

Welcome to Torre Abbey!

Established in 1196, Torre Abbey is a museum of history and art housed in an Ancient Scheduled Monument with beautiful and award winning gardens.

The Abbey is a real hive of activity where world class exhibitions are shown side by side with creative work from local emerging talent.

Specially curated exhibitions complement the museum's permanent collection which includes regionally important art, with some nationally important works.

Our 800 years of history gallery explores local history, heritage and stories through interactive displays, talking portraits and videos.



Torre Abbey Gardens

Our award winning garden is famed for exuberant plantings of herbaceous perennials, roses and dahlias. Rare shrubs and trees flourish in the English Riviera climate, and our Palm and Cactus Houses contain tropical and sub-tropical plants including endangered palms from Kew Gardens.

Children can explore the gardens with special trails and learning activities. There are regular talks and tours by our wonderful head gardener and other horticultural experts. A popular favourite is the Agatha Christie inspired 'Potent Plants tour'!

Check website for more details.

Plan your visit

Open all year

Tuesday to Sunday from 10am until 5pm (last entry 4pm)

Open on Bank Holiday Mondays in April, May and August

Admission charges

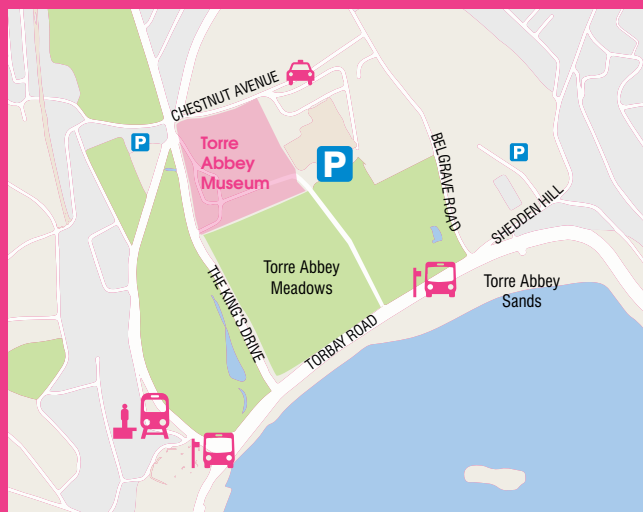
Adults£8

Concessions£7

Kids and teens*Free

Groups and coach tours please email to arrange your visit.

For further information, including memberships, visit www.torre-abbey.org.uk



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Torre Abbey Museum

February – September 2019

Kids and teens go free!



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*up to 4 children free with each paying adult

THE BFG IN PICTURES

8 June – 2 September



The BFG in Pictures is a touring exhibition from House of Illustration, featuring reproductions of Quentin Blake's illustrations for Roald Dahl's much-loved story. The exhibition, curated by Quentin Blake, contains 40 reproductions including illustrations that weren't used when the book was first published in 1982. They provide a unique insight into the development of one of the most iconic characters in children's literature and a glimpse of a BFG that might have been...



The BFG in Buckingham Palace garden, from 'The BFG' colour edition (Puffin Books, 2015) © Quentin Blake

EXHIBITIONS NOT TO BE MISSED...

TORBAY ROCKS

Until – 24 March

60s and 70s music memorabilia from local personality Lionel Digby.

IMAGES & IMAGINATION

Until – 24 March

A showcase of stunning images by the Torbay Photographic Society.

RIVIERA ART FAIR

5 February – 24 February (Free entry)

An exhibition in the Spanish Barn and sales of works from the Brixham, Devon and Torbay Art Societies.

THE PRINTED LINE

6 April – 2 June

On loan from The Arts Council Collection, this exhibition considers how artists have used a variety of printmaking techniques to exploit the potential of the printed line.

YOUNG ART DEVON

3 – 5 May

An exhibition of works by young people from across Devon, raising vital funds for Cancer Research UK.

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OPEN AIR CINEMA FESTIVAL

August (various)

The return of our popular open air cinema festival featuring some well-known blockbuster movies.

WORKSHOPS

SCRAP TOTS

Thursday mornings (term-time only) at 10am

Hands on scrappy workshops and activities for pre-school children (and their grown-ups). Scrap Tots aims to inspire a new generation of builders, makers, inventors and design thinkers. No booking required.

DOORSTEP AT TORRE ABBEY

Wednesday mornings (term-time only) at 10am

Imaginative play, creative movement, fun games, songs and stories for pre-school children. No booking required.

MINDFULNESS PLAY WORKSHOPS

Last Saturday of month from

23 February – 25 May at 11am

Parents and children (7 – 11 years) explore mindfulness skills together to develop confidence, kindness and a greater understanding of the world around them. Booking required.

For more information on the exhibitions and workshops and to book visit the website.

SAVE THE DATE

WINTER FEST

30 November – 1 December

