EVENTS & EXHIBITIONS
1 APRIL 2019 – 31 MARCH 2020

FEATUREING

LINCOLN CASTLE

The Collection
Art and Archaeology in Lincolnshire

Usher Gallery
Art at The Collection

Gainsborough Old Hall

Museum
Lincolnshire Life

Battle of Britain Memorial Flight Visitor Centre

Lincolnshire Archives
“I am delighted to see such an exciting events and exhibitions brochure that for the first time covers all of Lincolnshire County Council’s Heritage sites.

Whether it is the Museum of the Moon by Luke Jerram, the Victorian Circus or Dinosaur Encounter which is developed and produced by the Natural History Museum, London, our programme of events provides something for all the family. Lincolnshire is a great place to live and work and this packed programme of events will keep you entertained throughout the year and further enhance your understanding of our outstanding heritage sites. Enjoy!”

COUNCILLOR NICK WORTH, EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CULTURE & HERITAGE, LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
“2019 is looking to be our most ambitious events and exhibitions programme to date.

The Collection hosts the hugely popular touring artwork by UK artist Luke Jerram – Museum of the Moon, featuring a six metre high model of the moon. Dinosaur Encounter which is developed and produced by the Natural History Museum, London will be storming into the museum this summer.

Lincoln Castle will celebrate the best of the Victorian Era with events that have been influenced by the story of the Victorian Circus. The brand new After hours at Lincoln Castle programme will give visitors the chance to experience the site and a flavour of the event programme after hours.

The Museum of Lincolnshire Life will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in July and Gainsborough Old Hall will be looking ahead with an exhibition to mark the celebrations for Mayflower 400 in 2020.”

WILL MASON, HEAD OF CULTURAL SERVICES
THREE GREAT ATTRACTIONS, 
ONE AMAZING DAY OUT

Lincoln Castle has lots of things to keep the whole family entertained. Take the fascinating and funny audio tour of our Medieval Wall Walk and help Wally Walker solve his history mystery. Dress up as a Victorian Prisoner, the Governor or the Matron as you dig deeper into the hidden stories of our Victorian Prison. And don’t forget to ask about our explorer backpacks!

OPENING TIMES
April–October: 10am–5pm
November–March: 10am–4pm
Open every day (except 24 – 26 December and 1 January)
Check our website for up-to-date information on opening hours

ADMISSION
A variety of tickets are available to book online and on the day.
Castle and Cathedral joint ticket is also available.

ACCESSIBILITY
Our full accessibility guides are available to download from our website or by contacting Lincoln Castle.

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OUTDOOR THEATRE

Bring your picnics and chairs and enjoy a wonderful evening of first class outdoor theatre.

THE TEMPEST
WEDNESDAY 26 JUNE 2019
Doors open 6.30pm, Performance starts 7.30pm
Adults: £13.50, Concessions & Children: £11.50

ALICE IN WONDERLAND
WEDNESDAY 31 JULY 2019
Doors open 6pm, Performance starts 7pm
Adults: £13.50, Concessions: £11.50 & Children: £9.50

FRANKENSTEIN
WEDNESDAY 7 AUGUST 2019
Doors open 6.30pm, Performance starts 7.30pm
Adults: £13.50, Concessions & Children: £11.50

www.lincolncastle.com
TEA & HATS!
SATURDAY 6 & SUNDAY
7 APRIL 2019
10am–5pm
Step into the prison to meet our Victorian duo. Learn how the Mad Hatter should have welcomed his guests and discover the etiquette that would have been displayed.

ALICE IN WONDERLAND EASTER QUEST
SATURDAY 6 – MONDAY
22 APRIL 2019
10am–5pm
Follow the white rabbit and seek out the clues to solve the Mad Hatter’s riddle and claim your chocolate reward.

FLAMINGO CROQUET
SATURDAY 13 & SUNDAY
14 APRIL 2019
10am–5pm
Equipped with flamingos and hedgehogs, the Mad Hatter and the Queen of Hearts challenge you to a game of croquet.

