

## Adult Learning Events Programme September 2010 – August 2011

Art | Archaeology | Astronomy | Crafts | Geology | Natural History | Social History

**York Art Gallery**  
Exhibition Square  
York  
YO1 7EW

**Opening times:**  
10.00am – 5.00pm daily

**Admission prices:**  
FREE

**York Castle Museum**  
The Eye of York  
York  
YO1 9RY

**Opening times:**  
9.30am – 5.00pm daily  
(10am, Fridays in term time)

**Admission prices:**  
Adult: .....£8.00  
Concession: .....£7.00  
Child:..FREE (with one paying adult)

**Yorkshire Museum  
& Gardens**  
Museum Gardens  
York YO1 7FR

**Opening times:**  
10.00am – 5.00pm daily

**Admission prices:**  
Adult: .....£7.00  
Concession: .....£6.00  
Child:..FREE (with one paying adult)

Call the Bookings Line on:  
**01904 650333**

Email us at:  
**groupbookings@ymt.org.uk**

Visit our learning pages at:  
**www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk**

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## How to Book

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## Booking Information

Booking is required for most events, courses and activities through York Museums Trust (unless otherwise stated). Please contact us as soon as possible if for any reason you cannot attend.

## Rates

The cost of each event is listed and this is due on the day at the reception of the venue. Payment does not include entrance charges to the Yorkshire Museum or the York Castle Museum. If you wish to visit the museum in addition then usual admission charges will apply. MTB rates available for York City Council courses. Please ring 01904 554277 for more information.

## What's On

For up to date information about exhibitions and events taking place at York Art Gallery, York St Mary's, the Yorkshire Museum and Gardens and York Castle Museum please visit our website [www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk](http://www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk)

Visit our Adult Learning pages at: [www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk](http://www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk)

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**York Art Gallery**

## Ceramics

**Saturday 25 September 2010**  
10.00am – 3.00pm



Exploring Clay, with artist Sarah Khan, inspired by the Gallery of Pots.

**£25 per person + £5 for materials on the day.**  
To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
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## Felt Hats

**Saturday 9 October 2010**  
10.00am – 3.00pm



Make a warm winter hat with Vivienne Morpeth, inspired by the gallery exhibition 'Hats'.

**£25 per person + £3 for materials on the day.**  
To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
E-mail: [adult.education@york.gov.uk](mailto:adult.education@york.gov.uk)

## York Art Gallery OPEN EVENING

**Friday 29 October 2010**  
6.30pm – 8.00pm

Discover more about art in a series of curators' talks, highlighting key works of art throughout the gallery.

This is a popular, annual event run in partnership with City of York Council's Adult & Community Education team.

**FREE**, booking not required



## Illuminating York Drop-in Workshop

**Saturday 30 October 2010**  
6.00pm – 8.00pm

Enjoy the gallery, open late especially for the Illuminate festival, and take part in a drop-in drawing workshop as part of the BIG Draw.

**FREE**, booking not required.

## Brooches, Buttons & Beads

**Saturday 13 November 2010**  
10.00am – 3.00pm



A hands-on session with Deb New, making accessories for bags and hats or decorative pieces that can simply be worn as brooches, inspired by the works of art on display. Bring along buttons, beads and old costume jewellery to add to your creations.

**£25 per person.**  
To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
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## York Open Studios Workshops

**15 & 16, 22 & 23 January 2011**

No previous experience is necessary for these workshops and all materials are provided. Workshop details will be posted on the York Open Studios website, [www.yorkopenstudios.co.uk](http://www.yorkopenstudios.co.uk) from the beginning of December.

To pre-register your interest in participating in these workshops please email [info@yorkopenstudios.co.uk](mailto:info@yorkopenstudios.co.uk) with 'workshops' in the subject line.

## Drawing & Painting Local Landscapes

**Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 January 2011**  
11.00am – 1.00pm & 2.00pm – 4.00pm

**PART OF RESIDENTS FIRST WEEKEND.**

Under the expert guidance of artist Jake Attree, and inspired by the East Yorkshire landscapes in the David Hockney exhibition, draw or paint views of York and the surrounding countryside.

**FREE** with a York Card or **£5** per 2 hour workshop for non-York residents.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Sculptural Relief Painting

**Saturday 26 February 2011**  
10.00am – 3.00pm



Be inspired by David Hockney's East Yorkshire Landscapes, on display in the gallery, then join Tim Morrison to turn your inspiration into art, using cardboard and collage techniques.

