

Museum Socials

January–June 2024



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Every third Friday of the month 10:30–12:00

Free

Our Museum Socials are designed for people living with dementia, their friends, carers and supporters. Relaxed and informal, each session explores a different museum theme through various interactive activities, including curator talks, object handling and creative crafts. And tea, cake and a warm welcome are always provided

Fri 19 January 2024

Rising Tides

Curator Ali Clark will be joining us this month to talk about our current exhibition, *Rising Tide: Art and Environment in Oceania*, which looks at how Indigenous Australian and Pacific Islander artists are creating art as a response to climate change and plastic waste.

Fri 16 February 2024

Lunar New Year

February marks Lunar New Year and the year of the Dragon. Curator Louise Boyd will be joining us to talk about the calendrical animals of East Asia and we'll be looking at some of our East Asian collections.



Fri 15 March 2024

Biodiversity at the Museum

Celebrate nature this March! Curator Ashleigh Whiffin will be coming along to share her work supporting biodiversity on the grounds of the National Museums Collection Centre.



Fri 19 April 2024

Wartime Maps and Memories

This month, Assistant Curator Julie Gibb will be coming along to tell us about the brand-new exhibition at the National War Museum, *Maps: Memories from the Second World War*, and we'll explore some of our handling objects from the National War Museum.

Fri 17 May 2024

Communication

Communication has always been a hugely important part of human existence and connection. Join us as we explore the history and art of communication through our collections.



Fri 21 June 2024

Summer Solstice

For our final session before our summer break, join us for a sunshine themed session on the longest day of the year!

To find out more and for booking information, visit nms.ac.uk/museumsocials.

The Museum Socials are part of the Socials programme, a regular programme of cultural events across the city of Edinburgh for people living with dementia and their family, carers and supporters. Social events are hosted throughout the year by National Library of Scotland, National Museum of Scotland, National Galleries of Scotland, Edinburgh Zoo and St Cecilia's Hall – check out their websites for more details.