Museum of Oxford Reminiscence Project (MOOR)

The Project

The Museum of Oxford is working in partnership with Oxford Aspire to deliver reminiscence services across Oxford. Oxford Aspire is a consortium of the Oxford University Museums and the Oxfordshire County Council Museums Service and is funded by Arts Council England.

The Museum of Oxford Reminiscence project can deliver outreach reminiscence sessions to groups of older people. Museums objects are used to stimulate reminiscence and discussion in the groups. The aim of the session is to encourage people to communicate with each other by sharing memories and to have fun.

Sessions last for 1 hour and require the following:

- The group to be located in Oxford City
- A room with chairs (tables required for some sessions)
- A group of up to 15 older people who enjoy reminiscing about the old days.
- The presence of a group leader or support worker.

There is £20 charge per session

Making a booking for an outreach reminiscence session

To book an outreach session please contact: Helen Fountain, Reminiscence Officer, Museum of Oxford, St Aldates,

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Memory Lane

This is a monthly reminiscence group that meets in the Museum of Oxford to enable people to meet, share memories and reminisce about the old days. Each session is themed around a different topic. The sessions are recorded and material from the sessions is used in exhibitions and other projects.

The group is free to attend and all are welcome. See the Museum of Oxford website details of the next meeting -

www.oxford.gov.uk/museumofoxford

If you would like to be added to the Memory Lane mailing list please contact Helen Fountain

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Reminiscence Session Themes

Groups can choose from the following themed sessions:

- Made in Oxford a session focusing on the history of Oxford over the last 100 years, with a particular focus on local industry.
- Fun, games and entertainment a session looking at old fashioned games and hobbies to stimulate discussion about childhood games and how people entertained themselves before TV and technology became commonplace.
- A trio to the seaside a session using objects related to the seaside and holidays to stimulate discussion childhood memories of holidays and trips to the seaside.





- All dressed up a session using items of clothing and accessories from yesteryear up to stimulate discussion on how people dressed in the past.
- Going back to school a session using objects related to school days in the past to stimulate discussion about memories of school.
- Sunday best a session that looks at the way in which Sundays have changed over the past century and remembering the Sundays of our childhoods.
- A country life this session examines what it was like to grow up in a rural area and the different ways in which people enjoyed the great outdoors.
- Food glorious food a session to celebrate the way meals were prepared in the past before microwaves and convenience foods.
- Make do and mend a session using objects to trigger memories about the resourcefulness of the war time period.
- Landmarks of life a session using objects to stimulate discussion about the landmarks of life, including birthdays, weddings and national events like the coronation.
- **Digital heritage session** this session examines heritage using digital media. WIFI is required for this session.
- Sessions can be tailored to specific groups need, please contact the Reminiscence Officer.





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Opening Times

Mon- Sat 10am- 5pm Sun 11am-3pm

ADMISSION TO THE MUSEUM IS FREE

The Museum is located in the main foyer of Oxford Town Hall.
It is accessible to wheelchair users via the town hall level entrance route (On the left hand side of the Town Hall Main Entrance).
There is also a café and Museum Shop

Visit us on our websitewww.oxford.gov.uk/museumofoxford

The website contains up to date Information on events, exhibitions and community projects

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