

## York Art Gallery

Exhibition Square, York YO1 7EW

### Admission:

Free

### Opening times:

10.00am – 5.00pm daily

## Yorkshire Museum & Gardens

Museum Gardens, York YO1 7FR

### Admission:

Under 5's	FREE
Child	£3.50
Concessions	£4.00
Adults	£5.00

### Opening times:

10.00am – 5.00pm daily

## York Castle Museum

The Eye of York, York YO1 9RY

### Admission:

Under 5's	FREE
Child	£4.00
Concession	£6.50
Adults	£7.50

### Opening times:

9.30am – 5.00pm daily  
(10.00am, Fridays in term time)

*All activity charges are as stated.*

*Payment by cash, cheque, credit card  
or invoice.*



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**To make a booking or for more information  
please contact our Learning Coordinator:**

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York Art Gallery

York St Mary's

York Castle Museum

Yorkshire Museum

# Adult Learning Events

September 2009 – August 2010



ART | ARCHAEOLOGY | ASTRONOMY | GEOLOGY | NATURAL HISTORY | SOCIAL HISTORY

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## Booking Information

Booking is required for most events, courses and activities through York Museums Trust (unless otherwise stated). Please contact us as soon as possible if for any reason you cannot attend.

**Contact our Learning Coordinator on:**  
 Telephone 01904 650333  
 Email [groupbookings@ymt.org.uk](mailto:groupbookings@ymt.org.uk)

York Museums Trust reserve the right to cancel any events if there are insufficient bookings.

## Rates

The cost of each event is listed and this is due on the day at the reception of the venue. Payment **does not** include entrance charges to the Yorkshire Museum or the York Castle Museum. If you wish to visit the museum in addition then usual admission charges will apply.

## What's On

For up to date information about exhibitions and events taking place at York Art Gallery, York St Mary's, the Yorkshire Museum and Gardens and York Castle Museum please visit [www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk](http://www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk)



# York Art Gallery

## Lino Printing with Emma Cooper

Saturday 26 September 2009 | 10.00am – 3.00pm

£30 per person To book a place ring Future Prospects on 01904 634748



## An Afternoon of Weaving and Stitching

Friday 9 October 2009 | 1.30pm – 4.00pm

Join Japanese artist Noriko Yanagidaira, whose work is on display in the main gallery exhibition, for demonstration and instruction in sakiori weaving. This event is currently provisional.

£5 per person To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Exploring Abstraction

a contemporary approach to painting with Lesley Seeger

Saturday 17 October 2009 | 10.00am – 3.00pm

£25 per person To book a place ring Future Prospects on 01904 634748

## Felt Making

Saturday 24 October 2009 | 10.00am – 3.00pm

Inspired by the fabrics on display in our 'Sashiko' exhibition, make a lovely winter hat with Vivienne Morpeth.

£25 per person To book a place ring Future Prospects on 01904 634748

## York Art Gallery OPEN EVENING

Friday 30 October 2009 | 6.30pm – 8.00pm

Discover more about art in a series of curators' talks, highlighting key works of art throughout the gallery.

This is a popular, annual event run in partnership with York City Council's Adult & Community Education team.

**FREE!** Booking not required



## Illuminating York Drop-in Workshop

Saturday 31 October 2009 | 6.00pm – 8.00pm

Enjoy the gallery, open late especially for the Illuminate festival and take part in a drop-in drawing workshop to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the BIG Draw.

**FREE!** Booking not required



The Campaign for Drawing

## Discover Victorian Art

Saturday 21 November 2009 | 10.00am – 1.00pm

Look at work on display in the gallery with Art History tutor Sara Khan and create your own work inspired by what you see.

£15 per person To book a place ring Future Prospects on 01904 634748



## York Open Studios Workshops

16 & 17, 23 & 24 January 2010

No previous experience is necessary for these workshops and all materials are provided. Workshop details will be posted on the York Open Studios website, [www.yorkopenstudios.co.uk](http://www.yorkopenstudios.co.uk) from the beginning of December.

