# IslingtonMuseum

The Basque Children

The Story of Child Refugees from the **Spanish Civil War** 

15 June to 16 July 2019

Open Mon -Sat 10am to 5pm

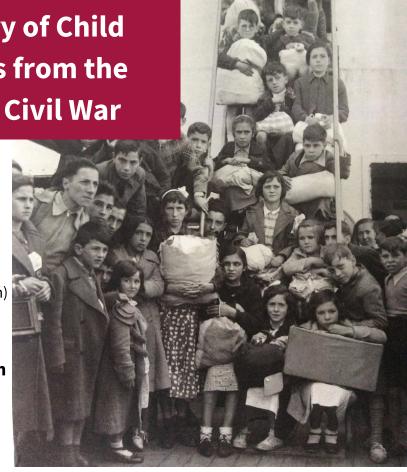
(closed Wed and Sun)

## **Free Admission**

**Islington Museum** 

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The Spanish Civil War broke out in 1936. A far-right military coup against the elected government in Spain led to a brutal conflict. With support from Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy the rebels targeted civilians. Thousands fled bombing raids on the cities of northern Spain. In 1937 the Republic asked the world to take refugee children.

This exhibition tells the story of the nearly 4000 children who made Britain their home. It will include work from the students of Hugh Myddleton school in response to the child refugee stories.

In partnership with the BCA '37 UK (Association for the Basque Children of the UK) and the Marx Memorial Library.

# **Adult Events**

### Monday 17 June 6pm - 7:30pm Walk: Coming to London -Refugee stories from Islington



From Huguenots in the 17th century to Syrians in the 21st many groups and individuals have found safety in Islington. They have escaped danger, war and hardship, political and social persecution. Our local tour guide will explore the stories of refugees who came to Islington, their influence on the borough and how Islington responded.

Starts at Farringdon Station
Book at: islingtonguidedwalks.com

### Wednesday 26 June 6:30pm

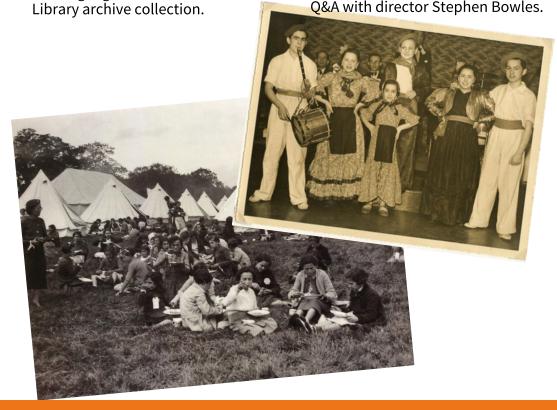
Talk: Herminio Martinez, one of the 'Basque children', tells his story

Islington Local History Centre Islington Museum

Herminio Martinez, one of the child refugees from the Spanish Civil War, remembers his experiences. This talk explores the Basque Children's story with highlights from the Marx Memorial

# Monday 1 July 6:30pm Film Showing: The Guernica Children

A screening of the renowned documentary, over 80 years since the bombing of Guernica. Introduced by the Basque Children Association of '37 and followed by a O&A with director Stephen Bowles.



### How to book:

- Email on islington.museum@islington.gov.uk
- Find our website at islington.gov.uk/heritage
- Call Islington Museum on 020 7527 2837



### Storvtelling Adventure: Finding A Safe Home

**Tuesday 18 June** Session 1: 10.00-10.45am Session 2: 10.45-11.30am

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**Tuesday 16 July** Session 1: 10.00-10.45am Session 2: 10.45-11.30am **Marx Memorial Library** 

Join Storyteller Dani as she takes you on an imaginative adventure to discover the stories of Basque Children escaping the Spanish Civil War. Exploring the stories of refugees with under 5's. No need to book.

### **Under 5's Messy Play:** Finding a Safe Home Thursday 27th June 10.00-11.30am **Islington Museum**

Join us for a messy play session inspired by the exhibition. Discover how the Basque Children celebrated their culture far from home as they found a place of safety in the UK. Messy play gets messy so bring old clothes! No need to book.

### Storytelling Adventure: The **People of Islington**

Friday 12 June

Session 1: 10.00-10.45am Session 2: 10.45-11.30am

### **Islington Museum**

Learn about the different communities of Islington with storyteller Dani. Imaginative interactive adventure through the heritage of the people who live, work and make Islington their home. No need to book.

**Marx Memorial Library** 37A Clerkenwell Green London EC1R 0DU

