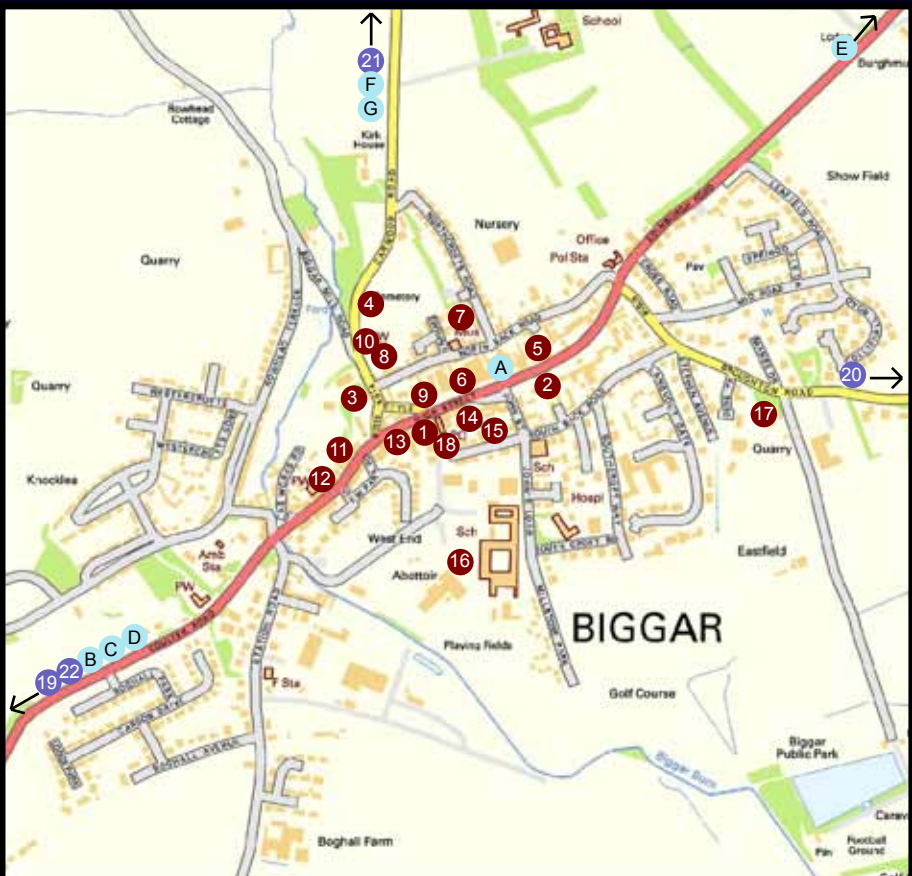
Saturday 22 and
Sunday 23 October

St Mary's Hall (8)

Sat 12 noon to 5pm, Sun 11am to 5pm



Artwork and Photographic exhibition: presenting artwork by Ian McGregor Fraser and Ingrid Christie plus photography by Ken Foulis (The Biggar Gallery) and members of Biggar Camera Club.



Biggar Little Festival Main Venues

Venues in Biggar

1. Gillespie Centre & Festival Box Office
2. Corn Exchange
3. Municipal Hall
4. Biggar Kirk
5. Elphinstone Hotel
6. The Crown Inn
7. Gladstone Court Museum
8. St Marys Hall
9. Taj Mahal
10. Moat Park Heritage Museum
11. Plaisir
12. Atkinson Pryce Bookshop
13. Biggar Bears
14. Aroma Coffee Shop
15. British Legion Hall
16. Biggar High School and Public Library

17. Biggar Pupper Theatre
18. Biggar Youth Project

Venues outside Biggar

19. Feufield Farm, Symington
20. Rachan by Broughton
21. Carstairs Junction Kirk
22. Mill Inn, Coulter

Open Studios

- A. Amy Marshall
- B. Carol Taylor
- C. Tom Henry
- D. Judi Rutherford
- E. Douglas Davis, Skirling
- F. Trudi Breen - Libberton
- G. Kirsten Harris - Carnwath