

The Creative Tide

Autumn + Winter 2026



Welcome

Cromarty is getting creative this autumn

As the nights begin to draw in, things are most definitely not slowing down at Cromarty Arts Trust. In fact, quite the opposite.

Our autumn and winter programme is packed with opportunities to **make, learn, listen, gather and experience something brilliant in Cromarty**, from traditional craft and outstanding live music to festive favourites and one of our biggest creative weekends of the year.

And you have been keeping us busy too. Places have been disappearing quickly, with some events already fully booked.

So, if something catches your eye, this might not be the season for leaving it until later.

[SEE FULL EVENTS CALENDAR](#)



BRING YOUR OWN PATTERN REBECCA THE SEWIST
SAT / SUN 10- 11TH OCT | THE STABLES | 10AM-4.30PM
2 DAY WORKSHOP £125

Bring Your Own Pattern with Rebecca The Sewist

Got a sewing pattern sitting at home that you would love to make but haven't quite had the confidence to tackle?

Bring it to Cromarty.

Rebecca returns for a two day workshop designed to help you work through your own project with expert tuition, practical support and plenty of encouragement. A sewing machine can be arranged for your use at the workshop.

REGISTER YOUR PLACE



NIKITA LUKINOV | PIANIST
SUN 18 OCT | THE STABLES | DOORS 3PM
£22.50 | Conc. £20 | Under 25 £18

THE STABLES WELCOMES.....

Nikita Lukinov, Pianist

An autumn Sunday afternoon. The intimacy and acoustics of The Stables. And an exceptional pianist at our piano.

This is exactly the kind of experience our performance programme is about.

Join us in October as **Nikita Lukinov** comes to Cromarty for an afternoon recital. Journey from the shimmering, dreamlike world of Debussy to the drama and passion of Rachmaninov.

Nikita Lukinov's programme explores some of the most atmospheric music of the late Romantic and Impressionist eras. Debussy's *Ondine* and *La Cathédrale Engloutie* evoke water, mystery and submerged worlds, while rarely heard works by Stanchinsky and Liadov bring moments of delicacy and rich musical colour.

The mood darkens with Mussorgsky's thrilling *Night on Bald Mountain*, before music by Liszt leads towards the powerful finale: **Rachmaninov's Piano Sonata No.2**, a breathtaking work of virtuosity, passion and intensity.

A remarkable programme, performed in the intimate setting of The Stables.

BOOK YOUR TICKETS

A promotional image for a performance. It features a close-up of a woman with curly blonde hair, looking down with a serene expression. The background is a deep blue with several white stars of varying sizes. In the top right corner, there is a circular logo for the 'CROMARTY MUSIC ARTS TRUST' which includes a small illustration of a building. At the bottom, a dark teal banner contains white text.

QUEEN OF THE NIGHT | EVELYN LAURIE
WED 04 NOV | OLD BREWERY | DOORS 7PM
£10 | U25 £8

THE OLD BREWERY WELCOMES.....

EVELYN LAURIE Queen of the Night

A lifelong singer, known for her transcendent vocals and contemporary stylings, Evelyn, who hails from Paisley, Scotland, has been delighting audiences with her distinctive approach to well-known tracks, and, above all, original compositions, in recent years.

An eclectic artist who draws inspiration from every corner of the music landscape, she has made a name in both domestic & international circles as a gifted singer & songwriter, working across many genres from jazz to folk.

Her various recordings of three albums and several singles, have been hailed as “stunningly beautiful”, a “fantastic musical masterpiece”, “an absolute gem” and comments on her performances have included:

“Fabulous” – Langtoun Jazz Festival

“Pitch perfect vocals” – Mill Magazine

“Distinctive voice, great presence...will go far” – BBC Radio

“The album gets better with every listen...” Mike Richards, Lincoln City Radio

“The audience loved her” Rockfield Arts Centre, Oban

“If you get a chance to hear Evelyn perform then I strongly suggest you do so as she’s absolutely magnificent.” – Off the Record review blog

“Like all the very best artists, Evelyn transcends categories and genres” – audience review

Her latest project, ***Queen of the Night***, is her most ambitious yet, comprising 14 original songs on the universal theme of sleeping & dreaming, each teamed with its own specially created video, by turns meditative, whimsical and humorous.

BOOK YOUR TICKETS



FLUTEFEST OPEN REHEARSAL 2026

SUN 08 NOV | ST REGULUS CHURCH | DOORS 3.45PM
DONATION AT THE DOOR

ST REGULUS CHURCH PRESENTS.....

FLUTEFEST 2026 OPEN REHEARSAL

Flutefest returns to The Old Brewery Fri 06 Nov – Sun 08 Nov, bringing together flute players of all ages and abilities for 3 days of workshops, playing and learning together.

On Sunday 08 Nov, the programme of rehearsals are at St Regulus Church, and from 3.45pm the doors are open to everyone. Come along to hear what the players have been working on over the weekend. Entry is free, with donations welcome at the door for Church Funds.

Whether you play yourself or just enjoy the sound of the flute, it's a lovely way to spend a Sunday afternoon, and a chance to celebrate the players and tutors who make Flutefest happen.



