## **Design China and Discover Animals!**

Events at Ipswich Museum and Christchurch Mansion, Ipswich Mon  $16^{th}$  – Sat  $21^{st}$  Feb 2009

This February head along to Christchurch Mansion, Ipswich and Ipswich Museum for fun events that will help ease the credit crunch!

The fun kicks off on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February** with **Designer China** at **Christchurch Mansion, Ipswich**. In this event, which can be enjoyed in the inspiring surroundings of Christchurch Mansion, you can get creative by painting your own plate, mug or vase. You won't be short of inspiration either with so much to see in the fabulous China room. Of course a friendly artist will be on hand to help you out, if you need it. Remember, you can take your masterpiece home with you as a memento of your special day out.

You'll have a smashing time at this event and of course you can enjoy the whole Mansion too, which is packed full of fascinating stories and objects. Admission to Christchurch Mansion is free and this event is £1.50 per person. Book by calling 01473 433554.

**Ipswich Museum** is going all Darwin this February with two fabulous events to enjoy absolutely **free of charge**. For a great day out, that **won't cost you a penny**, why not come along for some animal inspired fun? To celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Darwin's birth you can discover **Animal Tales** from **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February**. Our friendly storyteller will be telling funny, exciting and thoughtful tales inspired by animals and Darwin's discoveries. Of course you can enjoy the fabulous Natural History Gallery too, with its giant woolly mammoth, rhinoceros, giraffe and much more!

There is no need to book for Animal Tales just pop along to one of the sessions at 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2.30pm, 3.30pm and remember it's free!

The fun continues at **Ipswich Museum** from **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February** with an exciting **Animal Trail.** You can discover how many teeth woolly mammoths have and which animal in the museum is mummified, plus much more! The quiz trail is free to enter and all completed trails will be entered into a prize draw. There is no need to book, just come along for a free and roaring good time.

To see the full events and exhibitions listing visit <u>www.ipswich.gov.uk/Museums/</u>

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Our vision is to create a museum service that is a source of pride, inspiration and fun.

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