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## Another medieval exhibition

The [1001 Inventions](#) exhibition opened in Manchester last year, and has therefore been running for a while. But it moved last week to the London [Science Museum](#), and I suspect may be worth a look. (If you live in or around London, obviously.)

The exhibition purports to celebrate the scientific advances made by Islamic scholars and inventors during the Middle Ages. The promotional hoopla on the website is a bit nauseating, since the whole thing seems to be less about the exhibition *per se* and more about implicitly defending modern Islam's reputation as a learned and humanistic faith... erm, I'll get back to you on that one...

But as I say, it's probably worth a look, since a) it's free, and b) if it's rubbish you can nip down the road to the [V&A Medieval and Renaissance Galleries](#), which I promised myself I would stop banging on about, but seem incapable of doing so...

PS For a good book about medieval science with emphasis on the Christian tradition, check out James Hannam's [God's Philosophers](#), which was published last year.

PPS also seen today: check out the Telegraph's video tour of the V&A galleries [here](#), and a puff-piece about Islamic science and the 1001 Inventions show, at the Guardian, [here](#).