

## Coach Trip to London & the Foundling Museum

Saturday 24th May

Departs from the Cornmarket Hall at 9.30am and departs from London at 3.30pm

Following the talk by Ian Waller in May we explore more about the abandoned child.

In 1739, Thomas Coram (1668-1751) established the hospital to care for babies at risk of abandonment.

Coram, a philanthropist, campaigned for seventeen years before he received a Royal Charter from King George II to found it. He was appalled by the conditions children faced in London: though the city was a global powerhouse of industry and wealth, it was also polluted and disease-ridden. Child mortality rates soared. Each year, some one thousand babies were abandoned by parents experiencing extreme poverty or other terrible maladies.

There are links with the Montagu family; the Montagu Monuments in Warkton and the sculptor Roubilliac.

Entrance Includes collections and exhibitions Adult\*£12.75 Concessions\*£10.50. 21 & under Free Foundling Friends Free \*Your ticket gives you unlimited free entry to the Museum for one whole year.

The Foundling Museum does not have a café on the premises. Kindly note that consuming food or drink in the museum is not permitted.

There are various local cafés and restaurants 49 Café Marchmont Street, Fortitude Bakehouse – 35 Colonnade, Pizza Sophia – Tavistock Place [pizzasophia.com](http://pizzasophia.com)

During fine weather picnics can be taken to Brunswick Square opposite the Museum. Families can also visit Coram's Fields – a 5-minute walk away – where there is a café and space to have a picnic.

The Foundling Museum sits in the heart of Bloomsbury, a cultural hub in central London. Here are a few suggestions of other places you can discover in the area, as part of your visit to this literary and historic quarter.

Just ten minutes walk you will find the Charles Dickens Museum, (entrance free and tea room) and the Postal Museum, there is an entrance fee, café.

Other museums within a 15 minute walk, include the British Museum free entrance & café; London Canal Museum entrance fee-boat trips, no café; Sir John Soane's Museum free entrance no café; British Library Free entrance, café and restaurant; Wellcome Collection, free entrance & café; University College London's Grant Museum of Zoology free entrance no café; Petrie Museum of Egyptian Archaeology, free entrance, no cafe.

25 minutes walk is the Cartoon Museum.

On sunny days enjoy a walk through Brunswick Square Gardens, Russell Square or St George's Gardens. For those of you with children Coram's Fields is one of the best playgrounds in central London. If it's raining then check out what's on at the Curzon Cinema, Bloomsbury.



Coach Trip to London's Saturday 24th May -Coach Only—Entrance to museums not included

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