

#Dartmoor Connections Festival weeks 1 and 2 -Step back in time



We'll be looking at life on Dartmoor from the Bronze Age 4,000 years ago until the Victorians over 100 years ago and seeing what traces they have left behind on Dartmoor. There'll be online crafts, illustrated talks, films and information to help inspire you and make you feel more connected to Dartmoor.

For more information go to our website www.dartmoor.gov.uk/dartmoorconnections

Make a model Bronze Age dagger

Monday 20th July

10am-11am

Family Workshop Online

Facebook Live

Join Andy for an interactive online family craft workshop to make a model Bronze Age dagger out of junk you'd throw away.

https://www.facebook.com/enjoydartmoor1/live_videos/

Dartmoor Learning Challenge

Tuesday 21st July

Facebook

Orlando launches a creative writing challenge to explore life on Dartmoor during the Black Death. Share your work on #Dartmoorconnections

Bronze Age Bling

Wednesday 22nd July

10am-11am

Family Workshop Online

Facebook Live

Join Andy for an interactive online family craft workshop to make a necklace based on the one found in the Whitehorse Hill Cist.

We'll be getting messy in our kitchens making salt-dough beads to look like amber and shale

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Life and Death on Bronze Age Dartmoor

Thursday 23rd July 2pm

Illustrated Talk Online

Join Dartmoor National Park Archaeologist Andy Crabb for an illustrated talk to look at what life was like for our ancestors on Dartmoor around 3,500 years based on the excavations of the incredible White Horse Hill burial and the Bellever hut circle.

www.dartmoorconnections-bronzeage.eventbrite.co.uk

Bronze Age Sewing Bee

Thursday 23rd July

5.45pm

Facebook Watch Party

Join Emma for this tutorial to make a Bronze Age blouse based on one

uncovered in Denmark

The Hunt for North Hall Manor- The story of a Community dig

Monday 27th July

2pm

Illustrated talk online

Join Dartmoor National Park Archaeologist Andy Crabb for an illustrated talk to look at how a small, community excavation has helped expand our understanding of medieval Dartmoor and Widecombe-in-the-Moor.

www.dartmoorconnections-northhall.eventbrite.co.uk

Tinner's Dragon Eyes

Tuesday 28th July

10am-11am

Family Workshop Online

Facebook

Join Rebecca for an online family workshop to make your very own Dartmoor Dragon eyes.

Inspired by the many dragons seen by the tin miners on Dartmoor many years ago, we'll be using paper, crayons and pens to create mythical eyes whilst hearing all about these magical creatures.

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Medieval Banners

Thursday 30th July

10am-11am

Family Workshop Online

Facebook

Join Rebecca for an interactive online family workshop to create medieval banners.

Learn about the castles on the moor and the surrounding areas as you make your very own flag. Find out how the symbols and colours of the banners had hidden meanings. Will you be a red warrior, or a silver person of peace? We'll be creating banner out of paper, card or cloth and using pens, pencils or paints for our colours.

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Tyrwhitt, the Prison and the Georgian improvements

Thursday 30th July

2pm

Illustrated talk online

Join local historian Simon Dell for an illustrated talk to look at how Thomas Tyrwhitt and the Georgian improvers tried to tame the 'unproductive waste' of Dartmoor. To join us we'll be using a video conferencing app similar to Zoom so you'll need access to a laptop/ phone or tablet with a camera. Once you have registered for your place you will receive all the joining details.

www.dartmoorconnections-prison.eventbrite.co.uk

#Dartmoor Connections Festival weeks 3 and 4 - Lets go Wild



We are celebrating Dartmoor's incredible wildlife over the next two weeks and meeting some of the experts who help conserve it. There'll also be interactive crafts, films and information to help you explore Dartmoor.

Fluttering Butterfly Cards

Monday 3rd August

10am-11am

Family Workshop Online

Facebook Live

Join Rebecca for an interactive online family workshop to make brilliant butterfly pop-up cards.

Learn about our wonderful Dartmoor butterflies – including our endangered Marsh Fritillary Butterfly whilst we make pop-up cards for you to share with family and friends.

We'll be using household objects and recycled materials to create our cards.

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The Blue Ground Beetle- The real beast of Dartmoor

Monday 3rd August

2pm

Illustrated talk online

Join local naturalist John Walters for an illustrated talk to explore the life of this secretive creature.

A few wooded valleys on Dartmoor are home to one of the UK's largest and rarest insects,

the blue ground beetle. This nocturnal tree dwelling beetle emerges on damp spring evenings to search for its favourite prey - slugs!

To join us we'll be using a video conferencing app similar to Zoom so you'll need access to a laptop/ phone or tablet with a camera. Once you have registered for your place you will receive all the joining details.

www.dartmoorconnections-beetle.eventbrite.co.uk

Dartmoor Learning Challenge

Tuesday 4th August

Facebook Film

Orlando launches a new learning challenge with a wild theme to explore Biodiversity.

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The incredible life of the pied flycatcher

Monday 10th August

2pm

Illustrated talk online

Join bird expert Dr Malcolm Burgess for an illustrated talk to explore the life of this fascinating bird which travels thousands of miles from West Africa each year to breed in Dartmoor's oak woodlands

Long term study by volunteers and cutting edge technology is providing vital information to help conserve this bird.

To join us we'll be using a video

conferencing app similar to Zoom so you'll need access to a laptop/ phone or tablet with a camera. Once you have registered for your place you will receive all the joining details.

www.dartmoorconnections-piedfly.eventbrite.co.uk

Wild Woodland printing workshop

Tuesday 11th August

10am-11am

Facebook live

Join Andy for an interactive online family art workshop to make prints inspired by Dartmoor's woodlands.

Inspired by lino printing we'll be using corrugated card, recycled materials and found nature to experiment with to make some wild woodland prints

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Bogs: Time for a rebrand?

Thursday 13th August

2pm

Illustrated talk online

Join ecologist David Leach for an illustrated talk to find out about the weird and wonderful wildlife of Dartmoor's bogs and the things that bogs contribute to all our lives.

Throughout human history bogs and other wetlands have had a bad press. At best

they have been regarded as unproductive wastelands, at worst a risk to life and limb. It is only after centuries of attempts to drain, reclaim and exploit bogs, that we're starting to realise their true value.

To join us we'll be using a video conferencing app similar to Zoom so you'll need access to a laptop/ phone or tablet with a camera. Once you have registered for your place you will receive all the joining details.

www.dartmoorconnections-bogs.eventbrite.co.uk

Cool Caddisfly Pop-up Puppet

Friday 14th August

10am-11am

Family Workshop Online

Facebook Live

Join Andy for an interactive online family craft workshop to make a pop-up caddisfly larvae

Dartmoor's rivers are full of hidden wildlife which live secret lives beneath the surface.

We will shine a light on one of nature's amazing builders- the caddis fly. It creates a home for itself out of materials it finds lying around on the river bed.

Using recycled materials, an old sock and magazines we'll make our very own caddis fly.

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