

# DISCOVER

talks, tours  
and workshops  
for adults

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### BOOKING INFORMATION

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

**To make a booking please use one of the following methods (please follow instructions on the event listing):**

**Telephone:** 01904 687633

**Email:** [groupbookings@ymt.org.uk](mailto:groupbookings@ymt.org.uk)

**Eventbrite:** Our online booking system that can be accessed via the York Museums Trust website.

Please note that the bookings line is available Monday – Friday, 9am – 4.30pm.



For the latest news from **York Museums Trust** you can follow our venues on **Twitter** and don't forget to 'Like' us on **Facebook**.

### RATES

For all bookable events, the cost of each event is listed. Please pay when booking – we accept card payments.

### FACILITIES

York Art Gallery, York Castle Museum and the Yorkshire Museum have baby changing facilities and disabled access toilets. York Art Gallery and York Castle Museum both have cafés.

### ACCESSIBILITY

Wheelchair users are eligible for the Access Day Ticket at York Art Gallery, York Castle Museum and the Yorkshire Museum and for the Access YMT Card. One carer will be eligible for free admission with a wheelchair user. Please note that some of the upper floors of York Castle Museum are not currently wheelchair accessible.

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Adult Learning events and activities at York Museums Trust **September – December 2016**

## Welcome!

Welcome to Discover; your guide to events and activities for adults at York Art Gallery, York Castle Museum and the Yorkshire Museum.

Our adult learning events are the perfect way for you to discover more about the fantastic exhibitions and collections at **York Museums Trust** venues.

Whether it's the new exhibition *Flesh* at York Art Gallery, talks from curators at the Yorkshire Museum or Christmas at York Castle Museum, we have something for everyone over the next few months.

No experience is necessary; just look through the listings, follow the booking instructions and prepare to get creative, expand your knowledge and have some fun with **York Museums Trust**.

**The cost of each event is listed.**  
Please pay when booking – we accept card payments.

**Don't forget, admission to all sites is FREE for 12 months with your YMT Card.**



## YMT Card

**GET UNLIMITED VISITS**

for a whole year to

**York Art Gallery**

**Yorkshire Museum**

**York Castle Museum**

**York St Marys**



York Museums Trust reserves the right to cancel any events if there are insufficient bookings.

## SEPTEMBER



### The Lumber Room: Publication Launch Event

York Art Gallery

Autumn 2016 (date TBC)

St Jude's will launch a *Random Spectacular* journal dedicated to Mark Heard's eclectic exhibition.

Visit [www.yorkartgallery.org.uk](http://www.yorkartgallery.org.uk) for the latest details.



### Ceramic Art York

York Museum Gardens

Friday 9 September, Saturday 10 September and Sunday 11 September

An exciting showcase of current ceramic art and a unique opportunity to meet the artists and buy their work.

For more information see [www.ceramicart.york.org](http://www.ceramicart.york.org).



### Sketchbook Circle

York Art Gallery

Wednesday 14 September, 1.30pm – 3.30pm  
(Also 12 October, 9 November and 14 December)

Develop skills and fill your sketchbooks at this regular informal drawing group.

**£5 PER SESSION** gallery admission applies.

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.



### Relaxed Opening Afternoon

York Castle Museum

Friday 16 September, 3pm – 5pm

As York Castle Museum is busy at times, we will put our lights on full and turn off all the sound effects so it's a less overwhelming environment for visitors. You'll still be able to visit all of the galleries, but there will be no dark areas and no sudden sounds and we will warn you in advance when you are about to enter an area where a film may start suddenly. We'll also have a quiet space available should you need it.

**FREE EVENT** museum admission applies. No need to book.

## SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER



### Remembering 1066 in Yorkshire: 1066 and All Those Battles

Yorkshire Museum

Thursday 22 September, 2pm – 3pm

The Battle of Fulford and the Battle of Stamford Bridge were fought in Yorkshire in 1066. Join Curator of Archaeology, Natalie McCaul, to handle objects and learn more.

**£10 PER PERSON**

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust Website for details.



