Stitching Time @ Hollytrees Museum

14th March – 14th June 2009

Featuring a fine display of needlework from Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service's costume collection, many of the items in this exhibition have not been seen in the museums before.

The exhibition celebrates how sewing and needlework has been taught and passed on as part of everyday life for over 400 years. Objects in the exhibition include samplers from the 1600s, 1700s and 1900s, as well as magazines and embroidery patterns. Part of a needlepoint screen made by a 'century of ladies' from Essex, for the MP for Colchester in 1843, is also featured in the exhibition as are beautiful pincushions, needle cases, needles and thread.

This intriguing exhibition can be enjoyed free in the beautiful surroundings of Hollytrees Museum, 'sew' what are you waiting for? Visit today and be inspired by the past.

FREE Mon – Sat 10am to 5pm Sun 11am to 5pm

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