WONDERLAND EASTER WEEKEND
FRIDAY 19 – MONDAY 22 APRIL 2019
10am–5pm
Complete the Alice in Wonderland trail, meet our Victorian duo as they demonstrate the etiquette of taking tea and help to solve a riddle or two!

WE’RE ALL MAD HERE!
FRIDAY 12 APRIL 2019
4.30pm or 6pm
Join the Mad Hatter and the Queen of Hearts for an entertaining performance followed by a royal invite to join us for tea!
£15

ALICE THROUGH THE LOOKING-GLASS AND WHAT ALICE FOUND THERE
SATURDAY 6 APRIL – FRIDAY
9 AUGUST 2019
10am–5pm
Visit the Magna Carta Vault and see a first edition of this book on display. This copy was gifted to Alfred Lord Tennyson by Lewis Carroll for Christmas in 1871.
‘Through the Looking-Glass and What Alice Found There’ follows Alice through a mirror and into a surreal landscape full of fascinating characters having wild adventures.

Admission charges apply. Free/discounted rate for annual pass holders unless otherwise stated.
CASTLE CLASSICS

THE SEARCH FOR ST. GEORGE!
SATURDAY 27 & SUNDAY 28 APRIL 2019
10am–5pm
Join Time Will Tell Theatre to discover the truth behind the myths and legends to find the real St. George!

KNIGHT SCHOOL
SATURDAY 25 MAY – SUNDAY 2 JUNE 2019
10am–5pm
Discover the skills needed to be a medieval knight.

CLASSIC CARS
SUNDAY 16 JUNE 2019
10am–5pm
For Father’s Day, the Lincolnshire Vintage Vehicle Society host an exciting display of vintage and classic motors within the grounds.

Castle grounds free to enter, all other admissions apply

MEDIEVAL MAYHEM!
SATURDAY 22 & SUNDAY 23 JUNE 2019
10am–5pm
Join our knights and their horses as they battle for supremacy in a medieval tournament.

CASTLE CHARACTERS
SATURDAY 6 & SUNDAY 7 JULY / SATURDAY 13 & SUNDAY 14 JULY / SATURDAY 20 & SUNDAY 21 JULY 2019
10am–5pm
Meet a duo of costumed performers inside the Victorian Prison and hear their tales of prison life.

GRAND MEDIEVAL JOUST
SATURDAY 3 & SUNDAY 4 AUGUST 2019
10am–5pm
Our brave knights take part in the sport of kings.

LINCOLN STEAMPUNK FESTIVAL
SATURDAY 24 – MONDAY 26 AUGUST 2019
10am–5pm
Steampunk takes the Castle to a time that never was.

SPOOKY PRISON
SATURDAY 19 – SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER 2019
10am–4pm
Step inside the Victorian Prison and you will be sure to meet some unsavoury characters.

AN AUDIENCE WITH FATHER CHRISTMAS
SATURDAY 14 & SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER, THURSDAY 19 – SUNDAY 22 DECEMBER 2019
Join Father Christmas and every child will receive a Victorian style gift.
£8 per child / £6 per adult

CHRISTMAS EMPORIUM
MORE DETAILS COMING SOON
Join us for the second year of Christmas Emporium, transforming the Castle grounds with festive magic in this Christmas experience.

CRIME & PUNISHMENT
SATURDAY 15 – SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2020
10am–4pm
Based on real stories, investigate the crimes our prisoners are charged with and find out their fates.

EXHIBITION

FROM BONDAGE TO LIBERATION: ANARCHIC COLLECTIONS VIVIENNE WESTWOOD TO JAMIE REID
SATURDAY 10 AUGUST – SATURDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2019
10am–5pm
Lincoln Castle’s Victorian Prison will become the historic backdrop for an exhibition of Dame Vivienne Westwood shoes and more. Explore the passion that shoes can inspire. For the first time, there is an opportunity to view additional items specifically chosen from the same collectors’ archive that will sit alongside the shoes to illustrate their beauty, innovation and artistry.

