



Festival of Archaeology, Belfast

25 - 28 August 2023

The European Association of Archaeologists (EAA) annual conference is taking place at Queen's University Belfast from 30 August to 2 September 2023. This is a once-in-a-lifetime event that will see over 3000 archaeologists from across the world visit our city. To share the excitement as broadly as possible we are running a Festival of Archaeology in the week leading up to the conference. The Festival is being organised by Queen's University Belfast in partnership with the Historic Environment Division of the Department for Communities and the Ulster Museum.

A series of archaeology-related films will run in the QFT from Friday 25 to Monday 28 August inclusive. Each of these will be introduced by an archaeologist who will set the context.

- Friday 25 August - The Lost King (2022)
- Saturday 26 August - The Mummy (1999)
- Sunday 27 August - A Month in the Country (1987)
- Monday 28 August - The Mummy (1959)



Further details are available here – <https://queensfilmtheatre.com/seasons/europe-an-association-of-archaeologists-festival-of-archaeology>

On Saturday 26 August the Festival events will take place in the Ulster Museum and curators, Niamh Baker and Dr Greer Ramsey, will provide gallery tours, giving an insight into the archaeology collections held at the Ulster Museum. Moving through the Early Peoples and on to Saints and Scholars galleries, the tour will highlight some of the more significant objects in the collection from Prehistoric to Medieval periods before looking at the internationally important Armada collections. The tours are free but booking is essential and further details are available here – <https://www.ulstermuseum.org/whats-on/archaeology-gallery-tour>

On Sunday 27 August (10am-4pm) the Festival activities will focus in the South Dining Hall (beside the Lanyon Bdg.) and environs at Queen's University Belfast. Participants will have the chance to engage with a wide range of local heritage stakeholders; have a go at a variety of experimental archaeological activities, including flint knapping, pottery making and basketry; and meet living history actors who will tell them all about life in Medieval Ireland. There will be lots of fun and games and the event is suitable for individuals of all ages. The activities are all free and no booking is required.



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