

News Lines



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Storycraft

On Tuesday mornings in the Summer Holidays the museum has been full of creative craftworkers getting their hands nice and messy.

We've made pasta faces, beautiful banners and gingerbread houses all inspired by stories and there's still potato printed wallpaper to come. Can you think of a story to start that session?

The pasta faces have gone home, the gingerbread houses are eaten but the banners will be on display for the rest of 2009.

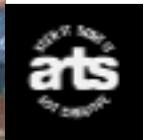
It's Summer after all so the big plan was to picnic afterwards on the Millennium Green in the sunshine.

The picnics have been disrupted by torrential rain so far but we're optimistic for this Tuesday.

These sessions have been supported by Shropshire Council's Seen It Done It Got Creative programme and Wem Town Council. Thank you!

Don't miss the final sessions next Tuesday 1st September...

Come to the museum at 11.00am for The Spud You Like craft session and/or bring your lunch to the Millennium Green at 1.00pm and enjoy a picnic with stories from Amy Douglas.



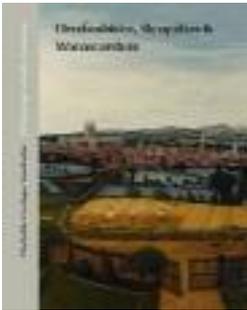


Telling Space Has Grave Doubts

Telling Space went on a mid-Summer picnic to Clive Church and Grinshill Hill.

On our stroll through the churchyard we found the leap year grave. Local legend has it that the occupant was

born and died on the leap day, February 29th, but the gravestone tells a different story (died 1835 Aged 49 years). Club member, Sue Jones, has come up with a theory, can you?



The Public Catalogue Foundation

Hot off the presses comes the PCF's Herefordshire, Shropshire & Worcestershire edition. This contains photographs of all the oil and acrylic paintings held in public ownership in those counties, including those at Mythstories.

If you want to buy a copy, or to know more about the Foundation and its work see their website, www.thepcf.org.uk.

Joe's Silver Arts Award

During the first two weeks of the Summer Holidays chair of STWYtellers, Joe White has been working with Mythstories and Arts Award Advisor Fiona Collins on a Silver Arts Award programme.



The fortnight culminated with Joe taking a group of people on a storywalk of Wem telling them stories he had researched and fashioned to his own style.

Joe's retelling of the traditional Wem ballad of Nellie is available for all to hear on the Storytelling Jukebox at www.mythstories.com.

Life In A Box

Following the creation of the Romany Gypsy Storytelling Wagon in Mythstories funds have been awarded for a follow-up project. The money from The Heritage Lottery Youth Roots Fund will enable a group of traveller teenagers to learn traditional craft skills and make and decorate four wooden boxes for the exhibit. Each box will contain the life of a traveller; personal items and of course their stories



100% Extra Storytelling Workshops

The first two workshops in the 100% Extra series have been, in the participants' own words "friendly, fun, supportive and informative". Everyone has had lots of cake and made new friends; learnt new skills and told new stories.

There's still time for you to book your place - download a booking form from Mythstories' events page at www.mythstories.com.



There's six more workshops in 2009.

12.09 - Cath Aran - Making the Right Moves

26.09 - Shonaleigh - Voice

07.11 - Sal Tonge - Nursery Tales

14.11 - Amy Douglas - Life Stories

21.11 - Helen East - The Crafty Teller

28.11 - Nick Hennessey - Verse

But don't listen to us giving you the big sell, here's the advice of a participant...





Tales & Trails Trophy 2009



On September 22nd Telling Space devote their meeting night to The Tales & Trails Trophy. Come along and tell a tale on the theme "In Severn's Stream". Thanks to Dawn and her family, the venue is an island in the River Severn, where else? Meet at 7.15pm at River Chambers, 81 Underdale Road, Shrewsbury. Bring a picnic, a torch and stout footwear. Please park considerably on the wider sections of Underdale Road and walk to the meeting point.

Dates for your Diary... Dates for your Diary... Dates for your Diary...

100% Extra Workshops at Mythstories museum take place on Saturdays September 12th & 26th, November 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th.

Love And Death at The Northern Stage, Newcastle upon Tyne a mini festival of performance storytelling 22nd to 24th October. Book on line at www.northernstage.co.uk

Telling Space at Mythstories museum (unless stated) 7.00pm- 9.30pm 27th October, 24th November, 22nd December 2009 & 26th January 2010.

Rhymes and Tells at The Six Bells, Bishops Castle every 4th Sunday 8.00pm info Mike & Teri Greene on 01588 680685

Tales at the Edge in The White Lion, West Castle Street, Bridgnorth every 2nd Tuesday at 8.00pm. Details phone Mike Rust 01694 771379

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

Story Night at The Royal Oak, Clee Hill every 3rd Wednesday 7.30pm for 8.00pm start. Further details call Sue Thomas on 01584 891130

Starkadders Spoken Word at The Red Lion, Castle Caereinion every 4th Wednesday at 8.00pm contact Brian Timmis on 01938 850659



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