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Winter Newsletter

Welcome to Create Centre's Winter Newsletter

Read on to find out about news, events & activities here at Create.

What's on - Create



Create Café exhibition, **Rocking Rockpools** by Tom Davey.

On until 27th March, **Rocking Rockpools** presents the gorgeous, vibrant and quirky artwork from Tom Davey's children's picture book of the same name. It follows a family of crabs as they adventure from rockpool to rockpool exploring the history of rock music. We see many familiar characters from rock history as the 'crablings' and their 'old ones' embark on a fun and exuberant journey of self-discovery and belonging. Don't forget to take a look if you have a few minutes spare.

And don't forget you can catch the last few days of **Green Register's 25th anniversary exhibition** in the galleries until Friday the 23rd January.

Interested in an exhibition of your organisation's work? We have some spaces in the gallery programme and would be keen to provide a platform for the amazing work you all do, so come and speak to us about it!

What's on - Create

We are delighted to have welcomed some fabulous new tenant organisations to the Create community since our last newsletter;

Adfree cities: a network of groups challenging outdoor corporate advertising and reclaiming public space for art, community and nature. Their work covers many area of harmful advertising from Big Oil greenwash to vape advertising to kids. You can find more information at: [Home - Adfree Cities](#)



Navas Drinks: a certified BCorp who create premium drinks made with Cornish spring water. Navas promote responsible relationships with the environment and are proudly partnered with the Eden project to support and endorse their aims of 'working together for the benefit of all living things'. More information at: [Navas Drinks - Premium Botanical Mixers](#)

The Nature Consortia – Open Minds Active CIC: the Nature Consortia is made up of three Bristol based organisations who all seek to alleviate mental stress and improve wellbeing through nature-based activity. More information at: [The Nature Consortia – Open Minds Active](#)

DOPTIO: a CIC providing training to organisations and advice to vulnerable individuals in debt. They are committed to the advancement of education, the advancement of health and the advancement of human rights, conflict resolution and equality.

What's on - Tenants

Adfree Cities - is recruiting!

Hello from Adfree Cities! We're new(ish) tenants in Create. We're a national campaign made up of volunteer groups round the UK and a HQ of six part time staff based here in Bristol. We campaign to reduce the harms of corporate advertising, building grassroots power to oppose plans for new billboards and showcasing community arts, nature and ad-free space as positive alternatives. We lobby for policy change and work with a growing network of allies to address the health and environmental impacts of advertising. **And we're recruiting!** We're seeking a **Big Oil Creative Campaigner**: please do apply or pass on to people and networks you think might be interested. In general, you can keep in touch with our goings-on via our [newsletter](#) and [Instagram](#).

<https://adfreecities.org.uk/work-with-us/big-oil-arts-campaigner/>

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Bristol Older People's Forum

Join the BOPF team!

We're recruiting a Project Worker and an Admin Worker for our exciting two-year Nature Together project supporting older people to play an active role in protecting and restoring nature across Bristol. [Find out more about the roles and how to apply.](#) Applications are open to all age groups.

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Green Register: The Green Register has a vacancy for a 'van owner, on a self-drive, owner driver basis'. Be able to tow a trailer, be based in Bristol, Ad hoc work so must be flexible, good rates of pay. Please contact Amanda - mail@greenregister@org.uk for more information.

10% off upcoming Green Register skills and training

"For over two decades, The Green Register has trained construction professionals to build better, more sustainable buildings.

For a limited time, we're offering 10% off our upcoming [training events](#), [CPD training](#), and [Retrofit Skills](#). Whether you're looking for a one-off event, bespoke training for your team, or want to boost your business with a new qualification - there's something for everyone. Use code **JAN2026** to get 10% off until 31st January.

This offer extends to our Retrofit Skills qualification - a hybrid qualification providing foundational training for individuals and businesses looking to move into retrofit construction. This course is ideal for contractors, architects, tradespeople and other professionals who wish to develop or improve their technical knowledge, as well as homeowners undergoing their own retrofit who would like to know more about how to retrofit a home successfully while avoiding common pitfalls.

