

Museum and Gallery Education

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Stoke-on-Trent Museums

what's on

Exhibitions, Events and Activities
July – November 2011



Once Upon a Time... 23 July - 20 November

Stoke-on-Trent
Your Museums



The Staffordshire Hoard

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery owns the Staffordshire Hoard jointly with Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery. Around 90 artefacts from the largest collection of Anglo-Saxon treasure ever found are now on show at The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery.



This exceptional collection of exquisitely wrought gold and silver warrior gear, found in a Staffordshire field in July 2009, probably dates from the seventh century. Many pieces are decorated with finely cut garnets or intricate filigree.

Research into the Hoard will rewrite what we think we know about Anglo-Saxon history and culture.

The Hoard needs to be painstakingly cleaned and conserved, researched, interpreted and displayed. Donations towards the £1.7 million this will cost are gratefully received.

For up-to-date information please visit:
www.stokemuseums.org.uk/pmag/hoard

www.staffordshirehoard.org.uk



Anita Harris Staffordshire Hoard Vase (Large)

Staffordshire Gifts

Staffordshire Gifts is designed to help museums & heritage sites all over the county showcase their unique gifts and collectibles online for the very first time.

From books about the history of the Staffordshire Hoard to contemporary ceramics from local artists, it's all waiting to be found at

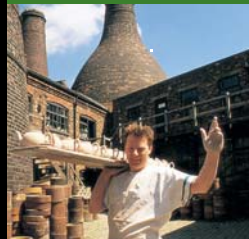
www.staffordshiregifts.org.uk



Etruria Industrial Museum



Ford Green Hall



Gladstone Pottery Museum



The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery

Stoke-on-Trent Museums Welcome to What's On

This guide lists everything we have planned at our four museums from July until the end of November 2011. We have plenty of events and exhibitions, including activities during the school holidays at all our sites, as well as craft courses for all ages.

This year will be an 'Enchanted Summer' as a series of special events have been organised to complement the 'Once Upon a Time' exhibition. Meet some of your favourite characters from classic fairytales including Hansel and Gretel, Cinderella and Little Red Riding Hood.

Our website has lots more information and you can sign up to receive information from us by post or email, go to stoke.gov.uk/museum. Whatever your interest you are bound to find something to enjoy within our lively and varied programme.

Pay only once

The Museums Passport provides great value for money allowing unlimited daytime admission to all our charging museums for a year and a 10% discount at The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery Foyer Shop.

For current passport charges please phone any of our museums or go to stoke.gov.uk/museum



Etruria Industrial Museum



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Lower Bedford Street, Etruria,
Stoke-on-Trent ST4 7AF
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Sat Nav reference for disabled
car park: ST4 7AF
Telephone: 01782 233144
Email: etruria@stoke.gov.uk



Etruria Industrial Museum is the last working steam powered potter's mill in Britain and a scheduled ancient monument. The mill is in steam several times a year when the boiler is fired and 'Princess' the beam engine powers the historic machinery. There are specially themed activities during 'steamings' including a large scale American Civil War re-enactment in September. The museum hosts a wide range of events including family 'drop-in' sessions, adult craft courses, children's activities and guided local walks. The museum accepts bookings from groups and schools and the canal warehouse is available to hire for room bookings. The shop and tea room are open to non-museum visitors.



Access: If you are a wheelchair user or have a pushchair please contact us for access information.

Have you tried our Toolbox Challenge? Our interactive family activity is free with admission, pick up your toolbox and instructions at reception when you visit.

Admission: Adults £3, Concessions £2, Family Ticket £6.50, under 5s and wheelchair users free. Free car park off Etruria Vale Road.

Open: Wednesday to Sunday, 12 - 4.30pm

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Ford Green Hall



Ford Green Hall,
Ford Green Road, Smallthorne,
Stoke-on-Trent ST6 1NG
Telephone: 01782 233195
Email:
ford.green.hall@stoke.gov.uk



The hall is a 17th century timber-framed farmhouse and was home to the Ford family for nearly 200 years. With a collection of ceramics, textiles and furniture, it offers a fascinating insight into 17th century life. The hall is available for civil weddings and baby naming ceremonies, as well as children's birthday parties. Room hire is also available for meetings and there is a range of seasonal events. The hall's shop and tea room are open to non-museum visitors.

