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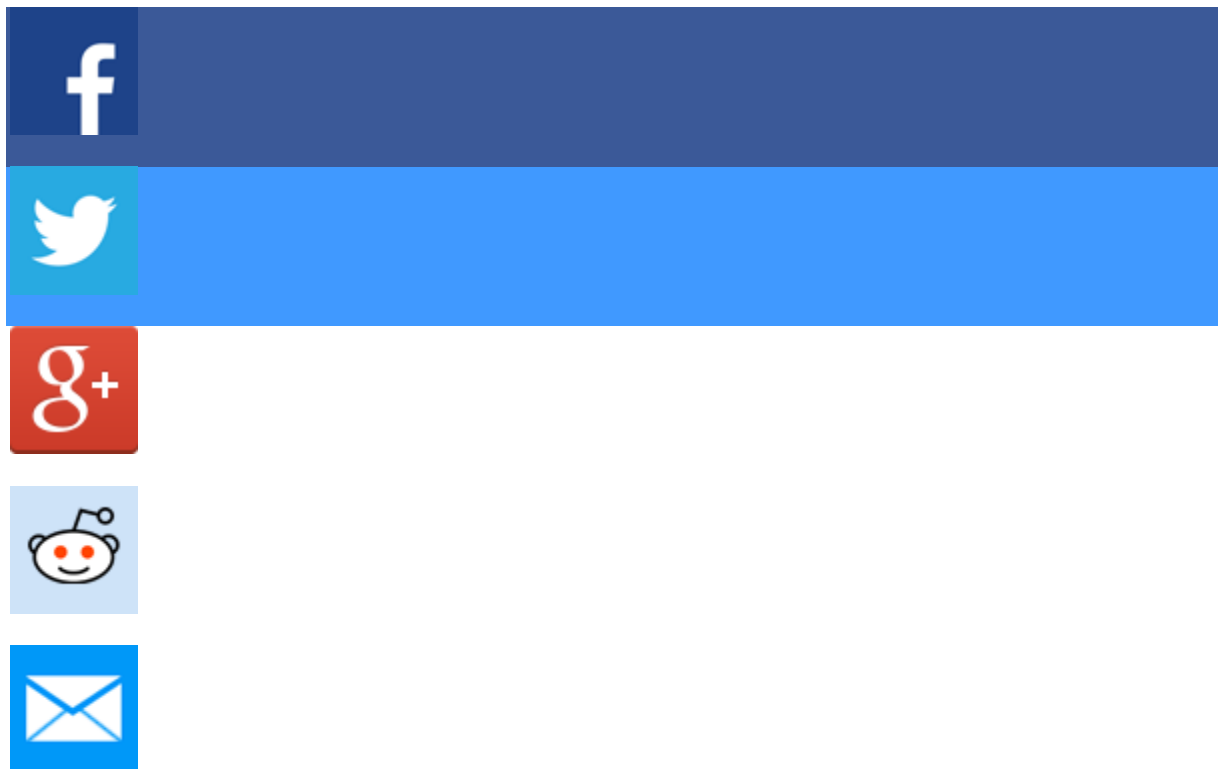
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*Amy Winehouse *** Local Caption *** 00320541*

A jam-packed programme of events from cabaret to parachute jumps is being held throughout September to celebrate what would have been Amy Winehouse's 30th birthday.



All the events will take place in Camden Town, the singer's hometown, and will help raise money for the Amy Winehouse Foundation – the charity set up by her family to prevent the effects of drug and alcohol misuse on young people.

Highlights include a birthday party sing-a-long of Amy Winehouse songs with *Channel 4 News* presenter Jon Snow and art and photography exhibitions at the Proud Gallery, Chalk Farm.

The Black Cap pub, in Camden High Street, will also host an evening of London's top cabaret and performance artists as part of a special comedy night.

Meanwhile, the Jewish Museum, Albert Street, Camden Town, will be running a vintage fair selling 1950s print and circle dresses, '60s wiggle dresses and '40s vamp style in homage to Amy's iconic look.

Ms Winehouse died at the age of 27 of accidental alcohol poisoning at her home in 2011. She would have turned 30 on September 14.

The foundation has been running drug and alcohol awareness programmes in Camden schools, including La Sante Union, Dartmouth Park; Acland Burghley, Tufnell Park and Hampstead School, Cricklewood.

Ms Winehouse's mother, Janis, who suffers from multiple sclerosis, is also set to jump out of a plane on September 29 alongside Mayor of Camden, Cllr Jonathan Simpson, and 30 others.

She said: "When I was asked about taking part in the parachute jump I just said, 'why not?' – that's my general outlook on life.

"Life is short, live it.

"This is important to me as it will not only raise funds and awareness for the foundation, but also will let people know that having multiple sclerosis doesn't need to stop you doing anything you want."

Cllr Simpson chose the foundation as his charity of the year when he was elected mayor and has been working with businesses across Camden to further support the foundation's work.

He said: "I hope lots of people join us at the parachute jump so we can raise lots of money for the vital work the foundation does supporting vulnerable young people."

Other events include a pop-up shop selling artwork and music in Camden High Street, various live music shows and walking tours exploring Camden's colourful music scene.

* For a full list of events, venues and times visit www.amywinehousefoundation.org/amys30