**£25 per person**  
To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
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## Poetry Day

**Saturday 12 March 2011**  
10.00am – 1.00pm

A workshop with Pat Borthwick, inspired by paintings and objects in the gallery. Participants will be offered the opportunity to read their finished poems at the gallery on 19 March (see below).

**£5 per person**  
To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333



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## Poetry Reading

Saturday 19 March 2011  
2.00pm – 4.00pm

Hosted by Pat Borthwick and featuring other local poets.

**FREE, no need to book (seating will be limited).**

## Making an Impression!

Saturday 19 March 2011  
10.00am – 3.00pm



Looking at atmospheric paintings, inspired by the Impressionist and Post Impressionist artists. Art history combined with practical art activities led by Sarah Khan.

£25 per person

To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
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## Still Life Workshop

Saturday 26 March 2011  
10.00am – 4.00pm



Explore the relationships between a selection of objects, working through the mediums of pencil, charcoal and acrylic, with OCA tutor Jane Lazenby. This workshop will encourage a personal starting point in sketchbook work, progressing to developing your ideas into a full colour study.

£30 per person

Space is limited so booking is essential.  
Please call Dee on 01226 704364.



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## Easter Icons

Saturday 9 & Sunday 10 April 2011  
10.00am – 4.00pm

Become an apprentice painter in a Medieval artist's studio. Discover how to grind your own pigments, mix egg tempera, and create your own gilded icon based on artworks in the Medieval collections of York Art Gallery and the Yorkshire Museum.

£40 per person for two days. Materials will cost approx. £7 per student, but list of materials will be provided so that participants can bring their own if they choose. To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333.

## Landscapes in Oil

Saturday 23 April 2011  
10.00am – 3.00pm



Paint a landscape in oils, inspired by the David Hockney exhibition, with artist Emma Cooper.

£25 per person. Participants will be required to bring some materials.

To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
E-mail: [adult.education@york.gov.uk](mailto:adult.education@york.gov.uk)

## Monotype and Technique

Saturday 21 May 2011  
10.00am – 4.00pm



Monotype involves the transposition of paint from a plate onto paper as a means of creating a "space" in which to "play". Release your imagination and sense of fun in this visually inspiring and immensely popular workshop. All materials are provided. Led by OCA Tutor Stephen Court.

£35 per person.

Booking is essential. Please call Dee on 01226 704364 to reserve your place.

## Figuring it out!

Saturday 25 June 2011  
10.00am – 4.00pm



A day of practical drawing and painting with reference to portraying the human figure and setting, including composition, perspectives, tonal effects and structural essentials. Suitable for all abilities. Led by OCA Tutor Stephen Court.

£35 per person.

Booking is essential. Please call Dee on 01226 704364 to reserve your place.



## Taster Workshop for Adult Learners Week

Sunday 26 June 2011  
1.00pm – 3.00pm

Take a closer look at the art on display in the gallery and have a go at creating your own work of art. Suitable for absolute beginners.

**FREE** with a York Card, all materials included. £5 to non-York residents.  
To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333.

## Life Drawing Weekend

Saturday 16 & Sunday 17 July 2011  
11.00am – 1.00pm & 2.00pm – 4.00pm

To coincide with the gallery's major exhibition of the work of William Etty.

£5 per person (including all materials).  
To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333.

## Curator's Talks

12.30pm – 1.00pm

21 October 2010

A talk about the exhibition 'Hats' by Assistant Curator of Fine Art, Jenny Alexander.

16 December 2010

Gaby Lees, Assistant Curator for Arts Learning, talks about the latest Little Gallery exhibition.

17 February 2011

'David Hockney's East Yorkshire Landscapes' a talk by the Curator of Fine Art, Laura Turner.

21 April 2011

'Honest Pots' a talk by the Assistant Curator of Decorative Arts, Helen Walsh.

16 June 2011

'William Etty R.A.: York's Controversial Artist' a talk by Dr. Sarah Burnage.

18 August 2011

'An exhibition for all' Curator of Fine Art, Laura Turner, explains how works of art were chosen for the refurbished, Burton Gallery.

Curator's talks are **FREE** of charge and there is no need to book.

We occasionally have to change the dates of our Curators talks so please check our website for the latest information.

## It's Cartoon Time!

Wednesday 15 September 2010  
2.00pm – 4.00pm

Richard Stansfield, creator of 'Yorkatt & Eric' for the York Press and illustrator for the York Museums Trust, will be on hand at the Yorkshire Museum to show you how to draw your very own animal cartoons. Specimens from the Yorkshire Museum will be available for inspiration. All materials supplied and no previous experience needed!