Access: There is downstairs access only for wheelchair users. However, virtual tours of the first floor are available on request.

Admission: Adults £3, Concessions £2, Family Ticket £6.50, under 5s and wheelchair users free. Free car park available next to the hall.

Open: Sunday to Thursday, 1 - 5pm.
Last admission: 4.30pm

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Gladstone Pottery Museum



Gladstone Pottery Museum,
Uttoxeter Road, Longton,
Stoke-on-Trent ST3 1PQ
Telephone: 01782 237777
Email: gladstone@stoke.gov.uk



Gladstone is the only complete Victorian pottery factory from the days when coal burning ovens made the world's finest bone china. Traditional skills, original workshops, the cobbled yard and huge bottle ovens transport visitors back in time. Visit the gift shop and tea room and have a go at throwing a pot, making a china flower or decorating pottery. Please allow two to three hours for your visit. The shop and tea room, which serves a selection of drinks and light lunches, are open to non-museum visitors.



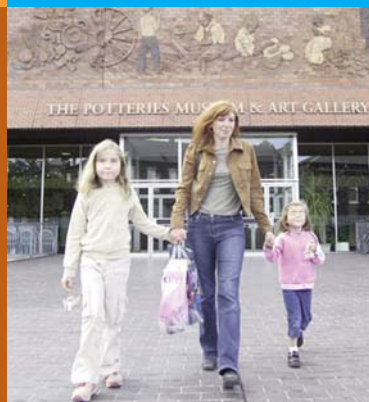
Access: If you are a wheelchair user or have a pushchair, please contact us for access information.

Open: Every day, 10am - 5pm
Tea room open 11.30am - 3.30pm

Admission: Adults £6.95, Children £4.75 (4 to 16 years - all children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult), Concessions £5.50, Family Ticket £20. There is a small extra charge for activities. Free car and coach parking available.

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The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



The Potteries
Museum & Art Gallery,
Bethesda Street, City Centre,
Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 3DW
Telephone: 01782 232323
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Discover the history of The Potteries including the world's greatest collection of Staffordshire ceramics, a WWII Spitfire, decorative arts and natural history. See items from the Staffordshire Hoard and visit the museum café and shop in the heart of the city centre.



Donations Welcome

Please donate £3 to help support your museum. Every donation makes a real difference... thank you.

Open: Monday to Saturday, 10am - 5pm
Sunday, 2 - 5pm

stoke.gov.uk/museum

Exhibitions

Ceramic Cities – Dialogues in Design

Until 4 September

Featuring highlights from the museum's collections, this exhibition explores fascinating cultural connections between East Asian and British ceramics. Focusing on the ceramic cities of Jingdezhen and Stoke-on-Trent, the show covers over a thousand years of ceramic history. Rarely seen pieces from both east and west include the work of Bernard Leach, Rob Kessler and Hamada Shoji.

[The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery](#)



Group of Chinese porcelain vases with overglaze enamel decoration, 1920s

Represent

2 July -
4 September

Showcasing the creativity of a new generation, this lively exhibition features the work of young artists from local secondary schools and colleges in Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire. [The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery](#)



Once Upon a Time...

23 July - 20 November

What were Cinderella's slippers really made of? How do you prick your finger on a spinning wheel? What happens if you kiss a frog? Explore the world of fairy tales and discover the stories behind the stories in this enchanting family-friendly exhibition.

[The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery](#)



British Ceramics Biennial 2011 AWARD

30 September - 11 December

Presenting a survey of contemporary ceramics in the UK, this exhibition includes the work of selected artists at the leading edge of art, craft and design; from the studio through to manufacture. Full details of the British Ceramics Biennial can be found on the next page.

