

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Stars

At the beginning of July the museum was pleased to host a tour from the young melodeon players of Whitchurch Infants School.

They were visiting Wem for Squeezing Shropshire's Big Squeeze Day, and after performing at Wem Town Hall they brought their families for a guided tour of Mythstories.

But you can't keep a good musician quiet, pictured opposite are Betsy and Tilly playing Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star on their miniature melodeons during their visit.



Work experience At Mythstories



"That's the first time I've ever used a hammer." Work is a varied experience at Mythstories. Jen discovered her handy-woman skills, that's her posing with the pliers. Dylan helped with a workshop in a Telford Secondary School and spent a day in a recording studio. Joe learnt the safe way to climb a step ladder.

All three handled everything that they encountered with skill and aplomb.

Blists Hill Street Kids

Over half term we had the pleasure of running some workshops with The Blists Hill Street Kids. We were happy to find a team of natural born storytellers.

We'd thoroughly recommend a visit to the Blists Hill Victorian Town. And, just in case you're worried, the tumble-down station platform in the picture opposite is not within the confines of the town.



STWYtellers Inspire Session



A large team visited Thomas Adams School in Wem to launch the campaign towards finding the Young Storyteller of The Year 2011.

Over three days storytellers Susanna Oldfield, Dez & Ali Quarréll, Daragh Quinn, Jen Ward & Joe White worked with Year 7, 8 and 9 students.

The event culminated with the pupils performing their tales in an evening performance to their peers and parents.



A Comic Twist

Look out for a new comic twist on interpretation within the museum. We've been experimenting with comic strip instruction pages for some of our exhibits to ensure quick and easy access for all our visitors.

The first to get the comic treatment were Edric and Godda. And then work experience student Dylan got busy and produced a graphic introduction to our recently installed story creation artefact "Traces of the Tudors".



Arts Award

Ali has been busy since the last Newlines and she is now an accredited Arts Award Adviser for the Bronze, Silver and Gold Arts Awards.

Mythstories is an Arts Award Centre and at present we have students working towards all three awards and the museum is alive with their creativity.



Arts Award is for students 11 to 25 and is a partnership between Arts Council England and Trinity Guildhall.



100% Extra Storytelling Workshops

Saturday 11th September
"I Can Hear It In Your Face"
with Cath Aran

Saturday 25th September
"Witchcraft"
with Dave Arthur

Saturday 9th October
"Tackling Longer Stories"
with Michael Harvey

Saturday 23rd October
"Storytelling - An Object-Orientated Approach" with Dez & Ali Quarréll

all take place at Mythstories museum, The Morgan Library, Aston Street, Wem SY4 5AU between 11.00am and 4.15pm and cost £35 or £25 concessions



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Telling Tuesdays 27th July, Wem Town Hall 7pm workshop 2 to 4pm
info stwytellers@googlemail.com next dates 22/11/10 & 01/02/11

StoryCraft – Family storytelling and craft activities at Mythstories
on Tuesdays 3rd, 17th, & 31st August between 11.00am and 12.30pm

Picnics on the Green at Wem Millennium Green on Tuesdays 10th & 24th August between 1.00pm and 2.00pm, bring a picnic and enjoy!

2010 100% Extra Storytelling Skills Workshops at Mythstories Autumn Series Saturdays September 11th & 25th and October 9th & 23rd

Telling Space at Mythstories museum (unless stated) 7.00pm- 9.30pm
- 24 August, 28th September, 26th October, 23rd November.

Rhymes and Tells at The Six Bells, Bishops Castle every 4th Sunday but not BH weekends 8.00pm info Mike & Teri Greene on 01588 680685

Tales at the Edge in The White Lion, West Castle Street, Bridgnorth every 2nd Tues, 8.00pm. except August info Mike Rust 01694 771379

The Swan Club at the Newhampton Inn, Wolverhampton every 1st Monday 8.00pm excl August info Peter Chand chandstory@tiscali.co.uk



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Telling Tuesdays

The next Telling Tuesday is set for this week at Wem Town Hall on 27th July from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Apart from stars of the show Jen Ward and Joe White, aka "Short Stories & Tall Tales", there will be a line-up of extra special guests. Pictured below, they are Young Storyteller of Wales 2009, Daragh Quinn, who was also highly commended in the Young Storyteller of the Year under 18 category; ex- young storyteller and now sought-after professional teller Tim Ralphs who will MC the evening;

and "Banterous Potentials", Sam & Jono from Matlock who were crowned Young Storytellers of 2010 in March.



There will be an afternoon family storytelling workshop too, running from 2.00pm to 4.00pm at Wem Town Hall. It will be ideal for accompanied children of 8 years of age and over.



Don't miss tomorrow's young stars today

Tuesday 27th July 2010

Performance 7.00pm – 9.00pm

Workshop 2.00pm – 4.00pm

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