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Norwich 12 and partners
present

Norwich Dragon Festival



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Three weeks of
dragon-filled activities

/ Welcome

Welcome to the first ever Norwich Dragon Festival – a unique celebration of dragons in the history and culture of our city.

There is something for everyone in this packed programme of storytelling, puppet shows, film, art and craft activities, exhibitions, talks, sculpture and much more which takes place between 31st January and 22nd February 2009. What's more, you'll find most of the activities are free and many are located in Norwich's most beautiful and historic buildings. You can also follow the Dragon Trail around the city, so come along, get involved and discover a world of dragons on your doorstep!



/ Exhibitions

Marvel and be inspired by dragons in different guises around the city.



2–22 Feb, Mon–Fri 10am–5pm,
Sun 11am–4pm

Aloft of Dragons

Dragon Hall

Free with this leaflet

An exhibition of dragon-themed artworks designed and created by community groups. The lone remaining carved dragon in one spandrel of the Great Hall will be joined by its modern relatives. Beautifully decorated canvases will be hung in the nine empty spaces to recreate the splendour of the medieval trading hall.

Further info: 01603 663922
www.dragonhall.org



14–21 Feb, dawn–dusk

Exhibition of dragon sculpture

St John's Roman
Catholic Cathedral

An exhibition of dragon sculpture by Paul Jackson which can be enjoyed by all ages.

Further info: 01603 728936
www.stjohnncathedral.co.uk

31 Jan–22 Feb, 9am–5pm

Dragon-related Book Display

Norfolk & Norwich
Millennium Library

A display of a range of books about dragons, mainly aimed at adults, in the Heritage Library on the 2nd floor of the Library in The Forum.

Further info: www.library.norfolk.gov.uk



9–15 Feb, 10am–5pm

Dragon Art

The Forum

The Other Project Presents an exhibition of new works by artists on the theme of dragons and Norwich. Includes both obvious depictions of dragons and more subtle interpretations of how dragons link to the city.

Further info: www.theforumnorwich.co.uk

9–21 Feb, 10am–5.30pm Mon–Sat

Digital Dragons

Fusion, The Forum

Dragon-related films, photos and virtual reality models screened every 15 minutes.

Further info: www.theforumnorwich.co.uk

2–15 Feb, 9am–5pm

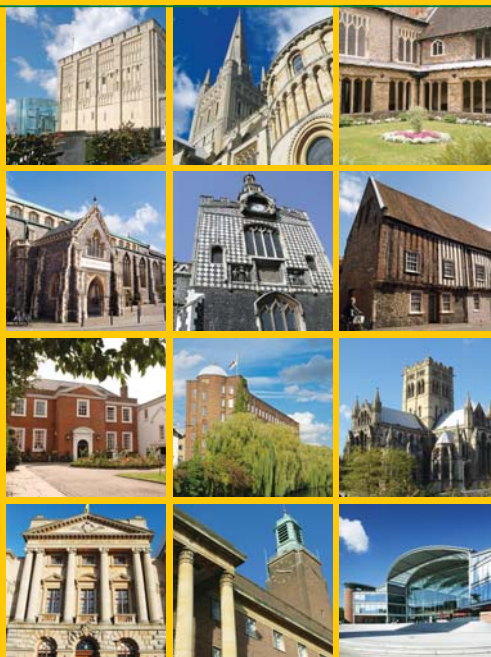
House of Dragons

The Forum

An exhibition of five fearsome dragons created by local schools, groups and students. Each beast draws inspiration from one of the Norwich 12 buildings creating mythical monsters reflecting medieval, Norman, Victorian, Georgian and modern periods.

Further info: www.theforumnorwich.co.uk

“See creative interpretations of dragons reflecting Norwich’s most iconic heritage buildings.”



There is **no booking required** for the exhibitions and **all can be viewed free of charge.**

/ Performances

19, 20 and 22 Feb, 3pm

Introduced film screening: Spirited Away (PG)

Cinema City

English language version
Running time 125 mins

An enchanting animated fantasy in which a young girl named Chihiro strays into a world inhabited by ancient gods and magical beings. Her only hope of escape is with the help of a river dragon, who first appears to her in the shape of a boy named Haku. Introduced by a member of the Cinema City education staff.

