MUSEUM OF THE HOME





September to December 2023

Dear Changemakers,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and spirits. On behalf of Museum of the Home, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your support and dedication to our mission.

You have played a vital role in supporting our diverse range of projects and initiatives. In the year 2022-23, we were visited by 148,000 visitors, a sizeable increase on our preclosure high of 120,000. Over the past few months, we have launched several captivating exhibitions such as 'No Place Like Home' led by artists KV Duong and Hoa Dung Clerget presenting contemporary works through the Vietnamese cultural lens, and 'One Song' a video installation from Kadir Karababa about how songs, with their memories of home, are carried across borders and continents. We have also begun work on our new Discovery Garden, working with two local primary schools to codevelop child-friendly green spaces on the Museum grounds.

In January 2024, our Branson Coates gallery closes for the "Real Rooms" groundbreaking project, a complete reimagining of our famous roomsets - from the 1870s to the future - exploring a more diverse range of dwellings and the everyday stories of the people who may have called such spaces home. We do hope you will join us at the Winter Gathering on the 8 December to say goodbye to the gallery as it is currently and for our grand reopening party in June 2024.



Children from William Davis Primary School testing soil water retention. Photo: Museum of the Home

All of this is only made possible by your continuing support. The story of Home has many overlooked voices and forgotten histories. Changemakers like you help us rediscover and preserve these untold stories, helping us all to understand "Home" for the better.

I do look forward to seeing you around the Museum in the coming months,

Sonia



22 SEPTEMBER

Ceramics in the City Private View



Image: Karen Bunting Ceramics

Join us to celebrate the return of Ceramics in the City at Museum of the Home at this exclusive private view. Meet the makers, browse and buy at this celebration of ceramics showcasing the work of 45 artists.

Friday 22 September, 6-8 PM Museum of the Home, E2 8EA

Book online.

19 OCTOBER

At Home and Studio with Will Martin



Join us for an intimate evening at the Camberwell studio and home of ceramicist Will Marten, highlighting connections between Will Martin's practice, and the stories of queer homemaking in our galleries.

Thursday 19 October, 7-9:30 PM Camberwell, the exact location disclosed on the booking.

Book online or contact Kitty on kcooke@museumofthehome.org.uk.

Image: Will Martin by Davy Pittoors

2 NOVEMBER

On Railton Road - Press Night



Image: On Railton Road photo from the Ian Townson Archive picturing the 'Mr Punch' Orginal Cast 1975

A powerful and moving story of queer communities in Brixton, On Railton Road is the first theatre production to be staged at Museum of the Home. Be one of the first to see the play at the Museum and have the opportunity to meet Director Ian Giles and Writer Louis Rembges.

Thursday 2 November, 6:30-9:30 PM Museum of the Home, E2 8EA

Book online or contact Kitty on kcooke@museumofthehome.org.uk.

9 NOVEMBER

Clocks Through Time



Join us for an unique look inside one of Clerkenwell's last working Clock workshops, Benchmark Conservation. Horologist Hugh Richards will guide us through unique pieces which provide fascinating insights into time and home in the past.

Thursday 9 November, 7-9 PM Benchmark Conservation, Clerkenwell

Book online or contact Kitty on kcooke@museumofthehome.org.uk.

Image: Hugh Richards by Bill Knight

7 DECEMBER

Winter Gathering



Image: Museum of the Home

Join us for an after-hours look at our Winter Festival with our curators. Expect seasonal music, crafting and of course, mulled wine. This evening will also be a chance to say goodbye to our 1870s-1990s rooms as they close for major redevelopment in January.

Thursday 7 December, 6-8 PM Museum of the Home, E2 8EA

Book online or contact Kitty on kcooke@museumofthehome.org.uk.

Coming soon

Winter Yard Sale | 26 November + Online Auction | 22-26 November

Join us for the highly anticipated return of our Yard Sale and Online Auction in support of our Campaign for Change: Food Equality. Featuring elegant homewares, exclusive experiences, studio clear-out bargains, and a range of stalls from local makers.

Queeriosities II Art and Makers Fair | Friday 1-Sunday 3 December

Davy Pittoors' highly successful queer art and makers fair returns to Museum of the Home.

Winter Festival | November 2023-January 2024 (Bonfire Night | 5 November)

Discover stunning light installations and decorations, new stories and displays about winter at home and through time. Come together for a programme of talks, creative sessions, supper clubs and live performances. Winter Festival offers moments of joy, thoughtfulness and intrigue to make the best of the season.

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