

Meet a Saxon and Build a House!

Events at Colchester Castle and Hollytrees Museum, Colchester
Monday 16th – Saturday 21st February

Stave off the boredom this February by visiting your local museums for a fun day out with a difference.

From **Monday 16th – Friday 20th February** visit **Colchester Castle** where you can meet **The Saxons and the Normans**. In this fun event you can discover how the Saxons and the Normans changed Britain forever! In the battle of 1066 the Normans defeated the Saxons to become the rulers of Britain and in this fascinating and interactive event you can **see some of the weapons** that were used by each side as well as hear more about the famous battle. Our **costumed storytellers** will take you through some wonderful stories in this event that is fun for all the family.

There is no need to book to see the Saxons and the Normans just head along to one of the sessions at 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2.30pm and 3.30pm. This is a free event after the normal Castle admission charge.

You can get your creative skills flowing from **Monday 16th – Friday 20th February** when you can **Make Your Own Dolls House** at **Hollytrees Museum, Colchester**. Discover what life was like in Hollytrees house in Victorian times by coming along and taking a peek inside the beautiful dolls house. What will you discover and what will inspire you? After you have had a look at the dolls house get your design skills flowing by making your very own dolls house out of cardboard. You won't be short of ideas with so many fantastic things to discover in Hollytrees Museum!

Sessions take place at 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2.30pm and 3.30pm and you can book by calling Hollytrees Museum on 01206 282940. Admission to the museum is free and the sessions are £1.50 per person.

The February fun rounds off on **Saturday 21st February** at **Colchester Castle** with fascinating **Print Demonstrations**, which celebrate the current '17 in Print' exhibition. Throughout the day you can enjoy seeing demonstrations of a variety of print methods with artist Ron Sims. See dry-point taking place at 11am, etching at 12pm, lino-cut at 2pm and wood-cut at 3pm.

There is no need to book to see the Print Demonstrations, just pop along to any of the sessions. This is a free event after the normal Castle admission charge.

Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service

Our vision is to create a museum service that is a source of pride, inspiration and fun.

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