To pre-register your interest in participating in these workshops please email [info@yorkopenstudios.co.uk](mailto:info@yorkopenstudios.co.uk) with 'workshops' in the subject line or ring Ruth King on 01904 470196

## Taking Flight Part of Residents First weekend

Saturday 30 & Sunday 31 January 2010  
11.00am – 1.00pm & 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Under the expert guidance of artist Jake Attree see your drawing skills reach new heights. Working from the Yorkshire Museum's natural history specimens this workshop is linked to the exhibition 'A Bird in the Hand'.

**FREE!** with a York Card or £5 per 2 hour workshop for non York residents. To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## A Passion for the Picturesque

Saturday 20 February 2010 | 2.00pm – 4.00pm 

This is an opportunity to look closely at a dozen views of old buildings in York from the Art Gallery's collection by artists such as Henry Cave, George Nicholson and Thomas Shotter Boys. These artists not only recorded Medieval and Elizabethan buildings before demolition, but left with us an enduring image of picturesque beauty and nostalgia for the past.

*This course is a taster of the University of York Centre for Lifelong Learning accredited course 'The Art and Architecture of the Medieval House'. For more information visit [www.york.ac.uk/lifelonglearning](http://www.york.ac.uk/lifelonglearning).*

£5 per person To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Drawing from the Right Side of the Brain

Saturday 27 February 2010 | 10.00am – 3.00pm



Tap into your intuitive side and free your drawing from the logical constraints of your 'left-brain'. A workshop led by Art History tutor Sara Khan.

£25 per person To book a place ring Future Prospects on 01904 634748

## Poetry Workshops

Saturday 13 March 2010 | 11.00am – 1.00pm & 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Explore the gallery and unlock your creativity with experienced workshop leader and poet Pat Borthwick.

£5 per person, per 2 hour session

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Oil painting

with artist, Tim Morrison

20 March 2010  
10.00am – 3.00pm



£25 per person To book a place ring Future Prospects on 01904 634748

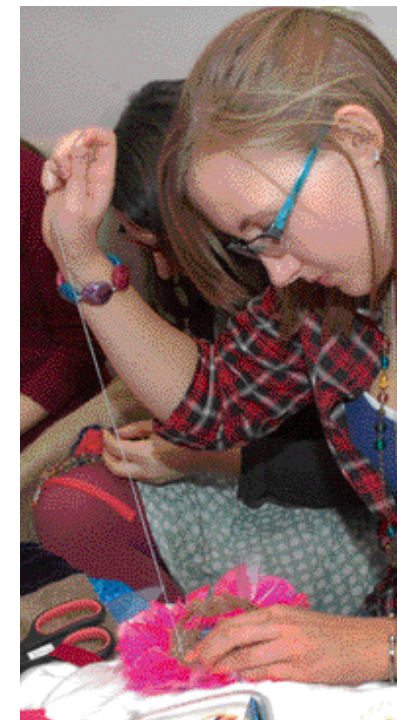
## Felt Making

with Vivienne Morpeth

Saturday 27 March 2010  
10.00am – 3.00pm



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## Figuring it out!

Saturday 17 April 2010 | 10.00am – 4.00pm



A day of practical drawing and painting with reference to portraying the human figure and setting including: Composition, perspectives, tonal effects and structural essentials. Suitable for all abilities.

Led by OCA Tutor Stephen Court.

£35 per person

Booking is essential. Please call Dee on 01226 704364 to reserve your place.

## Monotype and Technique

Saturday 15 May 2010 | 10.00am – 4.00pm



Monotype involves the transposition of paint from a plate onto paper as a means of creating a "space" in which to "play". Release your imagination and sense of fun in this visually inspiring and immensely popular workshop. All materials are provided. Led by OCA Tutor Stephen Court.

£35 per person

Booking is essential. Please call Dee on 01226 704364 to reserve your place.

## Pottery Weekend at York Art Gallery

Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 May 2010 | 11.00am – 3.30pm

Explore the Gallery of Pots and learn different techniques for building with clay with local potter, Penny Phillips.

