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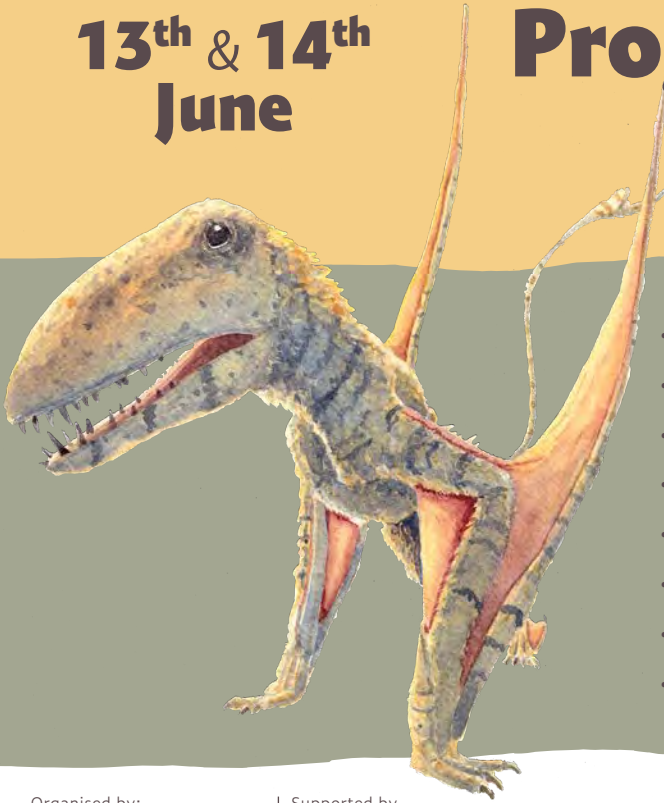
Fossil Festival

Lyme Regis **2026**

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**13th & 14th
June**

Programme 2026



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- Lister Gardens
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- The Hub
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Welcome to the Lyme Regis Fossil Festival 2026

We're thrilled to bring you another packed programme of events for the Lyme Regis Fossil Festival 2026. Enjoy two days of fossil fun and inspiration with exciting talks, walks, performances, workshops and displays.



Don't miss the exciting art and craft trade stands and workshops in our new palaeoart area at the **Town Mill**, our free talks at the **Pine Hall** and **Driftwood Café** and all the museum activities on offer in the Museums & Arts Quarter at **The Hub**.

I am incredibly grateful to all the museums, experts and artists who give their time and come together each year to help make the Festival happen, including the **Natural History Museum**, **Dinosaur Isle**, **Dorset Museum & Art Gallery**, **The Etches Collection** and **Jurassic Discovery**.

Many thanks also to our main sponsors and local business supporters whose generosity make the programme possible.

This year's event would not be possible without the support of the **Best of British Grant** which we have been awarded by **Airbnb**, an initiative which aims to celebrate and promote distinctive British traditions, heritage and local experiences.

We are also extremely grateful to **Lyme Regis Town Council** and their team for their continued help and support, **The Curry Fund** and also to **Lyme Regis Regatta & Carnival** who support our volunteer programme. Finally, a huge thank you to all of the volunteers who donate their time and energy to the Festival - without you we would not be able to safely deliver this event.



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Fossil Festival

Lyme Regis **2026**

Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th June

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Saturday 13th June

**TICKETED
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Headline Talks at the Marine Theatre

Church Street, Lyme Regis,
Dorset, DT7 3QB

(capacity 180 people).

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Talk
10.00-11.00

Uncovering Oxfordshire's 'Dinosaur Highway'



Dr Emma Nicholls

Collections Manager –
Vertebrate Palaeontology at
Oxford University Museum of
Natural History

The carnivorous theropod *Megalosaurus* was the first scientifically named dinosaur, described using fossil material found in mineshafts in Oxfordshire. Two hundred years later, ongoing excavations are revealing an extensive dinosaur trackway site nearby. These traces of a Middle Jurassic world give us direct evidence of dinosaur behaviour and include both a 9-metre-long ferocious theropod as well as several sauropods up to twice that size. The new trackways link up with another site, excavated nearby in Ardley in 1997, making the area the largest dinosaur trackway site in Europe.

Tickets: Adults £7/Children £4





Talk

11.30-12.30

Giant pterosaurs - flying dragons from the age of dinosaurs



Dr David M. Unwin

Associate Professor and Programme Director (MA/MSc in Museum Studies), School of Heritage and Culture, University of Leicester

Giant pterosaurs the size of small aeroplanes dominated the skies at the end of the age of dinosaurs. With skulls up to two metres long, wingspans of 10 m or more and weighing a quarter of a ton, these were the largest flying creatures of all time, pushing at the very limits of biomechanics and evolution. How did these animals manage to grow so large, and why? What did they eat, how did they fly, and how did they manage to take off and land without killing themselves? All these questions, and more, will be answered in this talk on the dragons that soared over the heads of dinosaurs.

Tickets: Adults £7/Children £4



Talk & Book Signing
13.00-14.00

Living dinosaurs: how we know what we think we know



Professor Michael J. Benton
University of Bristol

How can we know how dinosaurs behaved without a time machine? Until recently, much discussion of dinosaur habits was entirely speculative. But in the last 30 years, remarkable new fossils and remarkable new technologies have revealed unexpected information about dinosaur lifestyles. For example, we can now work out the colour of dinosaurs, their bite forces, top speeds, and even how they cared for their young. Remarkable new fossil finds, such as dinosaur eggs with skeletons of the embryos inside from Patagonia and dinosaurs with feathers from China, provide remarkable new information.

The talk will be followed by a Q&A and a book signing.

Tickets: Adults £7/Children £4

Talk & Book Signing
14.30-15.30

The Whispers of Rock: Stories from the Earth



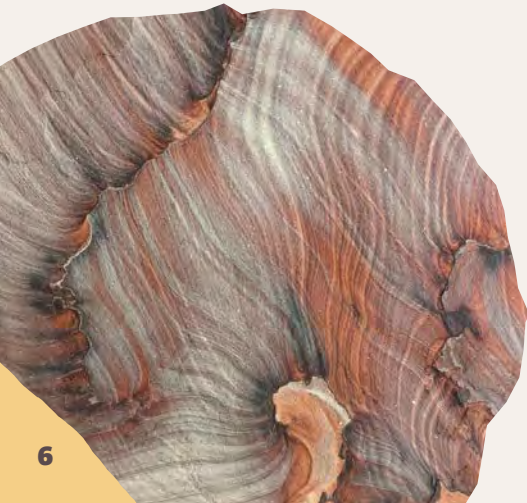
Dr Anjana Khatwa

Honorary Associate, School of Environment, Earth and Ecosystem Sciences at The Open University

If you listen, can you hear the rocks speak? The question seems absurd. After all, rocks are lifeless, inert, and silent. In *The Whispers of Rock: Stories from the Earth*, earth scientist Anjana Khatwa will ask us to think again and listen to their stories. Delicately intertwining Indigenous stories of Earth's creation with scientific thought, she will take you on an exhilarating journey through deep time from the green pounamu in Aotearoa NZ to the fiery volcanoes of Hawai'i. In this unforgettable talk, Anjana will show you how rocks have always spoken to us, and we humans to them.

