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PRESS RELEASE

May Day Celebrations at the Black Country Living Museum Monday 5th May 2008

May Day celebrations get off to a colourful start when the centuries old tradition of Maypole Dancing kicks up its heels at the Black Country Living Museum on Monday 5th May. Children from the Harlequin Youth Theatre will be demonstrating some fancy footwork as they perform a Maypole dance and weave their way around the Maypole in the school yard.

Visitors are encouraged to join in the fun as the children relive the traditions of earlier times. Many of the Museum's older visitors will remember dancing around a Maypole in a school yard or even the May Day fairs which were once a feature in the Black Country.

Visitors can enjoy messing about on the water as tug boats gather at the Museum for the annual tug boat event. More than half the tug boats in existence will be attending the event and will make a rare sight as they manoeuvre their way along the canal arm. Traditional canal crafts and streets games will also be available.

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Photo Opportunities

Photographers and journalists are invited to attend the Museum's May Day Celebrations on Monday 5th May.

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The Museum is only three miles from Junction 2 of the M5 Motorway, and five miles from junction 10 of the M6 and is easily accessible from the Midlands Motorway network. Opening times – every day from 10am until 5pm.

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