*Recommended for age 8 upwards, children over three are admitted. Pre-booking recommended to avoid disappointment: 0871 704 2053, box office at Cinema City, St Andrew's Street. www.picturehouses.co.uk. **Tickets:** Full price: £6.50, Concessions (including children under 15): £5.00, Cinema Members: £4.50, Concessionary Members: £4.00, Family Ticket: £19.00 (family of four, minimum two children)*

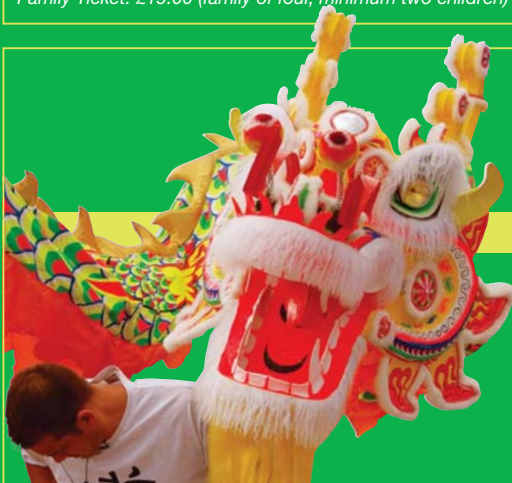


21 Feb, 1.30pm and 2.30pm Chinese Dragon Dance

Outside John Lewis

Celebrating the global appeal of dragons, Chinese dragon dance with live music. Come along to hear drums, cymbals and gongs accompany the energetic nine-person dragon dance outside John Lewis on All Saints Green.

*Free of charge. No booking required.
Further info: 01603 660021 and
www.johnlewis.com/norwich*



4 Feb, 2pm

Talk: The Gild of St George

Council Chamber, The Guildhall

A talk on the Gild of St George, its influence on Norwich city government and its public display of the story of St George and the dragon.

*Free of charge.
Call 01603 599576 to book.
A discount for Caley's Cocoa Café will be provided.*

13 Feb, 7pm, 1 hour

Talk: Dragons in the first Millennium

The Assembly House music room

Author and historian Tom Holland explores the dragon-haunted first Millennium and why emperors, kings and monks claimed to have seen dragons in the sky.

Free of charge. Talk followed by questions and book signing. Tickets in advance on 01603 626402 or on the door. Further info: www.assemblyhousenorwich.co.uk

3, 10 and 17 Feb, 7pm
Dragon Talks

Dragon Hall

Series of talks on civic Norwich, guilds and dragons.
£4.50 adult, £3 concessions and N&N Trust members.
Further info: 01603 663922, www.dragonhall.org



George and the Dragon Puppet Show

Norwich Cathedral / The Great Hospital



One of the most famous medieval legends of all time, told through rod and glove puppetry, masks and live music. The mix of wit, humour and inventiveness in this award winning production will enthral adults and children alike. The performance is by the Garlic Theatre and lasts about one hour. Recommended for adults and children aged five and over.

16 Feb, 2pm in the Cathedral Nave, Norwich Cathedral.
Tickets in advance from the Cathedral shop or on the door – call 01603 218300. Further info: education@cathedral.org.uk, www.cathedral.org.uk

18 Feb, 10.30am and 2pm in the Birkbeck Hall, the Great Hospital, Bishopgate. Tickets in advance or on the door, space permitting – call 01603 622022. Further info: www.greathospital.org.uk

£5 for adults, £2 for children
Family ticket £12 (for 2 adults and 2 children)

20 Feb, 2.30pm
The Tale of the Dragon

St John's RC Cathedral

Come and hear The Tale of the Dragon. After a musical introduction, Paul Jackson tells stories by candlelight of Merlin and Arthur and recounts dragon legends from Europe and around the world.

Free of charge. Primarily aimed at children aged 7-10. Story-telling takes place in the Sunk Chapel off the South Aisle. No booking required. Further info: 01603 728936, www.stjohnncathedral.co.uk

18 Feb, 11am/12pm/2pm/3pm
Baby Dragons

Dragon Hall

Meet European dragons and their handlers, listen to dramatic dragon tales and discover Dragonology – the science of dragons! For dragon fans of all ages.

Sessions last 45 minutes. Adults: £5.00, Concessions: £4.20, Young people (5-16 years) £3.00, Family group (2 adults, up to 3 children) £12.00, Under 5s Free. Includes Scrapdragon Activities. Book in advance. 01603 663922. Further info: www.dragonhall.org

8 Feb, 2.30pm (3-8 year olds)
15 Feb, 2.15pm (7-13 year olds)
Dragon storytelling

Norfolk and Norwich Millennium Library

Dragon-filled stories and related art activities.

Free of charge. No booking required.
Further info: www.library.norfolk.gov.uk

14 and 21 Feb, 11am
Dragon Story-time

Jarrol The Store

Join us for Dragon Story-time and the chance to help us make a Jarrol Dragon.

Free of charge. Aimed at 5-12 year olds. Book department, ground floor. Booking in advance through book dept preferable. Further info: 01603 660661, www.jarrol.co.uk

/ Activities

16–20 Feb, 10am–4pm

Scrapdragon Sculptures



Dragon Hall

Make 'scrapdragon' sculptures out of recycled materials. Bring your own scrap to add to the project – we are turning old rubbish into new works of art!

