

THE BLACK COUNTRY LIVING MUSEUM

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Neighbours from Hell – Back by Popular Demand!

Saturday 18th July - Sunday 6th September 2009

Fizzog Theatre Company will be treading the boards at the Black Country Living Museum over the summer holidays and will shine the spotlight on School Holiday Activities from Saturday 18th July - Sunday 6th September 2009.

Black Country voices are in fine fettle as the highly acclaimed theatre group perform a Black Country play set at the beginning of the 20th century and bring social history to life in the Museum's cobbled street.

If ASBO's had been invented in the 1900s then the Museum's answer to the Duckworth's and the Dingles would have worn theirs like a badge of honour. Back by popular demand theatre group Fizzog, will be presenting their 'living soap opera' and, as the action spills out onto the Museum's streets, visitors may well find themselves centre stage.

Hands on activities for children promise to banish boredom and provide an alternative to television or computer games over the summer holidays. Parents and children alike can enjoy a Victorian school-lesson but misbehave and you may well see dad in the dog-house for scuffing his shoes and mum in the corner for wearing nail polish! Craft-making projects in the school include writing with an old-fashioned pen and ink and paper crafts.

Staff are game for a laugh and turn to old fashioned games and activities to entertain the young and the young at heart with hopscotch, skipping, whip and top, hoops and skittles, pick up sticks and parlour games. Old favourites return to enthral the playstation generation and grandparents can demonstrate just how it was done in their day!

Fiona Carding Media Relations Officer said: 'The Museum has plenty to offer all the family from a trip on a tramcar, a lesson in the old-fashioned school room to a tour of the underground coal mine. The Museum's costumed characters will entertain visitors with fascinating tales as they go about their everyday lives in the shops, houses and workplaces in the canalside village.'

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