What's On



Autumn/Winter 2013/14

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Welcome



Charnwood Museum has lots to offer during the winter months, with fascinating exhibitions, talks for adults and children's activities. We have an autumnal feast of fantastic photography exhibitions, while January sees Drawn to Danger showcasing World War One posters by

illustrator Frank Brangwyn. The Friends have some fascinating talks this season too – why not come along and spend an evening at the museum? ArtZone continues to offer creative fun for older children every Saturday during term time – have a go at firing pottery in the park or create your own grand design in gingerbread!

Exhibitions



Magnificent Monochrome

Tuesday 8th October 2013 - Sunday 5th January 2014

It is all about light and shade in this varied exhibition by the East Midlands Monochrome

Group, who aim to preserve and promote the art of black and white photography, whether produced digitally or by traditional means in a 'wet darkroom'. Images reflect the various interests of the individual members, in this selection of 70 monochrome prints.

Raya Yoga Meditation -The Journey of the Soul

Until Sunday 20th October

An exhibition by the Loughborough Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University.

Local Exposure: Shepshed & District Camera Club

Saturday 26th October -Sunday 24th November

An exhibition of photography from this local group.

COMBINE: Farming Heritage Exhibition

Tuesday 3rd December -Sunday 19th January

An exhibition looking at our rural and farming heritage, produced by Leicestershire school children.

Drawn to Danger

Saturday 11th January - Sunday 23rd March

An exhibition looking at artists' responses to war, featuring works by Frank Brangwyn from Leicestershire County Council's Artworks Collection. Frank Brangwyn wasn't an official war artist but illustrated many World



War One campaign posters. The exhibition will show some evocative & emotive Brangwyn images alongside the work of artists who have worked in more recent conflicts including Bosnia, Iraq and Afghanistan. It will examine Brangwyn's role as an artist who communicated with the person on the street and today's artists who try to bring us closer to understanding what it's like for civilians & soldiers in the countries caught up in conflict. The exhibition also reflects on the scars left on the landscape by war.

Journeys: An Exhibition for Holocaust Memorial Day

Tuesday 21st January -Sunday 2nd February

Imagine being forced to leave home. You can only take a suitcase. What would you take with you?



School Holiday Activities

Join in the fun at Charnwood Museum every school holiday with children's art & craft workshops. These workshops are suitable for children aged 3 years and above. Children must be accompanied by an appropriate adult. Workshop places cost £2.50 per child and must be booked and paid for in advance. Please make cheques payable to 'Charnwood Borough Council'.



Half Term

Thursday 24th October - Monster Faces

Make your own monstrous faces ready for Halloween at this art and craft workshop. Workshops at 10.15am, 11.45am and 1.30pm

Christmas

Sat 21st December - Reindeer Decorations

Make your own handy Rudolph decorations in this fun Christmas art and craft workshop. Workshops 10.30-11.30am.



Special Events

Tuesday 22nd October, 10.30am - 3pm Tudor Fun and Games Day

Try your hand at some Tudor games on gallery at this free, drop-in event. The whole family can get active with some Tudor dancing from 10.30am-12.30pm, try a Farandol or Household Branle with our Tudor lady! Part of Well-being Hi-5 month.



Wednesday 23rd October Animal Handling Workshop



Animals in Hands return to Charnwood Museum with some deadly creatures to learn about, meet and handle if you dare! And an owl will make a special appearance. Book early to avoid disappointment!

These workshops are suitable for children aged 3 years and above. Children must be accompanied by an appropriate adult. £3 per person, places must be booked and paid for in advance. Workshop times are: 10.15-11am, 11.15am-12noon, 12.15pm-1pm, 1.30-2.15pm, 2.30-3.15pm

Friends of Charnwood Museum Talks

Join the Friends of Charnwood Museum for one of our illustrated talks. They cover a wide variety of topics so there's something for everyone to enjoy. Come along, relax with a cuppa and learn something new! Contact the museum to reserve a place. Queen's Park Café. 7.30pm. £3 per person (non-members), £1 per person (members). Tea & coffee available beforehand. Please use the evening entrance on Granby Street.

Tues 15th October 7.30pm

Framework Knitting: a time capsule

Chairman of the Friends, Patricia Baker, gives us an insight into the framework knitting industry in the East Midlands

Thur 21st November 7.30pm

Edward Elgar's Music & the Great War

In a 90-minute talk illustrated with musical examples, Dr Steven Halls, Chairman of the Elgar Society, describes Elgar's creative and emotional reaction to the First World War, culminating in his

acceptance of the postwar commission to write a work for the Loughborough Carillon. You can see the original manuscript on display at the museum.

