



Family Events February 2011

Under 5s storytime

Join us in our galleries for stories, music and fun every Thursday during term-time, then come and play in Mudlarks.

Age: 0 - 5

FREE

Dates and times

Thursday 3 February, 15.00 – 15.30

Thursday 10 February, 15.00 – 15.30

Thursday 17 February, 15.00 – 15.30

Adventures in old London docks

Join us for this interactive storytelling session about Chinese and Turkish traders in Docklands.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and

Saturday, 5 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Saturday, 5 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Chinese watercolour painting

Create watercolour masterpieces to celebrate Chinese New Year.

Minimum age: 4

FREE

Dates and times

Saturday, 5 February, 12.00 – 16.00

Chinese calligraphy

Join us to create a piece of Chinese calligraphy to take home.

Minimum age: 6

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Dates and times

Saturday, 5 February, 12.00 – 15.00

Sunday, 6 February, 12.00 – 15.00

Chinese calendar animals

Join us to find out all about your Chinese calendar sign and make an animal to take home.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Sunday, 6 February, 12.00 – 13.00

Sunday, 6 February, 14.00 – 15.00

Year of the rabbit

Decorate your own ceramic rabbit to take home to celebrate the Chinese Year of the Rabbit.

Minimum age: 3

FREE

Dates and times

Sunday, 6 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Sunday, 6 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Little Mudlarks toddlers group: Messy Mondays

Come and use your senses and get messy together in our special monthly creative session as part of our Little Mudlarks toddlers group (for walkers-5 years and their carers).

Age: 1 - 5

Fee £1.50: advanced booking required

Dates and times

Monday, 7 February, 10.15 – 12.00

Mini Mudlarks babies group

Learn, play, explore and have fun together every Monday during term-time in our Mudlarks gallery. The session is for babies aged 6 months-walking and their carers and includes stories, rhyme time and an opportunity to meet others in a relaxed setting.

Age: babies

FREE: advanced booking required

Dates and times

Monday, 7 February, 12.45 – 13.45

Monday, 14 February, 12.45 – 13.45

Monday, 28 February, 12.45 – 13.45

London forever

London is forever - from the Romans to the Olympics. Celebrate London as a centre of global trade, industry, the arts and sport. In the run up to the Olympics, help create an animation that reflects London as a melting pot of cultures and traditions.

Minimum age: 5

FREE: tickets on application.

Dates and times

Saturday, 12 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Saturday, 12 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Peg pirates

Many Victorian children in London could rarely afford toys. If they were very lucky they might be able to make themselves simple toys, such as peg dolls, from materials they found. Make your own peg pirate to take home.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Sunday, 13 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Sunday, 13 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Little Mudlarks toddlers group: Puppets and stories

Location: Museum of London Docklands

Make your own puppet together and then help us to tell a story. A special creative workshop as part of our Little Mudlarks toddlers group.

Age: 1 - 5

Fee £1.50: advanced booking required

Dates and times

Monday, 14 February, 10.15 – 12.00

Little Mudlarks toddlers group: Gallery visit

Location: Museum of London Docklands

Come on a journey around our galleries and have fun exploring together. A special session as part of our Little Mudlarks toddlers group.

Age: 1 - 5

Fee £1.50: advanced booking required

Dates and times

Monday, 28 February, 10.15 – 12.00

February half-term

Docklands at war

Hear stories of Docklands during wartime and create your own identity or evacuee card to take home.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Saturday, 19 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Saturday, 19 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Boggling puzzles

Using inspiration from our collections, design and create your own unique puzzle games to take home and amaze your friends.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Sunday, 20 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Sunday, 20 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Wind and sails

Come and experiment with wind, sails and more in this playful drop in session for under 5s and their carers. Each session will include an opportunity to make your own kite to take home.

Age: 2 - 5

Duration: 1 hour(s) 30 mins.

FREE

Dates and times

Monday, 21 February, 11.00 – 12.30

Monday, 21 February, 13.30 – 15.00

Transforming objects

Discover some of the more unusual objects in our collections and give them a new life using collage and computer animation techniques.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Tuesday, 22 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Tuesday, 22 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Cars and planes

Join us to celebrate the 70th anniversary of Ford Motors in Dagenham. Find out all about the cars made there and the aircraft made in London.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Tuesday, 22 February, 11.30 – 12.00

Tuesday, 22 February, 13.30 – 14.30

Isambard Kingdom Brunel

Meet Isambard Kingdom Brunel, one of the greatest engineers of the 19th century and hear how he helped lead this country into the modern age.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Wednesday, 23 February, 12.30 – 13.00

Wednesday, 23 February, 14.30 – 15.00

Wednesday, 23 February, 15.30 – 16.00

Enter a Victorian photograph

Create fictional Victorian characters and their life stories, then using blue screen technology, dress up and enter a photograph from the time.

Minimum age: 7

FREE: tickets on application

Dates and times

Wednesday, 23 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Wednesday, 23 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Friday, 25 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Friday, 25 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Paper science

Have you ever wondered why paper often tears in a straight line in one direction and in a wavy line in the other? This session will help you to understand. You'll get a chance to rip, blot, colour and trace with different papers to explore their properties. We'll be experimenting with everyday paper materials and discovering why they are particularly suited to their purpose.

Conservators will demonstrate why some papers are great for use in conservation treatments. This session may get a little messy so don't wear your best clothes.

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Thursday, 24 February, 11.30 – 13.00

Thursday, 24 February, 14.00 – 15.30

The ghost chicken of Pond Square

Have you ever wondered what inspired the first frozen chicken? Or what became of that chicken? Come and hear the story of Francis Bacon which you may just find a bit hard to swallow!

Minimum age: 5

FREE

Dates and times

Thursday, 24 February, 12.30 – 13.00

Thursday, 24 February, 14.30 – 15.00

Thursday, 24 February, 15.30 – 16.00

The marvellous story of Vincent Lunardi

In the late 18th century there was a worldwide flying craze but Londoners were not sure about it. That is, until Vincent Lunardi took to the air with his very unusual travelling companions. Who, or what, were they? What was his mode of transport? Come and be lifted by the story of Lunardi's flight.

Minimum age: 4

FREE

Dates and times

Friday, 25 February, 12.30 – 13.00

Friday, 25 February, 14.30 – 15.00

Friday, 25 February, 15.30 – 16.00

Sunday, 27 February, 12.30 – 13.00

Sunday, 27 February, 14.30 – 15.00

Sunday, 27 February, 15.30 – 16.00

Impossible engineering

Make a digital collage. Cut and paste parts of machines, buildings, vehicles, and boats to make fantastic imaginary creations.

Minimum age: 5

FREE: tickets on application

Dates and times

Saturday, 26 February, 12.30 – 13.30

Saturday, 26 February, 14.30 – 15.30

Museum of London Docklands

West India Quay, E14 4AL

Open Daily 10am-6pm

Last Admission 5.30pm

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