£5 per person (including all materials).  
To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Making Mosaics

Saturday 25 September 2010  
10.00am – 3.30pm



Be inspired by the colour, texture and design of the beautiful Roman mosaics in the Yorkshire Museum. Catherine Boyne Whitelegg will then work with you to create your very own mosaic tile.

£25 per person + £5 for materials on the day.  
To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
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## Close-up Photography

Tuesday 5 October  
& Thursday 7 October 2010  
1.00pm – 4.00pm  
Sunday 17 October 2010  
1.00pm – 4.00pm



Professional Landscape photographer, John Potter, has designed these sessions for beginners/improvers who wish to learn how to create and process good quality and imaginative close-up images using their digital cameras. Specimens from the Yorkshire Museum's Entomology and Taxidermy collections will be used in the sessions.

John will demonstrate simple and imaginative ways to photograph specimens and show how images can then be processed and enhanced using Photoshop Elements.

£15 per person.

To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
E-mail: [adult.education@york.gov.uk](mailto:adult.education@york.gov.uk)

## The Gardens in Autumn

Wednesday 6 October 2010  
2.00pm – 3.00pm

A guided tour of the Museum Gardens with the Garden Manager, to look at the autumn horticultural highlights.

**FREE!**

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Yorkshire Museum Bookclub

First Wednesday of the month  
October – December 2010  
6.00pm – 7.30pm

### A bookclub with a difference!

Join the museum team for lively discussion about novels related to the exhibitions and collections. There will be special opportunities to handle genuine objects linked to the book themes.

Wednesday 6 October

*The Emperor's Babe* by Bernardine Evaristo.

Wednesday 3 November

*Remarkable Creatures* by Tracy Chevalier.

Wednesday 1 December

*Sovereign* by C.J. Sansom.

## Torchlit Tours

Every Night 24 - 31 October 2010  
6.00pm & 7.00pm

Explore the new galleries and objects of the Yorkshire Museum, by torchlight, in this special series of tours.

£5 per person, no need to book.

## Lino Cutting and Printing

Saturday 6 & 13 November 2010  
10.00am – 4.00pm

Kirstie Briggs Bateman will teach techniques in lino cutting and printing using inspiration from the medieval tile and glass collections at the Yorkshire Museum.

£50 for two day course  
(including all materials).

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Enamelling and Metal Clay Jewellery

Saturday 20 & 27 November  
and 4 December 2010  
10.00am – 4.00pm

Lynne Glazzard leads this introductory course which runs on three consecutive Saturdays.

Day 1

Introduction to enamelling on copper

Day 2

Introduction to the art of silver clay  
(7g of art clay silver)

Day 3

Introduction to enamel on metal clay  
(7g of art clay silver included)

£120 for three days or £45 for individual workshops. This includes all materials and firing in the kiln.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333



Ichthyosaur specimens were first discovered by Mary Anning, subject of *Remarkable Creatures*

## Stained Glass

Saturday 11 December 2010  
10.00am – 3.30pm



Ann Sotheran will lead you through all the processes needed for you to create your own piece of stained glass. Be inspired by the fantastic examples of medieval stained glass on display in the museum.

£20 per person + £5 for materials on the day.

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## Sketch & Stitch - Beginners

Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 January 2011  
10.00am – 4.00pm

An opportunity to develop design ideas, begin a sketch book and create stitch samples with an experienced embroiderer. Taking inspiration from the geology collections there will be time to experiment with a variety of design and stitch techniques, building towards a finished piece of textile work.

£40 all materials included - you may wish to bring your own favourite materials and sewing kit.  
To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Encourage Kids in Science

Wednesday 23 February 2011 2.00pm – 4.00pm

This session is aimed at parents of Key Stage 2 pupils (Years 3-6), led by a qualified Science teacher. It will give an easy overview of some of the key areas of science taught at Key Stage 2, (covering Living things, Materials and Physical Processes) to refresh your knowledge. There will be the chance to have a go at some fun science activities which parents, carers and grandparents can try at home, to help children with their school work, or perhaps just for fun!

£5 per person.

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£50 for two days course (includes all materials).  
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## The Geology behind York's Buildings

Wednesday 16 March 2011  
10.30am – 12.30pm, 2.00pm – 4.00pm

**PART OF NATIONAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING WEEK.** Join the Yorkshire Museum's Geology Curator for a different and surprising look at what the buildings of York are built from! Following the walk there will also be chance to examine specimens from the Yorkshire Museum Geology collection.