£15 per person, per day or £25 for the weekend – including all materials.

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Exploring Chinese Brushwork Designs

Friday 19 June 2010 | 10.00am – 4.00pm



Comprising sketchbook work in the museum to generate ideas for designs and compositions, leading to an exploration of colour/technique on paper as a basis for producing future silk paintings.

£30 per person

Booking is essential. Please call Dee on 01226 704364 to reserve your place.



## Still Life Workshop

Friday 17 July 2010  
10.00am – 4.00pm



Explore the relationships between a selection of objects, working through the mediums of pencil, charcoal and acrylic, with OCA tutor Jane Lazenby. This workshop will encourage a personal starting point in sketchbook work, progressing to developing your ideas into a full colour study.

£30 per person

Booking is essential.

Please call Dee on 01226 704364 to reserve your place.

## York Art Gallery Curator's talks

12.30pm – 1.00pm

22 October 2009

an introduction to Reflections on War display in the Little Gallery

10 December 2009

an introduction to the Sashiko exhibition in the main gallery

11 February 2010

an introduction to A Bird in Hand display in the Little Gallery

15 April 2010

an introduction to our exhibition in the main gallery (TBC)

10 June 2010

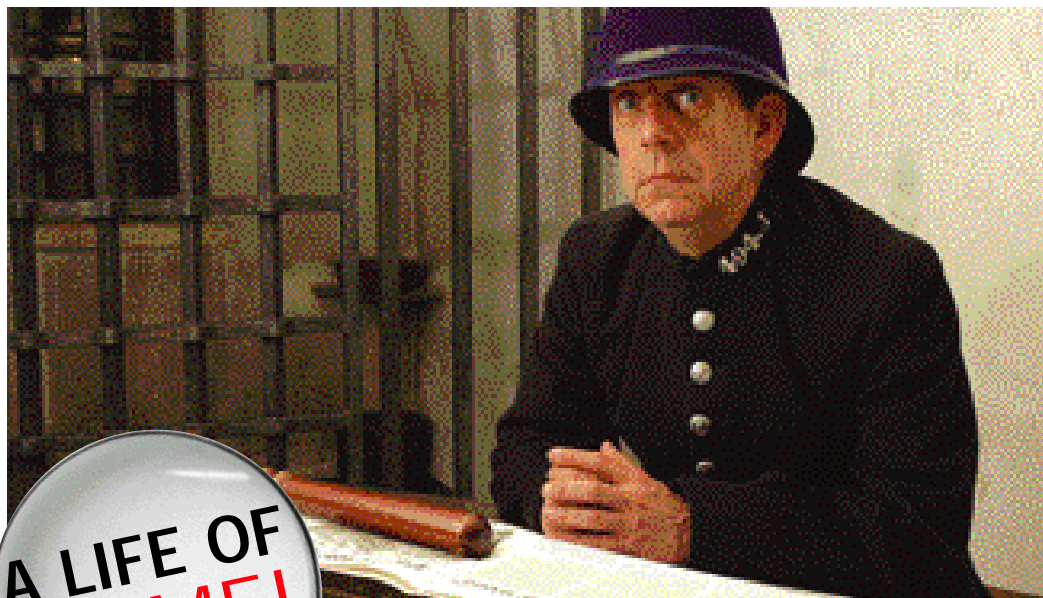
an introduction to China: Journey to the East, a touring exhibition from the British Museum.

12 August 2010

an introduction to the York Mystery Plays display in the Little Gallery.

Curator's talks are **free of charge** and there is no need to book.

# York Castle Museum



**A LIFE OF  
CRIME!**

A month of talks related to the museum's former role as the county gaol and the new York Castle Prison exhibition.

## Why Punish: Then and Now?

Thursday 8 October 2009 | 5.30pm\* – 7.30pm

Punishment has changed over time; from burning at the stake, execution, and transportation to imprisonment and community service orders. Building on some of the stories of the exhibition, this talk will ask why we punish; why and in what ways punishment has changed; and whether it works.

