

To Beckford's Tower and M4 (J18)

**Beckford's Tower** is two miles from the Royal Crescent heading north up Lansdown Road. Follow signs for Bath Racecourse and Lansdown Park & Ride.

- 1 NO. 1, ROYAL CRESCENT**  
Bath BA1 2LR
- 2 MUSEUM OF BATH ARCHITECTURE**  
The Countess of Huntingdon's Chapel, The Vineyards, Paragon,  
Bath BA1 5NA
- 3 BECKFORD'S TOWER & MUSEUM**  
Lansdown, Bath BA1 9BH
- 4 HERSCHEL MUSEUM OF ASTRONOMY**  
19 New King Street,  
Bath BA1 2BL



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## Information

### Group bookings and special tours

Group bookings, booked in advance, are very welcome at all our museums. Guided tours and introductory talks can also be booked as can refreshments including wine. Private tours or small corporate events can include speakers on topics including:

18th century ~ art and architecture ~ astronomy ~ interior design ~ graveyards ~ historic food and drink ~ behind the scenes ~ history of Bath ~ costume ~ film and literary associations (including Jane Austen) ~ fans, beauty spots, wigs etc.

### No. 1 Group Bookings for 15+ people

- ~ Special entry rate during normal opening hours: £7 per person
- ~ Talk and refreshments during normal opening hours: £12
- ~ Exclusive after-hours tour with wine and light refreshments: £17.50.

No. 1 Royal Crescent also offers bespoke tours and group bookings as well as entry before public opening times. For all bookings please contact [bookings@bptrust.org.uk](mailto:bookings@bptrust.org.uk) or call **01225 428 126**.

### Education

Bring history to life! Our museums provide exciting educational experiences for schools, higher and adult education groups and families. We offer fascinating workshops, lectures, tours and study events for all learning levels, supported by handling collections and period costumes. We run a full programme throughout the year and more information can be found at [no1royalcrescent.org.uk/education](http://no1royalcrescent.org.uk/education) or contact the Education Officer on **01225 333 895** or [pandrews@bptrust.org.uk](mailto:pandrews@bptrust.org.uk)

### School Workshops

**No. 1** – £5.25 per student ~ **Herschel Amazing Astronomy** (held at Herschel and No.1) – £5.25 per student ~ **Herschel Spectacular Space** – £4.25 per student. Teachers and accompanying adults are free

### Museum shops

Our museums have well-stocked shops with a wide range of books, gifts, souvenirs and postcards.

### Disabled access

There is level access to most of No. 1 Royal Crescent, with a virtual tour of those hard-to-reach areas. Virtual tours are available at the Herschel Museum and Beckford's Tower, whilst the Museum of Bath Architecture is fully accessible. The Herschel Museum also has an audio tour for visitors with visual impairment.

For further information please call the individual museums to discuss your specific requirements.



Bath Preservation Trust was set up in 1934 to safeguard the historic city of Bath. Bath is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the only complete city in the UK afforded World Heritage Status. The purposes of the Trust are:

- ~ to encourage and support the conservation, evolution and enhancement of Bath and its environs within a framework appropriate both to its historic setting and its sustainable future
- ~ to provide educational resources which focus on the architectural and historic importance of the City.

The Trust is a registered charity and receives no statutory funding. Donations, grants and membership subscriptions are our only form of income other than entrance charges. BPT is supported by around 1450 members who share a passion for the City and its environs.

### Become a member of Bath Preservation Trust

As a Trust member you can rest assured you are contributing to a worthy cause. The benefits of membership are many:

- ~ know you are playing a vital role in helping to preserve Bath's heritage
- ~ put your views to the Trust at the Annual General Meeting
- ~ seek advice from the Trust's various committees on points of policy or historic and architectural detail
- ~ take part in a series of Trust Walks, Talks and Tours
- ~ meet fellow members with similar interests
- ~ visit all Trust museums free of charge throughout the season
- ~ receive the Trust's annual publications and other communications.