£5 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Modern to Medieval – Tracing your Ancestors

Saturday 19 March 2011  
10.00am – 4.00pm

Jackie Depelle, Dr Simon Hughes, and Dr Philippa Hoskins, lead us through the documents and information we find on the journey of tracing our ancestors. During the day there will be a guided tour of the medieval gallery with a curator from the Yorkshire Museum.

£20 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Fun with Fur 'n' Feathers

Saturday 26 March 2011  
10.00am – 3.00pm



With Laraine Simpson, take inspiration from the collections at the Yorkshire Museum and use mixed media to create effective fur and feather textures in your artworks. Apply a variety of drawing and painting techniques to visually evoke the 'feel of fur 'n' feather'!

£25 per person + £5 for materials on the day.

To book a place ring Adult Education at York City Council on 01904 554277  
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## The Gardens in Spring

Wednesday 13 April 2011  
2.00pm – 3.00pm

A guided tour of the Museum Gardens with the Garden Manager, to look at the spring horticultural highlights.

**FREE!**

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## Sketch & Stitch - Intermediate

Saturday 7 & Sunday 8 May 2011  
10.00am – 4.00pm

Building on the techniques used in the previous workshops, the workshop leader will introduce new ideas and skills to enable you to embellish and enhance your designs. We will look in more detail at the intricacies of chalk fossils to develop a design for a larger piece of work.

£45 per person (all materials included).

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333



Image: Maarten Jacobs

## Moths in York

Wednesday 11 May 2011  
2.00pm – 3.30pm

Learn to identify the moths of Yorkshire by examining the wonderful collections of the Yorkshire Museum; from the Oak Beauty to Purple Thorns, and Lime Hawk Moths to the Old Lady. There will be five evening moth surveys, with the museums experts, taking place in the Museum Gardens in May, June, July, August and September. No prior knowledge is needed.

£5 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333.

## Clear Colour and Non Colour – A Watercolourist's Conflict

Saturday 14 May 2011  
10.00am – 3.00pm



Utilising the incredible colour range and intricate patterning seen in the Yorkshire Museum's collections of exquisite butterflies, moths and beetles, Tony Mosley will demonstrate ways of creating clear colours and bright whites in your artwork and how whites can be regained after painting, primarily without resorting to either white paint or masking fluid.

£25 per person. Students will need to bring their own brushes. Paints and paper will be provided. £3 for extra materials on the day.

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## An Introduction to a Yorkshire Herbarium

Tuesday 10 May 2011  
2.00pm – 3.30pm

Delve into the Herbarium collections at the Yorkshire Museum, which include material from Victorian collector James Backhouse and Reverend James Dalton. Find out their motivation for collecting and some of the specimens they collected.

£5 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333.



## Watercolour Landscapes

Saturday 4 June 2011  
10.00am – 3.00pm



Learn tips and techniques used for producing landscapes in watercolour. Through tutor presentation and demonstrations, practical exercises and individual guidance, you will cover areas such as:

Washes for Skies; Creating Clouds; The Importance of Tone; Scale & Placement; Mixing Greens; Painting Trees; and handy tips to produce Buildings in Perspective. By the end of the day you will have removed some of the mystery of watercolour but none of the magic.

£25 per person. Students will need to bring their own brushes. Paints and paper will be provided. £3 for extra materials on the day.

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## The Gardens in Summer

Wednesday 1 June 2011  
2.00pm – 3.00pm

A guided tour of the Museum Gardens with the Garden Manager, to look at the summer horticultural highlights.

**FREE!**

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333





## Curators' Talks

Tuesday Lunchtimes, 12.30pm – 1.00pm

28 September 2010

The Stories a Greek Urn can Tell.

12 October 2010

927AD: The First King of England.

26 October 2010

The story of Bangle Lady: a Roman from Africa.

9 November 2010

Medieval Stained Glass.

23 November 2010

Walking in the footprints of Dinosaurs.

7 December 2010

A brief history of Yorkshire.

18 January 2011

What does it mean to be extinct?

1 February 2011

Septimius Severus: Death of an Emperor.

15 February 2011

Caracella: York's forgotten Emperor.

1 March 2011

York: building a city out of an Empire.

15 March 2011

Lazarus, Elvis and Zombies – the return of lost species.

29 March 2011

Tour of the Historic Museum Library.

12 April 2011

Alcuin: York's greatest writer?

26 April 2011

Richard Owen and the Yorkshire Moa.