This talk is delivered by Matt Matravers, professor of political philosophy at the University of York. He is the author of *Justice and Punishment* and of other books and articles in penal theory.

\*5.30pm-6.00pm is an optional tour of the York Castle Prison Exhibition. Talk begins at 6.00pm prompt.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Paying your Debt to Society?

Thursday 15 October 2009 | 5.30pm\* – 7.30pm

Dr. Katherine Prior was key to the uncovering of the history of the Castle Prison's turbulent history for the new exhibition. Having extensively researched the Prison, she now offers this unique opportunity to explore the role of the Debtors' Prison at the Castle, and uses it as an example to highlight how you could use prison records to discover dark secrets of your own family's past.

\*5.30pm-6.00pm is an optional tour of the York Castle Prison Exhibition. Talk begins at 6.00pm prompt.

£5 per person To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Turpin: The Man and the Myth

26, 28 & 30 October 2009 | 12.30pm – 1.15pm

Join our expert curator and uncover the truth about England's most notorious highwayman and the Castle's most infamous resident; Dick Turpin. Discover more about his early life, his criminal endeavours and his ultimate demise and execution.

**FREE!** Booking not required

## Torch-lit Tours: Peeling-back the Prison Walls

29, 30 & 31 October 2009  
7.00pm – 9.30pm

Delve into the murky history of the Castle Museum for a rare glimpse of its hidden darker side. By torch-light you will explore the inner-depths of the site that has been at the heart of York's crime and punishment for almost 1,000 years, uncovering some of the many gruesome stories of its former inhabitants.

£5 per person (includes light refreshment)

**Limited numbers.** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333



Image courtesy of Northern Echo

## Tactics in the Trenches

(LUNCH-TIME TALKS)

9, 11, 13 November 2009 | 12.30pm – 1.15pm

Our expert curator of Military History will take you into the mind-set of 1st World War tacticians to explore the methods used by each side to try to gain the upper-hand in one of the bloodiest conflicts in human history.

**FREE!** Booking not required

## The Spirit of Christmas Past

(LUNCH-TIME TALKS)

1, 8, 15 December 2009 | 12.30pm – 1.15pm

Join our expert curator for a festive exploration of the traditional British Christmas. Discover and share how Christmas traditions have evolved over the centuries; some of them familiar to us today, whilst others are but distant memories.

**FREE!** Booking not required

## By George! The Life and Times of George III

All talks run from 12.00pm – 1.30pm

To commemorate the 250th anniversary year of the ascendancy of King George III, we will be hosting a series of talks exploring various aspects of Georgian Britain throughout 2010. Join David Bagnall, local expert on Eighteenth Century studies and discover how George's reign witnessed some of the greatest moments and people that were to shape our nation and the wider world.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

### The Social Scene 25 February 2010

Exploring Food, Drink, Clothing, Taverns and Social Clubs of the period. Also the role of Medicine.

### Politics 29 April 2010

George's personal politics and their relationship to the Whig ministry of Lord Rockingham, the Earl of Bute and William Pitt the Elder.

### Art 24 June 2010

Exploring the works of Hogarth, Gainsborough, Reynolds, Allan Ramsey, Rowlandson and Gilray.

## Upstairs Downstairs: Exploring objects

of everyday Victorian life Part of Resident's First Weekend

30 & 31 January 2010 | 10.30am – 12.00pm & 1.30pm – 3.00pm

Discover more about daily life in Victorian England as you get 'up close and personal' to our fantastic collection of 19th century domestic objects. You will be able to handle items which are not on display, and explore some of the fascinating stories behind them.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Napoleon's Britains

18 February 2010 | 6.00pm – 7.30pm

An illustrated lecture on the extraordinary life and times of Yorkshire Napoleonic Soldier, Private Grimes of the 84th Foot, who fought Bonaparte in life and carried his coffin in death. The lecture is given by Paul Brunyee, author of the newly published *Napoleon's Britains*.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

