



# What's on for kids at Hertford Museum?



## Toddler Tuesdays

Come along & take part in themed Crafty activities, play with toys & share a story!

17<sup>th</sup> January – Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

21<sup>st</sup> February – Leaping Frogs

20<sup>th</sup> March – Pasta Picture Frames

17<sup>th</sup> April – Celebrate St George

Tuesdays, 10.30 – 11.30 am

for Children aged 2 - 4

£1.50 per child including refreshments for all

Please book in advance

ALL children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times



## Easter at Hertford Museum Under the Sea Craft activities

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April and

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April

10.30 am – 3.30 pm, £1.50 per child

Take part in Craft activities themed around all things aquatic! Inspired by the town trail the museum is running

for Children and adults, in

partnership with the RNLI during the Easter break (see page 3 for further details).



## February Half Term Roman Craft activities at Hertford Museum & Courtyard Arts



Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>  
February, 10.30 am – 3.30 pm  
£1.50 per child

Make a Roman theatre mask, clay oil lamp and draw some REAL Roman objects at Hertford Museum. Your drawings will then be the inspiration for a community mosaic activity at Courtyard Arts taking place on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February.

Please call Courtyard Arts on 01992 509596 to book your place for the mosaic activity only.

All museum activities run Tuesday to Thursday and are drop-in.



## Model Railway Day

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March

10.30 am – 3.30 pm



Join us for even more working model railway layouts! Free, but donations are welcomed.

*Please note that unless stated otherwise, adults are asked to accompany children at all times during museum activities and events. As some craft activities may include using messy materials like glue and paint, you are advised to wear or bring suitable clothing.*



# HERTFORD MUSEUM

Inspiring Generations

# MUSEUM NEWS

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OPEN 10am-5pm  
Tuesday to Saturday

Admission  
FREE

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## Hertingfordbury and The Greens

An exhibition on the village of  
Hertingfordbury and the surrounding area  
14th January—28th April 2012



For the next part of our 'High Streets and Hedgerows' series we have turned our attention to Hertingfordbury and The Greens. Researching the area we have found all kinds of stories to tell. From the Cowper family at Panshanger Park, to Jane Wenham, the last woman to be sentenced to death for witchcraft. As well as those artists and poets who have been inspired by the area, agricultural labourers who shaped the history of the village and of prehistoric settlers. Come and discover the history behind this fascinating parish.

## The Renaissance in Florence

Adult Learning at Hertford Museum

If you are looking for a new challenge or something to spark your interest in 2012 then why not book yourself onto this stimulating short course led by Margaret Davis of the Cambridge University Institute of Continuing Education.

Wednesdays, 7-9pm  
9th May– 18th July, £90



## Souvenirs:

from  
Coronation Tea  
Towels to  
Hertford Mugs



Do you have any souvenirs lurking at home? This April we are organising an exhibition with a focus on Royal Memorabilia to coincide with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and holiday souvenirs from near and far; so we need your help! If you think you have anything that we could borrow please get in touch.

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## Blog Re-launch



If you follow us on Twitter or Facebook you will hopefully already have noticed that we have re-launched the Hertford Museum Blog. We are using it to keep you up-to-date on the exhibitions and events that are coming up, as well as letting you know about other projects we are working on behind the scenes. Take a look at <http://blog.hertfordmuseum.org/> and do let us know what you think!

**My Favourite Object** by Julie Sessions, Museum Support Assistant. *19th century Doll's House.* For many years I have had a passion for doll houses and our brown painted, 1800's house does not disappoint. It is very well proportioned and is like a snapshot in time. The interior wallpaper and flooring are all original. My favourite room is the kitchen (pictured) with its beautiful, turned green spice boxes and miniature pots, pans and watering cans. It's a collector's dream! (*The Doll's House is on permanent display on the museum's first floor.*)



### Calling all teachers!

If you would like to be added to the schools mailing list please contact Eleanor Payne, Learning Officer on: [eleanorp.hertfordmuseum@btconnect.com](mailto:eleanorp.hertfordmuseum@btconnect.com) or 01992 582686 to receive our updates direct to your inbox each term

## Hertford Museum's photograph collection has a taste of fame

Sainsbury's has requested to use some historic and iconic images of Hertford from our wonderful photographic collection, upon hoardings within their new Hertford store, due to open on the site of the old McMullen's brewery, later this year. We sent them ten images to choose from last autumn and look forward to seeing the finished results; we will keep you informed!