### Drawing from Life: Form and Space

York Art Gallery

**YORK  
Learning**

Saturday 1 October, 10.30am – 3.30pm

Inspired by the *Flesh* exhibition, novel approaches to life drawing with artist Tim Morrison.

**£38 PER PERSON** (including admission and materials).

Book with York Learning. Tel: 01904 552806, email: [york.learning@york.gov.uk](mailto:york.learning@york.gov.uk).



### Art for Wellbeing

York Art Gallery

**territories**

Sunday 2 October, 1.30pm – 3.30pm (Also 6 November and 4 December)

Informal practical sessions for adults, just drop-in and release your creative energy, in the company of others and with gentle guidance on hand. This is an inclusive session, suitable for all abilities.

**FREE** gallery admission applies. No need to book (ages 16+ only).

**FLESH**  
**OPENS 23 SEPTEMBER 2016**  
A major exhibition at York Art Gallery



Adult Learning at York Museums Trust:

History & Museum Collections Art Workshops & Talks Craft Workshops Literature

## OCTOBER



## Museums for Wellbeing: Age Friendly Museums Week

York **Castle Museum**

Tuesday 4 October, 10am – 12pm

Come to York Castle Museum as part of Age Friendly Museums Week for a chance to visit Kirkgate, our recreated Victorian street. Experience the displays, explore the street and enjoy a cup of tea and piece of cake afterwards with people from a similar age group. Age Friendly Museums is run in collaboration with Age Collective, Age UK and Silver Sundays and is aimed at older audiences.

**FREE EVENT** museum admission applies.  
Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.



## Autumnal Tapestry Landscapes

Yorkshire **Museum**



Saturday 8 October, 10.30am – 3.30pm

Using autumn landscapes for inspiration, students are introduced to traditional tapestry weaving techniques to create a small woven tapestry. All materials are provided.

**£38 PER PERSON** plus £2 on the day to cover the cost of yarns.  
Book with York Learning. Tel: 01904 552806, email: york.learning@york.gov.uk.



## Regeneration: York Castle Museum Book Club Special

York **Castle Museum**



Saturday 8 October, 11am – 12.30pm and 2pm – 3.30pm

Come and join in with a lively discussion and debate on Pat Barker's novel *Regeneration* and the themes it explores. Following our conversation there will be a tour of the museum's exhibition *1914: When the World Changed Forever* with a member of York Castle Museum's learning team. Our special museum book club is led by aspiring Ryedale poet and self-confessed book addict, Jo Hardy.

**FREE EVENT** museum admission applies.  
Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.

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## OCTOBER



## Painting from Life: Form and Flesh Tones

York **Art Gallery**



Saturday 8 October 10.30am – 3.30pm

Learn how to paint flesh or improve your skills with artist Sue Clayton.

**£38 PER PERSON** (including admission and materials)  
Book with York Learning. Tel: 01904 552806, email: york.learning@york.gov.uk.



## Sketchbook Circle

York **Art Gallery**

Wednesday 12 October, 1.30pm – 3.30pm  
(Also 14 September, 9 November and 14 December)

Develop skills and fill your sketchbooks at this regular informal drawing group.

**£5 PER SESSION** gallery admission applies.  
Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.



## WEA Life Drawing Course

York **Art Gallery**



Friday 14 October and Friday 21 October, 10am – 4pm

Working with a life model, experienced artist and tutor Rosie Skaife D'Ingerthorpe will lead this two session course designed to improve students' drawing skills using a range of materials.

**£40 PER PERSON FOR THE FULL COURSE** gallery admission included.  
Book online at [www.enrolonline.wea.org.uk](http://www.enrolonline.wea.org.uk). Course reference: C3669254



## Regeneration: LGBTQ Gallery Tour

York **Castle Museum**



Saturday 15 October, 1pm – 2pm and 2.30pm – 3.30pm

A guided tour of the museum's exhibition *1914: When the World Changed Forever* from an LGBTQ perspective. The tour will explore hidden stories of the First World War, focusing on the themes of homosexuality and masculinity explored in Pat Barker's novel *Regeneration* and its sequels. Led by York Museums Trust's volunteer co-ordinator and LGBTQ historian, Philip Newton.

