



Exhibitions and shows

The North-West Passage: An Arctic Obsession

23 May 2009 – 3 January 2010

Drawing on the extraordinary stories, feats of endurance and tragedies of famous – and sometimes fatal – British expeditions in the Canadian Arctic, this display reveals the historical importance of the Passage and the obsessions of explorers who attempted to trace its course. The exhibition also explores modern exploitation of the Arctic and the effect of global climate change on the region. National Maritime Museum. Admission free.

Jeremy Millar: Given

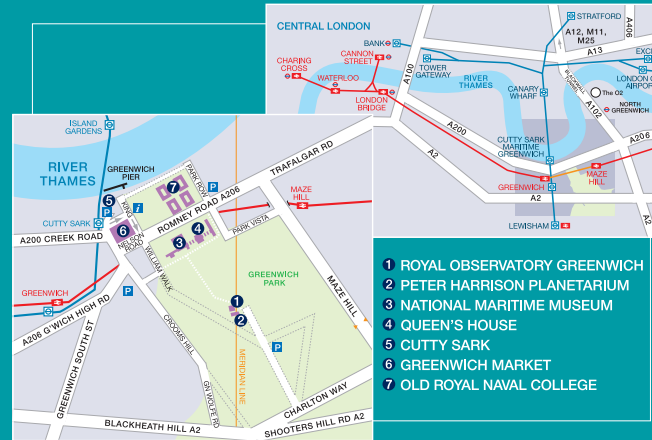
28 September 2009 – 17 January 2010

Continuing the *New Visions* series of contemporary art exhibitions, British artist Jeremy Millar explores how events in history resonate with our experience of the present. In *Given*, the starting point is a journey from Folkestone to Papua New Guinea taken by the Polish-born anthropologist Bronislaw Malinowski and the artist Stanislaw Ignacy Witkiewicz in 1914. This exhibition uses objects, images and films to speculate on the ways our understandings of the present, and possibilities for the future are informed and misinformed by what has gone before. Queen's House, South-West Parlour. Admission free.

Planetarium shows

Current shows include; *Ice Worlds*, *Dawn of the Space Age* from 18 July 2009 and *Space Safari*, ideal for under-5s. Timed tickets can be purchased on-line at nmm.ac.uk/planetarium or on-site for a changing programme of daily themed shows. Tickets can also be pre-booked up to one hour ahead by calling **020 8312 6608**. Royal Observatory, Greenwich. Charges and age restrictions apply.

How to get to the Museum



* Admission to the National Maritime Museum, Queen's House and Royal Observatory, Greenwich is free. Charges apply for planetarium shows and some special events and exhibitions.

Opening times

Open daily 10.00 – 17.00
Last admission 30 minutes before closing.
The Meridian Line courtyard at the Royal Observatory is open until 20.00 from 2 May until 31 August 2009 inclusive.

Membership

Become an NMM Member at nmm.ac.uk/membership or sign up to the e-newsletter for details of upcoming exhibitions and events at nmm.ac.uk/newsletter

Food and drink

Enjoy a selection of delicious cakes, lunches and snacks in The Galley, PAUL and Observatory cafés.

Gift shop

A large selection of gifts, books, prints and souvenirs are available on-site and on-line at nmm.ac.uk/shop

Travel

Only 20 minutes from central London.
● Cutty Sark Zone 2
● Greenwich Zone 2
● from Westminster, Waterloo, Embankment, Bankside or Tower Piers.
London Travel Information: **020 7222 1234**

