



MUSEUM *of the*
HISTORY *of*
SCIENCE

WHAT'S ON
APRIL – JUNE 2018



EXHIBITION

WOMEN *in* SCIENCE

BASEMENT GALLERY

100 years ago, the first group of women won the right to vote in the UK. In this centenary year, there is widespread recognition of the political role women have played in society.

But what about the vital contributions women have made to science over the centuries? This display celebrates eight women, from the 1700s to the present day, who have contributed to our knowledge of the universe.

From a Nobel Prize winner to “The Queen of Nineteenth Century Science”, each woman is linked to either the University of Oxford or our collections.

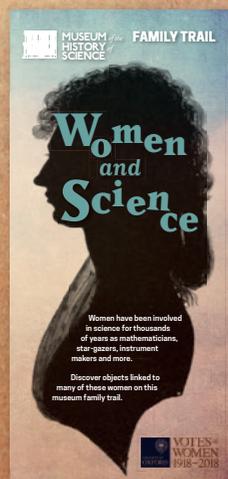


FAMILY TRAIL

Women and Science



Use this family trail to travel through our collections and find out about women like Caroline Herschel, the first woman to receive a Gold Medal from the Royal Astronomical Society, and Ada Lovelace, a forerunner of computer coding.



Women have been involved in science for thousands of years as mathematicians, star-gazers, instrument makers and more.

Discover objects linked to many of these women on this museum family trail.

WHAT'S ON

E Free advance booking for events with this logo at www.bit.ly/mhs-events

APRIL

FAMILY FRIENDLY

Fabulous Fundials Wednesday 11 April, 2-4pm

Make your own Easter sundial inspired by the Museum's collection.
Drop-in, ages 7+

EVENING TALK

Uncertain at Present for Women But May Increase Thursday 19 April, 6pm **E**

Dr Elizabeth Bruton (Science Museum, London) reveals the little-known history of female wireless telegraphists in World War One and their fight for opportunities to contribute to the war effort alongside their male colleagues.

SPECIAL EVENT

Marconi Day Saturday 21 April, 12-4pm

Help us celebrate the birthday of Guglielmo Marconi and experience the world of radio with the Oxford and District Amateur Radio Society. See how our building can be turned into an amateur radio station to contact people across the globe and try out Morse code for yourself.
Drop-in, all ages

MAY

FAMILY FRIENDLY

Drawing with Camera Obscuras Saturday 12 May, 2-4pm

Discover the secrets of Renaissance art and how to use a camera obscura to draw in perfect perspective.
Drop-in, ages 9+

EVENING TALK

The World's Earliest History of Medicine Thursday 24 May, 6pm **E**

In the mid-thirteenth century Ibn Abi Usaybi'ah, a practising physician in Syria, produced the earliest comprehensive history of medicine from any land. His work covers 1700 years and incorporates records of over 442 physicians, all interlaced with amusing poetry and anecdotes about their lives. Professor Emilie Savage-Smith (University of Oxford) will talk about the major project she is leading to edit and translate the entire treatise and make it available to everyone.

FAMILY FRIENDLY

Ahoy There! Thursday 31 May, 12-4pm

Imagine early voyages of exploration with maps, globes and hands-on navigational instruments.
Drop-in, ages 7-13

JUNE

FAMILY FRIENDLY

Ahoy There! Friday 1 June, 12-4pm

Imagine early voyages of exploration with maps, globes and hands-on navigational instruments.
Drop-in, ages 7-13

EVENING TALK

Art, Illusions and the Visual Brain Tuesday 5 June, 6pm **E**

Professor Christopher Kennard (Nuffield Department of Clinical Neurosciences) has spent a lifetime studying the visual system. In this talk he reveals how easily it can play tricks with our mind. Due to popular demand this is a repeat of Professor Kennard's talk in March.

SPECIAL EVENT

Scenes from a Projected World Tuesday 12 June, 6pm **E**

Drawing on stories of science and exploration this multimedia performance combines Dr Emily Hayes' (Oxford Brookes University) research into the history of the Royal Geographical Society with the spoken word, projected and animated images, and musical accompaniment to explore the magic lantern's role in the creation of environmental knowledge. With the Royal Geographical Society and Constructing Scientific Communities.

Museum Highlights GALLERY TOURS

Join our team of exceptional volunteer guides to find out more about the stories behind the objects and history of our very special building.

**Every Thursday
2.30pm and 3.15pm**

**Every Saturday
12.30pm and 1.15pm**

Family Fun SELF-LED TRAILS

Help yourself to family friendly trails in the Entrance Gallery.
Drop-in during open hours, ages 5+



FAMILY FRIENDLY

House of Wisdom Saturday 16 June, 2-4pm

Explore science and medicine in the early Islamic world with activities and games.
Drop-in, ages 7+

Calendar

APRIL			
11	Family Friendly	Fabulous Fundials	2-4pm
19	Evening Talk	Uncertain at Present for Women But May Increase	6pm
21	Special Event	Marconi Day	12-4pm
MAY			
12	Family Friendly	Drawing with Camera Obscuras	2-4pm
24	Evening Talk	The World's Earliest History of Medicine	6pm
31	Family Friendly	Ahoy There!	12-4pm
JUNE			
1	Family Friendly	Ahoy There!	12-4pm
5	Evening Talk	Art, Illusions and the Visual Brain	6pm
12	Special Event	Scenes from a Projected World	6pm
16	Family Friendly	House of Wisdom	2-4pm

VISITING

Donations Welcome

Entry, education and events are free, but a suggested donation of **£5** helps in a big way.

Thank you for your support.

Opening Hours

Tuesday to Sunday
12 - 5pm
Closed on Mondays.

Accessibility

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

Free Public Wi-Fi

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For more information about the Museum, including the collections, image licenses, research visits and education sessions please visit www.mhs.ox.ac.uk

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