**FREE** museum admission applies, no need to book.  
Maximum of 30 places per tour, allocated on a first come, first served basis.

## OCTOBER – NOVEMBER



### Sensory Tours: The Lumber Room

York Art Gallery



Sunday 16 October, 12.30pm – 1.15pm

Hear the story behind Mark Hearld's beautifully curated exhibition and handle objects from York Castle Museum's social history collections.

Everyone over 16 welcome, but especially suitable for blind or partially-sighted adults.

**FREE EVENT** gallery admission applies.

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.



### Remembering 1066 in Yorkshire: Hoards and the Harrying of the North

Yorkshire Museum

Thursday 20 October, 2pm – 3pm

The battles of 1066 and William the Conqueror's Harrying of the North had enormous effects upon Yorkshire. The warfare meant that many coins were buried for safe-keeping, never to be uncovered. Join Curator of Numismatics Andrew Woods for a chance to see some of these hidden treasures and learn more about the Norman Conquest.

**£10 PER PERSON**

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust Website for details.



### Art for Wellbeing

York Art Gallery



Sunday 6 November, 1.30pm – 3.30pm (Also 2 October and 4 December)

Informal practical sessions for adults, just drop-in and release your creative energy, in the company of others and with gentle guidance on hand. This is an inclusive session, suitable for all abilities.

**FREE** gallery admission applies. No need to book (ages 16+ only).

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## NOVEMBER



### Sketchbook Circle

York Art Gallery

Wednesday 9 November, 1.30pm – 3.30pm  
(Also 14 September, 12 October and 14 December)

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**£5 PER SESSION** gallery admission applies.

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.



### The Annual CoCA Lecture with Christie Brown

Yorkshire Museum

Friends of York Art Gallery



Saturday 12 November, 4pm – 5pm.

Christie Brown is an artist and Professor of Ceramics at the University of Westminster. Her figurative practice is informed by an interest in our relationship with objects and the significance and relevance of museum collections and archaic artefacts to contemporary art.

**£8 PER PERSON**

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.



### Rag Rug Hooking: Christmas Decorations

York Castle Museum



Saturday 12 November, 10.30am – 3.30pm

A one-day workshop to learn the basic and traditional technique of rag rug hooking. Stars, snowflakes, Christmas trees and other festive patterns can be used for inspiration to create a beautiful decoration.

**£38 PER PERSON** plus £2 on the day to cover the cost of materials.

Book with York Learning. Tel: 01904 552806, email: york.learning@york.gov.uk.



## NOVEMBER – DECEMBER



### Crystals from Beneath

Yorkshire **Museum**

Thursday 24 November, 2pm – 3pm

Minerals are the building blocks of planet Earth. They make up the rocks that form our lands and underlie our oceans. They can grow into large, beautiful crystal structures: wonders of the natural world. Get up close to a selection of one of the most striking parts of our collections: that of Lindsay and Patricia Greenbank, lifelong collectors with a passion for the minerals of Northern England.

**£10 PER PERSON**

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust Website for details.



### Textiles: Embellished Christmas Decorations

York **Castle Museum**

**YORK  
Learning**

Saturday 26 November, 10.30am – 3.30pm

Dive into over-the-top embellishment using buttons, beads and stitches to create a unique Christmas decoration.

We will look at contemporary and historic stitch samples with tutor Helen Young. Experiment with different materials and embellishments and practice new stitches. We'll complete a lovely embellished Christmas decoration using bondaweb, stitching and lots of buttons and beads, along with sample pieces to use as inspiration at home. Suitable for anyone from complete beginners to more experienced stitchers.

**£38 PER PERSON** plus £4 on the day to cover the cost of materials.

Book with York Learning. Tel: 01904 552806, email: [york.learning@york.gov.uk](mailto:york.learning@york.gov.uk).



### Art for Wellbeing

York **Art Gallery**

**territories**

Sunday 4 December, 1.30pm – 3.30pm (Also 6 November and 2 October)

Informal practical sessions for adults, just drop-in and release your creative energy, in the company of others and with gentle guidance on hand. This is an inclusive session, suitable for all abilities.