The talk will be followed by a Q&A and a book signing.

Tickets: Adults £7/Children £4



Talk & Book Signing
16.00-17.00

Mary Anning's World



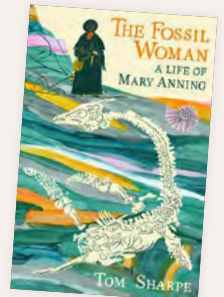
Dr Tom Sharpe

Historian of Geology and Geologist

Mary Anning carved out a unique place for herself in the new science of palaeontology in the early 19th century. She was exactly the right person, in precisely the right place, at just the right time. Her discoveries attracted international attention and crowds of geologists came to Lyme Regis to visit her. But what was Mary's world like as the first professional palaeontologist?

The talk will be followed by a Q&A and a book signing.

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Sunday 14th June

TICKETED
EVENTS

ACCESSIBLE
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Headline Talks at the Marine Theatre



Talk
10.30-11.30

The Spinosaurus: ecology and controversy



Dr David Hone
Reader in Zoology, Queen Mary University of London

Spinosaurus has gone from a virtual unknown to one of the most famous predatory dinosaurs and it has brought it and its relatives, the spinosaurs, into the public spotlight. Despite appearances in premier venues such as *Walking with Dinosaurs* and *Jurassic World Rebirth*, the biology of these animals is highly controversial. Their fossils record remains surprisingly poor with most species known from only a handful of bones and from a limited number of sites around the world. Join Dr David Hone, to look at the evolution of our understanding of these incredible animals and their unusual anatomy and habits.

Tickets: Adults £7/Children £4



Talk
12.00-13.00

Unearthing Giants on Lourinhã's Jurassic Coast



Carla Tomás
Scientific Coordinator and Curator of Palaeontology at Museu da Lourinhã (Portugal)

152 million years ago, during the Late Jurassic, the region of Lourinhã looked very different from today. Instead of Atlantic cliffs, it was a lush landscape of rivers and floodplains near the coast. Dinosaurs roamed these environments, while crocodylomorphs and other reptiles, amphibians, and small mammals thrived alongside them.

Today, the cliffs of western Portugal preserve this extraordinary ecosystem in remarkable detail, revealing one of Europe's richest Late Jurassic vertebrate assemblages. This talk explores how discoveries by the Palaeontology team at Museu da Lourinhã, together with the local community, help reconstruct ancient habitats, bringing this lost world back to life.

Tickets: Adults £7/Children £4



Talk
13.30-14.30

A DINOSAUR ART LIFE **How Painting and Sculpting** **Prehistoric Animals Became** **My Job**



Bob (Robert) Nicholls
Freelance Palaeo-
reconstruction Artist

Bob began drawing prehistoric animals as soon as he could to hold a pencil, and today he has twenty-six years of freelance art experience. In this talk Bob will explain his development from an obsessive young hobbyist into a full-time professional illustrator and sculptor. He will show how his artistic workflows have changed from traditional mediums to digital methods, and finally he will talk through the inside-out palaeo-reconstruction process – fossils to skeleton, to soft tissues, to integument, and behaviour. The talk will end with a look at Bob's newest artworks and perhaps some Lyme Regis Fossil Festival exclusives!

The talk will be followed by a Q&A.

Tickets: Adults £7/Children £4



Talk & Book Signing
15.00-16.00

The Secret Lives of Dinosaurs **& The Adventures of a** **Palaeontologist**



Dr Dean Lomax, Palaeontologist, Author & TV Presenter and **Bob (Robert) Nicholls**, Freelance Palaeo-reconstruction Artist

Unearth the real behaviours of prehistoric animals as we join acclaimed palaeontologist, author, and TV presenter Dr Dean Lomax and renowned palaeoartist, Bob Nicholls, on a remarkable journey through the grand cycle of life in deep time. Focusing on the direct evidence of astonishing behaviours in some of the world's most extraordinary and unusual fossils, Lomax provides a glimpse into the real-world stories of prehistoric life, from fighting dinosaurs to hungry ichthyosaurs and a two-headed fossil reptile. Along the way, Dr Lomax shares his adventures as a palaeontologist, whilst Bob Nicholls explains his role in reconstructing prehistoric animals, working closely with Dr Lomax to ensure scientific accuracy. Based on Dr Lomax's new book, endorsed by Slash from Guns N' Roses as "Fantastic, engrossing & funny", we are given a unique view of the private moments of long-extinct creatures as never before.

The talk will be followed by a Q&A and a book signing.

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Expert Talks at the Pine Hall

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Photo taken by Darren Withers - the photo depicts Richard working as a volunteer at the Peterborough Museum and Art Gallery.

Remembering Richard Forrest

Richard Forrest was a renowned palaeontologist and an expert on plesiosaurs, as well as a passionate supporter of the Lyme Regis Fossil Festival from its earliest days. He was particularly dedicated to the talks programme, always ready to give a presentation or chair a session, often arriving with a talk in reserve in case a scheduled speaker was unable to attend. Richard also championed amateur palaeontologists, recognising their vital role in the field, having entered palaeontology himself through that route.

Following his untimely passing earlier this year, we are celebrating Richard's life and his impact on palaeontology with two special talks sessions presented by friends of Richard featuring subjects close to his heart: **Fossil Prep 101** by **Kate Acheson-Dumbravă** & **Alison Park** and **In Search of Sea Dragons** by **Matthew Myerscough**. These sessions are a fitting tribute to Richard, and we hope they inspire and delight all who attend.





ANTHONY HUTCHINGS

**Talk**
10.00-10.45

A Decade of Spinosaurids: Is the UK a global hotspot for these extraordinary dinosaurs?



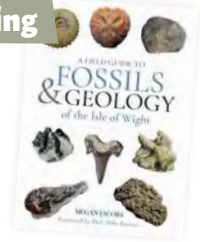
Dr Neil J. Gostling

Associate Professor of
Evolution and Palaeobiology
at The University of
Southampton

Many species from around the globe have now been found, split into Spinosaurine and Baryonychine sub-families. Our interest is on Britain's dinosaur hotspot: The Isle of Wight and the Wealden of southern England. In the last 5 years we have named *Ceratosuchops* and *Riparovenator*, described another, and using museum collections and machine learning, we've identified 'undescribed spinosaurs' from teeth; 4 or 5 new Wealden Group taxa in addition to *Baryonyx*.