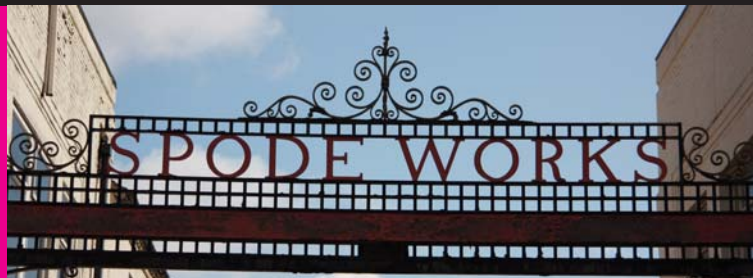
[The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery](#)

Louisa Taylor, Award Winner 2009



30 September - 13 November

Building on the success of 2009's inaugural festival, the British Ceramics Biennial is back in Stoke-on-Trent. Running from 30 September to 13 November, the six-week festival is the UK's leading showcase of contemporary ceramics.



Festival highlights across the city include:

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FRESH

30 September - 13 November

For 2011, Fresh will feature 40 of the UK's most talented recent graduates from higher education, together with a spotlight on six ground-breaking post-graduate research programmes. There will also be an opportunity to experience 'Firing Up', the Crafts Council's new national schools initiative.

The former Spode factory site, Church Street, Stoke, ST4 1BX

Flowers, British Ceramics Biennial



Major installations of inter/national ceramics and a range of activities at the former Spode site in Stoke includes:

A Great Wall - of British industrial ceramics.

Sunday Morning @ EKWC - ten international artists who have undertaken residencies at the European Ceramic Work Centre in The Netherlands.

Mould store - an installation by internationally renowned local artist, Philip Eglin.

Exploring Spode - gives visitors to this extraordinary site the chance to experience its industrial history, meaning and potential through the work of five artists.

Other activities include:

Workshops, talks and tours across the city.

Open weekends on 30 September - 2 October, 21 - 23 October and 11 - 13 November with opportunities to meet artists and designers, see behind the scenes and get involved in workshop activities.

For further information:

www.britishceramicsbiennial.com
info@britishceramicsbiennial.com

Displays

James Bateman Bi-centenary

Until 24 July

This small display highlights the interests and influences of James Bateman of Biddulph Grange Gardens and celebrates his 200th birthday. In partnership with the National Trust, there will be a series of related talks at the museum on 12, 13 and 14 July - details will be available with the display and on our website.

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Illustration from The Orchidaceae of Mexico and Guatemala first published by James Bateman in 1837

Designer Maker

Until 31 July

Work by students from Staffordshire University's 3D art course.

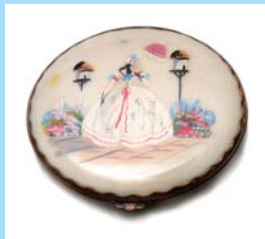
[The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery](#)

Making Faces

Until 19 September

Produced with burlesque and pin up artist Gemma Parker this display explores dressing up, hidden stories and identity using costume and accessories from our decorative arts collection.

[The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery](#)



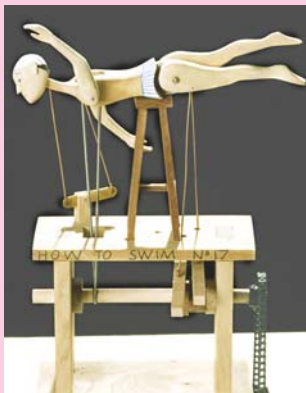
Compact, 1950-1960

Moving Toys Display

1 October - 4 December

Visit our returning mechanical models and marvellous machines at Etruria Industrial Museum. Explore our moving toys and models, discover how machines work by experiencing gears, levers and cams in action.

[Etruria Industrial Museum](#)



Ongoing events

The Children's University

Children aged between 7 and 14 years can get a stamp for their Children's University Passport when they take part in the weekday holiday craft activities at all four museum sites and Arty Party at The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery. For more information about the Children's University in Stoke-on-Trent please see their website at www.staffs.ac.uk/stokecu



Have a Go

Everyday

Try making a pot, bone china flower or decorating pottery. 10am - 4.30pm, from £1 plus admission.

[Gladstone Pottery Museum](#)



Ripping Yarns

Friendly and informal "knit and natter" group who crochet, tat, rag rug, embroider and are keen to try new activities. Join us for tea, coffee and quite often cake. New members of all abilities welcome.

Meetings at Etruria Industrial Museum are Thursdays, 1.30 - 3pm.

[Etruria Industrial Museum](#)

Meetings at The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery every first and third Saturday of the month, 10.30am - 12.30pm.