10 May 2011

Celebrating Roman Ancestors.

24 May 2011

Jurassic Park Fact or Fiction: the ethical debate.

7 June 2011

St William of York.

21 June 2011

The Summer Solstice.

5 July 2011

Yorkshire Fossils.

2 August 2011

Did Vikings have horns on their helmets?.

16 August 2011

Swimming with prehistoric Sea Monsters.

Curators' talks are **FREE** of charge and there is **no need to book**.

**We occasionally have to change the dates of our Curators' talks so please check our website for the latest information.**

## By George! The Life and Times of George III

12.00pm – 1.30pm

To commemorate the 250th anniversary year of the ascendancy of King George III, we are continuing our series of talks exploring various aspects of Georgian Britain throughout 2010. Join David Bagnall, local expert on Eighteenth Century studies, and discover how George's reign witnessed some of the greatest moments and people that were to shape our nation and the wider world.

Talks are **FREE** (excluding 'Food').

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Music

Thursday 26 August 2010

The transition from Baroque to Classical and the works of Handel (George's favourite composer), Charles Avison, William Shield, Haydon and J.C.Bach.

## Food

Date TBC - please call for details

Join renowned food historian Ivan Day for an exclusive talk, demonstration and taster of Georgian food and cookery in our fully functional Kitchen Studio.

Cost £15 per person.

## The King

Monday 25 October 2010

On October 25th, 1760, George III was crowned King of England. Discover more about the man himself and his reign, including his infamous 'madness'.

## Events, courses and activities at York Castle Museum

### War

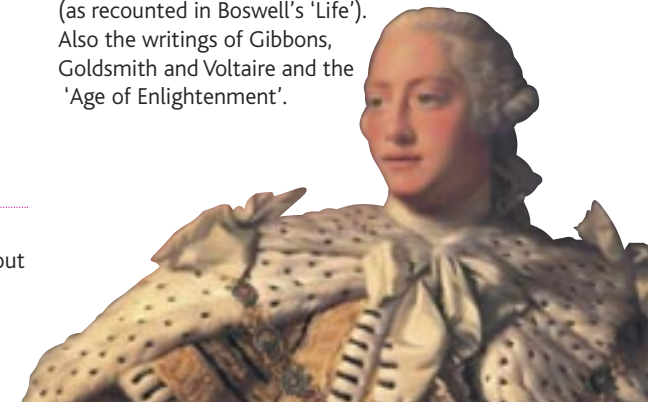
Thursday 28 October 2010

The significance of the 7 Years War (1756-63) to the British Empire, the role of William Pitt the Elder, and how George II's conduct and attitude to the war contrasted to George III's. In addition we will look at how war was conducted in the eighteenth century and the impact of the American War of Independence.

### Letters

Friday 17 December 2010

The influence of 'the Great Cham of Letters', Dr. Johnson, his meeting with the George III (as recounted in Boswell's 'Life'). Also the writings of Gibbons, Goldsmith and Voltaire and the 'Age of Enlightenment'.





## York Fashion Weeks

Join award-winning curator and conservator, Mary Brooks, as she explores the social, political and technical aspects of some of our Costume and Textile collections.

Mary has worked in museums across Britain, Europe, and America, and relishes the opportunity to share her passion for objects and conservation. She sees these talks as a way of connecting people with different pasts whilst also thinking about present issues and concerns.



Image courtesy of the Northern Echo

## Mad as a Hatter?

Thursday 7 October 2010  
6.00pm – 7.30pm

Discover our beautiful collection of hats with Mary Brooks and explore the following themes in this engaging and enlightening talk:

- Hats, social etiquette, gender and power (why and when we wear hats today)
- Hats and the natural world; e.g. the loss of the European beaver and birds (egret) for the sake of hats
- industrial heritage and trade represented through hats – skill & exploitation including 'mad hatters' (mercury poisoning)
- Hat making and selling in York

£10 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## A Walk on the Wild Side

Thursday 14 October 2010  
6.00pm – 7.30pm

Join Mary Brooks on an exploration of the humble shoe and discover how there's more to them than meets the eye. Themes covered include:

- Survey of shoe styles and legislation
- Function or fashion? Shoes and health; pain and fetishism
- Shoes and magic, good and bad
- Shoemaking and shoe selling in York
- The York Cordwainers
- Shoes and politics; ecological and ethical issues

£10 per person.

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## Fashion Victims

Thursday 21 October 2010  
6.00pm – 7.30pm

Who are the victims of fashion?

