

BLACK COUNTRY VOYAGES The Black Apotheca

Black Country Voyages (2014–2017) is an art programme taking place on board a canal boat.

Jacques Nimki is lead artist for *Black Country Voyages* in 2015, transforming the boat into *The Black Apotheca*. A floating laboratory of herbal concoctions made from local plants, it showcases drawings, recipes and objects relating to apothecary. The Ikon Youth Programme (IYP) crew the boat, travelling to meet local people and organise events.

Come and get involved this summer at free workshops. For more information visit www.blackcountryvoyages.org

Associated events

Birmingham Canal Navigations Society Summer Boat Gathering

Saturday 16 May, 12–4pm – FREE

**Titford Pump House, Engine Street
off Tat Bank Road, Oldbury B69 4NL**

The annual BCNS rally takes place at the historic Titford Pump House with stalls, refreshments and boat trips. Join us for creative activities and to celebrate the launch of Jacques Nimki as lead artist for *Black Country Voyages* 2015. No need to book, just drop in.

International Festival of Glass

Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 May

10am–5pm – FREE

**Red House Glass Cone, High Street
Stourbridge DY8 4AZ**

Black Country Voyages joins the International Glass Festival, with Jacques Nimki and members of the IYP leading practical workshops. These sessions are suitable for ages 6 and over. All children

must be accompanied by an adult. Places are free but booking is essential. For more information please contact Julie Edmonds on 01384 815571 or The Red House Glass Cone on 01384 811280.

Longwood Boat Club Canal Festival

Saturday 13 June, 11am–5pm – FREE

**Rushall Top Lock, Aldridge Road, Walsall
WS4 2JS**

Visit *Black Country Voyages* at the Longwood Boat Club for stalls, refreshments and entertainment.

Brownhills Community Festival

Sunday 28 June, 10am–4pm – FREE

**Canalside, Silver Street, Brownhills
WS8 6DZ**

Join us at the Brownhills Canal Festival and enjoy music, crafts and stalls.

Kings Norton Junction Festival

Friday 10 and Saturday 11 July

10am–4pm – FREE

**Kings Norton playing fields and
village green, Pershore Road South,
Kings Norton, B30 3EJ**

Black Country Voyages tours to Birmingham for a one-off event in Kings Norton with boat rides, local walks, food and refreshments. Organised by the Worcester–Birmingham & Droitwich Canals Society.

Black Country Voyages is organised in partnership with the Canal & River Trust and is supported by Arts Council Strategic Touring, the Canal & River Trust and Sandwell Council.

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If you are interested in joining the Ikon Youth Programme please contact Claire Bird by email c.bird@ikon-gallery.org or call Ikon on 0121 248 0708.

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