[The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery](#)

Ford Green Threaders

A textile group who use traditional materials and patterns to create needlework, including bed spreads and cushions which are displayed at the hall. Meetings every Monday 2 - 4pm, new members welcome.

[Ford Green Hall](#)

Ongoing events



limited numbers, please book in advance.
hands-on activities for families. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Groups of 10 or more please book in advance.

Arty Party

Saturdays, 9 July, 23 July, 6 August, 20 August, 3 September, 17 September, 1 October, 15 October, 29 October, 12 November, 26 November, 10 December
Fortnightly Saturday morning art club for 8 to 14 year olds. 10.30am - 12.30pm, £2.60 or £10 for four sessions.

B - The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Please note parents/carers must stay with their children during the Toddler Sessions.

Toddler Tuesday

Tuesdays, 26 July, 23 August, 13 September, 25 October, 22 November

Come and have fun discovering our wonderful collections. You can make a 'crafty' creation to take home, and parents and children can enjoy a story time provided by a librarian from Stoke-on-Trent Libraries.

10.15 - 11.15am, free activity.

B - The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Toddler Wednesday

Wednesdays, 13 July, 17 August, 7 September, 5 October, 9 November

Learn, play and explore in our session for under 5s. Have fun discovering our wonderful collections. Make a 'crafty' creation to take home and enjoy a story time together. 1.15 - 2.15pm.

Normal admission charges apply.

B - Ford Green Hall



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Toddler Thursday

Thursdays, 7 July, 11 August, 8 September, 6 October, 10 November

Learn, play and explore together in our sessions especially for under 5s. Have fun discovering our wonderful collections.

Make a 'crafty' creation to take home, and enjoy a story time together.

10.15 - 11.15am, free activity, normal admission charges apply to the rest of the museum.

B - Gladstone Pottery Museum



Toddler Friday

Fridays, 22 July, 26 August, 16 September, 28 October, 25 November

Learn, play and explore in our session for under 5s. Have fun discovering our wonderful collections.

Make a 'crafty' creation to take home and enjoy a story time together. 1 - 2pm, free activity, normal admission charges apply.

B - Etruria Industrial Museum



What is it?

Wednesdays 6 July, 3 August, 7 September, 5 October, 2 November

Free expert advice on the identification and care of your objects including ceramics, art and local and natural history. Please note we do not provide valuations. 1 - 2.45pm.

B - The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery

Ongoing events

Antique Valuation Day at Gladstone

Fridays 1 July, 5 August, 2 September,
7 October, 5 November

Bring your objects to experts from Bamfords
Auctioneers for a free valuation 2 - 4pm.

Gladstone Pottery Museum

What's it Worth?

Fridays 29 July, 26 August, 23 September

The experts from Bonham's auctioneers will
value your special object for free. 1.30 - 3pm.

Etruria Industrial Museum

Films at The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery Summer 2011

All showings 11.30am and admission is £3.

Saturday 30 July, Tuesday 2 - Thursday 4 August
The Princess and the Frog cert U

Saturday 6 August
Percy Jackson & the Lightning Thief cert PG

Tuesday 9 - Thursday 11 August
Rango cert U

Saturday 13 August
Coraline cert PG

Tuesday 16 - Thursday 18 August
Fury Vengeance cert PG

Saturday 20 August
Alice in Wonderland (2010) cert PG

Tuesday 23 - Thursday 25 August
Mulan cert U

Saturday 27 August
Ratatouille cert U

Tuesday 30 August - Thursday 1 September
Eragon cert PG

Activities and Events

'Summer's Here!' Steaming Weekend

Saturday 2 - Sunday 3 July

Ice creams, strawberries and cream and
steam engines. 12 - 4.30pm, normal admission
charges apply.

Etruria Industrial Museum

Wedding Fair

Sunday 10 July

Ford Green Hall is a
perfect venue for a small
wedding ceremony.

Meet wedding suppliers
and talk to experienced
staff about our specially
tailored wedding
package. 1 - 4pm, £1.50
admission to the hall.

