

## What's On Guide

November- December – January – February

2018-19

Find out What's On at the museum this Autumn and Winter!



Sharpe's Pottery Museum



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[www.sharpespotterymuseum.org.uk](http://www.sharpespotterymuseum.org.uk)

Find further details about all our events and more on our website and social media pages!

Registered Charity No: 1077086

Sharpe's is a Grade II listed working Pottery dating from the 1820's, which originally made cheap household pots known as "yellow ware" and "mocha ware". The factory later switched to making water closets and wash basins until its eventual closure in 1967, after a working life of 146 years. Sharpe's Pottery Heritage and Arts Trust is now a registered charity and currently manage the site including the museum and one of the pottery's C19th Bottle Kiln.

We run a varied Events programme throughout the year including our popular Saturday and Wednesday Talks, Craft Workshops, Family Activities, Artists Exhibitions, Tours and much more!

There's something for everyone!

*"My children love the workshops here, the staff and volunteers are fantastic and there's always a great friendly atmosphere. It's definitely one of our favourite places to go come rain or shine!" (Review on Facebook)*



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Open Monday to Saturday 10am to 4.30pm

Last admission 4pm

## NOVEMBER

<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> to Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b>  <b>10am to 4.30pm</b>	<b>Exhibition</b>	<b>Remembrance 100</b> You are invited to this exhibition of Remembrance marking the centenary of the end of WW1 displayed by Swadlincote Royal British Legion in the Lower Gallery, also featuring “Paint a Poppy – Thank a Hero”; an exhibition painted by members of the local community. Free entry.
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> to Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b>  <b>10am to 4.30pm</b>	<b>Exhibition</b>	<b>Poppies at the Pottery</b> An exhibition by Pop-Up Poppies Derbyshire of knitted poppies marking the end of WW1 Centenary commemorations, remembering all those from Swadlincote and the surrounding villages killed during WW1. Free entry.
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b>  <b>10am to 4pm</b> (last orders 3.30pm)	<b>Artist Exhibition</b>	Exhibition of original mixed media artwork by Lara Rogers and Hayley Gouveia in Cafe Espresso. Several pieces will be available to purchase from the museum reception desk.
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>  <b>10am to 12.30pm`</b>	<b>Craft Workshop</b>	<b>Creepy Clay</b> Join our volunteers for a creepy Halloween clay day and make your own creepy crawly to take home! No need to book, just turn up! FREE – Donations welcome
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>  <b>10am-11am</b>	<b>Craft Workshop</b>	<b>Dreamcatcher Workshop</b> Join Sarah from Ollie Bobs for some half-term fun and learn how to make your own dreamcatcher. All materials included. Children must be accompanied by an adult. £5 per person. Booking essential.
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>  <b>11am-12noon</b>	<b>Craft Workshop</b>	<b>Bookfold Haunted Houses</b> Get into the Halloween spirit with Sarah from Ollie Bobs and have a go at book-folding a haunted house. Includes materials. Children must be accompanied by an adult. £5 per person. Booking advisable!
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</b>  <b>10am-12noon</b>	<b>Craft Workshop</b>	<b>Rag Rug Workshop</b> Try your hand at the traditional art of rag rug making with Sarah from Ollie Bobs. It’s the perfect excuse to catch up over cake and coffee, whilst you relax and craft. Includes tuition, materials and light refreshments. Suitable for ages 10+ and all children must be accompanied. £30 per person. Booking advisable.
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November</b>  <b>2.30pm to 4pm</b>	<b>Valuation Day</b>	<b>Antique Valuation Day</b> Bring your antiques and family heirlooms along to the museum and get them valued by Bamford’s Auctioneers. A charge of £1 per item or set will apply.
<b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November</b>  <b>10am to 12noon</b>	<b>Saturday Talk</b>	<b>The Art of World War I</b> Join Historian, Danny Wells for this talk on Art and World War I. In the Great War – empires vanished, thrones toppled and societies crumbled. To this day, WW1 still has a profound emotional impact. This illustrated talk will look at what British

