



British Library Sacred Exhibition and Workshops

Dates: 7 May - 14 September 2007
Times: 10:30am or 1:30pm
Age groups: suitable for all learning groups

This summer the British Library will be showcasing its magnificent collection of Jewish, Christian and Islamic texts in an exhibition entitled Sacred. Visitors to the exhibition will be led through a thematic journey to find out about the religions, the significance of fixing the word, and the power of the image in religious art. The exhibition will also highlight that these are living religions, coexisting in the world today and will challenge visitors to think about their relationship to the texts.

To accompany this exhibition, the Learning Team are running a wide range of events for young people and teachers. Our creative educators will help learning groups engage with exhibition themes through free, onsite workshop. Participants will focus on similarities between the texts as well as engaging with differences and contradictions. Groups will be asking questions about belief, identity and values and discussing how their personal beliefs relate to religious ideas.

Primary age groups will be considering the importance of sacred texts and exploring the ways in which people express their faith through symbols and art. Secondary and older groups will be looking at the living context of sacred texts and asking what impact they have on people's lives today.

These **free** workshops are available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7 May until 14 September - we are already booking up fast! To find out more or to make a booking, please contact Ria Barlett on ria.bartlett@bl.uk or call 020 7412 7797.