Ford Green Hall



Mow Cop Players Present Karen Fenton in Shirley Valentine

Saturday 16 - Sunday 17 July

The comedy classic by Willy
Russell. 2.15pm in the Forum Theatre. Please
see the museum website for further details and
prices. Proceeds in aid of Cancer Research UK.
The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Summer Garden Party

Sunday 17 July

Come and enjoy our garden in full summer
bloom. Listen to an accordion band, enjoy fresh
strawberries and cream, free face painting for the
children and much
more. 1 - 4pm,
£2 admission to the
garden, children
free. Normal
admission charges
to the hall apply.

Ford Green Hall



Activities and Events



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Longton Historic Walk

Sunday 17 July

Guided walk of Longton, umbrella and sensible footwear recommended. 2pm. Cost £2 including notes. Call 01782 237777 to book.

Gladstone Pottery Museum

Run up a Rag Rug

Saturday 23 July

Make a rag rug using your own recycled T-shirts or those provided. Beginners welcome. 12 - 4pm, £4.50. Call 01782 233144 to book.

B - Etruria Industrial Museum

A Day in the Life of...

Saturday 23 July

Come on our guided tour with a difference as the museum galleries come alive with historical characters. Free event but booking is essential. Please call 01782 232323 for more information and times.

B - The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery

'Speight of the Art - National Children's Art Charity' in the Cultural Olympiad

Saturday 23 July

Speight of the Art, the national children's art charity founded to develop creative talent in children, brings entertainment and theatre to the museum with a special mystery guest artist.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Japanese Textiles and Tea Ceremony

Sunday 24 July

Talk by Helen Smith, a collector and dealer in Japanese textiles, illustrated with examples from her collection, to be followed by a performance of a Japanese tea ceremony. Tickets £3, free for under 18's. 2 - 4.30pm.

B - The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Going Digital

Sunday 24 July

One day photography workshop at Etruria Industrial Museum. Find out how to make the most of your digital SLR or compact camera. 10am - 4pm, prices from £70. Booking essential, as places are limited. Call 07958 007004 to book.

B - Etruria Industrial Museum

The Funky Fairytale Laughter Show

Sunday 31 July

Everyone's favourite fairy tales and nursery rhymes told with amazing magic and adorably cute puppets.

1 - 4pm, normal admission charges apply.

Ford Green Hall



Fearsome Fairies

Tuesday 2 August

Join us in a time of enchantment on a dark and stormy night. Listen as Mistress Wilde and Mister Wolf re-tell the tales of Bluebeard and Little Red Riding Hood.

Performance times 12 and 2pm.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Fairy Tale Friends

Tuesday 2 - Thursday 4 August

Make a Cinderella or Prince Charming paper puppet. Drop-in sessions

10.30am - 12.30pm and 1.15 - 3pm, £1.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



I Love Oatcakes!

Wednesday 3 - Friday 5 August

Make an oatcake badge and wear with it pride. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

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Teddy Bears' Picnic

Thursday 4 August

Bring a picnic and a Teddy and enjoy an afternoon within the grounds of Ford Green Hall. You'll be transported to a woodland glade or a magical garden whilst you listen to our story teller. Also enjoy face painting and a children's craft activity. 1 - 4pm, normal admission charges apply.

Ford Green Hall



Exciting Saxons

Tuesday 9 - Thursday 11 August

See the Staffordshire Hoard and make your own Saxon helmet. Drop-in session 10.30am - 12.30pm, 1.15 - 3pm, £1.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Wildplay – Kids Activities

Wednesday 10 August

Join Staffordshire Wildlife Trust and take part in exciting environmental, outdoor activities, including team games, nature trails, bug hunting and creating pieces of art using natural materials. Only £2 per child. 1 - 4pm, normal admission charges apply.

Ford Green Hall



Cars, Cakes and Outcakes

Saturday 6 - Sunday 7 August

See the mill in steam, classic cars and sample delicious home-made cakes. An extra special range of Staffordshire oatcakes also available in our tea room. 12 - 4.30pm, normal admission charges apply.

Etruria Industrial Museum

Family Challenge Day

Wednesday 10 August

Make a rocket and launch it from Etruria's own launch pad. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

Etruria Industrial Museum



"Oh I do Like to be Beside the Seaside" Show

Tuesday 9 August

Relive the Great British seaside with this wonderful themed show with amazing magical holiday stories and a traditional Punch and Judy Show. Also take part in free donkey rides.

