

LEARNING WITH ARCHIVE COLLECTIONS

10.00 – 16.00, Thursday 16 February 2012

Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery

If you come to GEM's *Learning with Archive Collections* seminar you will find out about the innovative learning and outreach work taking place using archive collections, and its potential to develop, empower and transform individuals and communities.

At the *Learning with Archive Collections* seminar you will have the opportunity to network with those working with archive collections in some way. Many of the ideas and issues under discussion, and approaches to learning, engagement and working practices, are clearly transferrable across the heritage sector and into the voluntary and community sectors.

Learning with Archive Collections aims to place archives learning and outreach on the map, and will provide the opportunity to share ideas, experiences, working practices, whilst setting a context in terms of challenges, and possible solutions and newer models for working. Also, the seminar provides an opportunity to bring together this community of practice.

Who should attend?

- **Archive and other learning specialists** who plan and deliver learning programmes in archives, libraries and museums, and other heritage organisations or sites with archive collections.
- **Managers**, perhaps without specialist learning expertise, responsible for delivering archive learning programmes.

Who is running the workshop?

The workshop is part of GEM's professional development programme and is being led by Izzy Mohammed, GEM Trustee and an experienced practitioner in the archives learning sector.

What is the cost?

The seminar fee of £85 for GEM members (£105 for non-members) includes a light sandwich lunch, refreshments during the day, and all materials. Non-members may join GEM at a reduced rate and take advantage of the member fee for this seminar and thus save £30!

Next steps

If you are interested in booking a place at this seminar, please download the booking form from www.gem.org.uk or contact the GEM office on office@gem.org.uk or telephone 01634 853 424.

PROGRAMME

09.30 Registration & refreshments

10.00 Welcome and introductions

10.15 Children's Lives Project

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10.45 Great Escapes & National Library of Scotland Learning Zone

Beverley Casebow; education and outreach officer, National Library of Scotland

11.15 Networking and refreshments

11.45 Learning from the challenges of providing outreach in a records office

Isilda Almeida-Harvey, East Sussex Record Office

12.15 What do you get when you cross a museum outreach worker, archivist and a librarian?

Herbert Museum

12.45 Lunch and networking

13.45 Outreach projects at the National Archives

National Archives

14.15 Community engagement; Archives skills and cataloguing training

Birmingham Libraries and Archives

14.45 Funding for archives outreach and learning projects

Heritage Lottery Fund

15.15 Discussion and closing remarks

15.45 Refreshments and evaluation

16.00 Close