



What's On

Exhibitions, talks, events & activities

Norwich Castle May – September 2019

Including Special Exhibitions:

Viking: Rediscover the Legend

Lines of Sight: W.G. Sebald's East Anglia

Plus events at

Museum of Norwich & Strangers' Hall



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Lines of Sight: W.G. Sebald's East Anglia

10 May 2019 – 5 January 2020.

Timothy Gurney Gallery

This unprecedented exhibition celebrates the work of the internationally renowned author W.G. Sebald (1944–2001).

Inspired by Sebald's genre-confounding book *The Rings of Saturn* (1995), which charts a meandering route around the geography and history of East Anglia, the exhibition presents a uniquely poetic, visual portrait of the region. It brings together a diverse selection of celebrated artworks, curious objects, archive material and the author's own, unseen, photographs, to tell the story behind the creation of one of East Anglia's most famous literary masterpieces.

Part of the **W.G. Sebald Season**, promoted in partnership with the Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts.



Portrait of W. G. Sebald (1999) Photo © Basso Cammarsi Opale Leemage Bridgeman Images

Exhibition Talks

2.30 – 3.30pm unless otherwise stated. Town Close Auditorium.

Introduction to *Lines of Sight: W.G. Sebald's East Anglia* (talk & tour)

Tuesday 14 May

Dr Nick Warr, Exhibition Curator.

Changing Perspectives on W.G. Sebald

Tuesday 4 June

Dr Uwe Schütte, Aston University (Birmingham).

Strips, Spots & Stripes – An Introduction to Textile Pattern Books

Thursday 27 June

Ruth Battersby Tooke & Cathy Terry, Norfolk Museums Service.

W.G. Sebald: In His Own Words

Tuesday 9 July

Gordon Turner, University of East Anglia.

W.G. Sebald & Photography

Tuesday 30 July

Michael Brandon-Jones in conversation with Professor Clive Scott (University of East Anglia).

Echoes and Imprints: Towards a Sebaldian Cinema

Tuesday 27 August (ends 4pm)

Film presentation by Adam Scovell, Goldsmiths, University of London.

Thomas Browne's Retreat to Earth

Tuesday 10 September

Professor Claire Preston, Queen Mary University (London).

The Burning of the Royal James at the Battle of Solebay by Willem van de Velde the Younger

Tuesday 24 September

Dr Sarah Monks, University of East Anglia.



VIKING

REDISCOVER THE LEGEND

A British Museum and York Museums Trust Partnership Exhibition

9 February – 8 September 2019

See some of the most significant Anglian and Viking treasures ever discovered in Britain. Featuring star objects from the British Museum and Yorkshire Museum, along with ground-breaking research and new discoveries, this exhibition challenges our perceptions of Viking life.

Rich displays include the Anglian York Helmet, as well as the magnificent Vale of York, Cuerdale and Bedale Viking Hoards. See these treasures on show alongside highlights from Norwich Castle's collections.

Exhibition Tours

Thursdays (term time), 2.30pm & 4th Saturday of the month, 1pm until August 2019

Exhibition Talks:

Tuesdays, 12.30pm, 30 – 45 mins. Town Close Auditorium.
7 May

Pagans and Christians: Scandinavian Religious Identity in Viking-Age England

Prof Lesley Abrams, University of Oxford.

21 May

When is a Viking Not a Viking? Strange Depictions in Later Medieval Manuscripts

Dr Becky Pinner, University of East Anglia.



York Helmet by Anthony Chappel-Ross, York Museums Trust

Tor Falcon: Rivers of Norfolk

12 July 2019 – 12 January 2020

This remarkable body of drawings is the result of a three-year project revealing the wonderful variety and beauty of Norfolk's rivers.



Tor Falcon, *Scarrow Beck at Felbrigg Pond* 2018

© Courtesy the Artist



John Sell Cotman in Norwich and London

Showing until Sunday 29 September 2019

A chance to explore the last two decades of Cotman's life through iconic late watercolours and rarely seen drawings.



John Sell Cotman, *Storm on Yarmouth Beach* 1831, watercolour on paper

© Norfolk Museums Service (Norwich Castle Museum & Art Gallery)

Magritte: The Lost Painting

Extended until 30 June

Tours

Choose from **Dungeons** and **Battlements**, or a special tour (below). Additional charges may apply; ask at the ticket desk for more information.

Medieval Castle Keep Monday – Friday, 12 noon & Saturdays 12 noon & 2pm (term time) until July 2019.

Female Voices 1st Tuesday of the month (term time), 2.30pm & 1st Saturday of the month, 1pm.

Shirehall Courtroom 2nd Tuesday of the month (term time) 2.30pm & 2nd Saturday of the month, 1pm.

Norwich School of Artists

3rd Saturday of the month, 1pm & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 2.30pm.