11am - 4pm. Normal admission charges applies.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



Polish the Brass!

Thursday 11 - Friday 12 August

Have a go at making your own shiny horse brass and meet our funny boat horse. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

Etruria Industrial Museum



Hansel and Gretel

Sunday 14 August

Meet Hansel and Gretel as they try to find their way home. Help decorate the witch's house and have your face painted. 1 - 4pm, normal admission charges apply.

Ford Green Hall



Punch and Judy Finger Puppets

Tuesday 9 August

Make your own Punch and Judy finger puppet to take home. Drop-in session 11am - 4pm, 50p plus admission.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



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hands-on activities for families. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Groups of 10 or more please book in advance.

Splendid Suncatchers

Monday 15 - Thursday 18 August

Bring some sunshine into your life.

Make a colourful suncatcher to hang in your window. Drop-in session, 1.30 - 4pm.

£1 plus admission.

Ford Green Hall



Cinderella Day

Tuesday 16 August

Meet Cinderella, the Ugly Sisters, Baroness, Fairy Godmother and Prince Charming. Free face painting. Each visitor in costume will receive a free gift. Normal admission charges apply.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



Cinderella's Fairy Godmother

Tuesday 16 August

Make a fairy Godmother that flutters - on a parachute.

Drop-in session, 11am - 4pm, 50p plus admission.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



Pots of Fun

Tuesday 16 - Thursday 18 August

Make Baby Bear's porridge bowl.

Drop-in sessions 10.30am - 12.30pm and 1.15 - 3pm, £1.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Family Challenge Day

Wednesday 17 August

Make a rocket and launch it from Etruria's own launch pad. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

Etruria Industrial Museum



Rag Rugging

Thursday 18 - Friday 19 August

Try your hand at recycling textiles by learning the art of rag rugging. Drop-in session, 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

Etruria Industrial Museum



Paint a Silk Cushion

Saturday 20 August

Learn a new skill at our silk painting course.

Beginners welcome, 12 - 4pm, £6.50.

Call 01782 233144 to book.

B - Etruria Industrial Museum

World of Fairy Tales

Saturday 20 August

Meet characters from some of your favourite fairy tales including Sleeping Beauty, Prince Charming and the Frog Prince. There will also be face painting and craft activities for the children.

10.30am - 4pm.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Whirly Windmills

Monday 22 - Thursday 25 August

Make a fun handheld windmill to keep.

An activity that will blow you away.

Drop-in session, 1.30 - 4pm.

£1 plus admission.

Ford Green Hall



The Magical Story Book Show

Tuesday 23 August

The magical book of spells that belonged to a famous wizard helps to tell many of your favourite stories with wonderful magic.

11am - 4pm, normal admission charges applies.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



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Three Little Pigs

Tuesday 23 August

Make a simple mobile with three little pigs and the wolf – you provide the blow. Drop-in session 11am - 4pm, 50p plus admission.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



Full of Beans

Tuesday 23 - Thursday 25 August

Decorate a pot to grow your beanstalk in. Drop-in session 10.30am - 12.30pm and 1.15 - 3pm, £1.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Family Challenge Day

Wednesday 24 August

Make a rocket and launch it from Etruria's own launch pad. Drop-in session, 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

Etruria Industrial Museum



Canal Boat Fashion

Wednesday 24 - Friday 26 August

Dress up as a canal boat kid and make your own moving canal boat. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

Etruria Industrial Museum



A Wolf in Granny's Clothing!

Tuesday 30 August -

Thursday 1 September

Make a reversible Wolf and Granny mask. Drop-in session 10.30am - 12.30pm and 1.15 - 3pm, £1.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Jack and the Beanstalk Fairy Tales

Wednesday 31 August -

Friday 2 September

Enjoy the story, plant a beanstalk and investigate our mill's bone-grinding machinery. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

Etruria Industrial Museum



The American Civil War

Saturday 3 -

Sunday 4 September

The American Civil War Society re-enact life during the conflict. Both union and confederate forces will be camping on the museum grounds with drills and firing displays throughout the day. Plus, see the mill in steam all weekend.