Wed 11th December 7.30pm Christmas True Victorian Style

Get a glimpse of Christmas upstairs and down, from a Victorian lady's maid's point of view, in this fascinating evening with Jo Carter.

Wed 15th January 7.30pm Luddites and

Luddites and Lacemakers

Intrigue and innovation in this fascinating look at Loughborough's lace making heritage with Tony Jarram. £3 non-members, £1 members. Use the evening entrance on Granby Street.

Walks

Tues 22nd October Loughborough's Culture Walk

Take a stroll through Loughborough's cultural hotspots past and present with Ernie Miller. Connect, take notice and be active with this guided walk as part of Well-being Hi-5 month. Meet at museum at 2pm. £3.50 per person, children under 16 free.

ArtZone





We've got an exciting and varied line up of art workshops this autumn, including the ever popular Raku pottery-firing in the park, weaving, willow wrapping, drypoint etching and gingerbread houses. Come along and get creating, with professional artists to guide you!

ArtZone is on every Saturday morning at 10.30am during school term times. Until and including 5th November, sessions finish at 12.30pm. Please note that from Saturday 9th November, ArtZone will finish at 12noon.

Workshops cost £5 per person including materials. Concessions £2.50 for families in receipt of certain means tested benefits. Pre-booking is essential. All places must be paid for within 5 days of booking.

Contact the museum on 01509 233754 or email museum@charnwood.gov.uk for further details. The ArtZone programme is organised in conjunction with Charnwood Arts.

Sat 5th October Weave It Up

Learn about 'upcycling' materials and weaving techniques. Make a mat out of plastic bags with 'The Wire Lady' Sue Clews.

Sat 12th October It's a Wrap!

Explore using willow and fabrics to make pieces in this sculptural workshop. With local artist Nita Rao.

Sat 2nd November Raging Raku

Glaze a biscuit fired pot which will be ready to handle and take home at the end of the workshop, with Bridget McVey.



Please note that from Sat 9th November, ArtZone will run from 10.30am-12pm

Sat 9th November Mini Museum Pieces

Be inspired by objects in the museum to decorate a wondrous Christmas tree, with Daniel Newnham.

Sat 16th November Wearable Art

With Lisa Pidgeon from Little Bird School Of Stitchcraft.

Sat 23rd November

In The Frame

Work with Evelyn from Piebald crafts to create a mini work of art to hang in your window.



Sat 30th November Diorama Drama

Construct a diorama, your very own mini theatre set.

Sat 7th December Scratch and Print

Join Jo Sheppard for a drypoint etching session

Sat 14th December

Sweet and Spicy

Design your own gingerbread house with Lindsey Warnes-Carroll.

Sat 11th January Favourite Things

This one is all about you! Use all of your favourite things in 2D and 3D form to create a piece of artwork. With Lindsey Warnes-Carroll.

Sat 18th January Winter Lines

Explore lines in a winter landscape drawing/still life workshop with artist Jo Sheppard.

Sat 25th January It's All A Bit Irregular!

Make an unusually shaped piece of art in this sculptural workshop. With Vanessa Rose.

Gallery Trails, Quizzes and Games

FREE gallery quizzes and games – a fun way for families to investigate Charnwood Museum! Suitable for 3+ years.

Saturday 19th October – Sunday 3rd November

Werewolves and Vampires

Have a howlingly good time playing our gruesome gallery game this half term.



Saturday 14th December – Sunday 5th January

Walking in the Air

Follow Frosty in our fun snowman trail around the museum.



Queen's Park Café

Queens Park Cafe is open throughout the winter months for a warm welcome and hearty food. We offer a variety of hot meals and snacks to help beat off the winter blues. Homemade soups, cakes and a weekly homemade special hot dinner, all made on site.



Cafe Opening Times:

Summer: Monday to Saturday from 9.30am, Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays from 10am

Winter: Monday to Saturday from 9.30am, Sundays from 10am

Closing times can vary according to weather conditions. Closed over the Christmas period – please call to check opening.

Please call 01509 233750 for details, private hire and buffet catering.



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Opening Hours

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April to September: Tuesday to Saturday 10am-4:30pm, Sundays from 2pm - 5pm

October to March: Tuesday to Saturday 10am-3pm,

Sundays from 12noon - 3pm

CLOSED: Tuesday 24th December to Wednesday 1st January and Monday 6th January to Friday 10th January inclusive.

Bank Holidays: Call to check Bank Holiday opening.































Charnwood Museum is run as a partnership between Leicestershire County Council and Charnwood Borough Council