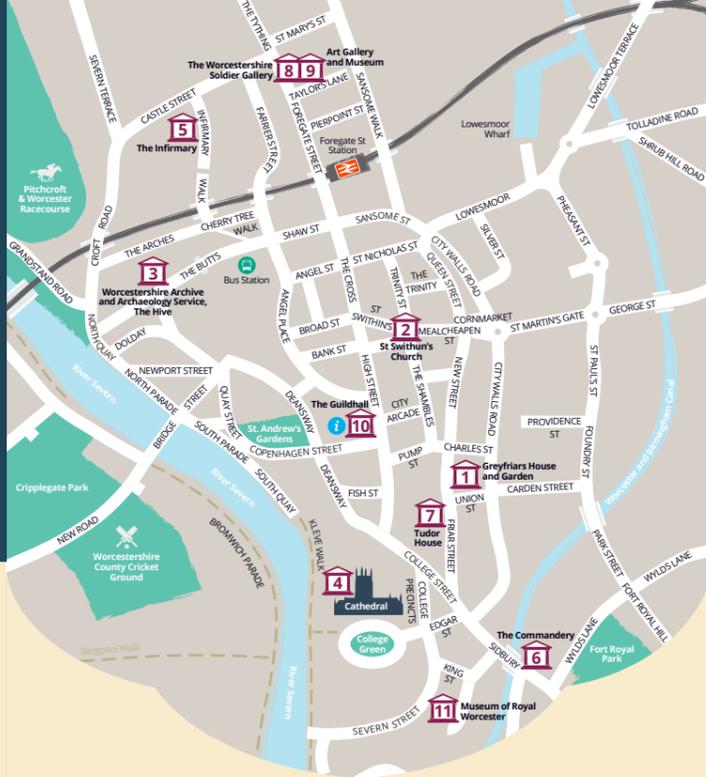


WORCESTER HERITAGE WEEKEND

9-10 SEPTEMBER 2023

Various venues



1 Greyfriars House and Garden

Friar Street, Worcester WR1 2LZ
 'Demolishing Greyfriars' - This year, Greyfriars House and Garden will be open for self-guided experiences, with highlight talks running throughout the day to provide a glimpse into the property's tumultuous story. Built in the 1490s, the property has undergone various periods of growth and decline, surviving climactic events, from the Battle of Worcester to a mid-20th Century demolition order.
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/worcestershire-herefordshire/greyfriars-house-and-garden
Open for Heritage Open Day on 9 and 16 September, 10am-4pm (last entry at 3.30pm)

2 St Swithun's Church

Church Terrace, High Street, Worcester WR1 2RH
 Messages from Beyond the Grave. A journey into hand, script, font and type. Discover St Swithun's rich extravagant Georgian history through the messages left on the walls and floor. Join in free tours, talks and family workshops in calligraphy and letterpress.
 For more information visit www.worcesterswithuns.org
Open Saturday 9 September, 10am-3pm

3 Worcestershire Archive and Archaeology Service

The Hive, Sawmill Walk, The Butts, Worcester WR1 3PD
 Behind the Scenes tour. Letters from the Titanic, Shakespeare's marriage bond and much more are part of 12 miles of collections at Worcestershire Archives! Go behind the scenes to discover fascinating and inspiring items. Part of the History in the Making project - creative workshops drawing inspiration from the past. Free one-hour tours, but booking required. BSL interpretation available.
www.explorethepast.co.uk/events
Open Saturday 9 September, 1pm-2pm and 2pm-3pm

4 Worcester Cathedral

College Yard, Worcester WR1 2LA
www.worcestercathedral.org
Open Saturday 9 September, 10am-5pm (Partial closure 1pm-5pm)
Guided Tours at 11.30am. Shop and Café 10am-4.30pm
Sunday 10 September, 12.30pm-3pm (Shop and Café closed)

5 The Infirmary, University of Worcester Campus

Castle Street, Worcester WR1 3AS
 The Infirmary Museum is an interactive exhibition at the University of Worcester's City Campus combining history, science, art and technology to explore the medical stories of one of England's oldest infirmaries.
www.medicalmuseum.org.uk/the-infirmary
Open Saturday 9 September, 10am-5pm

6 The Commandery

Sidbury, Worcester WR1 2HU
 From Civil War history and beautifully preserved medieval wall paintings to spacious walled gardens and the fantastic canal-side Commandery Coffee, there's something for everyone at The Commandery.
www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk/events/heritage-open-day-at-the-commandery
Free entry on Sunday 10 September, 11am-3pm (last entry 2pm)

