## Dragons, Terracotta Figures and Chinese Storytelling

## **Colchester Castle**

## **Events to enjoy this Autumn**

This autumn there is plenty to keep visitors busy at Colchester Castle with fabulous events to enjoy and, of course, the stunning 'Guardians to the King' exhibition.

The fun begins on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September with **Dragon Stories**. This is a free event after the normal admission charge to the castle, so is a great day out that all the family can enjoy. At this enchanting event visitors can meet two young European dragons and enjoy a charming and mischievous encounter with them as they wander around the museum. Storytelling will also take place at 11.30am,12.30pm, 2.30pm and 3.30pm where visitors can enjoy tales from all over the world, that are suitable for all ages. There is no need to book for this fun event, just come along for a good day out!

On Sundays 28<sup>th</sup> September, 19<sup>th</sup> October and 26<sup>th</sup> October visitors can make their very own piece of history with the event **Make Your Own Terracotta Figure**. At this fun and very popular session visitors can get their hands stuck into some clay and make their own figure. Taking inspiration from the 'Guardians to the King' exhibition this is the perfect chance to come along and enjoy the exhibition, before getting artistic in the beautiful surroundings of Colchester Castle. The event is suitable for ages 4 and above and is very popular so advanced booking is recommended. Booking can be made by calling Hollytrees Museum on 01206 282940. Sessions cost £1.50 per person in addition to the usual Castle admission charge.

The fun at the castle continues on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October, Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October with **Chinese Storytelling**. During these weekends visitors can come along to the castle and enjoy hearing about tales and legends from around the world with our friendly storyteller. Visitors can sit back in the beautiful surroundings of Colchester Castle, hear stories that will leave them enchanted and of course enjoy the 'Guardians to the King' exhibition all part of the standard castle admission charge.

The full events programme, along with the fabulous Christmas events, can be seen at <a href="www.colchestermuseums.org.uk">www.colchestermuseums.org.uk</a> or by visiting any of the museums and picking up a leaflet.

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