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Available Light Productions:

Encounters with Remarkable Women - 31st March, 7- 9pm, Clifton Library



Film maker David Parker shares encounters with some astonishing women including: novelist, Elizabeth Jane Howard, artist and food writer, Dorothy Hartley, Exmoor caravan dweller and writer, Hope Bourne, kindertransport evacuee Lore Prankett, Auschwitz survivor, Esther Bejerano and the incredible pioneer of women on the land, Beatrix Havergal. David has featured all of them in films he has made over the last 30 years and he will share some thoughts about why these women were such remarkable trail blazers in their time.

Doors & bar 6.30pm. £5 on the door or in advance from Friends of Clifton Library www.foccal.com

A Concert for the Countryside - Sunday 29th March at 7pm Bristol Beacon

Join us for a special one-night celebration as the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) and the Bristol Youth Orchestra present A Concert for the Countryside: a powerful tribute to 100 years of championing England's rural heritage told through live orchestral music and stunning film. Celebrating the beauty, diversity and spirit of the English countryside from 1926 to 2026, with footage curated by David Parker and Bob Pitt from Available Light Productions. Tickets from Bristol Beacon £8.50 - £20 Presented by Bristol Beacon, CPRE, & Available Light Productions.

Life Cycle's Free Dr Bike Service :

Travelwest is offering a free Dr Bike service at [Life Cycle's Hub](#) in HMP Bishopston carpark. This service is open to anyone living, working, or studying in Bristol. Life Cycle's experienced mechanics carry out a range of essential bike checks and repairs, including:

- Replacing inner tubes
- Adjusting or replacing brake cables and brake blocks
- Adjusting gear cables and indexing
- Adjusting handlebars or saddle height
- Lubricating moving parts

To get your free bike check, simply [apply via the Travel Offers Survey](#). Once your application has been approved, a member of the team will be in touch to arrange the next steps.

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Hello from your friends at Circle Interactive



The advertisement for Civi360 features a dark blue background with a glowing lightbulb containing a small tree. The Civi360 logo is on the left, and the tagline 'A CRM that's built for non-profits.' is below it. The main headline 'Grow your impact, not your admin!' is in large, bold, white text. At the bottom, there are four circular icons with text: 'Fundraising', 'Event management', 'Memberships', and 'Mailings'. To the right, a text block encourages users to pass on the tool to charities outgrowing spreadsheets. It includes a 'Demo' link, a 'Drop in' invitation, and a Civi360 logo with a 'Find out more' link and website address.

If you know charities in your network that are outgrowing spreadsheets or struggling with complex or expensive systems, please feel free to pass this on.

Visit our new Demo and have a play.
<https://demo.civi360.com>

Even better drop in and say hi, and ask us for a tour, we'd love to see you!

Civi360 Find out more about Civi360, our new cloud based CRM www.civi360.com

We have recently launched **Civi360**, a ready-to-use CRM designed specifically for small and medium charities. Civi360 brings together the essentials many charities rely on every day, including: Contact and supporter management. Email communications,. Events and bookings. Memberships and fundraising. Clear reporting, all in one place. It is low cost and quick to get started with. You can find more details here including links to the free Demo: www.civi360.com

And lastly

As part of an ongoing partnership with [Black Bark](#) film productions – a Bristol based female-led production company, we have added new films to the exhibition area, (the walls on the way to the lecture theatre), the films now showing are;

‘Think Global, Act Avonmouth’ – short film exploring big environmental themes affecting people in Avonmouth and presenting perspectives from a wide range of local voices.

‘I am boat’ - short documentary about 14 children from Shirehampton Primary School worked with artist [Rachael Clerke](#) and [Bristol Photo festival](#) exploring themes of shipping and globalisation to create a global shipping game.

‘Epic Fail’ - short documentary about the co-creation of a performance piece, where children explored the idea of experiencing that it’s ok to try something new and fail! A collaboration between [Common Wealth Theatre](#) and comedian and musician [Kid Carpet](#).

Do tell your work colleagues and visitors and we hope you get time to enjoy them at some point.

If it’s not too late to say it, wishing everyone a Happy New Year, may it bring you all that you wish and work for.

From the Create team