

**LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM:
Quality badge scheme in association with GEM
(Group for Education in Museums)**

Fri 6 Nov, 11-4

Denny Abbey, Cambridgeshire

Fri 13 Nov, 10-3

British Schools Museum, Hitchin

Trainer:

Dr Mark Curteis, GEM East Regional Convener

The Department for Children Schools and Families have developed a new quality badge for Learning Outside the Classroom providers. The badge is aimed at all organisations that offer a learning outside the classroom experience and will increasingly become an important requirement of any museum looking to welcome school parties.

This training is for organisations wanting to know more about the badge, which gives a national benchmark for the provision of educational visits and recognises organisations delivering high quality teaching and learning experiences. It also provides a framework for working in partnership with schools, youth groups and local authorities and aims to reduce red tape, making holders a more attractive prospect for those organising education visits.

Participants will:

- understand what the LOTC badge is
- consider the benefits of gaining the badge
- look at quality indicators
- examine where they are in relation to achieving the badge
- consider the costs involved and next steps planning

Lunch and materials will be provided. There is no charge for this event.



