

9th February 2011

**Official opening of Jewellery Quarter Silver
Museum of the Jewellery Quarter**

Thursday 3rd March 2011 6.00-8.00pm

I am writing to invite you to join us for the private view celebrating the launch of the exhibition *Jewellery Quarter Silver* at the Museum of the Jewellery Quarter on Thursday 3rd March 2011. The private view will begin at 6pm, with speeches from 6.30pm.

Jewellery Quarter Silver is a stunning exhibition which showcases a newly commissioned piece of silver by **Birmingham silversmith Kevin Grey**. The silver celebrates the historic Jewellery Quarter, drawing inspiration from the area, its buildings and architecture. Kevin Grey reveals in his work the extraordinary skill and creativity that thrives in the Jewellery Quarter today.

The exhibition also displays a collection of spoons made by participants of the Cultural Champions project. These Ladywood residents learned simple silversmithing techniques with designer maker, Louise Chesshire. They also put this experience into context by exploring the manufacturing heritage of the Jewellery Quarter.

I do hope you will be able to join us on this very special occasion. I should be most grateful if you would confirm your attendance, by contacting Victoria Emmanuel or Laura Cox on 0121 554 3598, or email victoria.emmanuel@birmingham.gov.uk or laura.r.cox@birmingham.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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