

Tullie House Curatorial Talks

Tullie House offers a range of curatorial talks and tours, that can be booked by private groups. Please see below for the current list of talks and prices. If you are interested in booking one of our talks or tours, please contact the Curatorial Manager, Gabrielle Heffernan (gabrielle.heffernan@tulliehouse.org).

Talks and Lectures

- **The Tullie House Pre-Raphaelite Collection.** Learn about the Pre-Raphaelites' revolutionary approach to art, fascinating stories about the artists and their artworks and how Carlisle acquired this nationally important collection.
- **Georgian Fashion: A Style Revolution.** Learn about the radical changes to dress during the Georgian period and the biggest and most bizarre type of dress ever worn.
- **A Passion for Porcelain: The Tullie House ceramics collection.** Find out about the museum's amazing collection of 18th century porcelain amassed by passionate collector, Mr Williamson of Seascale, West Cumbria. LT
- **Cleaning up Carlisle: The conservation of a painting of Carlisle in the Tullie House collection.** Learn about the fascinating process to clean a very early painting of Carlisle and the surprising story of the artist who painted it. LT
- **Cumbrian Artists Past and Present in the Tullie House art collection.** Find out about Cumbria's amazing artists from the past to the present day represented in the museum's unrivalled collection.
- **Women Artist's in the Tullie House Collection.** Learn about the many women artists represented in the museum collection from Cumbria and further afield from the past to the present.
- **'In the most perfect peace': Turner in Cumbria.** Learn about Turner's visits to Cumbria and how his experience of the landscape made him Britain's most famous artist.
- **The Tullie House Quilt collection.** Find out about the northern tradition of quilt making including wholecloth and patchwork techniques from the 18th to the 20th centuries through the museum's fabulous collection of quilts.
- **Women's fashions through the ages.** Find out about the fascinating history of women's fashion from the 18th century to recent times.
- **Highlights of the Tullie House Fine and Decorative Art Collections.** Find out about the museum's rich and varied collection of Cumbrian, British and contemporary art, costume, quilts, ceramics and one of the world's earliest violins.
- **Behind the Scenes at the Museum.** Learn about why and how the museum cares for the fragile paintings, watercolours, costume and textiles in the collections. LT
- **Driggsby the Fin Whale.** Learn about the exciting story of Driggsby the Fin Whale as our curator takes you through Driggsby's fascinating journey from discovery to display. You will also have the chance to see and handle real whale bones at the end.
- **Back in Deep Time.** Journey back through Cumbria's vast geological past with our curator, as you are taken through a 500 million year journey from ancient seas, through tropical swamps, to deserts stretching across Carlisle. You will have the chance to see and handle real fossils at the end.
- **Carr's and the Cracker Packers.** Join our curator to hear more about the fascinating women work worked at the Carr's Biscuit Factory – the famous Cracker Packers.

- **The Border Reivers**. Discover more about the medieval Reivers, who roamed this region hundreds of years ago.
- **Ten Tullie Women**. Meet ten women from our Tullie House collections, as our curator brings their stories to life.
- **Discovering Hadrian's Wall**. Step back in time to learn more about Hadrian's Wall and its importance to the Carlisle region.

Museum Tours and Gallery Sessions

- **Highlights of Tullie House Museum (Gallery Tour)**. Join one of our curators on a walk around some of our favourite galleries, and discover more about our fascinating collections from those in the know!
- **The Roman Frontier Gallery (Gallery Tour)**. Explore the Roman Frontier Gallery with one of our curators, to learn more about life at the borders of the Roman Empire.
- **The Tullie House Pre-Raphaelite Collection (Gallery Tour)**. Join our curator in the Pre-Raphaelite Gallery to learn about their revolutionary approach to art, fascinating stories about the artists and their artworks and how Carlisle acquired this nationally important collection.
- **The Tullie House Quilt collection (Viewing Session)**. Find out about the northern tradition of quilt making including wholecloth and patchwork techniques from the 18th to the 20th centuries through the museum's fabulous collection of quilts. This session includes a private view of some of the quilts from our collections.
- **Women's fashions through the ages (Lecture and Viewing Session)**. Find out about the fascinating history of women's fashion from the 18th century to recent times. This talk includes a special viewing of a selection of eye catching 20th century fashions from the museum's collection.
- **Ten Tullie Women (Gallery Tour)** Meet ten women from our Tullie House collections, as our curator brings their stories to life.

Talks not on our list:

If you are interested in a talk that is not on our list, please ask us as we will be happy to look at providing it (an additional cost may be levied for research time).

Charges:

On-site talks:

On-site talks are charged at £5 per head, with a minimum cost of £50 per group. This includes exclusive use of our lecture theatre, or alternative space, for the duration of the talk. Entry to the museum is not included, but can be added at a reduced cost of £5 per person at the time of booking. Refreshments can be included for an additional fee (please ask us about this at the time of booking).

Off-site talks:

Off-site talks can also be provided at a venue of your choice. Talks within the local region are charged at £5 per head with a minimum cost of £50 per group, plus travel costs.

Tours and Gallery Sessions

Tours and gallery sessions are charged at £10 per head, with a minimum cost of £50 per group (in some cases group numbers may be limited to either 10 or 15 due to space in the galleries). This charge includes reduced entry to the museum and an exclusive hour-long session with a member of our curatorial team. Refreshments can be included for an additional fee (please ask us about this at the time of booking).