Talk & Book Signing
11.00-11.45

Buried Secrets: Unearthing the Isle of Wight's Prehistoric Past



Megan Jacobs

Palaeontologist, University
of Portsmouth PhD student
and co-founder of Wight
Coast Fossils.

The Isle of Wight is Britain's dinosaur capital — a landscape where cliffs and beaches reveal a lost world beneath our feet. While dinosaurs once dominated this ancient landscape, they are only a small part of a much bigger story.

The island's coastlines preserve around 130 million years of Earth's history, recording changing climates, vanished seas, and extraordinary ecosystems, yielding a remarkable fossil record — including dinosaurs and fossils found nowhere else on Earth! Join palaeontologist Megan Jacobs to discover why this small island is one of the most important geological and palaeontological locations in the world.

The talk will be followed by a book signing.



Talk

12.00-12.45

Of Dinosaurs and Dragonflies: Palaeontology of the Great White North



Amanda Perry

Science Communicator and Palaeoartist

From the snow-dwelling Pachyrhinosaurus to the sleeping dragon Borealopelta, Canada is home to some of the most magnificent Dinosaur fossils in the world. But this is only part of her story. Buried in deep within Cretaceous rock and glowing amber joins an unlikely player in the game of behaviour and adaptation – the Insect. Join Palaeontologist Amanda Perry on exploring Dinosaurs, Insects, and how they may have shaped each other's lives in the prehistoric great white north.



Talk

13.00-13.45

Scelidosaurus: The palaeontology of West Dorset's unique armoured dinosaur



Kieran Satchell

Learning & Engagement Officer at Lyme Regis Museum

Join Kieran as he explores the history of discovery and the palaeontology of the Scelidosaurus, a unique armoured dinosaur from West Dorset, not yet found anywhere else in the world. From the very first discoveries through to a specimen heralded as the most complete dinosaur from the British Isles, Kieran will delve into what we know about this magnificent dinosaur and what this animal may have been like when it once roamed our Jurassic coastline.

Talk & Book Signing

14.00-14.45

In Search of Sea Dragons

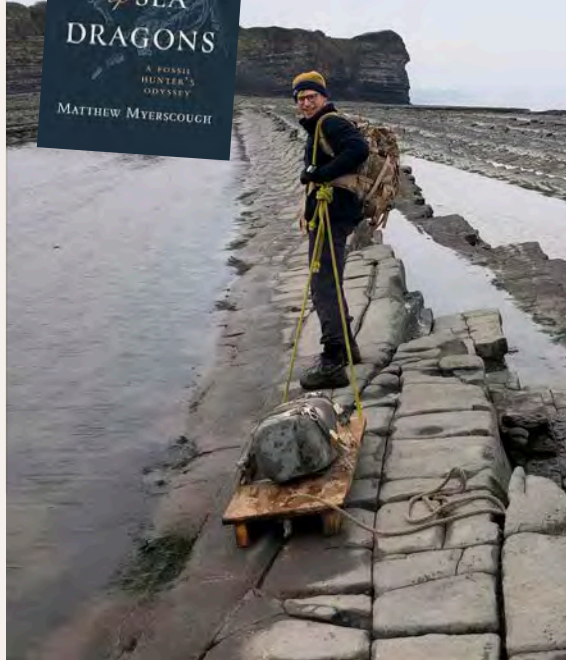


Matthew Myerscough

Author & Chartered Civil Engineer

Join Matthew on an enthralling journey into the distant past as he recounts tales from the beaches of South Wales and Somerset where he searches for the fossilised bones of great marine reptiles, the ichthyosaurs and plesiosaurs. After surviving a terrifying accident in the mountains, Matthew took up a new hobby, fossil hunting, and quickly progressed from amateur to expert collector. Whilst sharing the secrets behind some of his most extraordinary finds, Matthew will also offer practical advice for those looking to start on their own Jurassic journey of discovery and wonder.

The talk will be followed by a book signing.



Talk

15.00-15.45

Fossil Prep 101: an introduction to Fossil Preparation



Kate Acheson-Dumbravă from ZOIC Palaeo Tech & **Alison Park** from Emanyra Fossil Preparation

You've found a fossil, now what do you do with it? Kate and Alison will discuss the main methods of fossil preparation. They will introduce you to some of the tools used, how to use them safely and what to remember when setting up your own preparation station.



Talk

16.00-16.45

220 million years of Dorset sharks



Professor Charlie Underwood
Birkbeck College

The Jurassic Coast of Dorset and nearby areas has yielded a wealth of fossil sharks, ranging in age from Triassic to Eocene, with numerous species still living just offshore. Whilst sometimes overlooked compared to the reptiles, shark fossils from the Jurassic Coast have been important in the understanding of shark evolution, from classic specimens collected by Mary Anning to new finds that are rewriting our knowledge of the radiation of modern sharks and rays.



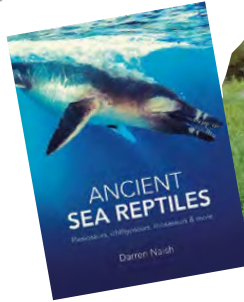
Saturday 13th June, 2-3pm

Book Signing at the Pine Hall

Drop-in event

Dr Darren Naish

Come along to meet Darren, pick up a copy of one of his books and have it signed with a personal message!



Sunday 14th June

**FREE
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Expert Talks at the Pine Hall

**Documentary Film And Q&A
14.00-15.00**

A Hidden Legacy

Mr Mark A Kemp

The Yorkshire Fossil Hunter

When Mark gives up his engineering career to pursue his passion, he unearths a deep sense of purpose that leads him to craft a unique legacy. This short film shows that no matter what stage you are in life, you can always make a change and pursue your dreams.

A Hidden Legacy is a short documentary portrait of Mark Kemp, a self-taught fossil hunter from the Bransholme council estate in Hull, whose quiet determination has reshaped his life and sense of purpose. Set against the shifting, eroding landscapes of East Yorkshire's Holderness Coast, the film follows Mark as he combs the beach at Cowden, an ever-changing shoreline where fragments of deep time are constantly being revealed and reclaimed by the sea. Through Mark's reflective narration, we trace his journey from years spent in construction and engineering, to the moment he first discovered fossil hunting and became utterly absorbed by it.

10min Film followed by a Q&A session chaired by Dr Paul Davis.





The Palaeontological Association was founded in 1957 and has become one of the world's leading learned societies in this field. The Association is a registered charity that promotes the study of palaeontology and its allied sciences through publication of original research and field guides, sponsorship of meetings and field excursions, provision of web resources and information and a program of annual awards.

The interests of members of the Association encompass all aspects of palaeontology, including macropalaeontology, micropalaeontology, palaeobotany, vertebrate palaeontology, palaeoecology, and biostratigraphy.

Join us!