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AN AUDIENCE WITH LEWIS CARROLL  
WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL 2019  
7pm–9pm  
Find out how the Oxford educated mathematician and bastion of the Church of England dreamt up Alice in Wonderland.

The evening consists of a 45 minute presentation followed by refreshments in Langton’s café.

MAGIC LANTERN SHOW  
FRIDAY 24 MAY 2019  
7pm–9pm  
This Temperance Magic Lantern Show set within the Victorian Prison is an evening not to be missed. Join our Victorian duo as they take you through their collection of Temperance Victorian slides highlighting the evils of strong liquor. During the interval, enjoy a selection of tea and cake and a sample of the increasingly popular drink of this movement, Sarsaparilla!

THE NIGHT CIRCUS  
FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2019  
6pm–8pm / 8.30pm–10.30pm  
Join us in the Victorian Prison for a magical and fantastical evening of entertainment by Alice’s Night Circus and spectacular performances by our circus entertainers. Be amazed by our contortionist and stand in awe of our daring sword swallower.

Each ticket includes a free cocktail with sweet and curious treats on offer.

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SAT 4TH – MON 6TH MAY  
10AM – 5PM  
VICTORIAN GYMKHANA

SAT 27TH & SUN 28TH JULY  
10AM – 5PM  
VICTORIAN EXTRAVAGANZA

SAT 17TH & SUN 18TH AUGUST  
10AM – 5PM  
VICTORIAN CIRCUS
You can now unlock 1000 years of history all year round with the Lincoln Castle Annual Pass. The pass gives you unlimited free entry for 12 months and even includes event days*. Scale the heights of the Medieval Wall Walk, follow in the footsteps of prisoners in the Victorian Prison and immerse yourself in the history of Magna Carta. Buy your annual pass today!

* Terms and conditions apply.

AVAILABLE NOW FROM www.lincolncastle.com
Early Morning Explorer Sessions:
An exclusive opportunity outside of opening hours for children and adults on the autistic spectrum to visit with their families.

Lincoln Castle Explorers Easter Quest
Saturday 20 April 2019
9am–10am

Lincoln Castle Explorers Big Breakfast
Saturday 29 June 2019
9am–10am

Lincoln Castle Explorers
Saturday 2 November 2019
9am–10am

Dog Friendly Castle Explorers
Saturday 4 January 2020
9am–10am

Heritage Skills Centre
Nestled within the grounds of Lincoln Castle, the Heritage Skills Centre is a purpose built hub for heritage and creative crafts including traditional building skills. It provides hands on experience and training through a variety of short courses and demonstrations. The current programme includes a variety of practical heritage based workshops such as light earth construction and silversmithing.

For more information about courses:
Email: heritageskillscentre@lincolnshire.gov.uk
Phone: 01522 552434

www.lincolncastle.com/heritageskillscentre

Archaeology Event Day
Friday 31 May 2019
10am–3.30pm
An artefact handling session where you can touch objects found during recent excavations at Lincoln Castle. There will also be a guided tour round some of the less well known parts of the Castle looking at some interesting pieces of carved medieval stonework and graffiti not normally pointed out on a standard castle tour.

Artefact handling – free
Guided experience tour – £3.50

‘Skillsfest’
Saturday 1 & Sunday 2 June 2019
10am–5pm
Whether you are curious about the skills required to build a castle, how to record and preserve one in the current age or how to decorate one, come and see some traditional craftspeople demonstrate their skills and have a go yourself.

Free entry (activity charges apply)
ARCHAEOLOGY & ART IN THE HEART OF HISTORIC LINCOLN

The Collection is an award-winning archaeology museum and art exhibition space, forming a vibrant cultural centre in the heart of historic Lincoln. The archaeology gallery takes visitors on a journey through the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages before exploring the Roman, Saxon, Viking and Medieval eras. The museum tells the story of Lincolnshire’s fascinating heritage. Combine your visit with a trip to Lincolnshire’s premier art gallery. See acclaimed exhibitions brought to you through our Arts Council programme.

