

All venues in Abingdon  
Town Centre



# Atom

Festival of Science  
& Technology

**FREE Science Market**  
interactive event  
for all the family  
Saturday 16th  
March  
10am - 3pm

Abingdon  
Sea Creature  
Discovery  
Megan Jacobs  
Wednesday  
20th March

Inspiring talks and  
events  
16th - 23rd March

**BEN & THOMAS**  
Livestream from  
the museum  
Saturday 16th  
March

**Vaxxers:**  
The Race against Covid  
The Peagram Lecture  
Prof Cath Green OBE  
Tues 19th March

**FREE** Saturday  
23rd March  
**Family  
Science  
Fun** at the  
Guildhall

**BOOK  
TICKETS  
ONLINE**

**atomfestival.org.uk**



We look forward to welcoming  
you to our museum!

OPEN 10am-4pm  
Tuesday-Sunday

To see the full list of events as  
they are confirmed throughout  
the year, please visit  
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ABINGDON COUNTY HALL MUSEUM Market Place,  
Abingdon, OX14 3HG

The basement is  
wheelchair accessible  
via lift from outside the  
museum at street level.



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2024

# ABINGDON COUNTY HALL MUSEUM



What's On  
January 2024

FREE ADMISSION



Explore 6000 years of history in  
England's oldest settlement  
at Abingdon Museum

### The Building

Located in the historic centre of Abingdon, the County Hall - formerly the County Assize Courts of Berkshire - houses the town's museum. Within you will find information, displays and interactives portraying the town's extensive social history, as well as a locally discovered dinosaur and other fossilised remains.

### The Collection

First established in 1920 as a natural history collection, Abingdon's town collection has grown into a comprehensive collection of artefacts, art and archaeology detailing much of the town's extensive history. On display you will find Stone Age tools, Roman clothing, Saxon weapons and jewellery, Medieval masonry, civic silverware, all the way through to an MGB roadster, highlighting the diversity of the town's history.

### Things to do

The museum roof is a must-see during periods of good weather, as it provides a panoramic view of the town and South Oxfordshire countryside. Tickets are available for just £2 adults and £1 children (6-16 yrs). If you have enjoyed your visit, and you're looking for a souvenir, or simply want to enjoy shopping, the museum shop contains a huge variety of gifts, art, replicas and toys, many of which you won't find 'on the high street'.

### The Basement

The Kempster Room - the venue for schools' workshops and where we host popular craft activities led by our fantastic 'Crafting Crew' during holidays and during special events.

A display of the 1907 Crossley engines and water pump

Toilets, accessible toilet and baby changing facilities

We are very pleased to host in the museum's basement the activity of One Planet Abingdon, an inspirational community hub run by volunteers, for the benefit of the people and the planet.

### The Team

The museum team is available 10am-4pm to answer your questions and help to make your visit enjoyable. For information and booking enquiries, please contact the museum reception.

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Market Place, Abingdon, OX14 3HG



## EXHIBITIONS

Coming soon..

# Celebrating Abingdon Women in the arts & sciences

6 January -  
31 March 2024

Abingdon Museum  
Sessions Gallery

FREE ADMISSION

Tuesday to Sunday  
& Bank Holiday Mondays  
10am to 4pm

Donations welcome

In our first exhibition for 2024 Abingdon Museum will be "Celebrating Abingdon Women in the Arts and Sciences". It will highlight the lives of remarkable women, some who lived in Abingdon and made major contributions to the cultural life of the town, some who came from Abingdon and went out into the world to accomplish great things. In the visual arts they are Pat Russell and Janet Boulton, who set up their own paper-making studio, and Charlotte Hardcastle, whose delicate and highly accurate botanical drawings are preserved in a New Zealand museum. Representing the written word they are Dorothy Richardson, who wrote some of the first modernist novels, and historian Agnes Baker, who bridged literature and history by bringing local history to life through plays and pageants. Also from the field of history are Gabrielle Lambrick, who researched the history of Abingdon Abbey in particular, and was an important member of two societies dedicated to local history; Mienneke Cox, who told the story of Abingdon through the museum displays and a series of books; and Marion Wenzel who was the curator of the Abbey Buildings and researched one of Abingdon's most intriguing archaeological finds, the Islamic Glass. Representing science is Mary Buckland, née Morland, who made important contributions to palaeontology, particularly with her detailed drawings of fossils, including those of Megalosaurus, the first scientifically described dinosaur.

In telling the stories of these women we want to highlight the contributions women have made in all fields of endeavour, but also emphasise their connection with Abingdon - something our town can be proud of.

## Exhibition Tour

## Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

## 11am