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Visit our stand at the Fossil Festival in the Jubilee Pavilion or find out more at www.palass.org.

The Association is based in the UK but its members are drawn from all over the world. There are currently about 1000 professional, amateur and student members!

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Saturday 13th June

Student Talks at the Driftwood Cafe

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2 Sherborne Lane,
Lyme Regis DT7 3HR

(capacity 40 people)

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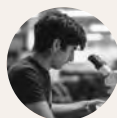
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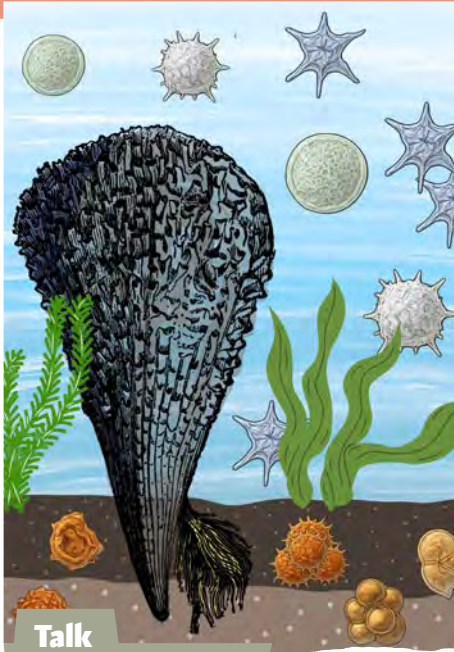
In the shadow of Baryonyx: a hidden diversity of small animals from the Early Cretaceous of Surrey



Aman Chhaya

Palaeontology Student at the
University of Bristol

The Early Cretaceous rocks of southern England have been the focus of intense study for centuries, in large part due to the impressive fossils of dinosaurs, such as *Iguanodon* and *Baryonyx*, found within them. However, bone beds containing tiny fossils of sharks, bony fish, lizards, amphibians, insects, and more, have long remained unstudied, and it is only in recent years that their secrets have started to be revealed. Join University of Bristol undergraduate researcher Aman as he shows the hidden diversity of animals that flourished in the shadow of the dinosaurs, and their importance to palaeontology on a wider scale.



Talk
11.30-12.00

Shell-ebating Pinna: rebuilding their world through the fossils of Lyme Regis



Marie Sofia Sebaratnam
Zoology Graduate from
University College London

The bivalve, Pinna, has been living in Earth's seas since at least the Carboniferous – more than 300 million years ago! Within the Hettangian cliffs of Lyme Regis, lay beds of Pinna preserved exactly where they once lived. My project combined macro- (pinnid fossils) and micro- (marine microfossils) palaeontology, rebuilding the world they lived in. The results painted an environment of shallow seas with not too much input from the land, with Pinna growing bigger when there were more marine microfossils. Pinna helps us unlock the benthic realm of marine life, revealing a world frozen in time along the Jurassic Coast.

Talk
12.30-1.00

Microbial fossils in hydrothermal environments: revealing secrets of ancient life on Earth and beyond



Amy Quinton
PhD student at the Natural
History Museum and Birkbeck,
University of London

Microbes are capable of survival in the harshest environments on earth, thriving under extreme temperatures, pH, salinities, amongst other stressors. In certain extreme environments, such as hot springs, microbial communities can interact with minerals, enabling their preservation in the rock record over geological timescales. These 'micro-fossils' can be studied to reveal chemical, and morphological traces of ancient microbial communities. Studying these 'biosignatures' can help us to understand the earliest forms of life on earth, and provide us with clues as to what signs of microbial life might look like on other planets in our solar system, such as Mars!



Talk

13.30-14.00

Transitions Through Time: What the Microfossil Record Reveals About Major Warming

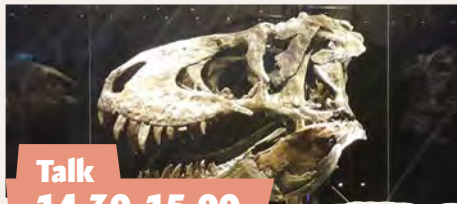


Siobhan Clatworthy

MRes Student at University College London

Jurassic Coast geology holds more than the remains of ammonites and dinosaurs; it also preserves microscopic traces of the past!

This talk presents my postgraduate research with the Natural History Museum, investigating how Terrestrial and Marine ecosystems responded to extreme global warming at the Triassic-Jurassic boundary. Extracting and analysing the microfossil assemblages within rock samples collected from Lyme Regis revealed differences in palynomorph diversity, ecological stability and vegetation. Combining fieldwork, microscopy and chemical processing, this project paints a clearer picture of ancient environments during a time of dramatic change.



Talk

14.30-15.00

Looking beyond the jaws of T. rex



Annabel Hunt

PhD student at the University of Cambridge

Imagine you have excavated a dinosaur skull from the Hell Creek Formation. Firstly, well done! Secondly, dinosaur palaeontologists (like me!) will be itching to examine your specimen to determine whether it belongs to a brand-new species. Unfortunately, your dinosaur's skull bones are tightly joined, concealing scientifically important features that lie beneath the skull surface. Before you consider wielding a sledgehammer to reveal these internal features, let me introduce computed tomography scanning. With this technology I can generate a digital replica of your dinosaur skull that can be broken apart! The application of this technology is the subject of my talk.



Talk

15.30-16.00

Starfish before they were star-shaped



Lucy Jackson

PhD student at the Natural History Museum and University of Reading

Starfish and sea urchins are star-shaped marine invertebrates called echinoderms. How they evolved this unique symmetry is a mystery. We can find fossil ancestors of modern starfish and close relatives in rocks as far back as 520 million-years ago, some of which were not star-shaped at all and instead had bizarre, asymmetrical body plans that would not look out of place in an alien world. This talk will introduce you to some of the strangest of these fossils, discussing how they lived and how current palaeontological research is using them to piece together the early evolution of echinoderms.



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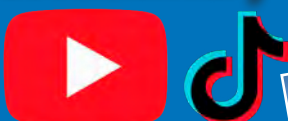


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Student Talks at the Driftwood Cafe



Talk
10.30-11.00

At the Feet of Megalosaurus, The Kirtlington Mammal Bed



Benjamin Cunningham
Palaeontology Student at the
University of Bristol

As *Megalosaurus bucklandii* marks the bicentennial in the naming of the first dinosaur, we can celebrate the legacy of 200 years of dinosaur research. Yet, despite the literal centuries of study, the Middle Jurassic is globally one of the least known and sampled epochs of the Mesozoic, in particular to the terrestrial realm. This presentation will “zoom in” on some of the vertebrate faunas that were at the feet of *Megalosaurus* and other large, iconic Jurassic dinosaurs of British Isles. This talk will detail a comprehensive faunal overview of the microvertebrates of the White Limestone Formation of Kirtlington Quarry, Oxfordshire.