**FREE** gallery admission applies. No need to book (ages 16+ only).

Adult Learning at York Museums Trust:

 History & Museum Collections  Art Workshops & Talks  Craft Workshops  Literature



## DECEMBER



### Sensory Tours: Ceramics

York **Art Gallery**



Wednesday 7 December, 12.30pm – 1.15pm

Discover the CoCA displays through touch and description.

Everyone over 16 welcome, especially suitable for blind or partially-sighted adults.

**FREE EVENT** gallery admission applies.

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.



### Fused Glass Snowflakes

Yorkshire **Museum**

**YORK  
Learning**

Saturday 10 December, 10.30am – 3.30pm

Bring a bit of hand crafted sparkle to your home this Christmas with your own unique snowflake decorations made from fused glass.

All tools and materials will be provided to make three snowflake decorations.

**£38 PER PERSON** plus £10 for materials and firing.

For more information please visit [www.yortime.org.uk](http://www.yortime.org.uk) or phone 01904 552806 or email [york.learning@york.gov.uk](mailto:york.learning@york.gov.uk)



### Sketchbook Circle

York **Art Gallery**

Wednesday 14 December, 1.30pm – 3.30pm

(Also 14 September, 12 October and 9 November)

Develop skills and fill your sketchbooks at this regular informal drawing group.

**£5 PER SESSION** gallery admission applies.

Booking through Eventbrite. See York Museums Trust website for details.

### York Observatory Evenings

York Museum Gardens

Tuesday 8 November, Wednesday 7 December, Thursday 5 January and Friday 3 February, 6pm – 8pm

**FREE** monthly observing evenings at York's oldest working observatory.

Drop in, no need to book. Check our website for more details about activities and Sky Tours.

# Victorian Christmas at the Castle

26 November – 24 December at York Castle Museum

Experience the magic of a Victorian Christmas on our world famous cobbled street, Kirkgate.



## Kirkgate Victorian Christmas

York Castle Museum

26 November – 24 December, throughout the day

Stroll along our beautifully decorated cobbled street, Kirkgate. Meet our Victorian residents and discover the stories behind the traditions of Christmas.

**FREE EVENT** museum admission applies, kids go free. No need to book.



## Bah Humbug!

York Castle Museum

10 & 11 December and 17 – 24 December, throughout the day

Back by popular demand, Chris Cade will perform his unique one man family show of *A Christmas Carol* under the garlands on Kirkgate. Join our Ebenezer Scrooge as he discovers the true meaning of Christmas!

**FREE EVENT** museum admission applies, kids go free. No need to book.



## A Christmas Mystery

York Castle Museum

3 & 4 December, 10 & 11 December and 17 – 24 December, throughout the day

Children will follow a special Christmas mystery trail around the museum to discover the traditions and magic of a Victorian Christmas, meeting costumed characters and solving festive puzzles before finally finding where Father Christmas is waiting for them!

**£5 PER CHILD** includes activity booklet, meeting Father Christmas and a traditional Christmas gift. Museum admission applies for adults. No need to book.

# Collection Talks at York Museums Trust

Want to find out more about the collections at York Museums Trust?

Our knowledgeable curators regularly give **FREE talks** that provide further insight into the fantastic objects we have on display. There is no need to book, just come along on the dates listed below for the opportunity to learn more from museum experts.

## York Art Gallery

### Curator's Talks

Wednesdays, 12.30pm – 1pm

Lunchtime talks with a Gallery Curator, held on the **third Wednesday of each month**. The subject will vary but will relate to one of the displays in the gallery.

The **Friends of York Art Gallery** also run a programme of lunchtime talks, on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 12.30pm – 1pm. For details, visit [www.friendsofyorkartgallery.co.uk](http://www.friendsofyorkartgallery.co.uk).

### Welcome Team Talks

Weekdays and Sundays

Join us weekdays (except Wednesdays) for our free 10 minute 'Art Shot' talks at 2pm, 2.15pm, 2.30pm and 2.45pm and on Sunday at 2pm – ask the Welcome Team for details.

