

the EGYPT Centre

What's
ON
May - July 2017

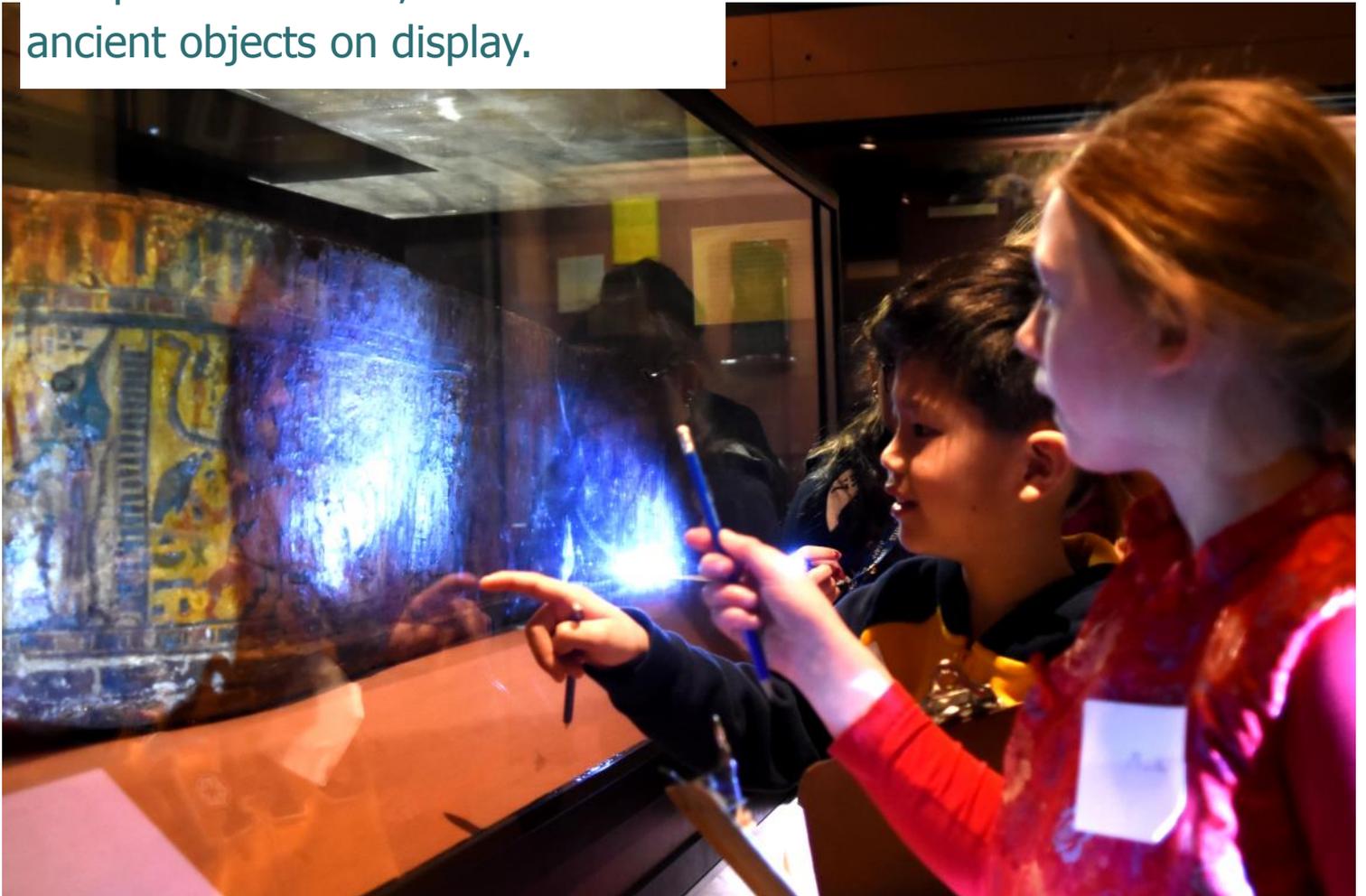


Museum of Egyptian Antiquities



Welcome

The Egypt Centre holds the **largest collection** of Egyptian antiquities in Wales, with over 2000 ancient objects on display.