OPENING TIMES
The Collection and the Usher Gallery are open Daily 10am–4pm Last admission 3.45pm Closed 24–26 & 31 December and 1 January

ACCESSIBILITY
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ROBOT TOUR GUIDE
Meet Lyndsey our newest recruit to The Collection team. Lyndsey is on hand to deliver guided tours of our archaeological collections. The project is the beginning of a long-term partnership between Lincolnshire County Council and the University of Lincoln to advance robotics technology to support the education of the public and allow them to engage with the latest digital advances.

Visitors are invited to interact with the robot via its touchscreen. Lyndsey looks forward to welcoming you to the museum to showcase our collections.
MUSEUM OF THE MOON
BY LUKE JERRAM
SATURDAY 2 MARCH – SUNDAY 28 APRIL 2019
Open Daily 10am–4pm (12 & 26 April 10am–9pm)
In the 50th anniversary year of the first man to walk on the moon, Museum of the Moon by Luke Jerram will be displayed at The Collection. The work will be accompanied by an exciting and lively programme of events, including Late Night multi-arts experiences, afternoon film screenings related to the theme of the moon and space exploration and new performances and art commissions.
Pay-What-You- Decide

OPEM ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE 2019
SATURDAY 11 MAY – SUNDAY 23 JUNE 2019
Open Daily 10am–4pm
OPEM is a biannual open call exhibition run by The Collection Museum, showing work by artists working in the East Midlands. This year, the gallery is experimenting by transforming the entire gallery into public studio space and inviting the selected artists to respond to the collections, spaces and visitors to the museum.
Pay-What-You-Decide

DINOSAUR ENCOUNTER!
SATURDAY 13 JULY – SUNDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2019
Open Daily 10am–4pm | Fridays 10am–9pm
Come face-to-face with your favourite dinosaurs in this thrilling exhibition. With fossil replicas, impressive dinosaur models and animatronics and even a roaring, snorting T-Rex, you’ll be transported back in time to when dinosaurs ruled the land.
Dinosaur Encounter is developed and produced by the Natural History Museum, London.
Tickets: Adults £7.50, Concessions £6.50, Children £5, Family £20

EXHIBITION IN COLLABORATION WITH THE V&A MUSEUM
SATURDAY 5 OCTOBER 2019 – SUNDAY 5 JANUARY 2020
Open Daily 10am–4pm
A major art exhibition to mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of both Queen Victoria and Prince Albert. Following the great success of Lincolnshire’s Great Exhibition in 2015 and Battles and Dynasties in 2017, the Historic Lincoln Trust is promoting another major exhibition in the autumn/winter of 2019. Staged in collaboration with the V&A Museum in London, this exhibition is not to be missed.
Tickets: Charges apply
LIFE DRAWING

WEDNESDAYS
5.30pm–7pm untutored/
7.15pm–9.15pm tutored

Our life drawing sessions offer
the opportunity to come to
The Usher Gallery, where you
can practice and develop your
drawing skills and technique.

Untutored £8, £7 Concession
Tutored £9, £8 Concession
Combination of both sessions
£16, £12 Concession

UNDER 5s STORYTIME
THURSDAYS 11.15am

Need some quiet time after
exploring our exhibits? Get
comfortable with your little
ones in our museum spaces and
our storytelling sessions will
whisk you away for a tale to
spark imaginations.

FREE

YOGA IN THE MUSEUM
THURSDAYS 5.30pm–6.30pm

A beginner’s course of Yoga in
the museum with BWY Yoga

£5 per session

NEW MONDAY ART GROUP TALKS
2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
10.30am–12pm

Informal monthly talks from
guest speakers about art and
related subjects. Newcomers
welcome. No meetings in
August and December.

£7

FRIDAY FILM SCREENINGS
FRIDAYS 1.30pm

In partnership with
Lincoln College
FREE

LUNCHTIME LECTURES

12pm –12.30pm | Tickets: £3.50

COLLECTING SPACE WITH
CHARLES (CHAS) SIMPSON
FRIDAY 12 APRIL 2019

Chas is based at Bishop
Grosseteste University and
has a fine collection of moon/
space-related memorabilia.
He is a fellow of the Royal
Astronomical Society and the
British Interplanetary Society.
This talk is about artefacts
and stories from the Golden
Age of Spaceflight.

