Don't Burn the Meadows: Community Pop-Up Art Project

We at the *Lauriston Community Garden* care desperately about the Meadows and the environment. This summer, we know that the lovely green space of the Meadows will be covered with burn patches, and filled with smoke from disposable barbeques, again. Heaps of rubbish, smouldering bins, and emergency call outs for the Fire Service will happen, again. Arthur's Seat has already been set alight again, this year.

This year we are planning an event with a special community pop up art installation, to spread the message about caring about the environment more effectively.

200 years ago, the Meadows were drained so that shepherds could pasture flocks of sheep there. The grass is still full of wildflowers, as you can see in our Mini Meadow at the Community Orchard. In the 19th century, Edinburgh Council started buying up the Meadows to turn them into a park, and so we now have this wonderful space to enjoy.



Bring back the sheep, we say!

JOIN US at a sheep making workshop on Friday 12th April, 3 - 6pm in Lauriston Centre, 28 Lauriston St. EH3 9DJ

Help us create a whole flock of sheep, each 12cm long, made of recycled woollies, for a pop-up art installation in the Meadows! Bring old woollies and socks to recycle – materials will be provided, and help with crafting. Make one for the flock and one to take home. ALL WELCOME!

Then all these little sheep will be gathered and displayed beside the community garden and then dispersed throughout the Meadows on Saturday 4 May.

On Sunday 5th May ALL ARE INVITED TO OUR *"Don't Burn The Meadows Better BarbeQue Party"* at the Community Garden.

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