Egypt Centre
Swansea University
Singleton Park
Swansea

Entry to the museum is free

Tuesday — Saturday
10.00am — 4.00pm

Most of the artefacts are from the collection of **Sir Henry Wellcome**, however we also have objects on loan from other collections such as the British Museum, Aberystwyth University, and Woking College.

*Some events may carry a separate charge and may run outside regular museum opening hours.



Daily Activities

Free Public Activities

Play the ancient board game Senet, handle real ancient Egyptian artefacts and learn to write your name in ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs.

Try your hand at mummification as you practice on our 'dummy-mummy', or have a go at our colouring activities, themed trails and audio guides. You can even dress up and try on ancient Egyptian style clothing, so remember to **bring your camera!**

'Family Exploring Packs' to hire for just £1

With your hat, magnifying glass and bag, you are ready to explore the galleries for wonderful things! Activity pack includes worksheets on topics including; hieroglyphs, mummification, animals and the gods.

The *House of Life* tells the story of everyday life in ancient Egypt displaying artefacts that were used on a daily basis including household furniture, children's toys, jewellery and clothing.

The *House of Death* explores the ancient Egyptian attitude to death and religion, with exhibits that include mummified animals, magical amulets, death masks and even the *Book of the Dead*.



*'Been coming here for years,
It never loses its magic.
Thank you!'*



May



Wednesday 17th May

Exhibiting Ancient Egypt

Alice Williams, University of Oxford

Between 1884 and 1939 the Egypt Exploration Fund (later Society) and the British School of Archaeology in Egypt held a series of annual exhibitions in London to showcase the finds of each archaeological season. These popular pop-up exhibitions drew large crowds of visitors from across British society. Using material from the archives of the Petrie Museum and the Egypt Exploration Society, this talk will examine what it would have been like to visit these displays and the crucial role they played in constructing a public image of ancient Egypt and Egyptian archaeology.

Friends of the Egypt Centre

Swansea University

Fulton House Room 2

£3 for non members

Annual Membership from £10

Doors open at 6.30pm with

talk starting at 7.00pm



Thursday 18th May

Have Your Say!

International Museum Day

As part of International Museum Day 2017, The Egypt Centre is inviting you to come along to the museum and have your say!

What do you think the role of a museum should be?
How can museums help society?
What would you like the Egypt Centre to offer you?

Write down your thoughts and leave them on our comments wall while you enjoy our **International Museum Day** cake sale, and save 10% off in the museum gift shop.

All Welcome

11am—3pm

**Free to leave
your comments**

Cake Sale—various prices,
10% off in the
Museum Gift Shop

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INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM DAY



May/June



30th May — 2nd June *Heroes and Villains* Half Term Workshop

Discover some of the greatest legends of ancient Egypt with tales of magnificent heroes bringing safety to the land of Egypt as well as some of the monstrous villains that terrorised the Egyptians.

Dress up in ancient Egyptian costume as you act out some of these tales, chose your side and take on the other team in a magical game of Senet and make your very own ancient Egyptian hero or villain to take home!

Suitable for ages 6-10

Limited places Booking essential

1 day workshop

Children dropped off at 10am,
collected at 3.00pm

£20 for the day per child

Early Bird Booking! Pay before 13th
May and pay only £15 per child!



Sat 3rd & Wed 7th June *Meet The Volunteers* National Volunteers Week

As part of Volunteers' Week 2017, the Egypt Centre will be running a meet and greet day to showcase our talented and hugely valuable volunteers. This is a great chance for those interested in volunteering to explore our galleries and meet some of our current child volunteers on Saturday 3rd and some of our adult volunteers on Wednesday 7th.

Find out what it's like to help run Wales' only museum of ancient Egyptian antiquities, and collect your application form to be part of this award winning volunteering programme!

All Welcome

10am—4pm

Saturday 3rd &
Wednesday 7th

Free Event



VOLUNTEERS' WEEK



June



Wednesday 7th June

*From Kings Valley to Kings College:
The making of a Modern Mummy*
**Dr Stephen Buckley and
Professor Joann Fletcher**

In 2011 Dr Stephen Buckley and Professor Joann Fletcher undertook the mummification of Alan Billis, a taxi driver from Torquay who donated his body upon his death.

The process was filmed for a documentary and shown on Channel Four entitled *Mummifying Alan: Egypt's Last Secret*.

This talk will discuss ancient Egyptian embalming and the results of this project now 6 years on.