The publication, 'Hertford Through Time', showcases old images of Hertford alongside contemporary ones; it continues to be popular and was a sell out in the shop before Christmas. If you didn't receive one in your stocking pop in for a copy!

Would you like to have a piece of history in your home? Be our guest; thousands of images from our photographic



collection, just like those you will soon see in Sainsbury's, are available to view and order as prints for just £5 each from the kiosk in the museum reception.

## Our new Curator!

Exciting times are ahead, for Hertford Museum, as we welcome Sara Taylor back to the team.

Sara was Assistant Curator here for nine years before moving on to be Curator at St Neots Museum. She will be returning at the beginning of February 2012 and we are all really looking forward to the future.

In December we bade farewell to Richard de Peyer who left the position of Curator at Hertford for pastures new in High Wycombe. We wish him the very best.

**The Friends of Hertford Museum** has some interesting talks & events planned this spring:

### Tuesday 21st February

Hertingfordbury Churchyard by Edgar Lake

### Tuesday 20th March

AGM & 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary evening

### Tuesday 17th April

Cricketania & Memorabilia of Hertford Cricket Club by Lawrie Wright

### Tuesday 15th May

Hertford's Volunteers & the Boer War by Philip Sheail

All talks start at 8pm – ALL welcome! Entry is free for members, £2 for non members. If you are interested in joining the Friends of Hertford Museum we would love to hear from you. Please contact the museum for further information on 01992 582686.

## Hidden Hertford Walks Spring Programme

- 19th February, North Road, with Jean Riddell
- 4th March, Hidden Hertford, with Gill Cordingley
- 11th March, Bombs & Blackouts, with Edgar Lake
- 18th March, Central Hertford, with Philip Sheail
- 15th April, Ware Road, with Jean Riddell
- 22nd April, Hertford Pubs in 1900, with Les Middlewood
- 29th April, Criminal Hertford, with Edgar Lake



All walks begin at 11am. Booking is essential, please contact the museum on 01992 582686 or [hertfordmuseum@btconnect.com](mailto:hertfordmuseum@btconnect.com) to secure your place(s) & find out the meeting point for the walk.

**Join Hertford Museum's 100 club** and help support your local museum whilst having a flutter! Interested? Please email us at [hertfordmuseum@btconnect.com](mailto:hertfordmuseum@btconnect.com) and we will send the forms to you. Winners this time were:

<b>September</b>	1st—No 72	2nd—No 25	3rd—No 22
<b>October</b>	1st—No 80	2nd—No 74	3rd—No 75
<b>November</b>	1st—No 69	2nd—No 36	3rd—No 74
<b>December</b>	1st—No 58	2nd—No 100	3rd—No 15

## Teaming up with the RNLI for exciting new town trail



Hertford Museum has teamed up with a local RNLI fundraising group to organise another fun trail around the town centre shops. It aims to raise funds for both charities. This year the trail will run from **31<sup>st</sup> March – 15<sup>th</sup> April**, to coincide with the Easter break and will take the theme of **lifeboat stations around the UK**. This time there will be two trails – one for children and a slightly trickier one for adults! Are you a shop or local business in Hertford that would like to get involved? If so, please do drop us a line!

### Our newsletter gets makeover!

You may have noticed the new design and layout of our newsletter. Our new volunteer Rob Hankin designed it for us – thanks Rob! We hope you all agree that it looks great!