Talk
11.30-12.00

Microvertebrates of the Rhaetic Bone Bed at Carrefour, Bristol



Lavanya Ralhan
Palaeontology Student at the
University of Bristol

This talk analyses the microvertebrate fossils from the Westbury Formation at the Carrefour site, near Bristol. The specimens provide insight into the fauna of the Late Triassic of South West England as well as the correlation between multiple bone beds and the Rhaetic Transgression. Though initially documented in the 1970s, no comprehensive study has been conducted on this site until now. Comprising mostly sharks and bony fish, a key finding reveals what was once thought to be Cephalopod hooklets in earlier studies turns out to be a peculiar form of Chondrichthyan denticle previously documented only once in British Rhaetic beds.



Talk
12.30-13.00

Cretaceous Sharks and Climate Change



Chloe Griffiths

PhD Student at Birkbeck,
University of London &
Natural History Museum,
London

The sharks in our oceans today are part of a lineage that has survived every mass extinction and extreme climate change event over the last 250 million years, yet worryingly, all modern shark species are expected to face climate change threats over the next century.

During this talk, we will swim through the mid-Cretaceous, a period of drastic climate and environmental change. Using clues from fossilised shark teeth and the rocks in which they are found, we will explore what sharks were like during this period, how they responded to change, and how this understanding might help protect modern sharks.



Talk
13.30-14.00

Corals Past and Present



Katherine Faulkner

PhD Student at the University
of Oxford (Department of
Earth Sciences)

Coral reefs are the rainforests of the sea. Many plants and animals rely on corals for food and shelter, and humans rely on reefs for fishing and protection from flooding. The Coral Triangle is a region with many corals. It is located near places like Malaysia and Papua New Guinea, and it is home to the highest number of marine species in the world. This talk will explore the last 30 million years to see what the first corals of the region were like, what environment they lived in, and what fossil corals can tell us about the environment today.



Talk

14.30-15.00

Dipteronotus and the Evolution of Middle Triassic Fish



Emma Ayres

Palaeobiology MSc student at the University of Bristol

Today there are over 30,000 species of fish, but not much is known about their significant diversification during the Middle Triassic. Few sites around the world have fish fossils from this time, revealing that many new forms appeared in this period, and one such site is in Devon. The Otter Sandstone Formation near Sidmouth has a wealth of freshwater fish fossils, one of these being the very well-preserved *Dipteronotus*. These fossils have not been studied much until now, and hopefully they will help us to understand more about this important chapter in fish evolution.



Talk

15.30-16.00

A Crocodile Before Its Time: Secrets of *Duria Antiquior*



Hamzah Imran

Palaeontology PhD Student at the University of Portsmouth

Dive into deep time with *Duria Antiquior*, painted by geologist-artist Henry De la Beche in 1830 and inspired by the fossil finds of Mary Anning at Lyme Regis. This is one of the world's first prehistoric "action scenes" — ichthyosaurs clash, plesiosaurs snap, and ancient seas churn with life. But look closely, the odd fossil out is a crocodile-like reptile. No crocodile had been found in Lyme Regis in 1830. Was it artistic license? Educated guesswork? Fast-forward to 2023 — crocodyliform remains were finally reported from the area. Sometimes, art really does predict science.





**FREE
TO ATTEND**

'Meet the Amazing Mary Anning' Story Walk

Saturday 13th June & Sunday 14th June 11am-12pm/1-2pm/3-4pm.

FREE EVENT.

No need to book, drop-in events, meet by the Anchor by the Cobb Gate Car Park on the seafront 5 minutes before the Walk starts.

Walk with the great fossil hunter through the story of her life! Meet at the Anchor by the Cobb Gate Car Park, with a short walk to the Mary Anning Statue on Gun Cliff to hear her relive her 'best bits', from being struck by lightning as a baby to finding her first Ichthyosaur and astounding the learned scientists of her time. Show her your own fossil discoveries and compare adventures! (All ages welcome. Statue visit weather permitting.)

Performed by RADA trained actress and RSC practitioner, Lizzie Hopley.

'Walking in Mary Anning's footsteps' Walk

Sunday 14th June 10am-11am

Ticketed event, please book online at www.fossilfestival.com

Tickets: Adult £12.75/Child £8.75

Meet by the Mary Anning Statue on the seafront 5 minutes before the Walk starts.

200 years on, Mary Anning would still recognise the streets and many of the buildings of Lyme Regis. Join Mary's biographer Tom Sharpe on a walk through the town to see and hear about some of the places that Mary knew well. (1hr/About a mile in length/Involves some steps.)

Led by Historian of Geology, Geologist, Author and Mary Anning expert, Dr Tom Sharpe.

TICKETED EVENT



Fossil Walks



**TICKETED
EVENTS**

Saturday 13th - 9.15am / Sunday 14th - 10.00am

Fossil Walks from Lyme Regis Museum
Broad Street, Lyme Regis DT7 3QA
(capacity 60 people, 2-3hrs).

Ticketed events, please book online:
www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk

Organisers of the Fossil Festival, Lyme Regis Museum, will be running expert-led Guided Fossil Walks on both days of the Festival. Go fossil hunting on Lyme's famous East beach and Black Ven, learn all about the geology of the Jurassic Coast and discover your own fossils to take home! Walks last between 2.5-3hrs.

Tickets: Adults £18.95 / Children (6+ yrs) £12.75
(includes Museum entry)



Saturday 13th June

**FREE
TO ATTEND**

Palaeoart Workshops at the Bakehouse Studio

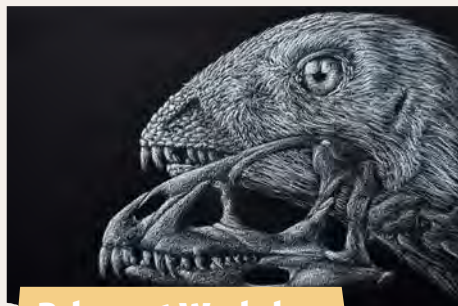
Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis,
DT7 3PU

(capacity 12-15 people)

FREE ADMISSION.

**No need to book, drop-in events.
Please note this venue is accessed
via stairs and there is no lift.**

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**Palaeoart Workshop
10.30-11.30**

From bones to illustrations: Recreation of an extinct animal

Karim Zanaty

(All ages)

How do we know what Velociraptor looked like? What do bones and fossils tell us, and what is a product of an artist's imagination?

In this hands-on workshop, Karim Zanaty will guide you through the process of recreating famous and extraordinary extinct animals based solely on the information fossils provide. By the end of this workshop, you'll be the creator of your own artwork of an extinct animal of your choice.





