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Group Descriptions

Anxiety Group - This group runs over 5 weeks and is an opportunity to explore what anxiety is and how it affects people. We look at autistic differences in experiences of anxiety with the view to assisting people in the group to better understand their own experience of anxiety and begin developing strategies to manage it. Please contact Andy for further information: andrew.horseman@aiscotland.org.uk

Art Group - Meets online via Skype on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 2.30-3.30pm. The group provides the opportunity to meet other people to talk about arts and crafts that you enjoy and to participate in simple drawing and painting exercises. The group is open to anyone who has the desire to be creative. We ask that you have some basic art materials ready including pencils, pens and plain paper. For more information please contact Ashley: ashley.mclennan@aiscotland.org.uk

Book Group - Meets from 1.30-2.30pm on the 4th Tuesday of every month, in the training room at Hill Street. We choose a book to read each month, discuss that book during the group and then spend a bit of time considering the book for the next group. The group is currently full, but if you are interested in joining, then let Matthew know (matthew.day@aiscotland.org.uk), as there may be remote options or you could be a reserve for anyone not able to make it in any given month.

Bus Group – The group will meet at Number 6 at 10am on Monday 6th September. For more details please contact Matthew at: matthew.day@aiscotland.org.uk

Coffee and Chat - This group meets in person at Number 6 on the 1st (Group A) and 3rd (Group B) Tuesday of the month and online via Skype on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The online sessions run from 3-4pm and the in-person sessions run from 1-2.30pm. This group provides a space for people to meet up and talk about how you're doing, to share experiences and build companionship. *Please note that due to Covid restrictions we are not able to provide hot drinks or snacks but participants are welcome to bring their own.* For more information please contact Karina: karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

Coffee Evening - Meets every Tuesday on Skype from 6-7pm. This is a safe and confidential space where we chat about how our week has been, any worries we have and just about life in general. This is a closed group but please contact Zaid if you would like more information: zaid.al-nayazi@aiscotland.org.uk

Creative Writing - This group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 11am to 12.30. On the 1st Thursday we meet online via Skype and on the 3rd Thursday we meet in person at Number 6. During the session the staff facilitator leads one or two short writing exercises. We use prompts to come up with poems, prose and short stories and participants are encouraged to read out their work if they feel comfortable doing so. For more information please contact Karina: karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

Film and TV chat - Meets via Skype on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 2pm- 3.30pm. The group is an opportunity for people who enjoy film and TV shows to get together and discuss things that they have watched and make recommendations to each other. Although the main focus of the group is to discuss film and TV there is also an opportunity to discuss other points of interest or events from recent weeks. Please contact Zaid for more information: zaid.al-nayazi@aiscotland.org.uk

Girls Group – Alternates between Skype and Number 6. Skype sessions are from 1-2pm and in-person sessions run from 1-3pm. The group provides the opportunity to chat with other autistic women, take part in activities and to build companionship. For more information please contact Kim for the No.6 groups: kim.maxwell@aiscotland.org.uk and Ashley for the online sessions: ashley.mclennan@aiscotland.org.uk

Late Diagnosis Group - Mondays (4pm) and Wednesdays (6:30pm) in the training room at Number 6, Tuesdays and Thursdays online via Zoom at 3pm. Divided into 8 weekly sessions of 60—90mins, this is a discussion based group to help you understand and adjust to your diagnosis, learn a bit about the history of autism, what

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Late Diagnosis Group – Women - Wednesdays (Zoom) 2-3.30pm; Fridays (Number 6) 2-3.30pm. This is a discussion based group to help you understand and adjust to your diagnosis, learn a bit about the history of autism, what it is, how it may (or may not) affect you and focus on developing your strengths and ameliorating your challenges. This is an LGBTQIA+ positive group and is primarily aimed at women and non-binary people who are comfortable in a space that centres the experience of women. For more information please contact Mo: mo.donnachie@aiscotland.org.uk

Monday Online Chat – This weekly Skype chat group which takes place from 11am to midday provides a space to talk about how you're doing and build connections. We also meet in person once a month. Please contact Karina for more information: karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

No6 TEam (Trans, Non-binary[Enby] and more[aka gender questioning]) - Meets every 4 weeks on a Wednesday from 1-3pm in the training room at Number 6. This is a new group for Trans and non-binary people, as well as anyone questioning their gender. For more information please contact Mo: mo.donnachie@aiscotland.org.uk

