

Come and Drum! @ CSV Media Clubhouse, Ipswich

Supported by Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service

Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service has a dedicated community outreach programme and is delighted to be supporting the Ipswich Community Radio Drum Ensemble.

The drum ensemble, which started in the Chinese New Year, engages children aged 6 – 14 to learn different styles of Chinese drumming. The ensemble is led by Ipswich Community Radio presenter, Lydia Tse, who used to work for the Hong Kong National Orchestra.

The ensemble performed recently at the launch of the 'Dragons, Silks and Stories' exhibition in Gallery 3 in Ipswich's Town Hall Galleries. Now, the ensemble is currently rehearsing towards a special performance on Saturday 19th July to celebrate the opening of the 'Guardians to the King' exhibition at Colchester Castle. The exhibition will see 43 miniature terracotta figures coming to the UK for the first time from Jiangsu Province in China as part of the Essex Jiangsu Festival.

The drum ensemble currently practises on drums made from recycled objects. However, thanks to the support of the outreach team at Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service the ensemble will soon be able to practise on a set of authentic drums that are coming all the way from Hong Kong.

As part of its work with the drum ensemble the outreach team at Colchester and Ipswich Museum service has committed to support some free drumming workshops. The free drumming workshops which take place on Sundays between 2pm – 4pm are open to all children aged 6 -14. The free workshops will run every Sunday until the 13th July and booking is recommended. You can book and find out more by calling Mel Holmes at Ipswich Community Radio on 01473 418022.

Ruth Gillan, Community Outreach Officer at Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service said "This is an opportunity to support and sustain a local music group and to extend a fun activity to other youngsters in the Chinese community and beyond."

Free drumming workshops

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Suitable for children aged 6 – 14

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