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Faraday A Lecture Theatre

£3 for non members

Annual Membership from £10

**Doors open at 6.30pm with
talk starting at 7.00pm**



Saturday 17th June

Birds of Prey Experience
With Falconry UK

Meet some of the birds of prey that influenced ancient Egyptian art, culture and religion.

See real life hawks, owls and kites outside the museum and even get the chance to hold them.

Then with one of our free Birds of Prey Experience trails, explore the museum and try to match up the birds you have seen outside with objects on display including god statues, amulets, hieroglyphs and even animal mummies!

All Welcome

10.00am—2.00pm

**Entry to the
Museum is free
Free Birds of Prey
Experience Trail**



July



15th – 22nd July Excavation 2 Exhibition Festival of Archaeology

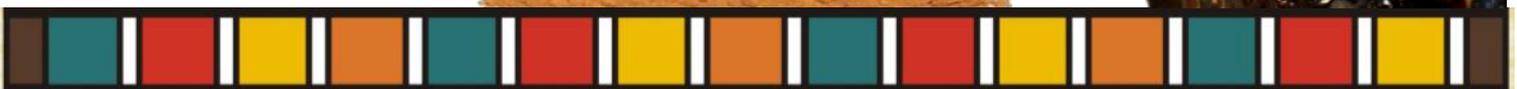
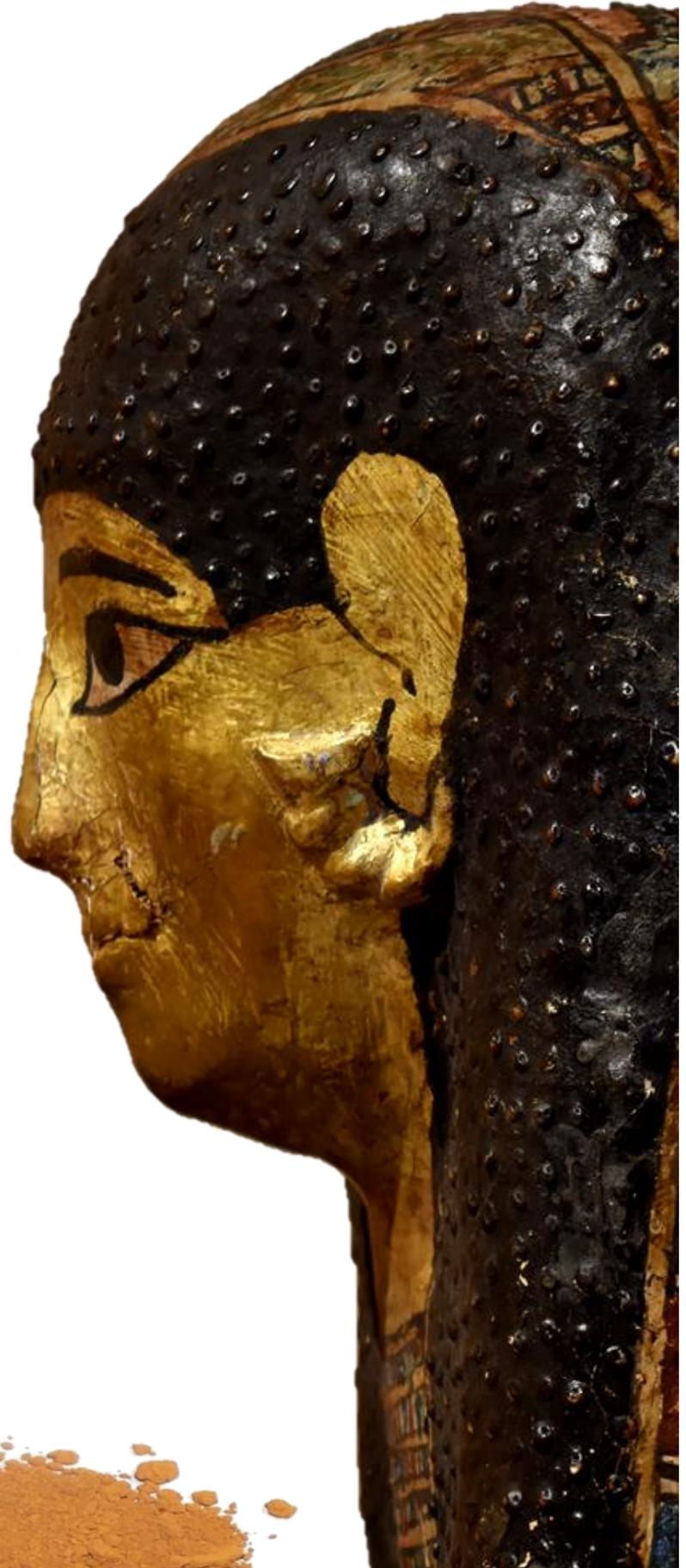
For the Festival of Archaeology 2017, The Egypt Centre is launching new activity sheets to complete in the museum galleries, while surrounded by ancient Egyptian artefacts.