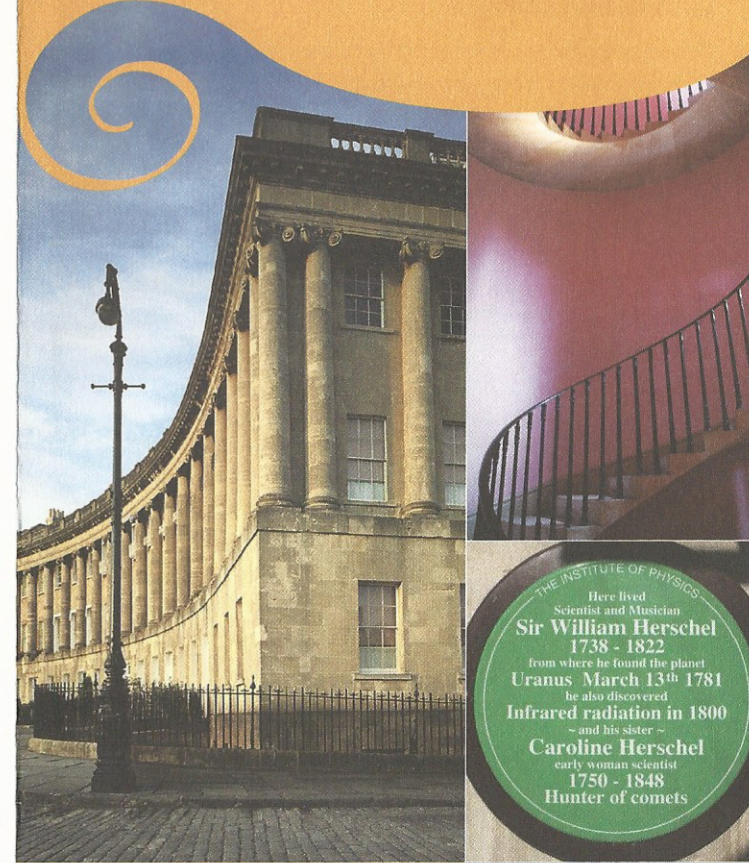
Single adult membership is just £20 per year. There are levels of double, family, corporate and life memberships, too.

Please visit the websites for more information and an application form.

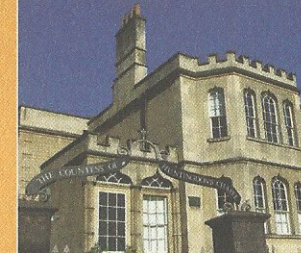
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# BATH PRESERVATION TRUST

No.1 Royal Crescent  
Museum of Bath Architecture  
Beckford's Tower and Museum  
Herschel Museum of Astronomy



design: piersanddominic.com



"The best address in Bath"

The Times

# No. 1 ONE ROYAL CRESCENT

No. 1 was the first house to be built in Bath's finest crescent, in the UK's only city designated as a World Heritage Site. Come inside to experience what life was like for Bath's rich and fashionable residents.

10 display rooms ~ upstairs and downstairs ~ Georgian shop  
~ free information room ~ varied events ~ friendly guides  
~ children's activity packs and dressing-up.

### EXHIBITIONS

#### ROYAL CRESCENT AT 250 CELEBRATING THE CREATION OF AN ICON

The foundation stone of this masterpiece of 18th century design was laid at No. 1 Royal Crescent on 19 May 1767

#### FROM ROME TO THE ROYAL CRESCENT FEB-JUN 2017

Intricate models

#### A VIEW FROM THE CRESCENT JUN-NOV 2017

Artists' work over the years

#### NEW VIEWS NOV-DEC 2017

Community artwork

Joint ticket discounts with the **Museum of Bath Architecture** and the **Fashion Museum**