### Music 26 August 2010

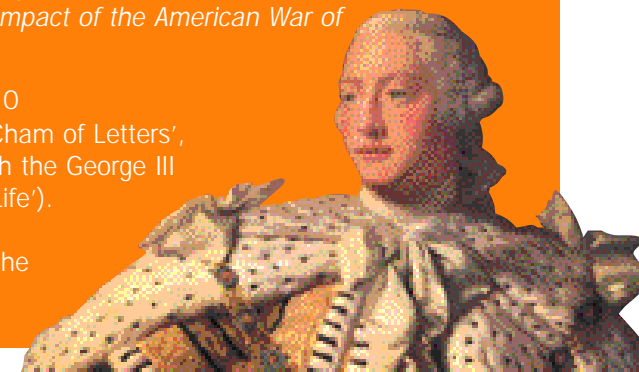
The transition from Baroque to Classical and the works of Handel (George's favourite composer), Charles Avison, William Shield, Haydon and J.C.Bach.

### War 28 October 2010

The significance of the 7 Years War (1756-63) to the British Empire, the role of William Pitt the Elder and George II's conduct and attitude to the war contrasted to George III's. *How war was conducted in the eighteenth century and the impact of the American War of Independence.*

### Letters 17 December 2010

The influence of 'the Great Cham of Letters', Dr. Johnson, his meeting with the George III (as recounted in Boswell's 'Life'). Also the writings of Gibbon, Goldsmith and Voltaire and the 'Age of Enlightenment'.



## The Life and Times of York Castle 2010

18 March 2010 | 12.30pm – 1.30pm

Since the original wooden fortification was built here by William the Conqueror in 1068, York Castle has undergone immense structural changes and witnessed huge social changes in the surrounding city. Join our Curator of Archaeology on a journey through almost 1,000 years of the history of the site and the people who inhabited it, exploring the evidence they left behind.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Happy Days Are Here Again! Commemorating V.E. Day

8 May 2010 | 11.00am – 12.00pm & 2.00pm – 3.00pm

2010 sees the 65th anniversary of the end of World War 2 in Europe. Join us as we use our extensive collection from the period to explore life just prior to and post V.E. Day 1945. Handle a range of military, civilian and domestic objects from the period and discover some of the local stories that capture the mood of this significant point in Britain's recent history.

**FREE!** Booking not required

## A Tale of Two Rivers: The Early History of York

Part of Festival of the Rivers 2010

12 July 2010 | 12.30pm – 1.30pm

York was born at the confluence of the Rivers Ouse and Foss, but its story begins long before the Romans settled here 2,000 years ago. Join the Yorkshire Museum's expert curators as we explore how the joining of the two rivers created a landscape perfect for plants and animals to thrive. Then explore our natural science and archaeological collections as the story progresses with the arrival of human settlers and the establishment of the early settlement.

**FREE!** Booking not required

# Yorkshire Museum & Gardens

## CURATOR TALKS

### Goodricke & Pigott

Thursday 10 September 2009 | 1.00pm – 1.30pm

John Goodricke and Edward Pigott are the Fathers of Variable Star Astronomy. Their work ensured that 10 September 1784 became a 'Night to Remember' in York when they discovered not one but two new variable stars. To hear this remarkable story join Astronomer Martin Lunn for this lunchtime talk.

**FREE!** Booking not required

### Vale of York Viking Hoard

Wednesday 30 September 2009 | 2.00pm – 3.30pm

Come and find out more about the most exciting Viking hoard to be found in 150 years. Includes a rare opportunity to get up close to some of the objects from this amazing find, which included coins, silver and a beautifully decorated cup.

£5 per person To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

### Darwin:

### On the Shoulders of Giants

Wednesday 14 October 2009 | 2.00pm – 4.00pm



"If I have seen a little further it is by standing on the shoulders of Giants." (*Newton, 1676*)

The theories of evolution as described by Charles Darwin in his 1859 book 'On the Origin of Species' built upon the work of scientists like Lamarck, Saint-Hilaire and even his own grandfather Erasmus Darwin.