'Excavation 2 Exhibition' takes you from the discovery of ancient Egyptian artefacts to their display within a museum. Explore the galleries, have a go at our hands-on activities and complete your activity sheet!

All Welcome

Family Friendly Worksheet

Entry to the Museum is Free,
Family activity worksheet
50p each



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Wednesday 24th May

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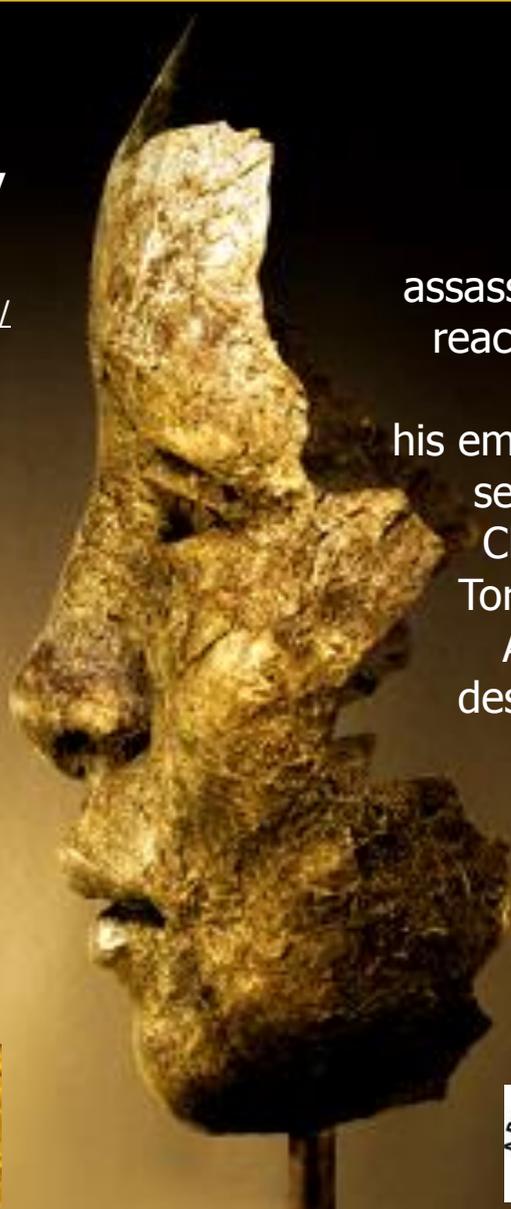
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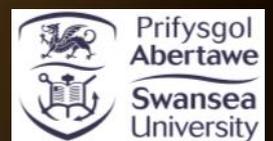
ROME
MMXVII



**RSC Live
Antony & Cleopatra
(As Live 12A)**

Following Caesar's assassination, Mark Antony has reached the heights of power.

Now he has neglected his empire for a life of decadent seduction with his mistress, Cleopatra, Queen of Egypt. Torn between love and duty, Antony's military brilliance deserts him, and his passion leads the lovers to their tragic end.



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Gift Shop

The Egypt Centre Gift Shop has
A wide range of gifts perfect
for the whole family!

Jewellery

With a wide range of jewellery at great prices featuring collections locally produced and inspired by ancient Egypt.

Souvenirs

We have a number of Egypt Centre branded items including torches, key rings, pens and postcards. As well as replica Egyptian statues, just like the ones on display in our galleries.

Gifts

The Egypt Centre has a wide range of light summer scarves in a variety of colours and designs. You can also find Egyptian perfume bottles, incense burners, wooden puzzle boxes and recycled Egyptian vases.

