

## **BMAG Collections Enquiry Service**

Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery is currently working on an exciting and ambitious capital project supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund, entitled Birmingham – A City in the Making. The project will see the creation of a new and innovative wing of Birmingham history galleries on the top floor of the museum. Opening to the public in 2012, these new galleries will be a valuable educational resource for both adults and children, with new hands-on displays that will greatly appeal to families.

To focus on the delivery of this major project, the Museum & Art Gallery is suspending its public enquiries service in the following collection and subject areas from **1 April 2010** until **31 March 2011** when it will be reviewed:

### **Applied Art and Design:**

- China, including Textiles & Dress
- Ceramics
- Folk Art, including Canziani collection
- Furniture
- Japan, including Textiles & Dress
- Jewellery & Enamels
- Textiles and Dress
- Woodwork

### **History:**

- Archaeology (Romano-British, Saxon, Mediaeval)
- Archaeology (Birmingham, Excavation Archives)
- Birmingham Architectural Collections
- Birmingham Civic and Public history
- Birmingham Topography
- Birmingham Trades & Industry
- City Sound Archive
- Coins, Medals, Tokens
- Greece, Rome, Cyprus
- Personalia – William Hutton, Jacob Wilson, Joseph Chamberlain
- Personalia – Birmingham manufactures, Joseph Priestly, Lunar Society, Jemmy Rockman
- Social history – Clay pipes and Horse brasses
- Social History – Fire Marks & Truncheon Collection, Textiles and Dress
- Stamps

### **World Cultures:**

- Ancient Near East
- Anthropology: Africa, Asia, North & South America, Oceania – including World Textiles & Dress
- Archaeology (European Pre History)

- Egypt
- Pre-Columbian

**Please note BMAG will continue to support enquiries relating to:**

- Paintings
- Sculpture
- Silver & Metalwork, including Civic Plate
- Stained Glass & Archives
- Works on paper, including Chinese painting
- Works on paper, including Japanese prints