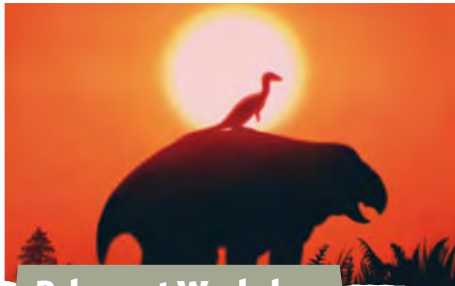
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How to draw Pterosaurs

Emy Moss

(Suitable for all skill levels - beginners welcome!)

In this creative workshop, come and learn how to draw the iconic flying reptiles that once populated the prehistoric Lyme Regis skies and coasts - **Pterosaurs!** Learn how to draw pterosaurs, step by step.



Palaeoart Workshop
13.30-14.30

From the outline to the flesh. A demonstration of the Paleoart Process

Haider Syed Jaffri

(All ages)

This workshop highlight Haider's work process, how he plans his pieces, drafts and finally executes the final artwork. See how Haider creates the form of extinct creatures in motion.



Palaeoart Workshop
15.00-16.00

Create your own fossil in clay

Karen Fawcett Studios

(All ages)

In this hands-on session, participants will press clay into plaster casts taken from real fossils, creating their own detailed fossil impressions. A range of designs will be available, from a velociraptor skull to a locally discovered ammonite. Everyone can take their finished creations home as a unique prehistoric keepsake.



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Sunday 14th June

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**MUSEUMS
& ARTS
QUARTER**

Palaeoart Workshops at the Bakehouse Studio



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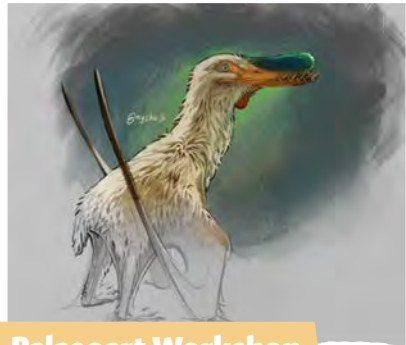
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MUSEUMS & ARTS QUARTER

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Museum Activities at The Hub

Church Street, Lyme Regis DT7 3BS

FREE ADMISSION.

Come and meet the teams from a wide range of Museums and organisations, view their displays and take part in some hands-on activities.

Exhibitors include:



Craft & Art Market at the Malthouse Gallery

Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis, DT7 3PU

FREE ADMISSION.

Come and browse our Craft and Art Market at the Malthouse Gallery with a range of traders including:

- Beth's Sketches
- Everyday Paleontology
- EXEtinct
- Haider Jaffri
- Karen Fawcett
- Karim Zanaty
- Plantosaurus
- Primordial Soup
- The Introvertebrates
- The Younger Earth

FREE TO ATTEND

Terrible Lizards Live Podcast Event

at The Royal Lion Hotel

60 Broad St, Lyme Regis DT7 3QF

(capacity 40 people).

Ticketed event, please book online:
www.fossilfestival.com



Saturday 13th June | 18.30-19.30

with Iszi Lawrence and Dr David Hone

Come along to watch and listen to a live podcast recording!

Terrible lizards is a podcast about dinosaurs with Dr David Hone from Queen Mary University, London and Iszi Lawrence. The podcast is aimed at grown ups but it is clean, so kids can enjoy it too. Iszi and Dave made friends two decades ago but lost touch... but thanks to a chance meeting at a rather good Christmas Party in 2019 they were reunited. After both having far too much time in 2020 they started Terrible Lizards and have been educating the public without advertising ever since thanks to their supporters on Patreon.

Tickets: £3



**TICKETED
EVENT**





LYME REGIS MUSEUM

**CHILDREN
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Broad Street, Lyme Regis DT7 3QA

Opening Times:

Saturday 13th June, 10am-5pm

Sunday 14th June, 10am-4pm

There's plenty to discover at **Lyme Regis Museum** during the Lyme Regis Fossil Festival weekend!

Take a journey through 200 million years of history.

Entry: Adult £2/Child FREE



Learn about the amazing discoveries of pioneering fossil hunter **Mary Anning**.

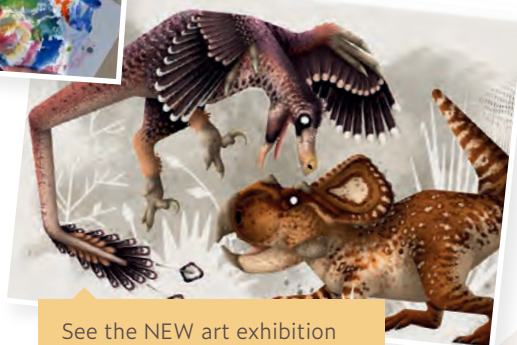
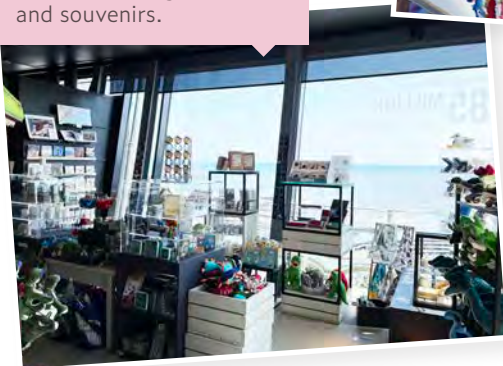


Explore our fascinating **Geology Gallery**, packed with incredible fossils from the Jurassic Coast.

Get hands-on in our **craft activity workshop**.



Visit the **Museum Shop**, with its fantastic range of fossil-themed gifts, books and souvenirs.



See the **NEW** art exhibition by natural history illustrator **Emily Higgs**.

Saturday 13th/Sunday 14th June
10am-5pm

ACCESSIBLE
VENUE



Activities on Marine Parade on the seafront, Lyme Regis

Exhibitors & Traders on Marine Parade

FREE
TO ATTEND

Throughout the weekend you will be able to enjoy shopping, displays and activities on Marine Parade. Exhibitors and Traders include:

- Dad's Collection
- Devon Fox
- Dottisaurus
- DRM Quality Stained Glass
- Fossil Atelier
- GeologiebyBecca
- Jurassic Coast Fossil Shop
- Jurassic Discovery
- Lyme Regis Museum
- Recycle the Sea
- Sally Mareike Ceramics
- Sarah Jane Gordon Art
- The Fishery Workshop

Saturday 13th/Sunday 14th June

Fossil Polishing



with **Lyme Regis Museum**

Times: 10am-12.30pm & 2-4.30pm

Don't miss the opportunity to have a go at Fossil Polishing at the shelters on the Marine Parade! Polish your own piece of 200 million year old history to take home as the ultimate souvenir from the Festival... all age welcome!

Saturday 13th/ Sunday 14th June

FREE
TO ATTEND

The Rock Showman

Times: 11am/1pm/3pm

Fossils from Space!?!

