

# Guided Tour of Art Collection

## Colchester Castle

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb, Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April & Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

Celebrating the current **17 in Print** exhibition at Colchester Castle, special guided tours of the exhibition will be taking place during February and April.

**17 in Print** is an exhibition of prints from 17 of the region's finest artists that are part of the museum's permanent collection. The prints have been collected over the past 12 years by the museum service as part of an initiative with the Colchester and District Visual Arts Trust.

The 17 artists featured in the exhibition have all been drawn to the beauty of the eastern region with some of the artists having lived or worked locally. A piece by the world famous Eduardo Paolozzi, who was a visiting lecturer at Colchester Art School, is featured in the exhibition. Visitors can also enjoy pieces by Barry Woodcock, who trained at Ipswich Art School, Blair Hughes Stanton, illustrator for DH Lawrence, and Valerie Thornton whose work includes an engraving of the Roman pots in Colchester Castle.

The special guided tours of the exhibition will be hosted by Emma Roodhouse, Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service's Art Curator. Visitors to the guided tours will be able to learn more about the museum's collection of prints, as well as more about the pieces featured in the exhibition.

Emma Roodhouse, Art Curator said 'This will be a chance to discover more about the artists in the exhibition and what has inspired them. Visitors can also learn about why the museum has collected the prints and what wonderful stories the art works tell.'

There is no need to book for the guided tours and they are offered free of charge after the normal Castle admission charge. Visitors wishing to go on the tour should meet at the exhibition area in Colchester Castle.

**17 in Print** runs at Colchester Castle until 26<sup>th</sup> April and is a free exhibition after the normal Castle admission charge.

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