WILLIAM MORRIS, EDWARD
BURNE-JONES AND VICTORIAN
STAINED GLASS WITH
DR JIM CHESHER
FRIDAY 10 MAY 2019

Dr Cheshire is a Reader at the
University of Lincoln and an
expert on Victorian design.

HOW FAR COULD THE ROMANS
SEE? WITH KATHRYN MURPHY
FRIDAY 14 JUNE 2019

How the use of various
new technologies including
visibility analysis methods can
determine whether Rubers
Law fits into the known
Roman communication
and infrastructure.

PLESIOSAURS WITH
RICHARD FORREST
FRIDAY 12 JULY 2019

Richard did his thesis on the
plesiosaur we have on display
in The Collection. These
prehistoric sea reptiles have
always fascinated Richard and
he is a mine of information
about them.

NOTES AND QUERIES:
THE WORK OF A CURATOR
WITH DAWN HEYWOOD
FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 2019

Dawn is one of the Heritage
Service’s highly skilled
curators. Find out what goes
on behind the scenes in the
museum and art gallery,
the daily work of caring for
collections and putting
on displays.

POSTERNGATE TOURS
SATURDAY 1 JUNE & FRIDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2019
10am–3.30pm

An opportunity to see the late-Roman Posterngate under
Saltergate in Lincoln. Now includes a reconstruction of part of the
Roman port and finds from the excavation. Guided tours are every
30 minutes and are limited to 20 people per tour. Meet at the door
to Posterngate which is located on the corner of Saltergate where
tickets can be purchased. Adults £3, Children £2, Under 5s free
**Special Events**

**Journey to the Moon**
Tuesday 9 April 2019
10am–3.30pm
A moon and space themed family fun day featuring ‘It is Rocket Science’ workshops.
**Workshops £3, Crafts £2**

**Moon Doodle & Space Art Adventures**
Tuesday 16 April 2019
10am–3.30pm
A moon and space themed creative arts family fun day.
**Workshops £3, Crafts £2**

**Artisan Market**
Easter Sunday 21 April 2019
10am–4pm
Over 20 stalls offering a range of products all handmade by local artists and small businesses. There will be craft demonstrations and activities for children, including a lucky dip big dig, face painting, an Easter trail and crafts.
**Free entry**

**Lincoln Loves Kids Family Fun Day**
Saturday 18 May 2019
9am–3pm
Stands, talks, taster sessions and free activities throughout the day.
**Free entry**

**Museums at Night**
Saturday 18 May 2019
Open until late
Keep checking our website and social media pages to find out our plans for this year’s international Museums at Night event.
**Admission charges apply**

**Archaeology Festival: Archaeology Day**
Tuesday 28 May 2019
10am–3.30pm
A family fun day celebrating the archaeology of Lincolnshire with free pop-up talks and interesting stalls. There will also be archaeological dig workshops which children of all ages can sign up for on the day.
**Workshops £3, Crafts £2**

**Archaeology Festival: Archaeological Lincs**
Wednesday 29 May 2019
10am–3.30pm
The Archaeology conference returns this year with the theme of Archaeological Lincs. Guest speakers will discuss fascinating digs both local and from abroad.
**£25 per person, includes light refreshments on arrival and lunch.**

**Lincoln Book Festival**
Monday 23 – Saturday 28 September 2019
6.15pm
Lincoln Book Festival returns in September 2019 with a week-long literary festival which has a Victorian theme this year. Visit www.lincolnbookfestival.org for the full event details.

**Big Draw**
Tuesday 22 October 2019
10am–3.30pm
Once again we will follow the creative theme offered by the international Big Draw Event with workshops and arts & crafts activities.
**Workshops £3, Crafts £2**
THE LARGEST AND MOST DIVERSE COMMUNITY MUSEUM IN LINCOLNSHIRE

Experience a cornucopia of yesteryear in Lincolnshire's largest and most diverse community museum. Home to an authentic World War One tank. Enjoy free entry to our rich and varied social historic collection which reflects and celebrates the culture of Lincolnshire and its people from 1750 to the present.

