

British Empire & Commonwealth Museum
EVENTS LISTINGS Spring & Summer 2008

Date: Now showing until October 2008 **Exhibition**
Title: Breaking the Chains - the fight to end slavery.
Desc: A landmark exhibition commemorating the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade. Six themed galleries occupy an entire floor of the British Empire & Commonwealth Museum using poignant artefacts, film, music, photography and personal testimonies to create a powerful and memorable experience. Breaking the Chains also examines the legacies of the Transatlantic Slave Trade and highlights the continued existence of many forms of slavery the 21st century.
Info: Open daily from 10am to 5pm. Free activity booklet for families.
Price: Entry is included with normal Museum admission price (Adult £7.95, Child £3.95, Concession £6.95, Under 5's Free, Family of Four £19.95)

Date: Saturday 16th February – Sunday 24th February **Family Event**
Title: Pirates Ahoy!
Desc: The swashbuckling villains are back, bringing half-term havoc for all the family with live interactive shows, fancy dress, arts and crafts, storytelling and treasure trails. Just sign up for activities on arrival.
Info: Suitable for all ages 3 years and above. For details of activities visit www.empiremuseum.co.uk
Price: Included in normal Museum admission price (Adult £7.95, Child £3.95, Concession £6.95, Under 5's Free, Family of Four £19.95)

Date: Wednesday 27th February, 7.00pm **Talk**
Title: An African Scandal
Desc: A talk by Dr Robert Beckford, presenter of Channel Four's 'A Great African Scandal'. The theologian travelled to Ghana with Christian Aid to find out why, 50 years after independence, a country so rich in natural resources remains trapped in poverty. His journey exposes the scandal behind some of the rice, chocolate and gold sold on our high streets and discovers how unfair economic policies are locking farmers and families into a live of deprivation. The evening will include clips from the documentary and questions from the audience. Presented at the British Empire & Commonwealth Museum in partnership with Christian Aid.
Info: Advance booking recommended.
Price: Free. To reserve a place call Christian Aid on 020 7523 2048.

Date: Sunday 2nd March, 11am – 12pm **Guided Tour**
Title: The Brunel Tour
Desc: A unique behind-the-scenes tour of the magnificent Museum building with access to the underground vaults and the impressive Passenger Shed.
Info: Advance booking essential. Call 0117 925 4980 or email bookings@empiremuseum.co.uk
Price: Adult £7.95, Child £3.95, Concession £6.95, Under 5's Free, Family of Four £19.95

Date: Saturday 5th April – Sunday 20th April **Family Event**

Title: Games around the Globe

Desc: Try out children's toys and games from around the world in the Museum's interactive and award-winning galleries.

Info: Suitable for all ages 3 years upwards.

Price: Included in normal Museum admission price (Adult £7.95, Child £3.95, Concession £6.95, Under 5's Free, Family of Four £19.95)

Date: Sunday 22nd June, 11am – 12pm **Guided Tour**

Title: The Brunel Tour

Desc: A unique behind-the-scenes tour of the magnificent Museum building with access to the underground vaults and the impressive Passenger Shed.

Info: Advance booking essential. Call 01179 254980 or email bookings@empiremuseum.co.uk

Price: Adult £7.95, Child £3.95, Concession £6.95, Under 5's Free, Family of Four £19.95

Date: Tuesday 1st July – Wednesday 30th July **Exhibition**

Title: A Universal Passion

Desc: A small photographic exhibition of musicians and dancers from around the world by Monica Connell.

Info: On display in the British Empire & Commonwealth Museum's Caffe Gusto Siesta.

Price: Free.

Date: Saturday 26th July – Tuesday 2nd September **Family Event**

Title: Summer Trails

Desc: Arts based trails around the award-winning galleries, inspired by the Museum's decorative artefacts.

Info: Suitable for all ages from 3 years upwards.

Price: Included in normal Museum admission (Adult £7.95, Child £3.95, Concession £6.95, Under 5's Free, Family of Four £19.95)

Date: Sunday 7th September, 11am – 12pm **Guided Tour**

Title: The Brunel Tour

Desc: A unique behind-the-scenes tour of the magnificent Museum building with access to the underground vaults and the impressive Passenger Shed.

Info: Advance booking essential. Call 01179 254980 or email bookings@empiremuseum.co.uk

Price: Adult £7.95, Child £3.95, Concession £6.95, Under 5's Free, Family of Four £19.95.

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