

Press release

Please find below information on the fun events happening at **Colchester + Ipswich Museums** from 9th until 17th February 2012.

Please click on the links to see the full press release.

Discover Colchester Castle after hours and after dark!

Dark Tours @ Colchester Castle

A guided tour of the vaults, the roof, into the prisons and around the museum hearing stories of witches, martyrs, plague, disease and death.

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Next Patient Please!

Medieval Medicine and Surgery Event @ Colchester Castle

Here's your chance to see a doctor's surgery, medieval-style, in action!

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Shiver Me Timbers! There's Pirates at the Mansion!

Pirate Week @ Christchurch Mansion, Ipswich

There are different activities each day as you learn to 'Yo ho ho' and pick up the skills you will need for your pirate experience on the Friday, when you will be searching for Treasure around the Mansion.

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Give a Bird a Home!

A Bird-Box in Your Hand @ Natural History Museum, Colchester

This week is National Nest Box week, so get creative and give a bird a home!

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Get Messy with Clay this Half-Term!

Clay Toby Jugs @ Hollytrees Museum, Colchester

Get messy by working with clay to create your own Toby jug, complete with character face!

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Write like an Egyptian!

Scribe School @ Ipswich Museum

Learn more about mystical hieroglyphs and symbols that the Ancient Egyptians used and try your hand at this ancient language.

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Be Inspired and Create some Funky Beats!

Drumming Workshops @ Ipswich Art School

Use real drums and work with musician George Fothergill to pick up some simple drumming techniques and create some cracking tunes which will bring the Art School alive!

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Get Up Close to Live Birds of Prey!

Birds of Prey @ Natural History Museum, Colchester

Come along to see and get up close to some fantastic live birds of prey.

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