Toys

There's plenty to keep the children occupied, including a range of stationery, statues, toys, books, and games, as well as so much more.

**Front of House & Gift Shop Manager
Lauren Wale:**

01792 602660 l.j.thomson@swansea.ac.uk





Friends Membership

Starting from just **£10.00**, Friends of the Egypt Centre Membership is perfect for those who love ancient Egypt, history and museums - and you will be helping to support the Egypt Centre, Wales' only museum of Egyptian antiquities!

The Friends of the Egypt Centre organise an exciting programme of talks by museum professionals and Egyptologists each year, as well as visits to other museums, and other social events.

**Be part of
Wales' only
museum of
Egyptian
antiquities!**

Discover

Our monthly talks cover a wide range of topics from current museum exhibitions and practises to the latest theories and discoveries about ancient Egypt.

Enjoy

Come along and share your thoughts, meet new people and make new friends at our talks and social events. As a member you will be eligible for discount in the museum gift shop during seasonal promotions.

Support

As a Friends member, you will be helping to support the Egypt Centre, making sure our galleries stay open to the public and that the museum stays free of charge!

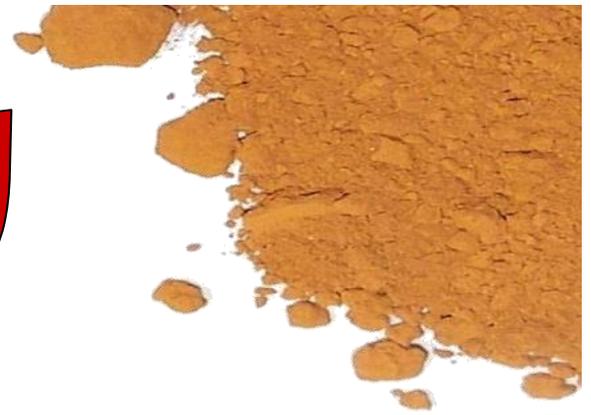


For further information or to become a member please contact:
Membership Secretary Wendy Goodridge:
01792 295960 w.r.goodridge@swansea.ac.uk