THE STABLES....

KITCHEN TABLE COLLECTIVE – ART EXHIBITION 2026

A gathering of nine artists, each bringing their own distinctive practice, perspective and creative voice to The Stables.

The **Kitchen Table Collective** brings together an exciting mix of contemporary work in an exhibition shaped by connection, conversation and shared creativity.

Join the Artists for their opening on **Friday 06 November at 7pm**, then explore the exhibition from **07 to 15 November** at The Stables, Cromarty.

Come along, meet the artists and discover what happens when nine creative practices share one space.

FREE ENTRY



CROMARTY CHRISTMAS CRAFT MARKET 2026

FRI 13TH NOV | 6PM - 8PM | OLD BREWERY

SAT 14TH SUN 15TH NOV | 10AM - 4PM

THE OLD BREWERY.....

CROMARTY CHRISTMAS CRAFT MARKET 2026

Join us for this year's Cromarty Craft Market and enjoy a carefully selected range of handmade work from local and regional makers.

The market brings together artists, designers and craftspeople working across textiles, ceramics, jewellery, print, wood, glass, homeware, gifts and more. It is a great opportunity to buy directly from makers, find something special and support creative businesses from Cromarty, the Black Isle and beyond.

Set within the welcoming surroundings of Cromarty Arts Trust, the Craft Market is always a popular day out for visitors and local residents alike. Come along, browse at your own pace, meet the makers and enjoy the atmosphere.

Whether you are looking for a unique gift, something beautiful for your home, or simply a chance to enjoy high quality local craft, we would love to see you there.

Friday 6pm – 8pm – Free Mulled wine and Mince Pies

Saturday & Sunday 10am – 4pm

FREE ENTRY



HANNAH RARITY & ANNA MASSIE'S FESTIVE SPECIAL
SUN 06 DEC | THE STABLES | DOORS 7PM
£20 | Conc. £18 | Family Ticket £35

THE STABLES WELCOMES.....

HANNAH RARITY & ANNA MASSIE'S CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

An evening of festive fun with two of Scotland's foremost performers: folk-inspired singer/songwriter Hannah Rarity and multi-instrumentalist Anna Massie. With their *HannAnnaRama* Christmas gigs now established as a firm favourite amongst folkie festive fixtures, the pair combine forces to bring you new takes on classic numbers and original material, all delivered with a warmth and humour that's bound to get you in the festive spirit!

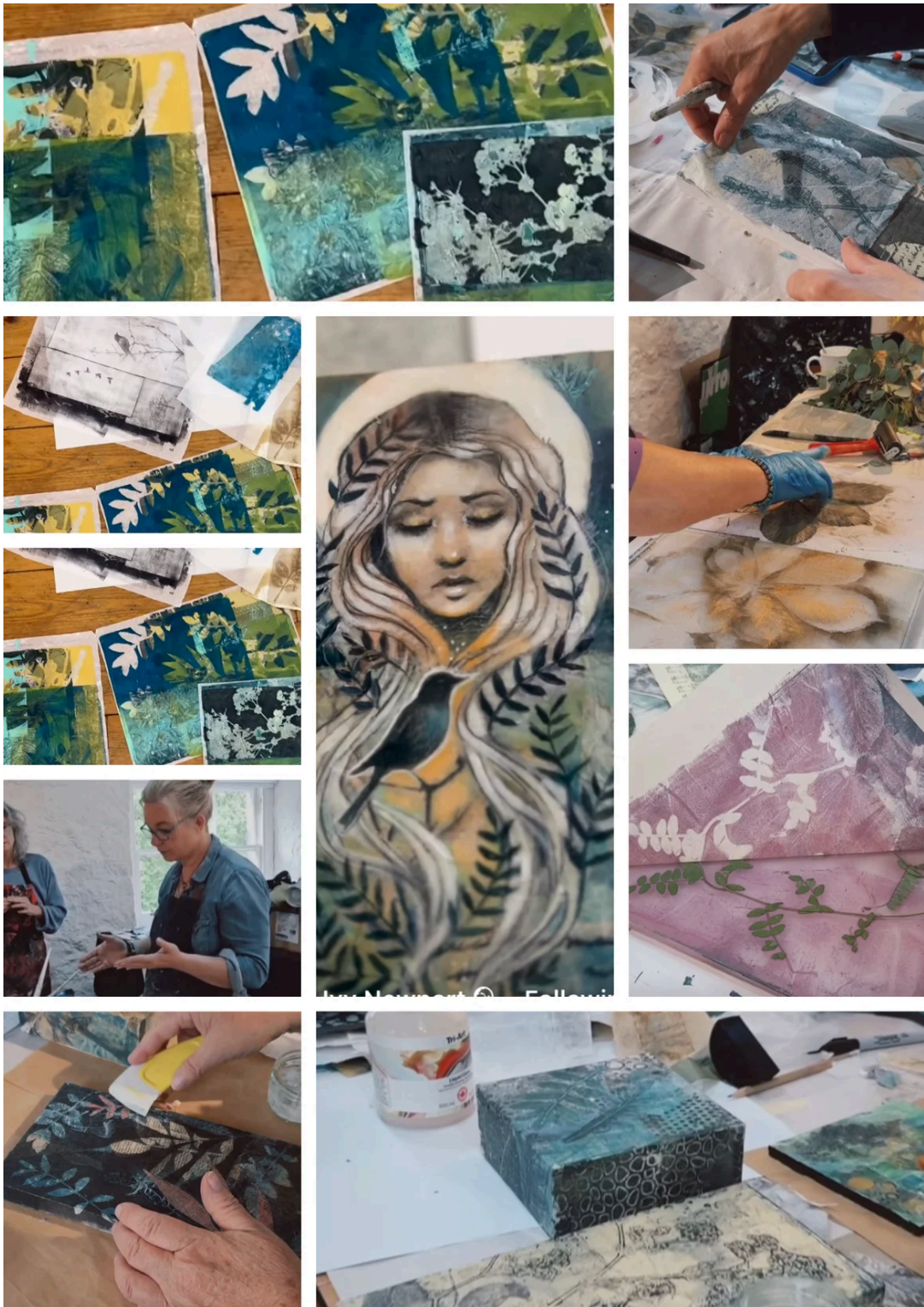
"...lively, often witty arrangements...compelling at the heart." **MOJO**

