

Things to do in the West End of Glasgow

- Botanic Gardens. Extensive plant collections, and the Kibble Palace.
- Hunterian Art Gallery and Museum. The Art Gallery has Europe's largest display of work by James McNeill Whistler, and the world's largest collection of work by Charles Rennie Mackintosh, much of it housed in a detailed re-creation of Mackintosh's former home at 78 Southpark Avenue.
- Riverside Museum: Scotland's Museum of Transport and Travel. Displays Glasgow's rich industrial heritage, which stems from the River Clyde. The Tall Ship is berthed alongside the Museum, creating a fantastic experience in this stunning setting.
- Kelvingrove Museum and Art Gallery The favourite museum of Glaswegians.
- River Kelvin Walkway Good for jogging, with mill ruins near Botanic Gardens.

Eating

Scottish (forget deep fried pizza, here is the best of nouvelle Scottish cuisine!)

- Cail Bruich (725 Great Western Road, 334 6265 <u>http://www.cailbruich.co.uk</u>). Quality restaurant serving the finest Scottish produces based on the aim of seasonality and freshness.
- Number Sixteen (16 Byres Road, 339 2544). One of Glasgow's best restaurants, Michelin ranked. Very reasonably priced, especially for lunch & pre-theatre. 'Honest & earthy' Scottish ingredients & flavours, very good seafood, vegetarian, and desserts to die for.
- **The Bothy** (11 Ruthven Lane, 339 8444). A unique Scottish restaurant in the West End of Glasgow, serving modern classics with a twist.
- **Stravaigin** (28 Gibson Street, 334 2665 <u>http://www.stravaigin.com/</u>). Good Scottish food, often with Asian styles of preparation. Pub/café upstairs good & cheap.
- **Stravaigin 2** (8 Ruthven Lane 334 7165 a more bistro-like approach to dining than Stravaigin
- The Ubiquitous Chip (12 Ashton Lane, 334 5007 <u>http://www.ubiquitouschip.co.uk/</u>). A West End institution for 3 decades, the Chip has excellent local produce (oatmeal ice cream to die for), and is well known through the UK. Cheaper upstairs.

Indian

- Ashoka (19 Ashton Lane, 337 1115 <u>http://www.ashokarestaurants.com/</u>). Classic Indian food, popular, and good value.
- Mother India (28 Westminster Terrace, Sauchiehall Street, 221 1663 <u>http://www.motherindiaglasgow.co.uk/</u>). Authentic Goanese food: fantastic.
- Shish Mahal (66-68 Park Road, 339 8256 <u>http://www.shishmahal.co.uk/</u>). Very good Indian & Pakistani food for 40 years.

Miscellaneous

- Brel (39 Ashton Lane, 342 4966). Good Belgian cuisine and beer..
- Café Antipasti (337 Byres Road). Tasty Italian food.
- Chow (98 Byres Road, 334 9818). Good, basic Chinese food, cheap lunch special.
- **Cul de Sac** (44 Ashton Lane). Popular creperie with pasta & pizza & vg veggie burgers. Half-price before 7pm.
- Persia (665 Great Western Road <u>http://www.persiaglasgow.com/</u>). Exotic taste of authentic Persian cuisine, traditional, fresh eastern cuisine – delicious food, friendly service, nice atmosphere
- Two Fat Ladies (8 Dumbarton Road, 339 1944 <u>http://twofatladiesrestaurant.com/</u>). Nothing to do with Clarissa Dickson Wright (her bookshop is in Edinburgh), but very good -- although pricey – fish and shellfish.
- Zizzi (8 Cresswell Lane <u>http://www.zizzi.co.uk/venue/index/glasgow-west-end</u>).
 Great pizza, great pasta, great everything! A firm favourite with University staff and students.

Drinks (Glasgow takes its pubs seriously: look for micro-brewed, especially Highland heather ale)

- Aragon (131 Byres Road). English style local good guest ales .
- **Cottiers** (93-95 Hyndland Street). Great pub/theatre in a converted church.
- Lismore (206 Dumbarton Road). A great Highland whisky bar, try Orcadian ale & visit the men's room!
- Stravaigin (28 Gibson Street). Lots of character decent beer, better wine.
- Tennents (191 Byres Road). Busy and popular, good ale selection.
- Three Judges (141 Dumbarton Road). Regularly wins 'real ale' awards.
- **Ubiquitous Chip** (Ashton Lane). Upstairs from restaurant, lively, good wine, but can be crowded.
- Uisge Beatha (246 Woodlands Road). Pronounced Ish-go-vay, loads of character & characters, famous for 'the student lunch special' consisting of 'a pint of heavy, chips [French fries] and mayo.'

Things to do beyond the West End of Glasgow

- **Glasgow Green**. The Green is by far the oldest of the city's parks. It is situated within walking distance of the city centre, east of the Saltmarket.
- **The People's Palace**. Museum on The Green which tells the story of the people and city of Glasgow from 1750 to the end of the 20th century.
- **Glasgow Cathedral and The Necropolis**. Glasgow's Medieval Cathedral and Victorian city of the dead, side by side.
- The Merchant City. Thriving cultural area full of cafes, bars and restaurants.
- **Gallery of Modern Art**. Royal Exchange Square. The 'Ripples on the Pond' exhibition is designed as a conversation between works by women on paper and moving image sparking questions about gender and media choice in relation to women's practice and visibility.

If you have a little more time (plus some links)

If you are planning on being in Glasgow before and/or after the conference, there are lots of things you can include in your visit to Scotland. Visit a museum or breathtaking beach, hike in the hills, step onboard a historic boat, take a train ride through a former film set, fly over the infamous Loch Lomond on a seaplane, or taste stunning local food and drink – whatever your interest, there are so many activities to choose from. The list below are just a few.

Museums & Art Galleries

- The Hunterian Museum & Art Gallery
- Glasgow Museums
- <u>National Museums Scotland</u>
- National Galleries Scotland
- Edinburgh Museums & Galleries

World Heritage Sites and Others

- Historic Scotland
- The National Trust for Scotland

Heritage Centres

- The Battle of Bannockburn
- <u>Culloden</u>
- Scottish Crannog Centre

Tourism

- People Make Glasgow
- Glasgow Style Mile
- Visit Scotland

Adventure

- Loch Lomond Seaplanes
- The Outward Bound Trust
- <u>Cairngorm Mountain</u>
- White Water Rafting, Scotland
- <u>Wilderness Scotland</u>