

Chinese Paper Folding and Crockery Design!

Half term fun at Colchester Castle and Hollytrees Museum, Colchester
Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October

This half term come along and get creative at your local museums! With two fabulous events to enjoy, along with three museums and two exhibitions there will be plenty to keep the family busy.

From Monday 27th until Friday 31st October at **Colchester Castle** you can get into the artistic spirit by taking part in **Chinese Paper Folding**. As soon as the first paper was invented in China they started using it for all kinds of things. Writing letters is fine, but it's not as impressive as creating 3-D objects using many hundreds and thousands of bits of folded paper the shape and size of Chinese paper money! In this fun session you can create beautiful and intricate sculptures and amaze and impress friends and family alike. We provide the materials, you provide the dextrous fingers!

Booking for this event is required and can be made by calling Hollytrees Museum on 01206 282940. Sessions cost £1.00 per person plus the usual Castle admission charge. This is a popular event and places will be limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

If you'd like to try your hand at designing crockery then come along to **Hollytrees Museum** and give it a go! From Monday 27th until Friday 31st October at Hollytrees you can have a go at **Your Own Colchester Piece of Crockery**. To help celebrate the 'Big Draw' this event is the perfect chance for you to put your creative skills to the test. Some of Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service's art collection will be pulled out especially for the event, focusing on those that feature Colchester's townscape. These art pieces, as well as the splendid views from Hollytrees Museum will inspire your landscape design for your piece of crockery. Will you choose a plate, a bowl, or maybe even a mug? And what will you paint on it? Perhaps a view of Roman Colchester, Victorian Colchester or the present day – the choice is yours.

Booking for this event is required and can be made by calling Hollytrees Museum on 01206 282940. Sessions cost £1.50 per person and admission to Hollytrees Museum is free of charge. This is a popular event and places will be limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

There are plenty of other events to enjoy over the coming months too including making your own terracotta figure, making your own Christmas decorations and more! Visit www.ipswich.gov.uk/Museums/ or www.colchestermuseums.org.uk to see the full events listings and to find out more.

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