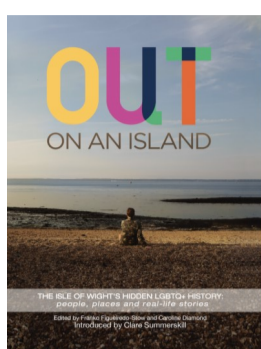


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## Book Now for Free Twilight CPD Sessions

Don't miss out on our upcoming CPD sessions - not only is it free to attend but as a thank you all teachers will receive a £10 Wight Gift Card, a free copy of the brilliant 'Out on an Island' book (and tea and cake - of course!)

The session bring to life the wonderful range of resources and opportunities on offer from local Museums. It will also explore ways in which the programme can develop and improve, in order to provide the best possible experience for your school in the future. The sessions will also include a section led by StoneCrabs Theatre who will familiarise teachers with the unique, local LGBTQ+ resources created in connection with the Out on an Island project.



Join us between 4pm and 6pm on either: Tuesday 18th April at Ryde Academy or Thursday 20th April at Barton Primary School.

Spaces are limited. For more information and to book contact: [claire@islandcollection.org.uk](mailto:claire@islandcollection.org.uk)

### Information about visits & workshops available at:

- ⇒ [Brading Roman Villa](#)
- ⇒ [Carisbrooke Castle Museum](#)
- ⇒ [Classic Boat Museum](#)
- ⇒ [Dimbola Museum & Galleries](#)
- ⇒ [IW Steam Railway](#)
- ⇒ [Museum of Island History](#)
- ⇒ [Newport Roman Villa](#)
- ⇒ [Shipwreck Centre & Maritime Museum](#)

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## New Workshops Now Available

Three brand new workshops are now available to book with the Isle of Wight Heritage Service.



**Isle of Wight Childhood** - A hands on workshop that explores how schooling and work have changed for local children over the last 200 years.

**Life Saving Rockets** - Discover how Isle of Wight inventors used rockets to save lives at sea and re-enact the dramatic story of the wreck of the Irex.

**Newport Now and Then** - An interactive chronology of the history of Newport and how it's changed is followed with an opportunity for students to step back in time and take on the role of past resident of St Thomas's Square.



All the workshops are designed for delivery at the Museum of Island History (with related museum trail and activities) but can also be offered in school. They are suitable for Key Stage 2 but can be adapted for Key Stage 1.

For more information or to book contact: [Estelle.Baker@iow.gov.uk](mailto:Estelle.Baker@iow.gov.uk)

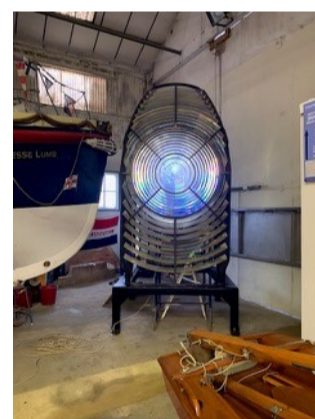
## Don't miss the next IW Cultural Education Partnership meeting

The IWCEP is a group of passionate professionals from arts, heritage, culture and education who are working together to improve the cultural capital of our Island's young people. The next meeting is on **Wednesday 19th April**, 4.30pm - 6.00pm at The Coaching House, Ryde.

A fantastic opportunity to catch up on current projects, hear about new opportunities, network and share your ideas about the future of cultural education and provision on the Island. If you would like to get involved contact: [claire@islandcollection.org.uk](mailto:claire@islandcollection.org.uk)

## Lighthouse Lens Returns to Island

The St Catherine's Lighthouse Fresnel Lens is back on the Island and on display at Classic Boat Museum - you can see it at the Boat Shed in Cowes. The Museum has developed learning materials for Key Stage 1 and 2 and look forward to welcoming primary schools. They also have a special project developing material that would be suitable for a Local History Project suitable for years 7 to 9 and look forward to engaging secondary schools with this special piece of the Island's maritime heritage.



For more info or to book a visit to the Classic Boat Museum, contact: [education@maritimeisle.org](mailto:education@maritimeisle.org)

## New LGBTQ+ Teaching Resources

StoneCrabs Theatre have been commissioned by Museums and Schools to create some new LGBTQ+ teaching resources which draw on their fantastic Out on an Island project materials.

Including some fascinating and diverse stories from the Island's past and oral history interviews conducted with current island residents, these handy documents provide a wealth of ideas for teachers wanting to include diversity across the curriculum. Download: [Island LGBTQ+ Histories](#) and [Interviews with Local LGBTQ People](#)



## Celebrate Nature and Wildlife at Brading Roman Villa



To celebrate Earth Day 2023 (22nd April) Brading Roman Villa will be hosting a special event showcasing the artwork produced by local schools as part of the Wild Escape project. The fun filled nature themed day will also include discounted entry to the villa and a range of free creative activities outside.

For more information visit the [Villa's website](#).

## Maritime Archaeology at the Shipwreck Centre

The Shipwreck Centre and Maritime Museum at Arreton reopens to the public on the 1st of April. The Museum, operated by the Maritime Archaeology Trust, not only offers workshops and visits for schools but has a variety of free online resources to help students discover the rich maritime heritage of the waters around the island.

The [SARC](#) (Sustainable and Resilient Coastal Cities) project has explored the unique Stone Age site at Bouldnor Cliff on the Island's north coast as a study in coastal change, and there are teacher resources available online: [Education at the Shipwreck Centre](#)



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