

The Roald Dahl Museum and Story Centre
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Fantastic Mr Fox films sets on display From Saturday 13 February

We are thrilled to have on display in the galleries two of the fantabulous film sets from the highly acclaimed animated film *Fantastic Mr Fox*, courtesy of 20th Century Fox Film Corporation.

You can peer into Mr Fox's study, which is a lovingly detailed replica of Roald Dahl's Writing Hut, the quaint and curiously-adapted garden shed in which Dahl wrote all his children's stories. Compare the film set version with the full-size walk-in copy of the Hut permanently on display in the Museum. The other set is a replica of Roald Dahl's 'local', the Nag's Head in Great Missenden, which was used in the film's street battle scene (featuring flaming pine-cone hand-grenades!).

Wes Anderson's BAFTA and Oscar nominated film was of course based on Roald Dahl's much-loved book and made in the UK using the painstaking stop-frame animation technique, giving it its classic handmade feel. Many of the scenes from the film were inspired by locations in and around Roald Dahl's home village of Great Missenden. The director, Wes Anderson and his team spent a great deal of time at the author's house and in the area, in order to immerse themselves in Roald Dahl's world.

Besides viewing the phizz-whizzing film sets, you can try your hand at making your own mini stop-frame animation on our Make-a-Movie screen in the Story Centre, as well as joining in with all sorts of other story-telling and story-making activities.

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