

ILLUSTRATED TALKS (and a walk) AT THE TORRINGTON MUSEUM

A small part of Round the Square Festival

(Note: Spaces limited to 20 persons per event.)



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SATURDAY 17TH JUNE (Talks limited to 20 people maximum.)

11.30 am (£6.00)

Interactive talk - **THE TOWN BELOW YOUR FEET – EXCAVATING TORRINGTON**

An interactive talk on archaeology with Emily Wapshott, MA, MSc.

What is Archaeology? Why do we do it? A brief introduction to modern archaeological techniques. A case study focus on No.13 Great Torrington, the detailed excavation of a medieval town plot. Emily, a professional archaeologist will present the talk, with the aid of slides and digital images, as well as a chance to handle some of the finds from the excavation.

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1.00 pmFollowed by a **walk** through the town, exploring the architecture and history of the centre...
TORRINGTON IN FIVE BUILDINGS

A brief walking tour of the town examining its growth and development through five of its key historic buildings. Presented by professional archaeologist and buildings historian Emily Wapshott, the walk will take approximately 30mins with plenty of time for question and answer sessions.

2.30 pm (£6.00)

Illustrated Talk – 'THOMAS FOWLER, TORRINGTON'S FORGOTTEN GENIUS' – Historian and author Pamela Vass presents an appraisal of one of Great Torrington's greatest inhabitants. Inventor, mathematician, printer, banker - Fowler is seen by many as the builder of the worlds first 'calculating machine'

SUNDAY 18TH JUNE (Talks limited to 20 people maximum.)

11.00 a.m. (£6.00)

Illustrated talk - 'CHANGING LANDSCAPES' –Dave Edgcombe North Devon Coast AONB

From Marshland Mouth to Combe Martin, more than 170 sq. kms of North Devons coast have been nationally protected as an Area of Outstanding Beauty for almost 60 years.

The Beaford Archive contains many photographs of this area taken during the past 100 years. Now AONB Project Officer and coastline expert Dave Edgcombe has visited key coastal sites and rephotographed Archive images, which show how much has changed as North Devon has developed.

2.00 p.m. (£6.00)

Illustrated talk – 'LIFE ON THE VERGE – HOW WE CAN HELP LOCAL– WILDLIFE AND SUPPORT THE BIOSPHERE?' Matt Edworthy, Clare Manning (The North Devon Biosphere)

With the right management verges can be haven's for wildlife and valuable wildlife corridors. Join Clare Manning to find out about the "Life on the Verge" project that will train and support communities to manage selected verges to improve their value for wildlife. Involving and engaging people with the environment is a key aim of North Devon's World Biosphere Reserve. Find out more about what and where this is and how the people of Torrington might benefit.

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