4 Feb – 17 Dec 2017  
Tue-Sun 10:30-17:30 | Mon 12-17:30 (last entry 16.30)  
Adult £10.00 | Child £4.00 | Family £22.00  
Concessions, students, Discovery Card holders and group rates available

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"No visitor to Bath should miss it"

The Spectator



# MUSEUM OF BATH ARCHITECTURE

Here you will discover the story behind the elegant architecture of Bath. Maps, models, building items, films, cross-sections and photographs will help you understand how this World Heritage City was created. Located at the Countess of Huntingdon's Chapel, the Museum of Bath Architecture is the only museum that explains how a small walled town of 2,000 inhabitants has grown into the beautiful and elaborate city you see today.

The influences of classical design are explored and building techniques explained, alongside models revealing the construction of an 18th century townhouse.

Old maps show how the city has grown, and the famous Bath Model – a fully detailed architectural model – offers an incredible insight into the development of the Georgian city.

### EXHIBITIONS

#### ROYAL CRESCENT AT 250 CELEBRATING THE CREATION OF AN ICON

Building started on 19 May 1767

#### ROYAL CRESCENT DECONSTRUCTED/CONSTRUCTED FEB-JUN 2017

An installation exploring the construction of the Royal Crescent

#### PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE: BATH, MODERNISM AND THE SMITHSONS JUN-NOV 2017

How the Royal Crescent has inspired 20th century architects

11 Feb – 26 Nov 2017  
Tue-Fri 14:00-17:00 | Sat-Sun 10:30-17:00  
Adult £6.00 | Child £2.50 | Family £14.00  
Joint ticket discount with **No. 1 Royal Crescent**  
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"Quintessentially 18th century Bath"

The Daily Telegraph



# HERSCHEL MUSEUM OF ASTRONOMY

19 New King Street is a delightful and unique example of a fully restored modest Georgian townhouse. It was home to the astronomer and musician William Herschel and his sister Caroline. Particularly evocative features include Herschel's workshop, his music room and a charming 18th century formal garden where, with a telescope of his own construction, Herschel discovered the planet Uranus in 1781.

In the Star Vault, an award winning film takes you on a voyage of discovery through the universe and brings the history of the house to life.

### EXHIBITIONS

#### ROYAL CRESCENT AT 250 CELEBRATING THE CREATION OF AN ICON

**Jubilate: The musical and scientific life of 18th century Bath** links RC250 celebrations with the 250th anniversary of William Herschel being appointed Director of Music in Bath

RC250 is supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund



16 Jan – 10 Dec 2017  
Mon-Fri 13:00-17:00 | Sat-Sun/Bank Holiday Mondays 11:00-17:00  
Adult £6.50 | Child £3.00 | Family £15.50  
Concessions, students, Discovery Card holders and group rates available

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"I am growing rich, and mean to build towers"

William Beckford



# BECKFORD'S TOWER AND MUSEUM

The elegant, golden-topped neo-classical tower on Lansdown Hill was built by Henry Goodridge in 1827 as a retreat for the brilliant writer and eccentric William Beckford. Born to great wealth and endowed with precocious talent Beckford created magnificent buildings in which to store his extraordinary art, furniture and book collections. Today the tower houses a museum dedicated to Beckford.

The magnificent spiral staircase sweeps up to the Belvedere with its ornately gilded lantern affording breath-taking views over Bath and the surrounding countryside. At the foot of the tower is the Victorian cemetery, once part of Beckford's pleasure garden, where both he and Goodridge lie buried.

Check the website for our regular 'Behind the Scenes' tours of otherwise private parts.

### EXHIBITIONS

#### MARKING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECRIMINALISATION OF HOMOSEXUALITY IN THE UK

We explore William Beckford's exile from England and why he sought escape in Bath, creating Beckford's Tower

4 Mar – 29 Oct 2017  
Sat-Sun/Bank Holiday Mondays 10:30-17:00  
Adult £5.00 | Child £2.00 | Family £11.50  
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