

Celebrate the Royal Wedding with your Local Museum

Hollytrees Museum, Colchester
Open now until September 2011
FREE Admission

Colchester and Ipswich Museums are celebrating the Royal Wedding this April with a new display case at Hollytrees Museum, Colchester.

With Prince William and Kate Middleton tying the knot on Friday 29th April the Museum Service have put together a new display case to show how Royal Events have been celebrated nationally and locally for hundreds of years. It shows some of the ways we have commemorated royal weddings, coronations and jubilees in Colchester.

Alongside a new tea towel, celebrating the marriage of Prince William and Kate Middleton you will be able to see medals produced by Colchester to commemorate the golden jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1887, a paper cup commemorating the Royal Wedding of Prince Charles and Diana Spencer and a pair of Union Jack socks and knickers in original packaging which were made to commemorate the silver jubilee in 1977. There will also be a collection of cups and photographs which celebrate royal occasions throughout the years.

Ciara Canning, Curator of Community History at Colchester and Ipswich Museums said, "The Royal Wedding has given us a great opportunity to get all these objects out of our stores and on display, everyone always thinks of royal memorabilia as being quite traditional but here we've got some really fun items like the jubilee knickers and socks."

The display was created with museum studies student Lauren Epithite as part of her internship at Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service.

The display will be at Hollytrees Museum, Colchester from 6th April until September 2011, so come along and see how commemoration memorabilia has changed over the years.

Hollytrees Museum
High Street (near Colchester Castle), CO1 1UG
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Open: Tuesday to Saturday, 10am - 5pm
Sunday 11am - 5pm

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