OPENING TIMES

Open daily
10am–4pm last admissions at 3.45pm
Closed: 24–26 December, 31 December & 1 January

ACCESSIBILITY

Our full accessibility guide is available to download from our website or by contacting the Museum of Lincolnshire Life. Sorry no dogs except assistance dogs. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

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THE MUSEUM OF LINCOLNSHIRE LIFE’S 50TH ANNIVERSARY!

MUSEUM ALIVE: THE VICTORIANS
WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL 2019
10am–4pm
Come along and meet Victorian characters as they go about their daily business in our historic room-sets.
Adult: £2.50,
Child/Concession: £1,
Family Ticket: £5

ARCHAEOLOGY FESTIVAL: BATTLEFIELD ARCHAEOLOGY EVENT
THURSDAY 30 MAY 2019
10am–3.30pm
An archaeology family day themed around WW1.
Artefact handling – free
Crafts £2

BABY BEAR’S MUSEUM ADVENTURE
WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE 2019
10am–3.30pm
Join us for a fun packed day for pre-schoolers. Bring along your teddy for crafts, stories and more.
£2 per child
(accompanying adults free)
**SATURDAY 27 – SUNDAY 28 JULY 2019**
10am–4pm (Last entry 3.45pm)
The museum is celebrating 50 years with a new exhibition and various activities throughout the weekend.
Adult: £2.50, Child/Concession: £1, Family Ticket: £5

**THE 1940s**
**SATURDAY 10 – SUNDAY 11 AUGUST 2019**
10am–4pm (last entry 3.45pm)
Be transported back in time to the 1940s.
Adult: £2.50, Child/Concession: £1, Family Ticket: £5

**FAMILY FUN DAY**
**THURSDAY 15 AUGUST 2019**
10am–4pm (last entry 3.45pm)
Have fun taking part in our indoor and outdoor games.
Adult: £2.50, Child/Concession: £1, Family Ticket: £5

**CHRISTMAS CRAFTS**
**SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER – SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER 2019**
10am–3pm
£3 per child (accompanying adults free)

**JOURNEY THROUGH TIME - A VICTORIAN ADVENTURE RELATED FAMILY EVENT DAY**
**THURSDAY 11 APRIL 2019**
Victorian transport and engineering tour and crafts.
Crafts £2 Tour, £2

**VICTORIANS AT WORK**
**THURSDAY 22 AUGUST 2019**
10am–4pm (last entry 3.45pm)
Come and see the Victorians hard at work.
Adult: £2.50, Child/Concession: £1, Family Ticket: £5

**VICTORIANS AT PLAY**
**THURSDAY 29 AUGUST 2019**
10am–4pm (last entry 3.45pm)
Come and see the Victorians at their leisure.
Adult: £2.50, Child/Concession: £1, Family Ticket: £5

**THE VICTORIANS**
**WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2019**
10am–4pm
Come along and meet Victorian characters as they go about their daily business in our historic room-sets.
Adult: £2.50, Child/Concession: £1, Family Ticket: £5

**VICTORIAN TEAROOM**
**FRIDAY 6, SATURDAY 7 & SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER 2019**
10am–4pm
Coinciding with the Lincoln Christmas Market, the museum hosts an immersive Victorian experience with a period tearoom.
Free entry into the museum
THE BEST PRESERVED TIMBER FRAMED MEDIEVAL MANOR HOUSE IN THE COUNTY

A beautiful, medieval manor house set in the heart of the East Midlands. Gainsborough Old Hall is a grand, late-medieval manor house built by the noble Burgh family in the mid 15th Century.