"It's hard not to fall a little in love with the voice of Hannah Rarity"

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Recent Highlights



SUSAN MCCREEVY'S BOTANICAL ART RETREAT - AUG 26

What a week!

For five nights, The Old Brewery was home to Susan's residential art retreat, bringing together students from across the world for a week of printing, layering and making.

In the studio, the group explored botanical printmaking and mixed media, using leaves, plants and found textures to build up rich, layered pieces on paper and wood. The photos speak for themselves: the range and confidence of the work produced in just a few days is remarkable.

It wasn't all work. Evenings included a trip to the cinema, late-night shopping with prosecco at Calluna, and a sauna and swim to round things off.

Thank you to Susan and to everyone who came and made it such a special week. We are getting prepared for Susan's next retreat in Oct.

Funding & Opportunities



JUNE 2026

Thank you, Port of Nigg

We're delighted to announce a donation of £2,500 from Maren at Port of Nigg to support our operations.

This generous gift will help us continue to bring workshops, performances and events to the community. Support like this makes a real difference to a small organisation like ours, and allows us to keep offering high-quality arts activity to people in Cromarty and the Black Isle.

Our warm thanks to Maren and everyone at Port of Nigg for their support.

If your business would like to support our work, we'd love to hear from you

From Our Artists & Residents



SEPT 2026

CORRINA DAWN – TUTOR

Harp Village 2026: a hugely successful weekend

This year's Harp Village was a joy from start to finish. Harpists travelled from across the USA and Europe to join us at The Old Brewery from 18 – 20 SEP for 3 days of workshops, tuition and playing together.

It was wonderful to see players from so many countries come together, share music and make new friends, and to welcome them to Cromarty.

Thank you to our tutors Corrina, Mary and Freya and to everyone who took part. We can't wait to do it all again next year.

Feedback from participants has been great.

"This was my fourth "Harp Village". It's always a great weekend on several levels, and I wouldn't miss it for the world. The location and venue definitely make it for me"

"The accommodation and food was brilliant. Staff are so friendly and welcoming.

Recruitment

Welcome, Jamie

We're pleased to welcome Jamie Miller to the team as our new Business and Operations Coordinator.



Jamie will be looking after the day-to-day running of operations. Key responsibilities, e.g. finance, bookings, venue management, supporting funding and partnerships, helping us strengthen the foundations that keep our programme running smoothly.

You'll find Jamie at Ardyne House from 12 October. Jamie is the new contact for bookings, hires or enquiries.

Be Part of Something Creative

Cromarty Arts Trust is powered by people. From welcoming audiences and supporting events to helping behind the scenes, our volunteers

play a vital role in bringing creativity, learning and cultural experiences to our community.

Whether you have a few hours to spare each month or would like to become more regularly involved, there are many ways to help. You might enjoy meeting artists and performers, greeting visitors, assisting at workshops and concerts, helping with exhibitions, sharing practical skills or simply being part of a friendly and enthusiastic team.

Volunteering is a wonderful way to meet new people, learn new skills, contribute to your community and support the arts in Cromarty. No previous experience is required, just a willingness to get involved.

If you have ever attended one of our events and thought, "I'd love to be part of this", we'd love to hear from you.

To find out more about volunteering opportunities with Cromarty Arts Trust, please get in touch at info@cromartyartstrust.org.uk.

Until next time...

Whether you've joined us for a concert, workshop, exhibition, residency, stay at the Old Brewery, or simply enjoy following what we do, thank you for being part of the Cromarty Arts Trust story.

There is always something new taking shape behind our doors, from music and making to learning, conversation and community. We look forward to sharing the next chapter with you.

See you in Cromarty

Creating, learning and connecting through the arts in the Scottish Highlands.

Cromarty Arts Trust

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