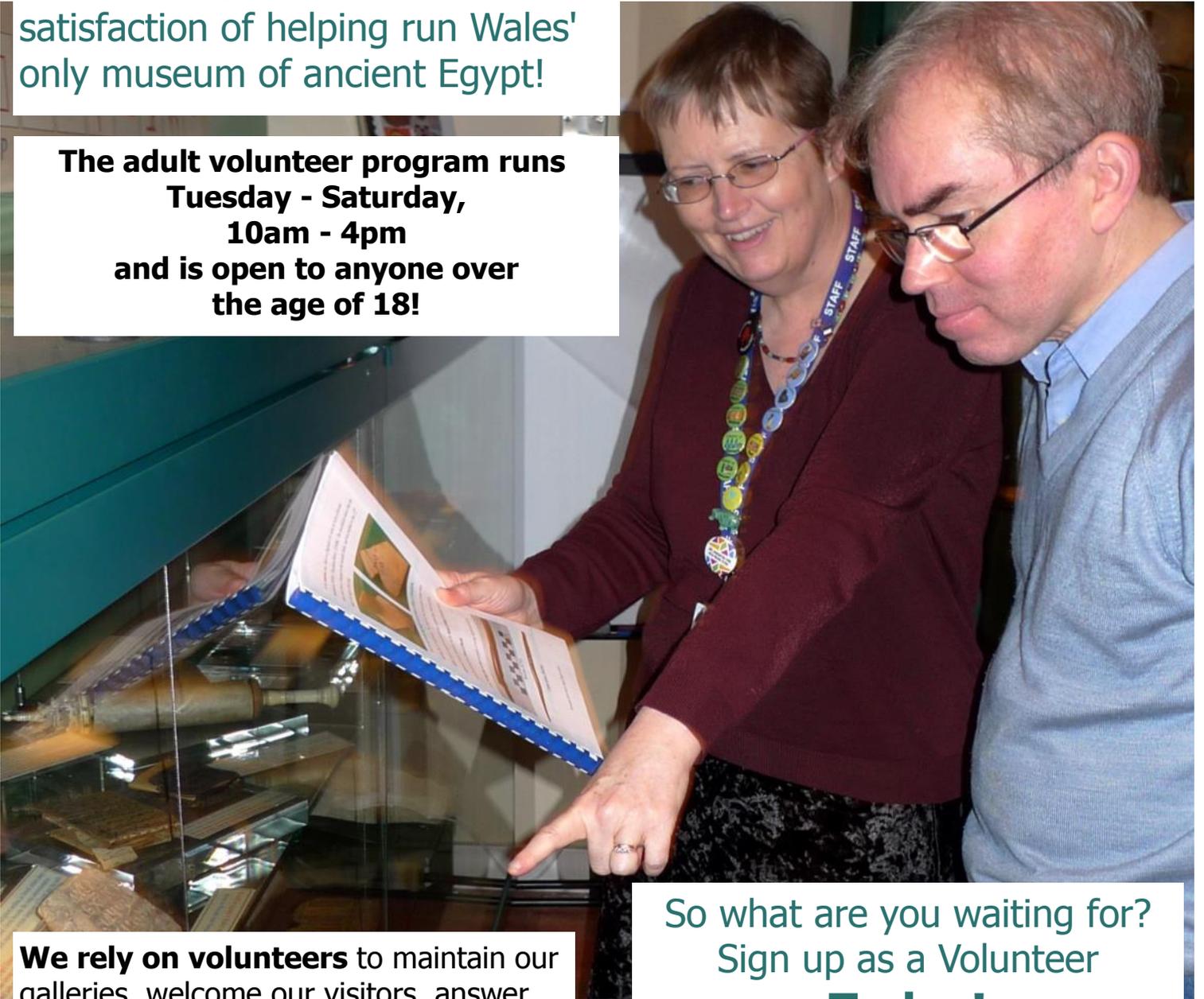


Volunteering

As a **volunteer** you can meet new friends, learn new skills, get on a career path, and have the satisfaction of helping run Wales' only museum of ancient Egypt!



**The adult volunteer program runs
Tuesday - Saturday,
10am - 4pm
and is open to anyone over
the age of 18!**



We rely on volunteers to maintain our galleries, welcome our visitors, answer enquiries and give guided tours.

You can also volunteer as an educational leader for visiting school groups, become an admin assistant or even a documentation assistant working with the collection!

So what are you waiting for?
Sign up as a Volunteer
Today!

If you would like to join us,
please contact the
Volunteer Manager Syd Howells:
Tel: 01792 606065
E-mail: l.s.j.howells@swansea.ac.uk



