



Low Cost/No Cost Family Fun in London



Please look at the organisations' websites to double check times and arrangements

Unicorn Theatre

147 Tooley St, Southwark SE1 2HZ / 020 7645 0500/ www.unicorntheatre.com

Nearest tube: London Bridge **FREE** (Ages 3+)

Sat 15th February, *Unicorn Up Club, Save The Bees*, 12.00 – 2.00pm (ages 3+)

Join the Unicorn Play Club most Saturdays from 12pm – 2pm for free drop-in activities from portrait painting and potato printing to giant rocket making and more! All our arts and crafts are activities designed for you and your tiny human to create together. This week, we're making beautiful bees to remind all the grown-ups how important they are.

Southbank Centre

Royal Festival Hall, Belvedere Rd, London, SE1 8XX / 020 7323 8000 / www.southbankcentre.co.uk

Nearest tube: Waterloo / Embankment **FREE** (All ages)

Sat 15th February, *Earth Activity Trail* 11am – 4pm, 5 – 11 yrs

Collect an activity sheet and lead your family on a do-it-yourself eco adventure, created by artist Anna Bruder. Follow the footprints and enjoy the puzzles on a green-inspired wander through *Imagine Children's Festival*, packed with discoveries galore.

Sat 15th February, *Big Songs for Little Singers*, various times throughout the day (see website)

All together now: join us for a day of belting tunes for kids.

Learn some moves, reprise the classics and pick up new tunes at our free family sing-along

Sat 15th February, *You're Never too Young to Change The World*, various times throughout the day

Find out about children who are making the world a better place.

Sun 16th February, *All Hands on Decks*, 1.30pm

Shout 'Arrr' at our rollicking pirate-themed party, featuring crafts, dancing and the chance to wear your best pirate outfit. With Just Vibes DJs on the decks to provide a jolly atmosphere

Bank of England Museum

Entrance on Bartholomew Lane, EC2R 8AH / 020 7601 5545 / www.bankofengland.co.uk/museum

Nearest Tube: Bank / **FREE** (All Ages)

Mon 17th – Fri 21st February, 10am – 4.30pm

Listen to fascinating stories performed by our costumed actor. Learn about the California gold rush, and how someone once found a way into our gold vaults! You can also pick up our real 13kg gold bar and make a gold bar shaped money box to take home.

Horniman Museum

100 London Road, SE23 3PQ / 020 8699 1872 / www.horniman.ac.uk **FREE** (All ages)

Family Fun weekdays during half term!

Buses: 176, 185, 312, P4, 63, 122, P13

Mon 17th Feb – Fri 21st February – check website for timings

Throughout half term, take part in free and fabulous Horniman craft activities every day including:

MAKE! Permian Volcanoes, Bath Bomb Workshop, Creative workshops, Hands On Workshops

Ragged School Museum

46-50 Copperfield Road, London E3 4RR / www.raggedschoolmuseum.org.uk / 020 8980 6405

Nearest tube: Mile End, **FREE** (drop in) all ages

Wed 18th & Thurs 19th February, 10.00am – 5.00pm – admission and all activities are free!

We will have free arts and crafts activities on offer throughout the museum, face-painting and all of our usual Half-term fun!

Museum of London

150 London Wall, London EC2Y 5HN / 020 7001 9844 / www.museumoflondon.org.uk

Nearest tube: Barbican / **FREE** (ages 3+) drop in activity

Sun 16th February, *Monster Soup Puppets*, 10.30 – 12.30pm & 1.30 – 3.30pm

The Thames was once so foul and full of yucky bacteria that an artist called William Heath named the water 'monster soup'! Join Moth Physical Theatre to make your own bacteria inspired monster soup puppet. Then discover tricks and tips to perform with it.

Museum of London Docklands

No1 Warehouse, West India Quay, London E14 4AL / 020 7001 9844 / www.museumoflondon.org.uk

Nearest tube: Canary Wharf West India Quay DLR / **FREE** (ages 5+)

Sat 15th & Sun 16th February, *Stinky Stories!* 12pm, 2pm & 3pm (30mins) drop in activity

Travel back in time with storyteller Emily Grazebrook to the stench-filled summer of 1858 in this interactive session. Hold your nose as you move through the museum galleries and discover the dirt, disease and pollution which created the Thames' Great Stink!

Mon 17th February, *Beaky Challenge*, 11am & 1.30pm (1hr 30 mins)

Learn about the birds that inhabit the River Thames and take our beaky challenge. Make your own beak and then use it to scavenge materials and build a nest using clay.

Mon 17th & Tues 18th February, *London Bridge is Falling Down*, 12pm & 2.30pm (1 hr 30mins)

Can you help rebuild the iconic London Bridge? Be inspired by the original Roman crossing and learn about weights and measures from Londinium. Then construct your own bridge from craft materials and test it out!

Tues 18th February, *Monster Soup Puppets*, 10.30 – 12.30pm & 1.30 – 3.30pm

Wed 19th & Thu 20th February, *Thames Tunnel Tales*, 11.30am, 1pm, 2pm (30 mins) age 3+

Join us for a musical storytelling session that will bring to life the engineering marvel known as The Thames Tunnel. Take part in stories and songs in this session for young and old

Wed 19th February, *Pop Up Cards*, 12pm & 2.30pm (1 hr 30 mins) age 5+

Become a paper engineer and construct your own River Thames themed pop-up card. Flex your maths muscles and drawing skills to create a construction inspired by Victorian dioramas

Fri 21st February, *Time to Investigate*, 12pm, 2pm & 3.30pm (45mins) age 5+

Grab a lab coat and investigate climate change in this investigative family workshop. Budding scientists can take part in mini demonstrations to understand how humans cope with rising water levels. This workshop is free but ticketed. Please pick up a ticket from the Information desk on the day.

Fri 21st February, *Make Flora & Fauna*, 12.30pm – 3.30pm, drop in age 5+

Explore the watery world of the Thames and the plants and animals that live there. Work with your family to create a giant collage map of the river and it's wildlife.

National Portrait Gallery

St Martins Place, Westminster City, WC2H 0HE / 020 7306 0055 / www.npg.org.uk

Nearest tube: Leicester Square **FREE** (all ages)

Mon 17th Feb – Fri 21st February, 11am – 4pm, drop in activities

This February half term, bring your family and friends to enjoy activities across the Gallery and be inspired by stories of LGBTQI history and people in the Collection. In celebration of LGBT History Month, take part in storytelling sessions, craft workshops and family tours around themes of diversity and acceptance.

Grant Museum of Zoology

Rockefeller Building, University College London, University St, WC1E 6DE / 020 3106 2052 / Nearest

Tube: Euston/Goodge Street www.ucl.ac.uk / **FREE** (All Ages)

Thurs 20th February, *Half Term Explore Zoology* 1.00pm-5pm, drop in

Bring along your budding zoologists for our family specimen based activities and be inspired by our collections and enthusiastic museum educators. Specimens that are usually on display behind glass will be out on our tables for you to handle and carry out your own investigations.

Drop in between 1pm and 5pm, this event is free and there is no need to book

Happy Half Term everyone!