Activities are included in normal admission prices:

Adults: £5.00, Concessions: £4.20, Young people (5-16 years) £3.00, Family group (2 adults, up to 3 children) £12.00, Under 5s Free.

Further info: 01603 663922, www.dragonhall.org



21 Feb, 10.30am–4.30pm

Finger Puppet- and Mask-making

The Mall Norwich

Children of all ages can make face masks and finger puppets in the theme of dragons.

Free of charge. No booking required.

Event Zone level 1, next to TK Maxx.



16 Feb, 10am–12pm

Dragon Puppet-making Workshop

Norwich Cathedral

Family fun, run by the Norwich Puppet Theatre in Norwich Cathedral North Transept.

Free of charge. Pre-booking required as spaces are limited. Call 01603 218300 or email education@cathedral.org.uk

16–20 Feb, 10am–4pm

Explore and Draw

The Great Hospital

A rare opportunity to explore the 15th century Refectory and Cloisters, and discover the six dragons in the roof beams. Draw a dragon activity for children. Who was St Margaret? How was she linked with the dragon? Find out in the beautiful church of St Helen.

Free of charge. No booking required.

Further info: 01603 622022, www.greathospital.org.uk

14 and 21 Feb, 10am–4pm

Make a Dragon Puppet

Jarrol The Store

Join us for some creative fun and help us make a Jarrol Dragon using some funky foam and felt.

Free of charge. Aimed at 5-12 year olds. Can turn up but booking in advance through the art department is preferable. Further info: 01603 660661, www.jarrol.co.uk

16 Feb, 10am–12.30pm/1.30–4pm

18 Feb, 10am–12.30pm/1.30–4pm

Giant Dragon-making Workshops

Phoenix Youth Centre

Design and construct giant dragons using willow and tissue paper in these creative and fun workshops run by Spirit of Carnival. The dragons will be influenced by the Norwich 12 buildings and once created, will go on public display in various city venues.

Free of charge. The workshops are for 11-16 year olds and will run at Phoenix Youth Centre on Mile Cross Road. Max 24 people per workshop – places must be booked in advance.

Further info: 01603 469080, pathowe@ntlworld.com



14 Feb, 11am–12.30pm, 2–4pm

Manga Drawing Workshops

Norfolk & Norwich Millennium Library

Improve your Manga drawing skills with Nana – learn how to draw in the animation style of Japanese comic books. This event is aimed at young people.

Free of charge. Pre-booking necessary for 11am session. Call 01603 774781. Further info: www.library.norfolk.gov.uk



Feb 7 and 21, 11am–4pm

George and the Dragon Day

Norwich Castle

Join us at Norwich Castle as we get to the bottom of the story of St George. Who was he? Where did he come from? Why is he England's patron saint? Could you wear his armour and hold his sword? Come and find out – plenty to do for all ages.

31 Jan–22 Feb, 11am–4pm

Drop-in Dragon Activities

Norwich Castle

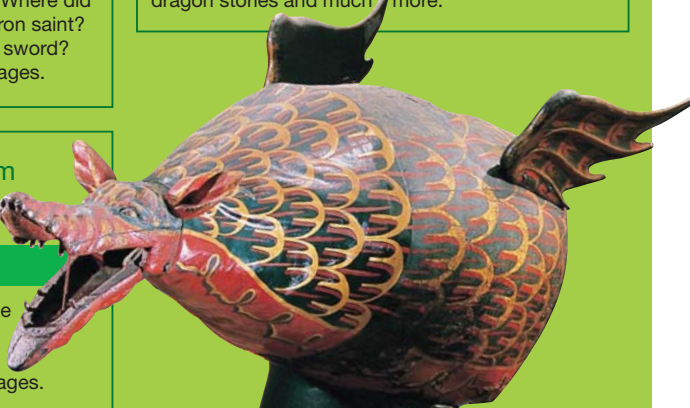
Make your own dragon craft activities, listen to dragon stories and much more.

31 Jan and 14 Feb, 11am–4pm

Snap Dragon Day

Norwich Castle

Norwich's pet dragon comes home for the day. Help us re-create a Lord Mayor's procession and find out about all of the characters involved. Plenty to do for all ages.



Norwich Castle: No booking required. Activities included in normal Museum admission: Adult: £5.80, Concession: £4.95, Child (4-16): £4.25, Go For Less card holders: £2.90. Further info: 01603 493625, www.museums.norfolk.gov.uk

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/ Dragon Trail!

Why not explore the colourful, mischievous, ferocious and striking dragons which can be found around the city. The trail covers permanent dragon fixtures, dragons not normally on display to the public and dragons that are appearing only during the Festival.

If you spot any other dragons on your journey around the city please let us know – email info@norwich12.co.uk with details and you will be in with the chance of winning a package of dragon goodies.

