

## Low Cost/No Cost Family Fun in London

*Please look at organisations' websites to double check times and arrangements*



### **The Boat Race 2018**

**FREE** (All Ages)

Various locations / 020 7902 0200 / <http://theboatrace.org>

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March races start from 4.35pm

Sporting history will be made this year when the women's race joins the men's race between Oxford and Cambridge Universities! First raced in 1829 and 1927 respectively, it is one of the oldest sporting events in the world watched by thousands along the banks of The Thames, between Putney & Mortlake. With fun activities starting from noon at Bishop's Park, Fulham and Furnivall Gardens, Hammersmith.

### **Discover Children's Story Centre – Tolkien Day**

Tickets: £6.50 (entrance to the Story Centre) – pre book Tolkien events

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March

Centre open 10am – 5pm

1pm – Tolkien storytelling; 2pm – Tolkien Beard making

Children's Story Centre, 383 – 387 High Street, Stratford, E15 4QZ

020 8536 5555/[www.discover.org.uk](http://www.discover.org.uk)

Nearest tube/DLR: Stratford.

This September, a Lord of the Rings TV adaptation is set to hit small screens everywhere. If you can't wait that long to return to Middle Earth, drop by the Discover Children's Story Centre in Stratford. For one glorious day, the institution will pay homage to J.R.R. Tolkien.

Tolkien remains one of the most popular authors in the world. Best known for *The Hobbit* and *Lord of the Rings* trilogy, his books contain entire worlds of his own creation; including geography, history, and language. Widely regarded as the father of modern fantasy, Tolkien is to thank for everything from Game of Thrones to Harry Potter. Discover Children's Story Centre will celebrate the legacy of this vital writer in March. Since Tolkien's storytelling transcends age, the events are appropriate for all ages – but these events do have a limited capacity, so pre-booking is essential to avoid disappointment. The Discover centre includes Story World and Story Garden with activities all day for all ages.

### **Pump House Gallery – Sounding Objects**

**FREE** (drop in activity) All ages – children must be accompanied by an adult

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March 12 – 4pm

Battersea Park, London, SW11 4NJ

[pumphousegallery.org.uk/02039590021](http://pumphousegallery.org.uk/02039590021)

Discover a landscape made from found objects and sculptures waiting to be tapped, rattled and played by visitors. Explore the sonic properties, voice and identity of the objects on display and use them to create your own soundscape. Experience sound in a fresh way after listening to a guided sound walk of the park and creating your own musical score using the sounds of the park. Join us on 25 March as the project culminates in a final performance by the artists, working with all the sounds, surfaces and sculptures that have been developed and collected.

### **V&A Museum of Childhood**

**FREE**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March

Cambridge Heath Road, London, E2 9PA [www.vam.ac.uk](http://www.vam.ac.uk)

Nearest tube Bethnal Green

Drop in activities throughout the day for children of all ages, from 6months to 14 years includes: Little Hands playtime, storytelling and arts and crafts. Check website for full timetable.