For 24 hour information call **020 8312 6565** or visit nmm.ac.uk/leaflet

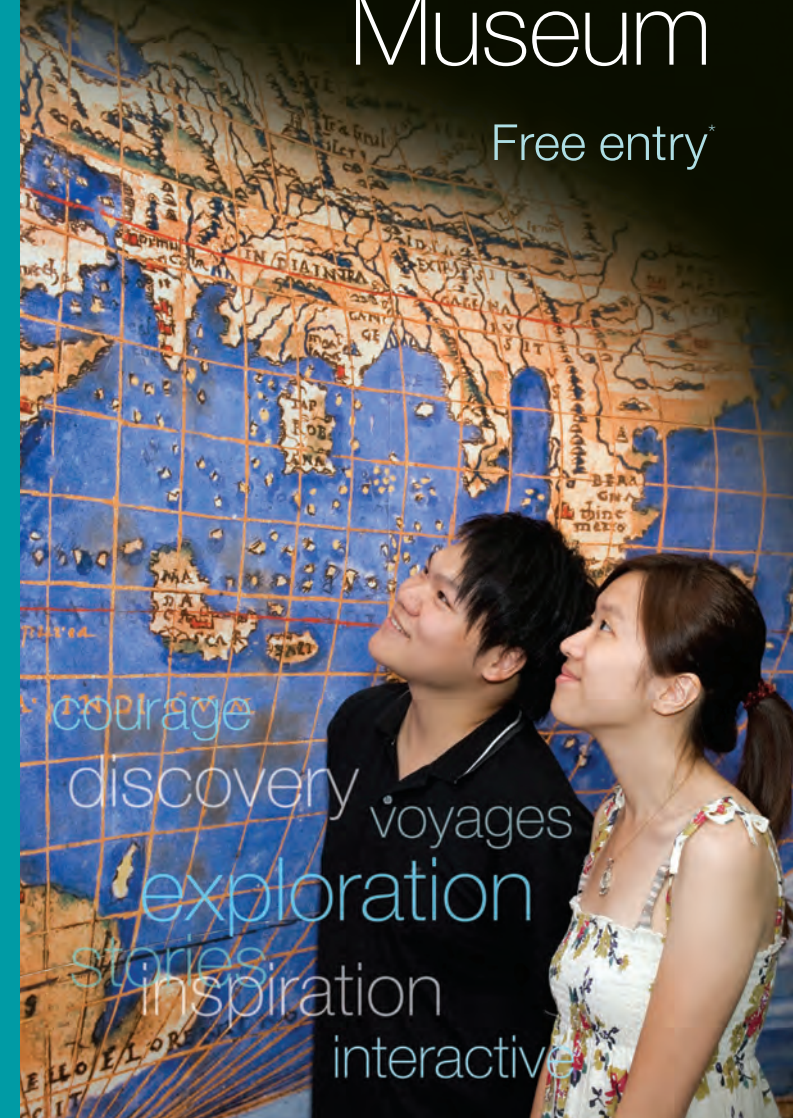
For booking and school visits enquiries call **020 8312 6608**



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National Maritime Museum

Free entry*





National Maritime Museum

Detailing inspirational stories of **exploration, discovery** and **endeavour** from Britain's seafaring past, the National Maritime Museum tells of the continuing effects the oceans still have on the world today.



Discover the courage shown by Franklin on his tragic polar expedition in **Explorers**, or see the original paintings, diaries and instruments from Captain Cook's famous Pacific voyages in **Oceans of Discovery**.



See Nelson's bullet-pierced coat from his final, fatal battle off Cape Trafalgar in **Maritime London**, and trace three centuries of connections and encounters across the Atlantic in **Atlantic Worlds**.

Budding young sailors can take command of **The Bridge** gallery and steer a ship into port using a state-of-the-art simulator, or learn how to send a semaphore signal and load a cargo ship in **All Hands**.



Bringing the collections to life

Free family fun

Every weekend, costumed actors bring history to life and families can get creative during **hands-on workshops**. Every Tuesday, early years visitors (under-5s) can enjoy maritime adventures. An exciting programme of themed activities also takes place each school holiday.



Delve deeper into the collections



Regular tours, gallery talks, study days and conferences reveal the fascinating stories behind the Museum's collections. Programmes cover a range of topics including art, history, science, time and astronomy. Visit nmm.ac.uk/adultlearning for details of events.

Unearthing history from the archives

The Caird Library is the **world's largest maritime reference library** and houses specialist collections such as rare printed books, manuscripts and maps for researching every aspect of maritime history, astronomy and horology. The collection also includes unique **family history records** for researching crews and seamen.



Enjoy a full day out

Two other great museums are also within walking distance:

Royal Observatory, Greenwich

Built for the purpose of finding longitude at sea, the Royal Observatory is home of **Greenwich Mean Time** and the famous **Prime Meridian of the World - 0°0'0"** as well as host to a year-long programme of events celebrating



International Year of Astronomy 2009. The Royal Observatory also houses **London's only planetarium** which provides a magnificent introduction to the mysteries and wonders of the night sky.

Admission free.*



Queen's House, Greenwich

Completed around 1638, Inigo Jones's '**house of delight**' introduced England to the beauties of Palladian architecture. Once a richly furnished summer villa for Queen Henrietta Maria, wife of Charles I, it is now the principle showcase for the National Maritime Museum's **world-class collection of fine art**.

Admission free.*