Young Volunteers

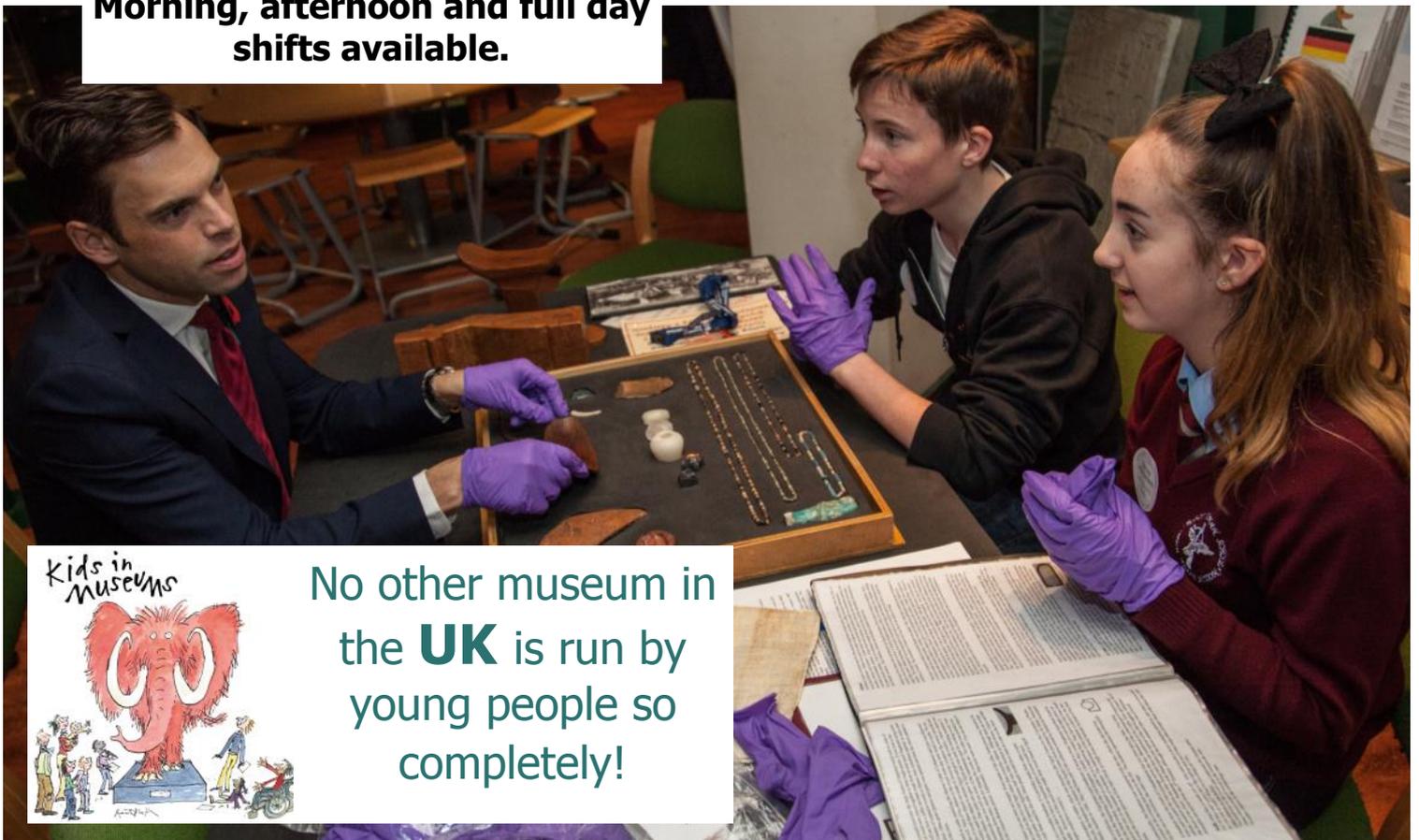


Any child aged 10-18 can become a **young volunteer**. You don't need to know anything about ancient Egypt or museums, but you do need an interest in history and heritage, and like working with lots of different people!

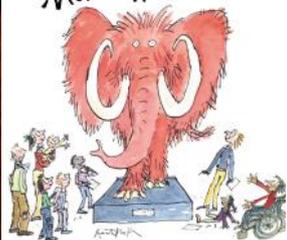
As a young volunteer you will become a **Gallery Assistant**. This means you will be looking after the galleries, talking with visitors and demonstrating our hands-on activities such as mummification.

The young volunteer programme runs 10am—4pm every Saturday, and during school holidays.

Morning, afternoon and full day shifts available.



Kids in Museums



No other museum in the **UK** is run by young people so completely!



Taliesin Cafe



Opening Times*

Mon-Fri 10:00 — 5:00

Café closed during August!



Enjoy a spot of lunch

Delicious food served daily including, pasta, ploughman's lunch, sandwiches, wraps, homemade soup and even full roast dinners!

Perfect for a short break

Enjoy a cup of coffee, tea or hot chocolate with a slice of cake.

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*Occasionally the café may be closed to the public due to conference booking. Please contact catering on 01792 295559 to check before your visit.