Fossil Festival fans all know that fossils are out of this world, but could we find ACTUAL fossils beyond our planet?

Join festival favourite '**The Rock Showman**', on an epic journey searching for life in space.

A performance lecture with tricks, rocks & rock music, inviting you to explore the solar system, uncover early life & hold a meteorite in your hand.

Will we uncover extraterrestrial fossils? Watch this 'space'!



Saturday 13th/Sunday 14th June

Exhibitions/Activities in the Jubilee Pavilion

Exhibitions/Activities in
the Jubilee Pavilion on
the seafront, Lyme Regis.

No need to book,
drop-in activities.



**FREE
TO ATTEND**



**Exhibition & Activities
10.00-17.00**

Stori Brymbo

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10.00-17.00**

**The Palaeontological
Association**



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Exhibitors & Traders Marquee Lister Gardens

Opening times
Saturday 13th June 10am-5pm
Sunday 14th June 10am-5pm

FREE entry.

Expect plenty of family friendly displays, activities and shopping opportunities from our diverse range of exhibitors and traders including:

- Button and Squirt
- C.A Fossils & Crystals
- Carla Owen Creations
- Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre
- Cloud Crystals
- Cretaceous Creations
- Dorset Geologists Association
- Dorset Wildlife Trust
- Emily Higgs Art
- Fossil Fanatic
- Fossils Rock
- Fossils UK (Natural Wonders Ltd)
- Harriet Rose Art
- Jdean_fossils
- Jurassic Gems
- Knightwood Photoart
- Lee Brown Paleoart
- Organika Gems
- Phoebe Ginger
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- Speed Thief
- Stonebarrow Fossils
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- TascioRex
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- The Etches Collection Museum of Jurassic Marine Life
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- Thecodontia
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- University of Southampton
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Thank you to all of our exhibitors and traders for their support of this year's event. If you are interested in exhibiting or trading at the 2027 Fossil Festival, please get in touch with us at email chat@fossilfestival.com.



Lyme Bay Moonrakers

Saturday 13th June 2-3pm, Marine Parade

Don't miss the **Lyme Bay Moonrakers** at this year's Fossil Festival!

Founded in 2020 by Musical Director Mark Hewitt, Lyme Bay Moonrakers is a vocal group of 20 men and women from the Lyme Regis area. The group sing mainly unaccompanied songs of the sea, in bold, new musical arrangements. Folksongs, ballads and shanties, as well as new original songs, feature in their pop-up performances and yearly theatre shows. You can find them singing in 19th century-style costume, supporting local events in Lyme Regis such as the Fossil Festival, the RNLI, the Lyme Regis Boat Building Academy, the Lyme Regis Gig Club and many more. Their first cd 'Songs for the Wellerman' was released in 2022.

Catch around the Moonrakers on the seafront on Saturday 13th June between 2-3pm.

E-mail: lymebaymoonrakers@gmail.com
Website: www.lymebaymoonrakers.org

X: [@LMoonrakers](https://twitter.com/LMoonrakers)
Facebook: [@LymeBayMoonrakers](https://www.facebook.com/LymeBayMoonrakers)
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Lyme Regis Town Band

Sunday 14th June 2.30-3pm & 4-4.30pm, Marine Theatre Square

The Fossil Festival welcomes the return of the **Lyme Regis Town Band** to its programme for 2026!

Lyme Regis Town Band welcomes players of all ages and abilities and its prime function is to encourage and promote the enjoyment of brass band music for both players and audiences. It is an integral part of the local community and regularly supports the fundraising activities of the many organisations in the town. The band is also well known for its free open air concerts held on Marine Parade on Tuesday evenings throughout July and August, which are a regular fixture for both local residents and holiday makers. Audience participation is encouraged and a good time is had by all. The summer season concludes this year with a final night on September 1st – by tradition the closing night attracts an extra crowd of family, friends and supporters.

Be sure not to miss the Town Band performing on the Marine Theatre Square on Sunday afternoon!

E-mail: info@lymeregistownband.co.uk
Website: www.lymeregistownband.co.uk

Facebook: [@LymeRegisTownBand](https://www.facebook.com/LymeRegisTownBand)
Instagram: www.instagram.com/lymeregistownband

Lyme Morris

Sunday 14th June, Marine Parade

We are delighted that **Lyme Morris** will be performing at this year's Fossil Festival!

T Rex Lymeosaurus will be once again joining the group parading along the seafront. Lyme Morris will be performing on Sunday afternoon on the seafront. Watch out for them to meet Lymeosaurus and Bubbles the seahorse and join in with a dance!

E-mail: petemorton56@googlemail.com





Festival Food

Take a break from events and activities and grab a bite to eat or a refreshing drink from one of our delicious Festival Food stands at the event. Our food traders include:

Marine Parade

Chloe's Coffee:

Barista Coffee, hot drinks and cake

Dish Vegetarian Kitchen:

Healthy & nutritious vegetarian & vegan food

Flame Cave Pizza:

Hand stretched sour dough pizzas

Jurassic Drinks:

Unique and refreshing drinks that embody the spirit of our beautiful surroundings, using Spring Water from Woodbury pebble beds

The Churros Company:

Making really good churros using locally sourced ingredients

Museums & Artists Quarter

The Cosy Cart:

Coffee and teas, matcha, soft drinks, panini, and snacks





Fossil Festival

Lyme Regis 2026

Interested in becoming a supporter of the Fossil Festival? We'd love to chat!

There are many ways that you can help with and support the **Fossil Festival**. If you are interested in volunteering or supporting next year's event we'd love to hear from you!

Get in touch by emailing chat@fossilfestival.com.

Fossil Festival Supporters

This year's Festival would not be possible without our supporters. Many thanks to the following organisations for their contributions to the event:



The Fossil Festival is proud to be supported by **Airbnb** through their 'Best of British' Fund programme. The "Best of British" Fund, launched by Airbnb in partnership with VisitBritain, is a £1 million funding initiative designed to support communities, cultural organisations and small businesses across the UK. The campaign aims to celebrate and promote distinctive British traditions, heritage and local experiences while boosting tourism and helping the hospitality sector recover from rising costs and economic pressures. Grants were available to projects that highlight areas such as nature and the outdoors, food and dining, music and arts and culture and heritage, encouraging visitors to explore lesser-known destinations and discover authentic local experiences beyond the usual tourist hotspots.

We are delighted to have been selected to receive a grant for the Fossil Festival in the culture and heritage section which will help secure and deliver the Festival's vision in 2026 & 2027. Our thanks to Airbnb for their generous support of the Festival!

