EXHIBITION

new acquisitions

Entrance Gallery

Celebrating recent acquisitions by the Museum, this exhibition showcases a number of our latest and most engaging arrivals.

From a medieval astrolabe to a 19th-century portable museum cabinet, we demonstrate the continued vitality of collecting in the modern museum, and the donations, grants and benefactors that make it possible.

FOCUS

Shakespeare’s World View: Stars, Globes and Magic
1 August - 31st December 2016

On the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare’s death the Museum will explore Shakespeare’s knowledge of the natural world. Discover the influence of Elizabethan thinkers on Shakespeare’s works and let our collection transport you back in time.

Drop-in for a self-led trail around the Museum, or attend a curator-led tour through the galleries.

WHAT’S ON

JULY

FAMILY-FRIENDLY
Alice’s Discoveries
Saturday 2 July, 1-4pm
Find out about cameras and early photography. Experiment with cyanotypes, and discover Alice’s objects in the Museum. Drop-in. Suitable for ages 7+

WALKING TOUR
Oxford in the Great War
Sunday 3 July, 2-4pm
Join UnderConstruction Theatre on the anniversary of the Somme to learn about Oxford’s largely forgotten role in the First World War. Meet outside the front gates of the Museum.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY
Globe-makers
Saturday 9 July, 2-4pm
Explore the museum’s collection of globes and make your own pocket globe. Drop-in. Suitable for ages 9-13

PUBLIC LECTURE
Board Games and Medieval Medicine
Thursday 21 July, 7pm
The Museum is helping to develop board games about medieval Islamic medicine. Daniel Burt (Oriental Institute, Oxford University) presents this exciting new project.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY
Summer Trails and Activities
21 July – 31 August
Discover amazing instruments and devious devices: help yourself to trails and activities. Drop-in.

AUGUST

GALLERY TRAIL
Shakespeare’s World View: Stars, Globes and Magic
1 August - 31 December 2016
Discover the influence of Elizabethan thinkers on Shakespeare’s works and let our collection transport you back in time through this self-led gallery trail. Drop-in. Suitable for adults and children.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY
Send a Message SOS
Saturday 13 August, 1-4pm
Discover Morse code and use the museum’s telegraphic apparatus to unravel the mystery message. Drop-in. Suitable for ages 7+

PUBLIC LECTURE
Time for Shakespeare
Thursday 18 August, 7pm
Professor Tiffany Stern (English, Oxford University) asks how the art of describing time shaped Shakespeare’s writing. Literally and figuratively, what was time for Shakespeare?

FAMILY-FRIENDLY
Lino-block Printing
Thursday 25 – Friday 26 August, 1-4pm
Make linocut designs inspired by Shakespeare. Drop-in. Suitable for ages 7+

GALLERY TOUR
Shakespeare’s World View: Stars, Globes and Magic
Wednesday 21 September, 1.30pm
Take a curator-led tour to discover Shakespeare’s knowledge of the natural world.

PUBLIC LECTURE
Mercury Rising: Measuring Temperature Through Time
Thursday 15 September, 7pm
Taking us from 1700 to the present day, Professor Graham Machin (National Physical Laboratory) will demonstrate the origin and development of temperature scales, with the aid of objects and practical demonstrations.

GALLERY TOUR
Shakespeare’s World View
Wednesday 21 September, 1.30pm
Take a curator-led tour to discover Shakespeare’s knowledge of the natural world.

GALLERY TOUR
Sensing Culture: Objects in Science
Thursday 29 September, 11am
Join us for a hands-on tour of the museum for visitors who are blind or partially sighted. Spaces for this tour are limited, for more information or to book contact 01865 282456 or outreach@museums.ox.ac.uk

NEWS

Museum Shop and Director’s Choice

Our new shop is filled with exciting stock, perfect for those looking for curious gifts or inspiring mementos. This includes a beautiful new souvenir guide to the Museum. Full of stunning photographs, favourite objects and surprising stories, the guide appears in Scala’s well-established Director’s Choice series.

WHAT’S ON

Free advance booking for events with this logo at www.bit.ly/mhs-events
Opening Hours
Tuesday to Sunday
12 – 5pm
Closed on Mondays.

ADMISSION FREE
Donations welcome
Entry, education and events are free, but a small donation of £3 helps in a big way. Thank you for your support.

Accessibility
Due to restrictions in our 17th-century building, disabled access can only be provided to the Basement Gallery and Special Exhibitions Gallery.

Shop
Looking for curious and inspiring gifts? Visit the Museum shop.

Stay Connected
Join our mailing list to receive the monthly email newsletter. Visit the website and add yourself to the list.

Inside MHS Oxford Blog
See more stories and pictures from the Museum’s collections and activities at:
www.insidemhsoxford.com

Research Visits
For current details regarding research visits please see: www.mhs.ox.ac.uk/collections

Education
The Museum offers a range of taught sessions suitable for primary and secondary schools, as well as workshops and study days for sixth formers and advanced students. See www.mhs.ox.ac.uk/education

Image Library
Images from the collections can be licensed. Visit the website to make a request.

Tell Us What You Think
We welcome your feedback. Email us at museum@mhs.ox.ac.uk or complete the kiosk survey in the Entrance Gallery.

Museum Highlights
FREE GUIDED TOURS
Every Thursday 2.30pm, 3.15pm
Every Saturday 12.30pm, 1.15pm
Join our team of exceptional volunteer guides to find out more about the stories behind the objects and the history of our very special building.