7 Tudor House

Friar Street, Worcester WR1 2NA
 The Bedfellows Project aims to create 16th Century style curtains and coverlet for the museum's tester bed in the Bed Chamber. You will be able to see our volunteer embroiderers in action with motifs being created and stitched into place.
www.tudorhouse.org.uk
Open Saturday 9 September, 10am-4pm, and Sunday 10 September, 11am-3pm (Café also open both days)

8 The Worcestershire Soldier Gallery

Worcester City Art Gallery and Museum, Foregate Street, Worcester WR1 1DT
 The Worcestershire Soldier exhibition tells the story of the men of the Worcestershire Regiments from 1694 to the present.
www.worcestershireandmercanregimentmuseum.org/visit/
Open Saturday 9 September, 10.30am-4.30pm

9 Worcester City Art Gallery and Museum

Foregate Street, Worcester WR1 1DT
 GREAT SCOTT! It's the final day of I Grew Up 80s! Be immersed in a nostalgic treasure trove of more than 200 objects in an exhibition all about this vibrant decade.
www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk/events/i-grew-up-80s/
Open Saturday 9 September, 10.30am-4.30pm (Closed Sunday 10 September)

10 The Guildhall

High Street, Worcester WR1 2EY
 The Guildhall is a beautiful building dating back to 1721. It has a fascinating history - it was once the seat of justice throughout the city and even housed a prison, today offering visitors a glimpse of Worcester's rich and varied heritage.
www.worcesterguildhall.co.uk
Hourly tours on Saturday 9 September and Sunday 10 September, 10am-3pm with the Mayor in attendance

11 Museum of Royal Worcester

Severn Street, Worcester WR1 2ND
 FREE ceramic painting demonstration by artist and former Royal Worcester painter James Skerrett in the Museum Shop and Reception.
www.museumofroyalworcester.org
Open Saturday 9 September, 10am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-3pm
General opening hours, Saturday 9 September, 1pm-5pm, Sunday 10 September, 10am-4pm.
 (Please note: entrance charges for the Museum displays apply)



UPCOMING HERITAGE EVENTS

For full listings please visit www.visitworcester.co.uk

Worcester City Art Gallery and Museum

Foregate Street, Worcester WR1 1DT
 Celebrating the story of graffiti and street art in partnership with Worcester Paint Festival, Paint the Streets explores the work of influential artists from the US and UK.
www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk/events/paint-the-streets
The exhibition is open on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 September for its launch weekend (usually closed on Sundays), open 10.30am-4.30pm.

The Battle of Worcester Commemorative Drumhead Ceremony

On 3 September 2023, The Battle of Worcester Society will be commemorating one of the most pivotal events in English history, the Battle of Worcester which took place on 3 September 1651. Every year on the anniversary of the battle, The Battle of Worcester Society holds a Drumhead Service of Remembrance to commemorate those that fought and died for their beliefs in and around Worcester during the English Civil War. Dignitaries including the Mayor of Worcester parade through the centre of the city to Fort Royal where a remembrance service takes place followed by a musket volley.
www.thebattleofworcestersociety.com
Members of the public are invited to join the parade which will start at 4pm at the Guildhall.

The Commandery

Sidbury, Worcester WR1 2HU
 After-dark tours at The Commandery. Explore one of the oldest buildings in Worcester by torchlight this October. Hear about strange sightings and mysterious rumours as you uncover the history of the building in an after-dark tour.
www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk/events/after-dark-tours-at-the-commandery-2023
Various evenings in October; £14 per person. Book online.

Museum of Royal Worcester and Royal Porcelain Works

Severn Street, Worcester WR1 2ND
 FREE special event in the courtyard and Henry Sandon Hall to mark the arrival of a new teapot sculpture celebrating the porcelain heritage of the area surrounding the Museum. Meet the teapot artists, hands-on creative activities, learn more about the Know Your Place website, tea-tasting, book-signing by author Colin Millett for his new book on Royal Worcester artist Harry Davis. 12pm speeches, 12.30pm talk by oral historian Julia Letts on recollections gathered from former porcelain factory workers.
www.museumofroyalworcester.org/sculpture-in-the-courtyard
Saturday 16 September, 11am-3pm



i WORCESTER TOURIST INFORMATION

9-10 SEPTEMBER 2023

Take a souvenir of Worcester home with you, from branded merchandise to local gins and tempting ales, delicious chutneys and ice creams.

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