Illustrated through items from the Costume and Textile collection, this lecture will look back in time to explore the darker side of the quest for beauty. It will explore the materials and methods used in creating fashions and the effects of extreme fashions on the wearer.

£10 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Torch-lit Tours

29, 30 & 31 October 2010  
7.00pm – 9.30pm

Delve into the murky history of the Castle Museum for a rare glimpse of its hidden darker side. By torch-light you will explore the inner-depths of the site that has been at the heart of York's crime and punishment for almost 1,000 years, uncovering some of the many gruesome stories of its former inhabitants.

£10 per person (includes light refreshment).

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## Cauldron Cookery

Tuesday 23 November 2010  
1.30pm – 3.30pm

In the past, many households did all their cooking on an open hearth.

Find out about what equipment was used and what foods were cooked.

How do you get meat, two veg and a pudding all cooking in the same pot at the same time?

£5 per person (includes light refreshment).

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## A Victorian Christmas

Saturday 4 December 2010  
1.30pm – 3.30pm

Many of today's Christmas traditions began with the Victorians. Using manuals and magazines from the time, help us prepare for a Victorian celebration; from table laying and tableware to exploring popular gifts, music and foods. Help your Christmas go with a bang by making your own Victorian inspired cracker.

£5 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## York in 3D

Sunday 30 January 2011 2.00pm – 4.00pm

The Victorians were fascinated with exploring new ways to capture images. The 3D stereoscopic cards sold in their thousands and were a huge craze. See historic York through the lenses of the past. Discover more about stereoscopic technology and learn to make your own images.

£5 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Seebohm Rowntree's tour of Kirkgate

Saturday 29 January 2011  
10.00am – 11.00am

In the late 1890s Seebohm Rowntree coordinated a door-to-door survey to discover how the poorest citizens of York lived. His report, 'Poverty, a Study of Town Life' detailed his shocking findings and helped trigger the beginnings of the welfare state. Take a tour of Kirkgate, the Victorian street, to uncover some of the stories behind the report and gain an insight into the social and economic conditions of the time.

£5 per person.

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## Thunderbirds are Go!

Wednesday 16 February 2011  
2.00pm - 3.00pm

2011 is the 60th anniversary of Project Mercury, the first human spaceflight programme of the United States which had the goal of putting a human into orbit around the Earth. Such was the impact of the programme that Gerry Anderson named each of his Thunderbird pilots after Mercury astronauts. Discover more about these pioneering missions and their impact on future space programmes with our resident expert astronomer. Then explore our life-sized replica of a Mercury spacecraft (with a habitable volume of only 1.7 cubic metres) which is displayed in the Castle Museum's Sixties gallery.

£5 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Talking Textiles

Thursday 24 February 2011  
10.30am – 11.30am

Chart the evolution of materials used to make everyday wear by exploring key pieces from the internationally important Costume and Textile collection. Examples range from the 1700s to the present and include the rare and unusual.

£5 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Mini Marvels

Thursday 24 March 2011  
10.30am – 11.30am

Take a magnifying tour of a selection of miniatures in the collection. Tiny treasures include miniature portraits, books, dolls' furniture, sewing machines, hot water bottles and cake tins!

£5 per person.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Shine – Metalwork

Thursday 21 April 2011  
10.30am – 11.30am

Learn how to clean and care for objects made out of metal. Learn how to identify different metals and explore hallmarks and meanings.

£5 per person.

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## The Song of the Sewing Machine

Thursday 19 May 2011  
1.30pm – 3.00pm

Do you remember the hum of the sewing machine? Explore the history of the machine that revolutionized home stitching.

Delve into our collection of dress-making patterns and have a go!

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Thursday 23 June 2011  
1.30pm – 2.30pm

Some of the first images of York were taken by pioneering photographer Fox Talbot in 1845. Since the invention of the camera, photographs have become part of everyday life, recording the ordinary and extraordinary. Discover some of the evocative images in the collection from humorous magic lantern slides, to carefully posed and cased studio portraits.

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## Curators' Talks

Wednesday lunchtimes  
12.30pm - 1.00pm

15 September 2010

Cook's books.

13 October 2010

Superstitions & customs.

17 November 2010

Georgian delFTWARE.

15 December 2010

Christmas cards.

12 January 2011

Keeping fit.

16 February 2011

Military Music.

16 March 2011

Make do and mend.

13 April 2011

Printing.

11 May 2011

Teddy Bears.

15 June 2011

Here comes the bride.

13 July 2011

Pat the giant.

17 August 2011

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