Peer Support - Monday (6:30pm) and Wednesdays (4pm) in the training room at Number 6. This social group is for anyone diagnosed autistic wishing to chat with other autistics, in a space that is safe, non-judgemental, and all-inclusive. As this is a social group, topics of discussion are not decided beforehand, but emerge organically on the day. If you are interested in joining please email Karina at karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

Quiz – Hosted through a closed group on Facebook on the second and fourth Monday of the month from 1pm to 2.30pm. Each quiz consists of 5 rounds containing 10 questions. Subjects for quiz rounds have been, but are not limited to, General Knowledge, Geography, Nature and the Natural World, Food and Drink, Picture Rounds, Sci-fi and 80's pop. Suggestions for specific quiz rounds are always welcome. In order to take part you will need a Facebook account and have contacted a member of staff to be added to the closed Facebook Quiz Group – from there you can watch the quiz live. Past quizzes are stored in the Quiz Group section of The Number 6 Facebook page so you can go back and a previous quiz at your own leisure. If you have any questions, or require more information, please contact Stew at stewart.campbell@aiscotland.org.uk

Relaxation Group - This relaxation session takes place on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month from 6 -7pm at Number 6 and the 2nd & 4th Monday from 3-3.30pm on Facebook Live. Zaid reads through a guided imagery script (e.g. walking you through a forest, floating on a cloud, walking on a beach) or a progressive muscular relaxation which last 15 – 30 minutes. If you would like to join please contact Zaid: zaid.al-nayazi@aiscotland.org.uk Please note that the online group is open to anyone that is part of our private Facebook Group, the **Virtual Social Drop-In** (see below).

Tai Chi - Takes place every Wednesday online via Zoom at either 4.30pm or 5pm depending on Andy's availability. This 30 minute session comprises of warm up and warm down stretches, breathing exercises and a set of Tai Chi moves to combine breathing and movement. Contact Andy to join the group or discuss it in more detail: andrew.horseman@aiscotland.org.uk

Virtual Social Drop-in - We have created a virtual social drop-in on Facebook for anyone who is registered with Number 6. This is a closed group where service users can chat to each other, share tips on how to stay well and generally stay in touch. This is a closed group so please contact Karina to request an invite: karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

Yarn, Fibre & Needlecraft - Meets every Friday 11am – 1pm at Number 6. This group provides a space to meet, work on fibre crafts, and chat about life the universe and everything. It is suitable for anyone with an interest in fibre crafting. Some skills help but are not necessary although for the time being we are only working on our own projects so owning equipment is currently a must. To join contact Mo: mo.donnachie@aiscotland.org.uk

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Yoga with Helen – Tuesdays 6-7pm at Number 6. This gentle yoga session is suitable for complete beginners. Please contact Karina for more information: karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

ADDITIONAL SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

We will be running 6 additional Saturday activities in September, please find details below:

Saturday 4th September – Cinema trip with Maff.

Maff will be taking a group to see Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings at Cineworld, Fountain Park (12.20pm, Screen 2). For more information please email Maff directly at: matthew.day@aiscotland.org.uk

Sat 11th September – Lauriston Castle & Gardens with Zaid.

Zaid will be taking a small group of people for a walk around Lauriston Castle & Gardens. The group will meet at Number 6 then take the bus along. Please email Zaid for more information: Zaid.Al-Nayazi@aiscotland.org.uk

Sat 18th September – Walk up Arthur's Seat with Graeme.

Graeme will meet the group at Number 6 and walk to Holyrood Park and then up Arthur's Seat. Please note that this walk is only suitable for people who can manage a strenuous walk. Please email Karina if you would like to attend: karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

Sat 25th August:

Option 1: Roslin Glen walk with Andy.

Andy will meet the group at Number 6 then take the bus to Roslin and go for a walk. Please email Karina for further details: karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

Option 2: Portrait Gallery with Kim. We will walk along to the Gallery and spend a couple of hours there looking around the various exhibitions. Please email Kim if you would like more information or to book your place: kim.maxwell@aiscotland.org.uk

Option 3: Stew will be running an additional online quiz on this day via Facebook Live. If you would like to take part in a quiz for the first time, please email Karina for further details: karina.williams@aiscotland.org.uk

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