



# Columcille Newsletter, Autumn 2015



**Columcille** enables creative experience in jewellery, gardening, cooking, arts and crafts, music, dance and drama. The social and friendship links are an important part of being here. We have 27 full time equivalent places with most people having a part time place. Columcille Eskbank is a small day resource in Midlothian. For more information please contact the manager, Martin Dawson, also check the website.

## Borders College Awards

6 Craft group participants achieved Borders College Sessional Awards Certificates in Mosaic



work, making Teapot shaped place mats and star shaped candle holders.

**Several members enjoyed** a steam train journey on the Bo'ness and Kinneil Railway - in the spirit of rural railways and the opening of the Borders Waverley route. Outings and journeys are an integral part of Columcille life.

**Columcille Ceilidh Band** were delighted to play a welcome ceilidh for Umlezi Choir from South Africa. The choir, from Umlezi secondary school in South Africa, were performing for 6 evenings in the Assembly Rooms during the Festival. It was equally wonderful to play for Braidburn School's 10th anniversary celebration and for 15 other events .....



## Forthcoming events

### Columcille Art Exhibition

opens on Monday 9th November through to Friday 27th November, in Craigmillar Library. Do call in and see the inspiring art work—and maybe have a coffee in the library cafe

### Columcille Christmas Play Tuesday 15th De-

**cember at 2.30pm.** A wonderful way to welcome in Christmas and will be followed by tea and mince pies. All welcome, though do ring and book your place.

## Autumn at Columcille

**Columcille Autumn Fair** was on Saturday 12th September with sales, café, music and storytelling.

**The Michaelmas play** on 29th September was a reflective and an uplifting time for all involved.



**Halloween party** preparations are well underway with a promise of a hair-raising and funny event!



**Music for ALL** has had an excellent and upbeat start of our music year, with continuing appreciation to our participants, volunteers and venue staff. We have a few spaces on Thursdays. The Friday music group will be moving to Craigmillar Richmond Church Hall in January as New Trinity Centre is re-provisioning.

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