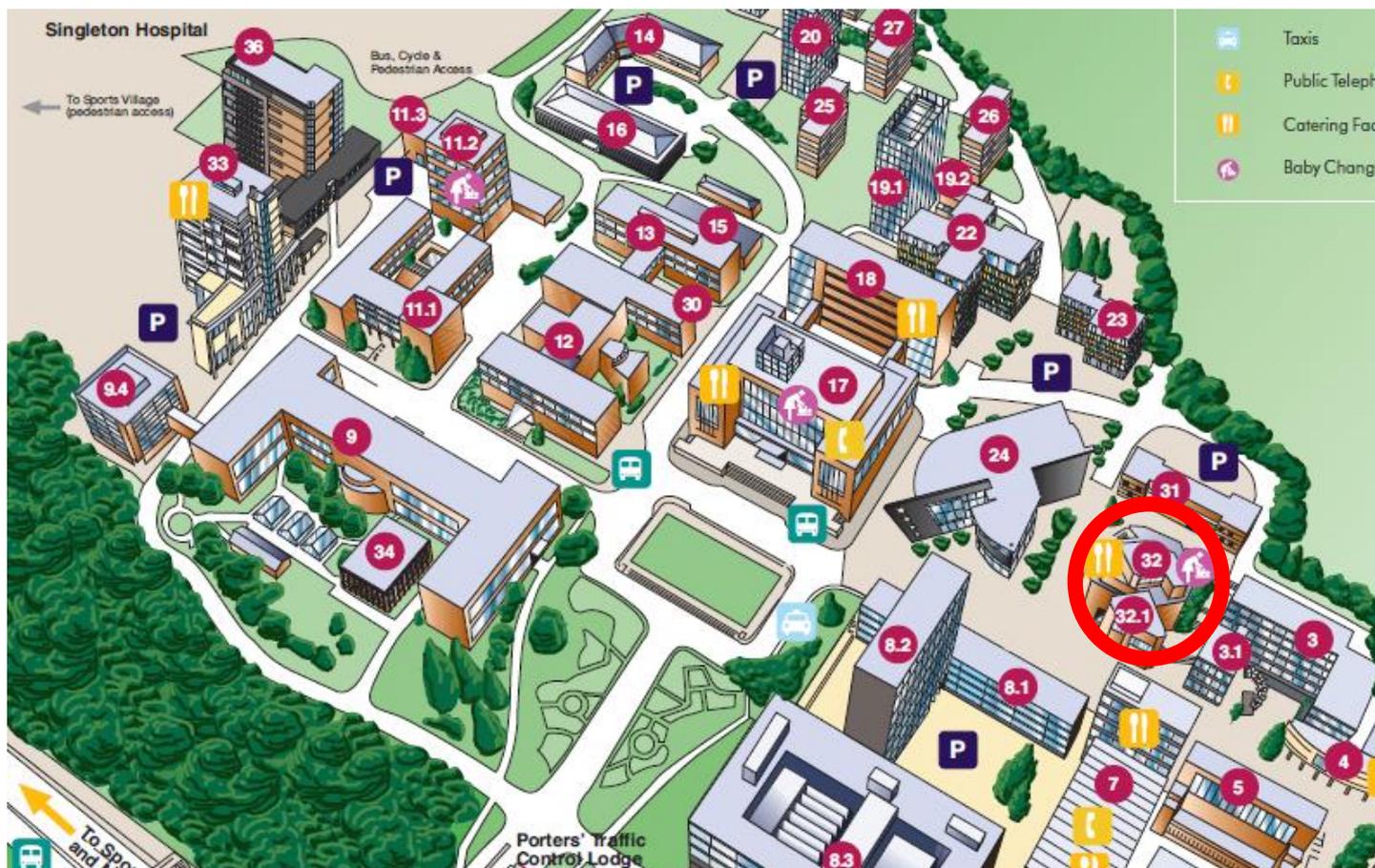
Disabled toilets available as well as baby changing facilities.



Plan your visit

Where to find us

The Egypt Centre is situated on Swansea University **Singleton** Campus, and is part of the Taliesin building (Number 32 / 32.1 on map).



Arriving by bus

Please see the First Cymru website for full details.

Bus numbers 2A, 3A, 4 and 82A depart from the Quadrant Bus Station for the University's Singleton Park Campus and return at regular intervals.

Parking

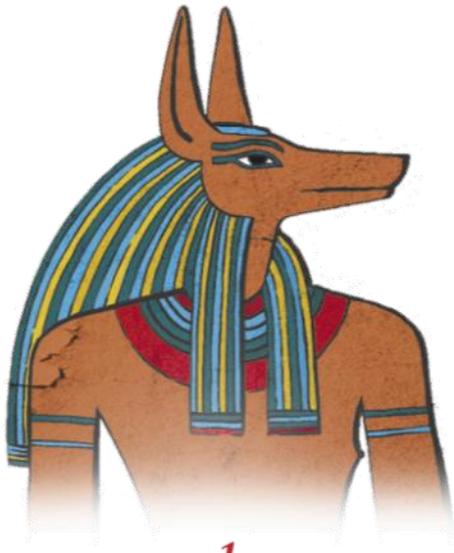
The University must advise only disabled visitors are able to park on Campus itself.

All other vehicles may park in Swansea's Recreation Ground Car Park (approximately 500m walk away), or at the Pub on the Pond.



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Highly rated museum in Swansea.



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