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HEATH ROBINSON MUSEUM AND WEST HOUSE, PINNER MEMORIAL PARK

- What's on in March

After six months of the Heath Robinson Museum being open, things are hotting up in Pinner. A lot is happening this March, with some continuing “old favourites” and plenty of new activities to whet people’s interest. All activities are listed on the museum website – www.heathrobinsonmuseum.org

Looking first across the week

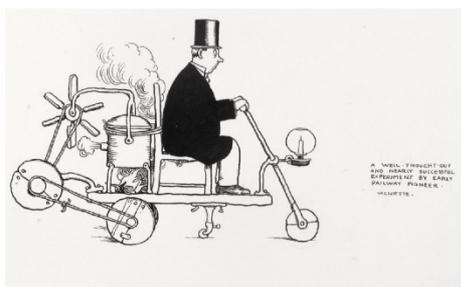
For children:

On **Sunday mornings** there is a **Young Innovators' Club** from 11am to 12.30 pm.

Does your child dream of being an inventor one day? Do they like tinkering with mechanical things or building and experimenting? This new workshop in the Museum (Pinner Memorial Park) is for **children of 8** and over to explore inventiveness, engineering concepts, problem-solving and challenges building in complexity. There will be lots of interaction and the Club will enable children to develop basic science and engineering skills in a practical and entertaining way.

The cost is £7 per person per session. Booking in advance is advisable via www.heathrobinsonmuseum.org/whatson

- though there may be a few places for drop in on the day.



On **Monday mornings**, between 10am and 11am, the Museum continues the **Jelly Tots** parent and child workshop for babies, toddlers and under-5s, with a “toddler gallery” introducing children William Heath Robinson, artist and illustrator.

Run weekly in term time by Nadja Kollich, there is a lot of music and movement and creative play involving the spoken word and visual art. The cost is £7 or £4 for siblings. Toddlers love being with other children and enjoy the fun.



Restarts Monday 9th January
every Monday during term-time. 10am
£7 per child / £4 per sibling, drop in or book online at
heathrobinsonmuseum.org/whatson
Activity Studio Heath Robinson Museum Pinner Memorial Park

Creative music and movement classes for children
Nadja's classes are a fun way to explore the combination of music, movement, dance, spoken word and visual arts. Themes from the museum's exhibitions will be starting points for our creative play for small and grown-up people.
Come along and join in!

*This subject to change depending on participant numbers. The York Museum and Heath Robinson Museum Trust, County No 1086367

For adults:

Thursday mornings for two hours between 11am and 1pm, **Drawing Club** attracts adults with any level of drawing experience, whether a beginner or an expert. It allows people to have a go, to try drawing with professional support, initially from the Artist in Residence **Charlotte Harker**. The cost is £10 per head and booking is required on www.heathrobinsonmuseum.org/whatson

This day-time Drawing workshop with professional tutoring allows people to make friends and develop a new skill or interest in the relaxing and pleasant surroundings of Pinner Memorial Park. More details are available on the Museum website. Those attending are advised to bring their own art or source materials.

In addition, Charlotte Harker is present as the Artist in Residence at the Museum from 11am till 4pm every Friday if people want to pop in; it's a good chance not just to have a chat but to pick up some tips about drawing and illustration or discuss any issues relating to art with her. It has been rather an experiment for the Museum to have an Artist in Residence but Charlotte is often busy talking to visitors to the Museum when she is there and barely has time to finish any of the sketches she is making with views over the Park lake!

On **Monday 6th March** there will be a continuation of the popular **Coffee and Crafts**.

Held on Mondays from 11.30 am to 1.30pm this workshop for adults gives a chance to learn about **wet and dry felt making**. Led by the Museum Learning Officer, Claire Linge who is becoming well known to many now due to her range of innovative workshops at the Museum, participants will be shown how to make a variety of goods ranging from pots to brooches to decorative pieces. The cost is £20 and will include coffee, cake, tuition and all materials. A good chance to not just have a chat and make friends but also to have something you have made yourself to bring home at the end of the day.

Special Events in March

To support the current Special Exhibition, The Brothers Robinson, running through March until the 26th there will be, on Thursday 2nd March, between 6pm and 9pm the Curator's Talk.

During this evening illustrated talk, Dr. Peter Higginson, art historian and curator of the current Special Exhibition will provide more insight on its content and context.

A renowned art historian and Heath Robinson expert, he makes the Brothers come alive with his stories of their family lives as well as of their artistic techniques and artistic careers.

The cost will be £10 per head. To book, visit www.heathrobinsonmuseum.org/whatson



The picture shown is of the book Hans Andersen's Fairy Tales, jointly illustrated by the three Robinson Brothers, Tom, Charles and William.

Last but not least- Nower Hill High School Art Exhibition

Nower Hill High School will hold their annual School Exhibition at the Verden Gallery, West House, over the weekend of **17th and 19th March.**

Every year Nower Hill students studying GCSE and A Level Fine Art, Photography and Graphic Design are invited to exhibit their work in West House. This gives students a chance to curate and exhibit in public as well as to learn about stewarding and organising an exhibition.

It is a popular event for visitors, providing a variety of different media and an insight into the students' views on life.

Organised by Nower Hill School Head of Art Jon Butterworth, **entry is free.**

Post Script

The Study Day on Holbein on 4th March is sold out. These Study days, jointly presented by the West House and Heath Robinson Museum Trust and the Pinner Adult Education Society are becoming very popular, allowing those attending to spend a day examining an artist's work under the tutelage of a well-known artist historian. More details later of future Study Days.

For more information on details of any events and booking when it is required, visit www.heathrobinsonmuseum.org/whatson