

LOCAL TREASURES

Listening to some, you might think that all Britain's culture lived on London's South Bank. Here are a few of the many reasons why this is not the case.

Mid-Wales Mining Museum
Restored water-powered silver-lead mine (1740-1910) set out as an industrial heritage trail. WLLywernog Silver-Lead Mine, Ponterwyd, Aberystwyth, Dyfed.

The Moot Hall

Restored two-storey 16th century timber frame building with material from the Snape ship burial.

••"Aldeburgh, Suffolk.

Yorkshire Museum of Horse-Drawn Transport

Horse-drawn vehicles housed in a former woollen mill which once produced the red cloth for Garibaldi's armies.

Yore Mills, Aysgarth, nr Hawes, North Yorks.

The Vindolanda Museum

Museum displaying finds from the excavations of a Roman fort and village with reconstructed buildings.

Chesterholm, Bardonia Mill, nr Hexham, Northumberland.

American Museum in Britain

Displays of American decorative arts (1700-1900) and sections on the American Indians, Pennsylvania Germans and the Shakers.

Claverton Manor, nr Bath, Avon.

Buckler's Hard Maritime Museum

This museum is on the site of the former shipbuilding yard where many wooden warships were built, including Nelson's 'Agamemnon'. Displays of original shipbuilders' drawings, the history of the village and reconstructions of the site.

Buckler's Hard, Beaulieu, Hampshire.

Bede Monastery Museum

History of the saxon and medieval monasteries of St Paul's, Jarrow, where the venerable Bede worked. Reproductions of the Jarrow manuscripts and early Saxon stained glass.

Jarrow Hall, Church Bank, Jarrow, Tyne and Wear.

Pitt Rivers Museum

Worldwide collections of ethnology, prehistoric archaeology and musical instruments.

South Parks Rd, Oxford.

Barbara Hepworth Museum

Home of the artist with collections illustrating her life and work. Studio with original furnishings and open-air sculpture collection.

Trewyn Studio and Garden, Barnoon Hill, St Ives, Cornwall.

Great Western Railway Museum

Originally a lodging house for employees of the railway works. Now houses locomotives, memorabilia, early posters, tickets and railway maps.

Farringdon Rd, Swindon.

Ironbridge Gorge Museum

Open air industrial museum complex with the world's first Iron Bridge, iron smeltings, coal mine, sawmill and china works.

Ironbridge, Telford, Shropshire.

The Casa Magna Shelley Museum

Collections illustrating the life and work of the poet Shelley brought from his house in Lerici to his son's house.

Boscombe Manor, Shelley Park, Beechwood Ave, Boscombe, nr Bournemouth.

National Museum of Photography, Film and Television

Collections include the history of film, photography and tv as well as the Kodak Museum collection of cameras, pictures and equipment.

Princess View, Bradford, West Yorks.

Somerset Rural Lite Museum

Mediaeval barn once used as a storehouse by the abbots of Glastonbury. Now holds collections on 19th-century Somerset life including cider making and the withy industry.

Abbey Farm, Chilkwell St, Glastonbury, Somerset.

Ryedale Folk Museum

Prehistoric and Roman antiquities, mediaeval longhouse, Elizabethan glass furnace and craft workshops.

Hutton-le-Hole, North Yorks.

Islay Tweed Mill

Working water-powered tweed mill (1883) with original wool processing and cloth-making machinery.

Isle of Islay, Strathclyde.

Museum Database

All information on these and other museums in your area can be obtained from this computerised system.

Museums Association, 34 Bloomsbury Way, London WC1. Tel: 01-404 4767.

NEWS

International Women's Day

March 8 is here again. Events are going on all over the country so look out for your local celebration.

Marxism Today

We would like to thank the many volunteers who helped during February. We still need help with: subscriptions and circulation; merchandising; events and research.

W-Details from Jane or Mark. Tel: 01-608 0265.

The Maypole Fund

Has been set up to fund imaginative, non-violent activities by individual women and women's groups for the furtherance of world peace with justice and nuclear disarmament, anti-militarism and encourage international links between women for these purposes. Grants up to £500 will be made. Closing date: March 15.

Details: The Maypole Fund. Box 25,136 Kingsland High St. London E8 2NS.

6th International Book Fair

The 6th International Book Fair of Radical Black and Third World Books will focus on 'movement for social change'.

March 26-28, Camden Centre, London WC1. Details: 01-272 4889.

Bristol Mayfest

Marxism Today festival planned for May in Bristol - beat the blues with workshops, videos, practical sessions, bands and more. Helpers and ideas needed!

Details: Ian, 10 Lawford St, Bristol. Tel: Bristol 558726.

EYES LEFT

Knowing Your Place

Common Ground was formed to revitalise links between the arts, landscape and nature. To launch their Parish Maps project which sets out to create maps showing the features valued by the local community, 18 artists have been commissioned to depict an area to which they have a strong personal attachment.

Details 01-379 3109.

Which Side of the Fence!

An exhibition of contemporary art on the impact of war on our lives: from the Falklands to Greenham. Painting, ceramics and textiles. Imperial War Museum, London.

Details 01-735 8922.

Ilya Glazunov

A major exhibition of work by Russia's most popular contemporary painter. He works as a history painter, graphic artist landscape painter and as a designer for the Bolshoi.

Barbican Centre, London. Tel: 01-638 4141.

Beautiful Barbarians

A Poetry Society event, redefining the world of love, grief, the family and the future. Jackie Kay, Marilyn Hacker and Mary Dorsey - from Scotland, USA and Ireland respectively - three contributors to a new Onlywomen Press collection of lesbian feminist poetry.

April 2, National Poetry

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Marek Kohn's book *Narcomania*

Centre, 21 Earls Court Sq, London SW5. Tel: 01-373 7861.

PUBLICATIONS

You're Learning All the Time

This book seeks to provide a feminist perspective on education and community work. The predominant theme is that education distributes resources unequally by class and perpetuates gender inequalities.

Spokesman £4.95. Details 0602 708318.

Say it with Video

Provides a thorough and practical guide to the uses of video for campaigning organisations. Demystifies video and sets out financial and other needs.

Comedia £2.50. Details 01-439 2059.

Manifesto for Sanctions

The Anti-Apartheid Movement has produced a manifesto for people's sanctions against South Africa in 1987.

£15 per 100 from AAM, 13 Mandela St, London NW1 0DW.

Family Reunion is our Right

Broadsheet on the Primary Purpose Rule from the Campaign Against Racist Laws.

£4.50 per 50, £8 per 100. Details: CARL, 56 Edithna St, London SW9 9JP.

Entries for the April Update should be sent to the office by March 2. For information: tel Nick Mirzoeff on 01-673 3450. Please try to ensure you give details of disabled access.

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