1 / Dragon Hall*

King Street

The medieval dragon carving from which the building takes its name and specially commissioned dragon artwork. Mon-Fri 10am-5pm and Sun 11am-4pm.

2 / Ethelbert Gate

By Norwich Cathedral, Tombland
A saint and a dragon which can be viewed at any time.

3 / Norwich Cathedral

The Close

Several dragons in stained glass and wood carvings in the Cathedral. 7.30am-6.00pm.



4 / The Great Hospital

Bishopgate

Six magnificent dragons carved in the roof beams of the Refectory and St Margaret of Antioch emerging from a dragon in St Helen's Church. 10am-4pm, 16-20 Feb only.

5 / St George's Church

Corner of Princes Street and Tombland

A whole host of dragons including a 16th century carved wooden plaque. Open 9am-12pm daily.

6 / St Gregory's Church

Pottergate

An outstanding 15th century wall painting of St George and the dragon and see a project underway to build a Snap Dragon for the Norwich Whiffiers. Open Tues-Sat 11am-6pm.

Look out for Kiang the recycled dragon and other magical dragons which will appear around the city during the Festival!

7 / St John's RC Cathedral

Earlham Road

Dragon carvings on pillars, dragon gargoyles and a special sculpture exhibition. 7am-8pm daily.

8 / The Forum

Millennium Plain

Dragon artwork by local students and artists, 9am-5pm, 2-15 Feb. Digital dragon display in Fusion, The Forum's new digital gallery, 10am-5.30pm Mon-Sat 9-21 Feb.

9 / Surrey House

Surrey Street

Golden wyverns (dragon-related creatures with two or fewer legs). 9am-5.30pm daily.

10 / Jarrold

Exchange Street

Dragon display in the shop window. Can be viewed at any time.

11 / Norwich Castle*

Castle Meadow

The famous Snap dragon. Mon-Fri 10am-4.30pm, Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 1-5pm.

**All dragons can be seen free of charge except Snap in Norwich Castle (see voucher below for discounted entry). To view the dragons in Dragon Hall use the voucher below for free entry.*

Money off vouchers throughout the festival...

Dragon Hall



Free admission to view the Aloff of Dragons exhibition in the Great Hall **only** on production of this voucher.

Half price admission includes Scrapdragon activities.

Up to four people per voucher.
Closed Sat. Valid 2-22 Feb 2009.

Norwich Castle



Get £2 admission on production of this voucher.

One voucher needed per person.
Valid 31 Jan - 13 Feb 2009.

The Crypt Café Bistro



St Andrew's Hall

15% discount on any purchases on production of this voucher.

Café open 10am to 3.30pm
Mondays to Saturdays.
Valid 31 Jan - 22 Feb 2009.



The dragons can be seen throughout the Festival
(31 Jan to 22 Feb) unless otherwise specified.

Tourist Information Centre

Norwich Dragon Festival



20% off a Norwich 12 guidebook on production of this voucher.

Valid 31 Jan–22 Feb 2009.

The Assembly House

Norwich Dragon Festival



10% off food only in Ivory's Bar & Restaurant on production of this voucher.

One voucher per transaction.
Valid 31 Jan–22 Feb 2009.

Jarrod

Norwich Dragon Festival



15% off children's books on production of this voucher.

Cannot be exchanged for cash or used in conjunction with any other promotion. One voucher per customer. Valid 1–28 Feb 2009.

/ Dragons in Norwich

Dragons have been a heraldic symbol closely associated with the city of Norwich since the Middle Ages. Today dragons are still visible across the city's architecture and feature in many city celebrations.

The Norwich Education Network (a networking group for local education providers) initiated the idea of a festival to celebrate the enduring importance of dragons in the culture and history of the city.

The Norwich Dragon Festival is coordinated by Norwich Heritage Economic and Regeneration Trust (HEART) and funded primarily by Norwich 12 from the Treasury's Invest to Save Budget.

It is made possible by the outstanding support and commitment from many local partners including:
/ The Assembly House / Cinema City / The Crypt Café Bistro / Dragon Hall / The Great Hospital / Jarrold / John Lewis / The Mall Norwich / The Norfolk and Norwich Millennium Library / Norwich Castle / Norwich Cathedral / Norwich City Council / The Norwich Education Network / Norwich Puppet Theatre / Norwich / Tourist Information Centre / The Phoenix Youth Centre / The Royal Society of St George / Spirit of Carnival / St George's Church Tombland / St Gregory's Church / St John's Roman Catholic Cathedral / St Margaret's Church / Surrey House / The Forum Trust / The Mighty Klang /

www.norwich12.co.uk/dragonfestival



All details in this leaflet are correct at the time of going to print.

For the latest information please visit www.norwich12.co.uk/dragonfestival or contact the individual venues.