12 - 4.30pm, normal admission charges apply.

Etruria Industrial Museum



English Civil War Soldiers' Camp

Sunday 4 September

Go back in history to the 17th century and experience life in a soldiers' camp during the English Civil War with 'The Lichfield Garrison'.

Talk to the men and women of the camp, learn about their everyday lives, smell their food (and the gunpowder), try on the armour and hold the weapons. 1 - 4pm, normal admission charges apply.

Ford Green Hall

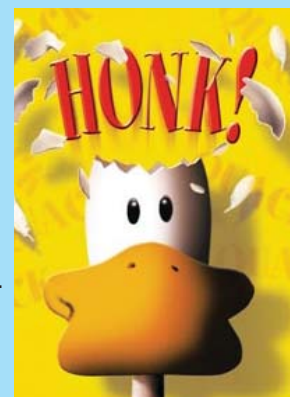


Mow Cop Players Present Honk!

Friday 9 - Sunday 11 September

The award winning Ugly Duckling Musical by George Stiles and Anthony Drewe. Please see the museum website for times and prices.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



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Heritage Open Day

Sunday 11 September

Ford Green Hall opens its doors to visitors, who can explore this 17th century farm house free of charge. Visitors will have an opportunity to see our Threaders at work and admire their handiwork. Cream teas and other refreshments available in our cosy tearoom. 1 - 4pm.

Ford Green Hall



Heritage Open Day

Sunday 11 September

Free entry to Gladstone Pottery Museum. Visit the preserved Victorian factory, Tile Gallery and Flushed with Pride – the story of the toilet. 10am - 5pm.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



Heritage Open Day

Sunday 11 September

Free entry to Etruria Industrial Museum, home of Jesse Shirley's Bone and Flint mill, the last steam powered potter's mill in Britain.

Etruria Industrial Museum



Staffordshire Open Studios

Saturday 17 - Sunday 18 September and
Saturday 24 - Sunday 25 September

A great opportunity to meet local artists and watch demonstrations by skilled artisans. Talk to the artists and buy from a variety of unique crafts. Free event, 12 - 4.30pm.

Etruria Industrial Museum



Felt Making

Saturday 24 September

Learn a new skill in our felt making session. Beginners welcome, 12 - 4pm, £5. Call 01782 233144 to book.

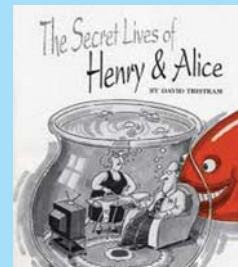
B - Etruria Industrial Museum

Mow Cop Players Present The Secret Lives of Henry and Alice

Saturday 1 - Sunday 2 October

The riotous comedy by David Tristram. 2.15pm in the Forum Theatre. Please see museum website for further details and prices. Proceeds in aid of Cancer Research UK.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



'Taste of Staffordshire' Steaming Weekend

Saturday 1 - Sunday 2 October

See the mill in steam and sample some of the county's finest food and drink. Also make your own cam driven moving picture. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

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Run up a Rag Rug

Saturday 22 October

Make a rag rug using your own recycled T-shirts or those provided. Beginners welcome, 12 - 4pm, £4.50.

Call 01782 233144 to book.

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Clinging Bats

Monday 24 - Thursday 27 October

Make a scary bat that just won't let go. Watch out or you could meet the resident bat of Ford Green Hall. Drop-in session, 1 - 4pm, £1 plus admission.

Ford Green Hall



Activities and Events



B limited numbers, please book in advance
hands-on activities for families. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Groups of 10 or more please book in advance.

Spooky Pottery Painting

Monday 24 - Friday 28 October

Paint a piece of ghoulish themed pottery every day during half term. From £1 plus admission.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



A Gladstone Badge

Tuesday 25 October

Design and make your own pin badge. Drop-in session 11am - 3pm, 50p plus admission.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



Clay hedgehogs

Tuesday 25 - Thursday 27 October

Model your own spiky hedgehog. Drop-in session 10.30am - 12.30pm, 1.15 - 3pm, £1.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Fiery Dragon Embroidery

Wednesday 26 - Friday 28 October

Stitch your own fire breathing dragon picture and follow the dragon trail at the mill.