## York Castle Museum

### Gallery Talks

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12pm

The subject will vary but will relate to one of the displays in the museum. These talks are volunteer led, please ring ahead or check with staff on arrival in case of cancellation.

## Yorkshire Museum

### Curator's Talks

Tuesdays, 12.30pm – 1pm

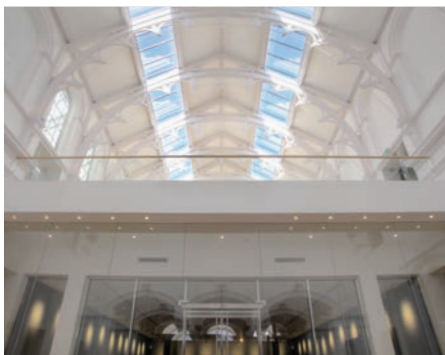
Insightful lunchtime talks with a Yorkshire Museum Curator.

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| 13 Sep | <b>End of the Empire – Coins of Late Roman York</b>                |
| 20 Sep | <b>End of the Empire – the Archaeology of Late Roman York</b>      |
| 27 Sep | <b>The Wenlock Limestone – a Fossilised Coral Reef</b>             |
| 4 Oct  | <b>The Kings of 1066</b>   |
| 11 Oct | <b>The Botanist Richard Spruce</b>                                 |
| 1 Nov  | <b>Small But Perfectly Formed – The Sifton-on-the-Forest Mount</b> |
| 8 Nov  | <b>Treasure from the Portable Antiquities Scheme</b>               |
| 22 Nov | <b>Money in the English Civil War</b>                              |
| 6 Dec  | <b>Shooting Stars</b>  |
| 13 Dec | <b>The Archaeology of Christmas</b>                                |

**ALL TALKS ARE FREE, WITH NO NEED TO BOOK** museum/gallery admission applies.

We occasionally have to change the dates or titles of talks so please see the York Museums Trust website for the latest information.

## Visitor Information



### York Art Gallery

Exhibition Square, York YO1 7EW

#### Open Daily:<sup>†</sup>

Mon – Fri: 10am – 5pm

Sat: 10am – 6pm

Sun: 11am – 4pm

Closed 25, 26 December and 1 January

Early closing: 2.30pm on 24 and 31 December

#### ADMISSION

<b>YMT Card Holder</b> .....	<b>FREE</b>
<b>Adult</b> (with 10% Gift Aid Donation) .....	£7.50
<b>Adult</b> (without donation) .....	£6.81
<b>Child</b> (16 and under)* .....	<b>FREE</b> with a paying adult
<b>Access Day Ticket**</b> .....	£4.00

Find out more:

[www.yorkartgallery.org.uk](http://www.yorkartgallery.org.uk)

<sup>†</sup> York Art Gallery opening times will change from 23 September 2016. Please visit the website for information.



### York Castle Museum

Castle Area, Eye of York, York YO1 9RY

#### Open Daily:

9.30am – 5pm

Closed 25, 26 December and 1 January

Early closing: 2.30pm on 24 and 31 December

#### ADMISSION

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<b>Adult</b> (with 10% Gift Aid Donation) .....	£10.00
<b>Adult</b> (without donation) .....	£9.09
<b>Child</b> (16 and under)* .....	<b>FREE</b> with a paying adult
<b>Access Day Ticket**</b> .....	£5.00

Find out more:

[www.yorkcastlemuseum.org.uk](http://www.yorkcastlemuseum.org.uk)



### Yorkshire Museum

York Museum Gardens, York YO1 7FR

#### Open Daily:

10am – 5pm

Closed 25, 26 December and 1 January

Early closing: 2.30pm on 24 and 31 December

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Find out more:

[www.yorkshireremuseum.org.uk](http://www.yorkshireremuseum.org.uk)

Valid YorkCard Holders each receive  
20% discount on admission at all venues.

