



to absent friends ...

1st - 7th November 2023 ...although we are extending the Festivities a bit longer!

NHSGGC Events
Programme

To Absent Friends gives people across Scotland an excuse to remember, to tell stories, to celebrate and to reminisce about people we love who have died. To Absent Friends, a People's Festival of Storytelling and Remembrance is an opportunity to revive lost traditions and create new ones 🌿

The 2023 edition will be the festival's 10th anniversary.

Friday 3rd November

Topic: Death Cafe
When: Friday 3rd November, 1.30pm-2.30pm
Who is it for: Open to all
Delivered by: ACP Programme on MS Teams



This event is an informal space to talk with others about something which affects us all...so boil the kettle, raid the biscuit tin and come and join the conversation!

[Click Here to Register](#)

Wednesday 8th November

Topic: Bereavement Through Suicide
When: Wednesday 8th November 6.30-8.00pm
Who is it for: Open to all
Delivered by: ACP Programme on MS Teams



Guest Speaker, Xani Byrne

Xani lost his sister, Alice, to suicide in 2022. As a tribute to her, and a way to meet others affected by suicide, he took on a mammoth cycling expedition on a tandem around the British Coastline. Come and hear Xani's thoughts and reflection about the importance of support and how we can show others they are not alone in grief.

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Other Events Happening Across Scotland

To Absent Friends is a National Week so there is plenty going on where ever you are, but here are some of the events we are looking forward to in the Greater Glasgow and Clyde Area!

There are a couple of **in-person Death Cafes** happening during the festival in Glasgow:

- Thursday 2nd November 7.30pm at Finn's Place in Battlefield Glasgow (near the New Victoria Hospital)
- Tuesday 7th November, 12pm at Pollokshaws Methodist Church

Our Friends at **Pushing Up The Daisies** have a couple of events looking at **how we can care for and remember our loved ones immediately after their death.**

- Saturday 4th November, 2-4pm at Finn's Place in Battlefield Glasgow (near the New Victoria Hospital)
- Thursday 9th November, 7pm at GalGael in Drumchapel

Friends of Southern Necropolis would like to extend a warm invitation to join them and Strum For Life acoustic group, for a unique and special event taking the opportunity to Remember In Pictures (RIP) those who are no longer with us, but held within a special place in our hearts and minds. **Sunday 5th November 2023, 12pm till 2pm, Southern Necropolis, Caledonia Road, Gorbals, Glasgow.**

This year there are lots of online events too - check out the Full National Programme here!

For more information on all events...