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The Big Draw – Original Tiles

Tuesday 25 - Saturday 29 October

Invent your own personal tile decoration. Draw it and add it to Gladstone's Big Draw tile wall.

Drop-in session 11am - 4pm, free activity in the Tile Gallery.

Gladstone Pottery Museum



Big Draw – Slithering Serpent

Wednesday 26 October

Draw a petrifying pattern on our giant spooky serpent as he slithers around the rooms of the hall.

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The Big Draw – With Threads

Saturday 29 - Sunday 30 October

Come and add your own "stitch in time" in our giant Etruria embroidery. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, free event.

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Big Draw – Spooky Spiders

Saturday 29 October

Draw your own spooky spider to sit in our giant spiders web.

10.30am - 3pm, free event.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Who's Afraid of...

Saturday 29 October

All the baddies and evil characters from your favourite fairy tales will descend on the museum to spread mischief and mayhem. Also spooky face painting and craft activities.

10.30am - 4pm, free event.

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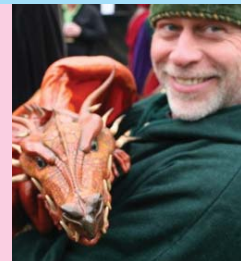


Dragon Quest

Saturday 29 October

Listen to Julius Drake, the Victorian dragon hunter, visit the dragons lair and take part in craft activities. 12.30 - 4pm.

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Witches and Potions

Sunday 30 October

Meet Ford Green Hall's very own 'witch' before she is sent to the stake and find out what torture she has endured. See what potions and spells would have been made in Tudor times to ward off evil spirits. 1 - 4pm, normal admission charges to the hall apply.

Ford Green Hall



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“Blood & Bone China” – the Halloween Experience

Monday 31 October -
Tuesday 1 November

Follow the 12 part video drama as you tour the museum, with cast members and a display of costumes from the series. Gothic dress welcomed, includes glass of wine. Timed tours from 6.30pm. Cost £7.95 per person, adults only, pre-booking essential. Ticket includes free day time visit to the museum in November. Please call 01782 237777 or visit the museum to book.

B - Gladstone Pottery Museum



Meet Miss Byrne

Saturday 12 - Sunday 13 November

Meet and talk with Factory Inspector Miss Caroline Byrne while on this day in 1910 she visits to inspect Gladstone Pottery.

10.30am - 4.30pm

Gladstone Pottery Museum

Gladstone Shop Promotion

Friday 18 - Monday 21 November

15% off purchases over £5 in the Gladstone shop. Admission tickets, passports and stamps excluded, shop open to non-museum visitors.

Gladstone Pottery Museum

Gunpowder, Treason and Plot

Saturday 5 November

Meet Guy Fawkes and hear about his plot to blow up the king. See real gunpowder and make your own bonfire to take home. 10.30am - 4pm.

The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery



Bonfire Night

Saturday 5 - Sunday 6 November

Blast off! Create your own bonfire inspired moving picture, then see the mill in steam. Drop-in session 12.30 - 3.30pm, £1 plus admission.

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Winter Warmers Weekend

Saturday 5 - Sunday 6 November

With the mill in steam, warm-up in the Boiler Room or take a winter walk. Hot soups and roasted chestnuts also available to keep the cold at bay. 12 - 4.30pm, normal admission charges apply.

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Paint a Silk Cushion

Sunday 20 November

Learn a new skill at our silk painting course.

Beginners welcome, 12 - 4pm, £6.50.

Call 01782 233144 to book.

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Christmas Craft Fair

Sunday 27 November

Quality gifts will be on sale at Ford Green Hall just in time to purchase a perfect gift for Christmas.

1 - 4pm. Normal admission charges applies.

Ford Green Hall

Santa Steaming with Crafts and Carols

Saturday 3 - Sunday 4 December

Join Santa on his annual visit to the mill. See the mill in steam, a range of craft activities and enjoy festive music. 12 - 4.30pm, normal admission charges apply.

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Would you like to volunteer at any of the museum sites?

For more information on how your time can help us, please contact the Volunteer Co-ordinator on 01782 233146, see stoke.gov.uk/museum or email museum.volunteers@stoke.gov.uk