Special Events

**MUSEUMS
AT
NIGHT**

Museums at Night: Keepsakes
Saturday 18 May, 5.30 – 9.30pm
 Share fond memories of Norwich Castle and enjoy an opportunity to explore Norwich's iconic medieval keep before a major redevelopment project begins later this year! With torchlit tours, medieval weapons and more!
FREE.



Shieldmaiden

Saturday 15 June

Using Nordic myths, historical evidence, song, and movement, **Collisions Theatre** brings stories of Viking shieldmaidens and warrior women to life, in this fabulous performance in our Castle Keep.



Heritage Open Day

Saturday 21 September, 10am – 4.30pm

Free entry to the museum all day as part of England's largest festival of heritage and culture.
FREE.

Workshops and Courses for Children

Booking essential: Tel. 01603 493636, email norwichcastle.bookings@norfolk.gov.uk

Knight Club

Saturdays 1, 8, 15 & 29 June, 6 & 13 July, 10am – 12.30pm

Discover the secrets of knightly combat and chivalry in this unique Saturday Club for girls and boys aged 8-11, bringing together the world of the medieval knight and Modern Sword Fighting! Limited spaces.
Child £60 (for 6 week course).



ST*ART Club

Saturday 11 May – Saturday 15 June, 10am – 12.40pm

Exciting Saturday course exploring 3D art led by artist Ali Atkins. Suitable for age 8-12. Limited spaces.
Child £45 (for 6 week course).



ST*ART Masterclass: Sebald's Threads

Saturday 13 July, 10am – 12.30pm

Join artist Karl Foster to explore the world of W.G. Sebald's threads and digital photography. You will create your own works of art inspired by Sebald's East Anglian travels. Suitable for age 8-12.
£25 per child

CANCELLED



THE LEGEND RETURNS!

School Holiday Activities (excluding Sundays)

May Half-term: 25 May – 1 June; Summer Holiday: 29 July – 31 August, 10.30am – 3.30pm

Voyage into the world of the Vikings, explore beautiful Viking objects, tackle a trail, enjoy guided tours, discover the Nordic origin of local place names, plus costumes and more! Activities included with museum admission, programme changes daily:

Don't Lose Your Head!

Daily

Make your own Coppergate Helmet, and a wonderful Viking navigation chart to take home.

Hiccup the Viking

Saturday 25 & Wednesday 29 May,
Saturday 3 & Thursdays 15 & 22 August,
11.30am, 1 & 2.30pm

Hiccup the Viking and his pal Fish Legs are brought to life in this fantastic family drama, inspired by Cressida Cowell's brilliant book, *How to Train Your Dragon*. Book on arrival.



Skadi's Husband's Feet & Other Stories

Thursday 30 & Friday 31 May, Wednesday 31 July, Fridays 16, 23 & 30
& Saturday 31 August, 11.30am, 1 & 2.30pm

Hear Susie the storyteller rework old Nordic tales - *The Death of Balder*, *How Sif got Her Hair Back* and *Skadi's Husband's Feet*. Book on arrival.

Warriors!

Wednesdays 7, 14, 21 & 28 August,
11.30am, 1 & 2.30pm

How did the Vikings win their battles? Join stage and screen fight choreographer Keith Wallis for a thrilling demonstration of Viking combat and sharp tactics. Book on arrival.



Events for Adults

Workshops

Castle Writers

Saturdays 4 May, 1 June, 6 July & 7 September, 1.30 – 4pm

Enjoy friendly and informal support with your creative prose in this monthly class with author Amanda Addison.

Booking essential, telephone 01603 495897 / 493625.

Adult £8, Conc £7.50, Museums Pass £7.



Castle Writers Masterclass: Sebald's Lines of Sight

Saturday 20 July, 11am – 4pm

Explore ways of writing inspired by Sebald's

unique style, in this creative writing Masterclass with local author Amanda Addison.

Booking essential, telephone 01603 495897 / 493625.

Adult £25, Conc £22.50, Museums Pass £20.



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Event Day

Plunder Wonder

Saturday 7 September

It's time to go a-Viking! Seek out clues and discover stories in this immersive Nordic scavenger hunt and performance by **Collisions Theatre**. Suitable for 18+.



Taboo

An exploration of the strange history of the forbidden. Events contain adult themes.

Undercover of the Knight

Saturdays 4

May, 6 July &

7 September,

2.30pm

A fascinating talk debunking codes of chivalry, medieval moral values and hyper-masculinity - including stories of gender identity, homelessness, crime, and brutality.



Colonialism in the Decorative Arts

Saturdays 1 June & 3

August, 2.30pm

Tour the museum's Decorative Arts Gallery to confront and discuss stories of racism, exploitation and Britain's imperial past.

Muhammad Ali Khan, the Nawab of Arcot © Norfolk Museums Service

Museum of Norwich at the Bridewell

Open Tuesday – Saturday 10am – 4.30pm

Norwich in '59

Tuesday 25 June – Saturday 5 October

Marking 60 years since Norwich twinned with Rouen in northern France, this exhibition looks back at the city in 1959, and showcases contemporary photos of the urban landscapes of both cities.