This session takes a look at how Darwin arrived at his theories, illustrated by the chance to examine specimens from the Natural History collection.

£5 per person To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## Introduction to Astronomy

Monday 25 January 2010 | 7.00pm – 9.00pm

**To be held in York Observatory.**

If you ever wanted to learn about the night sky then this is your opportunity.

Visit York Observatory and let our astronomer guide you around the night sky.

£5 per person To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333



## WORKSHOPS

### Fossils, Flints, Flora and Fauna at the Yorkshire Museum

Saturday 20 February 2010 | 2.00pm – 4.00pm

The discovery of prehistoric fossils in 1821 prompted the formation of the Yorkshire Philosophical Society, fostered a passion for collecting fossils and flints and an interest in flora and fauna. Within a decade the Yorkshire Museum had been built to display and store these collections and this taster course is a chance to look behind the scenes.

*This course is a taster of the University of York Centre for Lifelong Learning accredited course 'Pursuit of Pleasure in an English County Town, York 1720-1900'.*

For more information on this course visit [www.york.ac.uk/lifelonglearning](http://www.york.ac.uk/lifelonglearning)

£5 per person To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## TOURS

### Torchlit Tours Part of Illuminating York

Every night, 23 – 31 October 2009 | 6.00pm & 7.00pm

Explore the galleries and objects of the Yorkshire Museum, by torchlight, in this special series of tours as part of Illuminating York.

£5 per person **Booking not required**

### The Geology behind York's Buildings

Part of National Science and Engineering Week

Wednesday 16 March 2010 | 10.30am – 12.30pm

Join the Yorkshire Museum's Geology Curator for a different, and surprising, look at what the buildings of York are built from! Meet outside the Yorkshire Museum.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

### The Museum Gardens in Spring

Wednesday 14 April 2010 | 2.00pm – 3.00pm

A guided tour of the museum gardens with the Garden Manager to look at the spring time horticultural highlights.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

### Eboracum: The Roman Legacy on the City

Sunday 20 April 2010 | 2.00pm – 3.30pm

Much of Roman York remains where it was built, often hidden below present day shops and streets, or re-used as part of the many churches or indeed the medieval defences of the city. Roman York left a footprint that heavily influenced how the later settlements grew and ultimately how York looks today. This fascinating guided tour takes the modern day route around what was the fortress of the ninth and later the sixth Legions as well as the civilian town, or Colonia, of Eboracum.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

TOURS Continued

## Moths in York

Tuesday 11 May 2010 | 2.00pm – 3.30pm

To be held in York Art Gallery. Learn to identify the moths of Yorkshire. A day to examine the wonderful collections from the Yorkshire museum, from Oak Beauty to Purple Thorns, from lime Hawk moths to the Old Lady. There will then be an opportunity to join the curators for five evening moth surveys in the museum gardens once a month in May, June, July, August, and September. These will be practical hands on sessions to develop your skills. This course is open to all abilities.

£5 per person (to cover the introduction and the five evening sessions)

To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333

## The Museum Gardens in Summer

Wednesday 12 May 2010 | 2.00pm – 3.00pm

A guided tour of the museum gardens with the Garden Manager to look at the early summer horticultural highlights.

**FREE!** To book a place ring York Museums Trust on 01904 650333



# Letting in the Light



The Yorkshire Museum closes on 1 November for a full refurbishment.

**THE NEW LOOK  
MUSEUM WILL OPEN  
ON 1 AUGUST 2010**

## York Museums Trust is Revitalising the Yorkshire Museum

- Five Brand new galleries
- Revealing its Georgian splendour
- Letting in natural light
- Illuminating the stories of our past

If you would like more information about the refurbishment plans for the Yorkshire Museum please visit our website [www.yorkshiremuseum.org.uk](http://www.yorkshiremuseum.org.uk)

We are very interested in any thoughts or comments you may have. If you would like to get in touch please email the project team at [YM2010@ymt.org.uk](mailto:YM2010@ymt.org.uk)