OPENING TIMES
March to October 2019
Monday – Friday
10am–5pm
Saturday and Sunday
11am–5pm
November to February 2020
Monday – Friday
10am–4pm
Saturday and Sunday
11am–4pm
Closed 20 December 2019 until 2 January 2020

ACCESSIBILITY
Our full accessibility guide is available to download from our website or by contacting Gainsborough Old Hall. Sorry no dogs except assistance dogs. Please note due to the nature of Gainsborough Old Hall it is only partially accessible to wheelchair users and mobility-impaired visitors. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

MUTINEERS, MERMAIDS AND MUSKETS
SATURDAY 6 & SUNDAY 7 APRIL 2019
During opening hours
Meet Simpkin, a Tudor privateer. He has many tales to tell, it should be remembered, one man’s ‘privateer’ is another man’s ‘pirate’. Make your own clay ships lantern to take home.
Free

MARITIME TRAIL
SATURDAY 6 APRIL – TUESDAY 23 APRIL 2019
During opening hours
Some of the pesky sea creatures have escaped from the exhibition and gone off crawling around the hall. Can you count them so we can round them all up? There could be a treat in store for you at the end.

Admission charges apply

TOILERS OF THE DEEP
SATURDAY 6 APRIL – SATURDAY 1 JUNE 2019
During opening hours
An exhibition of new work by local artist and potter Shaun Clark inspired by ancient mariners, exotic animals and tales of mysterious lands.

Admission charges apply

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www.gainsborougholdhall.com
KITCHEN ALIVE
SATURDAYS 11 MAY, 22 JUNE, 20 JULY, 10 AUGUST, 7 SEPTEMBER, 9 NOVEMBER 2019
12pm–4pm
Come and see our new group of medieval kitchen volunteers as they bring our spectacular kitchen alive.
Admission charges apply

IMAGINATION MUSEUM
SATURDAY 25 MAY 2019
During opening hours
Multi award-winning choreographer Katie Green will bring her newest project ‘The Imagination Museum: Mayflower 400’ to Gainsborough Old Hall.
Admission charges apply

HENRY’S ROSE WITHOUT A THORN
SATURDAY 20 JULY - SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2019
During opening hours
It is the season for a royal progress, Henry VIII and his new Queen Catherine Howard set off on their progress North, staying as guests of the Burghs at Gainsborough Old Hall. Unfortunately, not long after she lost her head!
This summer there is a trail of roses around the hall, follow them and complete the quiz to claim your reward.
Admission charges apply

AN AUDIENCE WITH HENRY VIII
SATURDAY 17 & SUNDAY 18 AUGUST 2019
During opening hours
Come and meet King Henry VIII and listen as he tells you about his life. You will even get the chance to ask him questions but be wary, you don’t want to lose you head!
Admission charges apply

BEER FESTIVAL
THURSDAY 10 – SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER 2019
Thursday: 5pm–10.30pm
Friday & Saturday: 12pm–10.30pm
The annual CAMRA beer festival in the Great Hall, with traditional ales, ciders and perries as well as live music on Friday and Saturday.
Free entry to beer festival
Admission charges apply

AN AUDIENCE WITH FATHER CHRISTMAS
SATURDAY 14 & SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER 2019
11am–3pm
Sit back and listen to stories of Christmases from the past and enjoy finding out more about Father Christmas himself.
Admission charges apply

FRIDAY FUN CLUB
10am - 3.30pm
Fun family creative sessions with something different to make and take away every time! Just turn up, no booking required. Storytelling sessions will run throughout the day at 11am, 1pm and 2.30pm.

JOURNEY WITH THE VIKINGS
FRIDAY 12 APRIL 2019
ARCHAEOLOGY DAY
FRIDAY 31 MAY 2019
MAYFLOWER ADVENTURES
FRIDAY 2 AUGUST 2019

VIKING ADVENTURES
FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 2019
TUDOR ADVENTURES
FRIDAY 16 AUGUST 2019
Free entry to the event £2 per craft
**ADMISSION**

Admission to the visitor centre, gift shop and tea bar is free. Charges apply to hangar tours.

