

Great North Museum: Hancock

The Great North Museum: Hancock is a free museum. It has collections from the Hancock Museum and Newcastle University's Museum of Antiquities and Shefton collection. Highlights of the museum include: a large-scale, interactive model of Hadrian's Wall, major displays showing the wonder and diversity of the animal and plant kingdoms, spectacular objects from the Ancient Greeks and mummies from Ancient Egypt, a planetarium, children's play area and a life-size T. rex dinosaur skeleton cast.

[The Hancock Library](#) is on the 2nd floor of the museum. It is an open, working library for visitors to the Museum, members of the public, researchers, students, and volunteers. You don't need a membership to visit. They have collections on the history and heritage of the Northern Region, Roman Britain and Hadrian's Wall, as well as archaeology and natural history.

Admission to the Great North Museum is **free**. Donations are welcome. It is a designated [Safe Place](#) for people with learning disabilities.

GNM: Hancock Museum is one of 9 museums managed by [North East Museums](#).

Museums, culture and heritage can help to improve your health and wellbeing. They have free museum object boxes that you can borrow. You can use these can be used as part of a guided session. [Read more about their free health and social care resources](#).

They have a variety of venue and exhibition space available for hire with a maximum capacity of 500 people. There are catering facilities available on request and there are 4 on-site car parking spaces for blue badge holders. No other on-site parking is available.

Accessibility

This venue has:

- Accessible formatting
- Audio description
- Audio formatting
- Dedicated seating
- Disabled access
- Induction loops
- IR induction loops
- Large print
- Disabled parking
- Access statement
- Online booking
- Accessible toilet

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Telephone 2 note: Library

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Twitter: https://twitter.com/GNM_Hancock

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/greatnorthmuseum/>

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

Saturday 10am to 4pm

Sunday 11am to 4pm

Library open Monday to Thursday 10am to 2pm

Last entry is 15 minutes before closing time

Cost: Free

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