



All aboard for holiday fun

Head to the London Transport Museum this half term, and join in the fun, family-friendly activities on offer.

INSPIRED by the museum's latest exhibition 'Night Shift - London After Dark', storytelling and creative workshops will take place every day from Saturday October 24 to Sunday November 1.

Creative workshops, ages three to 12

At 11.30am and 2.30pm, activities last up to an hour
Budding artists can make their own fluorescent Tube map or mini train. Using dyed pasta and rice they will be able to decorate an image before seeing it magically transform under UV lights.

Storytime, all ages welcome

At 11am and 2pm, 20 minutes
The museum's storytellers take

children on an adventure with Oswald the Owl, who's lost in the labyrinth of the London Underground and is trying to find his way out.

Little ones can also go wild at the museum's 'All Aboard' play zone, where they can play conductor on a real bus, repair a mini Tube train with toy spanners, and play in the 'Lost Property' office.

Entry is free for children aged 17 and under. Adult tickets are £16 (£13.50 concessions) and allow admission to the museum's galleries and temporary exhibitions for a year.

■ **London Transport Museum is in Covent Garden. Find out more at www.ltmuseum.co.uk. Nearest Tube: Covent Garden**

And something for the grown-ups

Adults can explore the galleries (and enjoy a few drinks) after hours on Friday October 30 as part of 'Museums at Night'.

As well as a DJ and bar, there will be tours of the Night Shift exhibition by the exhibition curator, short talks, and a screening of 'Night Streets' - a 1950s film about what happens on the London Underground once trains stop running.

■ **Tickets cost £8 and are available from www.ltmuseum.co.uk.**

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Getting poetical on the Tube

A NEW selection of Poems on the Underground has been launched, focusing on young people's lives.

The young poets, aged from 15 to 21, use verse to illustrate a range of themes from play time to public transport. Their work will feature on Tube trains across the network for four weeks.

Judith Chernaik, writer, editor and founder of Poems on the Underground, said: 'We're delighted to welcome the work of these young poets to the Tube. This set of poems is a testament to the creative skills of young people across the country, and we hope that the four million daily passengers will agree.'

Poems on the Underground, founded in 1986, aims to bring poetry to a mass audience. It helps make journeys more stimulating and inspirational by showcasing a diverse range of poetry.

■ **Find out more at tfl.gov.uk/poems**



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