**OPENING TIMES**

**Visitor Centre**
Monday to Friday 10am–5pm

**Tea Bar**
Monday to Friday 10am–4pm (March to October), 11am–3pm (November to February)

**ACCESSIBILITY**

Our full accessibility guide is available to download from our website or by contacting the visitor centre. Sorry no dogs except assistance dogs. The site is fully accessible for manual wheelchairs (motorised mobility wheelchairs are accepted but can only be used in manual mode in the hangar).

**HOME OF THE RAF BATTLE OF BRITAIN MEMORIAL FLIGHT AT RAF CONINGSBY**

A unique partnership between Lincolnshire County Council and the Royal Air Force provides visitors with a gateway to the home of the RAF Battle of Britain Memorial Flight at RAF Coningsby. BBMF contains six Spitfires, two Hurricanes, a Douglas Dakota and PA474, the world famous Avro Lancaster. Access to view the iconic aircraft of the RAF BBMF is by guided tour only. Please see our website for tour times.

**CONTACT US**

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www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/bbmf

**Safety notice:** The Battle of Britain Memorial Flight visitor centre and the RAF hangar are located within the boundaries of RAF Coningsby where you will enter a military environment. Therefore all BAGS are PROHIBITED within the RAF BBMF hangar on public tours. There are no secure storage facilities on site. We thank you for your cooperation.

Visitors should be aware that due to display commitments one or more aircraft may be away. Please check with our customer service centre prior to your visit.
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**Opening Times**
Tuesday – Saturday, 10am–4pm

**Accessibility**
Lincolnshire Archives is fully accessible with an induction loop at reception. Sorry, no dogs except assistance dogs.

**Contact Us**
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**Hire Us**

**Weddings**
You have the choice of three iconic heritage venues in the heart of Lincolnshire. Immerse yourself in the magnificent history of Lincoln Castle, the alluring charm of Gainsborough Old Hall or the classic elegance of The Usher Gallery. Each one is available on a dry-hire basis, allowing you to design your idyllic day with one of Lincolnshire’s most unique venues as your backdrop.

**Hire**
Whether you are looking to host a conference or a celebration we have a range of different spaces available to hire, from a 115 seat auditorium at The Collection to meeting rooms in historic Lincoln Castle.

For more information e-mail heritagewire@lincolnshire.gov.uk or contact the heritage site directly.
VOLUNTEER WITH US

INTERESTED IN HERITAGE? THOUGHT ABOUT VOLUNTEERING?

We have some fantastic opportunities for people to get involved in volunteering with Lincolnshire’s Heritage Service. These opportunities allow you to get involved in something you enjoy, meet new friends, gain experience and provide a real feeling of supporting your community.

Our vibrant volunteering teams really are at the heart of all we do. Whether it’s talking to the public or maybe something more behind the scenes, there are often a variety of opportunities available. Please note that the majority of these opportunities are located at our heritage sites within Lincoln, Gainsborough or Coningsby.

Sounds exciting? Want to volunteer? If you are 16 or over and want to be part of our award winning team, we would love to hear from you.

If no suitable opportunity is available you should visit your local volunteer centre who will be able to point you in the direction of other voluntary opportunities.

Further details and application forms are available on the Lincolnshire County Council website www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/volunteering or contact the heritage site directly.

FIND US

FOR DETAILED DIRECTIONS TO VISIT ANY OF OUR HERITAGE SITES PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITES BELOW:

- Gainsborough Old Hall
  www.gainsborougholdhall.com
- Lincolnshire Archives
  www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/archives
- The Collection / Usher Gallery
  www.thecollectionmuseum.com
- Battle of Britain Memorial Flight
  www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/bbmf
- Lincoln Castle
  www.lincolncastle.com
- Museum of Lincolnshire Life
  www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/museumoflincolnshirelife

SUPPORT US

There are lots of ways that you can support the work of the Heritage Service ensuring that our sites and collections are available for generations to come. By purchasing a ticket, paying what you decide or making a donation, your money will be reinvested back into the work of the service. We are grateful for the support of the 500,000 visitors that we have received over the past year.