

What's On at West Cheshire Museums

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/GrosvenorMuseumAndStrettonWatermill
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Free Family Activities – October Half Term



Tuesday/Wednesday,
11.00am- 2.00pm at Lion
Salt Works

Wednesday/Thursday
10.30am-12.30pm at
Weaver Hall Museum

Tuesday/Wednesday/
Thursday, 10.30am-12.30pm
at Grosvenor Museum

Halloween Trail all week
at Weaver Hall Museum

Halloween Children's
Ghost Walk on 26 October
at 5.30pm. Children FREE
adult £10

Halloween event on 28
October, 11.00am-4.00pm
at Lion Salt Works

Museum After Dark event
on 31 October, 6.00pm-
7.00pm at Grosvenor
Museum

Salt Works Sessions

29 October, 9
December at
Lion Salt Works

Award-winning
live music in
an iconic
heritage
venue



Object of the Month

5 October, 9 November,
7 December, 11 January,
1.00pm-1.30pm at
Grosvenor Museum

Find out more about the
hidden stories in our
collections with an in-
depth talk from one of
our Curators.



Festive Fun

Christmas at the Works, Lion
Salt Works, 10 December,
10.30am-4.00pm

Twilight in the Winter Forest,
Grosvenor Museum, from 18
December to 21 January



Join our new Adopt an Object scheme

We are delighted to welcome
Inovyn, an INEOS Company,
and Sykes Holiday Cottages
as the first corporate
members of our new Adopt an Object Scheme. For further
details email: Richard.hall2@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk



Brunner Mond 150 celebrations

20 to 22 October at
Weaver Hall Museum
and Lion Salt Works

A series of fun and engaging events to
mark the 150th anniversary of the
founding of Brunner Mond & Company
by Sir John Brunner & Ludwig Mond.



Young Producers

Learn new skills,
be creative, make
new friends, gain
work experience,
improve your
confidence, find your
voice - have fun!

Older People, dementia- inclusive

Thursday 26 October Who
Dunnit? A Halloween
Mystery 2.00pm-4.00pm at
Grosvenor Museum

Little Lions

Fridays, 10.00am-11.30am
at Lion Salt Works

Nature-inspired sessions for
pre-schoolers mixing craft
activities, imaginative play,
fun stories and song.



Grosvenor Museum Chester History & Heritage

27 Grosvenor Street, Chester, CH1 2DD



Stretton Watermill

Mill Lane, Stretton, Farndon, SY14 7HS



Weaver Hall Museum and Workhouse

162 London Road, Northwich, CW9 8AB



Lion Salt Works

Ollershaw Lane, Marston, Northwich, CW9 6ES



Cheshire West & Chester Council

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Exhibitions & Events Guide

October 2023 - January 2024



Mnemosyne

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Exhibitions at West Cheshire Museums October 2023 - January 2024

Grosvenor Museum

24 September to 1 December

Mnemosyne by John Akomfrah A Chester Contemporary Exhibition

Gallery One

Mnemosyne was the mother of the Nine Muses, and the personification of memory in Greek mythology. Akomfrah's tone poem is split into verses named after her daughters: Tragedy, History, Music, Sacred Song, Astronomy, Comedy, Erotic Love and Dance. The piece uses a vast array of archival material to hauntingly recast and retell the experiences of post-war immigrants – resuscitating the now familiar images of our multicultural and diasporic histories. Single channel HD colour video, 7.1 sound. 45 minutes 6 seconds



This acclaimed film dealing with issues of migration dating from the 1960s includes one spoken racist term that some visitors may find offensive. It's inclusion in the film is in keeping with the subject matter explored in Mnemosyne.

Image credit: Mnemosyne, 2010. ©Smoking Dogs Films; Courtesy Smoking Dogs Films and Lisson Gallery.



Visit our website for information on the events programme accompanying Mnemosyne.



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23 September to 1 December

Charlotte Emerging Artist Chester From Boughton, 1879 by John Finnie, reimagined 2023

A Chester Contemporary Exhibition

Art Gallery



The Grosvenor Museum is home to a fine collection of sculpture and paintings amongst which sits this work Chester from Boughton painted by John Finnie in 1879. For Chester Contemporary, Charlotte van Berckel asks us to look at this familiar landscape of Chester in a new light by turning it upside down, encouraging us to experience what we think we know with fresh eyes. Disrupting the formal language of the collection allows us to see the painting, the collection as a whole, and Chester anew.



4 November to 7 January

Gateway

A Chester Contemporary Exhibition

Coins Gallery

Artist Wendy Connelly and poet Robin Bailey (UrbanHerne) created 'Gateway', a project born of a desire to connect and reimagine familiar spaces in what they call home, their city of Chester. Individuals and representatives of our city will capture moments through walks and reflective workshops, working alongside Wendy Connelly and Robin Bailey with familiar and curious fragments which will help us discover and capture a sense of place.



7 October to 18 February

Minted: Making Money and Meaning

Gallery Two

The Grosvenor Museum has an amazing Money collection containing coins, tokens, jettons and paper money. It not only charts the history of people's interaction with wealth, but documents political issues, cultural attachments and even fashion.

This exhibition looks at how money was made, how it was used by those who created it, and what it meant to the people who owned it.



3 February to 23 June

Speed of Change

Gallery One



Mobile phones have become a feature of our everyday lives. From maths to music, mapping to photo snapping, banking to gaming, micro-chip technology has transformed our lives in a few decades. This object-rich exhibition explores the tools, mechanical devices and simple technology we used before the app. to perform the same functions of work, family and leisure.



Weaver Hall Museum

23 September to 28 January

All Our Stories



All Our Stories celebrates the lives of people with learning disabilities who lived in Cheshire over the centuries. This exhibition which also includes a film celebrates the stories of people who lived in Northwich Workhouse in the 1800's. The exhibition also includes a filmed play developed by People's Choice about a mysterious death. There will also be a multi-sensory story about the workhouse and a range of costumes for adults and children to try on.

Lion Salt Works

6 November to 24 March

Film Making and Wich-Craft – James Snazell



This dynamic exhibition showcases filmic work by local artist, James Snazell, inspired by the history of the salt pan process of the salt works and surrounding landscape. The exhibition includes still image films of the changing nature of salt and chromatographs which, over time, reveal metallic salts in soil.