		Artists of the time made of these world shattering experiences and will show some of the most powerful paintings created that relate to the war; featuring artists such as Paul Nash and Stanley Spencer. Includes refreshments. £5 per person. Booking advisable.
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November</b> <b>2pm to 4pm</b>	<b>Wednesday Talk</b>	<b>'Watching with Mother'</b> Guest Speaker Kath Reynolds will take you on a trip down memory lane, as she recounts some of the TV classics from childhood (1950s-1970s). Featuring 'Muffin the Mule' and 'Andy Pandy', as well as some familiar theme tunes! Includes refreshments. £2.50 per person.
<b>Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>10.30 to 12.30pm</b> <b>1pm to 3pm</b>	<b>Craft Workshop</b>	<b>Angela Ashton Glass Workshops</b> Join Artist Angela Ashton and make your own piece of festive glass to take home. Includes refreshments and materials to make one item. Additional items cost £5 each. There are two workshops running, please state the time when booking. £25 per person. Booking essential.
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November to Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	<b>Exhibition</b>	<b>Christmas Exhibition</b> Visit the Christmas Exhibition in the Lower Gallery and pick up some stocking fillers from our Christmas Shop too! Free entry.
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>11am to 12.15pm</b>	<b>Monthly Tour</b>	<b>Museum Guided Tour</b> Join one of our knowledgeable and friendly guides for unique tour around our Grade II listed kiln and pottery museum. FREE – Donations welcome.
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>10am to 8pm</b>	<b>Christmas Fayre</b>	Our Annual Christmas Fayre! Visit the museum where we will have a Craft Fayre on throughout the day, school choirs singing and the volunteers raffle and games. Santa will be in his grotto in the Playzone between 4pm and 7pm. As it gets dark enjoy mulled wine and hot food in our courtyard then watch the fantastic fireworks display! Not to be missed! Free entry

## DECEMBER



### Swadlincote Snowflake Hunt! – 1<sup>st</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> December

Sharpe's will be joining in the Snowflake Hunt organised by Swadlincote Town Team and Swadlincote & District Chamber of Trade. Find the hidden snowflake in the museum and join the hunt to find all the other snowflakes around the town! Great fun for all ages!



<b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> to Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b> <b>10am to 4pm</b> <b>(last orders 3.30pm)</b>	<b>Artist Exhibition</b>	Exhibition of original artwork (painted and machine embroidered) and limited edition prints by Rose of Stitching. Several pieces will be available to purchase from the museum reception desk. Free entry.
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<p><b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>10am to 12noon</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>Christmas Rag Wreaths</b> Get into the festive spirit with Sarah from Ollie bobs, as she shows you how to make your own decorative rag wreaths in time for Christmas. Tuition, materials and refreshments included. Suitable for adults and children alike. £20 per person. Booking advisable.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>2pm to 4pm</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday Talk</b></p>	<p><b>A Traditional Christmas</b> Join our Guest Speaker Bob Massey and get into the festive mood as he explains how our British traditions of the Christmas season came about. Includes light refreshments. £5 per person. Booking advisable.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>9am to 11am</b></p>	<p><b>Breakfast with Santa</b></p>	<p>Enjoy breakfast with Santa in Cafe Espresso, visit Santa in his Grotto, listen to a Christmas story in the Kiln which will be decorated for a traditional Christmas! Includes breakfast and a gift. Booking essential. £10 per child. (Adults can also order a breakfast for an additional £5).</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>2.30pm to 4pm</b></p>	<p><b>Valuation Day</b></p>	<p><b>Antique Valuation Day</b> Bring your antiques and family heirlooms along to the museum and get them valued by Bamford's Auctioneers. A charge of £1 per item or set will apply.</p>
<p><b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>10am to 12noon</b></p>	<p><b>Music Concert</b></p>	<p><b>Festive Singing</b> Get into the festive spirit and enjoy a morning of Christmas music in the kiln performed by the pupils of Pingle School Free.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>2pm to 3pm</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>Festive Family Decoupage Decorations</b> Join Sarah from Ollie Bobs and make some festive family decorations in time for Christmas. Tuition and materials included. Suitable for all ages. Children must be supervised by an adult. £5 per person. Booking essential.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>9am to 12 noon</b></p>	<p><b>Santa's Workshop</b></p>	<p>Visit Sharpe's as it prepares for a traditional Christmas. Enjoy Breakfast in Cafe Espresso, meet Santa in his traditional workshop and listen to a Christmas story. Booking essential. £10 per child. Please contact for further details.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>1pm to 3.30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>Family Christmas Crafts</b> Come and join us for some Christmas themed crafts. All families welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Materials provided. Organised by Swadlincote Adult and Community Education. Free.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b></p> <p><b>10.30am to 11.15am</b> <b>11.30am to 12.15pm</b></p>	<p><b>Story and Rhyme Time</b></p>	<p><b>Festive Story and Songs</b> Get into the festive spirit with some stories and songs especially for pre-schoolers and their grown-ups! A Christmas craft will also follow each story and song session. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Dressing up welcome! Free.</p>

<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>  2pm	<b>Wednesday Talk</b>	<b>The Burton Breweries</b> Guest Speaker Nicola Harvey will delve into the social history of brewing, whilst making particular reference to Burton's brewing history and Bass family. Includes refreshments. £2.50
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## JANUARY

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> January to 28<sup>th</sup> February</b> <b>10am to 4pm</b> (last orders 3.30pm)	<b>Artist Exhibition</b>	<b>Photography Exhibition</b> Exhibition of photography by Ashby Camera Club in Cafe Espresso. Free entry.
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> January to 28<sup>th</sup> February</b> <b>10am to 4.30pm</b>	<b>Exhibition</b>	Exhibition of local interest in the Lower Gallery Free entry.
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January</b>  <b>10am to 12noon</b>	<b>Craft Workshop</b>	<b>'Drop In' Winter Crafts</b> Join our volunteers for a morning of winter themed crafts in the kiln. No need to book, just turn up! FREE – Donations welcome.
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>  <b>11am to 12.15pm</b>	<b>Monthly Tour</b>	<b>Museum Guided Tour</b> Join one of our knowledgeable and friendly guides for unique tour around our Grade II listed kiln and pottery museum. FREE – Donations welcome.