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Lyme Regis Town Council

Many thanks to Lyme Regis Town Council for their generous support of this year's Fossil Festival.

www.lymeregistowncouncil.gov.uk



The Geologists' Association

Huge thanks to the Geologists' Association for their support of the event through the Curry Fund.

www.geologistsassociation.org.uk



Lee Brown Paleart

We are extremely grateful to Artist Lee Brown for the fantastic *Dimorphodon* drawing that he produced for the Fossil Festival promotional material this year! Lee has a stall at the Festival this year – you can find him in the Lister Gardens Marquee (Lee Brown Paleart), go along and say hello and check out his fantastic artworks!

www.dinosaurart.co.uk

www.instagram.com/leebrownpaleart

www.facebook.com/leebrownpaleart

Make a difference today!

The **Fossil Festival** is a Community Interest Company. All donations, small or large help to create and deliver the UK's greatest palaeontological event. Be part of it!

Donate at:

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(Donations are made through the Lyme Regis Museum Just Giving page and allocated to the Lyme Regis Fossil Festival Community Interest Company.)

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He furthered his academic credentials with a master's degree in Palaeobiology from Bristol University. Over the past 25 years, Fossils-uk.com has maintained a reputation for quality and authenticity, with many English fossils prepared in their on-site workshop. The company's commitment to excellence is reflected in customer feedback, boasting an average rating of 4.95 from 97 reviews.

Website: www.fossils-uk.com
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The Palaeontological Association was founded in 1957 and has become one of the world's leading learned societies in this field. The Association is a registered charity that promotes the study of palaeontology and its allied sciences through publication of original research and field guides, sponsorship of meetings and field excursions, provision of web resources and information and a program of annual awards.

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The UK Fossils Shop features over 5,000 unique British and worldwide fossils for sale, including an impressive selection of rare specimens across all fossil groups. We collect and prepare many of our own fossils in the heart of the Dorset Jurassic Coast, working localities such as Lyme Regis, Charmouth and Somerset. Our passion for fossils is reflected in our carefully curated collection, which includes some of the rarest and most unusual specimens available.

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Perched above the seafront with sweeping views across Lyme Bay, the Alexandra is one of Lyme Regis' most iconic places to stay. Combining elegant Georgian character with modern comfort, it offers a warm welcome to visitors exploring the Jurassic Coast. With its beautifully kept gardens, terrace dining and close proximity to the Museum and festival events, the Alexandra provides an ideal base during the Fossil Festival, whether you're joining for a day or making a longer stay of it.

Website: www.hotelalexandra.co.uk
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Instagram: www.instagram.com/alexandrahotel_lymeregis

Interested in sponsoring next year's event? We'd love to hear from you!

For more information email us at chat@fossilfestival.com

About the Lyme Regis Fossil Festival




The Lyme Regis Fossil Festival was set up in 2005 by a group of local fossil enthusiasts who had a vision to celebrate geology, earth sciences and the Jurassic Coast in a FREE family focused event.

The event is a registered Community Interest Company (Company number 15469684) and is organised by Lyme Regis Museum with supporting partners.

Contact us

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Website: www.fossilfestival.com

Fabulous Fossil Festival Food

Make the most of your visit to the Fossil Festival by exploring Lyme Regis's fantastic food and drink scene! Our **Fabulous Festival Food & Drink** page highlights local cafés, restaurants, pubs and takeaways ready to welcome festival goers throughout the weekend.

Look out for businesses offering a special **Festival Dish** or **Themed Treat** created especially for the event. Whether you're after a quick bite between talks, a family-friendly lunch, or a relaxing evening meal, there's something to suit every appetite.

Support local, refuel in style, and discover some delicious Jurassic-inspired flavours while you're in town!



Grab some fabulous food and drink at one of our partner businesses:

Old Fudge Shop

9 Broad St, Lyme Regis DT7 3QD

Millys Ice Cream

5a Marine Parade, Lyme Regis DT7 3JE
www.facebook.com/Millysicecreamdevon

Poco Pizza

29 Marine Parade, Lyme Regis DT7 3JF
www.pocopizza.co.uk

Swim

Marine Parade, Lyme Regis DT7 3JH
www.weswim.co.uk

The Alexandra Hotel

Pound Street, Lyme Regis, DT7 3HZ
www.hotelalexandra.co.uk

The Bagel Shop

21 Broad Street, Lyme Regis DT7 3QE
www.wavetrading.co.uk/the-bagel-shop

The Royal Lion Hotel

60 Broad St, Lyme Regis DT7 3QF
www.royallionhotel.com

Tom's Restaurant

Marine Parade, Lyme Regis DT7 3JQ
www.tomslymergis.com

Waffle House

37 Broad Street, Lyme Regis DT7 3QF
www.waffle.org.uk

Fossil Festival Dinosaur Quiz Trail

WIN A PRIZE!

Take part in our town-wide Fossil Festival Dinosaur Quiz Trail and explore Lyme Regis along the way!

Collect your Dinosaurs Quiz Trail leaflet from **The Hub, The Baptist Church, The Festival Hut** or **Lyme Regis Museum** (or download from the Competition tab on the Fossil Festival website) and use the map to look out for the **dinosaur footprint** displayed in participating shop windows, this marks each stop on the trail. Head inside to find a hidden letter and write it down on your trail sheet. Visit all the locations, collect the letters and work out the **mystery word**. Once you've cracked it, return your completed sheet to **The Festival Hut** on Marine Parade to be entered into our prize draw for the chance to **win a prize**.

It's free to take part, great fun for all ages, and there's a chance to win a fantastic bundle of Fossil Festival merchandise and goodies. Happy hunting!

Competition opens on Saturday 13th June at 10am and closes on Sunday 14th June at 4pm. Winners will be notified on 15th June 2026.



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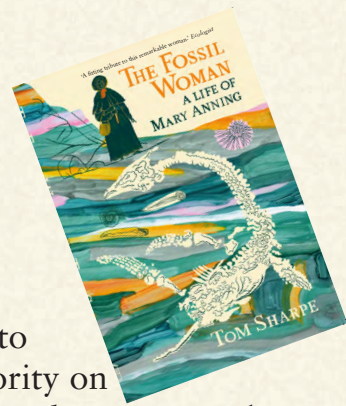
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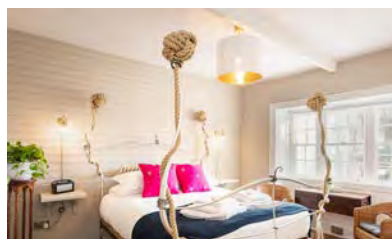
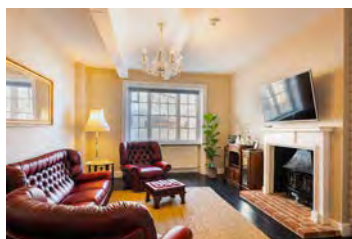
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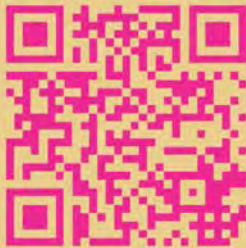
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