

Free Family Days Out with BARNSELY MUSEUMS

this

SUMMER



Guardians of Bird Island

From July

Follow the story walk along the woodland bank of bird island and view the impressive Gateway guardians as part of this new sculpture trail.

More info: www.guardiansofbirdisland.co.uk

Tales of the Polish Camp

Tuesday 23 July –

Tuesday 3 September 2024

A group of fearless and brave Polish soldiers displaced by WWII were stationed at Cannon Hall. Follow the trail across the parkland and gardens and discover more about this fascinating part of Cannon Hall's history.

Costume Capers

Suitable for all ages -throughout Summer Strut your stuff on the stage, dazzle us in the dress-up corner or cosy up in our reading area. There's lots to do for all ages in our interactive space.

Little Listeners: Mini Vixen

Tuesday 30 and Wednesday 31 July Opera North presents a 40-minute interactive production for families telling the charming story of a Vixen who meets a Fox.

Pre-show drop-in craft activity and refreshments available. Doors open from 1pm showing starts a 2pm (40 minute performance) | Adult £6, child £5 | In the Deer Shelter & Spencer Wing. Tickets from Art Tickets.

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Brian's Wild Wood

Throughout summer

A magical wood has popped up in the Cooper Gallery! Are you ready for an adventure? Why not come along to the wild wood to read, relax, dress up or play. The interactive area is part of our latest family friendly exhibition 'Paws, Claws, Tales and Roars'. **Free, drop-in**

Bear Bops and Fox Trots

Thursday 1 August

One morning bear finds a cosy cave and goes for a snooze but before he knows it the cave turns out to be a hot air balloon basket and he is whisked away on a wondrous journey. Join bear as he dances his way from one escapade to another. This dance and movement workshop is suitable for children ages 3–7.

10.30am & 1pm | £3 per child. Book your place on Art Tickets.

Animal Adventures in Wildsmith's World of Wonder

Wednesday 7 and Monday 12 August

Join our storyteller to embark on an unforgettable adventure. This interactive session combines story and craft suitable for children under 7.

10.30am & 1pm | £3 per child. Book your place on Art Tickets

Mama G presents Paws, Claws, Tails and Roars – interactive storytelling experience!

Thursday 15 August

Join Mama G In our enchanted forest to experience a magical, interactive performance of Brian Wildsmith's new book. Ages 3-8.

11am & 1pm | £3 per child. Book your place on Art Tickets.



Treasure Seekers

Friday 26 July

From hidden Roman hoards to lost books from a bygone age, Experience Barnsley Museum is crammed full with treasure. Calling all treasure hunters and enquiring minds to join us discovering the hidden treasures of Barnsley and making some of your own to take home.

10.30am-2pm, suitable for all ages

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Wednesday 7 August

Book on this multisensory experience for families with PMLD, autism and who are neurodivergent. Our families said: "Relaxing and stimulating" "All activities provided were great" "Really good for our PMLD children."

11am-12 noon & 1pm-2pm. Free. Places limited, booking essential via Eventbrite

The Big Barnsley Bats & Balls Bash!

Thursday 8 August

Celebrate all things sport at Experience Barnsley Museum at this fun filled, family event. From ferret racing to the ancient game of nipsey, football to traditional school sports day fun, there'll be lots to do for the whole family.

10am-2pm, suitable for all ages

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Elsecar by the Sea Trail

Tuesday 23 July – Sunday 1 September

Summer Trail Inspired by the incredible story of the 'seaside resort at the heart of the Yorkshire coalfield', search out hidden seaside objects and collect words to make a popular summer song, **suitable for all ages**

Echoes through time, an Elsecar story

31 July launch event and throughout August

Can you crack the code to reveal the secret of the black diamond? Join time-travellers Kit and Echo as they journey through Elsecar's past, uncovering hidden stories as they go. Chronicles of Elsecar is a brand new trail, created by Next Big Thing, Barnsley Museums young creatives group, working with artists Gemma Wheelan and Becky Newbould, aka We Great Ladies. See www.elsecar-heritage.com for details



Enchanted envelopes and pebble poems

Thursday 22 and 29 August

Make your own messages for the woodland sprites and fairies using natural materials.

10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm | £3 per child. Booking essential on Art Ticket, suitable for ages 4-8.

Wentworth Castle Gardens

A jam - packed 'Summer of Play' returns everyday

20 July - 1 September 2024

Try storytelling within the magical castle walls, test out your best strategy with outdoor games, take-on the balance beam challenge, make music in the sound space, get creative with sand or have-a-go at an array of outdoor games on the Play Field. Find out more at <https://bit.ly/4bGFfRP>



Giddy up and away!

Saddle up and ride into a pony adventure at Elsecar Heritage Centre. In this unique, interactive session, under fives and their families will meet the horses of Elsecar through imaginative play. This hands on session includes water play so a change of clothes is advisable just in case of splashes! Suitable for children aged 5 and under and their families and siblings. Places are limited so please see the website for dates to book. £3 per child. www.elsecar-heritage.com/whats-on

For more details on activities visit www.barnsley-museums.com or check out our social media @Barnsley Museums