## FEBRUARY

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<b>3<sup>rd</sup> January to 28<sup>th</sup> February</b> <b>10am to 4.30pm</b>	<b>Exhibition</b>	Exhibition of local interest in the Lower Gallery. Free
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February</b>  <b>2.30 to 4pm</b>	<b>Valuation Day</b>	<b>Antique Valuation Day</b> Bring your antiques and family heirlooms along to the museum and get them valued by Bamford's Auctioneers. A charge of £1 per item or set will apply.
<b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>  <b>10am to 12noon</b>	<b>Craft Workshop</b>	<b>Wet Felting Workshop</b> Join Sarah from Ollie-Bobs for this workshop teaching the art of wet felting. Make your own flower or felt picture. Tuition, materials and refreshments provided. £15 per person. Booking essential.

<p><b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b></p> <p><b>1pm to 3pm</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>Valentine's Day Family Crafts</b> Join our volunteers and create a craft for your loved one! No need to book, just turn up! FREE – Donations welcome.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February</b></p> <p><b>10am to 4pm</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>Become a Potter from Bygone Days</b> Join Sharpe's for a traditional themed day, go back in time and see what it was like to work in a pottery. Includes crafts and tours during the day. Please contact for further details. FREE - Donations welcome.</p>
<p><b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> (10- 12)</b> <b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> (10-12)</b> <b>February</b></p> <p><b>10am to 12noon</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>'Drop In' Spring Crafts</b> Join the Volunteers for some fun Spring inspired craft activities in the kiln. All materials included. No need to book, just turn up! FREE - Donations welcome.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b></p> <p><b>10am to 11am</b> <b>11am to 12noon</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>Decoupage workshop</b> Join Sarah from Ollie Bobs for this traditional decoupage workshop. Tuition and materials included. Suitable for all ages. Children must be supervised by an adult. Two sessions. £5 per person. Booking essential.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b></p> <p><b>10am to 12noon</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>Clay modelling Workshop</b> Have a go at clay modelling at this fun 'drop in' workshop with our volunteers. No need to book, just turn up! FREE – Donations welcome.</p>
<p><b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b></p> <p><b>10.30am to 1pm</b></p>	<p><b>Craft Workshop</b></p>	<p><b>Super Spring Crafts</b> Come and join us for some super spring themed crafts. All families welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Organised by Swadlincote Adult and Community Education. FREE</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February</b></p> <p><b>11am to 12.15pm</b></p>	<p><b>Monthly Tour</b></p>	<p><b>Museum Guided Tour</b> Join one of our knowledgeable and friendly guides for unique tour around our Grade II listed kiln and pottery museum. FREE – Donations welcome.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February</b></p> <p><b>2pm to 4pm</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday Talk</b></p>	<p><b>"Little Miss Sure Shot"</b> Join guest speaker Bob Massey as he talks about the life of Annie Oakley, the greatest shot in the world! Includes refreshments. £2.50 per person.</p>

## Conference & Venue Hire

Our newly refurbished function room is a multi-functional space, in a central and unique location. From training courses to activity workshops and from room hire only to fully catered and equipped, Sharpe's offers great flexibility at a competitive cost.



Please contact the museum for a brochure and further information.

## A Toilet Story



This interactive exhibition illustrates South Derbyshire's importance in the international development of public health during the 19th and 20th Centuries. The production of South Derbyshire sanitary wares; which we sold worldwide and which are still in-situ today, are also explored in the exhibition.

## Talks and Tours

Ideal for groups – make the most out of your visit to Sharpe's by booking our guided tour and talk!

Begin your visit with our "The Earth Our Wealth" talk, before joining one of our knowledgeable and friendly guides for a tour around our Grade II listed pottery buildings and unique C19th Bottle Kiln.

*Don't have time to come to us? Then let our travelling speakers bring "The Earth Our Wealth" to you!*



Book your day excursions with local coach companies or call in to collect our latest "What's On" guide. There's lots of ideas on things to do and see in The National Forest and beyond.

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Serving speciality teas and coffees, daily specials, light lunches, snacks, homemade scones and much more! With a view over the Playzone and Garden which has an outside seating area.

Open Monday to Saturday  
10am to 4pm  
(Last orders 3.30pm)

## Pottery Parties

If you're looking for an exciting new party idea, then look no further and hold your party here! Our unique venue offers a safe, fun environment to hold parties.



We can offer room hire for just £15 per hour and clay activity parties from just £5 per child. We can also provide for all your catering needs.