MUSEUM of
NORWICH
at the Bridewell

Pills for All Ills!

Half-term: Tuesday 28 May – Saturday 1 June

Marvel at medicines from the past in our unique chemist's shop, and have a go at producing pills just like pharmacists of the past.



The Fantastic Fifties

Summer Holidays: 25 July – 3 September

Swing into the 1950s with activities throughout the holiday.



Freemen's Fortnight

Tuesday 30 July – Saturday 10 August

Free admission supported by the Norwich Freemen.



The Merchants' Vaults

Visit our undercroft for an escape room experience for 2-8 players, age 10+.

Bookings: historymysterygame.com / 01603 327515.



City of Ale

Friday 24 May, 6 – 8pm

Celebrate the city's brewing heritage in this beer-themed event, with tastings and talks. Age 18+.

Booking essential

01603 629127.

All tickets £5.



Heritage Open Days

Friday 13 – Saturday 14 September & Friday 20 –

Saturday 21 September, 10am – 4.30pm

Free entry as part of Heritage Open Days. FREE.



Dementia Friendly Coffee Morning



Thursdays 23 May, 20 June,

25 July & 19 September, 10.30am – 12 noon

A relaxed get-together for people with memory loss, and their friends and carers.

Booking essential 01603 629127. FREE.



Undercroft Tour

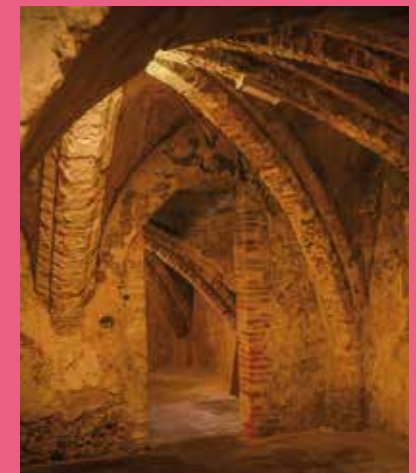
Saturdays 25 May, 29 June, 27 July, 31

August & 28 September, 11am, 12 noon,

1.30pm, 2.30pm

A tour of one of the finest vaulted medieval undercrofts in the city. Explore with one of our knowledgeable tour guides to find out about the inhabitants of the Bridewell.

Booking essential 01603 629127.



Strangers' Hall

Open Wednesday – Friday 10am – 4pm,
 & Sunday 1 – 4.30pm
 For bookings tel. 01603 495897 / 493625.



Taster Tours at Two

Sundays in July & August, 2pm

School Holiday Activities:

Calling all Blockheads!

Wednesday 29 May, 10.30am – 3.30pm
 Get creative in our giant Lego challenge.



Live Like your Great-Granny!

Throughout August, 10.30am – 3.30pm (usual opening days apply).
 Try our trail, make natural remedies, beauty preparations, and household crafts. Activities vary.

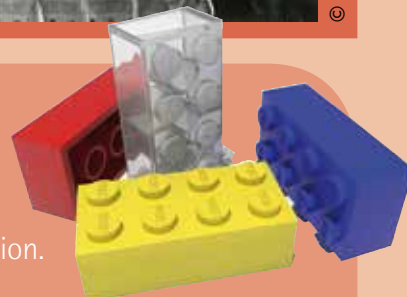


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Workshop for Children:

The Art of Lego

Sunday 2 June, 1.30 – 4pm
 Try printing and claywork using Lego as inspiration.
 Booking essential. Age 5+.
 Child £7.50 (Parents/carers free). Includes materials.



Freemen's Fortnight

31 July – 11 August (usual opening days/times apply)
 Free admission supported by the Freemen of Norwich.



Heritage Open Days 2019

Fridays 13 & 20
 & Sundays 15 & 22 September
 (usual opening times apply) FREE.



Events for Adults:

Refugee Week: The Norwich Strangers and Their Families

Thursday 20 June, 2pm
 Talk with Frank Meeres, archivist and author.
 Booking essential. Adult £5, Conc. £4.50, Museums Pass £4.



Great-Granny's Garden Lore

Wednesdays 26 June & 24 July, 2pm
 Tour the garden and make remedies and beauty products popular 100 years ago. Includes refreshments.
 Booking essential.
 Adult £8.50, Conc. £7.95, Museums Pass £6.50.



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Open:

Norwich Castle, Castle Hill

NR1 3JU

Monday – Saturday 10am – 4.30pm

Sunday 1 – 4.30pm

(1 July – 23 September open until 5pm)

Museum of Norwich,

Bridewell Alley

NR2 1AQ

Tuesday – Saturday 10am – 4.30pm

Strangers' Hall, Charing Cross

NR2 4AL

Wednesday – Friday 10am – 4pm

Sunday 1 – 4.30pm

Tickets:

Available on the door or at

www.arttickets.org.uk.



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