Telephone York Museums Trust:

**01904 687687**



\* Offer does not apply to organised groups. Maximum 4 children per adult. Additional children will be charged at £4 per child.  
\*\* Access Tickets: available to 17-24 year olds and those on most forms of benefit. Terms and conditions apply, for more information see [www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk/ymtcard](http://www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk/ymtcard).  
\*\*\* With a valid YorkCard, current council tax bill or valid York Student ID



### York Museum Gardens

York Museum Gardens, York YO1 7FR

#### Open Daily:

Summer: 7.30am – 8pm

Winter: 7.30am – 6pm

Closed 25, 26 December and 1 January

Early closing: 2.30pm on 24 and 31 December

#### FREE ADMISSION

Find out more:

[www.yorkmuseumgardens.org.uk](http://www.yorkmuseumgardens.org.uk)



### YMT Card

12 months unlimited access to York Art Gallery, York Castle Museum and the Yorkshire Museum.

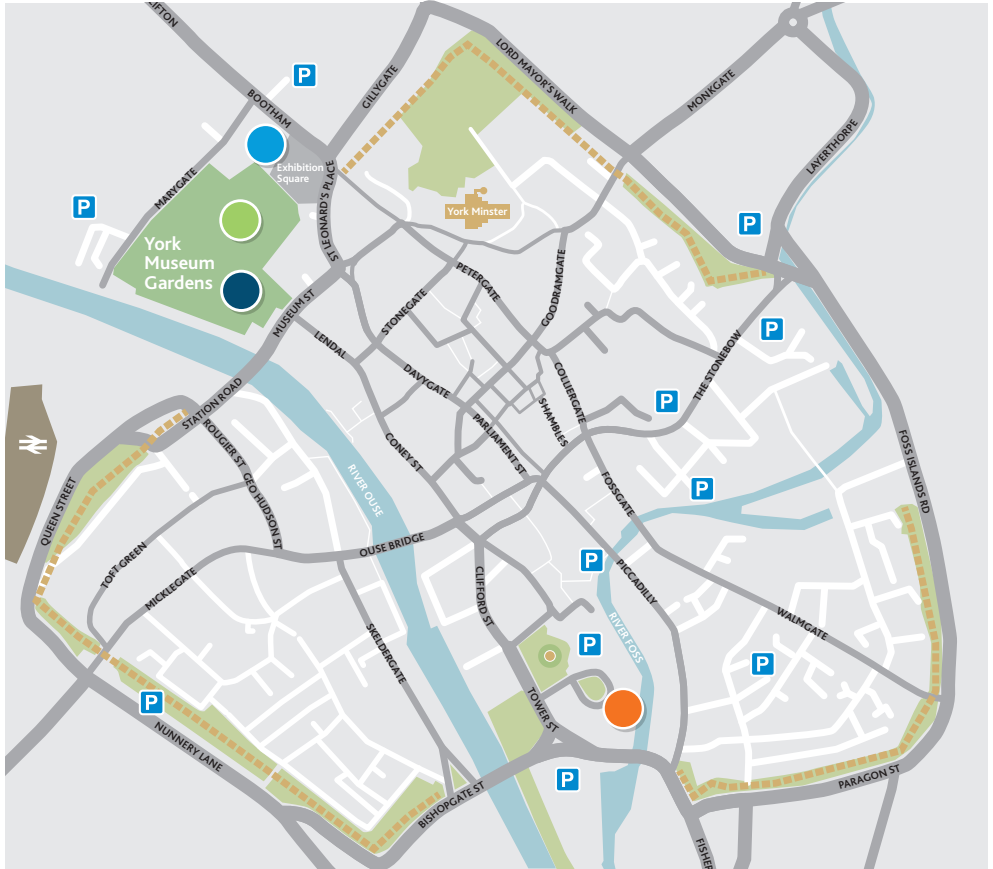
**YMT Card:** £22 / £20 with Direct Debit  
York Residents:\*\*\* £11 / £10 with Direct Debit

**Access YMT Card:** £11 / £10 with Direct Debit \*\*  
York Residents:\*\*\* **FREE** subject to availability





# York Museums Trust



## York Castle Museum

York Castle Museum, Castle Area, Eye of York,  
York YO1 9RY

## York Art Gallery

York Art Gallery, Exhibition Square,  
York YO1 7EW

## Yorkshire Museum

Yorkshire Museum, York Museum Gardens,  
York YO1 7FR

## York Museum Gardens

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