



Planning and Writing Your Interpretation

Thursday 8 September

DAY ONE

10.30- 10.45 **Welcome and Registration**

10.45 –11.15 **Understanding Interpretation**

Bryony Shepherd, Head of Interpretation

11.15-13.00 **Case Study: Europe 1600-1800**

Using the recently refurbished Europe 1600-1800 galleries as a case study, participants will look through the interpretation strategy for these galleries including the highlights and challenges.

13.00-13.30 ***Lunch***

13.30 – 14.45 **How to develop your Interpretation Plan**

- Audience
- Key messages
- Aim of display
- Context
- Content outline
- Methods of delivery
- Further research

14.45 – 15.15 ***Refreshments***

15.15-16.00 **Task: Interpret this!**

16.00-16.30 **Discussion and Close**

Friday 9th September



DAY TWO

Writing Successful Text

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| 10.30- 11.00 | What makes Effective Museum Text?
Bryony Shepherd will introduce the key considerations when writing effective text for labels and panels. |
| 11.00 – 11.45 | Gallery Text at the V&A: A ten point Guide (part one)
In the first part of this session, participants will look at key methods to apply when writing gallery text, including identifying your audience and ensuring your message is clear. |
| 11.45-12:45 | Task: Good and Bad Practice- looking at labels in situ
<i>V&A Galleries</i> |
| 12.45– 13.15 | <i>Lunch</i> |
| 13.15 – 13.45 | Review of Task: Good and Bad Practice- Looking at labels in situ |
| 13.45 – 14.15 | Gallery Text at the V&A: A ten point Guide (part two)
In the second part of the session, participants will look at what makes successful gallery text, taking into consideration narrative, tone, structure and hierarchies |
| 14.15-14.30 | <i>Refreshments</i> |
| 14.30 – 16.00 | Gallery Text at the V&A: A ten point Guide (part three)
The final part of the session will focus on methods of creating relevance and inviting audience engagement through text |
| 16.00-16.30 | Discussion and Close |